

**Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church & School • Announcements**

**2019 WOMEN'S RETREAT:** March 22-24 Registration is now open on our website: Visit the website at christianwomensretreat.weebly.com. Details of the retreat can be found by clicking either the words or the picture of the Spring Winona Retreat - To register, click the button, Winona Registration. Registration closes on March 21 On Feb 21st, hotel and food costs are locked down within weeks of the retreat dates. Your timely registration is really important for planning.

We would love to see new faces, so please invite others in your congregation to the Retreat. If you know of someone that does not have Internet access, please help them with the registration process or have them call one of the individuals listed below, and we can register them. Coordinators: Chris Gerbitz (608)-314-5227 and Kris Sullivan - (605)-201-3618 Webmaster: Beth Kranz - (715)-471-0790 In need of a roommate? Becca Lillo (262)-271-6129

Prices for accommodations are going to rise and we are searching for a new location. If you are interested in looking for new locations, please contact Kris Sullivan.

**CORRECTION:** The budget accepted by the Voters' two Sundays ago is \$137,560.

**Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church and School 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, please call Pastor Bernthal at **608-233-2244** or e-mail him at [mbern@juno.com](mailto:mbern@juno.com)

More Information and Audio Sermons at [www.peacethruchrist.org](http://www.peacethruchrist.org)



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**Fifth Sunday after Epiphany • February 10, 2019**

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**Pre-service Preparation: Psalm 20**

## THE ORDER OF SERVICE

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### Scripture Readings:

#### Isaiah 6:9-13

Throughout the Old Testament, the people of Israel were a living example of faithlessness to God. They turned their backs on God, refusing to hear and understand the words and commandments of God that He sent to His people through the prophets. God preserves the words of Scripture for us, including the example of Israel, so that we never forget the truth about who God is, how evil and full of sin we are,

and that God sent Jesus to take away all of our sins.

*And He said, "Go, and tell this people: 'Keep on hearing, but do not understand; Keep on seeing, but do not perceive.' 10 "Make the heart of this people dull, And their ears heavy, And shut their eyes; Lest they see with their eyes, And hear with their ears, And understand with their heart, And return and be healed." 11 Then I said, "Lord, how long?" And He answered: "Until the cities are laid waste and without inhabitant, The houses are without a man, The land is utterly desolate, 12 The Lord has removed men far away, And the forsaken places are many in the midst of the land. 13 But yet a tenth will be in it, And will return and be for consuming, As a terebinth tree or as an oak, Whose stump remains when it is cut down. So the holy seed shall be its stump."*

## **1 Corinthians 14:12-20**

The name of God and God's Word aren't meant to be things that are thrown around to make people seem important or holy. God's Word is meant to terrify people who aren't worried and don't care about their sins, and to comfort people who already know just how terrible their sins are. In short, the Bible is meant to be understood by everyone. Paul makes this point to the church in Corinth, saying that spiritual gifts are most valuable when they help others to have a better understanding of God and bring those people closer to God.

*Even so you, since you are zealous for spiritual gifts, let it be for the edification of the church that you seek to excel. 13 Therefore let him who speaks in a tongue pray that he may interpret. 14 For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays, but my understanding is unfruitful. 15 What is the conclusion then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will also pray with the understanding. I will sing with the spirit, and I will also sing with the understanding. 16 Otherwise, if you bless with the spirit, how will he who occupies the place of the uninformed say "Amen" at your giving of thanks, since he does not understand what you say? 17 For you indeed give thanks well, but the other is not edified. 18 I thank my God I speak with tongues more than you all; 19 yet in the church I would rather speak five words with my understanding, that I may teach others also, than ten thousand words in a tongue. 20 Brethren, do not be children in understanding; however, in malice be babes, but in understanding be mature.*

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### **PASTOR'S VACATION:**

Pastor and Ruth, Lord willing, will be returning from their vacation this coming Wednesday evening. If Pastoral assistance is needed, please contact President John Gerbitz at 608-208-8900.

### **NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE CLASS:**

Due to Pastor's vacation, there will be no Bible Class this Wednesday evening.

### **NEW CHURCH OFFICERS:**

John Gerbitz, President; Joel Albrecht, Secretary; Wes Franson, Treasurer; Caleb Meyer, Evangelism Chairman; Tim Schaser, B.O.C.E. Chairman; Chris Ude, Property Manager.

### **USHERS:**

The new usher's list for 2019 can be found on the bulletin board in the entry-way as well as in every usher's mailbox. Thank you for your willing service to the Lord in this area.

### **EVANGELISM MEETING:**

Our next Evangelism meeting will be held next Sunday @ 11:30 a.m.

### **HANNAH'S HELPING HANDS:**

The Ladies will be meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 19th at 7:00 p.m.

### **FINANCIAL HELP:**

St. Paul writes in Gal. 6:10: "Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers." Recently, the Lord in His mercy called our brother in faith, Kevin McKenney, home to glory. His family is facing major financial challenges due to funeral costs, as well as ongoing expenses. Therefore, I have authorized a synod-wide offering to help the family. Gifts may be sent to the General Business Office at ILC with checks made out to: Church of the Lutheran Confession and a memo line: "McKenney Family Aid." Funds from congregations could also be included in the regular monthly remittance. Yours in Christ, Mike Eichstadt

## PEACE THRU CHRIST LUTHERAN WELCOMES YOU!

We are so glad you are worshiping with us this morning. Jesus' Word has the power to heal physically, but even more importantly it has the power to give spiritual healing to all. Through the Word we learn of Jesus' sacrifice on the cross that has earned for us forgiveness of sins and everlasting life. We invite you to come again and worship your Savior with us. Please, also sign our guest book.

**THANK YOU:** to Seminary student, and former vicar, Nick Naumann for bringing us the Word in our Bible Class and Worship service. We pray for his safe travels back home and for a blessed second semester of his seminary training.

### AFTER CHURCH:

Ladies, please meet with President John Gerbitz and Evangelism Chairman Caleb Meyer to discuss the Men's/Women's Seminar to be held on March 2nd. Thank you!

### This Week:

**Today** 9:00 a.m. Sunday School: Job Bible Class: ?  
10:00 a.m. Family Worship

**Thursday:** 10:45 a.m. Bible Class at Heritage

### Next Sunday:

9:00 a.m. S.S./Bible Class  
10:00 a.m. Family Worship  
11:15 a.m. Evangelism Meeting

**IN YOUR MAILBOX:** February Calendar & Newsletter

### IN SERVICE TO OUR LORD:

Cleaners this week: A. Fanson/Williams B. Dreyer/Dumke  
Counters today: Rachel Meyer

### LAST WEEK:

Worship 45 S.S. 1 Bible Class 14

**OFFERINGS** 2/3 for Unified Budget: \$2,798 : \$40 McKenney Fund

Sermon: **John 5:1-15**

## JESUS' WORD MAKES A PERSON WELL

**I: It gave physical healing  
to the man at the pool.**

**II: It gives spiritual healing  
to the entire world.**

*After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. 2 Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, which is called in Hebrew, Bethesda, having five porches. 3 In these lay a great multitude of sick people, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water. 4 For an angel went down at a certain time into the pool and stirred up the water; then whoever stepped in first, after the stirring of the water, was made well of whatever disease he had. 5 Now a certain man was there who had an infirmity thirty-eight years. 6 When Jesus saw him lying there, and knew that he already had been in that condition a long time, He said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" 7 The sick man answered Him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; but while I am coming, another steps down before me." 8 Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your bed and walk." 9 And immediately the man was made well, took up his bed, and walked. And that day was the Sabbath. 10 The Jews therefore said to him who was cured, "It is the Sabbath; it is not lawful for you to carry your bed." 11 He answered them, "He who made me well said to me, 'Take up your bed and walk.'" 12 Then they asked him, "Who is the Man who said to you, 'Take up your bed and walk'?" 13 But the one who was healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, a multitude being in that place. 14 Afterward Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, "See, you have been made well. Sin no more, lest a worse thing come upon you." 15 The man departed and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well.*