

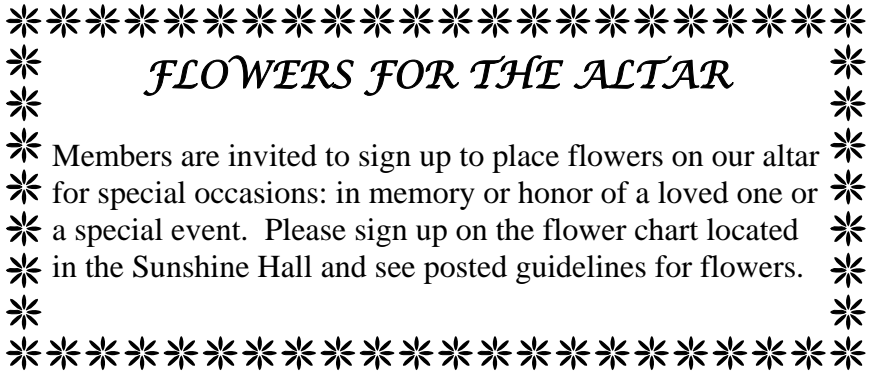
Broadcast

News for God's people at Peace With Christ Lutheran Church
May 2010

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.
Romans 15:13



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FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR

Members are invited to sign up to place flowers on our altar for special occasions: in memory or honor of a loved one or a special event. Please sign up on the flower chart located in the Sunshine Hall and see posted guidelines for flowers.

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Next month's articles are due Sunday, May 16

Pastor Patrick's Pen



“I Am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.” John 15:5

Dear Children of God,

“Jesus is Risen! Alleluia! He is Risen Indeed!” That joyful Easter acclamation is STILL ringing in my ears! It sheds such positive and eternal light on our lives, dispelling the darkness of sin and death and the despair that can so easily derail us in our Faith lives. Yes, our Lord is risen, and we have the assurance that we will live with Him forever. HOWEVER, until that day comes we still have to live our lives here and now. And that can be tough, especially when the Broadcast article is due and hasn’t been written!

That was the challenge I was facing this morning when I arrived at church. Marcy gave me a gentle and kind reminder that I needed to get her my article. Usually I have determined the topic that I will be writing on ahead of time, but with the busy-ness of the Easter season the due date had snuck up on me without having given it any thought. But the Lord id Good! For as I went into the sanctuary to conduct morning prayer, Betty Heermann gave me an article about Buzz Aldrin and communion (found in this issue of the Broadcast) in which John 15 was referenced. Then I opened *“To Live with Christ”* by Bo Giertz (the book I read from at mid-week service) and guess what bible verse the devotion was based on? That’s right, John 15! So the Lord provided the solution to my problem about what to write for the Broadcast.

Jesus makes it clear that He is the vine, and we are the branches. What appropriate imagery for this time of year, when people are

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planting and gardening. We derive our life from Jesus. Without Jesus we would die. What is it specifically that nourishes our lives? It is the Son and water and the word.

Truly it is a miracle that with the process of photosynthesis plants can convert energy from the sun so that they can grow. The greater miracle is that the Son of God converts us so that we are able to grow! Jesus says "*apart from Me you can do nothing.*" Without the sun, plants would die. Without The Son we would be dead in our sins. But in and with His light there is life!

But it is not only the sun that plants depend upon, it is also water. Soon we will see irrigation ditches carrying water to farmer's fields. The Lord irrigates us in baptism. Certainly there is the initial irrigation, but He continues to provide us with life as we daily live out our baptism, repeating that cycle of repentance and forgiveness.

Finally, there is the Word. Some avid gardeners believe that talking to plants can help them grow. I don't know about plants, but that is definitely true for us! We need the Word of God and from God to nurture and sustain us in our growth in the Christian Faith. Jesus says so Himself: *If you abide in Me, and my word abides in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.*

As a result of The Son and water and the water we are able to bear fruit. If someone were to stop and look at you, what fruit would they see growing in your life? In Galatians 5 St. Paul lists these fruits. Take time to consider these fruits, and others that our dear Lord Jesus is causing to grow in you. And perhaps ponder and pray about them as you are planting and working in your garden.

Peace,

Pastor Patrick

Reena's Writings

Have you ever sung in a choir? Have you ever wanted to sing in a choir? Maybe in junior high or high school you were. Maybe you are in the adult or youth choir here at Peace With Christ. In actuality, each one of us is in the choir every week in worship. All assembled Christians are part of the earthly choir, joining angels, archangels, and all the company of heaven. So why do we have other choirs?

The role of the choir is understood in a variety of ways in different denominations. The Lutheran church strives to maintain an understanding of the choir as a subset of musical leaders, who enrich and enliven the liturgy and hymns, within the context of the larger congregational choir, not as special music or a commercial break in the liturgy. The choir prays and gives praise on behalf of those in the congregation. As Carl Schalk writes in *Music in Lutheran Worship*, choirs function liturgically in these three ways, in order of importance:

1. The choir supports and enriches the congregational singing of hymns and of the liturgy.

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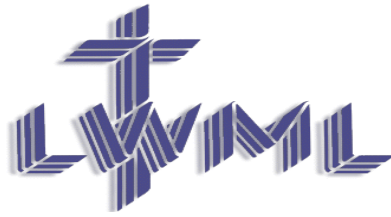
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2. The choir brings richness and variety to congregational worship by singing the portions of the liturgy entrusted to it.
3. The choir enriches congregational worship by presenting attendant music as appropriate and possible.

With such a focus on the liturgy and hymnody, the choir is able to help teach new hymns, add variety to hymns, and lead alternate settings of the Introit, Psalm, and other propers to the Sunday. When the choir has time to prepare attendant music, it is also meant to support the liturgy and readings for the day. As such, it is placed in the service during communion, during the offering, or as a response to the readings.

Unfortunately, many churches have delegated choirs to the task of providing entertainment breaks, only singing anthems that are catchy and fun. This leads to distraction and a performance atmosphere. The more we understand the function and priorities of the choir, the more meaningful and effective their task can be, as we learn to sing and pray through their contributions. *Soli Deo Gloria!*

LUTHERAN WOMEN IN MISSION



- May's program on Thrivent, presented by Ryan Behm, will be held Monday, May 10th at 7pm in the Fellowship Hall. Carolyn Huisjen will have devotions/mites. Hostesses will be Carolyn Huisjen and Betty Heermann. During the business meeting following the presentation, we will vote on our 4 Bazaar Fund candidates: Evan Goeglein, Stephen Heimer, Brandon Ross and Andrew Walker. ALL are Seminarians attending Concordia and ALL have ties to Peace with Christ. Your vote will determine WHO will benefit from Bazaar proceeds and HOW MUCH each will receive. Come enjoy the program & cast your vote!
- THANK YOU to everyone who supported Health Kits for Haiti in March and April! LWML's Mission Service team of Barb Prenzlou & Teri Frerichs have found topical mission projects that PWC members can support by simply bringing a few items to the sunshine room. So far this year, you've blessed Orphan Grain Train and Lutheran World Relief with your generous donations. WHO IS NEXT?

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- LWML's May Mission Project, in conjunction with the ingathering for June's District Convention, will be BEAR NECESSITIES, a support program for Mesa County foster children. On average, around 300 children are placed in foster care or kinship care in Mesa County each year. The children, removed from their parents due to neglect and/or abuse, often times come with few or no belongings. Bear Necessities provides for immediate needs such as: Lotions and baby powder, baby diapers and wipes, baby bottles and pacifiers, bed sheets (twin or crib), PJs/onzies/sleepers and cash for car/booster seats. A basket is available in the sunshine room for your contributions through Sunday, June 6th. PWC ladies will deliver your gifts to Grand Junction's Convention when they drive out later that week.
- It's not too late to register for the District LWML Convention, June 11-13th in Grand Junction, Colorado. Forms are available in the Tidings publication and LWML's website.
- Our next executive board meeting will be Monday, May 24th beginning at 6pm in the home of Angela Myers. All ladies are welcome.

TAG
Tuesday Afternoon Group

All older adults are welcome to attend the various activities and Bible studies of this Older Adult Ministry Group. Our Bible study and meal are on the 1st Tuesday of the month. Some months there will be an additional activity. Come and enjoy the fellowship.

Tuesday, May 4th at Noon

This month the meal will be a potluck with everyone bringing a favorite dish to share. Bible study led by Pastor Caspersen will begin at 1:00pm.



JOY CIRCLE

Joy Circle will have "Lunch Out" at Young's restaurant on Thursday, May 6. Please meet at the Church at 11:15am to carpool or at the restaurant at 11:30am. Come and enjoy good food and fellowship!



Music was an inspiration and a blessing Martin Luther. He is quoted as saying the “I, Doctor Martin Luther, which all lovers of the unshackled art of music, grace and peace from God the Father and from our Lord Jesus Christ. I truly desire that all Christians would love and regard as worthy the lovely gift of music, which is a precious, worthy and costly treasure given to mankind by God.”

With these words in mind, mark your calendars now...you are invited to join in “Singing the Faith” through hymns on Sunday, May 23rd, 4-5pm in our sanctuary, followed by a reception.

The Sunday Evening Bible Class has been studying Lutheran Hymnology presented by Reena Linke. We have gained so much from this we want to share the joy of singing with the congregation and friends. This will be followed by a reception of dessert and Lutheran coffee. Please join us!



College/Young Adult Group

Bible Study: Our last Bible study for the school year will be May 11. We are hoping to continue meeting throughout the summer at a time that will work for those in the area. Please let me know if you are interested!

End of the Year Buchholz BBQ: Cliff & Lu Buchholz have invited us to their home for a BBQ on May 16th after 2nd service. Please RSVP to Reena so we can get a count. Hope you'll join us celebrate the end of the school year!

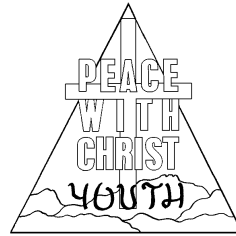
ULC Boulder BBQ: ULC Boulder has invited us down for their end of the school year BBQ and worship service on May 2nd. The service is at 5pm, and dinner is at 6pm. Please let Reena know if you are interested in going.



Youth Choir

As Bible study will continue on Wednesday evenings, we will continue meeting afterwards at 7pm through Pentecost. Our final week singing in church will be May 23rd when we will sing with the Adult Choir for Pentecost. Note this is a change from the original printed schedule.

YOUTH NEWS



Wednesday Night Bible Study: We will continue to have Bible Class on Wednesday night through the month of May. Confirmation Age youth members are invited to join the class at 6pm each Wednesday. We are studying Romans and will be studying Chapter 6.

June Bible Study: We will be offering Bible Study during June and possibly throughout the summer. Pastor Hein will be leading those - please let me know if you will be able to attend during June.

Frisbee Golf: Plan to join us on Saturday, May 15 at 10am for Frisbee Golf at EPIC. We will be inviting the Youth Group from Gloria Christi in Greeley to get to know them before Higher Things. Hope all going to Higher Things can make it! This is open to all Youth! Sign-up.

May 28: Plan for an evening of games and fun with your friends at PWC. Meet at church at 5:30pm for dinner, devotion and some fun! Please sign-up!

Painting the front walkway: We have been asked to help with repainting the short walls in the front of the church. Please watch for more info in the Greensheet for the date & time.

MARILYN'S MEMO

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” - this phrase and the rest of the verse keeps running through my head as I think about writing my article this month. Due to this, I have been thinking of all the blessings that we do receive from above and of all the things we can praise Him for here below.

During the Lent and Easter season, there were many reasons to praise Him. We have the Word to study and learn from, faithful Pastors to bring this Word to us, a place to worship in safety and security and a country that still allows us to worship our Lord. Everything may not be perfect in our homes, church, or country but we are blessed by all that we have especially when what other Christians face in their lives each day. We are truly blessed to be here.

What a blessing the services were during this time. Wonderful music provided by the choirs, musicians, organists and pianists. We are blessed by all those willing to share their gifts with us during our worship services.

I praise God for all the faithful people in our congregation - the Elders, Altar Gild members, staff, Council members, Youth Board members, and all board members who work so hard and for the congregation members. I am so very grateful for the Youth families, Youth helpers and the Youth

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members themselves. I am blessed to be able to work with the Youth and staff at PWC and am thankful everyday for this opportunity.

I am very thankful for God's love through which we receive His forgiveness and the precious gift of salvation given to us by Jesus Christ. What a wonderful God we have!

"Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost." Praise Him everyday - have a blessed May.

In Christ,
Marilyn



"Godspeed to Brandon and
Mackenzie"

PWC has been blessed by the faith, participation and service of Brandon and Mackenzie Ross. The Lord has led Brandon to pursue the Holy Ministry, and therefore they will be leaving Peace With Christ in order to pursue studies and preparation at Concordia Theological Seminary in Ft. Wayne, IN. Between services on Sunday, May 16th there will be a special time of fellowship as a way of expressing our thanks and wishing them the Lord's Blessings.

Special Service Days in May

Three of the most important days on the Christian Calendar fall in May.

Ascension Day, the day Jesus ascended into heaven, comes forty days after Easter, is on Thursday, May 13th. We will observe Ascension Day with a service at 7pm.

Pentecost Sunday, May 23rd, is the Day that God the Father poured out the Holy Spirit upon the disciples.

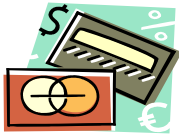
Trinity Sunday, May 30th, marks the day that we are reminded of the One true God in three persons whom we worship. Each of these days gives us a wonderful opportunity to be renewed and strengthened in our faith.

Chancel Dedication

Pentecost Sunday, May 23rd, will mark the official dedication of the redesigned chancel, furnishings, and windows. The dedication will take place at both services. We praise God for having watched over this project, and for the many faithful servants who helped to work on it and bring it to completion!



SAVE THE DATE for the annual camping trip to be held the weekend of July 16 at Jack's Gulch. More information will be forthcoming.



Scrip Gift Cards: They Youth have many gift cards available for immediate sale at the Youth Table on Sunday mornings. Grocery cards: Safeway, King Soopers, Albertsons, Sunflower, Wal Mart. Also Department stores and restaurants. A list of additional cards that can be ordered is available as well. Thanks for your support for Peace With Christ Youth Group.

Alzheimer's Association

If you or any one you may know is looking for

Pastor's Monday morning "James 1:27" group will be changed to the second Monday of the month starting May 10th at 10:00am.

assistance or would like more information about Alzheimer, starting May 24th at 10:00 Peace With Christ will be hosting general information sessions. It's open to the public. For more information, please contact the church office.



SPRING CLEANUP

On Saturday, May 8th - like our individual homes, our church home is in need of a little spring maintenance and the more “family members” who contribute, the faster the job will be completed. Please come Saturday, May 8th for Spring Cleanup beginning at 8am.

- A list of jobs will be provided, so you can choose whichever item/s suit you, either inside or outside. If you can only spare an hour, that is fine! The combined hours provided by many will get the project completed quickly.
- Morning refreshments will be provided. To aid in planning, a sign-up sheet is located in the Narthex.

We hope to see many PWC family members here, working together on the 8th. If you have questions, please call Ken Keeney at 223-1486



ADOPT A PLOT

Openings are available. If you or your family would like to maintain a plot this year, choose an open spot and sign-up on the poster in
THANK YOU!

Friends,

More than likely, by the time you read this we have moved to Parker, CO. While this is a new adventure for us, it is also very sad for us to leave Peace With Christ and all of you. We want to write a few words to say “thank you” and let you know how important you have been to our family.

When we joined several years ago, we did not expect all the wonderful love, support, and spiritual nourishment that we received at PWC. You are a very special group of people and many of you have touched our lives in ways that you will never know.

From the baptism of our daughter to other more difficult circumstances, we were privileged to share many significant events with you. Whether the occasion was joyful or sorrowful we appreciated how many of you shared in our lives and offered us encouragement and support when it was most needed. We also learned much from the valuable years of wisdom that you shared with us.

Even more so, it was a joy for us to see Keelin’s face light up each time you greeted her and shook her little hand. You have had a significant and positive role in shaping her first opinions about Christ’s church. I trust

that those positive first impressions you helped create will stay with her for a lifetime.

We are especially grateful for Pastor Patrick, Reena, Marilyn and all of you who give your time and contribute to making PWC what it is. We were fed and nourished every week by the word and sacraments, and, being recent converts to the Lutheran Confession, it was a blessing to have the good theology of the Evangelical Lutheran Church written into our hearts through the liturgy and music of each Divine Service.

Thank you again for being so good at reflecting the Savior's love towards us. We will cherish our time together and, if not sooner, look forward to worshipping with you again at the great marriage supper of the Lamb.

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.
(Heb 13:22-25)

Grace to all of you,
Chad, Robin and Keelin Hamilton

COMMUNION ON THE MOON

By Eric Metaxas

Forty years ago two human beings changed history by walking on the surface of the moon. But what happened before Buzz Aldrin and Neil Armstrong exited the Lunar Module is perhaps even more amazing, if only because so few people know about it. “I’m talking about the fact that Buzz Aldrin took communion on the surface of the moon. Some months after his return, he wrote about it in *Guideposts* magazine.

And a few years ago I had the privilege of meeting him myself. I asked him about it and he confirmed the story to me, and I wrote about it in my book *Everything You Always Wanted to Know About God (But were Afraid to Ask)*.

The background to the story is that Aldrin was an elder at his Presbyterian Church in Texas during this period in his life, and knowing that he would soon be doing something unprecedented in human history, he felt he should mark the occasion somehow, and he asked his minister to help him. And so the minister consecrated a communion wafer and a small vial of communion wine. Buzz Aldrin took them with him out of the Earth’s orbit and on to the surface of the moon.

He and Armstrong had only been on the lunar surface for a few minutes when Aldrin made the following public statement: “This is the LM pilot. I’d like to take this opportunity to ask every person listening in, wherever and whenever they may be, to pause for a moment and contemplate the events of the past few hours and to give thanks in his or her own way.” He then ended radio

communication and there, on the silent surface of the moon, 250,000 miles from home, he read a verse from the Gospel of John, and he took communion. Here is his own account of what happened: “In the radio blackout, I opened the little plastic packages which contained the bread and the wine. I poured the wine into the chalice our church had given me. In the one-sixth gravity of the moon, the wine slowly curled and gracefully came up the side of the cup. Then I read the Scripture, ‘I am the wine, you are the branches. Whosoever abides in me will bring forth much fruit...Apart from me you can do nothing.

I had intended to read my communion passage back to earth, but at the last minute [they] had requested that I not do this. NASA was already embroiled in a legal battle with Madelyn Murray O’Hare, the celebrated opponent of religion, over the Apollo 8 crew reading from Genesis while orbiting the moon at Christmas. I agreed reluctantly.

I ate the tiny Host and swallowed the wine. I gave thanks for the intelligence and spirit that had brought two young pilots to the Sea of Tranquility. It was interesting for me to think: the very first liquid ever poured on the moon, and the very first food eaten there, were the communion elements.

And of course, It’s interesting to think that some of the first words spoken on the moon were the words of Jesus Christ, who made the Earth and the moon - and Who, in the immortal words of Dante, is Himself the “Love that moves the Sun and other stars.”



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO.....

Chad & Robin Hamilton	May 1, 2004
Richard & Elenore Lund	May 1, 1960
Eric & Marcy Petago	May 7, 1988
Tom & Marilyn Lasich	May 8, 1981
Greg & Joyce Beck	May 14, 1977
Christopher & Jodi Holthouser	May 21, 2009
Dave & Karen McCoy	May 22, 1976
Adam & Jen Musgrave	May 23, 2009
Taylor & Tiffany Wiginton	May 25, 2007
Dan & Shawna Prevedel	May 26, 1990
David & Lynn Boehnke	May 29, 1994
Dean & Shirley Farrier	May 29, 1953
Bill & Julie Chevront	May 30, 1992
Scott & Natalie Boehnke	May 30, 1992
Brandon & MacKenzie Ross	May 30, 2009

We apologize if we missed your anniversary. Please notify the church office to update.



**Financial Update
As of March 2010**

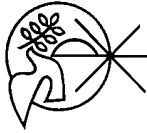
- 2009 budget: \$376,264.04
- Year-to-date total PWC income: \$87,389.69
- Year-to-date total PWC expenses: \$98,215.44
- Net Income: -\$10,825.75





HAPPY MAY BIRTHDAY TO.....

Joe Walters	1st
Larry Siegfried	2nd
Scott Dahlgren	3rd
Barbara Holder	3rd
James Pennington	4th
Corey Dahlgren	5th
Connie Jesser	5th
David Chandler	8th
Chuck Black	9th
Katie Petago	9th
Marge Westhoff	12th
Gennavive Inscho	13th
Nancy Moore	13th
Scott Boehnke	15th
Skyler Yeldell	16th
Megan Chandler	17th
Megan Foster	17th
Robert Sharp	19th
Fredrick Upham	19th
Gwenevere Inscho	20th
Dean Schipper	20th
Toku Kido	21st
Tiffany Wiginton	25th
Karen Carlson	26th
Carol Caspersen	26th
Doug Scheiwe	27th
Nick Allison	28th
Heather Scheiwe	28th
Shaundra Schultz	29th
Mike Allerheiligen	30th
Katie Chevront	31st



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