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Happy New Year!



Happy New Year! We have been blessed by our God to put another month behind us. So, we have another month to look forward to. Have you made some New Year's resolutions? I would like to encourage you to use this month to tell the people that you know a little bit about Jesus. I am not suggesting that you stand on the corner of 24 Mile and Van Dyke and preach a sermon, although you could do that too. What I am saying is that you talk to the small circle of friends that you have, and tell them about your best friend Jesus. You do not need a degree from the seminary - you just say what you know. You do not need to worry about what to say, the Holy Spirit will help you with that. Jesus said in Luke 12:11-12, "And when they bring you before the synagogues and the rulers and the authorities, do not be anxious about how you should defend yourself or what you should say," Verse 12: "For the Holy Spirit will teach you in that very hour what you ought to say." If people ask you questions it is okay to say 'I am not sure, let me get back to you.' Then you can ask Pastor for the answer. Then you can have another conversation about your friend Jesus! I know that this is out of your comfort zone, but hey, the Holy Spirit will help you – HE PROMISED! I wish you a safe, happy, and prosperous new year!

Serving Jesus and His People,
Deacon Jim Schurig



A Message from Our E.C. Director...



As we step into a new year, we are reminded of the incredible opportunities that lie ahead, both in our lives and within our church and school community. For many of us, the start of a new year is a chance to reflect on the past and look forward to new beginnings. Our reflection on the past years in preschool brings about excitement and opportunities for growth and development as we celebrate 50 years of Peace Lutheran Preschool. More information about our celebration will be coming in the New Year.

January brings many opportunities in our preschool program to continue to engage in our church and school community. Our preschool classes will sing at the **Children's Worship on Saturday, January 25, at 5:00pm** and our **4s and Young 5s will also sing in the chapel service on Wednesday, January 29**, as we celebrate National Lutheran Schools Week.

Wishing you a blessed and joyful New Year filled with new opportunities and fresh beginnings in 2025!

Blessings,

Suzette Quail
Early Childhood Director



A Message from the Editor...

Dear Readers,



From the Editor

Thank you, Holly Nelson, Samantha, Brent, our Praise Team and our Adult, KidZone, Preschool and K through 8 choirs for singing joyful songs unto the Lord with us during our December 8 Christmas Concert. Thank you, Pastor Klemm, for your inspirational message of the Christmas story, which was interwoven with scenes from "The Chosen"! All of you helped prepare our hearts for Christmas!

May we take the Christmas message wherever we go throughout the new year!

Happy 2025!

Sincerely,

Jackie Pilan

PS: The deadline for February's "Peace Lutheran Messenger" is **Monday, January 20**.

Board and Ministry News...

“THE TALK”

Dangerous. Beautiful. Gift.

6 SESSIONS – A CLASS FOR PARENTS

BEGINS WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 6:30PM-7:30PM

AVAILABLE FOR CHURCH AND SCHOOL FAMILIES

CONTACT HOLLY WITH QUESTIONS (hnelson@peaceshelby.org)

REGISTRATION ENCOURAGED

PLEASE VISIT [WWW.PEACESHELBY.ORG/THE-TALK](http://www.peaceshelby.org/the-talk)

“THE TALK”

Dear Parents,

Are you ready for “THE Talk” with your child? You know the one about the “birds and the bees”? This is a hard subject to talk about. Peace would like to partner with you, the Christian home, along with the Christian school and church to discuss and give you ways to begin or continue this hard conversation with your child. You may think that your child is too young to know “this stuff.” However, if you, as the parent, are not teaching your child about sexuality, your child will learn distorted lessons about sexuality from TV, Internet, and playground conversations. If you are silent on sex while the rest of the world is abuzz about it, your child will learn that you cannot help in this key area. If you teach Godly, truthful, tactful, and appropriate lessons about sexuality, your child will trust you more and see you as a parent who tells the truth.

So...I would like to invite you to have a conversation together about how to have a conversation with your son or daughter about growing up and the changes that are going on in their body. I will be leading a Biblically-based, six-session, multimedia program that empowers you, the parent, to have healthy, ongoing conversations with their kids about love, s_ _ (birds and bees), and relationships. This is a great Bible study for parents of pre-teens and teens. It is NEVER too early to begin thinking about these conversations. This Bible study is open to all parents, even if you are only beginning to think about how to have these conversations.

Visit <https://www.peaceshelby.org/the-talk> to REGISTER.

The study begins on Wednesday, January 8, 6:30-7:30pm. (Dates 1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12)
Babysitting available upon request.

There is a one-hour mini-session of "The Talk" on Tuesday, January 7 at 4:30-5:30pm and 7-8pm in Room #119. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email (hnelson@peaceshelby.org) or call the office (586-731-4120). Thank you!



PUZZLE DAYS

TUESDAYS | 10AM BEGINS JANUARY 7

January, February & March

ALL AGES WELCOME



PLEASE CONTACT HOLLY ([HNELSON@PEACESHELBY.ORG](mailto:hnelson@peaceshelby.org)) WITH QUESTIONS

Kick off the new year with some fun and friendly brainpower! Beginning **TUESDAY, JANUARY 7**, join us for Puzzle Days every Tuesday at 10:00am, running through March.

All ages are welcome. Refreshments will be available.

Whether you are a puzzle pro or just looking for a fun way to spend the morning, there is something for everyone.

Please contact Holly at hnelson@peaceshelby.org with any questions.



TRUSTEES NEEDED

**INTERESTED IN JOINING THE
TRUSTEES OR LEADING A PROJECT?**

CONTACT JASON AT [JASONABELE@ICLOUD.COM](mailto:jasonabele@icloud.com) FOR MORE INFORMATION



60+ GROUP

**WEDNESDAY
JANUARY 8
12:30PM**

MOVIE & LUNCH



**60+ Group
Movie and Lunch
January 8, 2025**

Join us for a Movie and Lunch with our 60+ Group on **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, at 12:30pm**. We will be watching "The Forge" (2024):

A year out of high school with no plans for his future, a boy is challenged by his single mom and a successful businessman to start charting a better course for his life. Through the prayers of his mother and biblical discipleship from his new mentor, he begins discovering God's purpose for his life is so much more than he could hope for or imagine.



YOUTH LATE NIGHTER

5TH-12TH GRADE

SUNDAY | JANUARY 19 | 5:00PM-12:00AM

**PING PONG TOURNAMENT,
FUN AND GAMES,
SNACKS, GOD'S WORD & MORE**



**Youth Late-Nighter
January 19, 2025**

Join us at this year's Youth Late-Nighter. There is a "Surprise" off-site event to start the night out. (We will meet there.) Then we will head back to Peace Lutheran on 24 Mile Rd for pizza and the rest of the Late-Nighter. Cost: \$20. Parent drivers are needed for this event. If you would like to pay in-person, please do so by Sunday morning at church. *Please reach out to Holly if cost is prohibiting your youth from participating.

Starts: 5:00pm (at an off-site location, to be disclosed to parents the week of the event. We ask that parents help us in keeping the surprise! Sign up at <https://www.peaceshelby.org/youth-ministries>.

*Bring a friend *Bring a snack to share

Pick up: Midnight at Peace Lutheran

The heart of a volunteer

A daughter had just helped her 90-year-old mother through the complex process of moving from and selling the family home. Now in a senior living center, the once-active woman was adjusting to her new surroundings and lifestyle.

As the daughter finalized arrangements, she tactfully brought up matters of nutrition. Hoping her mom would accept some help, she asked, "What about Meals on Wheels?"

Mom replied, "No, dear. I don't think I can volunteer for them anymore."

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Blood Drive

MONDAY
January 20 (MLK Day)
12:00pm – 6:00pm

Register at www.redcrossblood.org
enter sponsor code: peaceshelby

Red Cross Blood Drive

January 20, 2025

Be a Donor! Peace is hosting a Blood Drive with the American Red Cross on **MONDAY, JANUARY TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, from 12:00pm to 6:00pm.** Please consider donating blood. A single blood donation may help up to three different people. Walk-ins are welcome.

Call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) for availability, go to www.redcrossblood.org and search sponsor code: peaceshelby or call Peggy Bobel.

REGISTER BY JANUARY 21, 2025 for WHITE OUT - YOUTH WINTER CAMP FEBRUARY 21 - 23, 2025

OUTDOOR WINTER FUN & GOD'S WORD
GRADES 6 - 12

SIGN UP FOR YOUTH GROUP UPDATES
Visit www.peaceshelby.org for details.



REGISTER BY JANUARY 8, 2025 for WHITEOUT JR - YOUTH WINTER CAMP JANUARY 24 - 26, 2025

OUTDOOR WINTER FUN & GOD'S WORD
GRADES 2 - 6

SIGN UP FOR YOUTH GROUP UPDATES
Visit www.peaceshelby.org for details.



WhiteOut Youth Event

WhiteOut (6th-12th Grades)
WhiteOut Jr. (2nd-6th Grade)
At Pine Ridge — Lasting Impact
Made Simple.

Join us for THE event of the winter! Enjoy playing in the snow, night tubing, climbing the "Dark Wall," broomball, Laser Tag, Glow Night, and meeting with God at a beautiful retreat. These weekends are crafted for youth to have a weekend full of fun memories. Youth will be challenged by God's Word, have opportunities to join in awesome praise and worship, and build deeper relationships through these amazing weekends.

Check out our expanded page at <https://www.peaceshelby.org/whiteout-youth-event> for more information and to sign up.

"Learn to light a candle in the darkest moments of someone's life. Be the light that helps others see." —Roy T. Bennett

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2025 OPEN HOUSE

THURSDAY

JANUARY 23

5:30PM - 7:30PM

PRESCHOOL AGE 2 – YOUNG 5S
KINDERGARTEN – 8TH GRADE



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RE-REROLLMENT OPENS

JANUARY 23

FOR THE
2025 - 2026 SCHOOL YEAR

PRESCHOOL AGE 2 – YOUNG 5S
KINDERGARTEN – 8TH GRADE



PEACE“FULL” BLESSINGS

SILENT & LIVE AUCTION FUNDRAISER

THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 2025
6:00PM - 10:00PM

TICKETS ON
SALE NOW



SHELBY GARDENS BANQUETS
50265 Van Dyke Ave, Shelby Township, MI 48317

Peace“Full” Blessings Auction

March 6, 2024

Register Now!

It is with great excitement that we invite you to participate in our PEACE“FULL” Blessings Auction. This event will be held Thursday, March 6, 2025, at 6:00pm. Join us for dinner and an open bar.

For over 65 years Peace Lutheran Church and School has played an active role in our community, providing an affordable, quality, Christian education serving families in preschool age 2 through Grade 8.

We want you to be part of the great things that are happening at Peace! Your donation will be featured at our event, and your involvement will provide additional exposure for your business, association, or organization for over 250 expected attendees.

Standard ticket pricing (December 1, 2024 - February 16, 2025):

Ticket - \$70/each

Table - \$680/Table (10 Guests)

Please sign up to sponsor and to purchase tickets at

<https://www.peaceshelby.org/peace-full-auction-2025>.

PEACE“FULL” BLESSINGS

SILENT & LIVE AUCTION FUNDRAISER

Sponsorship Opportunities

SHELBY GARDENS BANQUETS

THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 2025

50265 Van Dyke Ave, Shelby Township, MI 48317


www.peaceshelby.org



Resolve to “be there”

Let our New Year's resolution be this: We will be there for one another as fellow members of humanity, in the finest sense of the word. —Goran Persson (www.newsletternewsletter.com)

Save the Date...!

A purple banner for a tea time event. It features illustrations of various teapots and teacups, some with floral patterns, and green tea leaves with berries. The text is centered in white with a black outline.

TEA TIME

**MOTHER AND
DAUGHTER NIGHT**

**SUNDAY | FEBRUARY 2
2:00PM - 4:00PM**

VISIT WWW.PEACESHELBY.ORG TO REGISTER

A blue banner for a tool time event. It features illustrations of various tools including wrenches, pliers, screwdrivers, a hammer, a saw, and a hand saw. The text is centered in white with a black outline.

TOOL TIME

FATHER AND SON NIGHT

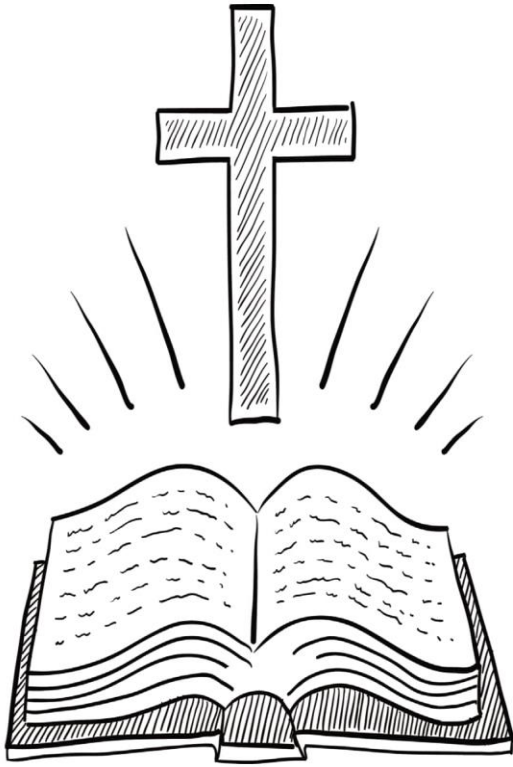
**SUNDAY | FEBRUARY 2
5:00PM - 7:00PM**

VISIT WWW.PEACESHELBY.ORG TO REGISTER

Epiphany Word Search

Epiphany

DIRECTIONS: Find and circle the vocabulary words in the grid.
Look for them in all directions including backwards and diagonally.



BABY, BALTHAZAR, BAPTISM, BETHLEHEM, CASPAR, CHRISTIAN, EPIPHANY, FEAST, FIRST MIRACLE,
FRANKINCENSE, GOLD, HEROD, HOLIDAY, HOPE, JANUARY, JESUS, MAGI, MELCHIOR, MYRRH,
REVELATION, SIXTH, STAR, SUNDAY, THREE KINGS, TWELFTH DAY, WISE MEN

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Worship Services

On-Site Sunday Worship

8:30am Traditional
10:30am Contemporary

Online Worship

Streaming Sunday at 10:30am
on Peace's App, YouTube Channel and
Facebook Page

Sunday Bible Studies

Adult Bible Studies

9:45-10:30am

HSYM/JYM

9:45am

KidZone and Nursery

During the 10:30am Service

Wednesday Bible Studies

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

10:00am, Gathering Room

Wednesday Night Bible Studies

6:30pm, Bible Study
7:00pm, Zoom Study

Thursday Bible Studies

6:30pm, Women's Study,
Gathering Room (See you in the spring.)

Saturday Bible Studies

Men's Bible Study
2nd and 4th Saturdays, 7:30am

Prayer Group

3:00pm, Mondays, at the
Klein Residence

Church Calendar

<https://www.peaceshelby.org/church-events-calendar>

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