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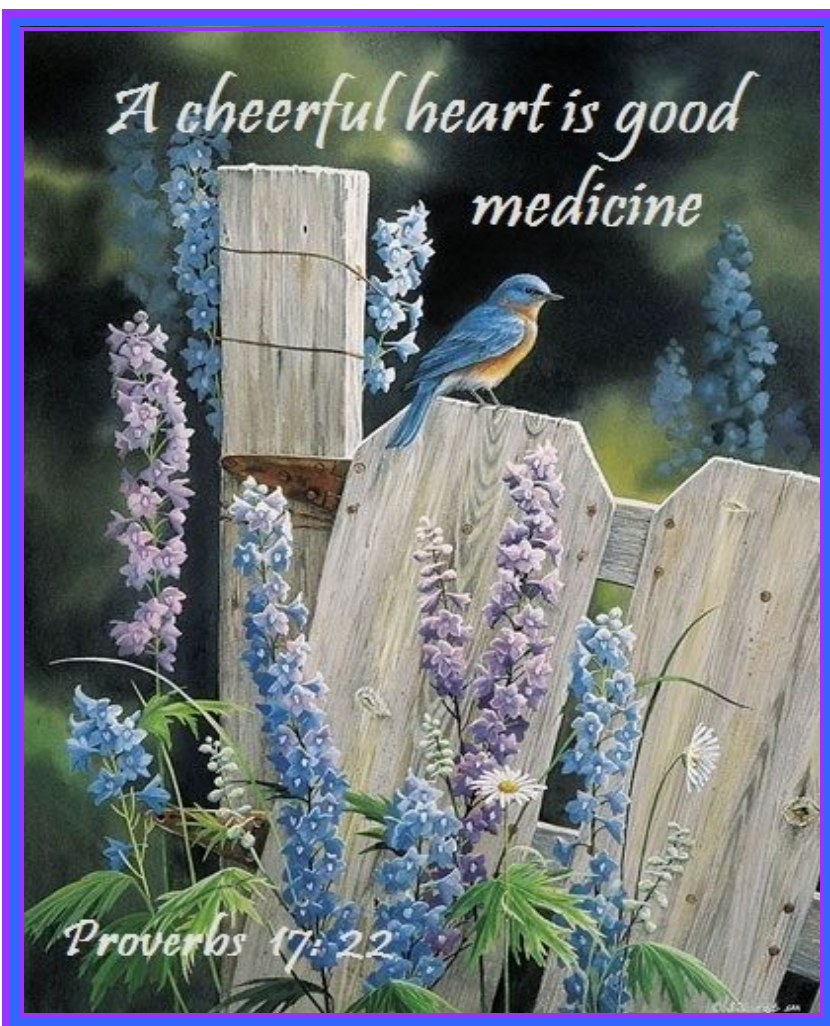
Worship every Sunday @ 9 am
 every Thursday @ 7 pm
Sunday School every Sunday @ 10:15 am
Bible Study Sundays @ 8 am
 Tuesdays @ 9 am
 Thursdays @ 9 am & 7:45 pm
Choir every Wednesday @ 7 pm
PeaceMakers 2nd & 4th Wed. @ 1 pm
Confirmation Level 2 Sundays @ 10:15 am
Pioneers every second & last Sunday 1 pm
JAM Session 2nd & 4th 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.



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Arbor Day Church Clean Up



Saturday, May 2 at 9 am
 Potluck lunch at 12:30 pm

Bring your rakes, brooms, buckets and rags! Help us beautify the church and church property! All ages are welcome! Please see Bob Lang 414-313-0662.

Last Day of Sunday School
 May 10, 2015

Confirmation Sunday
 May 17, 2015

Pioneers Awards Luncheon
Sunday, May 24
10:30 am



The entire congregation is invited to join the Lutheran Boy & Girl Pioneers as we end another Pioneers year with a luncheon and awards earned throughout the year on Sunday, May 24 at 10:30 am. If you are planning on attending, please let any Pioneers leader know (so we can have enough food!).

Mornings With Mommy
 Be sure to join us for Mornings with Mommy on Monday, May 4 and Monday, May 18 at 10 am. Register at www.wautomapeacelutheran.org.

Circle of Peace
Sat, May 9 9 am

Curious what we do? Interested in women's ministries? Want to serve but don't know where? Join us at Circle of Peace! All the ladies of Peace are invited to join us!

Happy Mother's Day!

Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband, also, and he praises her: "Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all."
Proverbs 31:28-29



Real Success

God is within her, she will not fall;

God will help her at the break of day. (Psalm 46:5)

This spring our family celebrated two graduations at the seminary. What a special time of year for many families! In the verse above, from Psalm 46, God the Holy Spirit makes a promise that every graduate will be successful. But what is success? What is REAL SUCCESS?

First of all, the trouble with success is that it's always moving. We accomplish one goal, and then it is on to the next. A student may be successful in high school or college, but then the next challenge is to succeed in business. Yesterday's success at home, work, school or church are great, but there is always more to do. God has loving ways of humbling us, too. God may humble me in the future as I age. Success may be measured in the ability to recognize the face of a loved one or to be able to stand another day.

One measure of success doesn't change throughout the years. True success is glorifying Jesus in this life and forever in the next. If this is the measure of success then the promise of our Psalm assures each of that we can all be successful: **"God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at the break of day."**

"God is within her." This promise is also given to God's church. If you are a member of God's church, you are never alone. God is within you. As such he assures you that he **"is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us."** (Ephesians 3:20) His power is at work within you!

Therefore, you cannot fall. That doesn't mean that every job will out great, that every business adventure will prosper. That doesn't mean that your health will never fail. But it does mean that **"your labor in the Lord will not be in vain"** (1 Corinthians 15:58). The Lord always knows your efforts. God will use outward successes and disappointing failures to glorify his name.

"God will help her at the break of day." This promise also sustains you or me when success in this world seems to be slipping away. Sometimes we will be like a watchman on the city walls at Jerusalem. We will peer into the eerie night and hope for daylight and safety to come quickly. Hold on. The day is coming when you will see God's help. This confidence will be seen by others too. God will be glorified even in those darkest times just before the dawn.

That is true success: to let your confidence in the Lord be evident in this life and to receive the crown of eternal life. This amazing and incomparable success is available to every graduate this spring. Sadly, many will focus on some moving target of success. They will not see that real success is staying closely connected to Christ who already successfully saved every sinner!

This is my prayer for all the graduates in your household and mine and for all of us. Cling to the promise that God gives to his church. To be successful, remain a part of that church. Spend time strengthening your relationship with Jesus. Know his forgiveness and his love. Then face your future with this confidence: **"I will not fail. God will be with me all the way. He will be glorified in my life, and he will keep me unto everlasting life."**

That's the ultimate success story.

Pastor Norris Baumann

Pastor Norris Baumann is a pastor at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Onalaska, WI and serves, along with Pastor Michael Krentz, as the pastoral advisors for the Lutheran Girl Pioneers.

This article is reprinted from the Lutheran Girl Pioneers publication "The Guide," May-June 2011 edition. "The Guide" is the bi-monthly newsletter for the leaders and pastors involved with the Lutheran Girl Pioneers.



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A Short Story

Our 2015 "A Short Story" series will offer a collection of articles that provide scriptural answers to questions that people often ask or wonder about Christianity, such as "What happens when we die?" and "God doesn't always answer my prayers-why?"

These articles are designed to help you reach out to people with God's Word- to give you the knowledge to answer some of life's biggest questions. We hope you enjoy this year's series: "Fair Questions - Honest Answers."



What does the Holy Spirit do for us?

A famous doctor once conducted a series of autopsies in which he made a stunning observation. Here is how it happened. He had carefully examined the body of a convicted murderer when he noticed a connection to the body of a convicted thief. The two individuals had the exact same internal problem. It got a little crazier. He went back over the notes from a few other cases and he discovered that a few more bodies had the same internal problem. But it didn't stop there. He went back over all his cases and, regardless of the person's background, all of the people had that same internal problem. The doctor shared his findings in a book which is still the top-selling book of all time.

Do you want to know what the connection was between all of those people? They all had heart problems. You have probably heard the name of the doctor. His name is Jesus. Jesus once pointed out (Mark 7) that all evil thoughts and actions come from within the heart. When someone cuts you off on the highway and your first reaction is NOT to smile and wave, it comes from within the heart. When someone hurts your feelings and you want to hurt them back, it comes from within the heart. When you say something in anger that you immediately want to take back, it comes from within the heart.

That is the problem. So what is the solution? One man said it well, **"Create in me a pure heart, O God"** (Psalm 51:10). We need new and pure hearts and God is the only one who can create them. This is where the work of God the Holy Spirit comes in. He uses something sharper than a surgeon's scalpel to penetrate and change the heart. The Holy Spirit uses the Word of God. Like a skilled surgeon, the Holy Spirit cuts deeply in order to heal divinely. The Holy Spirit uses that Word of God to teach us that the **"blood of Jesus purifies us from all sin"** (1 John 1:7). The Holy Spirit uses that Word of God to change the heart so that it beats with faith and hope and love. The Holy Spirit uses the Word of God so that it pours out joy, peace, patience, kindness, and goodness. Thank the Holy Spirit for your new heart!

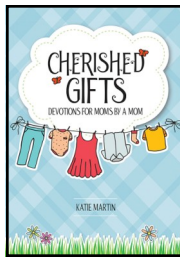
For more Questions & Answers, go to www.WhatAboutJesus.com, then Questioning God.

“Cherished Gifts”

Devotions for Moms by a Mom

by Katie Martin

An ideal book for any mom, it's the perfect gift for Mother's Day, birthdays, or just because!



Taking care of your kids can be a challenge, especially on those "tear-your-hair out" days. But through it all--screaming, smiling, laughter, and tears--children are an undeniable gift from God. And the best part about being a mom? You don't have to go it alone! God is there every step of the way. This heartfelt devotional book is a firsthand look at motherhood through the lens of Scripture that every mom will appreciate.

Published 2015.

Softcover, 5 x 7 inches. 156 pages.

You can order this, and many other devotionals from NPH at www.nph.net.

Northwestern Publishing House
 250 North 113th Street
 Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53226
 (800) 662-6022

Volunteers Needed

Kingdom Workers are in search of volunteers!

Teach and Mentor in Grenada

Dates: August 2015-July 2016

Or Aug 15-Nov 15 2015

Or Jan 1-Mar 30 2016

Or Apr 1- Jun 15, 2016

Location: Woodlands, St. Goerge, Grenada

Truth in Love Summer Outreach

Dates: June 13-20 or June 20-27, 2015

Location: Provo, Utah

Tennis Bible Camp

Dates: June 13-20, 2015

Location: Madison Alabama

Sports Camp & VBS

Spanish speaking skill and soccer knowledge required

Dates: August 9-16, 2015

Location: Yakima, Washington

Go to kingdomworkers.com for more information or to apply to volunteer!

Kingdom WORKERS 2323 North Mayfair Road, Suite 400
 Wauwatosa, WI 53226
 Working Together, Sharing the Gospel 414.771.6848

2nd Annual

WELS Night at Miller Park Friday, August 14 7:10 pm

Up to 50% off tickets!

Field Outfield Box \$21

Loge Outfield Box \$17

Terrace Reserved \$9

Join other WELS churches for a fun night of fellowship and baseball!

Tickets can be purchased at brewers.com/wels.

Deadline to purchase Monday, August 3.

New this year! President Mark Schroeder will throw out the first ceremonial pitch and Brian Davison, lead singer of Koine, will be singing the National Anthem!

For more information, or to order 20+ tickets, please contact Jason at 414-902-4516 or jason.fry@brewers.com.



Save the date for our

2016 Women's Ministry Conference!

Lead. Serve. Inspired.

The Women's Ministry Conference team is making final arrangements for speakers, breakout groups, and panel discussions for the **2016 Women's Ministry Conference** taking place **July 21-23, 2016** at **Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, Mequon, Wisconsin.**

Please join us in praying that our highest priority be to design a Christ-centered, Biblically-based conference for women. Pray that the Holy Spirit work through the Word to encourage, nurture, and equip each woman in attendance to use their time and talents in service to God.

We will keep you informed of details in the months ahead!

WELS Women's Ministry
 N16W23377 Stoneridge Drive
 Waukesha, WI 53188

Peace Lutheran Pioneers

Timber Rattlers Baseball Game

Friday, July 17th

Tailgating at 4:30 pm

Game at 7 pm

Fireworks immediately after the game

Only 80 seats available!

Reserve your tickets by June 28.



\$7 per ticket

\$5 parking fee, per vehicle



NEW THIS YEAR!

Pioneers are offering a t-shirt that you can purchase. T-shirt orders need to be in by June 17- **NO LATE ORDERS!**

Children sizes- XL \$6

XXL \$8

3XL \$10

4XL \$12

(If you are a Pioneer, you can get a t-shirt half price with the purchase of a ticket.)

Bring a lawn chair and a dish-to-pass. The Pioneers will supply brats, hot dogs, soda, water and all paper-ware.

Please see Kevin Bohn (920-765-2146) to reserve your tickets!

Thank You!

Thanks to everyone who helped out at Blue Ribbon Kids' Day on April 4. We had over 100 people stop by our Mornings with Mommy and our Pioneers tables. We had brochures for Pioneers, Mornings with Mommy, the Peace Pantry and general church information to hand out.

At the Mornings with Mommy booth, children got to finger paint and catch plastic bugs that were hiding in the grass. At the Pioneer table, kids decorated a cup and planted a marigold in it.

A **special thanks** to Junior Leaders Becca Bohn and Emily Riedel for all their work that day.

Knock, knock!

Who's there?

Show.

Show who?

Show us your talent

At the

Peace Variety Show

Sunday, June 14, 2015

Right after church

Refreshments will be provided

Sign up on the back table in the fellowship hall! See Beth Riedel, Donna McKay, Jan Schroeder or Bernice

Baranyk with any questions.

Save Your Meditations!

Please remember to deposit your completed MEDITATIONS for Daily Devotions in the box on top of the coat rack in the fellowship hall. Only MEDITATIONS and TIME OF GRACE booklets can be accepted. These booklets will be used by the inmates at the Waupaca County Jail.

Thanks everyone.



Peace Offerings To Date

First Quarter Offerings: \$55,866
 Budget: \$48,620

Although we are ahead of budget for the first quarter, please remember that we have two large projects this year: the parking lot repair and the parsonage update.

May God continue to guide us in our spiritual offerings.

LWMS

(Lutheran Women's Missionary Society)

On Saturday, April 11, six ladies from Peace attended the Wolf River Circuit LWMS Rally at St. John's Lutheran Church in Town of Center, rural Appleton.

Following the morning devotion by Pastor Ron Ash, we were privileged to hear a presentation by Pastor Ben Kuerth, whose assignment upon graduation from the Seminary was to "start a new church" in Franklin, WI. Pastor Kuerth always wanted to be a missionary to serve the underprivileged, but to start a NEW church? He was totally unprepared where to start. Well the Lord, through the Seminary assignment board, knows where to put just the right people in the right place! Victory of the Lamb Lutheran Church is now about to break ground on a building, after three years in a soccer building and movie theater. From a core of 6 people, the church, built one soul at a time, to over 350 attending Easter Sunday service. The presentation was amazing.

The Rally concluded with a Bible study and closing devotion by Pastor Preston Heuer. We were then treated to a delicious luncheon sponsored by the ladies of St. John's. Rally concluded at approximately 1 PM.

The Fall Rally will be held on Saturday, October 17 at Divine Savior Lutheran Church in Shawano. More on that later.

Mission Box and envelope offerings from Peace and other congregations in the Circuit amounted to \$3,551.78. Of that, 75% of the total was sent to the Asia Lutheran Seminary Project, and 25% to International LWMS administration. Thank you all for your contributions!

Respectfully submitted,
 Marilynn Chesbrough, Reporter

Easter For Kids

We had about twenty kids in attendance (five of which were guests!) at this year's Easter for Kids. Thank you to everyone who helped and donated things. Check out the highlights from our day!



We began our afternoon decorating butterflies to hang on the door.



Our lunch ladies! Bernice, Linda & Keri



Craft time!



Singing and dancing with Mrs. Kuenn



Puppet Show!

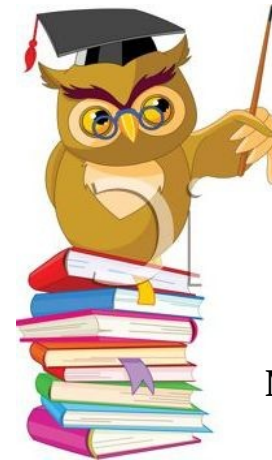


Reviewing the Easter lesson with Mrs. Bohn



News About Our Church Family

Congratulations to Our Graduates!

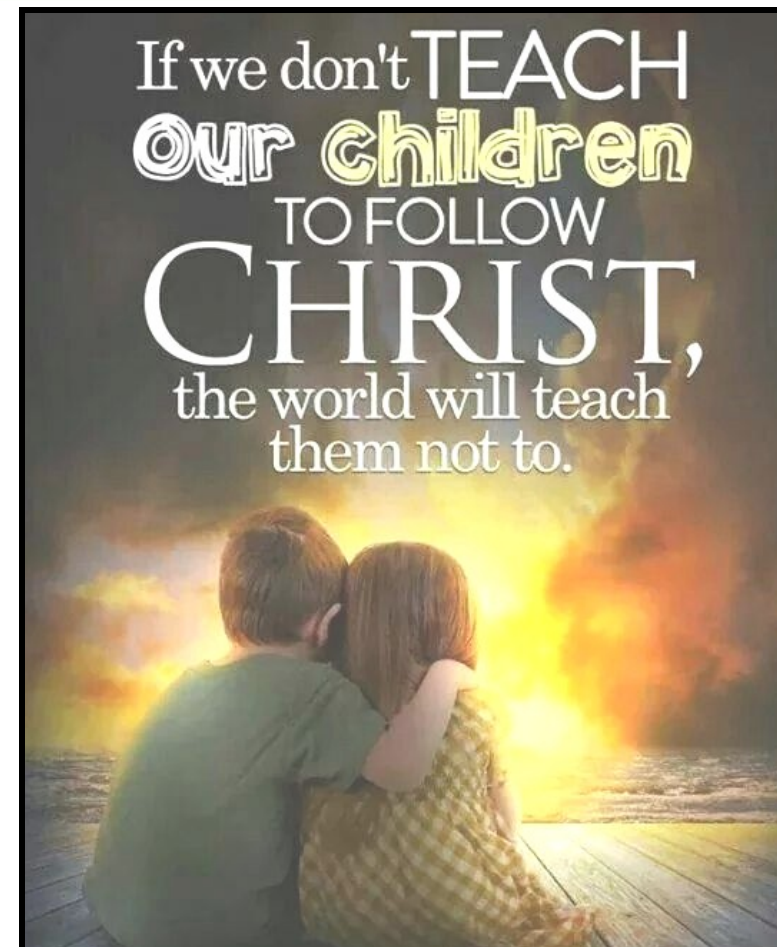


- Kenneth Kasper**
UW-Stevens Point
- Joshua Klamm**
Wautoma High School
- Zachary Kubasta**
Wautoma High School
- Benjamin Mitchell**
Wautoma High School
- Morgan Rohrbaugh**
Carthage College

Congratulations to Our Confirmands!



- Dayna Lemke**
- Samuel Riedel**
- Joshua Wedde**



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 Marilynn Chesbrough
Verona Kloehn
- 5/31 Lisa Bartel

Anniversaries

- 5/10 Bob & Marilynn Chesbrough (24)
- 5/14 Jim & RaeAnn Bower (49)
- 5/20 Eugene & Michelle Wedde (20)
- 5/20 Peter & Trish Reitz (8)



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.

Church Library Hours

Thursday & Sunday:
 Before & after the service
 Tues-Wed-Thurs: 8 am - 5 pm

