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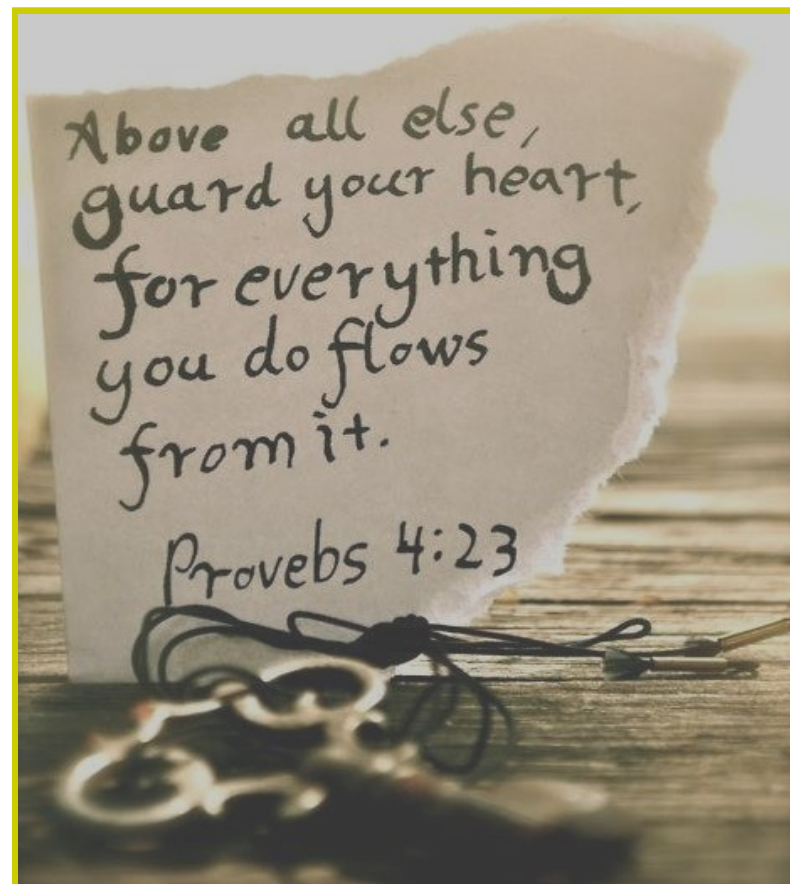
**Worship** every Sunday @ 9 am  
 every Thursday @ 7 pm  
**Sunday School** every Sunday @ 10:15 am  
**Bible Study** Sundays @ 10:30 am  
 Tuesdays @ 9 am  
 Thursdays @ 9 am & 7:45 pm  
**Choir** every Wednesday @ 7 pm  
**PeaceMakers** 2nd & 4th Wed. @ 1 pm  
**Confirmation** Level 1 Mondays @ 6 pm  
 Level 2 Wednesdays @ 6 pm  
**Pioneers** every second & last Sunday 1 pm  
**JAM Session** 2nd Wednesday 5:30 pm  
 (Teen youth group, 8th-12th grade)



*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](mailto:peacelutheran@centurytel.net).



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**Mornings With Mommy**

Be sure to join us for Mornings with Mommy on Monday, May 5 & Monday, May 19 at 10 am.  
 Register at [www.wautomapeacelutheran.org](http://www.wautomapeacelutheran.org).

**Circle of Peace Ladies Group**  
 Saturday, May 10 9 am

*Happy Mother's Day!*  
*Sunday, May 11, 2014*

*Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her: "Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all." Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised.*  
*(Proverbs 31:28-30)*

Peace Lutheran Pioneers



**Timber Rattlers Baseball Game**  
 Saturday, July 19th  
 Tailgating at 4:30 pm Game at 7 pm  
*Fireworks immediately after the game*

**Only 80 seats available!**  
 Reserve your tickets by June 21.

**\$6 per ticket**  
*\$5 parking fee, per vehicle*

**Bring a lawn chair and a dish-to-pass. The Pioneers will supply brats, hot dogs, soda, water and all paperware. Please see Kevin Bohn (920-765-2146) to reserve your tickets!**

Peace Lutheran Church Library

**Summer Story Hour**

Wednesdays,  
 June 25, July 30, & August 20  
 at 10 am

Parents and children up to third grade are invited to join us in the church library for stories, crafts and a snack.  
 Please see Emily Riedel or Emily Bohn for more information.  
**Invite a friend!**

## What Jesus Means to Me

*Knowing Jesus has transformed my life and made it different.*  
**"And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."**  
(Matthew 28:20)



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Jesus once asked His disciples who they thought that He was. Peter replied that Jesus was the Christ, the Son of God. Peter and all the other disciples knew who Jesus was and knew what Jesus meant to them.

**What does Jesus mean to you today?** I asked myself that question. Jesus means that I am not eternally damned to hell and can one day live with God in eternal happiness in heaven. Jesus' death and resurrection means that the whole world's sins are forgiven. He is God's Son. He is our Savior. He came down from His heavenly throne just to save this sinful world. Did He have to do it? Could He just have easily left us in our sin and let us all go to hell? Yes, but He didn't. He did not let us all perish because He loved us so much and He was willing to die for us.

There are many other important reasons why my Savior Jesus Christ means so much to me. Are there ever times when you are having a rough day and nothing seems to be going right? Do you ever need someone to talk to? This is why it is so important and great for me to have Jesus in my life. When I have those downer days and everything that could go wrong seems to go wrong, I have the confidence of knowing that Jesus is always there for me to talk to. I can come to Him with any of my problems, and I know for sure that He will hear them and He will do whatever He knows is best for me. God tells us in Matthew 28:20, *"And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."*

**Knowing Jesus has transformed my life and made it different.** As long as I can remember, I have known Him, so I do not know what it would be like not to know Jesus and have Him in my life. But I have friends who don't know Jesus, and it seems to me that their lives are much different than mine. They just "go with the flow," and whatever happens, happens. They do not know what will happen to them after they die. For these people, death can be a very scary thing. But because I know Jesus and know what will happen to me after I die, I do not have to be afraid of death. I know that I will go to heaven to be with Jesus.

By knowing Him, I can be assured that I am saved through His death, and I know what will happen to me after death. I will always have a best friend to talk to about my problems. I hope I can always keep in His path and never forget what Jesus means to me.

**If you are someone who knows Jesus, do not take Him for granted.** Your faith in Him can very easily be lost. If you do not go to church and keep strengthening your faith, it will die. Like everyone else, I need to feed my faith with God's Word. I go to church to hear about Jesus so my faith can grow stronger.

By Robbie Schmidt

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When I have those downer days, I know Jesus is there for me to talk to.



"And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

## A Short Story



### Jesus is the Good Shepherd

**"I am the good shepherd.**

**The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." John 10:11**

"**Man Dies to Save Trapped Bunny**" pops up as you scroll through your news app. You tap on the video. You see what reminds you of the furry little Cadbury Creme Egg mascot. A heroic rescue follows.

You're baffled. You're impressed! You think, 'What inspired that guy to give his own life for a bunny? Come to think of it, I sometimes forget even to feed my own pet!'

Try another headline: "**Man Dies to Save World**". That headline actually does pop up when you read the Bible. At first it may sound like it's from a too-predictable superhero movie. It seems too good to be true. But it is true! Jesus is that man. He died an agonizing, humiliating death on a Roman torture-pole to save the world. He wasn't saving it from global warming or hunger or war, but saving it from damnation. And despite what some speculate, Jesus didn't come to post the 10 commandments at every town hall and enforce them. No, the world already stood condemned by the law because of its sin. Instead, Jesus came to rescue the world. By the way, "world" means everyone in it. You too!

Look at the extraordinary heroism in Jesus, this world's Rescuer! Really, it was more than heroism. He, being true God, displayed God's love and God's plan to give forgiveness and eternal life to all! Jesus' life, death, and bodily resurrection show us the very heart of God. This is a headline worth your time. It is worth hearing and reading more about. Scroll on.

Here's a way to picture Jesus your God and Savior: Jesus is *The Good Shepherd*. He describes himself, *"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep"* (John 10:11). We're the sheep. We've strayed and "bleated up" life because we're sinful. We are lost sheep needing rescue. Not just by a hired hand. Not just by any shepherd, but by *The Good Shepherd*. Not just a no-name hero, forgotten tomorrow. Jesus is the Good Shepherd who, being both God and man, laid down His life for you. He really did save the whole world. Your sins are forgiven!

Your life's headline reads: "**Good Shepherd Dies to Save THIS Sheep**". It's a headline others need to hear about too! Share it!



The seventh triennial Worship Conference will be held July 22-25 at Carthage College in Kenosha. This will be the fourth time the conference will be held at Carthage, the first time since 2002. The WELS Worship Conference is the largest Lutheran worship conference in North America. The conference is designed not only for congregational worship leaders, but anyone interested in the various aspects of worship. It will feature sessions on music, architecture, visual art, and liturgy and preaching.

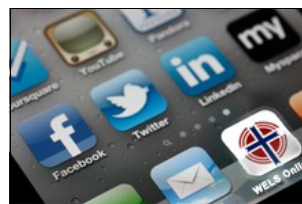
Opportunities at the conference include presentations, concerts and recitals.

On-campus registration includes all meals, Tuesday dinner through Friday lunch.

A limited number of air conditioned dorm rooms will be available to those who register early. Since the campus is right on Lake Michigan, evenings tend to cool down nicely.

Applications for the three choirs are now available. Go to [www.wels.net/worship/registration](http://www.wels.net/worship/registration) and click "Register Now" to register for the Conference.

## WELS Mobile App



Currently the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod offers one mobile application called WELS Mobile. WELS Mobile gathers much of the devotional and educational audio, video and text content from WELS.net in an easy-to-use application. Two of the popular devotional feeds are available in audio and text format- the WELS Today's Devotion and Through the Bible in 3 Years series. Making both a part of your routine will provide daily encouragement and inspiration. The latest WELS videos, including the WELS Connection, can also be viewed.

See [www.wels.net/technology/mobile-applications](http://www.wels.net/technology/mobile-applications) for directions on how to download the WELS Mobile app.

## Lutheran Girl Pioneers National Convention

October 17-18, 2014

Mt. Calvary, La Crosse, WI

Mark your calendars for an exciting event! The Lutheran Girl Pioneers are celebrating our 60th anniversary this year! The National Convention will be held at the church where LGP started! Everyone who is interested in the Lutheran Girl Pioneers ministry is invited to attend! Registration coming soon!



## Give Thanks for Those Who Reach Out to the Youngest Among Us

*"Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Teach them to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up" (Deuteronomy 11:18-19).*

**PRAY:** Jesus, You said, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Thank You for allowing our synod to build an early childhood learning center where children are being brought to You—as well as Your precious truths being taught to the students who will teach preschool children throughout the world. Forgive us for our sinful pride and help us to remember that it is You that has moved us to share Your good news with others . . . even the very young. It is because of Your perfect life and innocent death that we can look forward to an eternal paradise with You. Help us to continue to share Your message with others. Amen.



## Church News

### Eggs By Candlelight

Easter 2014 was one for the record book! Due to a power outage halfway through the Sunrise Worship service, Easter Breakfast eggs were cooked on Pastor Riedel's gas grill (thanks to the quick thinking of Nathan Klusmeyer and Kevin Bohn!) and we enjoyed our breakfast by candlelight (thanks to Beth Riedel, who scrounged up every candle at her house, and to Joyce Woodruff who remembered we had taper candles in a back cabinet in the kitchen). Our only non-fixable moment? We ran out of coffee!!



Photo Credit: Colleen Zahn

**Thank you** to everyone who stayed and braved the "black-out."

**Thank you** to everyone who knew what to do and just did it.

**Thank you** to all who helped in the kitchen!

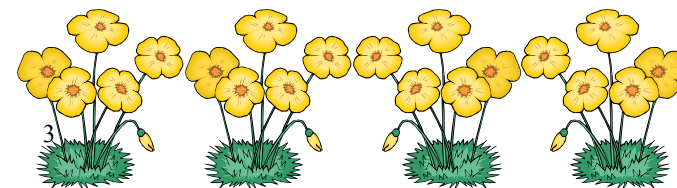
**Thank you** to everyone who donated to Easter Breakfast this year.

We are so glad that we were able to serve you—even in the dark!

The JAM Session  
The Lutheran Boy & Girl Pioneers

### Do You Shop at Kwik Trip, Copps, or Diggly Wiggly? Then Scrip is For You!

What is Scrip? Scrip is a program where companies sell you gift cards at face value and give a percentage back to the organization. For example, if you purchase a \$100 Kwik Trip card and they give us 10% back, the organization will be credited \$10, but you still get the full \$100 to use. Each company designates a different percentage for the program. St. John's Lutheran School in Montello sells Scrip and the percentage given back helps to reduce the cost of tuition. If you are interested in finding out how you can take advantage of this program, and help with tuition costs for the students that go to Montello from our church at the same time, please see Ahnsharee Klusmeyer (920-539-3560).



You and your family are invited to **Pioneers Awards Day Sunday, May 18 at 11:15 am** Join us for lunch in the fellowship hall before our Pioneers receive the awards they earned this past year.

*The Pioneers ministry at Peace is thriving! About half of our Pioneers don't belong to Peace and about half of that number are unchurched.*

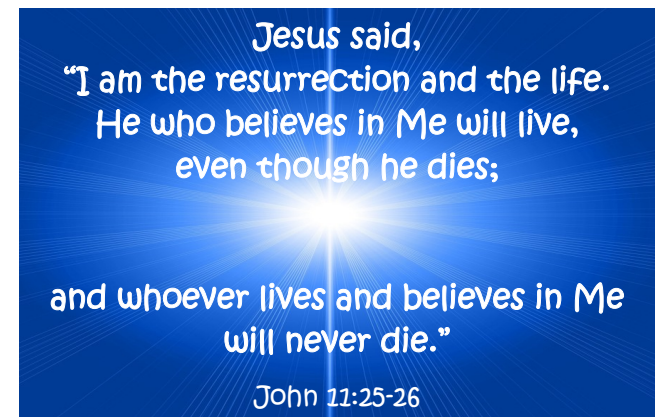
*We strive to be a group, open to youth ages Kindergarten and up, that strengthens our youth's faith in Jesus Christ, and teaches life and leadership skills, all while nurturing friendships that last not only through this life, but into eternity.*

*Please talk to any Pioneers leader for more information about this vital ministry.*

### Thank You!

A joyous THANK YOU to all who brought flowers to adorn our altar for Easter Sunday. HE IS RISEN! Also, we'd like to acknowledge and thank Emily Riedel and Rebecca Bohn for the wonderful way arranged the plants and flowers.

The Peace Flower Committee



### Peace Lutheran Church Offerings First Quarter (January-March)

|                  |          |
|------------------|----------|
| General Fund     | \$52,526 |
| Budget           | \$48,100 |
| Projects         |          |
| Storage Building | \$7253   |
| Goal             | \$10,000 |
| Roof Repair      | \$3370   |
| Goal             | \$20,000 |
| Parking Lot      | \$200    |
| Goal             | \$6800   |

*An excellent wife who can find?  
She is far more precious than jewels.  
The heart of her husband trusts in her,  
and he will have no lack of gain.  
She does him good, and not harm,  
all the days of her life.  
(Proverbs 31:10-12 ESV)*

## Last Day Of Sunday School

The last day of Sunday School for the 2013/14 school year will be on Sunday, May 11. Families are invited to join us for our last day!  
We are also searching for a new Sunday school teacher for next school year. Please see Bob Mitchell if you're interested in teaching.



## Pioneers Summer Schedule



### Pioneers Awards Luncheon

Sunday, May 18 at 11:15 am

### LP National Voyager Canoe Trip

June 14-20 The Boundary Waters Canoe Area

### Pioneers Camping

Friday, June 27-Sunday, June 29  
at Camp Phillip, Wautoma

### Timber Rattler Baseball Game

Saturday, July 19  
Tailgating 4:30 pm Game 7 pm

### LP National Camp

July 20- July 26 (half-week available)  
Pine Ridge Campground, Waldo

### LGP National Camp

July 27-August 2 at Camp Bird

### LP National Bike Trip

August 3-9 Base camp: Pine Ridge, Waldo

### Pioneers Family Day

August 3 at 11:30 am  
at the Schroeder's, Wautoma

Everyone is invited to join us for any of our Summer activities! We love guests and having the chance to show you what we do! Please see any Pioneer leader for more information about any of our summer activities.

## Easter For Kids: A Success!

The Pioneers and Mornings with Mommy spent a Saturday morning at Blue Ribbon Kids' Day, meeting families from our community and handing out church information and invites to Easter for Kids. As a result of our outreach, we had four guest families (5 children, 1 baby, 6 parents) join us for Easter for Kids on Sunday, April 6, in addition to eleven of our congregation's children. Please pray that the Holy Spirit touched the hearts of the little ones and their parents. During Easter for Kids, we "walked" through Holy Week, learning all about Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter with lessons, a parade, crafts, trying different foods, and an Easter egg hunt that ended with an empty egg symbolizing the best part of Easter- the empty tomb! **Thank you** to everyone who helped at and to everyone who donated things for Easter for Kids: Pastor and Beth Riedel, Everett & Judy Schulz, Ahnsharee Klusmeyer, Bernice Baranyk, Darlene Travers, Bev Walker, Barb Bartel, Jackie Tesch, Rachel Hanson, Linda Stechemesser, Russ Nero and Christine Bohn. Without your help, this great afternoon wouldn't have been so great!

Holy Week lessons with Pastor

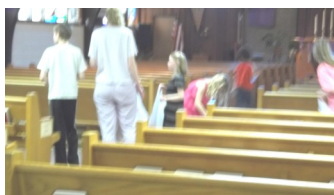


Our Palm Sunday Parade

Learning about types of food that Jesus would have eaten at the Last Supper



Making crafts!



Easter egg hunt



## Address Correction

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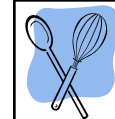
## Welcome New Members

Donald & Helen Timmermann  
N2366 Hillside Street  
Wautoma, WI 54982  
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## God's Blessings to our Confirmand Rebecca Bohn

*"Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go." -Joshua 1:9*

## God's Blessings to our Graduate Clifford Subbert, Wautoma High School



## Recipe Corner: Homemade Taco Seasoning



### Ingredients:

- 1 Tbsp chili powder
- 1/4 tsp garlic powder
- 1/4 tsp onion powder
- 1/4 tsp crushed red pepper flakes
- 1/4 tsp dried oregano
- 1/2 tsp paprika
- 1.5 tsp ground cumin
- 1/2 to 1 tsp sea salt (to taste)
- 1 tsp black pepper

### Directions:

1. Put all ingredients together in a small mason jar with a cover and shake!

### To use:

Add 2 to 3 tablespoons of this mixture plus 1/2 cup of water to one pound of cooked meat (of your choice). Simmer over medium heat, stirring frequently until there is very little liquid left in the pan.

[www.rachelcooks.com/2011/10/28/homemade-taco-seasoning/](http://www.rachelcooks.com/2011/10/28/homemade-taco-seasoning/)

## Alzheimer's/ Dementia Caregivers Support Group

A new Alzheimer's Association of Wisconsin support group will meet the 3rd Monday of the month from 1-3 pm at the Wautoma library. Come for a listening ear and to discuss ideas for care giving. The next meeting will be June 19. Call Sue Seefeldt, Dept. of Aging at 920-787-0403 with any questions.



## Birthdays

- 5/1 Arden Fenner
- 5/3 Leonard McKay
- 5/7 DuWayne Bartel  
Ellen Hetcher
- 5/10 Tyler Roebke
- 5/13 Nate Sigourney
- 5/14 Darryl Ast
- 5/15 Casey Wedde
- 5/16 Judah Hansen
- 5/20 Ruth Sampson
- 5/23 Dallas Krueger
- 5/24 Ray McTavish  
Marion Treichel  
Pat Johnson
- 5/28 Marilyn Chesbrough  
Verona Kloehn
- 5/31 Lisa Bartel

## Anniversaries

- 5/10 Bob & Marilyn Chesbrough (23)
- 5/14 Jim & RaeAnn Bower (48)
- 5/20 Gene & Michelle Wedde (19)  
Peter & Trish Reitz (7)



*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.*



*Thanks to Colleen Zahn for this picture of the front of church on Easter morning. Springtime plants were brought in and adorned the altar for Easter services.*

**HE IS RISEN!  
HE IS RISEN, INDEED!**