



PEACE AND PROCLAMATION

June 2008

A message from Pastor Pete

We Live in Anxious Times

Everywhere we turn we heard words of anxiety:

- ◆ The nation's economy seems to be slipping into recession.
- ◆ Gas prices are out of control
- ◆ Food prices are definitely on their way up
- ◆ The war in Iraq continues on
- ◆ Iran is suspected of working towards a nuclear bomb
- ◆ Earthquakes shatter lives in China
- ◆ Suffering abounds in Myanmar as it recovers from a cyclone (and the government won't let aid workers in!)

In the midst of such anxious times, it can be quite easy to despair. What is the world coming to? How are we going to get by? What can we do to face such anxiety?

Well, I do know one way to deal with this anxiety head on. We can worship! Yes, worship. In worship, we connect with a God who is bigger than any of the problems that we hear about everyday. In worship we encounter a God who has chosen us and who loves us no matter what. In worship we can fall into God's loving arms and sense God's control in our lives.

Worship isn't some 'otherworldly' thing that we in hopes of going to heaven someday. Worship is an act of faith in the Jesus who walks with us everyday. In worship we place ourselves before God and entrust our lives to God. Worship isn't a 'good luck charm' to make all our problems go away. We still live in a world of many anxieties and pains. Worship connects us with the God who gives us strength in the midst of anxiety and pain. In worship we rely on God, not on ourselves, and not on any leaders.

Summer is a time of travelling, which is why Peace will now offer a mid-week opportunity for worship. Beginning on Wednesday, June 18th we will gather for worship at the church office on Wednesdays at 7:00 for a family friendly, laid back worship and learning time.

See you in worship! We ALL need it.

Pastor Pete

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June Events

**DON'T
GO
TO CHURCH
(JUNE 22ND)**

*This is a special invitation
to make our community
better!*

Peace is cancelling our regular weekend services in order to go make a difference in our very own backyard.
Make a selection and contact Pastor Pete or Carrie Rhone so we can confirm groups.

⌘ **Arbor Gardens**
Come help with landscaping!
Location: Arbor Gardens
535 Canyon Drive NW

⌘ **The Diaper Project**
Come learn how to make diapers for Honduran babies out of t-shirts! **Location:** Peace Lutheran Office
515 Jefferson Ave SW

⌘ **The Pajama Party**
Location: Westside Park
Kids! Come in a pair of PJs and bring a pair to donate.
***Note - Need to be new and unused Pajamas! (sizes: birth-17 years)**

⌘ **Building Adirondack Chairs**
Come learn how to build a chair that will be donated to a good home.
Location: Peace Lutheran Office
515 Jefferson Ave SW

⌘ **Helping Around Town**
Come paint fire hydrants and curbs for the city of Eyota! **Location:** City Hall OR
Help out a future Foster Family get to the next step!

9AM-11:30AM
Come Be the difference!

For Event specifics, SEE our new website
www.peaceeyota.org

New Intern

Welcome to our new Intern, Amanda Stamp! Amanda begins her ministry here at Peace on June 1st. The 'official' welcoming dinner will be held together with the Blessing of the Bikes on Wednesday, June 25th at 6:00.

Blessing of the Bikes

Do you have a bike, trike, scooter, motorcycle, or anything on wheels? If you do, bring it to Westside Park in Eyota on Wednesday, June 25th at 6:00. Following supper will be a time to have a prayer of blessing over that bike, trike, etc... Burgers, hot dogs, and drinks will be provided. Feel free to bring a salad, chips, or dessert.

Youth Tubing Trip

On Thursday, June 26th those going into 7th-12 grades are invited to head down by Lanesboro to tube the Root River! Bring a friend...or two...or three... We're on a quest for adults who can join us in the adventure. The exact times and costs are being worked out, but we'll keep you posted.

WORSHIP ASSISTANT INFORMATION

The 3rd Sunday after Pentecost — June 1, 2008

Worship Asst: Eric Porcher

Reader: Tamara Rasmussen

Communion Asst's: David & Debbie Turnquist

Hospitality: The Begin, Brockway, Caflisch & Crenshaw Families

Set-up/Ushers: The Porcher, Morton, Reiman & Jeche Families



The 4th Sunday after Pentecost — June 8, 2008

Worship Asst: Tanya Reiman

Reader: Chuck Johnson

Communion Asst's: Jamie Olson & Chris Austin

Hospitality: The Enright, Hanley, Helgeson & Wallace Families

Set-up/Ushers: The Brockway, Schreier, Wallace & Austin Families

The 5th Sunday after Pentecost — June 15, 2008

Worship Asst: Jeff Klein

Reader: Kay Klein

Communion Asst's: Cindy Woltman & Steve Szuberski

Hospitality: The Woltman, Keach, Klein & Mickow Families

Set-up/Ushers: The Klein, Helgeson, Turnquist & Wendt Families

The 6th Sunday after Pentecost — June 22, 2008

Worship Asst:

Reader:

Communion Asst's:

Hospitality:

Set-up/Ushers:

The 7th Sunday after Pentecost — June 29, 2008

Worship Asst:

Reader: Becky Crenshaw

Communion Asst's:

Hospitality: The Mix, Olson & Pristach Families

Set-up/Ushers: The Szuberski, Peterson & Rucker Families

June Birthday's!

Miranda Boettcher 6/2
John Mix 6/2
Alex Sorom 6/2
Torii Szuberski 6/2
Danielle Turnquist 6/2
Paul Spafford 6/4
Shae Hanson 6/6
Andrew Wendt 6/6
Kelly Mehrkins 6/7
Kathy Wallace 6/8
Julie Nelson 6/10
Brittney Nord 6/10
Ben Reuss 6/11
Bruce Nord 6/13
Landon Hanson 6/16
Lona Schreier 6/16
Magdalyn Wick 6/19
Diane Tangen 6/21
Emily Porcher 6/22
Julie Porcher 6/22
McKenzie Austin 6/23
Luke Berning 6/23
Madison Nelson 6/23
Rebecca Lee 6/24
Wendy Mehrkins 6/25
LeeAnn Mickow 6/27
Valorie Ziemer 6/28



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!

~June Readings~

June 1, 2008

Acts 6:7 - 8:1 (selected verses)
The Stoning of Stephen

June 8, 2008

Acts 9:1-29
Conversion of Paul

June 15, 2008

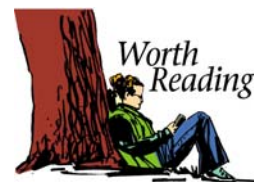
Acts 10:1-48
Peter's Dream

June 22, 2008

No Formal Worship

June 29, 2008

Genesis 17 & 18 (selected verses)
Sarah and a Child Called Laughter



Church News!

Next Interfaith Hospitality Network Date Correction: July 13-20th is the next Hosting date. It was changed from June to July, due to the location change. Hosting location will be in Plainview at Community Presbyterian Church - 505 W Broadway - Plainview, MN 55964. If you are interested in volunteering for these dates or getting trained to volunteer, please contact Carrie Rhone. We are in need of drivers, meal hosts and overnight hosts. Future dates for your calendar: **September 14-21** (Host site: Community Presbyterian Church, Plainview) and **December 21-28** (Host site: Holy Redeemer Catholic Church in Eyota).

Float design: If you are interested in participating in the construction of the float for the Viola Gopher Count and Eyota Days Parade, please let Carrie Rhone know. Parades are coming up in June and July. We have an exciting theme that will involve our church and community. Calling all handyMen, handyWomen and handyChildren!

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



Sermons On-Line

If you're going to be away and can't worship on any Sunday, hop onto www.peaceeyota.org and hear the sermon for that week!

Service Day!

On June 27th from 1:00-3:00 up to 10 people from Peace can go to Channel One to help for the day. If you are interested, please contact Brenda Szuberski.

Vacation Bible School June 9-13

Yes, it's time for VBS to get started! Once again we'll be meeting at Holy Redeemer Catholic Church at 5:30 (for supper) with the program running from 6:00-8:15. On Friday the whole event will move to the elementary school gym. VBS is a great community event to bring kids together to grow in faith. Don't miss out!

Summer Worship

Summer in Minnesota is a time to travel and enjoy the few days of nice weather we have in this state. Nearly every weekend families head to the cabin/lake/river/campground. This naturally keeps people away from worship in Eyota on Sunday mornings. In order to give people an opportunity to worship God, on **June 18th Peace will begin a simple worship service on Wednesday nights at 7:00** at the newly remodeled church office. It will be a family friendly, 'come as you are' time of prayer and reflection. On June 25th the regular worship will not take place due to the blessing of the bikes.

Noisy Collection

Sunday, **July 6th** is Noisy Collection Sunday.

Summer Dates to keep in mind:

July 20 - Eyota Days Community Worship at tent by Legion

August 20 - 6:00 Blessing of the Animals (at Westside Park)

Our Council Leaders!

Council President: Cliff Schreier

Vice-President: Carrie Rhone

Council Secretary: Su Spafford

Peace Teams and Leaders

Education: Su Spafford

Outreach: Carrie Rhone

Worship: Cliff Schreier

Finance: Chuck Johnson

Property: Wayne Mehrkins

Spirituality: Brenda Szuberski

"NO HUNGRY TUMMIES" is a Summer food share program for our Dover - Eyota school children who qualify for the reduced or free lunch program. Especially during Summer break and with the rising cost of living, we want to help children receive nutritional meals. Every Tuesday evening from 5:30 - 7:30 PM, free or reduced lunch participants can pick up a week's worth of free meals at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Eyota. To help volunteers starting up this program, please call Lorrie Hidlebaugh at 545-1931 if you are planning to participate.

"PASSIONATE SPIRUALITY HAPPENINGS"

Channel One Working Trip -July 17

Who: Adults and High School Students

What: Go to Channel One and help out

When: June 17 - 1-3 PM

Where: Meet at the Church Office

Why: Because we are Passionate about doing God's work!

Twins Game! - August 19 - Evening Game 7PM

We are leaving from the Church Office at 4:45. We Play Oakland! I am looking for 25 or more (tickets are cheaper) people who would like to trip it up to the Dome and take in a game. If there is great interest we could rent a bus and travel together. This is Lutheran Night! Plan today and invite your friends, family and neighbors.

Still to Come!

Habitat Work Trip - In July or August a Friday evening over to Saturday returning Saturday night or Sunday morning. Watch for more information to come.

Viola Gopher Count Parade / Eyota Days Parade: Our parade theme this year is surrounded around our Outreach Event - Don't Go To Church (**June 22nd**) - Be the Church. We are putting our faith in action and worshipping God by serving the community. The parade is a way to advertise and communicate this event! We are looking for people of all ages to hand out candy, walk the parade route with signage and be the church! If you are interested in participating in the parades this summer, please sign up in church over the next several weeks. Viola Gopher Count is **Thursday, June 19th** and Eyota Days is **Saturday, July 19th**.

Peace Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes

4/14/2008

Devotions: Acts 12:1-19

Topic	Discussion	Action
Call meeting to order: Cliff Schreier		Meeting called to order – 7:15 PM
Secretary's Report: Su Spafford	Minutes 3/9/08 Minutes 3/30/08	Motion by Brenda, second by Carrie to approve 3/30/08 minutes Motion by Pastor, second by Jeff to approve 3/9/08 minutes
Treasurer's Report: Jeff Reiman	Updates	April 2008 budget was presented; we are behind in offerings for the year. Motion to approve treasurer's report, Brenda seconded by Pastor.
Team Reports:		
Education Team: Su Spafford	Basement Year End – teacher recognition VBS	Teacher recognition gifts will be handed out in May. VBS is scheduled for June 9 – 13 Weekday School picnic will be May 7 Teacher meeting will be May 11
Finance Team: Jeff Reiman	Noisy Sunday update Updated financial report	Noisy Sunday money for April went to Ronald McDonald house. Updated financial report was presented.
Outreach: Carrie Rhone	IHN Peace Float Don't Go To Church	IHN is not getting enough volunteers to fill a week, IHN for June location has not been determined between Eyota & Plainview. Float is being worked on Pajama party for June 22, Arbor Gardens project, city wide project needs, looking for ideas Updating web site
Property Team: Wayne Merhkens	Property Team Set Up Teams Office keys Property mowing Building Planning Team	Building Planning Team is meeting Thursday night Looking for a person to mow Office keys are up to date
Spirituality: Brenda Szuberski	Spirituality	Training starts this month for small groups Will speak with team to consider congregation visits
Worship Team: Cliff Schreier	Nursery update Pot luck Ditch Clean Up	Sedar Supper – collection will be taken Nursery group has new members Congregation pot luck will be Sunday, April 27 right after Sunday School Ditch clean up is not recommended for children due to dangerous objects being discarded in ditches
Pastor Update	Pastoral updates Safety Books	No change in membership Two baptisms in April Two communions in April Peace will donate to the school program for 5 th grade safety books

Intern Update	Update Duties list Intern Committee – what now?	Maureen handed out the task list with recommendations for ownership Pastor will take weekday school in May Intern Committee will be rotating membership
OLD BUSINESS		
	Intern update Basement	Amanda Stamp – June 1 – January 31 will be our new intern, housing is still being looked at, the seminary is paying housing and grant applications have been submitted Tables and chairs will be ordered for basement and work crew will finish installing shelves, cupboards,
NEW BUSINESS		
		Pastor's office is clean!
Adjourn		Motion to adjourn, Spafford second Rhone
Next Council Meeting	May 12, 2008	



Join Peace in worshipping God by serving the community. We have several events lined up that you may participate in (Pajama Program, Diaper Project, Painting curbs & fire hydrants for City of Eyota, Arbor Gardens landscaping, etc.)

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