



PEACE
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Messenger

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Expressing Your Thanks to God



How are you saying THANKS to God for all that He has entrusted to you? When you think of Christian stewardship, you probably think of what you as an offering or tithe. And that is certainly how we show our gratitude through to the Lord, through generous giving, but what about using our talents for God through the church?

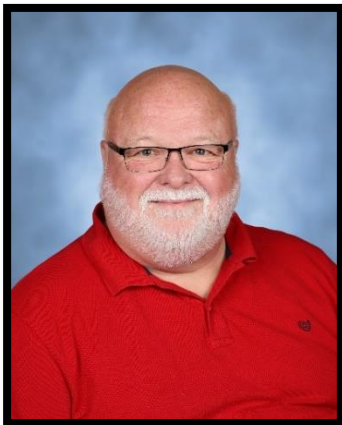
All of us, to one degree or another, have the ability to do things that can be of benefit to our church. Now you may ask: "Why should I?" Think for a moment about our situation. Many do not realize that sin is a big problem and obstacle in this world. We do. Thanks to the Word of God, we have been brought to the realization that forgiveness is needed every day. The Bible also tells us that forgiveness and the promise of heaven is a free gift that we cannot earn. That fact should make us more eager to say thanks to God who has saved and freed us from sin and gives us a fresh start every day.

As stewards, we realize that our talents and abilities are gifts from God that are to be used in His service. When we use our gifts for God, we are recognizing that He is the provider, and we express our thanks for what He gives to us. Some of the tasks that we can do around the church are fairly obvious, such as being kind and friendly to fellow worshippers and visitors, giving words of encouragement, ushering, teaching KidZone, serving on committees or boards, helping with Sunday morning donuts and coffee, etc. Check with us in the church office to see how you can use your gifts.

There are many ways of expressing thanks to the Lord. We hope that one of the ways that you will say thanks is through using your gifts at our church.

“Each of you has been blessed with one of God’s many wonderful gifts to be used in the service of others. So, use you gift well.” — 1 Peter 4:10

A Message from Our Deacon...



So here we go into October. This is filled with many cool things, it is a month of beautiful fall colors, pumpkin flavored everything, Halloween, and of course, Reformation Day. Oh yeah, do not forget more FOOTBALL!

We, as Lutherans, are very happy that Dr. Martin Luther took a look at what was happening in the church. He wanted the church to return to teaching of the truths of the Bible. Sadly, the church was going the wrong way. Dr. Luther did not want to start a new church or denomination. Dr. Luther translated the Bible from Greek and Hebrew into German, so that the common people could actually READ their Bible! At the same time, God was directing Johannes Gutenberg to invent a printing press so that books – especially Bibles - could be made at an affordable price. God is so good! When step back, we can see that our God is in control of EVERY part of our lives!

Since God was kind enough to make a Bible available to you, would you consider joining one of our many Bible studies at Peace? I hope you will. May our God bless you!

Serving Jesus and His People,

Deacon Jim Schurig



A Message from Our Principal...



The weather just has not felt like fall yet, but the calendar says otherwise. Our students have been enjoying the coat free weather that September has brought us as we get back to work through our first full month.

The biggest event we had this month was our joint chapel on September 25. Peace and nine other schools joined together at Jimmy John's Field to participate in a service entitled "Rejoice Together." The administrators of our local schools all realized that all we do is compete. Whether it is for students, athletics, or even academically, we are always in a state of competition. We wanted to provide more opportunities for our students to see that they are not the only ones who are receiving a Christian Education. So, 2500

parents, students, and teachers descended on Utica as we spent time in worship. Listening to the singing, messages, and even the student led prayers, I was reminded how special Lutheran Education is in our society.

Thank you for your continued support of the school ministry. I know it is an expense, but to see the faces of 2500 people rejoicing and worshipping together reminds me how much our schools are needed. Praise God for allowing these students to attend their Lutheran Schools. And thank God for you, who, through your weekly tithes and offerings, allow us to continue to provide an excellent Christ centered education for our community. If you want to know more about our school or want to find ways to volunteer, please give me a call or send me an email (mnelson@peaceshelby.org).

We would love to find ways to get you involved in the faith formation of our young people.

May God bless your next month!

Michael Nelson

Upcoming Chapel Speakers

October 2	Mrs. Baughman (LHNW Principal)
October 9	Ms. Ziegler Special Persons Day
October 16	Mrs. Kasprick Special Persons Day
October 23	Pastor Andrzejewski (Grace Romeo)
October 31	Mr. Nelson (Thursday)

First Quarter Chapel Mission: St. Martin Lutheran School for the deaf



A Message from Our EC Director...



Fall is my favorite time of the year. I love wearing jeans and a favorite team hoodie, coffee, an evening fire, and football! The school year is underway and teachers, children, and parents are adjusting to school routines. October is full of some fun adventures learning both inside and outside of the classroom in preschool. The Shelby Township Fire Department will visit our campus and educate our preschool classes on fire safety the first week of October. Our 3s, 4s, and Young 5s will go apple picking at Westview Orchards and learn the lifecycle of an apple. Our preschool and kindergarten families are invited to our Children's Worship Service on Saturday, October 12 at 5:00pm. This is a fun, interactive service designed for young families. Following the service, we will enjoy food and fellowship in the gym. The kids are excited to perform the songs we have been learning. Join us for a

special night of worship and fellowship.

Blessings,
Suzette Quail, Early Childhood Director



A Message from the Editor...



From the Editor

Dear Readers,

Did you know that October is Church Worker Appreciation Month? I would like to take this opportunity to thank Pastor Klemm, Holly Nelson, and our church and board leaders for all they do in helping us grow in our personal relationship with Jesus Christ and each other. You are all a true blessing from God! Here are some suggestions to express your appreciation to our church workers:

<https://resources.lcms.org/general/ways-to-show-your-gratitude-and-support-for-church-workers/>.

Jackie Pilan

PS: The deadline for November's "Peace Lutheran Messenger" is **Sunday, October 20**.



Board and Ministry News...



60+ GROUP

WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 9 - 12:30PM

OKTOBERFEST AT GEORGIO'S APPLE ORCHARD



RSVP TO HOLLY (HNELSON@PEACESHELBY.ORG) BY OCTOBER 7

60+ Group Oktoberfest at George's Apple Orchard Restaurant

October 9, 2024

Please join the 60+ Group for Oktoberfest at Georgio's Apple Orchard (62840 Van Dyke Ave, Washington, MI, 48094) on Wednesday, October 9, at 12:30pm. Enjoy good food and good company. RSVP to Holly at (hnelson@peaceshelby.org) by Monday, October 7, is required.



Children's Worship Service

October 12, 2024

Join us on **SATURDAY, October 12, at 5:00pm** for a special worship service for all our Peace families. This special service is geared toward preschool and kindergarten children.

Invite your friends, family and your neighbors. The service will begin at 5:00pm in the sanctuary with refreshments to follow. Pizza, cider, donuts in the gym.

YOUTH PUMPKIN GAME EVENT SUNDAY | OCTOBER 20

JYM (5th-8th Grade): 3-5pm | HSYM (9th-12th Grade): 5-7pm

SPAGHETTI DINNER / BRING A S'MORE FIXIN



CONTACT HOLLY WITH QUESTIONS

Youth Pumpkin Game Event

October 20, 2024

The air is crisp and the pumpkins are ready! Let us have pumpkin game night. Bring a friend and a s'more fixin'. Spaghetti dinner will be served. JYM (5th-8th Grade) will be from 3:00pm until 5:00pm, and HSYM (9th-12th Grade) will be from 5:00pm until 7:00pm. The slight overlap is for the spaghetti dinner. We will be outdoors, at Peace, weather permitting.

**SERVING
OPPORTUNITY
FOR ALL AGES.**



**Third Saturdays,
October 19**

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**



8:30am-3pm @ CRD

detroit@camprestore.org
313-636-4422 ext. 1

Contact Holly if interested. (hnelson@peaceshelby.org)

Camp Restore Detroit

October 19, 8:30am-3:00pm

This will be a day event. We will meet at Peace and caravan down to Camp Restore where we will begin with a tour of the campus, and then we will be instructed on how we will be serving. For more information and to check out our newest photos, visit our site at

<https://www.peaceshelby.org/camp-restore-detroit>.

Trunk or Treat

Sunday, October 27, 2024

Peace has an amazing opportunity for you to be involved. The whole church, school, and community are invited to be involved in this year's **Trunk or Treat** event on **Sunday, October 27, from 4:00 to 6:00pm**. We invite you to decorate the trunk of your vehicle and hand out candy to the little ones as they stop by. So start thinking now about your trunks! A trunk can be the bed of a truck, the back of a van, or the trunk of a car! Maybe you want to decorate your skid steer, or other vehicle you have. Sign up at

<https://www.peaceshelby.org/trunk-or-treat>.

SIGN UP

TRUNK or Treat

COMMUNITY EVENT
HOSTED BY PTL &
FAMILY LIFE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27 4PM-6PM

CIDER DONUTS PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST & MORE

Mornings with Meaning

Starting October 1, 2024

Boost your week with Peace's "Morning with Meaning" on Tuesdays, beginning October 1. Join us in the Gathering Room for a time of coffee (...or tea...or cocoa) and togetherness as we chat for a bit and be in God's Word together with a short devotion.

"Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in you. Show me the way I should go, for to you I entrust my life." (Psalm 143:8) Starting your day with the knowledge of God's unfailing love is a powerful reminder of his constant presence in your life.

Have questions? Please contact Holly (hnelson@peaceshelby.org) or call the church office at 586.731.4120.

**Mornings
with
Meaning**

TUESDAYS
BEGINNING OCTOBER 1
8:45AM(ISH)

A time of coffee (or tea)
and a devotion.



VISIT WWW.PEACESHELBY.ORG FOR DETAILS
QUESTIONS? CONTACT HOLLY (HNELSON@PEACESHELBY.ORG)

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

9:40-10:30am

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

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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