



Peace Lutheran Church

Tidings of Peace

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Garden Center

Someone once told me that it is ok to change your mind in light of new facts. I used to think that. Joking aside, I still think that. As human beings, we are fallible, and we know that we don't know everything. God's world is much bigger and more complicated than our little minds can comprehend. So, we must always be ready to humbly accept that we have made mistakes and learn to think differently.

This month we begin Lent. It is the season of the church year leading up to Jesus' death on the cross. Traditionally, it has been a season of fasting and repentance. In the New Testament, the word "repent" translates a Greek word, "metanoia". That word is a combination of the words for "change" (meta) and "mind" (noia). While looking at word origins can sometimes lead translators astray, in this case, I think it is helpful.

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*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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Repentance is the changing of one's mind. When we sin, we are thinking, feeling, and acting in ways that are not aligned with God's good and perfect will. When we repent, we stop thinking our own way and start thinking God's way.

An example might be helpful. When I was younger, I, like many young men, used to like to get drunk. I would hang out with my buddies and drink until my tongue was loose, my face was numb, and my already poor judgment became reckless folly. I didn't think of it as sin until one day when I was drunk enough to be stupid but not so drunk, I would not remember my stupidity. I remember waking up the next day and thinking back to the night before. I was embarrassed by my selfishness. I can be selfish when I am sober, but in this case, I was extra selfish. I thought, "That is not the person that Jesus wants me to be." So, with that new thought, I turned back to Jesus, and he changed the way I approach drinking. I still like to have a couple of beers but no longer do I seek sodden stupidity. That is repentance. God changes the way we think, and it results in a new way of living. Now, honestly, I cannot remember if I ever got stupidly drunk after

that night or not. I know that if I did, God's grace was there to forgive me and to continue to move me to a new way of thinking and living around alcohol. Repentance doesn't mean that we will never slip up again, but it does mean that we are starting to think a new way-God's way.

So, this Lent, let's open our ears to God's Word so He can change our minds to think His way!

Engage God

Engage Each Other

Engage The World



Ash Wednesday Service

03/02 @ 7 PM

Engaging God's Word 2022



<u>March 6-12</u>	<u>Joel 2:12-14</u>
<u>March 13-19</u>	<u>Habakkuk 3:16-19</u>
<u>March 20-26</u>	<u>Psalm 46</u>
<u>March 27-April 2</u>	<u>Lamentations 3:22-24</u>



Reading large chunks of God's Word is valuable in that it immerses us in the story of God's people. However, the Bible is more than a story. It is one way in which God speaks to us as His Holy Spirit moves through the words of Scripture to deepen our relationship with God. This year we will be slowing down, reading, pondering, and interacting with selected Bible texts. Each week, we will have one passage that we will meditate on every day. Hopefully, this deeper approach to prayer and Scripture will lead us to a deeper understanding of who God is and his incredible grace for us. Attached will be a suggested outline and pattern for your meditation. It is not a rule, but a guide. If you miss a day or two, just pick up the next day that you can and continue the process.

[Pick up your free notebook at church]



Engaging God's Word 2022



Worship ~ Study ~ Commune ~ Serve



Worship - Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

The CDC and the Snohomish County Health Department are requiring masks for indoor gatherings.

Bring the joy of the Lord. It's great to be together.

*"This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it."
Psalm 118:24*

Worship (online and on the phone) Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

Our services are also recorded.

Go to **YouTube: Peace Lutheran Church**
or **Facebook: Peace Church Monroe.**

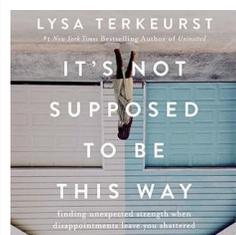
You can also call in by request. (907)259-5115

Weekly bulletins are available on our website (peacechurchmonroe.org).
Children's messages are available, too. Share with your friends and family.



Adult Study The Book of Revelation Sundays at 8:45 a.m.

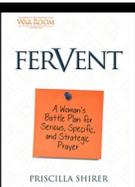
We are studying the book of Revelation.
Join us Sunday mornings!



Women's Bible Study - Monday's 6:30 PM

March 7th, March 21st, and March 28th.

It's not supposed to be that way, by Lysa Tereurst.
\$13.50 Bible Study books available. All Are Welcome!



FERVENT - Bible Study, Saturday's at 9:00 AM

Ash Wednesday Service 03/02 @ 7PM

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Leadership Team Highlights

Members: Brad Feilberg, Melissa Hackman, Michael Mates, Deanna Nowadnick, and Laurie Yocum
 Also attending are Pastor Todd and Preschool Director, Linda Herman

This new year we've been able to meet twice. In January we gathered to talk about where the Holy Spirit might be leading us. We talked about our prayer life, worship, and Bible study. We reminded each other of the importance of deepening friendships.

In February we met to think through how we can best listen to each other, our neighbors, and our community. We want to be intentional in our efforts, knowing we can best serve when we better understand the stories that surround us. Watch—and listen—for more to come.

We are honored to serve and we look forward to the possibilities! Together!

March Readers

	10 AM
6	Jim Zirkle
13	Erin Free
20	Audrie Catledge
27	Tom Foster

Communion Assistants

	10 AM
6	Jim Zirkle
13	Nancy Strain
20	Ken Strain
27	Tom Foster

Sunday School

	10 AM
6	Laurie Yocum
13	Kim Roeske
20	Shelley Wallace
27	Melissa Hackmann

March Birthday's

- 1 - Su Kaikala
- 6 - Rachael Humphries
- 8 - Karis Roeske
- 15 - Nathan Anderson
- 18 - Laura Anderson
- 18 - Neil Hackmann
- 19 - Lynn Gose
- 25 - Gottlieb Ribary

Did Eve ever have a date with Adam?
 Nope, just an apple!



Financial News

Special Offerings

Fiscal YTD

Building "10-for-10"	\$ 810
Thrivent Choice	\$ 208
Total	\$1,018

Special Gifts

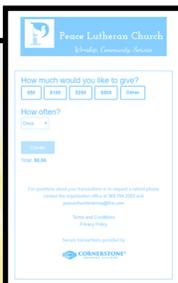
Fiscal YTD

Alaska Missions	\$2,808
Building Loan Paydown	\$1,990
Endowment	\$ 25
Missionary Shaun Trump	\$ 240
OPOP	\$3,817
Total	\$8,880

**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!



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TREASURER'S REPORT

*Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.*

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Given January 2022	\$ 16,773
Given Fiscal YTD (August 2021-July 2022)	\$ 80,223

2021-22 Budget (approved July 2021)

Foundation	\$201,812
Salary and Benefits	
Administration	
Building Loan	
Ministries	
Reaching Up	\$ 2,700
Worship	
Reaching Out	\$ 15,320
The World	
The Nation	
The Region	
Reaching In	\$ 5,750
Education	
Spiritual Growth	
Fun and Fellowship	
Supplies	

Total \$225,582

Assets (as of 1/31/2022)

Checking	\$102,345
Savings	\$ 18,893
Endowment	\$ 45,240

Income v. Expenses

Needed in January 2022	\$ 18,799
Given in January 2022	\$ 16,773
Needed Fiscal Year-to-Date	\$ 80,223
Given Fiscal Year-to-Date	\$112,794

Loan Summary

Building Loan (as of 12/15/2021)	\$ 31,411
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Little Doves

Preschool and Kindergarten



Valentines Party & Fun in the Splish Splash Room!

Egg Hunt & Fall 2022 Registration

We will have an Easter Egg Hunt on Palm Sunday, April 10. We are collecting candy to be put in the eggs, donations are appreciated and can be made through March 25.

Registration is open, forms can be found on our website at www.littledovespreschool.com

Linda Herman, Preschool Director:

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TBD

LUNCH BUNCH

Mon 03/14 @ 11:45 a.m.

Location to be announced.

Grab a friend. Bring your neighbor.

Call Ken and Nancy, if you need a ride (425-308-9984).



Men's Breakfast

Sat 03/12 @ 8:00 a.m.

Denny's: 18824 US-2, Monroe, WA 98272

Bob Johnson: (425-870-0681)



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