



March 23/24, 2024

**Welcome to Peace Church** – We are glad you are here. We would love to connect with you, be sure to fill out a Connect Card located in the pews or the Gathering Place.

**We Love Seeing Children in Church!** For small children, there are worship bags located next to the water wall. We also provide a staffed Nursery for children under 4 years old.

**This weekend's donut sponsor** is Ernie Vogler in memory of his wife, Vicki. If you would like to sponsor donuts in honor of someone, a birthday, or a special occasion, please contact the church office to secure a date. The cost is \$100.

**Easter Decorating:** Come join us on Saturday, March 30, at 8:30 am in decorating our church for the Easter celebration.

**Spring Break/Holy Week:** Please note there will be no Wednesday Night Activities or Lynette's Bible Study this week due to ECASD being on Spring Break and Holy Week.

**Baptized this weekend at Peace:**

• **Ruby Belle Levenick**, daughter of Mike & Kelsey. Ruby's sponsors are Amy Brown and JR Smathers.

• **Hazel Flora Murphy Grey**, daughter of Sam & Kat. Hazel's sponsors are David Rokenbrodt and Katie Klingbeil. God's blessings to both of these families.



**Maundy Thursday**  
7:00 pm | Sanctuary

**Good Friday**  
Noon | Sanctuary  
5:30 pm | Sanctuary  
6:30 pm | Auditorium

**Easter Saturday**  
5:30 pm | Sanctuary  
Children will be dismissed for Sunday School

**Easter Sunday**  
8:00 am | Traditional  
9:00 am | Auditorium  
10:15 am | Sanctuary  
10:30 am | Auditorium  
With a Special Children's Message

Please note: Communion will be served at all Easter services.

## DISCOVER WEEKLY BIBLE READINGS

### Crucifixion and Death

Peace invites you to do regular Bible reading as an essential practice in feeding your faith. Through the season of Lent and on through Easter, we will consider the climactic chapters of Luke's Gospel as we walk with Jesus to Jerusalem, the cross, and the empty tomb. We will see him fulfill his mission of liberating humanity from sin and death. This Holy Week we will read and reflect on all four Gospel accounts of Jesus' crucifixion. Come and see the Savior who has died for you!

### Monday | Luke 23:26-56

What is one thing that strikes you about Luke's account of Jesus' crucifixion? How does Luke portray the darkness of that day, physically and spiritually? Pastor Mark referred to the statements of Jesus on the cross as "points of light" in the middle of the darkness. Which of the statements is most meaningful to you? How does forgiveness matter to you? How does eternal hope matter to you? What does it mean for you to put your full trust in God?

### Tuesday | Mark 15:21-47

What is one thing that strikes you about Mark's account of Jesus' crucifixion? Compare and contrast Mark's account with that of Luke. Mark

emphasizes the suffering, humiliation, and forsakenness of Jesus on the cross. How does this part of the story impact you emotionally? Spiritually? What has the crucifixion accomplished for us (see also Mark 10:45)? What is the significance of the Temple curtain being torn into two? Why might Mark and the other Gospel writers give attention to Jesus' burial?

### **Wednesday | Matthew 27:32-61**

What is one thing that strikes you about Matthew's account of Jesus' crucifixion? Compare and contrast Matthew's account with that of Luke and Mark. Matthew gives us additional details as to what took place upon Jesus' death. What meaning would you give to the earthquake? What did the resurrection of "many holy people" reveal about Jesus' death? What did they anticipate? The Roman centurion and others concluded that Jesus' death was not an ordinary one. What do you believe?

### **Thursday | John 19:16b-42**

What is one thing that strikes you about John's account of Jesus' crucifixion? Compare and contrast John's account with that of Luke, Mark, and Matthew. Why is it so valuable to have all four Gospel accounts? Which do you find most compelling? The word translated as "It is finished" could also be translated as "Paid in full." What has Jesus accomplished through his sacrificial death? What has been paid in full? How does that matter to you?

### **Friday | 1 Corinthians 1:18-25**

What was the clear focus of Paul's Gospel message? What made the message of Jesus' crucifixion seem like foolishness to many in the Apostle Paul's day? What about in our day? What do you believe is the power of the cross? What do you believe is the wisdom of the cross? What difference has the Gospel of Jesus' death and resurrection made in your life?



**My Faith Journey Plan:** Have you filled out your plan? Paper copies are available in the Gathering Place and office. Online form at [www.mypeacechurch.com/faith-journey](http://www.mypeacechurch.com/faith-journey). Our

goal is to have 150 plans submitted. Currently, we have 50 - help us reach our goal.

## **GROW**



**Parent Connect:** Beginning Wednesday, April 3, parents of kids 0-18 are invited to attend this new weekly group. Parent Connect is a time to meet with others, support one another, build community, and pursue Jesus together. It is conveniently scheduled from 5:45-7 pm in the Refuge while kids are involved in Discovery Club, Confirmation, or the (free!) Nursery. See you then!

## **GO**



**High School Summer Camp:** This summer, students completing 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades are heading to Three Trees Outdoor Ministry Camp in Colorado (the Forke's daughter and son-in-law created it) from June 9-14. An informational meeting will take place on Sunday, March 10, at 5:30 pm in the Refuge. Registration opens March 13 and space is limited. If you have questions, contact [allieu@mypeacechurch.com](mailto:allieu@mypeacechurch.com).

**Men's Service Day:** Peace Men are invited to come together for service and fellowship on Saturday, April 20. We will start at Peace with prayer at noon. There will be a variety of jobs and locations at member's homes and onsite at Peace. All will gather back at Peace at 5 pm for an evening meal and devotions. Please email Pastor David if you plan to participate.

### **Women of Peace Community Project:**

The Women of Peace invite ladies who enjoy bringing joy to others through hymnal music to join together and sing with the residents of Grace Lutheran Communities River Pines in Altoona. We will present each resident with a Blessings Bag filled with useful items donated by Peace members. "Johnny Cash" will also make an appearance. Join us Sunday, April

14, from 1-2:30 pm as this promises to be a blessed and fun event! Please RSVP to Beth Schultz at [lakeglamgram@gmail.com](mailto:lakeglamgram@gmail.com).



**Save the Date:** The next Parents Night Out will be Friday, April 12, from 5:30-8:30 pm (or anytime in between). Children 6 weeks through 5th grade are invited for supper and a fun night at church while parents can step out and have some quality time. The cost is free. Please register at [www.mypeacechurch.com/pno](http://www.mypeacechurch.com/pno) by April 7.

**Registration is Now Open: Vacation Bible School** will be June 17-21, 2024. VBS is open to children who turned 3 before January through those completing 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Register at [www.mypeacechurch.com/vbs](http://www.mypeacechurch.com/vbs). Any questions can be emailed to Marlee at [marleef@mypeacechurch.com](mailto:marleef@mypeacechurch.com).

**Champion, He Fights For Me:** Join Mike Rambo and the ColLEctive Arts on Sunday, March 24, at 4 pm for a free concert at Calvary Baptist Church.

**Hope Gospel Mission** is providing a free **Easter Community Dinner** on Saturday, March 30, from 11:30 am-1 pm. Everyone is welcome for dine-in, drive-thru, or take-out at 2650 Mercantile Drive in Eau Claire. Volunteers are also needed. For more information, call 715-552-5566, ext. 1300.

**Foster Care:** Eau Claire County has a huge need for foster parents. If you feel you're being called to this, please contact Christa Dutter with the county at [christa.dutter@eauclairecounty.gov](mailto:christa.dutter@eauclairecounty.gov).

**Spring Sing:** The Eau Claire Male Chorus performs on Friday, April 12, at 7 pm at Lake Street United Methodist Church. Tickets can

be purchased at Festival Foods, online at [volumeonetickets.org/organizations/eau-claire-male-chorus](http://volumeonetickets.org/organizations/eau-claire-male-chorus), or by calling 715 720-9092. Advance tickets are \$15 per adult or \$20 at the door. Children under 12 are free.

**Dinner Concert:** The Eau Claire Male Chorus will serve you dinner and a concert on Saturday, April 13 at the Masonic Ballroom, 616 Graham Avenue. Cocktails start at 5:30 pm with dinner at 6:30 pm. The Clearwater Connection Barbershop Quartet will be a special guest. Reservations must be made in advance by calling Ron Gjerner at 715-797-5254 or by emailing [rgjerner123@gmail.com](mailto:rgjerner123@gmail.com). The cost for the dinner and show is \$30 per adult. Proceeds go to the Masonic Angel Fund helping needy elementary students.

**Powerful Prayer:** Would you like to help pray for confidential prayer requests that come in through our church? Contact Deb Genskow at [debgenskow@gmail.com](mailto:debgenskow@gmail.com) to be added to this powerful list of prayer warriors.

**Stephen Ministry** is a confidential ministry at Peace that offers emotional and spiritual care when going through a tough time. Stephen Ministers are equipped to walk alongside you in whatever journey you are on. Contact Lynette to get connected at [lynettes@mypeacechurch.com](mailto:lynettes@mypeacechurch.com).

**Consider Becoming a Stephen Minister:** When was the last time someone really listened to you? We're talking about the undistracted, full-attention kind of listening. That's one of the ways Stephen Ministers care for others. Stephen Ministry serves God by bringing Christ's healing love to hurting people. If this sounds like something you might consider, reach out to Lynette and she would love to have a conversation with you. A new training class will be starting in August. Lynette's contact information is 715-579-6710 or [lynettes@mypeacechurch.com](mailto:lynettes@mypeacechurch.com).

**My Faith Journey Plans Completed: 50**  
**Attendance Last Weekend: 344**

**Bulletin Announcement Requests:**

Submission requests for the bulletin must be submitted by noon on Wednesday. Please send it to [kristinb@mypeacechurch.com](mailto:kristinb@mypeacechurch.com).



**Greeters:**

9:00 Connie Hagen

**Ushers:**

5:30 Terry & Judy Valen

8:00 Chuck & Dianne Falch

9:00 Anni Bjerke, Kelli Worthing, Erika Zank

10:15 TBD

**Lay Reader:**

8:00 Carol Larrabee

**Worship Leaders:**

Auditorium Austin Franzwa

Sanctuary Heather Krause

**Sound Engineers:**

Auditorium Adam Urberg

Sanctuary Kate Martin

**Livestream Broadcast:** Kristin Brantner

**ProPresenter Operators:**

Auditorium Marcus France

Sanctuary Jim Moldenhauer

**Coffee & Donut Servers:** Denny Seever, Judy Funk



**SUNDAY – March 24, 2024**

8:00 am Traditional Worship – Sanctuary

9:00 am Modern Worship – Auditorium  
Sunday School & Childcare Available

10:15 am Blended Worship - Sanctuary  
Childcare Available

10:15 am Easter Eggstravaganza

6:15 pm Winkler Life Group

**MONDAY – March 25, 2024**

Office Hours 8:30 am – 5 pm

9:30 am Staff Operations Team

1:00 pm Staff Devotions

1:30 pm Faith Journey Team

6:00 pm Yoga

7:00 pm Navigators Men Study

**TUESDAY – March 26, 2024**

Office Hours 8:30 am – 5 pm

6:00 pm Cesal Life Group

7:00 pm Falch Life Group

**WEDNESDAY – March 27, 2024**

Office Hours 8:30 am – 5 pm

12:00 pm Men's Life Group w/Pastor Mark

5:30 pm Modern Band Rehearsal

6:00 pm Blended Band Rehearsal

7:30 pm Joy Choir

**MAUNDY THURSDAY – March 28, 2024**

Office Hours 8:30 am – 5 pm

11:30 am Men's Life Group w/Pastor David

5:15 pm Blended Band Rehearsal

6:30 pm Solid Rock Rehearsal

7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Worship

**GOOD FRIDAY – March 29, 2024**

Office Hours 8:30 am – 3 pm

12:00 pm Traditional Good Friday Worship

5:30 pm Blended Good Friday Worship

6:00 pm Modern Band Rehearsal

6:30 pm Modern Good Friday Worship

**SATURDAY – March 30, 2024**

8:30 am Easter Decorating

3:30 pm Blended Rehearsal

5:30 pm Blended Worship – Sanctuary

5:30 pm Modern Band Rehearsal

**EASTER SUNDAY – March 31, 2024**

7:30 am Modern Band Rehearsal

8:00 am Traditional Worship – Sanctuary

9:00 am Modern Worship – Auditorium  
Sunday School & Childcare Available  
Blended Band Rehearsal

10:15 am Blended Worship - Sanctuary  
Childcare Available

10:30 am Modern Worship – Auditorium  
Childcare Available