



Peace Lutheran January 2014 Newsletter



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

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Church Musicians

Pictured: Bob Anderson, Margaret Puhse and Matt Puhse

A message from the President...

As we move forward as a congregation, we need to continue looking at all options available to a congregation our size. It is for this reason that a meeting with a representative of the Central States Synod has been arranged for the evening of Friday, January 3rd at 6:00 act church. This is to be a forum at which we will have the opportunity to see how can work together for a better good. We need to be careful not to waste time on the past, but look to our brighter future. I hope to see all concerned members present.

The new Paul Kuhn memorial shed has been ordered and will in place in a couple of months. Looking forward to that!

"So the pastor went to visit home bound, 80 year old Mrs. Johnson and found that after 1/2 hour of talk he had eaten all the peanuts on the table by his chair. After apologizing to the octogenarian, she replied "oh that's ok preacher, since I had my teeth removed, all I could do is suck the chocolate off of them anyway".

~ Bob Anderson

And the winner is...

The drawing to select winners in the raffle for the beautiful hand-made quilt made and donated by Rovina Schebaum was held after worship services on December 15, 2013. First prize (the quilt) was won by Vicki McWhorter. Second prize (\$25) was won by Linda Beckett and third prize (\$10) was awarded to Katherine Rutsch. Some \$429.25 was turned over to the Church Treasurer to be applied towards the balance of the mortgage debt on the church. Thanks to all who bought tickets. (Copy from Jim Roe via the church website.)



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Sunday School: 8:15 a.m.

Service: 9:15 a.m.

The Heifer Project

The church council voted to donate a heifer to the Heifer Project as a part of our International Outreach. The Heifer Project International's mission is to work with communities to end hunger and poverty and care for the Earth. We purchased one heifer in a lump sum of \$500 and going forward, the youth will be taking an offering to save money to purchase another heifer in the future. Any spare change that you want to donate on Sundays after church will go toward the youth's savings for the next heifer. For more information about the Heifer Project, you can go online to www.heifer.org.

From One Sole to Another...

The youth has also been collecting any unwanted pairs of shoes from our congregation to go to a needy cause! There are boxes in the church Narthex to drop your shoes. Shoes are needed in all shapes and sizes, from tennis shoes to high heels. Please spread the word in the community as well! One man's old shoe is another's new working boot! A big thank you to Kim Palmer and the youth for their continuous efforts in our outreach programs!

Trivia Night in the Works!

Our Annual Trivia Night is in the planning process. Keep watching the bulletins for more information. We would greatly appreciate any donations of gift bags and attendance gifts. Any questions about trivia night, please contact Trudy Sumner.

Calling All Ideas...

At our December congregational meeting, we discussed looking for new ways of outreach in which we can invite our community to events at the church that are free and welcoming (i.e. Santa coming to Peace next year, Growing pumpkins in our garden, etc) Any and all ideas are welcome! Please post them to the bulletin in the front of the Narthex. Also, we are looking for new ideas for Adult Night Out. Know of a good restaurant to visit? See Shirley Isgriggs or Robert Mesger.

Don't Miss the Next Book Club Meeting!

The book club will be meeting Friday, January 17th at 9:00 am at Denny's in Sullivan. This will be the January meeting. Any questions, please contact Pat Fiedler.

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 can be found at www.peacelutheran.info. Please send any photos, articles, news, etc. to fill our website to let our community and any travelers know who we are!

LOL: A 6-year-old was overheard reciting the Lord's Prayer at a church service, "And forgive us our trash passes, as we forgive those who passed trash against us."

God's Gift in Paul Johnson...

Paul Johnson spoke in church on December 22nd about his travels with the Captive Free East Lake missionary group. His words were very uplifting and a big thank you to him for sharing and for spreading God's word. He definitely has a gift and we are super proud of him for devoting his life to his faith and spreading the good news in the name of the Lord.

What does Paul do while with Captive Free?

"We will do programs which are an hour long and consist of music, a sharing (a short sermon), an active Bible story (where people come up and help act out a Bible story), a Bible study, and a skit. It's very interesting and awesome to see everyone take part. We also do a worship service on Sunday where we put on the whole service; however, we will also just do special music if that's all that's wanted for the Sunday service.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL! We will play music and help out at Vacation Bible Schools! We haven't done any yet, but we're excited to start them. Lastly, we also do large events called Quakes and Zones which are for middle and high school students. They're weekend events that we will play music at, lead short workshops called treks, and lead devotions."

Paul's Story from the CFEL Newsletter: *Expectations*

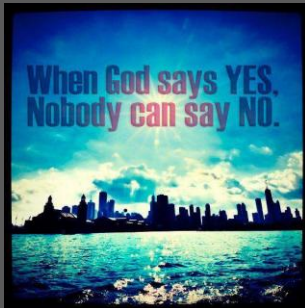
"When I met Captive Free West Lakes last year and they asked if I wanted to be on a team like theirs this year, I had no idea what I was getting myself into. I thought "Sure! Play music and travel the USA. I'd love to!" However, what we really do isn't much like that at all, and I wouldn't change it for the world. Sure we play music and travel, but it's SO MUCH MORE than that. We spend quality time with youth that need it. We study the bible with youth AND adults. We meet so many people whose lives we change... and we change, too.

We have devotionals 5 days a week. - I have learned more about what's in the Bible and what I actually believe in the past 3 months than I have my whole life.

(I grew more in the first week of training than I had my whole life.)

When I signed up, I thought I'd be singing and maybe helping a couple people. I didn't realize that God would work through most people I met to help me grow. I would like to thank everyone who has helped make it possible for every person who's on a team this year- family and friends, churches, and the Youth Encounter office."

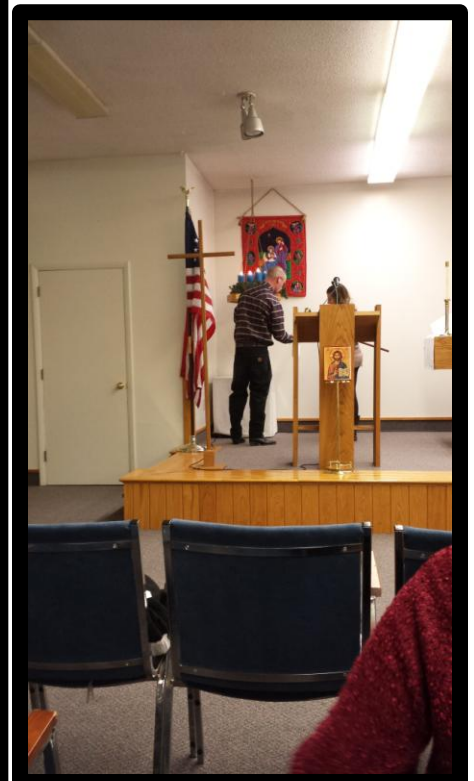
*Sometimes I just
look up, smile and
say,
"I know that was
you God!
Thanks!"*



Raffle Pictures



Christmas Eve Service



January 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 Synod Meeting: 6:00 pm	4
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Sunday School: 8:15 am Worship: 9:15 am						
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