



PEACE AND PROCLAMATION

August 2009

A message from Pastor Pete

In July I had the pleasure of traveling to Chicago for week of training for this new Mission Director position that I'm doing for the bishop. As part of that training we had the head of research and evaluation of the ELCA come and speak, and the news that he brought wasn't cheerful. We are a part of a denomination that is aging. Many of the congregations in the ELCA are small and rural. He was quite blunt. The ELCA as a whole needs to reach out to younger generations. We need to emphasize discipleship and a relationship with Jesus to get people excited about what God is doing.

Folks, we at Peace are on the front lines! I kept hearing stories of what the ELCA needs to become - and those stories sounded a lot like Peace! Just look at what we have going for us!

- ◆ Peace has more children than adults.
- ◆ Peace is open to responding to God's leading and does not let old traditions get in the way
- ◆ Peace is growing because people continue to bring their friends and neighbors to come and see what God is doing here
- ◆ Peace emphasizes God's presence in our lives. We get excited about living with Jesus every day. That's discipleship!

It's easy for us to get used to the unique ministry that we enjoy at Peace, as if we're just another congregation. While it would be easy to focus on the challenges that we face as a young congregation, the reality is that we are NOT normal! We are on the cutting edge of our denomination. People are starting to look to congregations like ours to see what the future of the church will look like.

Welcome to the front lines of the new ELCA! You are a part of something special.

Your servant in Christ,

Pastor Pete

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WORSHIP ASSISTANT INFORMATION

August 2, 2009

Worship Asst: John Caflisch
Reader: Emily Porcher
Communion Asst's: Emily Porcher & Sheila Mix
Hospitality: The Mickow, Mix Porcher, Pristash, and Jamie & Christine Olson Families
Set-up/Ushers: Family Team



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

August 9, 2009

No Regular 9:15 am Service—Instead 9:15 Service in the Community—Contact Carrie Rhone for locations

August 16, 2009

Worship Asst: Tanya Reiman
Reader: Julie Porcher
Communion Asst's: Samantha Porcher & Becky Crenshaw
Hospitality: The Welsh, Wendt, Ziemer, Begin, & Brockway Families
Set-up/Ushers: Outdoor Team

August 23, 2009

Worship Asst: Julie Porcher
Reader: Heather Ohl
Communion Asst's: Jeff & Tanya Reiman
Hospitality: The Caflisch, Enright, Helgeson, and Curt & Kathy Olson Families
Set-up/Ushers: Adult Team

August 30, 2009

Worship Asst: Steve Szuberski
Reader: Tanya Reiman
Communion Asst's: Lynn & John Caflisch
Hospitality: The Sass, Wick, Tangen, Reiman, & Keach Families
Set-up/Ushers: Family Team

August Birthdays!

Bailey Wallace 8/2
Shannon Coppock 8/3
Henry Cluney 8/4
Wyatt Mickow 8/7
Chad Ohl 8/9
Mary Ann Peterson 8/14
Drew Turnquist 8/16
John Caflisch 8/20
Alyssa Klein 8/25
Brad Wick 8/26
Erin Caflisch 8/27
Steve Peterson 8/28



If we have missed your birthday or have the wrong date in past newsletters, please email the church office so that we can get our records correct! We're sorry about any mistakes!

office@peaceyota.org

~August Readings~

August 2

The Ark comes to Jerusalem
2 Samuel 6 (Whole Chapter)

August 9

SERVICE SUNDAY
NO WORSHIP

August 16

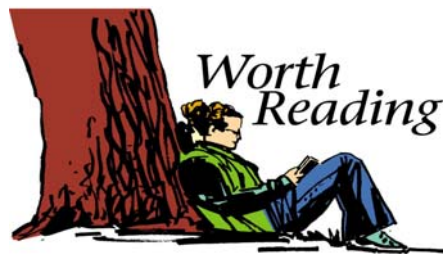
God's promise to David
2 Samuel 7 (Whole Chapter)

August 23

David, Bathsheba, and Nathan
2 Samuel 11:1-12:15

August 30

Absalom Claims David's Throne
2 Samuel 13-18



Church News!

Service SUNDAY

*Canceling regular service
to serve the community
and God!*

(August 9th)
9AM-11:30AM



Meet in the Dover-Eyota
Elementary School
parking lot for a short
meeting & offering collection.

Wear your working clothes and bring water!



Pastor Pete on Vacation

Pastor Pete will be on vacation on **August 3-9** and **August 24-30**. Let's hope the fish are biting!

Camping Weekend

Plan now to join Peace for a weekend of camping! On **August 22nd-23rd** a group from Peace will be at the group camp site at Carley State Park (near Plainview). We still have room for people who want to spend the night or who would just like to join the fun for a few hours on Saturday.



The Mission of Peace Lutheran Church is...
"To call people to Christ, nurture them into the
faith, and send them out in witness and service."
Worship—9:15am: @ Dover-Eyota Elementary
School-27 Knowledge Road, Eyota
Church Office: 515 S. Jefferson Avenue—(507)
545-2535—www.peaceeyota.org
Future Home of Peace: 6 acres @ corner of
Knowledge Road & Hwy #7
Pastor Pete's Home Phone: 545-1272

Nursery



As many of you know, Peace now has a nursery for little ones! Many parents have appreciated the opportunity to worship (and not just wrestle with kids)! As you come for worship, feel free to use this great new resource. The nursery meets in the teacher's lounge. We're also looking for people to assist in staffing the nursery. If you'd like to be part of a rotational schedule, please talk to Julie Porcher (288-5294).

Friendly Visitor Volunteers are Needed

The Elder Network is in need of Friendly Visitor Volunteers. Because of the flexibility of this program, it is a great opportunity for working people and for families to visit for one hour a week with a lonely senior in our community. Please call 285-5272 for more information.



Calling all Facebook Members



Peace just started a Facebook page (Peace Lutheran Church, Eyota). If you're a Facebook type person, stop on by and become a fan! Larry the Puppet also started his own Facebook page! Find him under Larry T Puppet.

Pastor Pete's Phone Number

When not in the office, the best way to contact Pastor Pete is on his cell phone, 696-3309.



God Squad Outdoor Movie Night



On Friday, **August 14th** the Eyota God Squad (7th-12th grades) will get together to watch the movie Forever Strong at a farm just outside of Eyota. More details will be coming soon.



Christian Education Calendar - updates

Noisy Sundays!!!! 1st Sunday of each month!!!!
Bring your change, bring your child, hear them sing,



The Noisy Collection

The Noisy Collection on August 2nd will go to the Strong Kids Campaign at the Rochester YMCA.



Hey hey,

I just got your package today, I just want to first say thank you for what you're doing! The packages mean a lot and the drawings are awesome! ha. I was really excited when I saw that Chef Boyardees can, the food here is...well lets just say not the best. I'm at a JSS called Nasa Was Aslym or something, I still can't pronounce it. We just call it NWS its a little ways west of Camp Liberty in Baghdad. It was trashed when we first got here but it has actually turned out real nice (besides the food, cooks in the army just don't know how to cook and the porta potties aren't so awesome).

My MOS is 11B Infantry and Airborne qualified. When I got to my unit my company I'm in now was lacking people so I'm actually working with tankers right now. It's pretty interesting, I actually got to fire the main gun on the tank which was awesome :) the Tankers just like to give me crap for being Infantry. Anyways, I was born and raised in Minnesota and actually never even flown until I left for basic training (so that kind of tells you how I grew up).

My family is awesome though. I'm real excited to start my own family with my wife someday. You seem to have a very nice family and your church seems nice and relaxed. I actually am the same way, I grew up Catholic and never got confirmed because I didn't like the way the church was. My wife is Lutheran and hopefully we can find a nice church together when I get home back at Fort Hood. Anyways, I got to get some sleep. Once again thanks for everything!

Eric

Plan ahead:

August 9th	Service Sunday - We will worship by serving the community
August 14th	God Squad Movie Night
August 22nd-23rd	Peace Camping Weekend