
PEACE PIPELINE

*Our Motto: "This is the place where love reigns supreme,
God's love to us and our love to one another."*

April 2009

From the Desk of the Pastor "The 2009 Easter Question and Answer"

Jesus said to her, I am the resurrection and the life.
He who believes in me will live, even though he dies;
and whoever lives and believes in me will never die.
Do you believe this?"
John 11: 25-26 (NIV)

On Sunday, April 12, 2009, we will gather as a church family to celebrate the fact of the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who broke the chain of sin and death when he arose victoriously early that first Easter morn.

As a child it seemed that every holiday and season of the year was the same, but at this stage of my life I have come to believe more and more that no season or holiday is the same. I am convicted of this not because of some annual drastic changes with nature, I am led to this conclusion because of the human nature changes that we encounter. These changes show up at times in subtle ways, at other times they explode on the scene of our lives with an atomic force and energy that threaten to annihilate and wipe away all our hopes and dreams. I'm certain this was the feeling the sisters Mary and Martha had as they watched their brother Lazarus health decline and there was nothing they could do as they watched his life slowly ebb away. And on top of that it seemed that Jesus, whom they knew as the great miracle working teacher was not around and could not be found when they needed him the most.

I'm sure in those moments their questions were many. What can we do to help Lazarus? Why can't the doctors do something to help him? Where is Jesus when we really need him? Why is this happening to our family? Depending on what human nature, because of sin is bringing or has brought your way, you too may have questions this Holy Week and Easter season. In the face of life questions the good news for Mary, Martha, and Lazarus was that Jesus did show up and when he came on the scene he came with words of comfort, assurance, and deliverance that reminded them that in Him he was "the resurrection and the life." Jesus went on to bring Lazarus back from the dead.

This same good news is ours today as we face our life questions brought on by the changes of our sinful human nature. Romans 8:28 sums up what God is able to do in these words: "*And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who*

2009 Holy Week Schedule

Sunday, April 5 - Palm Sunday
worship at 8:00am and 11:15am

Thursday, April 9 - Maundy Thursday
Holy Communion Service - 7:00pm

Friday, April 10 - Good Friday
worship - Noon and 7:00pm

Sunday, April 12 - Easter Sunday

Sunrise worship - 6:30am
Easter Breakfast - 8:00am to 9:15am
Sunday School - 9:30am to 10:30am
Easter Festival - 10:30am

Please invite your family and friends to join us as we travel the road with Jesus that led from suffering to shame to our salvation.

have been called according to his purpose." With the other Mary and those who showed up at the empty tomb that first Easter morn, let us go forth in faith knowing that God in Christ has come to answer in tangible ways the questions of life so that we can go forth with the confidence and assurance that he has and is working on our behalf. Let us hold on and rejoice with the hymn writer who wrote these words:

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
The strife is o'er the battle done;
Now is the victor's triumph won;
Now be the song of praise begun;
Alleluia!*

May the God of all grace bless and keep you and your family as we together give thanks and celebrate the great redeeming work of Jesus that was secured on the cross and sealed by the empty tomb. To God be the glory.

Pastor Wiggins

Stewardship: “Managing What Belongs to God”

The following article is from StewardCAST, an “E-Newsletter” publication of LCMS District and Congregational Services – Stewardship Ministry. It contains timely information and updates from Wayne Knolhoff, Director of Stewardship Ministry. The focus of the StewardCAST for March 2009 is “Managing what belongs to God.”

The second stewardship principle is: **God’s stewards are managers, not owners. God’s stewards have been entrusted by God with life and life’s resources and given the privilege of responsibly and joyfully managing them for him.**

In his book, *Transforming Stewardship*, C. K. Robertson tells the following story:

There is a story about a group of Viking warriors who were ordered by their king to join him when he converted to the Christian faith through the waters of baptism. As they waded out into the nearby river to be baptized, they all went under the water while holding one of their arms high above their heads. If they had been asked why they were doing this, the warriors would have answered that they did not want the arm and hand that bore the sword to go under the water, for they had been taught that whatever goes under the water belongs to God. And these warriors were willing to let the rest of their bodies – and thus their lives – belong to God, but their sword-arms would be held back.

We can easily fall into the same mindset of those Vikings. Robinson continues:

We gladly go under the water, but not entirely. We are proud of the 2 ½ percent we give to the church, but the rest belongs to us, and no one – not even God – will tell us what to do with the rest of our time and our treasure. We choose how much of ourselves to hold back. We maintain control. We are Vikings. We are owners. But of course, this is not true. We are not owners; we are stewards.

We are stewards not owners. What is required of us as stewards? What is required of us as we manage what belongs to God? 1 Corinthians 4:2 answers that question, “Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy.” God makes it clear that when it comes to managing what He entrusts to us we are to be trustworthy or faithful.

This faithfulness is expressed in at least two ways:

Faithfulness in Christian stewardship begins with faithfulness in receiving. To receive faithfully means to recognize all that we have and all that we are

comes from God. We do not fall into a false sense of ownership because we understand that we are called to manage what belongs to God. We are stewards. Our entire nature is transformed by the waters of Holy Baptism. Neither the hands that hold swords nor the hands that hold anything else are held back.

Faithfulness in Christian stewardship means holding, using, and investing that which belongs to God honestly and profitably. When we take things that are gifts of God and act as though they are not we are being dishonest. When we take things that are gifts of God and use them only for our own interests and purposes we are being unfaithful and unfruitful.

Karl Kretzschmar writes in *The Stewardship Life*, Christian stewardship, therefore, sees all things as possessions of God. The Christian steward cannot think of himself as independent of his Creator and Lord anywhere or at any time. To him there is not a gift, quality, or capacity of body and mind, not an item of property – and this includes his very existence – which is not a talent entrusted to him by a generous God to be used in ways and for purposes which that God Himself has specified and determined. From this inward attitude necessarily follows the conscientious employment of the mind and its faculties, of the powers of speech, of the ability to see and hear; the exercise of every bodily capacity, the disposition of real and personal property; the management of business, profession, or occupation; the enlistment, indeed of the whole of life in the service of Him who has made us what we are and given us what we possess. There can be no such thing as part-time or half-way stewardship. No man, even though he may put at the Lord’s disposal a large part of his time, ability, and money, is justified in regarding the remainder of those talents as his undisputed property. Holding back anything from the Lord is a breach of stewardship trust.

As God’s stewards we hold nothing back. We manage what belongs to God for His purposes. The motivation and empowerment for that management comes from the love God has for us in the person and work of our Savior Jesus Christ. As Article 20 of the Augsburg Confession states, “Such lofty and genuine works cannot be done without the help of Christ, as he himself says in John 15:5: ‘Apart from me you can do nothing.’”

We give Thee but Thine own, Whate’er the gift may be; All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

Update on the Washington Interfaith Network

On February 23, 2009, WIN hosted its local action team and annual meeting. At this meeting, they discussed their 2008 year end organizing report, 2009 Organizing Priorities, and financial report; \$1 billion VOTE Neighborhoods First Campaign status and 2009 actions; and WIN/IAF response to current economic crisis/delivering stimulus dollars to our neighborhoods including a proposed house meeting campaign to assess impact in our community.

A copy of their 2008 Organizing Accomplishments Summary was provided at the congregation meeting. Their financial strategy includes collecting unpaid 2008 dues by March 2009 and the collection of 2009 dues by April 2nd. They are sustained by grants and dues from member organizations.

Each member organization was asked to commit attendance for future events which included a Press Event at the Wilson Building on Wednesday, March 18th at 12:30pm and a DC Council Accountability Action on Thursday, April 2nd at First Rock Baptist Church at 7:30pm. The goal attendance is 500+ Leaders. The goal attendance for the Press Event is 100+ Leaders. Peace is committed to 15 leaders at First Rock and 3 leaders at the Press Event. First Rock is located at 4630 Alabama Avenue, S.E. - Washington, DC 20019. *Church: 202.583.3200*

In addition, each member organization has been asked to speak with families in their organization to discuss the impact that the current economic crisis has had on their household. Peace is committed to speak with 5 families. Their focus is on insuring that the city is addressing the needs of its people and that we are directing their focus to their specific needs.

Please stay posted for upcoming news from the April 2nd WIN Action team meeting at First Rock Baptist Church.

Submitted by Minister Sheryl Freeman

News From LCMS

The following is an excerpt from LCMS e-News, Feb 24, 2009, A Pastoral Letter to Pastors of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod From President Jerry Kieschnick

New LCMS Members of Congress

Speaking of Washington, D.C., I note that two new members of Congress are members of LCMS congregations as well. They are U.S. Reps. Cynthia Lummis, R-Wyo., and Erik Paulsen, R-Minn. They join two incumbent congressmen who also are Missouri Synod Lutherans: Rep. Dave Reichert, R-Wash., and Rep. John Shimkus, R-Ill. A total of 23 Lutherans – 14 Democrats and nine Republicans – currently are serving in the 111th Congress. In addition to the four LCMS members in the House of Representatives, there are 13 representatives and four senators who are members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and two representatives who are Wisconsin Synod Lutherans.

According to a study by the Pew Forum on Religion and Public Life, 30 percent of those in the Congress are Roman Catholic, followed by Baptists (12 percent), Methodists (11 percent), Presbyterians (8 percent), Episcopalians (7 percent), and Lutherans (4.5 percent). Please keep these and all our legislators and other government leaders in your prayers and encourage your members to do the same.

Highlights From the Christian Education Ministry

PLC Sunday School Black History Celebration

"Reclaiming our Legacy . . . Looking to the Future" was the theme for our Black History program. This inspiring and uplifting event was the brain child of Nicole Dancy, one of the assistant staff members that works with the high school class during Sunday school. The program centered on the Sankofa. Visually and symbolically, Sankofa is expressed as a mythic bird that flies forward while looking backward with an egg (symbolizing the future) in its mouth. Sankofa: not a single event, but long-term journey from struggle to change.

Our living charter members and families of the deceased charter members were mailed invitations to attend our Black History Program/Breakfast on February 22, 2009 at 9:30 AM. The Fellowship Hall was overflowing with people and wasn't it decorated beautifully with all the pictures from our past. Praise God From Whom All Blessing Flow!

All ages were included in the program. Kristen Morgan started with a trumpet selection of "Lift Every Voice and Sing". Joann Mobley did the Welcoming proceeded by an Opening Prayer and explanation of the "Sankofa" by Nicole Dancy. The Lighting of the Candles was lead by Veronica Smith which symbolized Our Rededication to being Ablaze. The PLC Youth Praise Team sang "Hold to God's Unchanging Hand". The History of PLC and the recognition of the PLC charter members were done by Carolyn Kimbrough. Our panel discussion, which consisted of generations of PLC, was lead by Nicole Dancy. Many charter members had pictures of their confirmation classes and old anniversary bulletins to share during the moments of reflections. Our program concluded with everyone singing one verse of "Lift Every Voice and Sing", remarks by Carolyn Kimbrough, and a closing prayer by Rev. James Wiggins, Jr.

The Sunday school staff wants to give a special thanks to all who worked to make the program a success and to all of the **130 attendees, God's richest blessings to you!**

**Submitted by Mrs. Carolyn Kimbrough,
Sunday School Director**

YOUTH CONFIRMATION: Parents of students in grades 7-12 who are interested in youth confirmation are asked to please contact Minister Pamela Edge by telephone (703)968-5880 or e-mail:bradeledge@aol.com with the following information: student's first and last name, student's date of birth, current grade, whether or not student has been baptized, parent/guardian's first and last name, telephone number and/or e-mail address.

THE MINISTRY OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION is seeking members with a head and a heart for service in the following positions:

Youth Confirmation Instructors

Youth Confirmation Director/Co-Director

Honor the Graduates Program Coordinator

Vacation Bible School Director/Co-Director

Please contact Minister Pamela Edge at (703)968-5880 or e-mail:bradeledge@aol.com.

HONOR THE GRADUATES 2009: On June 14, 2009, The Christian Education Ministry will recognize our congregation's Class of 2009 high school, college, and technical school graduates (including Winter 2008 graduates). Planning and preparation have begun. Graduates or graduate candidates are asked to please contact Minister Pamela Edge at (703)968-5880 or e-mail:bradeledge@aol.com with your name, telephone number and/or e-mail address. Further information will be forwarded to graduates/graduate candidates.

Spotlight on Our Youth

Dear Pastor Wiggins. and PLC Church Family,

On behalf of the Ladies of Alpha Nu Omega Sorority, Inc. Lambda Chapter at Howard University, I, Diane Bryce, am asking for your support. As part of our purpose of promoting academic excellence, we are presenting a \$500-\$1,000 academic scholarship to a deserving Howard University female currently furthering her education. I am requesting support from my church family to assist my sisters and I in raising funds for this year's academic scholarship award. By helping us fund the education of a deserving college student, you are making an incredible difference in the life of a future leader. The academic scholarship will be awarded on **April 5, 2009 at Howard University at a banquet to commence our Alpha Nu Omega, Inc. Week.**

Remember, NO donation is too big nor too small. When making donations, please make checks payable to **Alpha Nu Omega Sorority, Inc.** (writing "scholarship" in the memo) and return donations to:

Alpha Nu Omega Sorority, Inc.
c/o Diane Bryce
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Washington DC 20017
email: dcbryce2008@gmail.com
phone: 202 680 8219

****Please Note, your gift/donation is tax deductible to the full extent provided by the law.****

Thank you in advance for your support and generosity.
In His Greater Service,
Diane C. Bryce

Ambria Alexander, a senior at North Carolina Central University, was one of four Lady Eagles to help win the 4x4 meter relay in the 2009 Dick Taylor - Carolina Invitational on February 13, 2009. Congratulations, Ambria!

Allison Dooley, a senior at Largo High School, will be traveling to San Diego, CA, with the Largo High School Gospel Choir on April 4-7 to perform at the National Board of Education Conference. Allison would like to thank the members of the congregation for their support during various fundraisers, which helped defray the cost of the trip. Congratulations, Allison!

Wake Forest University Graduate School Scholarship Opportunity

We are pleased to announce our Corporate Fellowship Program, a new scholarship opportunity for Master of Arts in Management candidates for Summer 2009. This program was developed to create more meaningful ways to increase diversity among the student body at the Babcock School.

"In a globalized economy such as ours, the most fundamental thing that business schools can do is to turn out exceptional leaders who represent the diverse population of the United States and the world," commented Dean of Business Steve Reinemund.

A Win-Win for Everyone The Corporate Fellowship allows the MA in Management program to provide a richer learning experience for all students by building a more diverse student body. In addition, fellowship students receive an all-expense-paid graduate business education, personal mentoring by an accomplished business leader, a chance to prove themselves in a professional business environment, and the potential to receive a job offer from a leading company. For additional information, visit www.mba.wfu.edu

Highlights From the Youth Ministry

The Youth Ministry continues to be abundantly blessed with God's enduring grace, mercy and provision. Our youth and young adults are so gifted and talented and they yearn to be faithful even in the midst of a secular world and their own humanness that is continuously trying to pull them away from their faith and Christian values. The struggle, oftentimes, is extremely challenging and, as a result, our young men and women need each of us to be authentic in our Christian walk, to be consistently there for them even if they seem to push us away, to listen to them, and, most importantly, to help them to discern the difference between false prophets and teachers and the **everlasting** truth of God's word.

Our guiding scripture for this year is **"With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."** – **Matthew 19:26.** Wow, this year, 2009, hasn't this awesome truth been evident! We have seen these words in full living color through the historic event of having an African American as the President of the United States!

Our young men and women (high school and young adults) started our youth ministry year with a jubilant celebration at a **2009 Inauguration Day Brunch.** We witnessed history in the making by watching the inauguration of President Barack Obama. We had a huge feast of food which included breakfast, lunch and snacks and, boy, did we eat, and eat and eat! We played games and the "civic" knowledge of our youth was tested to see just how much they knew about our country – the political process and the history of this country! They surpassed some of us as adults! Thanks to the young men and women who came out to this event and the tremendous support of Ms. Sharon Ross who graciously opened her home to host this event and used her gifted culinary talents to help with preparing our feast, Miss Amber Alexander (our tremendous parent liaison) who was instrumental in assisting in the planning of this event, Mrs. Jossalyn Ford, Minister Michael Ford, and Miss Debra Alexander who helped in their own unique way such as assisting in the preparation, serving as adult mentors, or providing the much needed transportation for our youth. We all had a wonderful time of fellowship, laughter and joyful tears!

During High School/Young Adult Friday in February our young adults had a **Pre-Valentine's Gathering** in the New Ministry Building on Friday, February 13th. The main level of the New Ministry Building was turned into "Café de Amor" (meaning Café of Love, but before you get concerned folks – this was meant as agape love)! The New Ministry building main room was decorated in a Valentine's Day theme, with wall decorations, candles, balloons, candy, colorful table clothes, and we had Chinese food! We played games, one of which was a matching game called "Sweethearts in the Bible", there was karaoke, and a very comical game of charades! We had a tremendous turnout of young men and women and who knows, we may have to make this annual tradition!

Black History month was celebrated with a really fun field trip to the **National Great Blacks in Wax Museum** in Baltimore, Maryland. Our Youth Explosion (the youth group ages kindergarten to eighth grade) took a van trip to Baltimore on Saturday, February 28th to explore the wax museum and learn more about the tremendous history and contributions of our own people. We saw first hand, again, how God has made things possible when man may have thought things to be impossible! We had a van full of young ladies and men and we are extremely thankful for the fantastic support of Mr. Danny Boyette who served not only as a chaperone but also as our van driver and Mrs. Joyce Matthews, also who served as a chaperone. Our youth had a wonderful and enriching experience.

As we move into the remainder of 2009, God continuously is blessing us with ways to help our youth grow in God's word and to serve as ambassadors of Jesus Christ. On November 5th and 6th for the first time ever there will be a **National Bible Bee** which will be held here in Washington, D.C. Throughout the country on **September 12th, there will be Local Bible Bee Competitions** and the top 100 finalists will be given the opportunity to compete at the National Bible Bee. **The good news is that Peace Lutheran Church will be one of the sites for the Local Bible Bee.** Registration for the Local Bible Bee opened on **February 15th and will close on April 30th!** Youth ages 7 to 18 are eligible to participate, so sign up now! We already have 12 youth who have signed up and some of these

youth are from other churches throughout the Washington Metro area. For more information see me, (Minister Green) or go to www.biblebee.org. It's a two step process to register and our Local Bible Bee registration number is 2009-1875. Don't miss out on this wonderful exciting opportunity! Parent support will also be greatly needed. More information will be coming out on this event—stay tuned!

Easter is right around the corner. We will again be having our Easter Monday tradition, the Easter Monday Festival on April 13, 2009. The Youth Ministry is blessed once again to have as the Easter Monday coordinator, Mrs. Dawn Doakes and Mrs. Jolethia Chalmers to assist with the planning of this event. Volunteers will be needed to assist in making this day a blessed event to share the good news of the Gospel. Please contact Mrs. Dawn Doakes for more information.

On June 13th, the Peace Youth ages 11-19 will be able to participate in the upcoming **2009 Stand Youth Conference** which has the theme "Here I

Am Lord—I Surrender". This conference will be held at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. The Youth Ministry is partnering with Kettering Baptist Church for this conference. This year instead of having a multi-day youth retreat we are having a one-day youth conference. The cost is \$65.00 and through God's grace, we have been given an extension of when final payments are due. All final payments are due on Sunday, May 24th! See Minister Green, or the following youth leaders for more information, Mr. Danny Boyette, Mrs. Etta Watts, and Minister Sheryl Freeman. Don't miss out on this tremendous blessing!

We thank each of you who are so faithful in your prayers and support of our youth and the Youth Ministry. May God continue to bless you and our church! Look out for other exciting events but as you can see God is good and is always at work in our lives. How great is his Faithfulness!
Submitted by Minister Kim Green

The Task Ahead of You Is Never As Great As The Power Behind You

2009 PLC Men's Retreat

Please join the Men of Peace for the 2009 Men's Retreat

May 7, 8, and 9

Cacapon State Park, Berkley Springs, WV

Food

Fun

Fellowship

Spiritual Growth

Cost: \$165

Sign-up Today!!

Be Strong in the Lord, And In His Mighty Power, Ephesians 6:10

Make Plans Now to Attend the 92nd International Convention of the International Lutheran Laymen's League



Join us for the 92nd annual International Convention of the International Lutheran Laymen's League, July 16-19 in Greensboro, North Carolina. The convention promises to be a great time of worship and fellowship under the theme "Share His Story." Psalm 66:16 says, "Come and listen, all you who fear God; let me tell you what He has done for me." By God's grace, those who attend will be emboldened to share the greatest story ever: the true story of salvation!

Speakers and events include Pastor Ken Klaus, Speaker of **The Lutheran Hour**[®]; Phyllis Wallace of **Woman to Woman**[®] and her interview with Pattie Petty during a women's luncheon; NASCAR great Ned Jarrett, who will serve as keynote speaker at the Fellowship Lunch; character re-enactments and bluegrass music as the "LLL visits Mayberry" for Family Night; banquet entertainment from local theatrical group Peculiar People; and workshops to help you "Share His Story" with family, friends, and others. You will also have opportunities to hear the inspiring stories of LHM international directors from Chile, Madagascar, Russia, and Sri Lanka during a special breakfast.

Returning this year is **Reach**, the popular outreach conference targeted to younger adults, whether single or married. **Reach** will feature speakers and workshops that address this generation's unique outreach challenges, enable them to effectively engage their community in conversations about faith, and teach them how to share the life-saving message of Jesus' love in a way that is natural and informed. **Reach 2009** takes an environmental tone in its Bible studies and workshops, delving into the question of how Christians should view themselves in relation to the world around them.

Greensboro offers something for everyone in the family. From Revolutionary War battlefields and other historical sites to being in the middle of NASCAR racing country to experiencing why North Carolina is called the "furniture capital of the world," come see why this year's convention location is a great place for your summer vacation. Travel options make this an easy convention to attend. Fly into Greensboro, Raleigh-Durham (an hour away), or Charlotte (two hours away) or take Amtrak into Greensboro (the station is about seven miles from the convention hotel).

A four-day registration costs \$95, a two-day registration (or registration to the **Reach** Conference) costs \$65, and a child/youth registration (ages 6-18) costs \$65. Lodging, meals, and entertainment options have an additional cost. Call 1-800-876-9880, fill out and return the registration form in the March/April issue of *The Lutheran Layman* newspaper, or register [online](http://www.lhm.org/convention). Visit www.lhm.org/convention for more information about the convention.

Registered Churches, Positive Comments; Men are Finding the 'Men's NetWork'



Two months down, and the **Men's NetWork** is fast becoming a well-known entity among individuals and congregations nationwide. On Feb. 12, the 1,000th LCMS church (Immanuel Lutheran Church and School in Marshfield, Wisconsin) registered on the **Men's NetWork (MNW)** at www.lhmmen.com – besting our pre-launch goal by better than three months. At present, the **MNW** has cleared the 1,800 registered-user mark with a total of 1,351 churches on board – 1,178 of which are LCMS congregations. Of those registered, 69 are members of Lutheran Church – Canada and 104 have other denominational affiliations. There are also 82

men's groups registered on **MNW**.

Indicative of the *surprised* comments the **MNW** has received is this one: "There is a lot of stuff here! Is this really LHM?" It most certainly is.

Another guy told us, "This site is great! We have wanted to launch a men's group for some time and now I can tell you that we definitely will, using your info and advice."

A Kentucky pastor wrote, "We love the materials and have had great discussion. We have begun with, *He Who Dies With The Most Toys Still Dies*. We plan to follow that up with the creation study followed by the study on Islam."

From New York, we heard the following: "We discussed various men's ministry activities we've been involved with in the past and watched some of the promotional videos from the **Men's NetWork**. We looked at the Bible study materials and accessed the Web page demonstrating how easy it is to navigate and sign up. We also enjoyed watching "The Baloney Shop" clip about Bill Maher."

And from a lady fan in California, we heard how the **Men's NetWork** Bible study, *He Who Dies With The Most Toys Still Dies*, is piquing the interest of church outsiders: "After looking at the preview we felt that the use of Harleys and title might help us more with the mission approach. The intriguing title appealed to us as a "hook" that might help us with inviting a friend to our study."

And from the same woman, some early results: "We used the Bible study for the first time last month and the reception was good. We had 22 people at our last group. We also used the title to promote it to our congregation for our next meeting."

Wonder what the **Men's NetWork** has on its mind these days? Join the 2,500 folks already signed up and leave a comment on our blog: <http://mnmanstuff.blogspot.com>. We'll be glad you did.

Rev. James Wiggins & Church Family,

“For all the kindness you have shown
We thank you very much
For sympathy in sorrowing days
For friendship healing touch
With gratitude our hearts are full
Though words cannot convey
The tender thoughts and thankfulness
We hold for you today”

Thanks again,
May God Bless All of You
Mrs. Geneva Miller and Family

Dear Rev. Wiggins,

We are bereft of words to adequately express our heartfelt appreciation for the love and support shown me during the illness and sudden death of my husband, Lester Carson, who passed Friday, February 6, 2009. Services were held February 13, 2009, at Marshall’s Funeral Chapel, Suitland, Maryland.

A special thank you to Rev. Wiggins, our pastor, for his visit, consolation, and prayer; President Preston Blue; Mrs. Gail Thurston; Mrs. Etta Watts; Mrs. Mildred Adams; the Thursday Morning Bible Class; Mrs. Evelyn Russell, and members of Peace Lutheran Church. Your prayers, presence, cards, calls, and other expressions of caring shall never be forgotten.

Yours in Christ,
Margaret Carson and Family

Wisdom Throughout The Week

Monday-Wash Day-Lord, help me wash away all my selfishness and vanity, so I may serve you with perfect humility through the week ahead.

Tuesday-Ironing Day-Dear Lord, help me iron out all the wrinkles of prejudice I have collected through the years so that I may see the beauty in others.

Wednesday-Mending Day-O God, help me mend my ways so I will not set a bad example for others.

Thursday-Cleaning Day-Lord Jesus, help me to dust out all the many faults I have been hiding in the secret corners of my heart.

Friday-Shopping Day-O God, give me the grace to shop wisely so I may purchase eternal happiness for myself and all others in need of love.

Saturday-Cooking Day-Help me, my Savior, to brew a big kettle of brotherly love and serve it with clean sweet bread of human kindness.

Sunday-The Lord’s Day-O God, I have prepared my house for you. Please come into my heart as my honored guest so I may spend the day and the rest of my life in your presence.

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Please remember our members below in prayer and send them a card:



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO . . .

Georgia Green	1	Chasity Petgrave	16
Niya Solomon	3	Chanetta Boone	18
Phillip Solomon	3	Mikquan Johnson	18
Barbara Kone	4	Brittany Smith	18
Carolyn Kimbrough	5	Carolyn Williams	18
Timothy Richie	5	Rose Ellis	20
Brandon Bailey	8	Davon Green	21
Stephen Carpenter	8	Arlene Murray	22
Jo-Anne Dooley	8	Ajenae Jordan	24
Leanne Wiggins	8	Tyrone Nowlin	25
Lenetta Martin	10	Linda Bernard	26
Carolyn Jackson	12	Michael Ford, Sr.	26
Elouise Johnson	13	Melvin Jackson III	26
Theresa Lucas	13	Aaron Mansfield	26
Taylor Reeder	15	Elliott Edge	29
Donna Bryce	16		
Linda Peters	16		

Vision: Compelled by the Holy Spirit and the WORD we exist to be a growing and maturing church and community for spiritual empowerment, transformation, and the renewal of God's people. (Revised January 4, 2007)

Rev. James Wiggins, Jr., Pastor

Cora Boone, Church Administrator

Georgetta Watts, Assistant to the Pastor

Sunday School: 9:30 am; Adult Bible Class:
9:45 am

Worship Services: 8:00 am and 11:15 am

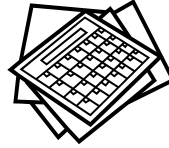
Fifth Sunday Unity Service: 11:15 am

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UPCOMING EVENTS



April 5: Palm Sunday

April 9 : Maundy Thursday, Service @ 7pm

April 10: Good Friday, Services @ noon and 7pm

April 12: Easter Sunday, Services 6:30 am
(Sunrise) and 10:30 am

April 13: Easter Monday (Church office closed)

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