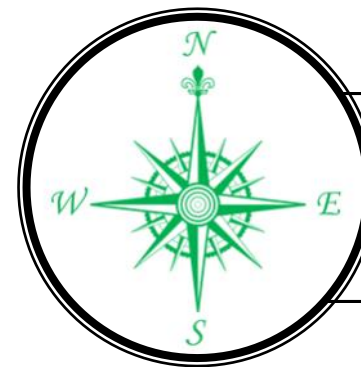




Peace Lutheran Church

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



The Compass of Peace

Peace Lutheran Church, October 2020

FLOCKNOTE COMMUNICATIONS

Peace is moving to a new communication tool called “Flocknote” which you may have already received. This tool will be used to register for worship and other communications. We will begin to register for worship starting the weekend of October 24 - 25.

For worship, you will receive a weekly email asking which service you plan to attend and you will follow the instructions in the email to secure a space for worship. This tool also has the ability to communicate with church groups by text and to send out the Compass and Newsbits. There is an app available at no cost at the apple or google app stores. Please be ready to engage with any emails you receive from Flocknote.



FAQ

What if I do not have internet access?

For all who do not have internet or text messaging, please call the office to sign up for the worship service of your choice.

What if I do not want to receive text messages?

If you do not want to receive text messages, you do not have to enter your cell phone number. If you receive a text message, you can reply “STOP” and you will no longer receive them.

How do I register my whole family for worship?

You may register up to five people for the worship service of your choosing.

Why are we registering for worship?

Due to COVID 19 restrictions, as we move inside for fall and winter we need to register people for worship because there will only be a certain number of seats available for proper social distancing.

How long do I have to register for worship?

You will receive a message on Monday and have until Friday at 2:30 p.m.

What if I only want text messages and not emails?

When prompted to give an email address leave the space for email blank.

How do I change or cancel my registration?

You can change you registration by going into the app and simply change or cancel your registration.

Can I register for more than one worship service per weekend?

No, because we have limited number of total spaces for each service. For events other than worship there will be other options to register for multiple items.

If you have any other questions, please do not hesitate to contact the church office at 937-426-1441 or churchsecretary@peacebeavercreek.org.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE At Pavilion

Saturday at 5:15 p.m.

Sunday at 10:15 a.m.

In Fellowship Hall

Sunday at 8:15 a.m.

YOU TUBE CHANNEL

PEACE LUTHERAN BEAVERCREEK

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Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

Church Office:	937-426-1441
Website:	www.peacebeavercreek.org
Email:	churchsecretary@peacebeavercreek.org
Our Ministers:	Every Member
Senior Pastor:	Stephen Kimm
Associate Pastor:	Carey Hovland
Youth Ministry Leader	Deacon Dan Jacob
Parish Administrator	Kevin Pyle
Director of Music	Linda Hill Lally
Administrative Assistant:	Mary Haller
Custodian:	Brad Saunders
Nursery:	Melissa Ellis and Lindsay Hoskins
Wedding Coordinator:	Robin Jones

SOUTHERN OHIO SYNOD ARTICLE ABOUT VBS

‘God had a plan and we were called to carry it out.’

Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. 1 Corinthians 12:27

Mystery Museum, the online VBS, embodies this verse. Mystery Museum was rolled out this summer by Deacon Dan Jacob as a way to connect youth at his congregation during the forced time of separation because of the Coronavirus Pandemic.

‘When I first created Mystery Museum as an in-person VBS back in 2017, I set out to create a program that did not merely have a token female Bible character, but actually made the experience and accomplishments of Biblical women the centerpiece. Pairing those stories with Jesus’ beatitudes seemed perfect,’ said Jacob. Then COVID hit.

Deacon Jacob updated the material to suit an online format and to incorporate Project Based Learning & Vision Based Serving—something that he and Gary Pecuch, SOS Youth & Family Ministry Coach, both see as invaluable to shaping the spiritual lives of the younger generation.

‘I’ve heard from some churches that had great success in using Mystery Museum to not only provide a VBS during COVID-19, but also to reinvigorate their faith formation for families. These churches took the time each week to play and explore scripture together as a family. Mystery Museum, as a program and a website, was carefully designed to help churches and families do that and it seems like it had some pretty good success.’

One such success was at Augsburg Lutheran Church in Cincinnati, where Pr. Grace Werzinske and her team, took a huge leap of faith to transition their yearly Amazing Grace Day Camp experience for local youth into an online opportunity to share the Gospel. Pr. Werzinske will be the first to admit that doing anything online has been difficult and a bit daunting for their congregation, as they didn’t have the skills or resources when COVID shutdowns first hit. BUT she gleefully reported to Gary Pecuch—who assisted her with learning how to do Zoom and overcome other obstacles to moving their Amazing Grace Day Camp (AGDC) online-- ‘Augsburg completed our virtual AGDC last night! Yahoo!!! God’s work! Our minds, our faith, our hands, our voices!’ They had 11 children register, eight returning from last year’s in-person AGDC, two from First English, Ashville and one member’s grandson. While attendance was spotty and not what they hoped for, Pr. Werzinske recognized this year’s camp as a provision and encouragement from God. ‘I have refused to allow myself to be disappointed in the numbers. This was God’s thing. God had a plan and we were called to carry it out...Augsburg is extremely limited in persons with any interest or skill in technology...and that includes me. I certainly didn’t choose to do this. I was a reluctant servant being pushed by the Spirit. Thanks to your (Gary Pecuch) guidance I was able to bring all the pieces together.’

Pr. Werzinske went on to say, ‘The free Mystery Museum curriculum made this possible. I had fun (as did the cast and crew) – the first fun in several months.’

Other team members from our synod who made Mystery Museum possible were Bishop Suzanne Dillahunt, Rachel Kurtz, Maia Grandy (Wittenberg student), Carol Mitchell and 5-year old Clara, providing the voices for the notable characters.

This collaboration of gifts, all orchestrated by the Spirit, resulted in 52 families from Peace Lutheran in Beavercreek (Deacon Jacob’s congregation), 257 families from Ohio and 14 other States including Texas, Colorado, Florida and Michigan, plus the Augsburg crew, connecting and sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ with each other, their families and their communities.

Mystery Museum, plus other Spirit-inspired faith formation activities and materials can be found on Deacon Dan Jacob’s website, bannerblue.org. To learn more about Outcome Based Ministry, like that used by Mystery Museum, check out Gary Pecuch’s Faith Webbing website at <https://www.faithwebbing.com/>.

The online Mystery Museum VBS would not have been possible without the many contributions of the Dowlen, Fix, Hillard, Hovland/Mtui, Lavender, McQuade, Pochet, and Smith families. Their hard work and creativity made possible the VBSs service projects, stories, science, art, games, decorations, and more.” We truly are stronger and better together as we join Jesus in the restoration of the world...online or in-person!

Carey Hovland

YOUTH NEWS

Youth Many-Canvas Mural

The youth of PLC (and a few parents too) have been working on creating a group mural since the start of the school year. Each artist has been given a canvas and specific words to display. Once all twenty canvases are complete they’ll be assembled together into Jesus’ words from Mark 12:29-31, “the Lord our God, is one. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength. You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” All the canvases are accounted for and several are already complete. Look out for a finished mural soon!

Youth Bible Study: Heroes of Scripture and Screen

This fall the youth of PLC and their families are encouraged to enjoy family movie night together. As an added bonus we have some special Bible Studies created just for their favorite movies. The studies are called Heroes of Scripture and Screen and offer some intriguing questions about each film and a Bible passage that should provoke some good conversation. It takes about 15-20 minutes for a family to answer the questions but they are certainly welcome to debate their answers longer! Families should look out for details in their email.

We are providing three Bible Studies each month. In October we have Deborah and *Mulan* (Rated G), *The Road to Emmaus* and *The Wizard of Oz* (Rated PG), and Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego and *Hocus Pocus* (Rated PG). In November we have Joseph and *The Greatest Showman* (Rated PG), Elijah and *Shrek* (Rated PG), and Moses and *Indiana Jones: Raiders of the Lost Ark* (Rated PG).

CONFIRMATION DAY

Our Confirmation Day Worship service is still planned for October 24, 2020 at 5:15 p.m.

Please see the following information as we adjust specifics for the pandemic.

At this time, we are planning for the Confirmation Day worship service to take place outside at the shelter. (If we notice the weather is not cooperative – we will plan on moving the service indoors to the fellowship hall.) Although the sanctuary will hopefully be completed, we are not yet sure that all of the needed equipment will be installed, programmed, or our volunteers trained on all of these new systems and ready to use for our Confirmation worship service. Thus, we are planning for an outdoor worship service at 5:15 p.m. on Saturday, October 24, 2020.

TRUNK OR TREAT

With the pandemic still impacting our lives, we would like to provide an opportunity for our young children to participate in a safe and healthy trunk or treat here at Peace Lutheran Church on October 24, 2020.

Everyone present will need to register through our new registration program called flocknote. (We encourage you to download the app for ease of use for all events and worship service). We will register car participants (each person present will need to register) and trick or treat participants (children and their parents or guardians who will be walking with them). <https://peacelutheran1.flocknote.com/signup/19299>

We ask that cars arrive between 6:15 and 6:30 p.m. to set up for trunk or treat. We encourage cars to decorated and for all present young and old to dress up as well. All treats need to be individually wrapped and in a zip lock bag. If you have a TV tray please bring it to allow for the distancing of candy bags for children to pick up. Please no passing out candy directly.

- ◆ We ask that all present wear masks for the event.
- ◆ Trick or Treating will begin at 6:40 and go until 7:20.p.m.
- ◆ We ask that cars with decorated trunks and candy to give out park in the second lot and circle lot. Children need to bring their own bags with them. We will provide 2 hand sanitizing stations. Please bring your own hand sanitizer if you would like to hand sanitize more often.

FINANCIAL STANDINGS

<u>AUGUST 2019</u>	
BUDGET	\$76,248.94
INCOME	\$47,730.29
EXPENSES	\$56,886.25
<u>AUGUST 2020</u>	
BUDGET	\$55,662.60
INCOME	\$53,085.77
EXPENSES	\$59,788.38