



Messenger of PEACE

Touching Lives with the Love and Saving Grace of Jesus.

August 2017

Grace be to you and peace from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. This was the apostle Paul's greeting to the church in Rome. I share this with you because it is from Romans that we find our Epistle lesson for this upcoming Sunday and this favorite passage,

And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose. Romans 8:28

It is a favorite because it is so full of hope – who doesn't want to hear that things are going to work out and that it will all be good in the end! But we know that things do not always work out – at least not the way we would like. And it begs the question, "What is God's Good Purpose?"

It is such a blessing to be "called" to a congregation to be their pastor. I remember my first. It is referred to as "Call Day" at the seminary. I found it so interesting that graduating was so secondary to receiving your first "Call." I remember the night – everyone wondering, "Where will God lead me? and What will it be like?"

I was fortunate enough to be seated by my closest friend at the seminary. When our names were announced we walked forward and shook the hand of the seminary President. He would then hand us a packet of information with our first call into ministry. In a moment I was on my way to Wayne, NE and my friend Chris was going to Waldorf, MD. He was to be a sole pastor and I was an associate/campus pastor. "What would be God's Good Purpose there?"

I share this with you because just recently Peace Lutheran "called" me a second time. I did not leave and was then "called" back but "called" to a new position. I remember Pastor Bode sharing the "what if..." scenario with me. "What if we were to switch roles?" "What would be God's Good Purpose here – for each of us and for Peace Lutheran?"

When we read Romans 8:28 it is important to keep a few things straight. God's purpose for us is salvation. And when Paul refers to "the called" – it is a little different than when a pastor is "called" to be a minister. Here it is simply God calling through the Gospel for someone to be saved. And that identifies "those who love God." They are the recipients of God's grace and promises – salvation! That is His Ultimate Good Purpose for all of us – to be with Him for all eternity!

But as the members of Peace Lutheran stand in God's grace everyday looking forward with certain hope of eternal life - "What is God's Good Purpose now – here for us at Peace Lutheran?"

This text is paired with Matthew 13:44-52. Jesus continues with more parables but one discusses a net that catches both good and bad fish. It is a reminder of the last day – a discussion about heaven and hell. But that day has not yet come – but it will. We are reminded that God is still at work in His kingdom – sharing the Gospel for "His Good Purpose." The amazing part is He will accomplish His work by the Holy Spirit working through His Word in you and me. So what is God's Good Purpose for you? It is our prayer for all who are "called by God." To come to saving faith and grow as His disciples. Love God – Love others and Serve.

We love God through Worship (Connect). We love others/neighbors by growing in our faith as the body of Christ. Here we gather together around God's Word and we are renewed in what it is to love others as God does (Grow). And as renewed children of God we enter the world with a heart that seeks to thank God for the new life that is ours. And we do this by obeying and serving with a thankful heart. We see work to be done within/through our church but also in the world/community (Serve). I pray that you will hear more about Connect, Grow and Serve in the weeks to come. These three words will be guiding our staff and ministries in the months to come – that God may carry out His "Good Purpose" through Peace Lutheran Church.

Lord's Blessings, Pastor John Pasche

Official Acts



Baptisms

- June 4 Colton James Talbott, son of Barry & Lisa Talbott
 June 11 Vayda Marie Doring, daughter of Theodore & Destini Doring
 June 17 Hunter Ryan Rogers, son of Ryan Rogers & Karisa Showalter
 June 17 Lauren Marie Boeff, daughter of Dillon & Heidi Boeff
 June 25 Seersha Bella Hansen, daughter of Steven & Cherise Hansen
 June 29 Braelyn Vera Dahlke, daughter of Russell Dahlke & Sabrina Dillon
 July 9 Ella Marie Greiner, daughter of Jeff & Stacey Greiner
 July 9 Matthew James Greiner, son of Jeff & Stacey Greiner
 July 9 Elizabeth Lynn Greiner, daughter of Jeff & Stacey Greiner

Weddings

- June 3 Pastor John Pasche & Nancy Rickert
 July 17 Roberto Montes & Jill Rauch
 July 29 Craig Buss & Georgia Klancke

Funerals

- May 31 Cornelius "Cliff" DeBlock, 74, passed away May 24
 June 8 Veloris Norgaard, 83, passed away June 4
 June 27 Jerry Janicke, 70, passed away June 21
 June 29 Marion Holtz, 85, passed away June 27
 July 6 Ruth Kenning, 89, passed away July 2
 July 20 June Schulz, 94, passed away July 15
 July 21 Mildred Braun, 89, passed away July 16

Membership Changes

Received by Adult Instruction

Jeff & Stacey Greiner

Received by Transfer/Other Lutheran

Lois Olson from Immanuel Lutheran Church, Eau Claire
 Tammy Sifferath from Good Shepherd, Lutheran Church, Glencoe, MN
 Barry & Lisa Talbott from St. Michael's Lutheran Church, Bloomington, MN

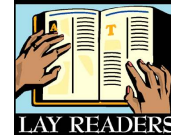
GREETERS SCHEDULE

- August 6 8:00 Erlin & Ruby Thran
 9:15 Eric & Kari Gehrke
 10:30 Paul & Carolyn Lind
 August 13 8:00 Scott & Shannon Streich & Family
 9:15 Dale & Judy Schumann
 10:30 Gloria Janicke
 August 20 8:00 Shirley Miller & Melissa Wanous
 9:15 Tony & Kim Borka
 10:30 Don & Marion Fenske

- August 27 8:00 Merle Schlueter
 9:15 Larry & Barb McKimm
 10:30 Lloyd & Evangeline Dettman & Melvin Dettmann

USHERS

August 8:00 = Team 4 10:30 = Team 6



- August 5 6:15 Jan Klockmann
 August 6 8:00 Jason Durheim
 9:15 Betty Ruskamp
 10:30 Sandi Lietz
 August 13 -----All Services - Bode Family
 August 19 6:15 Joanne Keilen
 August 20 8:00 Nona Anderson
 9:15 Phyllis Hecht
 10:30 Marion Fenske
 August 26 6:15
 August 27 8:00
 9:15
 10:30 Ross Wendling, Norah & Judson



Peace Lutheran received a very nice thank you from Esther Nakamba of Zambia for the shoe box gift. If you would like to read the letter it is in the display case on the lower level of the education wing.

A huge thank you to all the elementary students that collected \$437.45 in "Rice Bowls" during the week of VBS. The funds raised will provide over 1,700 meals to children around the globe.

Bloodmobile



BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday, August 8 - 12 to 6 p.m.

To set up an appointment or if you would like to help, please call Shirley at 587-5064.

Part Time Bookkeeper Position at Peace Lutheran

The right candidate for this job will be responsible for completing day-to-day bookkeeping duties in a church environment.

Qualifications:

- ! Minimum of 12 months of bookkeeping experience
- ! Working knowledge of Quick Books and Microsoft Office
- ! Knowledge of church membership software is a plus
- ! Strong organizational and time management skills
- ! Ability to work independently and as a team member

If interested, visit www.plchutch.org or email résumé to treasurerplc2@gmail.com.

Application deadline is August 2, 2017.

Position Posting Part Time Secretary

Peace Lutheran Church is taking applications for the position of Part Time Secretary (20 hours per week). Applications along with position descriptions are available in the church office.

Application deadline is August 6, 2017.



AUGUST 20TH - Blessing of the Animals at 9:15. Bring your pets to the outdoor worship service (weather permitting)



AUGUST 19TH 20TH - Blessing of the Common Cup School Supplies

PRAYZ TEAM is singing on Sunday, August 20 and 27 at 9:15 a.m. Meet at 9:00 outside to practice. All children and youth are welcome to join us. Please see Dr. Joan for a yellow T-shirt!

WORSHIP COMMITTEE will meet on Tuesday, September 12th at 6:30 p.m.



50th Anniversary Celebration for Pastor Bode August 13 at 10:30 a.m.

Join us as we celebrate the 50th anniversary of Pastor Bode's Ordination. All weekend services will be led by Rev. Dr. Gerhard Bode, Jr., Rev. Chris Bode, Rev. Eric Nelson, Erin Bode and Syd Rodway.

Worship will be followed by lunch at 11:45. The main dish, (scalloped potatoes and ham), plates and utensils will be provided. Please bring a salad or a dessert.



Summer Concerts

Wednesday, August 2, 12 Noon
Erin Bode, Vocalist and Syd Rodway, Guitar

12:30 p.m. Salad Luncheon
Adults \$8, Children Free

Saturday, August 19th - "BASICS"

They are well-known in the area for their inspiring message and smooth harmony. The evening schedule will be dinner from 4:30-6:00 p.m, followed by worship. The concert, dinner and worship will be held in the Peace Center. The menu will be Sloppy Joes, Potato Salad, Relishes, Bars, Ice Cream and Beverages. Cost is \$8.00 per person.

The concert will benefit the youth and adults who went on the Alaska Mission trips this summer. Come and enjoy great music, good fellowship and food and special worship. Everyone is welcome so bring your family and friends for what promises to be a very enjoyable evening.



Veloris Norgaard Memorial

Tell the Next Generation - Principal

\$1,170



Sign Up for Preschool for the 2017-18 Year

Little Lambs Preschool Education still has room in our FOUR/FIVE YEAR-OLD classes for the 2017 - 2018 school year!

Older class must be 4 before September 2017 Monday and Wednesday - 9:00 - 11:30 a.m. Or Tuesday and Thursday - 12:30 - 3:00 p.m.

*Enhance Kindergarten readiness and turn either older class into a 3 day a week class by adding Friday a.m.

To register or for more information contact Little Lambs at 320-587-1162 or littlelambs@hutchtel.net. We would love to have your child join us in September! Tell your friends and help us spread His Word!



Relay for Life Friday - August 4-5

Relay for Life of McLeod County, is Friday, August 4th, 5 pm - 5 am, at the Masonic West River Park.

Luminaries are available for purchase in the church office for \$10 each .**All decorated luminaries need to be at the church office by Thursday, August 3, 2017.** Let us inspire HOPE in the fight against cancer. Hope to see you there!

– Peace Power Team



Many Thanks

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who supported this year's garage sale. We could not chair this fundraiser without the support of everyone who either helped with the sale, donated food for the workers, donated items for the sale, or donated money towards the fairground rental fee. Net profit was \$6,920.42. Twenty-five percent of the proceeds will go towards youth missions, with the remainder going towards Tell the Next Generation. Start saving your treasures for next year's sale!

– Lynn Brown and Sandi Lietz

Common Cup Ministry Diaper Drive

It's Peace Lutheran's turn to sponsor the Diaper Distribution from Common Cup during August. Large sizes of diapers are needed. Watch for sales and bring donation to the church office during August.

School Supplies Needed



School supplies are being collected by Common Cup. Could you please help?

Recommended collection items for Peace Lutheran: Backpacks (25), Fiskar Scissors/ Blunt and Sharp, Color Markers, Color Pencils, 4 Oz. Bottle of Glue, Plastic Pocket Folders

Additional Supplies needed: Dry-Erase Markers (the 4 Pack), Highlighter, Spiral Notebooks (college rule and wide rule), Composition Notebooks, #2 Pencils (Ticonderoga), Erasers, Glue Sticks, Pencil Sharpeners (with covers), Pencil boxes and/or bags, Pens (black, blue, red,) Prang Water Colors, 3-Ring Binders (1" clear pocket view), Kleenex, Paper Towels, Headphones (Koss/Sony or Maxwell), Clipboards

Donations may be dropped off by the Common Cup Cart. Monetary donations are also accepted and will be used to purchase needed supplies.

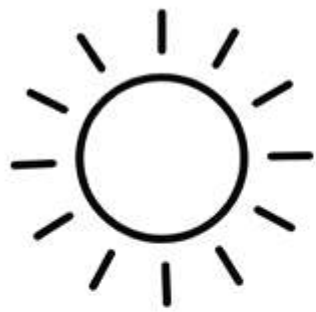
Parents must request supplies for their children using the official request form which is available on line, at the schools, churches and Common Cup Office. **The registration deadline is August 20th.**

Supplies will be distributed at Peace Lutheran Church on Wednesday afternoon, August 23rd, and Thursday morning, August 24th.

Free Lunch for Anyone 18 or Younger Monday thru Friday until August 11 At the City Parks Free Transportation for All

Contact Amanda at 320-333-2386 or amanda.seiberlich@gmail.com for information.

Hey kids! Drive by & be Blessed



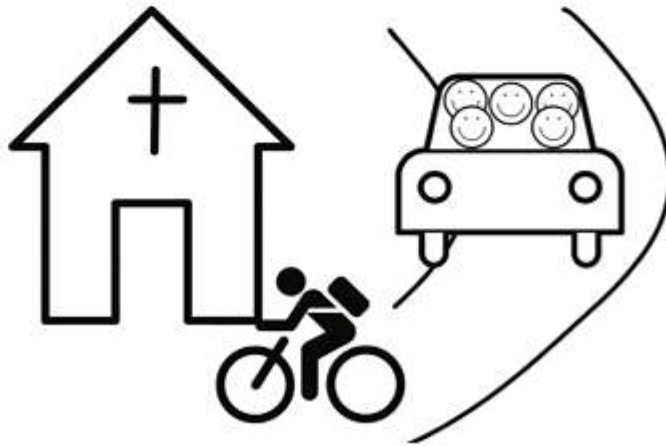
Tues. Sept 5th &

Wed. Sept. 6th

7 - 8:30 AM

Parking Lot of 4th & Franklin St.

A great way
to start the
School Year!



We're Hitting the Road for a Mystery Tour



It's time, once again, to head out for our annual Mystery Tour. On **September 28th** we will be leaving the church parking lot at 8 AM for another mysterious adventure. Cost for the day is 45.00. We should arrive home at approximately 6 PM.

I am sure you will have a great time and sign-ups have already begun, so don't wait too long.

Bring a friend and hop aboard the mystery motor coach.

For more information or to sign up contact Marlys at the church office. No need to ask where we are going---I won't tell.

Driver Improvement Program

If you are 55+ here is an opportunity to take the Driver Improvement Program and save 10% on your insurance for 3 years.

An initial 8 hour class for first time students will be held on **Monday and Tuesday, September 11 and 12, 5:30 - 9:30 p.m.**

The 4 hour re-certification classes will be on **Thursday, September 14th at 12:00 - 4:00 or 5:30 - 9:30 p.m.**

All classes will be held in Room 207 in the Education Building. Register by calling 1-888-234-1294 (toll free), Minnesota Safety Research Center, or on line at www.mnsafetycenter.org.

Ladies Save the Date



Our Women's Retreat will be **Saturday, October 7th, 9 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.** This year's focus will be "LOST BUT FOUND". The cost is \$10.

You won't want to miss this so mark it on your calendar and invite your friends.

It will be a special morning of music, conversation, speakers and, of course, a yummy lunch! More to come. See you there!

Prince of Peace Retirement Living



I would ask each of you to pray for the continued success of Prince of Peace Retirement Living. As we finish up our "summer" activities and look at "fall", we also plan for fresh, new ideas to keep us at full capacity. POPRL currently has open apartments and are running several "move in" specials; both for current residents using the referral system and for new residents wanting to make this their new home. If you are thinking about making the move, now is the time— if you know someone who is interested but a little shy, call me with their number and I will make the contact.

We are updating our mailing list for our monthly newsletter, "What's Up?" If you would like to receive it, please let me know and I will add you to the list. If you are currently receiving it via paper copy and would rather get it electronically via email, let me know at merline@poprl.org. We are also on Facebook - please "like" us, follow us, and feel free to share our postings!

Merline Duering, Executive Director



Save the Date!

On December 3rd we will be going to the Plymouth Playhouse to see "Looney Lutherans: Hold the Lutefisk!".

Lots more details will be available in upcoming newsletters and Sunday bulletins.

September Monthly Munchie



It's Back!!! Our September Monthly Munchie will be something made with apples including but not limited to pies, applesauces, coffee cakes, crunches and crisps.

We will be selling Monthly Munchies on **Sunday, September 24th** between and after all services. Our location is in the Commons Area. If you would like to donate please bring your apple munchies in a disposable container or come back after the 10:30 service to pick it up.

We invite the entire congregation to purchase these seasonal treats! All proceeds will go to Tell the Next Generation Building Loan Payment Fund.



Electronic Offering

Give by Texting - 320.310.4695

Enter the amount you wish to donate, placing a \$ in front of the amount. Then press send. (First-time donors will be prompted for initial information.)

QR Scanning – Download a QR Scanner App on your smart phone and scan the QR Code. This option offers multiple gifting choices.



Mission and Ministry Minutes June 20, 2017

Members present: Paul Berg, Lee Uldbjerg, Nick Brellenthin, Dan Cowger, Mike Eggert, Lynn Brown, Cindy Mons, Heidi Sickmann, Pastor Bode, Pastor Pasche

Absent: Justin Evenson, Deanna Puchalksi

Pastor Bode read from Jeremiah with the message being that we need to place our trust and confidence in the Lord. He also read from Psalm 91 which also tells us about a message of trusting in the Lord. Pastor Bode opened with a word of prayer.

Installation service and Pastor Bode's 50th anniversary: Installation service will be followed by a potluck lunch after the 10:30 service. Marlys is requesting additional kitchen help that day. Bode family is taking care of planning the service on

August 13th, the day of the anniversary celebration. The church will provide the main dish with congregation bringing salads. There is a program planned for the afternoon that day.

Ice cream social is Saturday night, June 24th. Noon recitals start on Wednesday, June 28th. Plath family singers from Georgia will lead the worship service on July 15th, with a brat dinner preceding the service.

Uncollected envelope boxes: John Lietz reported to the Council that he had visited some church members who had not picked up their offering envelopes. The vast majority of the people had just gotten out of the habit of coming to church due to a variety of reasons including being busy with children's activities and going to the cabin. A group of people, including John and Gus Wurdell, will connect with people who have been absent from church for 3-6 months, so members realize that they are missed and cared about.

Approval of May Minutes: Mike made a motion to approve the May minutes and Heidi seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Treasurer's Report: General fund had a negative balance of \$21,678.68, and Little Lambs account had a negative balance of \$3,144.43. Cash flow in all accounts had a negative balance of \$66,202.59. Building maintenance account had a balance of \$19,924.88. The building mortgage fund had a balance of \$26,962.57, leaving 2.14 months in reserve. Lynn made a motion to approve the treasurer's report, and Cindy seconded it with all voting aye. Mike shared a pie chart showing where all the money coming into the church is allocated. The largest portions of those funds go towards dedicated funds and Little Lambs. Mike stated that with the early close of Sunday school, the summer will be rather tight. He predicts that we will have to borrow more money from our line of credit in order to pay our bills.

Touching Lives Story: Lee shared the touching lives story for this month. Recently, Lee had worked at the Cashwise brat stand for Common Cup. A man ordered a brat and gave Lee two \$100 bills in payment for his \$2.50 brat, and said, "Keep the change!" Lee thanked him and gave the money to Bev Bonte, Common Cup Director, who also happened to be working at the brat stand. Bev thanked the man who was still present, sitting at one of the picnic tables. The man shared his story with Bev. He said that when he was young, he had two siblings who needed help and had no way of helping them at that time. Common Cup helped them when he couldn't. His business is going well, so he just wanted to make this donation.

Update on LLCC board of directors: Lee and Dan reported on the status of the Little Lambs board. They now have a full board which includes: Lee Uldbjerg, Kim Rahne, Linda Kuhl, and Jen Plath but are still looking for another member. The assistant director has been on maternity leave and will be back tomorrow.

Ministry in Motion Update: Dan had nothing to report yet. Dan explained that PLC wanted to highlight what various ministries do at PLC and how they touch lives through that ministry.

Minister of Adult Education, Outreach, and Operations Report: Paul and Pastor Pasche gave an update on the update of the website after meeting with Vivid Image. Pastor shared that a web page is now a person's first impression of the church. It is hoped that the new website will be completed by September. Paul shared a VBS work report from 2017 India. Paul also handed out copies of job descriptions for various positions at PLC, including the revised job descriptions for senior pastor, associate pastor, and minister of adult education, outreach and operations. Paul also handed out copies of all PLC committee descriptions.

Pastor Updates: Pastor Bode shared that he attended a workshop in Rochester and participated in a class on the book of Job. Pastor conference was in Brainerd. Pastor Pasche said that he has been here seven years and has been thinking about the vision for the future and ensuring that discipleship is being fulfilled.

Motion to Adjourn: Lynn made a motion to adjourn, and Dan seconded. Pastor Pasche closed with prayer.

Submitted by: Lynn Brown, Mission and Ministry Secretary



Mission and Ministry Minutes July 18, 2017

Members Present: Paul Berg, Lee Uldbjerg, Lynn Brown, Nick Brellenthin, Mike Eggert, Cindy Mons, Heidi Sickmann, Pastor Bode, Pastor Pasche, Deanna Puchalski

Absent: Justin Evenson, Dan Cowger
Pastor Bode read the parable of the weeds from the gospel of Matthew and then opened with a word of prayer.

Approval of June Minutes: Lee made a motion to approve the June minutes, and Heidi seconded the motion with all voting aye.

Treasurer's Report: Mike explained that we had three payroll periods in June. Because of the money bequeathed to Little Lambs from an estate, Little Lambs has a positive fund balance. Marlys Palmer has requested a credit card with a \$1,000 limit to simplify her purchasing for the church. Heidi made a motion to do so, and Cindy seconded the motion with all voting aye. General fund had a negative balance of \$57,376.80, and Little Lambs account had a balance of \$552.95. Cash flow in all accounts had a negative balance of \$84,327.14. Building maintenance account had a balance of \$28,405.28. The building mortgage fund had a balance of \$27,474.16, leaving 2.1 months in reserve. Lynn made a motion to approve the treasurer's report, and Deanna seconded it will all voting aye.

Bookkeeper Vacancy: Vacancy will be posted in this week's bulletin and the August Messenger. Lori Anderson, our current bookkeeper, has accepted a fulltime job. Mike, Joyce, Lee, Lynn, Paul, and Heidi will serve on the hiring committee.

Little Lambs Report: Heidi reported that Little Lambs director shared that things are going well and are currently full. College students have been hired for the summer months to help with school aged children attending daycare fulltime.

Youth Report: Report was not available by the time of the meeting, so Deanna will email the report to the Council when she receives it. Heidi mentioned that a youth mission trip to Idaho leaves this Friday.

Special Events Report: Cindy reported that the next couple months are very busy, filled with baptisms, showers, weddings, and anniversaries just to name a few of the many events.

Minister of Adult Education, Outreach, and Operations Report: Nu-telecom has started the wiring for the new phone system which will be completed within the next thirty days. The new system involves a lease agreement, and all future service needs will be included in the lease cost. Paul met again with Vivid Image and discussed having two different websites, one for PLC and one for Little Lambs. Total cost comes to \$13,000. Only \$8,000 has been budgeted for this project, but there are some additional funds that likely can be accessed to cover the remainder of the cost. Approximate completion of these websites will be in November 2017. Part-time 20 hour secretary position will be posted this Sunday. Melva's position will be reduced to 10 hours, per her request. The hope is to have a new candidate hired by September 1. A committee of Pastor Pasche, Cindy, Lee, and Paul will serve on the hiring committee.

Pastor Report: Pastors will be installed in their new pastoral roles this coming Sunday, July 23rd. Pastor Pasche shared a model for a vision of how to

facilitate connections, growth, and sharing and how that can result in service not only within the church but within the community and the world.

Motion to Adjourn: Lynn made a motion to adjourn, and Cindy seconded it with all voting aye.

Submitted by: Lynn Brown, Mission and Ministry Secretary



DORCAS: WOMEN IN MISSION JUNE 8, 2017

Bev Luke opened the meeting with pledges to the flags.

Devotions were led by Gloria Janicke.

Program: Pastor Jeff and Anita Miller spoke on Alaska Mission for Christ and showed a video of children doing various activities during VBS classes. This year's session will be taken from the book of Acts. This year there will be two villages and two trips.

The Secretary's report was read and approved.

Correspondence – April: A thank you from the Orphan Grain Train for our gift of \$500.00, and a thank you from LCMS for our \$500.00 gift for Disaster Relief.

Correspondence – May: A thank you for serving the funeral of Anita Moudry and \$150.00 and a thank you for serving the funeral of Gloria Hemmann and \$150.00. An Easter card and thank you from Brian Shane and wife Dahlia for our continuing prayers and support. Pati Kachel, who portrayed Katie Luther at our Spring Luncheon, sent a thank you for our hospitality and the \$350.00 to her ministry.

Correspondence – June: Thank yous were received for serving the funeral of Cliff DeBlock and \$125.00, and Veloris Norgaard and \$150.00. A thank you from Concordia Seminary for our gift of \$500.00 to Adopt a Student, Brian Shane. Dorcas received a request from Merline Duering to speak about Prince of Peace Retirement Living.

Treasurer's Report - Accepted as printed and filed for financial review. May 31, 2017 balance is \$5,610.92.

Cheer – Gloria reported 28 local visits and 4 cards were mailed.

Card Shop – Two boxes and 38 single cards were sold for a total of \$52.00.

Mission Servants – Phyllis Hecht reported that 95 quilts will be displayed on Quilt Sunday, June 10th and 11th. Members will meet on June 21st at 1 o'clock to assemble layettes. Phyllis asked for extra help to

assemble, pin and pack layettes in boxes. A group went to Bethesda on May 26th.

LWML Christian Life – RoxAnn Lauer reported that 6 ladies from Peace attended the Spring Rally at Immanuel, Brownton, on April 18th. Rally attendance was 60, and registration was \$173.00, rally offering was \$246.00. Gifts from the Heart were food products for McLeod County Backpack program and \$60.00 in donations. Featured speakers were Fr. Fung Lo and wife Kalia. They will return to SE Asia to work among the Hmong people. He will be training local Hmong pastors to teach and preach and she will be starting a program for Deaconess training. The national LWML convention will be held June 22nd to 25th in Albuquerque, NM. Gift cards can be sent for Gifts of the Heart. RoxAnn purchased 10 cards from Wal-Mart, upon the recommendation of Executive Board. Collections were taken for 4 offerings for the convention. The offerings and gift cards will be taken to Convention by Rosie Karg, of Glencoe, our delegate.

The MN South District Retreat will be held July 28th and 29th in Mankato. Motion was made and approved to send RoxAnn Lauer to the retreat.

Outreach Projects - Executive Board recommended \$500.00 to Alaska Mission for Christ and \$100.00 for national convention Gifts of the Heart, also \$100 for each of the 3 students going to Alaska. Students are John Oeltjenbruns, Isaac Sickmann and Stephanie Henke.

Membership - 16 Dorcas members and 2 guests attended.

Announcements - July 13 meeting will be a noon picnic with guests and staff. Group 5 will serve.

Meeting adjourned with the Table Prayer.

Hostesses were Judy Schumann and Hazel Sitz.
Marianne Johnson, Secretary



Dorcas: Women In Mission July 12th, 2017

Devotions were led by Annette Koehler followed by the table prayer. Twenty one members and fifteen guests enjoyed a noon picnic lunch prepared by Group Five. A dice game was played following the meal. President Bev Luke opened the meeting with the pledges to the flags.

The secretary's report was approved as printed.

Correspondence: Thank you cards were received for serving the following funerals. Ruth Kenning and \$ 150.00 enclosed. Jerry Janicke and \$300.00 enclosed and Marion Holtz and \$125.00 enclosed

with a note of thanks to funeral workers. A personal thank you was received from the Jannicke family. A thank you from Common Cup for our \$100.00 donation.

Treasurers report: \$ 4,695.38, as of June 30, and filed for financial review.

Cheer: Gloria reported they made 29 local visits ,5 birthday cards, 4 praying for you and 5 sympathy cards. Total 11 cards. Melva Plath sent \$10.00 to LWML in Jerry Janicke's memory.

Card Shop: 2 boxes sold at \$14.00 and 32 single cards at \$32.00. Total sales \$ 46.00.

Mission Servants: Phyllis Hecht reported that 4 volunteers went to Bethesda Thrift Shop. 51 layettes were assembled and 11 boxes packed. 95 quilts were made and 18 boxes of quilts packed. A volunteer is needed to transport these boxes to Lutheran World Relief. There is a need for sweaters, sweatpants and sleepers sizes 6 months to 24 months.

LWML-Women in Mission : RoxAnn provided information about the LWML National Convention in Albuquerque N. M. \$2,750,000, our Mite Box Goal for 2017 - 2019. 22 projects were chosen by the delegates. RoxAnn will attend the MN So. District, 28th to 29th. Women's Retreat in Mankato. Motion passed that Dorcas would cover the cost of RoxAnn staying on Thursday night, as the retreat begins at 9:00 A. M. on Friday.

Christian Life: RoxAnn read a humorous letter about older women attending the convention in Albuquerque.

Out Reach: Motion was made and seconded to donate \$500.00 toward Little Lambs Christian Center and \$500.00 toward the principle of "Tell the Next Generation."

Upcoming Events: Merline Duering will speak on Prince of Peace Retirement Living at the August 10th meeting at 7 P.M.

Hostesses for August : Shirlee Tesch and Joyce Tews.

Meeting adjourned with The Lord's Prayer.
Respectfully submitted, Marianne Johnson,
Secretary

Dorcas: Women in Mission

Dorcas: Women in Mission will meet Thursday, August 10th, at 7:00 p.m. The program will be Merline Duering, who will speak on Prince of Peace Retirement Living. All women are invited and encouraged to attend.

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Save the Dates!

Wednesday, September 13 - 6:15 p.m.
Confirmation Orientation
Grades 6,7,8 - For Students and Parents

Sunday, September 17 - 9:15 a.m. - Peace Center
Rally Day & Family Worship
Blessings of Bibles & Backpacks
OPEN HOUSE TO FOLLOW



Sunday, September 24 - 9:15 a.m.
First Day of Sunday School & Bible Study
For Ages 3 to Adults - All Are Welcome!