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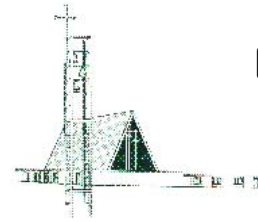
“ Service in Celebration of the United Church of Christ
Sunday, November 7th at 3 pm at Peace Church
“God is Still Speaking ”

All United Church of Christ congregations in our region are invited to come together in worship to celebrate our unique identity in this historic church. We will have a chance to see the intriguing commercials that will be used nationally to get the word out about the UCC. We will be joined by the Twin Cities Choir, One Voice, joining us as part of their “Building Bridges” concert tour.

One Voice Mixed Chorus is an 80-voice gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender (GLBT) community chorus with a mission of “building community and creating social change by raising our voices in song.” Their concerts celebrate diversity and enrich the lives and visibility of GLBT people in settings where invisibility and homophobia are serious community barriers. In keeping with the usual eclectic selection of music for which One Voice has become known, the repertoire for *Building Bridges* focuses on creating connections between diverse communities and cultures, and reflects diverse musical styles. The concert includes several contemporary settings of poetry by Langston Hughes, a tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and songs from Romania and Russia.

We hope you can join us for this exciting service and concert.

PEACE BELL is a monthly publication of Peace United Church of Christ, Duluth, Minnesota. *Our vision is to be an accessible, open and affirming community growing in Christian faith, committed to peace and justice, and reaching out in healing love to all people, respecting the diversity of people’s sexual orientation, race, culture, gender, age, opinions, and physical and mental abilities. Visitors are always welcome!*



PEACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Peace Bell

DULUTH, MN. * REV. KATHRYN NELSON, PASTOR * NOVEMBER 2004



“Take hold of the life that really is life...Be generous” (1Timothy 6:18-19)

2005 Stewardship Pledges dedicated November 14th

Every year we are called to support the work and life of this church, and every year, through Witnessing Stewards, we are provided with new reasons and new challenges to do so generously. Cindy Macaulay, Bill Hardesty, and Joan Peterson will provide witness during three Sunday services leading up to pledge dedication. Their stories will serve as reminders of the depth of our collective life here at Peace Church.

On November 14th we will celebrate our renewed commitment to Peace Church. Pledges to support the daily life of Peace will be dedicated during both services. A meal of chicken, bread, dessert and potluck salads will follow the 10:30 service, with music provided by Paul Winchester’s band.

Our goal this year is to maintain the work and capacity of Peace. As we journey through a Capital Campaign that will allow us to open beautiful doors to greater life, we are reminded that the less glamorous daily operations are what makes this place so special for most of us. Together we can continue to build upon the life of our shared community. Thank you for your support.

–Emily Larson and Lisa Pomroy, Stewardship Committee

Silent Auction for the Capital Campaign! Saturday, November 20th 6-9pm

Your help is needed! Each family will be given 5 tickets with information on it about our silent auction—we ask you to give them to friends, co-workers, and neighbors and let them know about the fantastic evening that is planned! The silent auction is free to attend—the tickets are to help promote the event and bring more people other than Peace Church members to our event. Free child care will be provided.

We have fantastic items for you to bid on—do some early holiday shopping! Items include: a one hour Cirrus plane ride, digital camcorder, sailboat rides, stained glass lamp, carpentry service, gift certificates, art work and much much more! We will also have live music, beverages, cheese and crackers! Free child care will be provided.

There are opportunities for volunteering as well. Please see the sign up sheet in the narthex! Also, we are looking for donations for the auction itself. Please contact Melissa Kadlec (home: 724-7888 or cell: 348-2777) if you have an item (must be new) or a talent you wish to donate. Think about your connections—do you know someone who could provide us with a donation—store owner, restaurant manager, artist.... We also have great ideas for auction items if you are interested, but aren’t sure what to offer!



OPENING DOORS
BUILDING PEACE

OUR FAITH—OUR VOTE

Peace Church Council Letter to the Editor of the Duluth News Tribune

We the council members of Peace United Church of Christ are writing because of our concern about the role religion has come to play in politics this year. Assuming that the religious vote in America belongs only to one party disrespects the faith of all believers who disagree with a party's political agenda or candidate. It seems that a few issues have taken center-stage in this year's political discourse as deciding factors for people of faith. We believe, however, that God is much bigger than one or two issues. As people of faith, we want to know more about candidates' policies – to compare them with the whole spectrum of Christian ethics and values. Some issues that seem to have been left out of the mainstream media's campaign coverage and politician's sound bites include:

- **Poverty.** One of the most central imperatives of the Bible is about caring for and lifting up the poor – it is referenced over 2000 times. Today over 35 million people are living in poverty in America. Many of these people are working full-time. How have candidates' decisions impacted people in poverty? What are their plans to address and overcome poverty in the future?
- **War and peace.** Jesus said, "Blessed are the peacemakers." We know about the candidates' plans for winning the war in Iraq and on terrorism. What are the candidates' plans for creating and preserving peace at home and throughout the world?
- **Care for our environment.** We believe that God created the earth, and we are to be stewards of it. What are the candidates' records regarding the environment? What are their plans to help us clean our water, land and air?

As people of faith, let us carefully think about the issues and candidates, pray about them, and then cast our vote.

Members—Please remember to check with the office whenever you schedule a meeting at the church so we get it on the calendar, and see that it doesn't conflict with another event. Peace Church is a busy place! Please note that a weekly schedule of events is posted across from the office door, if you are wondering what is going on at Peace.



Joint Thanksgiving Service—Tuesday, November 23rd at 7 pm At Glen Avon Presbyterian Church on Woodland Avenue

Join the members and choirs from St. Paul's Episcopal, Pilgrim Congregational, First, Hope and Chester Park United Methodist, Glen Avon Presbyterian, Twin Ports Islamic Center, Temple Israel, and the Baha'i congregations for our annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service.

The choirs will be singing a joint anthem entitled "Peace".



SOA Action

Peace Church People
Please join us in Ft. Benning, GA
Nonviolent Vigil and Direct Action
November 19—21
Join Thousands and Stand Up For Justice!

Bill Hardesty and several other Peace Church folks are planning on attending this event. The January Peace Bell will include their experiences, reactions and observations. Call Bill for transportation info, etc.

For over a decade, students, religious, labor, veterans, human rights, and social/global justice groups have been converging every November at the gates of Fort Benning GA to speak out in solidarity with the people of the Americas and to engage in non-violent action. The events include teach-ins, trainings and caucuses.

What is the SOA?

The School of the Americas (SOA), recently re-named the "Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation" (WHISC) is a military training facility established in Panama in 1946, ostensibly "to bring stability to Latin America." In 1984 the SOA was kicked out of Panama and was quietly resettled in Ft. Benning GA. Here it operates at a cost to US taxpayers of millions of dollars annually. During its 55 years, the SOA has trained over 60,000 Latin American soldiers in counterinsurgency techniques, sniper training, commando and psychological warfare, military intelligence and interrogation tactics.

Frequently dubbed the "School of Assassins," graduates have tortured, raped, "disappeared," and massacred hundreds of thousands of Latin Americans. Their primary targets being educators, union organizers, religious workers, student leaders, indigenous populations, and those who advocate for the rights of the poor.

For more info: www.SOAW.org

CHUM EVENTS

CHUM Delegate Assembly

CHUM's Delegate Assembly will convene on Tuesday, November 9 at First United Methodist Church. A desert will be served at 6:30 p.m. followed by a program and discussion at 7 p.m. Guests are welcome to attend.

The Delegate Assembly will tackle the task of more effectively bringing faith and the values of faith into the public arena so as to steer governmental policies toward greater social and economic justice.

Bob Hulteen from *Sojourners* magazine and Brian Rusche from the Minnesota Joint Religious Legislative Coalition will speak at the assembly and participate in the discussion. Particular focus will be given to issues that have been before the Minnesota Legislature.

The October 2004 issue of *CHUM Horizons* will be arriving at the congregations and in the mail soon. The issue is dedicated to the Delegate Assembly and explores how faith can influence citizenship and governmental policy.

Irish Ceili Dance to Benefit CHUM's Gabriel Project on Saturday, Nov. 6

"Time For Another Pint" will provide traditional Irish dance music at Raleigh Edison School on Saturday, Nov. 6 to benefit the Gabriel Project. This band, based in Chicago, will make its Duluth premier performance. Don't be shy about dancing, either, as instruction is available at 7:30 p.m. before the dancing begins in earnest at 8 p.m. For those not keen on dancing, yet with an appreciation for Irish Folk Music, consider attending and tapping your feet!

Tickets are \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door with seniors citizens, folks on fixed incomes and students (with ID) qualifying for \$5 tickets. Tickets are on sale at the Green Mercantile and Positively Third Street Bakery. You can also contact Steve O'Neil and Ben Small at 625-1739.

CHUM Holiday Concert Set for Saturday, December 4 at the Coppertop

NOVEMBER VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES

Nursery

- 7 Amy & Eric Larson, Angie O'Connell, Jennifer Langdon-Larson
- 14 Libby & Andy Fena, Kaelene Arvidson-Hicks, Susan Ranfranz
- 21 Schombergs, Swanoski family
- 28 Jonie & Carla Langdon Larson, Barb Hanka, Mia Vaydich

Coffee Set-Up

- 7 Pat O'Connell, Barb Forrest
- 14 Linda Lundberg, Susan Kehtel
- 21 Pomroys
- 28 Devlins

Coffee Servers

- 7 Pat Isbell, Linda Lundberg
- 14 Devlins
- 21 Seversons
- 28 Njoki Kamau, Carl Etter



Dishwashers

- 7 Nettie Bothwell, Mary Martin
- 14 Devlins
- 21 Jessica and Justin Olson
- 28 Njoki Kamau, Carl Etter

Greeters

- 7 Steve Coll, Sharon Kirtley
- 14 Heidi Severson, Laurie Berner
- 21 Bill & Georgette Hardesty
- 28 Bev and Dave Cave

Ushers

- 7 Guy and Nadine Hubert, Gilah Messerer, Laurie Berner
- 14 John and Lyn Pegg, Brian Eklund, Denise Perry
- 21 Nettie Bothwell, Naomi Christensen, Cheryl Walsh, Cynthia Fairbanks
- 28 Susan Kehtel, Amy Galarowicz, Lundbergs

Monday Meals

- 1 Colleen Belk/Mac Tobin
- 8 Marlis and Ginny Cran
- 15 Carl Etter
- 22 Ann Sudoh
- 29 Katie Sawyer

Lay Leaders

- 7 Bob Stevens
- 14 Nettie Bothwell
- 21 Sharon Kirtley
- 28 Lisa Messerer

Damiano Soup Kitchen November 14

- 1:30 Carrie Plamman/Rolf Hagberg, Jayme Hennen, Cindy Macaulay
- 4:30 Melanie Shepard/Al Netland, Betty Greene

Sunday Drivers

- 7 Don/Lillian— Springsteeles
Ken— Laurie Berner
Shirley— **Volunteer needed**
- 14 Don/Lillian—Diana Soland
Ken—Kaelene Arvidson-Hicks
Shirley— Kadlec/Green
- 21 Don/Lillian—Springsteeles
Ken—Carl Etter
Shirley— Njoki Kamau
- 28 Don/Lillian—Diana Soland
Ken—Pat O'Connell
Shirley—Kadlec/Green



COMMUNION SERVERS

8:30 Service

- 7 Lyn Kaim
- 14 Georgette Sarkela
- 21 Cindy McLean
- 28 Steve Coll

10:30 Service

- Nov. 7
Lundbergs



SUNDAYS IN NOVEMBER

We continue to have two services each Sunday morning. At 8:30 we have a Meditative Communion Service and at 10:30 we have our Traditional service with children's time and choirs. The sermon at both services is the same.

Special Music is always needed for our 8:30 service. If you would like to sing or play an instrument for any of these Sundays, talk with Jim Pospisil or call the church office.

Large Print Bulletins are now available from the ushers.

Sunday, November 7—All Saints Sunday

Scripture: Job 19:23 - 27 and Luke 20:27 - 38
Sermon: "Come with Questions"

This morning we will celebrate the Lord's Supper Together at both services.

Sunday, November 14—Stewardship Sunday

Scripture: Isaiah 65:17 - 25 and Luke 21:1 - 5
Sermon: "Soul Work"

Today is Stewardship Sunday. During worship we will dedicate our pledges of financial support for 2005. Bring your pledge cards with you to worship for a special offering. Our Praise and Worship Team will lead our music this morning.

Following our service everyone is invited downstairs for a potluck lunch in celebration of the stewardship drive and all we have accomplished this past year. Fried chicken, rolls and beverages will be provided. Bring a salad or dessert to share if you can. All are welcome!

Sunday, November 21—Thanksgiving Sunday

Scripture: Psalm 46
Sermon: "Our Refuge and Strength"

Join us at 9:30 in the Fellowship Hall for our annual Advent Workshop.

Sunday, November 28— 1st Sunday of Advent

Scripture: Isaiah 2:1 - 5 and Matthew 24: 36 - 44
Sermon: "Why Are We Waiting?"

Some Notes on Noise...

from the Worship and Arts Committee

The topic of noise during worship has been a regular item of discussion for members of the Worship and Arts Committee for at least a year. It came up again in October. We know that we are a congregation that is family-friendly, and we count that among our many positive attributes. Still, there comes a time when too many young children in the sanctuary during worship becomes a distraction for many seeking a time of quiet reflection or spiritual guidance. To be honest, we are not sure what to say.

The nursery is always open during worship, and there is space and staffing for more children if needed. We would like to encourage parents to use the nursery as a resource. If there are concerns about the nursery staffing, space, or availability, please share them with Julie Flotten or Pastor Kathy.

If you have thoughts or other suggestions about how we may handle this problem, please share those comments too. We are looking into options that would provide a better location for parents to sit with their children and still observe or listen to the worship service outside the sanctuary. For now, please be aware that Fireside Room has speakers and is a possible place to "listen in" while remaining with a child. Thank you for your patience and creative ideas as we address this delicate issue.

All are invited to join the choir singing the Christmas Cantata.

Rehearsals begin soon.

Talk to Jim for details.



ADULT EDUCATION

Adult Forums—The Gospel of Luke—9:30 Sunday Mornings *The coffee is always on!*

Luke is the most universal of the four Gospels. He is writing to Gentile converts. For him it is crucial that all are included in the saving covenant of God through Jesus Christ. For instance, Matthew traces Jesus back to Abraham; Luke's genealogy of Jesus goes back to Adam, for if Gentiles were to be incorporated into the people of God, they needed to have Adam the father of all as the common point of origin; for only then could gentiles have some ownership of the heritage that produced Jesus Christ. (Luke 3: 23 ff) Luke also said the Gospel was to move from Jerusalem—the center of the Jewish world, to Rome, center of the entire world. Luke told again and again of Jesus who was the breaker of barriers that separated the human family.

Luke ordered his Gospel to fit with the Torah readings from the temple for the day. The Torah (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy) came to be one of the key organizing principles for his Gospel. Join us as we deepen our faith together through the study of this amazing Gospel.

October 31

Lectionary Text—Luke 19: 1 - 10
Discussion on Jesus Ministry in Galilee—the Sermon on the Plain – Luke 6

November 7

Lectionary text—Luke 20: 27 – 38
Discussion of Jesus' Journey to Jerusalem—Teachings on the Way – The Parable of the Good Samaritan and the Lord's Prayer

November 14

Lectionary Text—Luke 21: 15 – 19
Discussion on the Life in the Kingdom of God—Stories of Feasts and Prodigals

November 21

Lectionary Text—Luke 22; 33 – 43
Discussion on Jesus Ministry in Jerusalem, The Cleansing of the Temple and the widows offering.

November 28th

Discussion on the Passion and Resurrection of Jesus in Luke

Wednesday Evening Bible Study

The class meets in the fireside room from 6 – 7 pm. All are welcome! Come for as many sessions as you are able. Join us as we reflect and study together.

Wednesday, November 3 – Discussion on Luke's version of Jesus' Passion

Wednesday, November 10—Boards and Committees

Wednesday, November 17—Discussion of the Resurrection of Jesus in Luke's Gospel

Wednesday, November 24—Break for Thanksgiving

Wednesday, December 1—The Prophet Amos



BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Boards and Committees will meet on Wednesday, November 10th. Dinner is served at 5:30 and meetings begin at 6.

COORDINATING COUNCIL

The Coordinating Council will meet on Tuesday, November 16th at 7 pm in the Fireside Room. Visitors are always welcome.

MODERATOR'S REPORT by Justin Olson

The work of the church continues. At our most recent council meeting on October 19th Pastor Kathy showed a television commercial that the United Church of Christ will be broadcasting over the next few months. It is part of a nationwide effort to inform people about who we are. The video shows people from all walks of life coming together for a group portrait. Watching it reminded me of why I am a member of Peace United Church of Christ. It is because we not only say that we welcome everyone, but that we actually mean it. If you are black or white or somewhere in between; gay or straight or somewhere in between; married or single or somewhere in between; old or young or somewhere in between—it does not matter, the doors are open, come on in. Someone will be glad to stand around, chat with you, get to know you a little bit and then invite you to worship. We are an open and affirming church and denomination. We are there for you and so is God.

After a tremendous comeback in August, we have again collectively fallen behind in our giving. This of course makes it difficult to pay for all the things that it takes to run our church. The situation is that lots of us have fallen a little bit behind in our pledged giving. Please check your quarterly statement and if you are behind, catch up.

Building Committee Update

by Jim McLean

We have begun the process of working with the architect to finalize building plans.

They should be ready for groundbreaking in the Spring. We have also begun the process of sharing information with the congregation every month after a worship service. One of the concerns we are working on now is to consider our financing options. Remember that if you are capable of paying your 3 year Building Peace commitment (or any part of it) before February, it will help us reduced the amount we will need to finance and thereby reduce the cost of the total project.



RECYCLING PEACE!

Black flat-top electric range for cheap/barter. Works great, looks great. Call Jesse or Cizzarie: 525-0325

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GABRIEL PROJECT

The Gabriel project is a collaboration between CHUM and six Hillside congregations: Peace, St. Mark's, Trinity, Gloria Dei, Temple Israel, and First Lutheran. Our collective goal is simple: **to help support families living in the Hillside and to strive for economic justice in our entire community.** We do this by providing discretionary funds to meet the basic needs of our neighbors, and by organizing neighborhood residents and congregational members to strengthen our shared community.

Our **third quarter** was a busy one, with over **261 folks served** with social work services, **over \$2500 provided** to our neighbors in need, and a successful fundraiser. Organizing highlights include: **Rainbow Mobile Home Park** compensation and relocation victories, surveys to assess the need for increasing **dental access**, and our **Housing 1000** update showing that affordable housing units are being created.

November 8th-12th is **Homeless Awareness Week.** We are organizing a tour of the Chum Drop-In Center / Emergency Shelter, dinner, and overnight sleep out to raise awareness of homelessness in Duluth on **Tues Nov. 9th.** We welcome any and all participation, including help with dinner! Please contact Ben at 625-1739.

Interested in getting more involved with any of these issues? Call Steve or Ben at 625-1739 or Emily at 310-0063.

Quarterly financial statements are in the Narthex—please pick up—and catch up on your pledge!

GALLERY WALL

During the first week of November, the bold fabric paintings of Kirsten Aune will be replaced by lively watercolor landscapes of Duluth creeks by Tim Larson. We welcome Duluth artists from outside our membership to our sanctuary gallery. Kirsten simply liked the serene ample setting our sanctuary afforded her large pieces. Tim will include information on Duluth environmentally-friendly groups that we can support to keep Mother Nature's creeks as pristine as possible. Either artist may be contacted personally to arrange a purchase.



But my suggestion or desire for artwork while it is displayed in our sacred space is not commercial. I hope the artists and viewers simply want a haven for the work to be; and maybe the artists can share something personal or passionate in their work that is more suitable to our sanctuary than a commercial gallery.

On December 5th, during adult forum, Tim Larson will visit to talk more about conservation of our Duluth creeks, and we can have an artist reception, also. I hope we can revisit learning about our Peace rain garden and realize the "gully" on our church's western property line is actually Grace Creek.

My proposal for our first Gallery Wall show in 2005 is a group show! If any Peace family or artist has an original artwork hanging in your home that you can share for 3 months, let me or Janell know. Depending on size, we are limited to about 10 home's single submissions. Please write a short blurb to personalize your artwork. This may be a very diverse, individualistic group show—like our congregation.



All our shows in the first year of our gallery wall have not been insured, so the artists have taken a security risk knowingly. We hope that any theft or damage concern is very remote in our sanctuary. We are asking the same trust from our church families who lend favorite original artworks. Any questions or feedback welcomed. ~ Steve Coll 726-0694

FROM YOUR PASTOR

Find a penny pick it up, all day long you'll have good luck. My grandmother taught me this rhyme as a child. I still think of it as I walk—I wouldn't dare pass by a penny on the street, not so much because of the value of the coin but for the superstition of the rhyme. But too often we don't bother to bend down and pick up the pennies or the small graces that come our way each day. We fail to notice tastes, sights, sounds and smells that grace all our days. We fail to bend down and touch the wonder of our world and the people around us. And it's all gift—just waiting for us to take it. Grace not something to be earned, but free gift. If only we would notice.

Jesus saw the small things—children and widows, coins and bread. Jesus went and sat down near the treasury and watched the crowd. In the temple, near the Gate Beautiful there were the thirteen collecting boxes called the Trumpets because they were so shaped. Each of them was for a special purpose, for instance to buy corn or wine or oil for the sacrifices. They were there for the contributions for the daily sacrifices and expenses of the temple.

Many people threw in quite considerable contributions. And then came a widow. She flung in two copper coins, called lepton's which literally meant thin one. They were the smallest of all coins and were only worth a fraction of the penny. With the crowd and their noise it is hard to imagine taking notice of any one in particular. And yet she, the hidden one, is the one Jesus notices. He calls the disciples to him and points out the widow, for they had not seen her or her gifts to the community. Jesus says to the disciples, "I tell you the truth, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth, but she, out of her poverty, put in everything, all she had to live on." It means that she gave all the money she had, but it also means all her abilities; her entire being.

She gave her life, her whole being, to God without drawing attention to herself as she did it. She quietly risks it all in faith and hope. Jesus sat down across from the treasury and he saw. Jesus saw the belief and love of the hidden woman. The widow wasn't dependent on her money or her status in life; she had none of these. She was dependent on God and her neighbors for everything.

God continues to call us to see and believe in the way of the widow. A life lived in the conviction that we are stewards of all we have in our hands and in our lives, not the owners of these things. The widow tossed the only shred of independence she had into the offering, she kept intact her dependence and her love for God. Our stewardship drive calls us to the same way of living. Our theme is from I Timothy 6: 18 – 19, "Take hold of the life that really is life . . . Be generous." We need to be generous to one another and to our God. Please carefully consider your financial pledge to this people of God for 2005. We will dedicate our pledges in worship on Sunday, November 14th. After worship we will have a potluck supper.

Jesus saw the world in a new way, he saw a poor woman silently give two thin coins. He lifted up this gift of the widow. Maybe he was thinking of her as he broke bread and poured wine—knowing he too would give it all away.

Let our hearts sweep through the world in a new way. Finding the pennies and the dimes, finding the grace and giving it away . . . for where our treasure is there our hearts will be also.

Peace friends~Kathy

CHURCH SCHOOL

Thanks to all the teachers . . . for doing such a great job this year with a new curriculum and some tight teaching spaces. If you see a teacher...tell 'em "thanks.."

This year's teachers—**Chris Heazlett, Emily Larson, Terese Tomanek, Vicky Johnson, Holly Bowen-Bailey, Brenda Butterfield, Ingrid Nisswandt, Diane Swanoski, Chris and Jay Sandal, Cindy Macaulay, Tom Albright, Justin Olson, Amy Galarowicz**

We begin Church School each Sunday at 9:30am, as a large group in the sanctuary. This opening is a time of prayer, singing, collecting offering, celebrating birthdays and visitors and hearing the main idea for the week's lesson. The students are then dismissed to their classes.



No Church School Nov 28th

There will be a multi-age activity in the fellowship hall during this Sunday.

Christmas Pageant—Dec. 19th
It's really just around the corner. If you'd like to help out in any way (with costumes, choreography, props, or just "shepherding the kids" call Julie or any member of the Christian Education committee)

Children's Choir

We'll be starting pageant practice this month to get ready for the pageant on December 19th. Come to Children's Choir and learn the songs!



Advent Workshop Nov 21st 9:30
in the Fellowship Hall
"Christmas Traditions"

Come to this intergenerational event to learn about different family's holiday traditions as well as the traditions of our larger Christian family. Crafts, food, games and more...a great way to welcome in advent and the Christmas Season.

PLANNING FOR OURSELVES, PLANNING FOR OTHERS

Members of the community are invited to attend a series of free seminars, "Planning for Ourselves, Planning for Others: An Introduction to Financial Planning, Health Care Planning and Estate Planning." The 4-part series will be hosted by Pilgrim Congregational Church, a United Church of Christ (UCC); and Peace United Church of Christ in Duluth.

The series will be presented by Robert Eaton, a member of Pilgrim Congregational Church and a Duluth attorney.

The first three sessions are geared for persons 55 and older and will be held at Pilgrim Church, 2310 E 4th Street.

Session I, "Preparing Your Estate" will take place on Monday, Nov. 1, 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.

Session II, "Managing Your Health Care Problems" — Monday, Nov. 8, 4 - 5:30 p.m.

Session III, "Managing Your Assets" —Monday, November 15, 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.

Reservations are not necessary, but are encouraged; please call Pilgrim at 724-8503.

The last session is geared to young families and will be held at **Peace Church**

Session IV, "Planning Issues for Young Families" Sunday, Nov. 21, 11:30 - 1pm

Lunch and child care provided. For reservations, please call Peace at 724-3637.

See the Narthex window for more details.

BOOK TALK

PEACE CHURCH BOOK CLUB

Thursday December 2

6—7:30 in the Fireside Room

Book: ***The Last Report on the Miracles at Little No Horse*** by Louise Erdrich

(November and December Meetings will be combined because of the holidays)



Peace Church Library

Check it out!

We are in the process of updating our card catalog—soon there will be cards for all our recently acquired books. To make that happen, we need someone with time to enter our books into the computer. Call Janell (724-3637) if you might be interested in this.

Book Review:

The Lord is My Shepherd

by Harold Kushner

Subtitled "Healing Wisdom of the Twenty-Third Psalm", this is a book of practical spirituality, of inspiration and encouragement gleaned from what may be the best-known and best-loved chapter in the Bible. This psalm has been a source of comfort in grief and of courage in fear. Now Rabbi Kushner, well-known author of *When Bad Things Happen to Good People*, discovers what it has to teach us about living our day-to-day lives. Each chapter discusses one line of the psalm in the context of both the time when it was written and the present day, and illuminates the life lessons contained within it. He draws on the ideas and thoughts of various spiritual figures to expand our understanding of this great psalm and help us benefit from its everyday spiritual wisdom.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

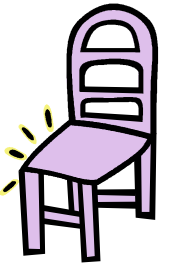
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3 Virginia Maki	21 Fred Hendrickson
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Mia Peterson	Sydney Samborski
6 Marlys Phillips	Matthew Morris
7 Annyea Stefanski	24 Joan Severson
8 Jonie Langdon-Larson	Emily Richey
Frost Bowen-Bailey	25 Dennis Marciniak
9 Susan Goese	Sophie Finch-Newkirk
27 Jennifer Ameal	Gary Carlsness
11 Gordon Beier	Kendra Sharkey
Russ Miller	Carrie Plamman
Brenda Butterfield	Anne Thoreson
12 Clara Aas	Ezra Schomberg
Kaelene Arvidson-Hicks	28 Stacy Crawford
Joy Morris	29 Melanie Shepard
Janell Kohls	Jessica Swanoski
13 Denise Hamsher	30 Craig Publitz
14 Kristian Aas	
Mike Swanoski	
15 Rick Morgan	
17 Kenji Sudoh	

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY!!



LITTLE CHAIRS ARE NEEDED

We are blessed with many little children in this church. Unfortunately, not all the little children have a place to sit during Church School. If you are interested in making or buying or donating money for a small chair or two (or 18!) for our Church School rooms...many little children will be thankful. See Julie for more information.



JUST PEACE

PEACE UCC - A JUST PEACE CHURCH

TAKING A SMALL STEP to promote peace and justice within ourselves, our church, our community and the world. A Just Peace Church strives to achieve this goal through spiritual development, education, community witness and political advocacy.

November's Small Step: Consider Alternative Giving

With the holidays fast-approaching, we'd like to present a small step that's been suggested before, but bears repeating: to consider some alternative gift-giving this year as a way to make a difference not only in the life of the gift receiver, but also in the lives of others around the world. Some great options include the following:

Heifer Project - It's a gift that really does keep on giving... you give a gift of an animal, or share of an animal, in honor of someone to a community that is in need. People who receive the animal then share that animal's offspring with others - along with their knowledge, resources, and skills - an expanding network of hope, dignity, and self-reliance is created that reaches around the globe. www.heifer.org

Koinonia - Koinonia Farm began in 1942, when Clarence and Florence Jordan and Mabel and Martin England came to Sumter County, Georgia to live out the teachings of Jesus amidst the poverty and racism of the rural South. They envisioned forming an interracial community where blacks and whites could live and work together in a spirit of partnership. Economic development remains central to the mission and vision of Koinonia Partners. Some products available for sale include homemade and homegrown smoked and roasted pecans and peanuts, fruitcakes, pies, granola, and chocolates. www.koinoniapartners.org/catalog/index.html

10,000 Villages - Ten Thousand Villages provides vital, fair income to Third World people by marketing their handicrafts and telling their stories in North America. It works with artisans who would otherwise be unemployed or underemployed, providing sustainable income through fair trade. This income helps pay for food, education, health care and housing. Thousands of volunteers in Canada and the United States work with Ten Thousand Villages in their home communities. Visit stores in MN or WI: in St. Paul in the Grand Ave. neighborhood, or Plowshare Gifts in Waukesha. Or attend festival sales: there's an event called "Alternative Christmas Market" at Christ Memorial Lutheran Church in Plymouth (western Mpls. suburb) on Sat, Nov 13 and Sun, Nov 14, 2004. See the web site for addresses and details: www.tenthousandvillages.org

What Peace and Justice issues are YOU passionate about???

Please join members of the Just Peace committee after church on **Sunday, November 7th** to discuss issues of peace and justice that are important to YOU so that we can make plans on how to help you promote your issues, or so that we have some direction on what to take action on as a committee. We're also looking for a few more people willing to get involved with us, though you don't have to get involved with the committee to be a part of the discussion. Soup and bread will be served. Childcare will be provided.

KOINONIA ORDERS

This year catalogues will be available in the Narthex—place your order by Wednesday Nov. 17th (on order sheet, or call the office). Orders will be picked up by Peace Church people in Georgia for the SOA Vigil and delivered in early December.

FAMILY TRADITIONS

By Julie Flotten, Children, Youth and Intergenerational Minister

Recently, we headed out to Portland, OR to visit my sister, her husband and their baby daughter, Maria. Our family gathered on the west coast with my brother-in-law's family to celebrate Maria's baptism, but also for their annual "goodie" baking weekend. For years, his family has made traditional Italian goodies for the holidays. We spent 2½ days mixing, rolling, baking, frying, and tasting scrumptious treats, most of which I still can't pronounce correctly. It was a weekend of good coffee and good food, but mostly, good company



I thought a lot about family traditions that weekend, and as Thanksgiving approaches, and we make family plans for the holidays, it pops up often. This year during Advent Workshop, we'll explore Family Traditions, those of families within the church, as well as the traditions of our larger Christian Family. The holiday season often finds us gathering together, eating, singing, and celebrating. Some families bake, some families go on trips, some sing certain songs or play certain games. Whatever it is, these traditions can keep us grounded to our family stories and connected to people who may live miles away.

At times the holiday season also finds us getting 'stressed out.' As much as we love our families...these family get-togethers can also dredge up a different side to all of us. Perhaps we dread when Uncle Craig brings that blasted ukulele and insists on playing it every evening. Maybe we are already annoyed by little sister Martha who always seems to get Grandma Sue's attention by prancing about in her tutu. Perhaps we "clam up" when one side of the family comes over because instead of talking about politics, religion or another issue, we just tend to argue. Sometimes our "traditions" are actually things that push us away from each other; maybe they are the roles we fall into around our family, maybe they are the "boxes" we place our family members into, assuming they'll never change.

We all have many traditions in our families. Some do bring us closer and build relationships...some do the opposite. Let us take some time to figure out what traditions we will follow this holiday and what traditions we will finally let go...

PEACE CHURCH STAFF

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Children, Youth, and

Intergenerational Minister: Julie Flotten
Shared Ministry Coordinator: Georgette Sarkela
Music Director: Jim Pospisil



Befriender Ministries: Cheryl Walsh
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If you would like to be on our email list to receive notices of church events, please email the office.

YOUTH

Junior High Service Project

Faith Weaver Crew...stupendous service! Be a leader and role model for the younger kids in church by helping out with Faith Weavers on Wednesday nights. Remember if you are here in church from 6-7, Faith Weavers is the place to be. If you aren't able to help out—please plan on coming to church by 7pm for Youth Group.

Senior High

November 5th Temple Service Senior High Church School will be going to Temple Israel this Friday (meet at church at 4:45 or at the Temple @ 5pm). We've been invited for a potluck afterwards, hosted by their youth group. Please attend!

Nov 6th Paul's Gig—Let's go hear Paul Winchester and his band play!

PARENTS—if you can chaperone or want to help plan a youth event... Contact Julie ... we love having you involved!

Jr/Sr High

THE PIT—What happens when you combine a night of homework, rowdy card games and some “hip music” (not Julie's folky stuff!)?

THE PIT .. Come on Sundays 6-9pm. Bring a friend!

Committees: We had a GREAT first meeting. The folks who were there had TONS of good ideas. Join us at the next meeting to plan some cool events: **NOV. 17th 6pm**

Worship Committee: Ben Hlina, Lauren Hystead, Emily White, Cynthia Coffin

Service Committee: Ian Thoennes, Emily Punyko, Kai Sandal, Sarah Messerer, Lisa Pomroy

Social Committee: Emily Richey, Mary Christensen, Gilah Messerer, Laura Squillace.

SUMMER!

We're heading into winter..but are thinking about summer. Here our are “irons in the fire..”

Backpacking out West –6-9 day trip

BWCA Canoe Trip-4-5 day trip

If you're interested in **either** of these trips, let Julie know. We need to know before the new year in order to fundraise and plan.



ITEMS OF INTEREST

Joining Together in Ramadan

The Muslim Community has offered an invitation to join in a day of fasting and then breaking the fast together. On **November 6**, we are invited to spend the day fasting (from sunup to sundown) and then join in breaking the fast with a meal hosted by the Muslim Community. If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact Doug Bowen-Bailey at 722.7166 or dbb@digiterp.com. Numbers will be limited to make sure that there will be a balance between communities. More information will be coming both with the location and about what to expect in taking part with Ramadan.

Prayer Chain Training

November 21st at 11:30



If you are on the prayer chain, or would like to be, please stay after worship on Sunday November 21st. The training will include confidentiality issues, in light of the new privacy laws.

Lunch will be served, and child care will be provided.

SHARED MINISTRY—FEATURING *THE DAMIANO SOUP KITCHEN*

By Georgette Sarkela, Shared Ministry Coordinator

Peace Church offers many opportunities to share our gifts with others. A ministry of the Peace and Justice Committee is serving meals at the Damiano Center. I have asked the committee to provide information about this ministry. Our outreach to the Damiano center is very important. It is ongoing and other members and friends are always welcomed to be a part of it. Please contact the Peace and Justice Committee or Shared Ministry for more information.

The Soup Kitchen at the Damiano Center opened in Duluth's Central Hillside neighborhood on March 15, 1982, a bad year in northeastern Minnesota. The taconite mines were in a terrible slump, the local Air Force base and a Jenos Pizza plant were closing. St. Louis County's unemployment rate was close to 15 percent. The Soup Kitchen was meant to be a temporary solution. "This is an emergency operation," Sister Joann Crowley of the Catholic Diocese of Duluth wrote at the time. "It will be closed as soon as it is no longer needed." However, the need for the Soup Kitchen has not disappeared. It continues to feed an average of 200 people a day, 15 percent more than in 1983, in a city with a population that is virtually unchanged. More jobs are available now, but those jobs don't provide enough hours or pay and benefits. Only about a third of the diners go to the Damiano because some personal affliction has made them destitute.

Peace UCC is one of many churches and organizations that provide volunteers for the Damiano Soup Kitchen. On the second Sunday of each month, seven to eight members of Peace UCC help to prepare and serve the evening meal to 150-200 men, women and children. The first shift of volunteers helps prepare and cook the meal. The second shift of volunteers helps to serve the meal and then to clean up.

Why should you as a member of Peace consider volunteering at the Soup Kitchen? The most obvious reason is to give of yourself to others. Another reason may be to get acquainted with diners, to meet some people that you might not otherwise have a chance to know. However, the more important reason might be to challenge yourself to learn more about the root causes of poverty, and then to begin working for economic justice in this very blessed, rich country that we live in.

Thank you to the many individuals who serve at the Damiano Center. Your generous giving and sharing of your gifts exemplify Christ's call to minister to others.

Isaiah: 6:8 *Here I am, send me*

HABITAT UPDATE

Construction has its frustrating times. The build was progressing nicely until we needed professionals to come in and help us out. Because this is gratis, we have not been high on their list and work has been slow. Our hope is that the plumbers and electricians will finish up so that the tapers can go to work. Then we should be ready for the painters. That is where we can party! For those interested in helping with painting, if you have an e-mail address, please give it to Janell, and we will keep you updated regarding work needs.

The potential homeowner, Katie Bridges, will be meeting with our congregation on Sunday October 31st, during the 10:30 service.



PEACE PEOPLE

THANK YOU

- To our Witnessing Stewards for all their willingness to share why they give of their time and money to Peace Church. This year's witnessing stewards are Cindy Macaulay, Bill Hardesty, and Joan Peterson.
- To Pat and Lynn Devlin for putting our gardens to bed and for all the care they give them all Summer long.
- From Sue Flotten (Julie's Mom): "Dear friends at Peace Church, Our family is so grateful for the prayers you have said for our family during Bob's illness and for the lovely plant you sent to the church. I am especially grateful for the comfort you have extended to Julie during Bob's difficult journey."
- To Doug Bowen-Bailey for cleaning our carpets
- To Kamau Tho Tho and Kamau for preaching on World Communion Sunday
- To John Ameel for the many hours he puts in recording our pledges each week, and keeping us informed—seems he never missed a beat in spite of having major surgery!
- From Cathy Ameel: Thanks to all for your prayers and support for John and me this past week. He is home and recuperating very well. Hurrah!!!!
- From Judy Sausen: "Dear Friends at Peace Church, Your faithful support of Loaves and Fishes continues to gladden our hearts. We are most grateful for your recent gift and your long-time friendship and care for us and our work. With the cold weather rapidly settling in, folks who have slept outside all summer will be looking for warm places. We expect requests for housing to increase. Thank you for helping us to offer hospitality to those in need."

- To Trudy Schwerdt for her wonderful "phone ministry". We all appreciate your reminder phone calls—they help things run a little more smoothly at Peace Church.
- From Hip Hop Rock the Vote Committee: Thank you for your contribution to our get out the vote registration event held recently at Washington Center. Over 200 individuals attended and participated in the event and many individuals became new registered voters in our area.

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

- John Ameel at home recovering from surgery
- Joan Severson and Leigh McMullen both at home recovering from back surgery
- Grace Springsteele at home recovering from colon cancer surgery
- Ryan Debeltz, James Sandomierski and Brian Sinclair serving in Iraq.
- Troy Pauman at home dealing with metastatic cancer
- Elsie Cook as she recovers from double knee surgery

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

- Justin Hovis and Sarah Liikla who were married at Peace Church on October 2nd. Justin is the son of Loni Cran Hovis and grandson of Marlis Cran
- Makoto Sudoh, son of Kenji and Stacy Sudoh who was baptized on October 3rd.
- Lily Moors, daughter of Ann and James Moors, who was baptized on October 10th.
- Jennifer Garrison Brownell on her ordination as a UCC minister in Seattle on November 14th. We hold her in our prayers on this special day. Jennifer is a former member of Peace.

† MEMORIALS †

Thank you for the gifts to Peace Church
In memory of **Frances Peterson**
from sister Shirley Swenson, Gail Tate,
and Wes and Joan Severson
In memory of **Bob Salmi** (Ginny Cran's Dad)
from Diana Mulconrey Soland

WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES

WEDNESDAY EVENING SCHEDULE

5pm: Childrens' Choir 5:30: Dinner for all
6 pm Faith Weavers, Adult Study 6:15pm: Senior Choir
7:30-9pm Youth Group 8-9pm Confirmation
(Confirmation I—1st & 3rd Weds., Confirmation II—2nd & 4th Weds.)
November 10th: Board and Committee Meetings at 6 pm—no Adult Study

NO WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES ON NOV. 24TH

FAITH WEAVERS WEDNESDAYS 6:00-7:00PM KINDERGARTEN—5TH GRADE



Moses...from baby in the reeds to parting the Red Sea. This month Faith Weavers will go back in time to see just what it was like for Moses....come join us!

**Special Guest Presenter Nov. 10th
Sparkles the Clown!**

Meet a real clown and learn what she is all about... Families and all ages are welcome to join us...



FAITH WEAVER ADULT LEADERS NEEDED!

If you have an interest in helping teach/lead Faith Weavers on Weds. nights on a rotational basis, please contact Julie.

CONFIRMATION

First Year Confirmation Class

The class will meet on the first and third Wednesdays of every month from 8 - 9pm. Youth are strongly encouraged to attend youth group the other Wednesdays and opening worship on Confirmation Wednesdays from 7 - 8 pm in the youth room.

Wednesday, November 3

Foundations in Deciding—The Exodus

Wednesday, November 17

The Giving of the Law at Sinai

Wednesday, December 1

Begin Unit on Jesus Christ: Who Do You Say that I am?

Remember to hold the weekend of **January 7 - 9th** open for our time in Minneapolis on an Urban Immersion Retreat.

Second Year

Confirmation Class

This class meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of every month from 8 - 9 pm.

Wednesday, November 10

God Loves and Judges

November 24 Off for Thanksgiving

Wednesday, December 8

God Papers Due; Jesus Christ: Human and Divine

ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES

SUNRISE COFFEE

Nov 1 6:51—21st Ave E and Lakewalk & look for the sign and coffee mug to find us!. Thank goodness for daylight savings...! Next month—December 6th 7:39am.



QUESTIONS ON THE WAY



TUESDAYS 12-1PM

FIRESIDE ROOM

Bring a book that has captivated your interest, bring a poem you'd like to share, bring a question to get our minds turning...this group is known for it's rambling discussion and thought provoking topics...come, join us on Tuesdays at 12noon in the fireside room.

DINNERS FOR EIGHT

A great way to spend time with Peace people at a pot luck meal. Sign up on the office windows to host or attend on one of these dates—**Friday Nov. 5, Sat. Nov. 13, or Sunday Nov. 14.** You will be contacted close to the date and the details will be shared with you. If you have questions, call the office.

PEACE BABY 2004 PICTURE

Look on the Narthex Wall near the elevator for the framed Peace Baby picture. Thanks again to Rolf and Carrie Hagberg for all their work on this picture. Prints will be available for purchase—it is necessary to order in the office and prepay by November 14th, so that Rolf knows how many to make. Cost is \$12 a print to cover lab printing and photoshop expenses. Any profit will go to Peace Church.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING
PEACE BELL ARTICLES
IS THE 20TH OF THE MONTH!

Women's Brown Bag Bible Study Wednesday, November 24 at noon

Sharing Our Journeys is a Bible Study group which meets monthly to study scripture and to reflect on our own life's story. Bring your lunch—dessert and coffee provided.

Men's Dinner Monday Nov. 1 at 6pm

Men's dinners will resume Monday, November 1 at 6 PM in the Fireside Room. They will be held the first Monday of each month at that time so mark your calendars through May! Anyone with ideas for programs, contact Jerry Cleveland. If you are willing to supply a meal, contact Dick Goese. If no ideas or you can't cook, come anyway.

Outdoor Happenings with Peace

Nov 7th—Pre-Winter Hiking

Let's go explore the local trails before the snow comes. Meet at church at 1pm. All ages welcome!



LOOKING AHEAD

Wolf Ridge Winter Camp!

Wolf Ridge Winter Camp! Mark your calendars for Jan 28-30th! Cost is \$80/person. Sign up on office window. Scholarships are available—contact Julie or Kathy. Limit 90 persons.
Payment deadline= December 12th

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ☞ Men's Retreat February 4—6
- ☞ Sara Thomsen and Sterling Waters Youth Benefit Concert
- ☞ An evening with Sam Cook

STEWARDSHIP MISSION MOMENT by Joan Petereson

Lisa Pomroy persuaded me to **present** my reasons as to why Peace Church is important to me. **Permit** me to engage in a little **parody** from the **podium**. It's **potentially painful** to try to compete with Doug and Holly's **power point presentation** during last year's **Pledge** drive. As a Speech **Pathologist**, I enjoy **plays** on words and sounds. So **perk** up your ears and **pick** out the **pattern**. I am a **peace** activist (especially concerning **pistols** and such) a **past** Moderator and a **parishioner**. I have **participated** in many **projects** at Peace Church from editing the **Peace** Bell to taking **pictures**. More importantly is the **Pastor** who **preaches** her wonderful sermons about **Paul**, the **prophets**, **peacemakers**, the **poor**, the less than **perfect**, the **pusillanimous prevaricators** and asks us to **ponder** these **powerful** images. And then there are the **potlucks**, the **pizza** fund raisers, the **practical planting and painting parties** and the beautiful **Prarie Garden**. Also important to me are the **people** like Trudy Schwerdt who **played** a **primary part** in our family joining **Peace** Church; the **people** like the building **project** fund raising committee who have organized events such as **putting** at Enger Park on a less than **perfect** day to **planning** a Silent Auction to raise more **pennies** for our new **Portal** on 11th Ave. East.

Peace Church is important to me because **Pastor** Kathy and the **people** here are not overly **pious**, not **prejudiced**, not **pompous**, but **pose** as **peacemakers** in the community. At **Peace** Church, **political** action is encouraged without **proselytizing** from the **pulpit** and without **professing** who to vote for at the **polls**. There is **pride** in our **part** in community activities to **promote principals** of **peace** and our **potential** to improve our **place** in the world.

At **Peace** Church, we are **prayerful** and sing songs of **praise**. We **profess** our support for each other, the church, and a more **Powerful** being **prevailing** on us to be **passionate** about our faith and beliefs.

What's not to like about **Peace** Church? There's the **Praise** and Worship music, there's Jim **Pospisil's** choir directing and **piano playing**, there's **Pat** O'Connell and **Pat** Devlin, there's John **Pegg's pilgrimages** to Columbia, there's **Penny** Cragun, there's **Peter** Hystead, and, oh- let's not forget **Peggy** Maske.

Peace Church has been **part** of my life for almost 25 years now. My family has been blessed by the support of the **people at Peace** from the **pain** of a shooting death and funerals to baptisms and a wedding. But before I **pontificate** more, let me get to the **point**. Without your generous **pledges**, **Peace** Church cannot **pay** the **people** who **perform** the works of the church and make it **perk**. We need to **pool** our resources for a **plethora** of **projects** and **promise** to support this **place**. We have great **potential**. **Please** open your **purses** and **pockets** and **prevent proverbial** budget deficits from **putting** us in a **pinch**. Be **prompt** with your **pledge**. So you out there sitting in the **pews**, **pay** and **pray** for the **possible**.

I'm Joan **Petereson** and I approve of this message.

United Theological Seminary Continuing Education Class Nov 10th

UTS is beginning to offer extension classes in Duluth!

Nov 10 Lectionary—Matthew Feb 4-5 Survival Skills: Dealing with difficult people in the parish

See flyer on Narthex window, and/or Julie for information on registration

WFP Trip to Chiapas Mexico Saturday December 4

7 - 8 in the Fellowship Hall

Witness for Peace Delegates from Peace Church, and from the Duluth Community, will be sharing from their recent trip to Chiapas, Mexico. Presentation will include a slideshow of pictures, stories of their experiences, and discussion of the ways US policies affect the Indigenous communities of Mexico.