



SHARING THE PEACE

MARCH 2017

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We view our Sunday Lenten journey as a penitential time of reflection and examination. In Sunday morning Bible class (a single combined class), you will be asked, “Are you a follower of Jesus?” Don’t answer too quickly. You may indeed be a passionate, fully devoted follower of Jesus. Or, you may be just a fan who admires Jesus but isn’t ready to let him cramp your style. Then again, maybe you’re not into Jesus, period. In any case, don’t take the question—Are you a follower of Jesus?—lightly.

The series ***Not a Fan*** calls you to consider the demands and rewards of being a true disciple. With frankness sprinkled with humor, Kyle Idleman invites you to live the way Jesus lived, love the way He loved, pray the way He prayed, and never give up living for the One who gave His all for you.

A while back I received the story below. To be honest, at first glance I saw the words “quarter back” so I began to read thinking there might be a football connection. It did cause me to pause and reflect. Maybe it will give you cause to pause as well.

Because of Jesus,
Pastor Mike

A Christian (Source Unknown)

Several years ago, a preacher from out-of-state accepted a call to a church in Houston, Texas. Some weeks after he arrived, he had an occasion to ride the bus from his home to the downtown area. When he sat down, he discovered that the driver had accidentally given him a quarter too much change. As he considered what to do, he thought to himself, 'You'd better give the quarter back. It would be wrong to keep it.' Then he thought, 'Oh, forget it, it's only a quarter. Who would worry about this little amount? Anyway, the bus company gets too much fare; they will never miss it. Accept it as a 'gift from God' and keep quiet.'

When his stop came, he paused momentarily at the door, and then he handed the quarter to the driver and said, 'Here, you gave me too much change '

The driver, with a smile, replied, 'Aren't you the new preacher in town?'

'Yes' he replied.

'Well, I have been thinking a lot lately about going somewhere to worship. I just wanted to see what you would do if I gave you too much change. I'll see you at church on Sunday.'

When the preacher stepped off of the bus, he literally grabbed the nearest light pole, held on, and said, 'Oh God, I almost sold your Son for a quarter.'

Our lives are the only Bible some people will ever read. This is a really scary example of how much people watch us as Christians, and will put us to the test! Always be on guard -- and remember -- You carry the name of Christ on your shoulders when you call yourself ' Christian.'

**Watch your thoughts; they become words.
Watch your words; they become actions.
Watch your actions; they become habits.
Watch your habits; they become character.
Watch your character; it becomes your destiny...**

Stay FAITHFUL and Be GRATEFUL!

Ash Wednesday – March 1st

Lenten Worship March 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th, April 5th, 12th with soup and bread suppers followed by **“The Prodigal God”** video program to be held in the Event Hall of the Family Life Center.

Palm Sunday – Jews for Jesus – April 9th

Maundy Thursday April 13th

Good Friday April 14th

Easter Sunday – Worship 8 am & 10:45 am, Brunch 8:30 am to 11 am, Easter Egg Hunt 9:30 am

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY



Options are available for children from birth through 6th 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.



Christian Education will be hosting an **Easter Egg** hunt on Easter Sunday between services. We are in need of plastic eggs and filler candy/toys. Your donation would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be turned into Renee Kuehn, Mishell Roys or Korina Weigand.

VOLUNTEERS needed in order to make Vacation Bible School happen. If you are interested in helping with VBS this summer, please send Korina Weigand an email at anirok@aol.com.



Peace Lutheran Preschool

It is our mission at Peace Lutheran Preschool to partner with families by providing a Christ-centered learning environment designed to develop the spiritual, social, intellectual, and physical skills of each child in a warm and loving atmosphere.

Preschool registration for the 2017-2018 school year is ongoing at this time. We still have openings so contact the preschool office at preschool.peace@comcast.net for more information.

During the month of March our preschoolers will learn about Dr. Seuss, weather, birds and spring. On Sunday the 26th, the students will be singing during the 10:45 service. At the end of March, preschool moms and grandmas will be attending our annual Mom-n-Me Tea. We use real china, fancy cookies, and sugar cubes for our tea!

Job Opportunities: Peace Lutheran Preschool has openings for a full-time Lead teacher and a part-time Twosday teacher for the 2017-2018 school year. Please contact the church office for more information and how to apply.



Youth Sunday School with Mishell Roys at 9:30am

A huge thank you to all who attended Starlight Cafe. The youth truly enjoyed serving you. Your donations were a generous bonus. Thank you to all that donated tables, cooking appliances and food. Last but certainly not least thank you to all the youth and adult helpers for all your hard work. You are all what makes Starlight an enjoyable success.

Upcoming youth events: March 5th Youth Group, March 12th Youth Group, March 17th-18th Laser Tag lock-in (details coming soon), March 19th - No Youth Group, March 26th Youth Group, April 2nd Youth Group, April 9th Youth Group, April 16th - No Youth Group – Easter, April 23rd Youth Group, April 28-30 Quake, April 30th - No Youth Group.

WOMEN AT PEACE



Coffee and Conversation - We meet at IHOP (near Home Depot). Every 4th 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.

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

“not a fan” - In Mark 1:17, Jesus calls Peter and Andrew to be his first disciples: ***“Then Jesus said to them, “Follow Me, and I will make you become fishers of men.”*** He didn't invite them to be His fan club. He invited them to follow and told them that in following He would do a work in their lives that would result in transformation and a new mission.

In the coming weeks, we'll explore what it means to follow Jesus, what it means to be His disciple. Our prayer for the Peace Lutheran Church in Kent, Washington is that in 2017 we'll each take new steps in our spiritual journey, and as we do, we'll grow closer to Jesus and see Him transform our hearts. That our desires would become aligned

with His desires and that He'll give us new eyes to see Him, ourselves and the people around us. **Join us Sunday, March 5, 2017 in the Event Hall. Welcome to the journey!**

PVOC (PEACEFUL VISION OUTREACH)

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

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Cole & Linda McKenzie 3/24/2003
Eldon & Jan Tietje 3/26/1955
David & Melissa Younce 3/29/2015

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

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| 3/1 Mark Benson | 3/18 Renee Kuehn |
| 3/1 Margaret Fourhman | 3/18 Sharon Schlecht |
| 3/2 Marilyn Pollard | 3/20 Alexa Vasquez |
| 3/4 Kelsey Bolton | 3/21 Jimm Butler |
| 3/5 Steven Carpenter | 3/22 Jeffrey LaBarge |
| 3/7 Janette Ingersoll | 3/23 Ashley Pereira |
| 3/15 Kristin DeFrisco | 3/25 Samantha Hadsell |
| 3/15 Wendie LaBarge | 3/25 John Hearing |
| 3/15 Claire Rime | 3/26 Pastor Michael Bronner |
| 3/16 Kathy Hargreaves | 3/28 Cathy Ruthroff |
| 3/16 Rich Qualey | 3/30 Brenden Gallagher |
| 3/17 Kelly Pereira | |





Hi everybody! How are you doing? Now.... how are you REALLY doing? Yes, the world just keeps going on and we have lost a dear loved one. Who cares? We care and we still pray for all of you.

We take a break from our usual routine and will be absent March 4 and 11. We begin our next series on Saturday, March 18. You are welcome to come visit whenever you wish. No charge! Completely free!

Lynne and I were married last September and are enjoying a wonderful life together. We pray you are all in good health and the good Lord has helped you heal. May that continue as the Holy Spirit ministers to you all.

Love in Christ, Lou & Lynne

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

HELP NEEDED! If you would like to help, make & serve Italian Soda's & Latte's on the Second Sunday, the missions team needs you! Please contact Karlia Rogers, Carrie Younkin or Kristen Duarte if you are interested. Training is provided!



Mission of the Month – H.O.M.E. (Feed the Homeless Men) Nancy Huntington will be our speaker on Sunday, March 12th at both services.

BE A BACKPACK BUDDY – Dates are **April 6th, May 4th, June 1st 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.

Ash Wednesday March 1st

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

Easter Sunday April 16th 8 am & 10:45 am





CHRIST IN THE PASSOVER

Jesus' Last Supper was actually a Jewish Passover. Alan Bond of Jews for Jesus will re-create the traditional Passover service and explain how it foreshadowed Jesus' death and resurrection in a presentation called "Christ in the Passover" at Peace Lutheran Church on **Sunday, April 9th** at 8:00 AM & 10:45 AM.

Alan Bond will set a table with items traditionally used at the Passover meal and detail their spiritual significance. He will also explain the connection between the events of the first Passover in Egypt and the redemption that Jesus accomplished, as well as the deep bond between the ancient Passover feast and the Christian communion celebration today.

Jews for Jesus has presented "Christ in the Passover" at over 38,000 churches. It has been enthusiastically received by Christians who appreciate learning more about the Jewish backgrounds of their faith. Moishe Rosen, who founded Jews for Jesus in 1973, has also co-written the book, *Christ in the Passover*, with his wife, Ceil. This seminal work includes a look at Passover in ancient times and how it is practiced today. It will be available after the presentation. Also, available will be a DVD of the Christ in the Passover presentation with David Brickner, the executive director of Jews for Jesus, officiating.

Brickner, a fifth-generation Jewish believer in Jesus, succeeded Rosen as Executive Director in 1996. Brickner has kept Jews for Jesus on the cutting edge as the ministry has expanded and established branches in eleven countries, including the United States, Brazil, Israel, Russia, France, and South Africa. "We exist to make the Messiahship of Jesus an unavoidable issue to our Jewish people worldwide," Brickner states. "There are still a few that haven't heard of us!"

Alan Bond will be happy to answer questions after the presentation. Call (253) 631-3454 or visit <http://www.peacecovington.org> for more information.

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 15th of the month

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



WORKDAY AT THE CHURCH

NO FOOLIN!

9 AM – 2 PM

SATURDAY

APRIL 1ST

All Church Work Party

No foolin' – we need you! There will be an all church work party on Saturday, April 1st, 9 am to 2 pm. Tasks are many and varied, pick one or two that you would like to work on: clean up the parking lot (sweep or use blower), weed the landscaping, possibly plant some spring flowers, wash windows inside and out, weed within the retention pond fence, clean out the big shed, clean and organize the upstairs storage areas, etc. A printed list of these and possibly more tasks will be posted.

