

PEACE PIPELINE

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

OCTOBER 2010

From the Desk of the Pastor October 2010 50th Church Anniversary—1960-2010 The Year of Jubilee—A Time of Restoration

Next month we will celebrate the culmination our 50th church anniversary, on November 21, 2010, with a tremendous worship service of Praise and Thanksgiving. As we march toward this great crescendo, I invite you to join me in a moment of reflection. Fifty years ago, the year 1960, around the world the Afrikaner police on March 21, shoot demonstrators who protest against apartheid in the township of Sharpeville, South Africa, Russia shoots down the USA U-2 spy plane and sentence the pilot to 10 years of prison for espionage, the USA announces that it will send 3,500 troops to Vietnam and the cold war continues. Here in our nation the average cost of a new house is \$12,700.00, rent \$98.00, new car \$2,600.00, Muhammad Ali was still Cassius Clay and wins his first fight as a professional boxer, Charles Sifford is the first African American to play on the PGA tour, the sexual revolution is underway, birth-control pills are introduced, John Kennedy is elected president, and issues of civil rights are prevalent.

In the midst of this God "moved" through Rev. Schiebel, the leaders and members of Mt. Olivet Lutheran Church, to release members of their congregation to start a new mission in Northeast Washington, DC and a Divine Call is issued to a young seminarian named, Herbert Schwandt, who is called as the mission developer for this new congregation. My reflection question is this – Why was it important to God given all that was happening in the world and our nation at that time to move and establish an outpost, a way station called Peace Lutheran Church?

Another reflection question/thought, fast forward 50 years, although much has changed since 1960, yet when we look around our nation and the world, when we look at our church, community and even our individual or family life has much changed? I

"Consecrate the fiftieth year and proclaim liberty throughout the land to all its inhabitants. It shall be a jubilee for you..."
Leviticus 25:10a NIV

mean – has the human struggles of life changed? Has the desire for a better life, a good life changed since the 1960s? While much has changed through the advances of technology, medicine and industry, the human need is still the same – the need for love, compassion, care, purpose, hope, mercy and forgiveness.

God "moved" in the beginning, in creation, in 1960 he moved as the active agent with a specific plan and purpose for His people that He wanted to extend through a band of His people, His Body, that He would call Peace Lutheran Church, to establish a mission with the specific plan and purpose to reach out into the community to save and impact people for Jesus.

Fifty years later we are that band of people, God is still moving as the active agent through His son Jesus, with the Jubilee mandate to you and me to "proclaim liberty throughout the land to all its inhabitants." To proclaim liberty is our call to share the good news of the gospel to our family and friends, to all who are hurting that God, in Christ has come to set you free and in that freedom He is giving you spiritual release and with that release He promises to restore you from all that would seek to hurt, hinder and hold you from fulfilling the plan and purpose God has destined for your life. Let us go forth as Jubilee people to share in word and deed the good news that God still desires to move in the lives of His people.

Pastor Wiggins

LWML Sunday Is October 10

LWML (Lutheran Women's Missionary League) Mission Statement: The mission of LWML is to assist each woman of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod in affirming her relationship with the Triune God so that she is able to use her gifts in ministry to the people of the world.



All Women of Peace, LWML Sunday will be observed October 10, 2010, at the 8:00 AM and 11:15 AM services. LWML color is purple. If you have any purple, please wear it on that Sunday. Please remember your mite boxes.

Submitted by LaFreda McCoy, LWML DCMARVA, Chair

October Is Stewardship Month

Mark your calendar for Sundays, October 17 and 24, 2010 and plan to attend two critical seminars that address from a biblical perspective – Christian Finances and Money Management. The seminars will be lead by Mr. Mark Tabron, of Cheverly, MD. Mark is keynote speaker, entertainer and author, who has written the book; "You are a Winner – Making positive changes in your life using thoughts and words" He also is the founder and CEO of *In Season Publishing Company* and *Tabron & Associates Financial Services*. And most importantly you will know Mark as one of our drummer's who plays for our 11:15am Urban Contemporary Worship Service. The seminars will be offered between our early and late worship service at 9:45am. Invite your family and friends to come out and be informed.

Submitted by Pastor Wiggins

Senior Sunday Celebration

On Sunday, October 31, 2010, at 11:15am we will have our annual Senior Day celebration. We will celebrate and give thanks to God for our senior members who continue to be a vibrant and vital part of Peace Lutheran Church. Please watch the bulletin for more information.

Submitted by Pastor Wiggins

The Coalition of Lutherans In Black Ministry

October 1-3 2010, the Coalition of Lutherans in Black Ministry (COLIBM) of the Southeastern District of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod will be hosted by our congregation. Pastors, leaders, and members will come from our sister congregations in North Carolina, Virginia, Maryland, and the District of Columbia, to empower one another for ministry and mission, and address the concerns of African American clergy and laity at the District and Synodical level. All members of Peace are asked to come out over the weekend to join in the discussions, workshops, worship, and fellowship with other brothers and sisters-in-Christ. Friday, October 1, the COLIBM kick-off with dinner and opening worship at 7:00pm. Saturday, October 2, the day begins at 9:00am and concludes at 4:00pm with worship and Holy Communion. The Voices of Peace and I will be leading the closing worship service.

Submitted by Pastor Wiggins

Girl Scouts Kick-Off

The Girl Scouts are back! The Girl Scouts held a kick-off during the Community Day and Health Fair on September 25th. Any young girl from Kindergarten to 3rd grade are welcome to join, experience new skills, earn awards, community service, learn cooking skills, and learn what scouting is all about. Come!!!! Join!!!! Troop 2311 Association 44-3. Contact **Miss Renee Powell on 202 399-1747**. REMEMBER, WE DON'T JUST SELL COOKIES!!!! OUR MOTTO IS "ALWAYS BE PREPARED".

Submitted by Renee Powell, Troop Leader



Open an LCEF Custodial Certificate for a Minor



"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6. What an excellent way to demonstrate your heart for stewardship when you establish a custodial certificate for that special child in your life. While the certificate is growing with earned interest and additional deposits, he/she will be sharing the use of his/her gifts with fellow Lutherans, enabling low cost loans and services for churches and schools to share the Good News about Jesus to others. LCEF studies show that those that begin investing as children, remain lifelong investors. What a legacy you can begin! For more information check the website at www.lcef.org or call Cindy Haupt or Vicki Edwards at 800-637-5723. This is a ministry of the Lutheran Church Missouri – Synod.

Nominating Committee Now Accepting Nominations for PLC Officers and Positions

I greet you in the name of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. The Nominating Committee is seeking communicant members for the following positions: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Financial Secretary, Assistant Financial Secretary, Board of Discipleship Ministry Members (four elected members) and Elders. Criteria and qualifications for self-consideration were mailed to you. The committee will be accepting nominations until November 30, 2010. The election will take place at the December 11, 2010, Congregation Meeting. Please contact Lynda Bowles (Vice President and Chair), Joann Mobley (BDM) or Romaine Peters for further information.

Submitted by Lynda S. Bowles

Vice President and Chair of the Nominating Committee

Family and Friends Reach Out and Touch



“But you, O Lord, are a compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness.”
Psalm 86:15

On July 18, 2010, the Board of Discipleship Ministry and members of Peace were blessed to experience Sunday School, Worship Service, and a Celebration at Birchwood Park, Oxon Hill, MD. Workers came together at 8:00 AM to open the doors and welcome our Heavenly Father to join us for this day. We asked Him to bless all that were on their way and have us all to share compassion and time with each other.

After that the day started with breakfast for all present, followed by Sunday School. The youth were outside appreciating all that was provided, adults were inside getting their lesson, while the musician practiced. During Worship Service it was so nice to look around and see many family and friends. After service it was time to celebrate and meet people that you did not know. Playing games, eating, and just having fun were all a part of the day.

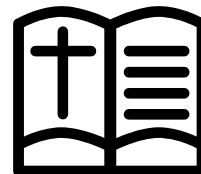
This was a wonderful day that was designed by God, thanks to the members of the Peace family and friends who worked hard to make this day enjoyable for all. Thanks for the TEAM work, cooperation, and for allowing GOD to take control. The success of the celebration encourages me to close with this question or thought: Family & Friends of Peace, is Our Heavenly Father calling you to do something at Peace? Please share it! Make it happen! Change has to start with YOU!

Submitted by Yvonne Brown

A Year of Jubilee! Ablaze With God's Love, Promises, and Spirit

The month of September is Christian Education Month. On Sunday, September 12th, Sunday School celebrated “Fly Up Sunday”. This year, as we carry out our theme, we are going to “Pray With a Purpose”. What is the purpose? The purpose is to carry out “The Great Commission,” the command that Jesus gave all of us as Christians in Matthew 28:19-20. Starting with “Fly Up Sunday”, the main thrust of our Sunday school will be to increase the attendance which has decreased tremendously.

We also introduced the Cradle Roll Ministry with Mrs. Julia Hackly as the coordinator. This ministry gives the church the opportunity to share with families of small children the biblical and age-appropriate ways to talk to their children about Jesus. When a child is baptized, the church sets aside a Nursery Roll Packet especially for the child. Each month, for the first three years of the child's life materials are sent to the families from the packet to nurture the child's spiritual, emotional, and physical development.



Sunday school is looking for additional staff to help implement some new and innovative ideas to help our “lamb” learn of His Word, but we need your help. You do not have to make a commitment for every Sunday. You might have a yearning to help the children with arts, crafts, games, songs, or other activities. If you have an interest, please fill out one of the “Help Wanted!” forms that are located in the back of the church and give it to Mrs. Carolyn Kimbrough, Ms. Shea Patterson, or Minister Pamela Edge.

Submitted by Mrs. Carolyn Kimbrough, Sunday school Director

Board of Discipleship Ministry August/September Update

We welcomed all of our members back from summer vacations this meeting with a full agenda and several very important presentations to the Board of Discipleship Ministry (BDM).



Audit Report

Mr. William Saddler and Mr. Lee Moffit from the accounting firm Wm C. Saddler & Co., P.A, presented the preliminary audit report to the BDM for the period ending December 2009. The PLC Finance Ministry Team was present to provide comments and address questions. Both the audit report and management letter were reviewed. In summary, the audit team concluded that the PLC financial statements fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial position of Peace Lutheran Church as of December 31, 2009. There were four findings and recommendations that are related to improvements in internal controls and record keeping. The BDM and Finance Ministry Team will hold a special meeting to implement the recommendations.

Procurement Team Update

The Procurement Team's report provided the results of the bid and selection process of the asbestos removal contract. Campbell Gibbons & Associates, Inc was selected from the four prospective bidders. This project is required to remove all of the hazardous construction materials from the church building before the roof replacement project can begin. Work will begin in September and will require worship services and other scheduled activities to be moved to temporary locations. Pastor Wiggins will lead the Ministry Teams and staff in the development of a schedule and locations for church activities during this asbestos abatement project. The BDM accepted and approved the Procurement Team's report.

Following is a summary of other key agenda items.

Nominating Committee – The notice for nominations for Officers and Positions will be placed in the bulletin starting September 4, 2010. An email blast and letters to communicant members will be sent in the first week of September.

Leadership Conference Report – There will be a second Leadership Conference scheduled for Saturday, October 23, 2010, from 9:00am to noon. All in leadership at any level at PLC will be asked to attend. The goal is to provide all leaders with a deeper understanding of the role and function of the revised by-laws, the BDM in relationship to the Pastoral Office.

50th Anniversary Update – The BDM was provided with the current calendar of events up to the November 21st Anniversary Service. There was some discussion on the selection process of the November 20th Banquet Speaker, the banquet souvenir program, and other planned activities. Attendance by BDM members was encouraged.

While this meeting was longer than usual, there was a collective agreement that this meeting was very productive. After closing with prayer, the BDM posed for their church directory picture.

Submitted by Elder Walter Person

Update From the Men of Peace

Six men from Peace participated in the Saturday, August 21st fishing trip with Captain Buck Lynch on the Stephanie III. We fished on the left side, right side, and the rear of the boat. The average catch was about 70 fish each, mostly white perch with a few spot. God provided us with a beautiful day of fun, fishing, and fellowship. Don't miss this event next year and remember, it is open to all Peace members, friends and family.



The Men of Peace would like to thank the congregation for their support and attendance at our annual Men's Day celebrations on Sunday, August 28th. We were blessed with a message from Rev. Derrell Wade of the Beulah African Methodist Episcopal Church in Farmville, Virginia. He lifted up the Word focusing on the Men's 2010 theme, "**The Righteous Men**". Rev. Wade and his wife Rev. Carolyn Golston Wade are no strangers to Peace and we consider them family whenever they visit and fellowship with us. The voice, music and lyrics of Mr. Tom Lewis was also a blessing on this day. Mr. Lewis in collaboration with our own Ms. Vivian Morgan, led two of his songs in our service. Blessings continued with the congregation's special collection gift of \$235 for the "**From Bondage to Freedom Crusade for Homeless Men**". These funds will provide support for the planned retreat sponsored by the Milt Matthews Foundation. Contact Elder Person if you want more information on the Crusade.

Submitted by Elder Walter Person

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



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Katie Willis	5
Jacquelyn Cathey	5
LaFreda McCoy	5
Shea Patterson	5
Michelle Lattimore	5
Jolethia Chalmers	6
Antonia Hawkins	7
Andrej Ballenger	9
Ivan Crawford	9
Larry Bailey	10
Haskew Leacraft	12
Karen Boyette	12
Jossalyn Ford	12
Sonia Jones	14

Rula Swan	14
Tyrone Johnson, Jr.	14
Randolf Oldes	15
Rita Jackson	17
Tinera Brown	18
Vivian Hughes	18
Veronica Bennett	19
Victoria Manuel	19
Ralph Price, Jr.	19
Anthony Bigesby	20
Cassandra Hamilton	21
Willie Mae Fennell	22
Regina Petite	22
Dakota Keys	22
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Stanley Oliver	24
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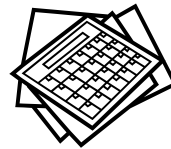
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Rev. James Wiggins, Jr., Pastor
Cora Boone, Church Administrator
Georgetta Watts, Assistant to the Pastor
Sunday School: 9:30 am
Adult Bible Class: 9:45 am
Worship Services: 8:00 am and 11:15 am
Fifth Sunday Unity Service: 11:15 am
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UPCOMING EVENTS



October 10: LWML Sunday
October 11: Columbus Day (Observed)
October 17: Youth Sunday
October 31: Senior Sunday

Pipeline Publication Schedule: Articles for the **November 2010** issue of the Pipeline newsletter are due on **October 10**. Articles may be submitted via e-mail to Jo-Anne Dooley at jo_dooley@yahoo.com.