

# The Good News Of Peace

To live as God's family gathering around His Word and promises  
to effectively share  
The Good News of God's love in Christ with our neighbors.

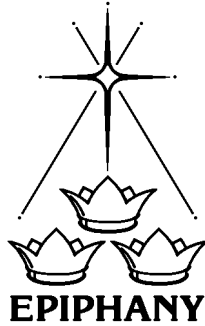
## Peace Lutheran Church and Preschool

Chehalis, Washington

January 2025

### Epiphany Divine Service

The word "epiphany" comes from a Greek word meaning "manifestation" or "being made known." In other words, Jesus was "made known" to all people simply by being born.



Epiphany is the third part of the Christmas season, and during this special season in the church year, we remember the visit of the Wise Men.

Traditionally this visit is celebrated on January 6<sup>th</sup>, so please join us on that Monday at 7:00pm for the Divine Service.

### Congregational Meeting

Our Annual Congregational Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 26th at Noon. All confirmed members 18 years of age and older should be on hand to review budget plans for the coming year, check out annual reports, and elect new officers. Nominations will be in the report packet and please feel free to nominate from the floor if you have the nominee's permission.

*Reminder: In order to be a voting member, you must have signed a master copy of the Constitution.*

Copies of the agenda and other reports will be available on the Narthex table.

A soup and sandwich lunch will be provided.

### Brothers and Sisters in Christ

The annual November meeting was held November 24, 2024 at noon. The primary purpose of this meeting is to review and vote on the budget as proposed for the next year (in this case 2025) so that we have a budget in place to facilitate the financial process to close out the current year's books for the annual meeting in January. The 2025 proposed budget was reviewed and discussed and then passed with a unanimous vote. In addition, there were several nominations for Northwest District leadership positions, and nominations and election of lay representatives to Northwest District functions.

Roland Falb

### Thrivent Choice Dollars

If you are a Thrivent member and are allotted Choice Dollars, you must direct them to an organization of your choice, **or they are lost**. These funds are then available by organizations within Peace. So please direct those dollars today! If you have any questions, please speak with Katie Foss. Here's Thrivent's phone number and you can call them to ask if you have any Choice Dollars available and direct them to Peace Lutheran Church, Chehalis: 800-847-4836 Monday-Friday 7:00am-6:00pm (central time). Please call them today!!!



## *Lutheran Women's Missionary League*

The LWML meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is January 10th at 1:00pm in the Parish Hall. Contact Linda Hyuck for more information. All women are welcome!

Lutheran Women Missionary League encompasses all women of the Lutheran Church. You don't have to sign-up, get initiated, or go through any ceremony. You will be able to work, pray, and play following God's messages. You just have to come to our meetings which are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 1 pm.

January's meeting will be January 14, 2025, hosted by Marilyn Hepola and devotions given by Shirlee Hall.

## **Peace Piecemakers**

Thank you to all that have supported the Peace Piecemakers by purchasing quilts or donating cotton fabric, yarn and supplies. Earlier in the year we relocated to a classroom. This was a time saver allowing the quilt frame to remain set up.

In October, Carol Heimbigner delivered 20 quilts to the Lutheran World Relief Ingathering in Hillsboro, OR. Included in the delivery was \$80 to cover shipping. The quilts will be delivered to places in need throughout the world.

Also in 2024 six baby quilts were donated locally to Possibilities. Three baby quilts were given to our congregational babies at their baptisms. The quilters also provided frames for their baptismal certificates.

We went on a field trip in June to the Warm Co. located in Elma. This company manufactures batting and has donated some to our group.

If you are interested in joining Carol, Linda Hardy and Muriel Tosh, please join us on Tuesday mornings at 10. No experience is needed!

## **Board of Properties End of Year Update**

End of the year already?! First, I'd like to thank my predecessor for taking on this job mostly by himself. I knew there would be a lot involved but I underestimated by 10x. I am still learning! I also want to thank the members of the Board for their selfless devotion to keeping the church running smoothly. Finally, I want to thank the select group of volunteers who do things from lawn mowing to other projects. I know there are others who do things unseen or unnoticed by me, but your Father in heaven sees – and I thank you.

The BoP has undertaken some large projects this year, and other projects to lay the groundwork for future projects. We've removed the current playground which had significant dry rot and will re-install a new set next spring. We've had the furnaces and heat pumps professionally serviced – most are well past their serviceable life and one set is not working. We are waiting for the new coolant systems coming out next year before replacing. Another such project is the installation of security cameras in the parking lot, which should be installed by the time you read this. Many of these are covered by building maintenance savings accounts and specific funds, while general maintenance such as ensuring the exterior lights and emergency systems are working in good order come from the annual budget.

Many of you have let me know of issues around the building, and I appreciate that. Please continue to raise your concerns and I will address them as soon as possible. With that in mind, we do have a need of more volunteers – specifically for lawn care during the growing season. I have a hard and fast rule that no job shall be more than 1 hour, so if it's larger it will be broken up into bite size chunks. Some have tried to work longer and they have been scolded!

Thank you for your patience and support as I learn and grow into your Board of Properties head.

Eren

# Picture Board

Thank you Shirlee Hall for the beautiful job you did with all the pictures of the congregation on the board in the hall! Can't remember someone's name or maybe you never knew? Well, the picture board will be able to help you. If you have not seen the board in the hall between the restrooms, please take the time to take a look.

Did we miss your anniversary or birthday on the calendar? If so we apologize! Please call the office at 748-4108 to give us your information. Thank you!

## Equipment and Facility Use

This is your church. Feel free to use it! Here's how it works:

Certain items such as folding chairs and tables can be used at a member's home but they must be checked out with the church office. There is a sign up/check out/return chart on the wall immediately outside the office. If you have any questions please check with the secretary, Rita Nay.

Kitchen items are NOT to be loaned out. They are used on a regular basis on Sundays and during the week. Thanks for your cooperation!

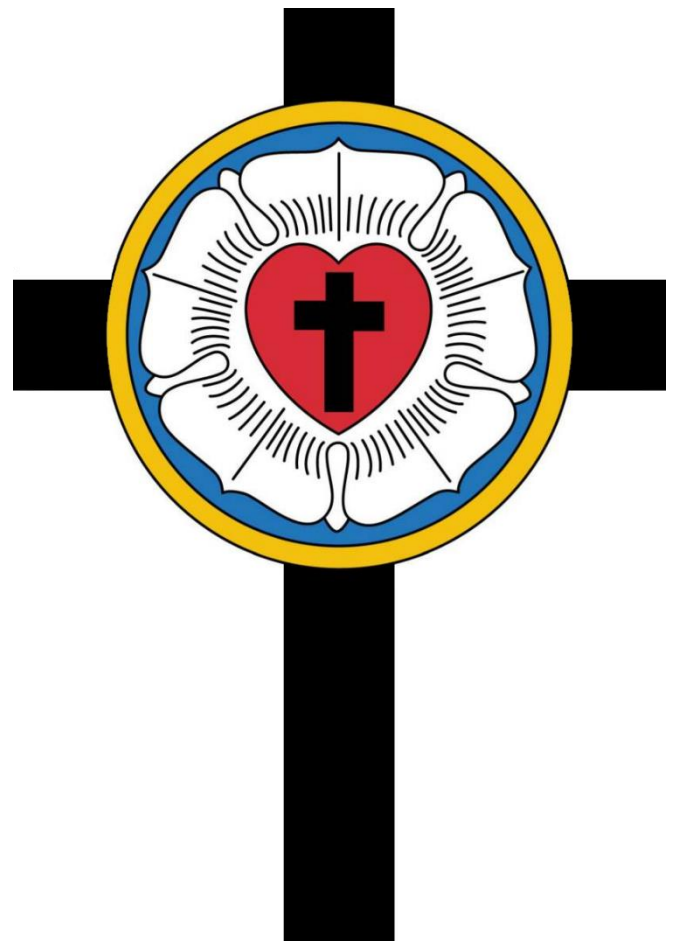
The parish hall and different rooms can be used for various functions by members also but you must reserve the date with the secretary or Pastor. They have a master chart with scheduled activities.

## Flower Chart and Flower Fund

The flower chart for 2025 has been posted on the bulletin board in the hallway near the restrooms so you may sign up for the days you would like to provide flowers for the altar.

In case you don't want to be responsible for a Sunday all by yourself, but still want to help provide flowers, there is a way to do that, too. A fund has been established to use to purchase flowers for the altar on the Sundays when no one has signed up. If you would like to contribute to that fund, please mark your offering envelope and your check "Flower Fund".

If you have any questions about altar flowers, please call the church office



**January Elder:** Tom DeTray

**January Ushers:**

- 5) K.Engelbertson & T.Howsden
- 6) Roland Falb
- 12) George Schaefer & Brian Hill
- 19) Eren Millam & Tom DeTray
- 26) Jesse Hardy & Dick Piesch

**Acolytes:**

- Weston Engelbertson
- Landon Engelbertson
- Jonah Freeman
- Jack Millam
- Ronan Lupo

**Counters:** 05) Farrell & Falb 12) Stocker 19) Bryant 26) Doench

**Flowers:** 05) OPEN 12) OPEN 19) OPEN 26) OPEN

**Altar Guild:**

- 05) Mary McHenry 06) Jody DeTray & Teri Bryant
- 12) Rita Nay & Karen Howsden 19) Chris Pfaff & Cherie Hill
- 26) Marlene Farrell & Jody DeTray

**Coffee Hour:**

- 05)\*Michelle Schaefer/Julie Liseth/Kari Lupo(c)
- 12)\*Kathy Doench/Karen Kilian/Moni Poppe(c)
- 19)\*Dawn Freeman/Linda follett/Yvonne Mattson(c)
- 26)\*Cherie Hill/Peter Lahmann/Sharon Kilbourn(c)

**January Birthdays**

- 2. Mike Lakey
- 4. Cherie Hill
- 5. Alexis Snead
- 6. Sebastian Heinricher
- 7. Tyler Torres
- 8. Barbara Jolly
- 9. Chaise Dwyer Sarah Gustafson Alicia Wingren
- 12. Peg Duryea
- 16. Joe Doench
- 19. Weston Engelbertson
- 20. John Byron
- 21. Kevin McHenry Hannah Royer
- 23. Benjamin Millam Jehan-Ulryc Shea
- 24. Landon Engelbertson
- 25. Rick Bryant Bill Dries Julie Liseth

**January 2025**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5 8:30am Matins 9:00am Divine Service 10:45 Sunday School Adult Bible Study	6 7:00 pm Epiphany Divine Service	7 10:00am Quilters	8 10:00am Bible Study	9 7:00pm Church Council	10	11
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**January Anniversaries**

- 7. Dick & Sherrie Reuther 1995
- 10. Bob & Judy Landsidel 1986
- 23. Norm & Julie Liseth 1989

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Sunday Worship at 9:00 am  
First Sunday of Month, Matins at 8:30 am with Divine Service at 9:00 am  
Sunday School – all ages – 10:45 am

We are located four miles south of Chehalis on the corner of Jackson Highway and Bishop Road.