



Peace Lutheran Church Tidings of Peace

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"Pigginawaan to-o na Tyumanem ya kadég na manga utaw, aw yan ya du-an na pig-atag nan ya kanan Ise na tamisa pada pangkay singalan ya mangintu-u kanan dili sakanan pa-emel-emelen, manang makatagtun baling sa ginawa na wala' ya katigkasan."

Juan 3:16 KLGV in Tagakaulo

Imagine if you had to learn another language to understand God's Word. The simple message of God's love would become complicated. Sure, you could learn Tagakaulo but hearing God's word in a language other than your own heart language just isn't the same.

When Kim and I arrived in the

Philippines in 1993, we spent our first-year learning Tagakaulo, the language of the people with whom we would work. We learned the language because we wanted the Tagakaulo people to know Jesus and understand the Gospel in their hearts and not as some foreign religion. We wanted the Tagakaulo people to have a church that was reliant on God and not on foreign missionaries. The problem was that the Bible was not available in the Tagakaulo language. So, we worked with our missionary colleagues to develop Tagakaulo pastoral training materials, Sunday school materials, songs, and liturgy in the Tagakaulo language.

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By God's grace, a church grew up and started to grow. However, because the Bible was not available in Tagakaulo, we had to rely on the Cebuano (the trade language) bible for a lot of our teaching. That worked but we longed for the day when our Tagakaulo brothers and sisters would have the Bible in their own heart language.

That day has come. On April 10, we gathered with about 1000 people to celebrate the publication of the Tagakaulo New Testament. There were traditional dances, traditional songs, and many speeches. During the celebration, the crowd became quiet as pastors from four different denominations read sections of the new Bible. God was speaking clearly in the Tagakaulo language. It was a wonderful milestone as God continues to build his church among the Tagakaulo people. Kim and I were blessed to be a part of it.

Now, let's read the verse I quoted at the beginning in English, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son so that whoever believes in him will not perish but will have everlasting life." (John 3:16)

What an amazing blessing that we can hear and know God's word in our heart language. May we never take this privilege for granted.

Todd 907-259-5115



***Engage God
Each Other ~ The World***

Tidings of Peace

*The Official
Newsletter
of Peace@Monroe*

We hope you find our newsletter to be both informative and insightful with interesting news and notes on life together as God's people. If you have suggestions for the newsletter or would like to submit an article for publication, we'd love to hear from you.

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& Todd Roeske
Pastor

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SAVE THE DATE!

June 22-26
9 a.m. - 12 noon

Kids Bible Day Camp

Adult Volunteers Needed for
the following positions:

- * Assistant Director
- * Crafts Director
- * Snack Director
- * JC (teens) Director
- * Decorating Director

Contact Kim at
kimroeske82@gmail.com
to volunteer

VBS ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Call or text Kim at 907-259-5683
to volunteer.

Look for Kids Bible Day Camp
registration links coming in May!

It's free! Invite your friends!

[See next page](#)

June 22-26

9:15-11:30AM

MUSIC

CRAFTS

FUN

GAMES

FREE

Kids
Bible Day Camp

Register at



PeaceMonroe.org

AMAZING ADVENTURES W/ JESUS

ALL CHILDREN ENTERING GRADES K-5 WELCOME
PRESCHOOL CHILDREN WELCOME WITH AN ADULT

Worship ~ Study ~ Commune ~ Serve



WORSHIP
Sundays at 10:00 a.m.
Spanish Services at 1:00 p.m.



Bring the joy of the Lord. Invite your friends and neighbors! We'll have fun!

You can join us on **YouTube: @peacechurchmonroe**

Scan the QR code to receive updates.

You can also visit our website (peacechurchmonroe.org).

LEARNING FROM JESUS

Use this link to get your copy of our 2026 Bible Reading Guide:

[e6aaa4_4902290dc2234e97a3db5c7908167dfc.pdf](https://www.pearcechurchmonroe.org/2026/Bible-Reading-Guide/e6aaa4_4902290dc2234e97a3db5c7908167dfc.pdf)

Reading Guides are also available in the church entry on the table.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

Monday Evenings
6:30 p.m.

No Study May 11, 18 & 25



Order your book: [Joshua - Lifeway](#)

Contact Cara for more
information: carasinteriors@aol.com

Saturday Mornings
9-11 a.m.



**Would you like to
receive a weekly
prayer letter?**

Email Pastor Todd
(todd@peacemonroe.org)



PARKING LOT EVENT

Thursday 05/14 @ 3:15 p.m.

Come help us pass out lemonade!

Accepting donations.

*Join us for this special time
with our wonderful neighbors and the kids!*





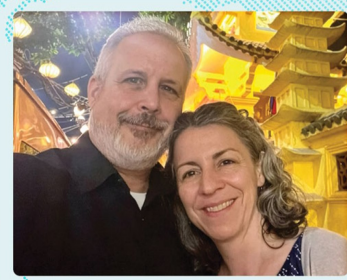
JESUS IS MISSING

Premiering June 6th
3:00 PM with an
Ice Cream Social

MISSIONARY VISIT (ASIA)

Paul & Genevieve
Join us May 3, 2026

Listening Lunch
Potluck
(Following Service)



OPPORTUNITIES TO GIVE

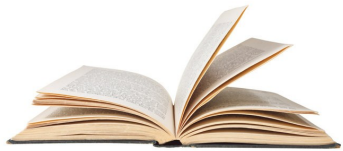


Sunday Morning Treats

Looking for additional ways to give? Consider sharing a package of cookies, a pound of coffee, creamer, or lemonade mix. Surprise us with your favorite after-church treat!



OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE



Readers and Communion Assistants

Available to help with **Sunday morning readings**? Assist with **communion**?
Contact Jill Burrington Brown
(jill.burrington.brown@frontier.com) or
the church office
(peacechurchmonroe@live.com).



Altar Guild Volunteers

We're also looking for **additional help setting up and cleaning up for communion** on Sunday. Volunteers also help with decorating the sanctuary on occasion. If you can help, please leave a message for Karen Johnson at the church office (peacechurchmonroe@live.com).

Take the Next Step 2-4-1 Project

We continue our support of Take the Next Step with monthly meals for those in need in our community. See the list of specific needs in the entry at church. Your gifts provide two days of food and four meals a day for one person (2-4-1). Thank you for continuing to do what you do!



LUNCH BUNCH

Wed 5/13

El Paraiso @ Lake Tye Building
14090 Fryelands Blvd, Monroe
Location suggestions? We would love to hear!

Please RSVP to Ken and Nancy Strain
(425-308-9984)

Need a ride? Let Ken and Nancy know!
All are welcome! Bring a friend!

FINANCIAL REPORT

Special Offerings

Fiscal YTD

Building Maintenance	\$ 180
Thrivent Choice	\$ 338
Total	\$ 518

Special Gifts

Fiscal YTD

Missions	\$ 5,939
Total	\$ 5,939

*...also excel in this grace
of giving.*

2 Corinthians 8:7

Would you like to give your offerings online?

Just go to [https://
give.cornerstone.cc/
peacemonroe](https://give.cornerstone.cc/peacemonroe)
or access the link
at peacemonroe.org.

It's easy!

You may also use Zelle®:
[donations@peacemonroe.
onmicrosoft.com](mailto:donations@peacemonroe.onmicrosoft.com)

*It's easy and no cost to you
and no cost to Peace!*

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures forever.

Psalm 107:1

Given January 2026	\$ 11,830
Given Fiscal YTD (August 2025-July 2026)	\$106,712

2025-26 Budget (approved July 2025)

Foundation	\$174,148
Salary and Benefits	
Administration	
Building Loan	
Ministries	
Reaching Up	\$ 2,900
Worship	
Reaching Out	\$ 4,740
The World	
The Nation	
The Region	
Reaching In	\$ 2,800
Education	
Spiritual Growth	
Fun and Fellowship	
Supplies	
Total	\$184,588

Assets (as of 1/31/2026)

Checking	\$ 99,345
Savings	\$ 18,918
Endowment	\$ 53,331

Income (from all Sources) v. Expenses

Needed in January	\$ 15,382
Given in January	\$ 11,830
Needed Fiscal Year-to-Date	\$ 92,292
Given Fiscal Year-to-Date	\$106,712

Endowment Thank (for last summer's gift)

Dear Friends at Peace,

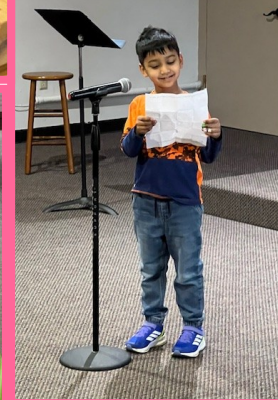
We are so grateful for you—for your commitment and all you've given.
From every child who came through our doors in 2025, thank you.

Tracy Rubstello, Director of Development



Little Doves

Preschool, Pre-K, and Kindergarten



SPRING FLING

The Spring Fling was a success! There were so many fun activities and a great turn out! The Kid's Talent Show and Craft Fair were a wonderful way to celebrate the children's talents and were the highlights of the event. The Chili Cook Off produced a lot of yummy chilies. Thank you to everyone who brought a chili to share! The face painter was amazing as well as the balloon making person. We love that we can come together and enjoy time with all the families and children. Thank you for your support and participation! We look forward to the next Spring Fling!!!!

Registration for the fall is now open.

Contact Miss Linda at
littledovespreschool@gmail.com
For any questions.



Men's Breakfast

Sat 5/09 at 8:00 a.m.

Buzz Inn, Monroe

Men's "Iron Sharpens Iron"

7 PM on May 14th

At Joe Herman's home



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