



# Peace Progress

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## A Word from Our Pastor:

Dear Family of Peace,

A recent article reported on “the best jobs in America in 2013”. I suppose I was curious about the article because I wanted to see how my job as pastor compared with all of these “best jobs”. The winning jobs on the list included biomedical engineers, marketing consultants, physical therapists, financial advisors, even the up and coming career of being a Videogame designer.

The factors in figuring these best jobs were “what a person does all day”, “how a person gets into the field”, “what makes the job great”, and “the job’s benefit to society”. Unfortunately, I am sad to report that the career of pastoring did not make the list. This did not surprise me!

But.....I must say, that after some careful reflection of what I’ve done the last six years and thinking specifically about my transition to Peace as its pastor, I concluded that there is no better job in the world than being a pastor.

A passage from the Bible I often read comes from Romans 12. I like it because it gives me direction for my job as pastor. It says, “Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord.” A person that I knew well, once

questioned me, “Jeremy, it must be difficult.....you know.....being a pastor and living in the fish bowl!” My response to this friend was just as short and to the point, “What a great fish bowl it is, though! It is in that fishbowl that love is genuine, evil abhorred. Honor is shown. Service to the Lord is done!” I do not think that there is a job on earth in which the passage of Romans 12 is lived out quite like it is in the profession of pastoral ministry. I get to see you show love, honor, zeal and service to one another and others in the community. Thank you.

As I begin my pastor ministry at Peace, I do want to begin by saying “thank you”. Thank you for allowing me to practice what I believe to be the best job. Also, I want to personally thank you for the warm welcome to Philomath and Peace. The well wishes, apples, pears, flowers, cards, installation service, dinners, and warm smiles have brought great joy to our family.

And what a beautiful part of the world we live! During our first few weeks in Philomath, Alicia, Kaia and I made the trip to Mary’s Peak. What a view! The view alone gave me new insight into the words from Scripture that say, “O Lord, our Lord—how majestic is your name in all the earth.” Thank you for sharing your special part of the world with us.

There is much to learn about each other. One of the special “tasks” of being a pastor is the visitation of

members. I can think of no better way for pastor to spend his time than the visiting of his members. Know that I will be calling on you and that I look forward to our talks. What is most important to me in being your pastor will be not necessarily my ABILITY, but my AVAILABILITY. I am here for you. Thank you also for the prayers during this transition. We certainly felt them as we travelled across country. Please continue to offer those prayers this month as the Lucke’s welcome baby #2 into our family!



In Peace,

## Preparing for Worship

Scripture lessons for October:

### October 6:

Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4  
2 Timothy 1:1-14  
Luke 17:1-10, Jonah 3

### October 13:

Ruth 1:1-19a  
2 Timothy 2:1-13  
Luke 17:11-19, Jonah 4

### October 20:

Genesis 32:22-30  
2 Timothy 3:14-4:5  
Luke 18:1-8

### October 27: Reformation Sun.

Revelations 14:6-7  
Romans 3:19-28  
John 8:31-36





## Church Council Highlights 8/18/2013

- Rally day was a big success. 22 kids participated and most have returned. There have been 9 High School students.
- Sally requested a new bulletin board for Sunday School events. Jan added a request for a slotted shelf for booklets to be included. Bob G. will pursue.
- Guild is doing very well and continuing to create and collect items for bazaar on November 9th. Plans are being made to support a new seminarian.
- Oscar – proposed van donation follow-up information. Church insurance through “Church Mutual” is approximately \$500/year. Multiple drivers are ok. Tabled until next month.
- It was approved for Bud Wieser to come and prune the big maple.
- **Next Meeting 10/15/13. All are welcome!**

## Fall Bazaar!

Remember to continue to prepare items for our Fall Bazaar.

- **Saturday, November 9th**

## New Baby!

Bob and Kay Glathar are the proud grandparents of Liam Bradley Glathar, born September 18th, at 10:30 pm. Liam weighed 8 lbs. 14 oz. and is 21 inches long. His parents are Anthony and Sarah Glathar and his big sister is Mari Ruth Glathar. Congratulations to the whole family.



## Attendance and Grace of Giving

DATE	COUNT	GRACE OF GIVING	
9/01/2013	84	General Fund	\$3895.00
		Building Fund	\$1355.00
9/08/2013	111	General Fund	\$2205.00
		Relocation	\$5.00
9/15/2013	90	General Fund	\$1995.00
		Relocation	\$10.00
9/22/2013	89	General Fund	\$1591.00
		Relocation	\$1010.00
		Building Fund	\$100.00

## Baskets for Bazaar

Maybe you don't feel talented enough to make something for our Fall Bazaar. Would you consider sponsoring a basket? You get the items for a basket and I'll put them together and wrap them. Here are some ideas to get you started. Use your imagination! These are just a few ideas to get you started.

- Coffee Basket
- Spa Basket
- Dorm Basket
- Wine Basket
- Baby Boy or Girl Basket
- Taste of Italy Basket
- Chocolate Lovers Basket
- Breakfast Basket
- OSU Basket
- Doggie Basket
- Get Well Soon Basket



When you have your items ready, put them in a bag and bring them to church. I will include a list of the items in the basket when I prepare it. If you have a basket, include it, but I would be happy to provide the basket for you. No need to include ribbon or wrap. I will take care of that for you. Please try to get your items to church by **Sunday, October 6th**. Thank you!

*Kay Glathar*



## Healthy Families

What is the most important ingredient for motivating children to develop personal responsibility and the skills/characteristics to become high achievers?

Every year...as kids return to school...people begin to ask this question. Some believe the answer lies in developing improved teaching methods and more advanced curricula. Others contend that the solution involves improving the types of tests administered to students. At Love and Logic we believe that the single most important factor affecting children involves the quality of relationships they experience with important adults in their lives. In fact, we believe that there will never be enough rewards, consequences, or techniques to get kids to behave and learn responsibility if we are not first developing positive relationships.

***Rules provided without relationship result in rebellion.***

***Consequences given without relationship lead to resentment.***

***Rewards without relationship feel like bribes.***

When most of us recall the adults from our youth who had the biggest positive impact, we think of those who:

- Had high expectations and communicated those through loving limits.
- Focused mostly on strengths...not weaknesses.
- Spent a lot of time with us.
- Listened to us.
- Didn't tell us what to do but rather guided our decision making.
- Were empathetic when things went wrong.
- Modeled healthy, assertive behavior.
- Held us accountable...yet loved us even when our behavior wasn't lovable.

As this school year unfolds, let's make it a goal to be this type of adult for the wonderful children we know and love. Thanks for reading! Our goal is to

## Imagine!

Bryson Skaar, son of Bryan and Linda Skaar and grandson of Garth and Jan Skaar, is playing jazz piano at Imagine Coffee on Monday nights from 7 - 9. Imagine Coffee is located in the corner of 53rd St. and Philomath Blvd, across from Bi-Mart. Bryson is a student at Oregon State University majoring in music. He has been assisting and filling in for Colleen for our Sunday services. A talented young man that we are blessed to have serve!



## Men's Breakfast

**October 5<sup>th</sup>** is once again time for the Men's First Saturday Breakfast. Some fellows have asked when we will once again have the men's breakfast, so mark your calendars. We look forward to hopefully having Pastor Jeremy Lucke joining us and getting acquainted. Topic will be Pastor Lucke meeting some of the men of Peace. Remember coffee on at 8:15 and breakfast served at 8:30. A few good cooks are always needed, should you be so inclined to help let me know. Menu for October will be sausage, bacon, scramble eggs and toast.

## Joy!

It feels so good to FEEL GOOD! Praise the Lord! He is good! He is with us through thick and thin. Never give up. There is always hope! I am so thankful and grateful for my friends here at Peace. Thank you for your prayers, thoughts, concerns and hugs. It really means a lot to me. I am also thankful for the awesome medical staff at the Salem hospital. Joel & I really appreciated the four visits from Pastor Norm, including one visit at the hospital a few hours after they arrived home from Austria! Can you believe that? We also truly enjoyed a visit in our home with Pastor Lucke, and he had only been on staff at Peace for a few days!!! We are so fortunate. God Bless Each One of You.

*Audrey Bond*



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