

Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church & School • Announcements

VBS STUDENTS:

Please sign the sheet if you plan on attending our VBS this year. Aug. 4-8.

SNACKS FOR VBS:

If you would like to donate snacks---cheese, crackers, chips, fruit, etc.-- for our VBS, please bring them to the kitchen and mark them clearly. Thank you!

IN YOUR MAILBOX:

July Calendar & Newsletter

NEW CLEANING LIST:

A new cleaning list for the second half of the year is in your mailboxes.

VICAR: Our vicar, Ben Libby, the Lord willing, will be arriving Aug. 1st. He will be here for two weeks, preaching one Sunday and helping out with VBS, then returning home on Aug. 14th. He will then come again on Aug. 23rd and staying until Sept. 21st. For the first two weeks Ben will be staying at the Dreyers. For the last four weeks he will stay at the Schasers and Lentz's. We thank these members for opening their homes to Vicar Libby. A welcome brunch for Vicar Libby will be held August 3rd.

Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church is a confessional Lutheran Church.

We proclaim to a world dead in sin that salvation is a gift of God's grace; that Jesus Christ paid the full sacrificial price—His very life—so that gift of salvation could be ours. If you are interested in learning more about our congregation, read more about our Faith, or call Pastor Bernthal at 608-233-2244 or email him at mbern@juno.com More Information and Audio Sermons at middletonlutheran.org



It is good to give thanks to the Lord, And to sing praises to
Your name, O Most High; To declare Your lovingkindness in the
morning, And Your faithfulness every night, - **Psalm 92:1,2**

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Pre-service Preparation: Ps. 92

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Lutheran Hymnal p. 5

Opening Hymn: 384

Before Sermon: 377 (1-5)

Offering Hymn: 439 (5-6)

After Prayers: 377 (6-10)

Closing Hymn: 439 (1-4)

Scripture Readings:

Deuteronomy 30:9-14 God through Moses assures the people of Israel that His Law has not been hidden from them. Having known His will, it was not beyond their understanding. God has not kept His Word a secret from us either. Have we read and studied it so that we know what it reveals to us?

9 The Lord your God will make you abound in all the work of your hand, in the fruit of your body, in the increase of your livestock, and in the produce of your land for good. For the Lord will again rejoice over you for good as

The Sermon: read/listen to sermons at www.middletonlutheran.org

Sermon Text: **Luke 10:25-37**

NOT—WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?

But TO WHOM CAN I BE A NEIGHBOR?

I: The Law demands Love of neighbor.

II: The Gospel Love of Jesus makes us willing neighbors to others.

25 And behold, a certain lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” 26 He said to him, “What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?” 27 So he answered and said, “ ‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,’ and ‘your neighbor as yourself.’” 28 And He said to him, “You have answered rightly; do this and you will live.” 29 But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” 30 Then Jesus answered and said: “A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. 31 Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.

32 Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side. 33 But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion. 34 So he went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. 35 On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said to him, ‘Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you.’ 36 So which of these three do you think was neighbor to him who fell among the thieves?” 37 And he said, “He who showed mercy on him.” Then Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

He rejoiced over your fathers, 10 if you obey the voice of the Lord your God, to keep His commandments and His statutes which are written in this Book of the Law, and if you turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul. 11 “For this commandment which I command you today is not too mysterious for you, nor is it far off. 12 It is not in heaven, that you should say, ‘Who will ascend into heaven for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?’ 13 Nor is it beyond the sea, that you should say, ‘Who will go over the sea for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?’ 14 But the word is very near you, in your mouth and in your heart, that you may do it.

Colossians 1:1-14 The apostle Paul commends his fellow believers at Colosse for giving evidence of the fruits of faith by showing deeds of love. Paul assures them of his continued prayers on their behalf so that they may share in that eternal inheritance in heaven which Christ has earned for them by shedding His blood.

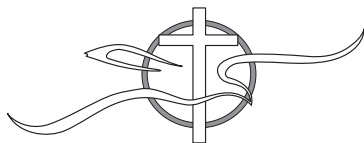
1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, 2 To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ who are in Colosse: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 3 We give thanks to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you, 4 since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of your love for all the saints; 5 because of the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, of which you heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel, 6 which has come to you, as it has also in all the world, and is bringing forth fruit, as it is also among you since the day you heard and knew the grace of God in truth; 7 as you also learned from Epaphras, our dear fellow servant, who is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, 8 who also declared to us your love in the Spirit. 9 For this reason we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; 10 that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; 11 strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, for all patience and longsuffering with joy; 12 giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light. 13 He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love, 14 in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins.

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PEACE THRU CHRIST LUTHERAN

WELCOMES YOU!

We are glad to have you visiting and worshipping your Savior with us this morning. We pray the Spirit bless you with the message of salvation through faith in Jesus Christ. It is not what we do that saves us, but what Christ has done for us. He has been the Perfect Neighbor who laid down His life for us! Please come and worship your Savior with us again. We also ask you to sign our guest register. If you are interested in learning more about your Savior or about our teaching concerning God's Word, feel free to talk with Pastor Bernthal.



This Week:

Today 10:15 Church Council

Monday

9:00 a.m. VBS flyer distribution

Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Bible Class at Artisan

Wednesday

VBS Flyer Distribution in Fond du Lac

Thursday

10:45 a.m. Bible Class at Heritage

Next Sunday

9:00 a.m. Family Worship
10:15 a.m. Quarterly Voters' Meeting

IN SERVICE TO OUR LORD:

Cleaners this week:

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Church---Birkholz/Heberlein

Counters today:

Ruth Bernthal & Deb Schmidt

LAST WEEK: 39

OFFERINGS: \$2,418

DON'T FORGET: A mowing schedule has been put up. We hope you will be able to volunteer to help mow during the summer and fall months. Any questions, please check with Randy Dreyer or Pastor Bernthal.

VOTERS: Please note our Quarterly Voters' Meeting is scheduled for next Sunday after church around 10:15 a.m.

EVANGELISM MEETING: This month's meeting is scheduled for July 27th after church around 10:15 a.m.

STILL NEEDED: One counter to help with counting the offering after church one Sunday a month. Please see John Gerbitz.

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CLC NEWS:

Berea Lutheran, Sioux Falls SD, has called Pastor Joel Fleischer, pastor of Calvary Lutheran, Marquette MI.

PULPIT VACANCIES:

Gift of God, Mapleton ND, Grace, Live Oak FL, Prince of Peace, Loveland, CO, St. Paul, Lakewood CO, Berea, Sioux Falls SD, Zion, Lawrenceville (Atlanta), GA, Living Word, Lexington MO

FUND HELP:

A fund is being set up to help Peggy Schiermeister and her family, at the passing of Pastor Schiermeister, since they have little with which to support themselves. Peggy and the children will be moving to Bismarck, ND, to live with relatives. Contributions to this fund, as well as expressions of sympathy and encouragement, may be sent to St. Paul Lutheran Church, 2510 E. Divide Ave., Bismarck, ND 58501. Checks may be made out to "St. Paul Lutheran," with "Schiermeister Family" on the memo line.

VBS FLYER DISTRIBUTION:

Tomorrow we will be distributing our VBS flyers here in Middleton. Young people from

Luther Memorial, Fond du Lac will be helping. Tomorrow evening we will go to Devil's Lake for supper and swimming. On Wednesday we will go to Fond du Lac to help Luther Memorial distribute their flyers and spend the late afternoon and evening at Lake Winnebago swimming. Please see the sheet in the entry-way and sign up if you can help.

CONGREGATION OUTING:

Sunday, July 27th we are planning a picnic lunch and supper at Devil's Lake starting between 12:30-1:00 p.m. Members from Faith, Markesan and Luther Memorial, Fond du Lac have been invited to join us. Swimming, kayaking, canoeing, hiking, rock climbing and other outdoor games are planned. Please sign the sheet in the entry-way. Bring a meat to grill and your own food—chips, potato salad, drinks, etc. If you have a small grill, please bring it along.

VBS:

Aug. 4-8. Our annual VBS will be held from 9:00-11:45 each day. If you would like to help with teaching or arts & crafts, please see Nathan Peterson or Pastor.