



Peace United Methodist Church

Pastor Mickey Olson

303 Ninth Avenue South

Virginia MN 55792



The Methodist Messenger

August 2017

Church Office

Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm
Friday, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm (June - August)

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Worship Schedule

10:00 AM Peace UMC
303 South 9th Avenue
Virginia, MN 55792

Note: 1st Sunday of each month is
Communion Sunday

The Nursery is staffed each Sunday
from 9:30 – 11:30 am

Our Staff

Pastor
Youth Coordinator
Administrative Assistant
Choir Director
Choir Accompanist
Custodian
Nursery Attendant

Mickey Olson
McKenzie Fossell
Holly Lundgren
Jeanene Hagberg
Char Cremers
David Stanaway
Petra Hagberg

Thought for the month:

Each of you has been blessed with one of God's many
wonderful gifts to be used in the service of others.
So use your gift well.

1 Peter 4:10

SCRIPTURE READINGS

6	Genesis 32:22-31	Psalm 17:1-7, 15	Romans 9:1-5	Matthew 14:13-21
13	Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28	Psalm 105:1-6,16-22, 45	Romans 10:5-15	Matthew 14:22-33
20	Genesis 45:1-15	Psalm 133	Romans 11:1-2, 29-32	Matthew 15:10-20, 21-28
27	Exodus 1:8-2:10	Psalm 124	Romans 12:1-8	Matthew 16:13-20

TV WORSHIP TIMES

Peace United Methodist Church services are aired on Mediacom Cable TV Channel 5

Monday - 1:00 AM
Friday - 5:30 PM

Tuesday - 10:00 AM
Sunday - 9:30 AM

Thursday - 10:00 AM

WORSHIP HELPERS

GREETERS

6	Betsy Erickson/Kay Chapik
13	Jack/Sandy LaBarre
20	Wayne/Fay Siers
27	Kathy Rice/Diane Hawley
Sept 3	Betsy Erickson/Kelly Dahl

USHERS

Joy Stanaway/Kathy Oliver
Pam Hartline/Kay Chapik
Mark/Ellen Hedlund
Dale Krog/Roger Rosandich
Jack/Sandy LaBarre

LITURGIST

Kay Ryan
Kay Ryan
Mary Hooper
Sheila Colosimo
Terri Hilar

COFFEE AN'

6	Kay Chapik/Mark/Ellen Hedlund
13	Joy/Mary Stanaway/Virginia Askew
20	Jack/Sandy LaBarre
27	John/Shannon Malovrh/Diane Hansen
Sept 3	NO COFFEE AN'

COMMUNION

August 20th	Sarah/Jeff Teasck
September	Shirley/Ken Wellman
October	Mary/Al Williams
November	Gail/Shirley Woodward
December	Kathy Rice/Kelly Dahl

A note to all: In the event, someone comes in during the Sunday Worship Service in need of help, invite them to join us for worship and Pastor Mickey or someone will meet with them after, when the service is over.

BIRTHDAYS

3 – Shannon Malovrh	4 – Joanne Foster	6 – Paul Wier
9 – Jean Rosandich	10 – Vern Hanson	10 – Carol Leiviska
11 – Dale Krog	12 – Alaide Hopper	14 – Jerry Rosenquist
15 – Virginia Askew	15 – Norma Grulke	23 – Holly Lundgren
27 – Blaine Hanson	28 – Prue Wirtz	29 – Brenden Bennett

If you or a family member's birthday is not listed or is incorrect,
Please let the Office know (741-7739).



Will be back September 1st!

~Pastor Mickey

SUMMER WORSHIP

District Superintendent, Mark Miller will be delivering The Message to us on Sunday, August 20th. He will also be serving Communion.

One more month and our much-loved Pastor Mickey will be back from her renewal leave. Our church life has gone well this summer, don't you think?! Worship has been different each Sunday with different individuals at the pulpit. We have had some wonderful messages shared with us these past two months. We have been encouraged to walk with God every day; to Run from evil; to Repent – turn around; to Read the Bible, (the most purchased book and the least read); Pray; Shift from judging to mindfulness (Observe, Describe, Participate).

It has been interesting to hear from you about what messages you have connected with and the ones you have not. What speaks to one does not necessarily speak to all, and that is ok! We are all individuals with our own styles of listening, learning and doing! We are a faithful church (people); we know God is with us; and we know the Holy Spirit is working through us. We are glad you are here and joining us in worship!

PASTORAL CARE

Please notify the Church Office (218-741-7739) if you or someone you know is in need of pastoral care for illness, hospitalization, surgery or emergency. The Office has a list of local pastors available while Pastor Mickey is away on her Renewal Leave.

Emergency Pastoral Calls: 218-780-5721. E-mail: office@peaceumc.us

PRAYERS

If you have someone you wish to include on our prayer chain, please contact one of the following:

Gail Johnson: 741-0972

Mary Bratt: 744-2754

Office (Holly): 741-7739

OUR PEACE FAMILY

I wanted to thank you and the church for accepting me and giving me the opportunity to worship with you. I also want to thank you for your kindness for giving the gifts that you have given me of the coffee mug which I love and inspirational devotional that you let me also have as a gift, it means so much to me.

Thank you again, Kelly Tracey

Ken and I want to thank you for the kind words, cards and expression of sympathy shown us in the death of our son, Michael. It has been heart-warming.

Ken & Shirley Wellman

Congratulations to Chris and Jessica Clark on their marriage. They were married at Peace on July 8th!!

DISCIPLESHIP AND MINISTRY

“As a member of this congregation I will faithfully participate in the ministries of the Church by my prayers, my presence, my gifts, my service, and my witness.”

Membership Vows - UMC

LITTLE FREE LIBRARY

The Library readership is going great this summer! I am trying “Theme Weeks.” One week I had a lot of “Chicken Soup for the Soul” books and was given the idea to put them out with a cup-of-soup in each one for a bookmark! It was a great success, at the end of the week, there was one book, and one cup-of-soup left (out of 15).

Someone donated some new authors I had never read before, plus some action/fantasy books, so we are having a “New Books” week.

If you have an idea about a theme, or have a good selection of books on a certain theme, let’s put something together! I think this is a great way to keep our church family connected with our neighbors.

In His Peace, Chris Johnson

7/18 *Thank you! So much for the books they kept me up because I didn't want to fall asleep at night, I'm homeless right now and waiting for a place to open up so I'll be able to sleep in a bed again. I'm sleeping in the woods for now. Said it'll be soon. I'm in Virginia now because I had to leave an abusive relationship in Duluth which almost ended my life. I had to go somewhere and I know someone (1) person here but they're in a sober living facility so I can't stay with them there. So that is why this is a Big Thank you for the books I've read for the past week, from the bottom of my heart. THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS I'm going to bring some books over I haven't got any more room for in my bags!! MS Anderson, General Delivery, Virginia, MN*

YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRY

The Gospel According to Disney: Join McKenzie for the Children’s Moment each Sunday as she delivers a message to the children and then has a “mini” Sunday school session with them in the Library!

August 6 - Sleeping Beauty: Overcoming Evil

August 13 - 101 Dalmatians: 101 Blessings

August 20 - The Jungle Book: Friend or Enemy?

August 27 - Sword in the Stone: The Power of God's Purposes and Promises

2017 MISSION SUMMIT, Saturday, September 30th at First UMC, Duluth

Gather with others who are interested in growing in mission best practices. Learn more about the vast networks and resources the Minnesota Annual Conference of the UMC has to offer. Meet new people who want to see God’s kingdom grow like you do! Contact Diana Wallert if you are interested in attending.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT –Tuesday, August 1st



National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances.

The Virginia Police Department is hosting the National Night Out celebration at Olcott Park from 4PM-7PM
The Eveleth Police Department is hosting the National Night Out at the Leonidas Community Center: 4-6:00 pm,
North-Side Park: 5-7:00 pm and the Eveleth Veterans Park Pavilion in the Town of Fayal: 6-8:00.
What a safe way to reach out and meet our neighbors and others in our Community!

WELCOME TO VIRGINIA PICNIC

A WELCOME PICNIC for Mesabi Range College students is planned for Sunday, August 20th, from 12:00-2:00 pm at the Lions Club Shelter at Olcott Park. The purpose of the picnic is to make positive connections across barriers of age and race/ethnicity for area residents, businesses and Mesabi Range College dormitory residents. All are invited to attend!

Last year several people from Peace attended the picnic and felt it was such a worthwhile cause that we volunteered to be part of this year's event. It is a great opportunity to meet the young adults attending MRC. A planning meeting will be held Tuesday, August 1st at 5:30pm at City Hall, the second floor conference room next to council chambers. If you are interested in helping plan the picnic contact Chris Johnson who is Peace's representative!

SALVATION ARMY

The Salvation Army's Back-to-school Program is in need of our help. Would you consider helping our community's children with the supplies they need for their classrooms? Any help you have to offer will enrich our community's children's education. Thank you for helping us to assist our community and to strengthen the minds of the generations to come.

Sincerely, Phyllis Rayton, Food Service/Volunteer Coordinator; 741-1889, EXT 102

A bookmark "WISH LIST" of items need is included in your newsletter!

FOOD SHELF

Thank you to all who donate items to our food shelf box! Peace has had many coming through our doors this summer in need of help. It has been a good thing to have something here for them to eat. If you would like to donate, please keep in mind: pull tab can items (soups, pasta meals) are the easiest for people to take (not all have a can opener), granola bars are good, people take a couple at a time; crackers – we open the box so people can take a sleeve of them; small jars of peanut butter are popular; small bottles of water are good on these hot summer days; and toiletry items (hotel size in a zip lock bag) are always needed; And we will be adding plastic ware (spoons, forks) to the box!

GEARING UP FOR BACK TO CHURCH SEASON

GOD IS IN THE NURSERY

The Church Nursery allows churchgoers to focus on worship, rather than worrying about their children. We want everyone who uses the Nursery to have a positive experience. Peace is getting ready for Fall and looking to spruce up the Nursery! Our nursery needs to be more than clean, safe and sanitary it also needs to be visually appealing to children and their parents. Our plan is to add some new toys and storage, some fresh paint, some wall art, and update the bulletin board to give new life to a room we entrust to the most important members of our church family! If you are interested in helping, come to the nursery, Tuesday, August 15th at 6:00 pm! Questions contact the Office.

CHOIR - Calling all Singers:

All who love to sing are cordially invited to join the Peace United Methodist Choir for their 2017-18 Season. No auditions are necessary. Rehearsals will be on Wednesday nights from 7-8:00 pm, beginning on September 13, 2017. Our first Sunday service will be September 24th. The rest of the year, we will sing on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month. (October - April). If you have any questions, contact Jeanene Hagberg at 290-0790. Enjoy the rest of your summer. I'll see you then...

1ST DAY OF SCHOOL COFFEE AND DOUGHNUTS

Let's reach out to area families on the first day of school (Tuesday, September 5th) with coffee and doughnuts! Let's provide a quick and easy drive-thru for those dropping off kids and on their way to work; or a place for 1st time parents with kids going to school or off to college to gather for fellowship and support (or to celebrate)!! A few from Peace would like to plan an event that will include coffee and

doughnuts and a brochure/postcard inviting them to our Sunday school Program (Worship Service) and our Wednesday evening PORCH program.

We are looking for people who can help with making the coffee, pouring it into cups, bagging the doughnuts, handing them out, directing traffic into and out of the parking lot safely! If you are able to give a couple of hours on this Tuesday morning, please contact Chris Johnson (780-4541) or the Office (741-7739).

PORCH – People offering Relationships, Community and Hope

The 2017-2018 Season Kick-Off is Wednesday, September 20th! Our PORCH group has been busy planning the Fall Events and will have more information in the Sunday Announcements, on the Website and in the September Newsletter.

If you are interested in getting involved, have an idea (for an adult, youth, children, or community activity) or interest you would like to share contact the Office and the information will be passed onto the PORCH Team!

VIRGINIA AREA ALPINE SKI TEAM (VAAST)

We are back in business to collect magazines for the VAAST. Bins are in Room #4 for collection! We are not only helping the Ski Team to raise money, we are doing our part in saving God's great creation – our planet!

**Peace United Methodist Church
Treasurer's Report 2017**

	June	Year-to-Date	
		2017	2016
Cash balance @ Begin of Month	4,151.80	1,760.96	5,939.53
Cash Receipts			
Congregation Offering	9,330.00	73,317.00	73,791.21
Building Usage	50.00	415.00	686.00
Capital Project Funds	100.00	4,784.00	-
Church Groups	-	453.00	404.00
Benevolent Giving Income	582.00	5,030.73	10,165.18
Fundraiser Income	-	3,717.75	3,920.40
Memorial Funds	275.00	41,037.00	2,110.00
New Ministry Funds	-	6,500.00	10,000.00
Other Income	-	1,400.00	-
	10,337.00	136,654.48	101,076.79
Cash Disbursements			
Apportionments/Other Askings	-	9,893.06	7,564.60
Capital Project Expenditures	-	39,630.06	11,898.11
Church Operations	3,515.90	28,808.23	24,469.60
Church Programs	950.03	7,735.10	3,269.22
Benevolent Giving Expenses	511.00	4,840.12	5,241.64
Administrative Expenses	919.86	3,020.37	3,240.87
Staff Expenses	9,270.68	66,729.94	58,459.41
	(15,167.47)	(160,656.88)	(114,143.45)
Other (Receivables)/Payables			
Payroll Withholdings	-	64.46	(449.08)
Funds transferred from (to) savings			
Endowment Advances	30,000.00	18,770.00	20,000.00
Money Market Savings	400.00	12,571.10	(3,535.56)
Parsonage Mntnc Savings	(312.50)	(1,875.00)	(1,875.00)
New Ministries Savings	-	12,332.01	(7,168.75)
Memorials Savings	-	9,594.99	1,095.00
	30,087.50	51,393.10	8,515.69
Cash Balance at End of Month	29,216.12	29,216.12	939.48
Cash Accounts			
General Checking		29,216.12	939.48
Money Market Savings		4,507.34	12,481.90
Parsonage Maintenance Fund		8,939.02	6,539.45
Memorial Checking		280.17	280.17
Memorial Savings		9,967.47	19,389.17
New Ministries Savings		3,583.29	17,245.83
UMFCFCC Savings		10.00	10.00
Total Cash		56,503.41	56,886.00
Endowment Accounts			
Peac UMC		463,528.56	441,740.89
Aho/Appel		146,691.35	105,466.84
* Parsonage		106,446.23	114,013.44
		716,666.14	661,221.17
** Appel Outreach		133,966.84	-
Change in Market Value		59,945.66	4,277.56
Total Endowments		910,578.64	665,498.73

* The PUMC Parsonage Endowment Funds are only to be used for capital improvement expenditures on the church or parsonage.

** The Appel Outreach Endowment Funds are designated for missions and ministries sponsored by the United Methodist Church; This Fund is a permanent endowment with only the income to be spent for charitable giving; The Fund is administered by the United Methodist Foundation. These funds are not available to Peace UMC.