

# Peace Lutheran Church

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## February 16, 2020

*We welcome you in the name of the Lord Jesus.*

We are honored with your presence. If you do not have a church home, you are invited to join us regularly. Please introduce yourself to Pastor Jeremy Lucke as you leave today and sign the guest book in the entryway. You may also wish to complete one of the pew cards and drop it in the offering plate. Beverages, snacks and fellowship time follow the service in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome.



**The ringing of the bell** and the lighting of the Christ candle mark the beginning of our service and a time for quiet meditation, prayer and inward reflection as we begin our worship.

**Holy Communion** is celebrated every first, third and fifth Sundays of the month and will follow the order of service in the bulletin. Guests, if you are a baptized Christian and share our faith in Jesus as Savior and have been instructed in the meaning and use of the Lord's Supper, you are invited to come to the altar. If you prefer grape juice to wine, take a cup from the center of the communion tray. We also have gluten-free wafers available. If you desire a gluten-free wafer, ask the server. May the body and blood of Jesus, present in the bread and wine, be a blessing to you. There are times during the service when you will be asked to stand if you are able. Please feel free to remain seated if standing is difficult.

**Children are welcome at our worship services.** However, if you prefer, Peace Lutheran has a nursery equipped for children *three years old and younger*. The room is unstaffed and can be accessed via the hallway from the narthex. There is a speaker that will allow you to listen to the service. You are also welcomed to use the Fellowship Hall and hallway to walk a noisy child; it also has speakers. Please speak to an usher if you need assistance.

## **Serving You**

Pastor	Pastor Jeremy Lucke
Vicar	Vicar Christian Dollar
Musicians	Suzanne Muhly, Bryson Skaar
Music Director	Colleen Schulze
Choir Director	Dan Johnson
Supt. Of Sunday School	Brandy Stokes & Karyn Stanley
Admin Assistant	Callie Santora
Parish Nurse	Kathy Durling & Gayle Taylor
Webmaster	Jim Holroyd

## **February 16, 2020**

Greeter	Jan Skaar
Reader	Audrey Bond
Children's Message	Vicar Dollar
Ushers	Callie Santora & Volunteer
Flowers	
Communion	Jim & Ellen Holroyd & Janette Payne
Fellowship	Colleen & Rob Schulze
Audio-Visual	Johnathon Holroyd, Joyce Long, George Abele, Aaron Bentsen

## **February 23, 2020**

Greeter	Margaret Phillipott
Reader	Brande Grassel
Children's Message	Witherly Hellesto
Ushers	Jim & Lynn Reams
Flowers	
Fellowship	Mike & Elaine Schwartz
Audio-Visual	Johnathon Holroyd, Joyce Long, George Abele, Aaron Bentsen

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## SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 16

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<b>Sun. 2/16</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>Choir Practice</b>
	<b>9:45am</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>
	<b>11:00am</b>	<b>Worship</b>
Mon. 2/17	8:15am	TOPS Meeting
	5:30pm	Oregon R.A.I.N. Meeting
<b>Tues. 2/18</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Mid-Valley Women of Christ</b>
	<b>12:00pm</b>	<b>Rotary Luncheon</b>
	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Council Meeting</b>
Wed. 2/19	7:30am	Eat, Chat, Pray
	2:30pm	Dementia Warriors
<b>Thurs. 2/20</b>	<b>7:00am</b>	<b>Men @ Imagine</b>
	<b>12:00pm</b>	<b>Chamber Luncheon</b>

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**NEW MEMBERS:** Last week we were joined in membership by quite a few folks! We want to welcome you all into the Peace Family! Welcome to:

Molly Schulze

Linda Schuerman

Steve & Sue Rapetti

Mark & Charla Koeppe

Gary Curtis

Maggie McFadden

Lori Anderson

Gary Haynes

Joe & Caroline Cruz

Joyce Hall

Twyla Randall

Tim Ewing

Diane Schell

Craig Starr



The staff at Camp Lutherwood are so excited to be visiting Peace Lutheran Church on February 23rd!

Camp Lutherwood Oregon offers an outdoor experience that empowers staff and guests of all ages to discover caring and affirming relationships with God, others, self and the natural world. We are a not-for-profit organization committed to serving people of all ages through our staff, programs and facilities. All are welcome to participate in our ministry.

Peace Lutheran has been a generous supporter of Camp Lutherwood for many years and the staff continues to be blessed by our partnership in ministry. Thank you!

To learn more about camp visit [lutherwoodoregon.org](http://lutherwoodoregon.org).

**ORGANIZING & PLANNING:** If you have a youth who will be going into High School in 2022 and are interested in participating in the National Youth Gathering, please stay tuned for a planning meeting date from George and Janice Abele as we begin planning fundraising and events to help us get to Houston, TX. The first trip was amazing, and the youth really loved it. Let's get more youth involved!

**CHURCH CLEAN UP DAY:** Saturday, March 28 is set to be the day that we get the church ready for Palm Sunday and Easter. Come on out and assist with sprucing up the church and grounds. There are jobs of all kinds, from light duty to heavy duty. There is something for everyone. Many hands make light work!

**THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU:** I just want to say how wonderful it was to hear from so many of you as I figured out what was making me sick, then through surgery, and recovery. As I am still recovering, I can feel the prayers that have been and continue being said. I thank each of you for the prayers, cards, texts and calls. Your well wishes

were a light in an otherwise dark situation. Thank you for being that positive light! - Callie.

**SOUP SUPPER SIGN UP:** The sign-up sheet for Lenten Soup Supper is up on the Fellowship Hall Bulletin Board. Make sure you stop by and sign up to bring a little something. Remember, this is a very simple soup and bread and we encourage you to bring any kind you like the best. We certainly do not limit you to soup. If you prefer to bring chili or gumbo, feel free to bring it! Can't wait to give it all a taste!

Letter from President Linnemann about  
Concordia University

Dear Partners in Ministry,

This morning it was announced that Concordia University Portland would be closing at the end of the current semester. I am writing to share with you that this is indeed the case and to ask for your prayers for a community that is deeply grieving.

I was present for the announcements – first to the faculty and staff, and then to the students. There were many expressions of sadness and grief as the news started to sink in. As an alumnus of both the high school and the college, my heart is heavy, too. I will be forever grateful for the learning, friendships, and spiritual growth that were given to me on Concordia's campus – not to mention the blessing of a wonderful spouse in my wife, Cindy. Many of you who are receiving this letter can relate to the gift that Concordia has been and continues to be in our lives. We will continue to praise God for all these profound and lasting blessings.

What causes me the most grief from this news are the missed opportunities for reflecting the love of Jesus to people. Concordia had undergone a transformation. It was a place where Christian leaders were trained and grew spiritually so that they could be in mission once they graduated. It since moved to a place where it became the mission field, as many students came to Concordia as a place where they encountered the Gospel and the love of Christ for the first time. That's the part that hurts my heart the most.

I also want to express my thanks to the Concordia leaders who handled the challenge of sharing the news today with care, compassion, and skill. I am thankful for Rev. Dr. Tom Ries, interim president, who stepped into a difficult situation and has shared the realities with clarity and compassion.

I am asking for your prayer support in the days ahead. Please pray for students who have choices to make about their future. Pray for faculty and staff who will be seeking new positions. Pray for administrators who will be seeking ways to help all of the above. Pray for the mission of God in the Northwest, that we might identify ways to fill this big hole. For all involved, pray for the peace of God that passes understanding (Philippians 4:7) – the peace that makes no logical sense – that even in the middle of these difficult circumstances, they might see God's blessing and be embraced by His unfailing love.

Serving the Lord and His church,  
Rev. Dr. Paul Linnemann  
*President of the Northwest District of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod*