



Peace Lutheran Church Tidings of Peace

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"We have rules so we should enforce those rules," Dante, a Tagakaulo evangelist, was passionately arguing that the Tagakaulo congregations should standardize their worship services. Dante believes that if a congregation wants to be Lutheran, they should worship like Lutherans. I have heard a similar argument from Pastors in the States. It is fascinating that churches from such different contexts wrestle with similar kinds of issues.

For me, Dante's concern brings up a very important and deep question. What does it mean to

be Lutheran? Is being Lutheran following a certain way of worship? Is it holding to certain traditions? Is it an identity? Is it a set of teachings?

I identify myself as Lutheran for a couple of reasons. One is that I was born into it. My parents and grandparents were Lutheran. The faith that surrounded and undergirded our family was a blessing to me growing up. I appreciated the freedom and the love that I experienced in the Lutheran community in which I grew up. However, I suppose, if I had

Altar Guild Assistants

Altar Guild Meeting
To be announced
Ask Karen if interested

The Altar Guild



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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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grew up in a different faith community, I might now be a Baptist or a Catholic.

Secondly, I think I am Lutheran because I really deeply appreciate the thoughtful, deep teaching of our church that focuses on grace and faith. I love the Lutheran emphasis on the Word of God and his sacraments as objective signs of God's love for me. I know God loves me no matter how I feel because Jesus died for me and claimed me in my baptism. Every week I can physically receive Jesus' body and blood so that I can know I am forgiven and accepted by God. Lutheranism is a great lens through which to read the Bible and to understand God

Thirdly, and most importantly, I am Lutheran because it is in the Lutheran Church that I came to know and love Jesus. All the things I appreciate about being Lutheran are great, but

being Lutheran is not what really matters. What really matters is that I am Christian. What matters is that I follow Jesus and know his love and forgiveness every day.

I appreciate Pastor Dante and the others that would like for Lutherans to have a common external identity; but for me, those things are secondary. What matters is that we love Jesus and follow him even if the way we express our faith might look a little different from one congregation to another.

Happy 75th anniversary!

Todd

907-259-5115

*Engage God
Engage Each Other
Engage The World*

Missionary Host

Missionary Josh, his wife Coco and their two children will be visiting June 22&23rd. If you have a spare room for them to stay during their visit please

Email Tarrell

peacechurchmonroe@live.com

IMITATE ME
JUST AS I
IMITATE CHRIST

[Carroll County, VA]

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

Email Todd:

Todd@peacemonroe.org



MAY 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
5	6 Amani Roeske	7	8	9 Todd Roeske	10 Sherry Parmentir	11
12	13 Kim Roeske Tootie Andrews	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22 Melissa Hackmann Saul Reverte	23	24	25 Danielle Latimore Johnathan Mera
26	27	28 Rebeca Castro	29	30	31 Ryan Kaikala	1

Worship ~ Study ~ Commune ~ Serve

Pentecost Celebration with Pastor Mark Griesse Sunday, May 19th at 10 am

Who do you know?

Pentecost sparked the Awesomest “Jesus movement.”

That movement sparked a new church in Monroe back in 1949.

That movement continue to fan the flame of possibilities for us today



Worship Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

You can join us on **Facebook: Peace Church Monroe**

Scan the QR code...

Or visit our website (peacechurchmonroe.org).

Invite your friends and family :)



English Conversation Classes

Fridays at 6:00 p.m. at the church

English speaking volunteers are needed.

If interested, please contact Todd (907-259-5115).



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

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.”

75th Anniversary Celebration Devotional

You are invited! Stop by the entrance of Peace to pick up a Celebration Devotional sheet and share your special memories or thoughts for our beautiful church as we celebrate our 75th anniversary!

Our goal is 75 devotionals from our Peace family.

If you have questions or need a little help getting your thoughts together, contact Deanna (206-335-8462)

**Newsletter Items Due
by May 19th
Please :)**

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Joint Service

Worship with our Spanish speaking Brothers and Sisters
Sunday May 26 th at 10am
(No Potluck to follow)

Brunch Church

June 9th at 10am

Bring your Friends, Family, Enemies.....
and especially your appetite :)



Saturday Devotions & Prayer

10:00-11:00 a.m. in church fellowship room



Support our Mission to Chitina, Alaska! Quilt Raffle

We have an amazingly beautiful quilt (5x5)
for raffle donated by Gayle Foster.
Tickets are \$5 and available after each service
until the drawing on May 19th.



Scan QR Code to Receive Text Updates From Peace

RightNow Media

“RightNow Media is like the Christian Netflix, with access to 20,000+ Bible Study videos, movies, and more!” There is material for all ages, and about just any subject. RightNow media is free to the congregation, and available for download through the App Store as well as Google Play. It is also available on fireTV, Apple TV, Android and Apple devices, Roku, and Chromecast. You can also use the Screen Casting option on your device to watch it on your smart TV.

To sign up:

Visit <https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Account/Invite/PEACELC>

or text “PLC” to 49775.

You can also scan the QR code.



Financial News

Special Offerings

Fiscal YTD

Building Maintenance	\$ 280
Thrivent Choice	\$ 496
Total	\$ 776

Special Gifts

Fiscal YTD

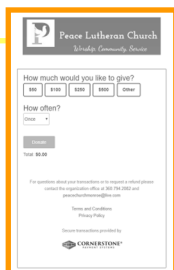
Alaska Mission	\$ 300
Asia Misson Grant	\$14,000
Asia Mission Gift	\$ 4,000
Community Outreach	\$ 2,400
Endowment	\$ 180
Family Assistance	\$ 400
LCMS Grant	\$ 3,000
Memorials	\$ 1,022
Total	\$25,302

*...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!



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TREASURER'S REPORT

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures forever.
Psalm 107:1

Given February 2024 **\$ 14,468**
Given Fiscal YTD (August 2023-July 2024) **\$109,690**

2023-24 Budget (approved July 2023)

Foundation	\$176,292
Salary and Benefits	
Administration	
Building Loan	
Ministries	
Reaching Up	\$ 2,200
Worship	
Reaching Out	\$ 14,900
The World	
The Nation	
The Region	
Reaching In	\$ 5,000
Education	
Spiritual Growth	
Fun and Fellowship	
Supplies	

Total \$198,392

Assets (as of 2/29/2024)

Checking	\$ 54,900
Savings	\$ 18,907
Endowment	\$ 45,240

Income v. Expenses

Needed in February 2024	\$ 16,533
Given in February 2024	\$ 14,468
Needed Fiscal Year-to-Date	\$109,690
Given Fiscal Year-to-Date	\$115,731



Little Doves

Preschool and Kindergarten



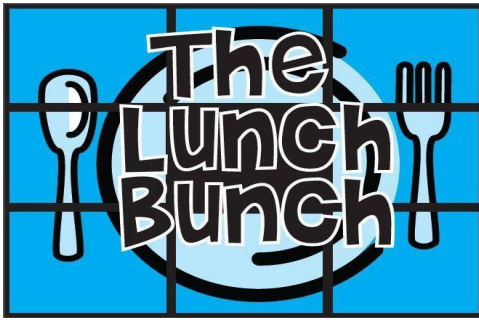
Springtime is here and we love the lovely sunshine! We were blessed with a wonderful sunny day at our Spring Fling and that helped the day to be so much fun with many families participating and enjoying the activities and events. The chili cook-off was amazing! Thank you to those who brought a chili. We had 15 chili's to taste!

There were plenty of Easter eggs to be found at the hunt and many smiling faces as the children played outside! Thank you to those who brought candy for the eggs and to those who helped on the day! We appreciate your participation!

We look forward to having more outdoor time this Spring with our bikes and scooters and playground time. We will be celebrating Moms for Mother's Day with a Mother's Day Tea. Thank you, God, for the wonderful mothers we have here at Little Doves!

Reminder: Registration for the fall is open. More information and registration forms can be found on our website: littledovespreschool.com. If you have any questions, please contact the Director, Linda Herman at 360-794-7230.

Happy Spring everyone!



INTERNATIONAL HOUSE OF PANCAKES.

LUNCH BUNCH

Wed June 12th @ 11:45 a.m.

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 June 8th @ 8:00 a.m.

IHOP, 18824 U.S. Rte 2 Monroe, WA 98272

Bob Johnson (425-870-0681)



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Engaging Each Other ~ Engaging the World

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