



# Peace Lutheran December 2013 Newsletter

Special  
events in our  
church  
family's  
life...

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**Church Holiday Sale 2013**

Pictured: Susan Rector & Tabitha Braun

## A message from the President...

I received a call from Pastor Bannitt and he is doing well at his new home near Atlanta. He is enjoying his children and grandkids and has found a church home. Our prayers are with him and his family.

And life goes on here at peace. We have been fortunate to find Pastor Ed Hatcher from St. Louis to fill the void left by Pastor Bannitt. He has been handling services for the past several weeks and will start being here all day on the first Sunday of each month to handle the nursing home service, member visitations and home bound communion.

We will be moving council meetings to the first Sunday of the month to accommodate Pastor being here on that day. Pastor Hatcher is planning on filling in until we get through our next call process.

~ Bob Anderson

## Ladies' Christmas Ornament Exchange

It's that time of year again ladies! Grab an old or new ornament and join us for a Christmas ornament exchange. The ornament exchange and luncheon will be held Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m. at the Kuhn's home. Please bring a side-dish of your choice. Invite friends to enjoy the relaxed fellowship gathering! Please sign-up at church in the Narthex.

## Ring Those Bells...

Salvation Army bell ringing is on a Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at Walmart. This is the date that the Methodist church has scheduled to participate and we will be splitting times with them. Please see Susan Klauser if you are interested in helping to spread holiday cheer and represent Peace at the bell ringing.



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Sunday School: 8:15 a.m.

Service: 9:15 a.m.

## Raffle Day!

Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> is a BIG day at our church! Please have raffle tickets and money turned in on that day or before since we will be drawing the lucky person that wins the quilt and also for 2nd and 3rd prizes that day! Please see Susan Klauser for tickets and any additional raffle information. Thank you to church members that have already sold tickets and turned in money. And, VERY big thank you to Rovina Schebaum for donating the beautiful quilt! Proceeds will be going towards our church mortgage.

## Brass Band Comes To Peace

Also, on December 15<sup>th</sup>, The Proclamation Brass will be performing the service at church starting at 9:15. This is a quintet brass ensemble that Bob Anderson plays in with a group of musicians from Eureka. No hearing aids needed.

And, come enjoy some Christmas cheer with the Sullivan Brass Band that will be playing at the White Mule Winery, Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> from 2-4 p.m. Lunch will be served from 12:30 to 2:00 p.m. (Reservations required) Please see Bob for any questions and remember to sign up in the church Narthex.

## Want To Spread Some Holiday Cheer?

As in following our Peace tradition, we are working with the organization Alive to adopt a family again for this Christmas. We have requested a small family the past several years and this year we were assigned only one adult female.

There will be "ornaments" for you to choose and purchase for her. If you would rather donate some money to go towards a larger gift or for someone else to do the shopping for you, then we can certainly accommodate. Gifts need to be unwrapped. We already have a volunteer to do the wrapping when it gets closer to the time to deliver the gifts to Alive.

Gifts do not need to be on the list if you have another idea, but all gifts need to be new and unused. Please see Susan Klauser for any questions.

## Advent Services Beginning Soon

ADVENT services will begin Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup>. Services will be held each Wednesday beginning at 7:00 p.m. with a fellowship dinner starting at 6:00 p.m. There will be caroling on the 18<sup>th</sup> (third Wednesday of the month). Hope everyone can join!

## *Holiday Bazaar a Joyful Time!*

The church was filled with lots of holiday cheer at the Holiday Sale, hosted by Peace. Everyone had a great time enjoying shopping and fellowship. Good job done by Kathy Anderson and all who helped put together another successful Christmas bazaar. Over \$350.00 to go to Sullivan Emergency Assistance! This is always a great way for Peace Lutheran to help out the SEA and to invite new faces to our church and it was a huge success! (See more photos on our new website!)



"More than two thousand years ago, a little baby was born in a manger; an event that changed the world. This boy-child, Jesus, is the promised Messiah who stepped down from Heaven to be born as a babe, live a sinless life and willingly give His life as the Perfect Lamb of God to pay a sin debt that he did not owe. As foretold in the Scriptures, He did this for you; He did this for me; He did this for the whole world.

When we believe this simple truth, Jesus' payment for sin is accounted to us and we are promised eternal life. Since that first Christmas morn, much has been said about Christmas..."

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## New Website!

We are on our way to launching our new website! Please see Kayla Fawe or Jim Roe for questions, suggestions or to help with new content. The new site will be at [www.peacelutheran.info](http://www.peacelutheran.info). Our hope is that this new site will be easily accessible to all members to place content on when needed. A BIG thank you to Jim Roe who is getting our new website in order. Also thanks to Joe Johnson and Michael Rell and all the time and effort put into our initial website.

A little Christmas joke:

What do you call a person who is afraid of Santa Claus?

Claustrophobic!

## Join The Book Study Group

The Book Club will be meeting December 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at Denny's in Sullivan. The book featured is *The Spy Who Came For Christmas* by David Morrell. Hope to see you there!

## Merry Christmas & Have A Great December!

As you go on your way this Christmas, think about what Christmas really means to you... Sure, we all know the true CHRISTmas meaning, but how is CHRIST in your lives this year?

We hope each and every one of you know the HOPE and LOVE of our Savior and find him in everything you do this holiday season!

~Want to include a favorite Christian story, quote, joke, announcement, etc. in the January issue of the newsletter? Contact Kayla Fawe at 573.259.3502 or [kaylafawe23@gmail.com](mailto:kaylafawe23@gmail.com).

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(it works Everytime)