



# SHARING THE PEACE

## FEBRUARY 2017

### Cats in the Cradle

Dilly-dally.

I'm busy.

Stall.

I'm too busy.

Drag one's feet.

This is not the time.

Delay.

If I have time.

Not now, maybe later.

We'll see.

All these words somehow can lead to the big word – **PROCRASTINATE!**

### **The Procrastinator's Creed:** (*source unknown*)

- I believe that if anything is worth doing, it would have been done already.
- I will never rush into a job without a lifetime of consideration.
- I firmly believe that tomorrow holds the possibility for new technologies, astounding discoveries, and a reprieve from my obligations.
- If at first I don't succeed, there is always next year.
- I shall always decide not to decide, unless of course I decide to change my mind.
- I shall always begin, start, initiate, take the first step, and/or write the first word, when I get around to it.
- I know that the work cycle is not plan/start/finish, but is wait/plan/plan.
- I will never put off until tomorrow, what I can forget about forever.

Chances are many people will put off reading this communication because they are thinking, "Maybe later!" To be completely honest with you, I am finally getting around to writing this communication. Everyone procrastinates. Why do we do this? Many times, I put things off just because I don't want to do them or I would rather be doing something else. Sometimes it's because there are so many other things on the plate, it just gets moved down the list of priorities. Sometimes procrastinating is legitimate and sometimes it is not.

When we are too busy it often means, we didn't manage our time wisely; or, that we didn't have the right priorities; or, maybe we were overwhelmed with the task and just kept dragging our feet.

Sometimes fear and anxiety will cause us to put things off. How many times have we put off making that dental appointment or contacting the doctor about a health concern or going in for the dreaded test?

Financial difficulties may lead to procrastination as well. Remember the oil filter commercial? "You can pay me now, or pay me later."

How many times do we put something off just because it's boring? (I used to hear that a lot from students when I was in the classroom.)

Why do we procrastinate? When we are able to answer this question, we have a better handle on our priorities.

You can tell whether or not you need to do something about your procrastination by examining the consequences. When I was a kid, my dilly-dallying often led to loss of privileges. Or, poor performance when I didn't prepare. This is true even today. But if the consequences really didn't affect me, why should I care?

Does procrastinating bother you? Maybe you could do better?

What about as a congregation? What are the consequences when we procrastinate the mission of which we are all about? Does it affect anyone's eternal salvation?

The time is NOW! Not later. What difference can it make? Anyone with grown children can relate to Harry Chapin's song, ***Cats in the Cradle***.

**But there were planes to catch, and bills to pay.**

**"When you coming home, dad?" "I don't know when,**

**But we'll get together then.**

**"Thanks for the ball, dad, come on let's play.**

**Can you teach me to throw?" I said, "Not today,**

**I got a lot to do."**

When it comes to our children there is nothing more important than right now. Why? Because you don't get that time back. God would love to have us know such urgency for all people. Why? Because they matter to Him. We often put off caring about others. We say, "Maybe later. The time isn't right." But what opportunities are we missing to be what God would have us to be—HIS DISCIPLES. And the time is NOW.

Think about God's timing in our lives. *In the fullness of time, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law. WE MATTER TO GOD!*

Because of Jesus,

Pastor Bronner

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



Options are available for children from birth through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Children are always welcome to worship with their families. A Kids Activity Bag is available outside the sanctuary doors. A Parents' Room (Wiggles & Giggles) is also available if you need to step out for a moment during worship.



## Peace Lutheran Preschool

Open House – with fall registration right around the corner, we're holding a preschool open house on Tuesday, Feb. 7th from 10:00-11:00. Everyone is welcome to come check it out. Guests will get to see our Twos class and Fours class in action, tour the facility, and get all questions answered.

Fall Registration – For new students: Thursday, Feb. 9th. New students who are Peace members or siblings of alumni get to register from 9:30-10:30. Then, it opens to the public from 10:30-12:30. (Current students who are re-enrolling, register prior to this). Payment is required at registration to secure a spot. See our website or call the preschool office for details.

Here is what we're offering this fall at Peace Lutheran Preschool:

Twosday: 2 year olds and their adult partner attend this fun class on Tuesdays from 9:30-11:00. (\$45\*/mo)

Threes: Thursdays/Fridays, 9:30-11:30 (\$120\*/mo)

Fours: Mon/Tues/Wed, 9:00-11:30 (\$165\*/mo)

Beginnergarten (a pre-K class for ages 4 and 5): Mon-Thurs, 9:00-11:30 (\$220\*/mo)

\*Please contact the preschool office for full registration cost and details. Also, members of Peace Lutheran Church receive a 20% discount.



**Youth Sunday School** with Mishell Roys at 9:30am

Starlight Cafe **Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup>** from **5:00-7:30pm** -  
Back by popular demand Eggplant or Chicken Parmesan.

Quake/Zone is back. **April 28-30** at Great Wolf Lodge. Permission slips and \$90 deposit due Feb 7<sup>th</sup>. Questions contact Kristin DeFrisco and/or Loren Mein.



Youth need to borrow card tables for Starlight Cafe. Please let Kristin DeFrisco 206-387-3832 [k.defrisco@comcast.net](mailto:k.defrisco@comcast.net) know if you have card tables we can borrow. Please bring the tables with your name on it to the youth room before **Fri, Feb 10<sup>th</sup>**.

## **WOMEN AT PEACE**



Women At Peace - We will be joining the women at St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Federal Way for breakfast and speaker Cynthia Tobias on **Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup>**. We will meet at Peace at 8:15 am and carpool up to Federal Way. Breakfast is from 9:00-11 am. Please RSVP if you will be joining us, they need a headcount for the breakfast. Anna Moen 360-886-2323 or [annamoen@comcast.net](mailto:annamoen@comcast.net). Here is a link to the speakers bio <http://cynthiatobias.com/cynthias-bio/>

**Coffee and Conversation** - We meet at IHOP (near Home Depot). Every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7 pm. All women are invited. For more info contact Anna Moen 360-886-2323.

**LADIES BIBLE STUDY** - We will be starting a 12-week study called "Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World" on February 6. It will show how all of us - Mary's and Martha's alike - can draw closer to the Lord, deepening our devotion, strengthening our service, and doing both with less stress and greater joy. All women are welcome to attend. We meet in the Library at 7:00 p.m. on Mondays. For further information contact Brenda Jacober at [bjjacob@comcast.net](mailto:bjjacob@comcast.net).

**GOD'S GALS** – Meets Monday mornings at 10 am in the Library. Contact Marilyn Worsham 425-433-1683 and/or Evelyn DeFrisco 425-413-0809.

## **SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY**

Just imagine, a 500-year-old man building a boat in the desert anticipating the coming of a flood. Sounds like the making of an incredible story. **IT IS!** so, come jump in and get your feet wet with: **Noah; The Man--The Ark--The Flood--The Aftermath** meets at **9:30 am** in the **Event Hall**. Led by David Simons.

## **PVOC (PEACEFUL VISION OUTREACH)**

PVOC (Peace Outreach Center for the Blind/Visually Impaired) meets in the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month at 12:00 p.m. in the ARK (Activity Room for Kids).

## **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

Bob & Sandi Jonson 2/4/1968  
Mark & Erin Harrington 2/7/1998  
Gary & Vicki Enders 2/14/1981  
Hugh & Marilyn Worsham 2/20/1960

*Happy Anniversary*

**Deadline** for the Wednesday Peace **Weekly Email** is **Wednesday 10 am**

**Deadline** for the **Sunday bulletin** is **Wednesday at noon**

**Deadline** for the **Monthly newsletter** is the **15<sup>th</sup> of the month**

Email the church office at [kristen.peace@comcast.net](mailto:kristen.peace@comcast.net) or place a handwritten note in the administrative assistant/volunteer coordinator mailbox in the copy room.

# BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Steve Bartlett 2/1  
Brian Kuehn 2/1  
Zac Rogers 2/1  
Jennifer Clow 2/4  
Tom Hargreaves 2/5  
Andy Enders 2/6  
Toni Maes 2/10  
Rachel Studtmann 2/11  
Ashley Maas 2/17

Emma Maas 2/17  
Sarah Maas 2/17  
Oliva Powers 2/18  
Doris Mech 2/22  
Madilyn Weigand 2/22  
Jim Bull 2/24  
Terri Gigliotti 2/27  
Kylee Moen 2/28  
Diana DeFrisco 2/29



## BLOOD DRIVE

Saturday Feb 18<sup>th</sup> - 9 am to 3 pm - Contact Steve Kummert



After viewing the video, you and the other group members will spend time as a support group, discussing what was presented in that week's video seminar and what is going on in your lives.

## MISSIONS

**Mission of the Month – February** — We will be featuring our Youth at Peace as they make plans to attend the Quake/Zone.

The Mission Board would like to share with you the various missions we will be supporting this year. Kent Hope, HOME, Covington Storehouse, and new this year Vine Maple Place and Covington's Backpack Buddies are the local missions where we

are giving of our time, talents, and money, helping to make our community a better place.

We give financially through our mission of the month and latte sales to a few others such as Kairos, West Haven Orphanage, our very own youth and children's ministry programs, Operation Shoebox, and World Vision, both to be run by the Sunday school program. Way to go kids!!

New this year we will be sponsoring a local missionary and his wife, Jesse and Hillary Comrie in Boppard, Germany. They are boldly spreading the gospel with great results and are now building a church for the new believers to worship our God. More info on this to follow.

**BE A BACKPACK BUDDY – Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5:30 pm! Meet at the Storehouse in Covington.** If you have questions contact, Carrie 253-335-2181, Kristen 253-630-7573 or Karlia 206-818-0454. Can't wait to see you there



## **SAVE THE DATES!**

Ash Wednesday March 1<sup>st</sup>

Lenten Worship March 8, 15, 22, 29 April 5, 12

Easter Sunday April 16<sup>th</sup> 8 am & 10:45 am



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