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Tuesdays @ 9 am  
Thursdays @ 9 am & 7:45 pm  
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**Messenger of Peace** is a publication of: Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church, Wautoma, WI.

#### **Purpose**

*Messenger of Peace* serves the Peace Ev. Lutheran Church family with information about people and events that are part of the Peace ministry and with articles that encourage Christian living.

#### **Articles**

Please forward information and articles to Christine in the office by the third Sunday of each month. Put in the office or email it to: peacelutheran@centurytel.net.



# Messenger of Peace

June 2013

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## Summer Office Hours

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday  
8 am-5 pm  
(beginning June 10th)



(Exodus 20:12)

*Honor your father  
and your mother,  
so that you may live  
long in the land the  
LORD your God  
is giving you.*



Join us for

## Summertime Story Hour

Sponsored by the Peace Lutheran Church Library



Story Hour is for children, up to third grade, and their parents or guardians.  
Join us one morning a month for stories and fun crafts.

Wednesday, June 12 10:30 am

Wednesday, July 10 10:30 am

Wednesday, August 14 10:30 am

All ages are invited to come after story hour on August 14 as we celebrate Christmas in August with a special showing of "Veggie Tales: The Little Drummer Boy"



*Story Hour is led by the Peace Lutheran Church Librarians.  
Please see Emily Riedel or Emily Bohn with any questions.*



Fourteen years ago, my then-boyfriend surprised me by flying from Kodiak Island, Alaska (his home), to Milwaukee (my home), to ask me to marry him. We had met through friends via e-mail about 15 months before, and, crazy as it sounds now, we only visited in person seven times before we were married. Would I do it all again? Absolutely! Will I freak out a little if my daughters try this? Undoubtedly!

In our early years of marriage, we often had a “tell me one thing I’m doing well and one thing you’d like me to work on” conversation. We had nightly devotions and prayed long prayers. As often happens when schedules get busy or kids are born, we were lucky to have a conversation that didn’t include the word *diaper*, much less have serious conversations about our marriage.

As I think back to the day Greg proposed, I still love him and am thankful that God gave me the man I needed. At the same time, I’m reevaluating how much intentional energy I’ve been putting into our marriage and wondering how to build an even better one. So I asked friends for their marriage advice and wanted to share it with you.

My favorite gem comes from a woman whose marriage has weathered the death of a child, cancers, ill parents, a bone marrow transplant, and heart attacks—a marriage that will celebrate its 49th anniversary this August. Her advice? **“The grass is always greener where you water it.”**

With that, I share 15 ways to help us all water the grass on our side of the fence.

1. **Build your marriage with God** as the solid foundation--this is the most important one!
2. **Nag God, not your hubby.** Yes, your bathroom has been under construction since last Thanksgiving, but praying about supporting your husband in his everyday life will get you much further than asking him daily when he’s going to finish.
3. **Don’t go to bed mad.** Do go to bed at the same time. Have “pillow talk” between just the two of you. Learn about each other as you grow and change.
4. **Pray for each other** every day. Pray together often.
5. **Do a chore you don’t like**--yes, even cleaning the toilet shows you care.
6. **Leave love notes** in odd places--in a jacket pocket, in the car, in a wallet or purse.
7. **Learn each other’s love language** and “say” I love you in that language. Doing the dishes for your spouse might seem like a great way to say I love you, but when their love language is quality time, they’d rather have dirty dishes in the kitchen and you next to them on the couch.
8. **Diligently protect your marriage from infidelity.** Don’t spend enormous amounts of time with a member of the opposite sex. Guard your heart.
9. **Work more on your marriage than you did on the wedding.** That was just a day; this is for a lifetime.
10. **Plan date nights.** No, I don’t mean going to the grocery store together. A real date.
11. **Listen** when your spouse talks to you. Listening means being attentive, responding when asked, not judging, not interrupting, being fully engaged.
12. **Give lots of grace**, just like you get from God every day.
13. **Write down five ways that you see God working through your spouse** and show them your list. Say thank you!
14. **Hold hands** in public so much your kids get uncomfortable.
15. **Model a loving, healthy relationship for your kids.** You have the biggest influence on the husband or wife they’re going to be someday.

**“Two are better than one. . . If either of them falls down, one can help the other up.”**

Ecclesiastes 4:9,10

Written by Linda Buxa, born and raised a city girl, married to Greg, born and raised a country boy. They are almost complete opposites, which makes them a great team. Linda blogs at Time of Grace, [www.timeofgrace.org](http://www.timeofgrace.org). © Time of Grace May 2013

## A Short Story

### I Need More... REST

***“Come to Me all you who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest”***



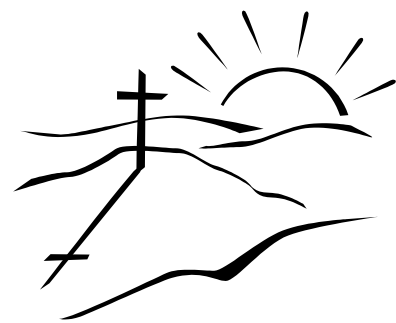
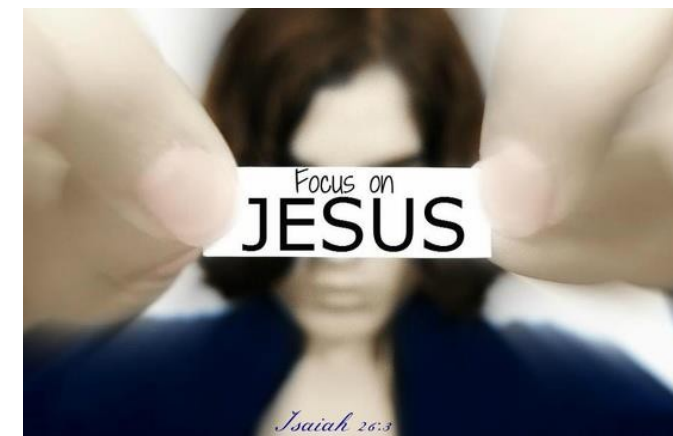
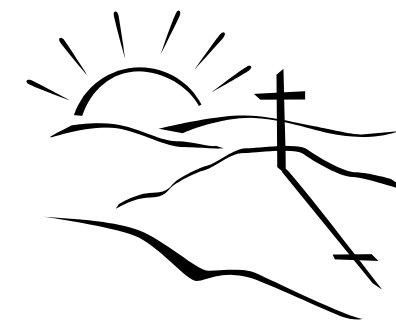
People put in many hours of work each week. Weeknight evenings are filled with activities for children and meetings of all sorts. When the weekend rolls around, there are many activities that we want to participate in. There are sports for children, recreation for families and leisurely interests for individuals. Hours on Saturday are taken up by home improvement projects or needed maintenance. By the end of it all we are tired.

Finally it is Sunday morning, a day of rest and I get to sleep in. It is the one morning that if I don’t get out of bed, my work will not call and my children will not bother me. Nothing much happens on Sunday morning so it is a good time to relax. I get so tired during the week. I need more rest and Sunday seems to be the perfect day to get it. If I sleep in on Sunday morning, I may be well rested physically but spiritually I am exhausted.

On the front wall of the church where I grew up is this Bible passage. ***“Come to me all you who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest”*** (Matthew 11:28). Those are Jesus’ words. It is his invitation to provide rest, not for our bodies but for our souls. There were plenty of times I walked into that church physically tired, but I always received rest for my soul.

I heard a message about my sin and Jesus’ forgiveness. I was reminded every time that I had real rest in Jesus. I had the rest of a clear conscience because Jesus took my sin away with his death and resurrection. I had the rest of knowing that when I die I will rest eternally with Jesus. I had the rest of knowing that the same Savior who loved me enough to die for me is ruling all things in this world for me and for the benefit of all his people.

Such a busy life! It makes you wish you could have more rest. You do! In Jesus you have the rest you truly need. The church may not have that Bible passage printed on the wall, but through the Word of God you hear, you will receive rest for your soul in Jesus. Next Sunday morning, come and get some rest with us at church. It is good for your soul.





**Dear Friends of Lutheran Girl Pioneers,**

Christians around the world have just celebrated Easter. Yet, there niggles at the edge of my mind, an awareness of those in the world around me who don't have the joy or comfort of Easter's victory. There are so many lost souls battling to survive; drowning in despair, lost in hopelessness. Without faith in Jesus they will be lost for all time. And I think of God's Word found in Romans 10:13-14, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. [But] how, then, can they call on the One they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the One of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?"

That question is directed, however, not only to those in the public ministry. It's for you and me, as well! Lutheran Girl Pioneers is a ministry-tool that can help congregations do so, in a friendly, educational way that is non-threatening and fun.

LGP exists as a para-synodical organization, meaning it receives absolutely no funding from WELS. It relies on registration dues and donations from outside sources. In addition to the many hundreds of volunteers of this ministry, you can share in the call to reach out with the Gospel's message. In these difficult times we are counting on you to help.

There are three ways you can do so. First, your prayers are most important. Second, you can volunteer in your own congregation or district. Faithful women are needed to serve as mentors and teachers. Third, we humbly implore you to set aside some of your financial resources to this ministry. Registration dues remain at \$18 per girl per year. With this year's membership at 1,574 girls, that gives us an amount of only \$28,332.00 raised. That money must go towards rent, utilities, the Executive Director's salary, and other operating expenses. You can see how much we rely on our friends to help with this ministry. I pray you will answer the call.

In Christ's Service,  
Diana Widdifield, LGP National Council President

**To donate to the National Lutheran Girl Pioneers ministry, please make checks payable to Lutheran Girl Pioneers, Inc and send to: LGP Inc, 1611 Caledonia St., La Crosse, WI 54603**

# God is faithful

yesterday, today & tomorrow.



## WELS Christian Aid and Relief responds to Oklahoma Tornadoes



WELS Christian Aid and Relief is ready to respond to the devastating tornado wreckage in Moore, Okla., after the storm on Monday, May 20.

Mr. Mark Vance, Christian Aid and Relief director of operations, has already been in contact with Rev. John Strackbein, pastor at Holy Cross in Oklahoma City. Early reports have confirmed that no members have lost their lives, but at least three families have completely lost their homes. Meanwhile, many others still are waiting to return to their homes after they evacuated to friends' and families' houses.

Vance traveled to Moore to determine the best ways for Christian Aid and Relief to help. An initial \$5,000 already is being wired to the congregation to help with initial needs, such as water and clothing. Vance says, "What we're going to do in Oklahoma is sit down with the congregation and the members who have been affected and see how we can help them in the recovery process—whether it's financial, helping them rebuild their homes, clear debris, whatever it might be. Then, we'll look at whether the church can do the same thing as a help to the community."

Vance will also visit the Fort Worth, Texas, area where tornadoes struck earlier in May to meet with pastors there who are looking for guidance for ways to help their community.

**To support WELS Christian Aid and Relief and help with needs in Oklahoma, you can give a gift online at**

[www.community.wels.net/sslpage.aspx?pid=394](http://www.community.wels.net/sslpage.aspx?pid=394)

**or send checks to: WELS, Re: Christian Aid & Relief Tornado Disaster Relief Fund, 2929 N Mayfair Rd, Milwaukee, WI 53222-4398**



## Church News

### Pioneers Award's Day

About 30 Pioneers, Pioneer family members, and members of the congregation joined us for our Award's Day Luncheon on May 5. Kevin made his famous sloppy Joe's and Pioneer families brought a dish-to-pass. It was a fun afternoon, filled with lively fellowship and good discussions. Congratulations to all our Pioneers for a year well-done!

I'd like to tell you why the Pioneers ministry is so important, here and at all our WELS churches. The Pioneers ministry goes further than teaching sewing, wood-working, and independent living skills. It goes beyond fun camps and interesting speakers. It's knowing that a single mom working two jobs has a safe place for her kids on Sunday afternoons. It's about the girl with no friends at school knowing that at Pioneers, she's free to be herself without ridicule or judgment. It's about the outgoing boy who brings his friends with him to Pioneers. It's about the new family in town with no connections that are now friends with the Pioneer leaders. It's about these girls and boys who know that they have a friend, no matter what, that believes what they believe, that has their back, that will stand up for them. It's about these kids knowing that their Pioneer friends are their true friends, because they are all sisters and brothers—sisters and brothers in Christ, their very best friend. Why is Pioneers important? How is not? These girls and boys are now linked together, through earthly friendships, but also, and more importantly, through Christ. Your ongoing support for the Pioneers here at Peace is acknowledged and so appreciated! Please see Pastor & Beth Riedel or Kevin & Christine Bohn for more information about the Pioneers.



Rebecca Bohn, Emily Riedel, Susan Riedel, Emily Bohn, Izzy, Korri Karrigan, Mary Riedel, Kali Klusmeyer, Korri Karrigan  
Leaders: Christine Bohn & Beth Riedel (not pictured)  
Not pictured: Chloe Gulbranson

Sam Riedel, Hunter Thomas, Kaleb Karrigan, TJ Klusmeyer  
Leader: Kevin Bohn (not pictured)  
Not Pictured: Ben Sigourney and Tucker Bohn

### Spotlight on: Evening Guild

The purpose of our organization is to help in the furtherance of the Kingdom of God, to assist the youth, to support missions, to contribute to charities, and to perform the duties of an altar guild. We meet the second Tuesday of the month September through May at 6:30 pm.

We work with the Ladies Aid with a joint annual Cookie Dough fundraiser and help also as needed with funerals. Our fundraisers and our annual bake sale help support our mission work. Our funds go to Camp Phillip, WELS Mission for the Children, African Medical Mission, Comforter Ministry, and Multi-Language Ministry.

We invite members to share their special days with flowers for the altar. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board by Pastor Riedel's office. During our business meetings, we enjoy tasty treats made by one of our members, and we share in fellowship.

Our duties as an altar guild include changing parameters and banners, taking care of altar flowers, setting up communion, and sending cards to the ladies of our congregation who in the hospital.

We would love to have new ladies join us for prayer, fellowship and service! Come, join us! We have a great time working for the Lord!

Pat Campbell, Evening Guild President  
920-765-0681 red.pjc44@yahoo.com

### Peace Youth Participate in Piano Recital

Rebecca Bohn, Girl Pioneer member Chloe Gulbranson, Emily Bohn, Emily Riedel, Sam Riedel, Susan Riedel, Kali Klusmeyer and Mary Riedel participated in a piano recital on Sunday, May 19 at St. John's Lutheran Church and School in Montello. They all did a marvelous job!

They all take piano lessons from Beth Riedel.







# Church News

## Save the Date!

**WELS Church Librarians' Organization  
Fall Conference to be Held at Peace**  
**Saturday, September 21, 2013 9 am– 3 pm**  
**Speakers:**

**Ren Kremer**, from *Kremer Publishing*  
"Amish Churches and Schools"

**Anna Bartsch**, former missionary to Bulgaria  
Our church librarians, Emily Riedel and Emily Bohn, are thrilled to announce that the Fall 2013 WELS Church Librarians' Organization (WELS-CLO) Conference will be held here at Peace on Sept. 21, 2013.



**WE NEED YOU!** We need helpers for the following positions: kitchen helpers, registration table helpers, equipment helpers (including sound techs), set-up and clean up helpers. **There is a sign up sheet on the back table in the fellowship hall.** Please call the church office at 920-787-3856 or see Emily Riedel or Emily Bohn with questions.

**FREE**

## Come to VBS!

**Monday, July 15– Friday, July 19**  
**9 am– 12 pm**  
Lunch is included  
Ages 4K– 6th grade  
Watch for more information soon!

**BRING A FRIEND**

## Church Picnic

**Sunday, July 21**  
**Worship at 10 am**  
**Lunch to follow**

Please bring a dish-to-pass and a friend!  
Brats, hot dogs, hamburgers, BBQ chicken, and drinks will be provided!  
Free fun for the whole family!  
Disc Golf!  
Playground for all ages!  
Bouncy Obstacle Course!  
Water Balloon Fights!

Lots of good food and lots of good company!  
Stay just for lunch or the entire afternoon!



## Pioneers Summer News



The Lutheran Pioneers may not be meeting on Sundays anymore, but that doesn't mean that we are done 'til fall! You don't have to be a Pioneer to join us for activities! Talk to any Pioneer leader or call the church office at 787-3856 for more information.

**June 8** TimberRattler Game  
Tailgating @ 4 pm; Game @ 6:35 pm

**June 8-14** 50th Anniversary Nat'l Canoe Trip

**June 9– 14** LP Ranger Backpacking

**June 28-30** Peace Pioneers Camp-out  
@ Camp Phillip  
(Paperwork in by June 16)

**July 19-21** LGP District Camp @ Camp Phillip  
Cost \$50 (includes everything)

**July 21-27** LP Nat'l Camp @ Pine Ridge, Waldo

**July 27** Leaders' Yearly Planning Mtg 9 am

**July 28** Pine Car Derby: Classics Race  
10:15-11:15 am Registration  
11:30 am Races begin!  
Concessions will be available for purchase

**July 28-Aug 3** LGP Nat'l Camp @ Camp Bird, Crivitz

**Aug 4-10** Nat'l Bike Trip

**Aug 4** Pioneers Family Day  
(Swimming & cook-out at the Schroeder's–  
Please RSVP by July 28)

**Aug 4-10** LP Bike Trip

**Turn in your Registration papers by August 25!**

**Sept 8** First Meeting of 2013-14!! 1 pm

Items listed in *italics* are  
District and National activities.



# News About Our Church Family

## Change of Address

**Jason Scharping**  
N2687 17th Lane  
Wautoma, WI 54982

**Terry Proctor**  
*Ian & Wade*  
N2417 E. Pine Circle  
Redgranite, WI 54970

## Email Address Update

**Jim & Jan Schroeder**  
schroederjimjan@gmail.com

## Baptisms



**Wade Nathan Proctor**  
Infant son of Kim Willis & Terry  
Proctor and baby brother of Ian,  
born May 19, 2013,  
baptized May 21, 2013

## Just for a Laugh

Three boys are in the school yard bragging about their fathers.

The first boy says, "My dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, calls it a poem and they give him \$50."

The second boy says, "That's nothing. My dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, calls it a song and they give him \$100."

The third boy says, "I got you both beat. My dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, calls it a sermon and it takes eight men to collect all the money!"

At Sunday school they were teaching how God created everything, including human beings. Little Johnny seemed especially intent when they told him how Eve was created out of one of Adam's ribs.

Later in the week his mother noticed him lying down as though he were ill. She asked him, "Johnny, what is the matter?" Little Johnny responded, "I have a pain in my side. I think I'm going to have a WIFE!!"

Thank you to Marilynn Chesbrough for the laughs.



## Birthdays

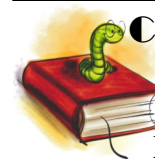
6/1 Jennie Sigourney  
6/8 Melissa Wedell  
Sam Riedel  
6/9 Nicole Winkelmann  
6/11 Kaylee Lemke  
6/14 Nancy Quinn  
Michelle Lemke  
6/15 Patti Anderson  
6/21 Dan Lemke  
6/22 Phyllis Schnabl  
Vincent Owens  
6/23 Roger Jansen  
6/26 Rod Nelson  
Emily Quinn  
6/29 Coty Roebke

## Anniversaries

6/3 Nathan & Ahnsharee Klusmeyer (8)  
6/4 Jim & Jan Schroeder (47)  
6/6 John & Judy Benz (49)  
6/11 Jack & Marilyn Snyder (53)  
6/14 Kevin & Christine Bohn (16)  
6/15 Jim & Karen Mosier (50)  
6/16 Carlyle & Phyllis Schmidt (51)  
6/17 Pastor Tom & Nancy Klusmeyer (36)  
6/19 LeRoy & Violet Wangerin (65)  
6/22 Don & Marlene Nelson (40)  
Neal & Cindy Roebke (29)  
6/23 Daniel & Bernice Baranyk (51)  
6/26 Pastor Roger & Beth Riedel (14)  
6/27 Roger & Nancy Bartel (54)  
6/28 Robert & Evelyn O'Brien (61)



If we missed your birthday or anniversary, that means the church does not have it. Please drop off dates at the church office, call 787.3856 or email [peacelutheran@centurytel.net](mailto:peacelutheran@centurytel.net).



## Church Library Hours

Thursday & Sunday:

Before & after the service

Monday-Friday: 9 am– 3 pm