

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

March 2025

Ash Wednesday

Please join us as we begin the season of Lent with our Ash Wednesday communion service on March 5th at Noon and 7:00pm. (There will not be a soup supper before this service.)



Why Ash Wednesday?

Traditionally, the Christian Church has observed the seven weeks before Easter as a time of penitence and spiritual self-examination.

Ash Wednesday, which marks the beginning of Lent, derives its name from the ancient practice of marking the foreheads of worshippers with ashes from the unused palm branches of the previous year. Ashes historically have had a dual significance.

First, they are Old Testament Symbols of sadness and humility. Job, in the midst of all his troubles, cried out to God from the ash heap.

The second symbolic meaning of ashes is as a reminder of our mortality. Each of us faces the inevitability of physical death. Our bodies and material possessions eventually will turn to dust and ashes. This is a reminder that we dare not trust in things that crumble.

But Lent does not leave us on the ash heap. It begins with Ash Wednesday but ends with Easter. And Easter proclaims that, through Christ, God resurrects us from our dust and ashes, makes us new creatures, and brings life out of death.

Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

“Shrove Tuesday? What’s that?” Shrove Tuesday is the English name for the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday. The French call it “Mardi Gras,” or “Fat Tuesday.” “Shrove” is said to be derived from the now-unused English word “shrive” which referred to the practice of confession and absolution which was a common preparation for Lent.

“What’s a pancake got to do with it?” With the fast of Lent coming on, households needed a way to get rid of foods that would not be permitted during the Lenten fast. Pancakes are an easy way to use up all the fat and milk and eggs in the house without using up much else (except a little flour).

“Why are we having a Shrove Tuesday pancake supper?” Why not? It is an opportunity for our church family to come together for good fun and good food.

The menu will consist of German Potato Pancakes, German Sausages, and regular pancakes for those who don’t fancy German pancakes.

If you would like to help by providing ingredients, sausages, griddles, your warm body to help prepare the food, etc. contact Dawn Freeman.

See you at 6:00pm on Tuesday, March 4th.



SHROVE TUESDAY

Glossary of Lenten Terms

Lent: The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and lasts for 40 days, excluding Sundays. The word “Lent” means “spring” and the season is understood to be a time for reflection on our baptism and its basis in the death and resurrection of Jesus. Lent is, therefore, a rebirth and renewal in preparation for the celebration of Easter.

Ash Wednesday: Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Lenten Season. Its name is derived from a historical practice of making a sign of the cross on the forehead of worshipers with ash from palm or olive branches saved from the previous Palm Sunday. The suggested liturgical color is black (the color of ash): the mood is reflection on the quality of our faith and life; the goal is to begin a Lenten discipline of self-examination, preparation and growth.

Palm/Passion Sunday: Palm Sunday/Sunday of the Passion begins Holy Week. The worship procession is a joyful remembrance of Jesus’ triumphant entry into Jerusalem. Quickly the mood of the service changes to the story of the events of Holy Week.

Maundy Thursday: “Maundy” may come from the Latin meaning “to command.” The overarching theme for this Thursday of Holy Week is Jesus’ new commandment to “love one another even as I have loved you,” and His accompanying New Testament of forgiveness, life, and salvation in His body and blood. Jesus’ love is demonstrated in its forgiveness, his example of servanthood and his gift of himself in Holy Communion. Traditionally, at the completion of Holy Communion, the chancel is stripped of paraments and is left bare until it is dressed for Easter.

Good Friday: The name “Good Friday” reflects the joy of completed redemption. While this day is the most solemn of days, it is still one of joy rather than funeral gloom. Seen as a part of a larger celebration of the mystery of salvation, Good Friday is an austere time of reflection as well as of the adoration of Christ, the sacrificial lamb. The

congregation gathers to hear the words of the Passion story and celebrate the Lord’s sacrifice on the cross. In this, we solemnly rejoice that “with His stripes, we are healed.”

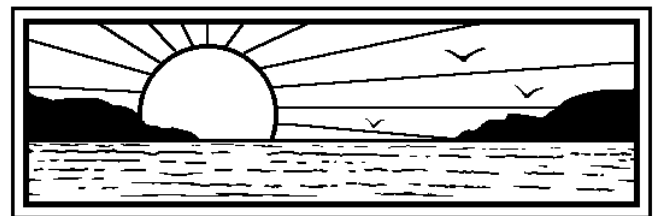
Easter: Easter is to be understood as the crown of the whole year, the queen of feasts, the celebration of the Risen Christ, bringer of salvation. The 40 days of preparation for Easter (Lent) are followed by seven weeks of rejoicing (the Sundays of Easter). The lessons reflect themes of resurrection, a moving from death to life.

Soup Suppers

Every Wednesday evening of Lent there will be a soup supper served in the Parish Hall at 6:00pm.

Please bring a favorite soup and/or bread. Coffee, juice, crackers, and butter will be furnished.

Invite a friend to join you for these dinners and the service which follows at 7:00pm.

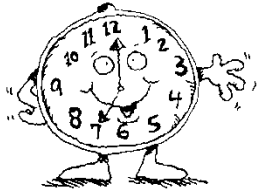


Easter Breakfast

Easter is coming up on April 20th. We will be looking for help with prep, cooking, serving, and cleaning. If interested in helping at all with Easter Breakfast, please let Michelle Schaefer know. We will be serving the usual French toast, scrambled eggs, ham, hashbrowns, and fruit.

Installation of Officers

Installation of new officers and newly appointed committee members will take place during the services on Sunday, March 2nd.



Daylight Saving Time

It's that time of year again!
Turn your clocks AHEAD
one hour on March 9th at 2:00am



Lutheran Women's Missionary League

The LWML meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is March 11th at 1:00pm in the Parish Hall. Hostess will be Marilyn Hepola, devotions with Linda Huyck. Contact Linda Huyck for more information. All women are welcome!

On March 29th the Rainier zone spring rally will be held at Trinity in Olympia. It will be a Joy Shop. Registration begins at 9:00am with a \$10.00 fee for the luncheon. Call Linda Huyck if you are interested in attending. They will have an in gathering for children leaving foster care. Some of the items being collected are hand soap, loofahs, shampoo and conditioner, deodorant, and pot holders. There will be a box under the mail boxes for donations.

With Sunday, March 30th being a fifth Sunday, the purple bucket will be out to help the youth going to Higher Things in June.

The LWML Basket Auction & Bake sale was a great success. Thanks to all who made the delicious candies, cookies, cakes etc. Not all money has come in yet, but a good portion will go to the youth attending Higher Things.

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 to organizations

within Peace. Donations are way behind, 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!!!

Family Fun Night

We had a Family Fun Night on February 19th. It started with Responsive Prayer 2 service lead by Pastor Freeman. The service was followed by a dinner of Hot Dogs (which truly showed us how slow it takes a watched pot to boil), potato salad, chips, and a wide variety of desserts. As people finished eating, they moved on to games, the night's main game was a very entertaining game of America Trivia. We had a group of 16 people that joined us for the night's Family Fun Night. I feel safe in saying that everyone had an enjoyable time.

The next Board of Education sponsored event is the EGG EXTRAVAGANZA coming up on April 12th. Watch for more information coming soon.

From the Church Office

DEADLINES:

If you have a phone number, address or email address change, please let the office know as soon as possible. Thanks!

Sunday Bulletin: All information needs to be in by 11:30am the Wednesday before.

Newsletter: Articles to be included need to be in by the 3rd Sunday of each month.

Any Missing Information?

Did we not list your birthday or anniversary on the calendar? If so, please let us know right away so we can add it or correct it!

Alternate Address?

Do you have a student away at college, or perhaps a spouse that must be away for a few months and would like to receive a copy of our newsletter while gone? Please contact Rita with an alternate address, so we can make it happen.

March Elder: Tom Howsden

March Ushers:

- 2) Rick Bryant * Peter Lahmann
- 5) Matthew Hardy & Jesse Hardy
- 9) Roland Falb & Tom DeTray
- 16) G. Schaefer & K.Engelbertson
- 23) Matthew Hardy & Jesse Hardy
- 30) Eren Millam & tom DeTray

Acolytes:

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

Altar Guild: 02/05) Rita Nay & Teri Bryant 09/12) Mary McHenry
 16/19) Karen Howsden & Chris Pfaff
 23/26) Cherie Hill & Marlene Farrell
 30/Apr 2) Jody DeTray & Rita Nay
Coffee Hour:
 02)*Muriel Tosh/Anna Lupo/Gitti Burger (c)
 09)* Marlene Farrell/Chris Pfaff/Mary McHenry (c)
 16)*Sharon Harris/Jennie Dries/Linda Huyck(c)
 23)*Carol Heimbigner/Marilyn Hepola/Sara Ackerson(c)
 30)*Lauren Dumoulin/Dick Piesch/Marlene Farrell

March Birthdays

- 4 Krista Heimbigner
- 7. Sandy Lupo
- 16. Brady McHenry
- 24. Lorelei Hood

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March Anniversaries

- 1. Pastor & Dawn
Freeman
1997
- 3. Brandon &
Marie
McAllister
2007
- 10. Brian & Cherie
Hill
1984
- 23. Aric & Sheryl
Ackerson
2019

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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.