Dear Friends through Christ:

Whether you are a Christian or not, whether you believe in the teachings of Jesus or not, the New Testament has impacted your life and the world you live, whether you like it or not. The Bible is the most frequently purchased, commonly read, passionately believed, and the most misunderstood book in the history of the world. The Christian church has been by far the most powerful and influential institution, not just regarding religion, but also socially, culturally, economically and politically. Currently there are over 2 billion people who claim to be Christians, and through this institution called the church every phase of life has been affected—Art, Literature, Music, Schools, Hospitals, Democracy, Separation of Church and State to name a few.

With that said, who here would argue that the study of these ancient writings would be in vain? I will go out on a short limb and claim it is the most important book you will ever study! Through the ministry of Peace Lutheran, you are offered a wonderful opportunity to learn about these Christian Writings.

Starting Monday, October 7th at 11AM and 6PM, Peace Lutheran will open up the Bible with an in-depth look at each book of the New Testament—examining the themes and purpose of that particular writing. This one-hour class will continue for about six months. If you must miss a week, I can supply notes for that particular book.

Folks “faith seeking understanding” is the most important commitment a child of God can make. To have a greater insight into the inspired Words of our Lord can only lead to a more complete life on this earth and in the future. I hope and pray each of you will consider the investment.

Moving on to a completely different subject. We have done a really nice job in sprucing up the church. Peace Lutheran is reaching out in so many ways. However, we all know that both construction and ministry require funds. Fortunately, our giving has seen an increase and we stayed within our budget for the improvements. Therefore, I started to feel good about the ways things are going.

On vacation, visiting my daughter in New Orleans, I received an email informing that both air-conditioners in the main sanctuary need replacing at the cost of approximately $20,000. Ouch! At first I was angry about the ways things are going, but after a little prayer, I realized that 25-year-old equipment tends to break down. You may be asking, “How do we pay for it?” And that my friends is a good question.

We have the facilities and the ministries to make a difference. We have a core group of people that dedicate their time, talent and treasure. But how do we gather more people to a wonderful worship to hear the Word of God? How do we convince what we are doing is worthwhile? How do we get people to understand the work of Christ Jesus is costly and it will take each and every single one of us for this Lampstand to survive and grow? I’m not sure what else to say, other than we must place trust in the promises of Christ Jesus that through His Name all things are possible. After all, on the bright side, it does mean Peace Lutheran will have a brand span ken new air-conditioner for the future. Yeah! Now all we have to do is pay for it.

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We will need to discuss the matter at an upcoming congregation meeting. According to Peace Lutheran constitution, we must have a vote on any expenditure over $5000 and we must give a two Sunday notice. We will need to discuss the matter and vote at an upcoming congregation meeting on Sunday October 13. However, our constitution says nothing about us meeting all together in one service. Therefore on October 13, 2019 Peace Lutheran will hold a congregation meeting to vote on the replacement of the sanctuary air. We will hold this vote with members following the 9AM worship and the 11AM worship.

One last thing before I sign off. **November 3rd** marks “All-Saints-Day.” On this day we plan on having a joint worship service with “In-Season-Ministry,” and possibly with a startup church from Haiti. Start thinking about who you can invite to this special worship in which we remember all our loved ones who have gone before us. The spirited combined worship will be held at **10AM** followed by a potluck with our brothers and sisters in Christ at Peace Place, to celebrate its grand opening. Hope to see everyone there.

In Christian Love,

Pastor David Trexler

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### Bible Study

Bible Study will begin on Monday, October 7th at 11AM and 6PM for 26 weeks. Pastor David Trexler will be teaching.

We hope you can attend. These studies are an important part of your growth in Christ.

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### Congregational Meeting

There will be a Congregation Meeting on Sunday, October 13th after both the 9:00AM and 11:00AM Worship Services.

Please make sure to put it on your calendar to attend this important meeting.

Thank you!

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In October we will have a **Mini Fall Festival**.

**Coming Soon!**

**A Mini Fall Festival**

Located in the Church Narthex

**Sunday Mornings on October 13, 20 & 27**

Items for Sale will include:

- Homemade Jams and Jellies
- Pumpkin Bread
- Banana Bread
- Gift Items
- Fudge and Peanut Brittle
- Apple Pies
- Fall Decorations
- Homemade Salsa
- Fall Wreath Raffle

All profits from the sale of items to benefit Pastor Trexler’s Discretionary Fund

Tables will be set up in the Narthex for all three Sundays. Items for sale will vary each Sunday and all Baked Goods will be fresh each week! Look for a sign-up sheet for donations to support this event! See Sandy Trexler or Charlene O’Brien if you have any questions regarding our Mini Fall Festival!
Beloved of God,

October brings us into the fullness of the autumn season. But while the Earth is going about the business of yielding up Fall colors in preparation for the fallow season to come, we in the CLYG are gearing up for meaningful ministry. Our journey of faith process begins this month.

It seems fitting that The Feast of St. Francis on October 7 serves as a doorway to all that follows. The Francis we’ve come to know did not begin life that way. Like many of the young men he ran with during his youth, he was more interested in partying than attending to his father’s business. Ask Francis what he wanted to be when he grew up, his answer would have been “a knight.” In the age of the Crusades, boys were captivated by the weapons, the armor, and the lure of winning a glorious name on the battlefield, and Francis was right there among them. But his first real taste of war put a chink in his armor and left him wondering if he had made the right choice. After his release he had a dream in which Christ seemed to be calling him back to the battlefield as a soldier in the pope’s army, so he procured a horse and new armor and set off for Rome. But while he was still on his way a second dream clarified the first. Christ was calling him back home, to a future that was yet to be revealed. The next morning, he mounted his horse and turned it toward home.

Outside the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi a large sculpture captures that moment of turning. There sits Francis, the would-be knight, still arrayed in his battle armor, slumped down in his saddle, his head and that of his horse, too, drooping, their spirits dejected and downcast. His dream of glory has died, and he is headed back to an uncertain future. The introspection that followed changed the trajectory of his life. He renounced his wealth and became “wedded to Lady Poverty.” Francis has become known around the world for his humility in relying on the power of God, and for his spirit of gladness and gratitude for all of God’s creation, and for his compassion for the poor and outcast of the world.

In the aftermath of the challenges each of us face, we could use a good dose of St. Francis. We need to hear his voice calling us back to center; pointing us to the Christ who promises rest for all this struggling, burdened world. The issues and challenges facing our families and world won’t go away on October 7, but the spirit and the groundedness with which we engage them might change. At least, that’s our hope. And we want to meet you there, in that place.

Follow us on Facebook at https://m.me/loved1801/ or Instagram.com/clyouthgroup to learn of our next meeting or activity.

With you on the Way,

Paul Shwiner / Pastor Curt
Cell: 321-626-4751
Dear Members and Friends of Peace Lutheran Church,

The below chart only reflects our General Fund (the fund our offerings and use of facilities go into and the fund we pay our regular expenses from). We continue to need approximately $4,600 each week for regular expenses. The expenses for August were high mostly due to a three payrolls and high electric bill.

As of the end of August, we had $10,412.23 in checking and $20,565.95 in savings ($6,266.81 in designated funds).

We have replaced the AC in the Meeting Room at a cost of $5,250. This will be paid for at the beginning of September. Our maintenance fund of $6,191 will be almost depleted after we pay for this AC.

We now have the challenge of replacing the ACs on the north side of the sanctuary and paying for same. Both of these units went out quite unexpectedly two weeks ago. The quote to replace these ACs is around $19,000.

We continue to put our trust in the Lord. As St. Paul writes in Philippians 4:12 - 13, “I know what it is to have little, and I know what it is to have plenty. In any and all circumstances I have learned the secret of being well-fed and of going hungry, of having plenty and of being in need. I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.”

Your sister in Christ, Faye Schill, Treasurer
treasurer@peacelutheranpb.org

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### Treasurer’s Report

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October Anniversaries

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MCKENY, Suzie & Dale (53)  10/15
WAGMAN, Cindy & Dan (33)  10/18
DUCOTE, Mitcheal & Ginger (1)  10/20

October 2019

ARNDT, Luisa  10/02  BROMM, Helga  10/13
MCKENY, Suzie  10/04  DEMERS, Edward  10/13
WAINIKAINEN, Laura  10/04  SANDBERG, Kenneth  10/13
COOPER, Sally  10/06  BACHTEL, Harvey  10/15
LORENZEN, Arfst  10/06  WAINIKAINEN, Donna  10/23
SANDBERG, Katherine  10/06  MATTHEWS, Trevor  10/26
SPRENGLE Jr., Gerald  10/07  WITTER, Betsy  10/30
RAPAKA, Samuel  10/08  WAGMAN, Cindy  10/31
BOYUM, Gary  10/10
KOWING, Richard  10/10
TREXLER, Sandra  10/10
WHITLOCK, Allison  10/10

Prayer Request

Susan Hildebrand
Gwen Newberry
Lori Deaton
V.B. & Lucinda Johnson
Ryan Dasinger
Mary Norwood
Larry Cannen
Jeanette Peterson
Gloria Jones

Rick Pellecchia
Bob Calarco
Tim Calvin
David Brunner, Sr.
Robert B. Elliott
Ann Beardslee
Bart Nbour

Eric Schwartz
Rebecca Leinthall
Maryanne Sprengle
Bob Rusco
Velma Lutz
Tonita Rodriguez
Melba Ruascos
Al Faith
**AED DEFIBRILLATOR**

Many of you may not be aware, but Peace Lutheran Church has a defibrillator available if ever needed. We have trained people who know how to use it in both the 9:00AM and 11:00AM services.

Our defibrillator is located under the pulpit as seen in the pictures below.

![Defibrillator Pictures]

**CHURCH MEMBERS SERVING**

- The beautiful quilt you see displayed in our Narthex, was made by one of our own members: Gabriela DiTota! It stands out as soon as you come into the Narthex with all the beautiful colors. Thank you, Gabriela!

- Our members have been sorting and making Homeless Bags! They made 80 bags within the last month and they have ALL been given out! What a blessing it is to see the members in action!

- Thrivent is doing a special project: Making supply bags for teachers! They asked Peace to collect just the Magic Markers, and all the members participated and collected over 150 markers! What a blessing it is to give and to be a blessing to the teachers in our community!
**IN SEASON MINISTRY PRAYER CONFERENCE AND BREAKFAST**
*(for Bahamas Relief)*

**Host Pastors:** Elder Freddie “Chips” & Bridgette Davis

**Saturday, October 26th**
**9:30AM**

Peace Lutheran Church Campus *(Peace Place)*
1801 Port Malabar Blvd Palm Bay, FL 32905

**Donation:** $12 *(includes breakfast and conference materials)*

**Attire:** Denim & White

Powerful prayers, inspirational music, praise dance, encouraging message, vendor shopping and amazing breakfast!


For more information contact Cathy at (321)549-7576

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**Bunco Party**

Peace Lutheran Church
Saturday, October 12th
11:00AM—2:00PM

**Ticket Price:** $20

Cost includes: Lunch, Dessert and Beverages. There will also be prizes, 50/50 raffle and shopping.

For more information, call (321)302-1061
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Bits & Pieces

Check us out on Facebook @ Peace Lutheran Church

Give us a LIKE and get updates, spiritual messages, events and any changes.

Or visit us on our website www.peacelutheranpb.org

Did you know? Instead of writing multiple checks for individual contributions like the Children’s Hunger Project, the Food Pantry, etc., you only have to write one check. Simply designate the breakdown of your giving in the check’s memo area or on the envelope itself. “FP” for Food Pantry, “CHP” for Children’s Hunger Project, and so on.

Thank you for your contributions!

Please help us keep our list of military personnel up-to-date! Call or e-mail the office with any changes in status, rank, or location!

E.J. Alcario, Iraq
John Bedford, Iraq
Kristen Hall AF, Iraq
Capt. Brian Nailing, Co. Ft. Hood, TX
Maj. AD Dennis Peoples, Rock Island Arsenal, IL
Cpt. Nathan Schill, Ft. Jackson, SC
USN FC3 Stephen Weaver, USS Dewey
Navy Chief Sean Patrick Goguen, Norfolk, VA
USN Lt. Laura Towle, Norfolk, VA
USN Lt. David Towle, Norfolk, VA
1st Lieut. Tanner Johnson—Army, E. Africa
USN Tyler J. Azevedo—USS Harry S. Truman

Our Food Pantry is always in need of donations of either food or financial donations to support this much needed ministry. Our community is flooded with people looking for help, and we are grateful that as a church, we can help meet the need, anyway we can. Your generous donations will allow us to continue to help them and together, we can see our community get stronger.

Our pantry is open on: Tuesday’s—9AM -11AM and Thursday’s—5PM - 7PM. We service zip codes 32905 and 32907.

Thank you to everyone who has been donating to the food pantry. It truly makes a difference in our community.

Jesus says in Matthew 25, “For I was hungry and you gave me food…Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.”

Where do buy groceries, gas, prescriptions? What restaurants do you like? Where do you purchase clothing or things for around the house? A couple weeks ago, Peace began a program called Scrip. Simply and I mean simply, purchase the cards following worship or order whatever you want for the following week. That’s it. 100% of the proceeds will go toward our food pantry in feeding the poor.

We are going to shop no matter what. We might as well serve the Lord in the process. I love the program because it helps me think more about God. I don’t always do that when I use my debit or credit card. When I’m out having a meal with family or friends, shopping at the mall, doing some work around the house, and I go to pay the bill with my Scrip card, I find myself lifting up a word of thanksgiving for being able to enjoy the blessings given by my Creator.

Give it try. See how you feel.

SHEPHERD’S CENTER

The Fall Shepherd’s session will be at Riviera United Church of Christ, 416 Riviera Drive, Palm Bay. The Basic Computer class will meet 10AM to12 Noon, Tuesdays, October 1st — November 19th. Thursday classes will meet between 9AM and 1:00PM, October3rd — November 21st.

On Thursdays, you will be able to select from the following 50 minute classes: American Mahjongg (a two period class), Aerial World Tour, Supreme Court, Writing Your Life, Musical History Tour, U.S. Constitution, TV Nostalgia, Stretching with Val, German Book Group and Revelations.

Tuition is $15.00 per person and you may take as many classes as you want on both days. Pre-registration by mail is required for the Computer and American Mahjongg classes. For all other classes, you may pre-register by mail or at Riviera UCC on the first day of class.

Brochures with class descriptions and registration forms are available in the Narthex and on the Shepherd’s Center website: www.shepherdcenterofsb.org. For additional information or questions, speak with Helga Bromm.
We Serve

**Altar Guild**—Set up and prepare for communion each week, usually serving one month at a time; more people are needed.

**Worship Servants**—Sunday Worship Assistants and Communion Assistants are needed.

**Office Helpers**—Those who help with mailings, preparing Welcome Packets, etc.

**Chancel Choir**—Sing to the Lord at 11 am each Sunday, practice 7 pm Wednesday evenings.

**Bell Choir**—Call Cindy Wagman to learn more about our choirs 676-3849.

**Peace Band**—Practice Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM. Come and try out.

**Money Counters**—Teams of two people working for one month at a time. Call church office if interested.

**In the Nursery**—Betty Sheller is our Nursery Attendant in the nursery for your children. If you are a parent leaving your children in the nursery during services you are welcome to join with them in caring for our little ones during worship.

**Property/Grounds**—There is always plenty of work to be done here. Please contact Steve Barnett.

**Projectionists Needed**—People that are in the projection room Sunday morning for our Sunday presentations. Please sign up in the projection room.

**Panera Bread Pick-up**—Each Friday evening people are needed to go to Hammock Landings to get the goodies for Sunday morning Café Peace. Cindy Wagman at 676-3849

**Call Committee**—Our team visits people who are in the hospital, nursing homes, and who are homebound. See Terry Neumann for more information.

Please call the office to be a servant for the Lord by taking on one or more of these opportunities.

(321)727-3131