



Peace Progress

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A Word from Our Pastor:

Dear Friends,

Summer is upon us and excitement is here. Week by week our campus at Peace is being transformed. New plants are being planted. New bark is getting placed. The patio project nears its completion. Other improvements are in the works as well. Thank you to all who have worked so hard to make this a reality!

There is one other item that I would like to draw your attention to this summer. The family of Peace will serve as the official sponsor of Camp Lutherwood. As sponsor, we are going to do our best to partner with Camp Lutherwood in its mission: To bring people into a deeper awareness and connection with God, self, neighbor, the community and the earth.

Awareness and connection with God, self, neighbor, community and the earth can be very difficult to achieve in an ever increasing plugged in world. A recent study concluded that face to face between people is now down 50 percent since the early 90's. No doubt that this trend has affected our ability to have the connected life God desires us to have.

Can you remember your first camp experience? I do. One memory fondly sticks out to me. The first time that I saw the stars from camp was amazing—I had never seen anything quite like it. The constellations my dad had showed me I could see even better. New constellations were noticed. God's masterpiece of creation was seen in a whole new way. Camp maybe more than any other experience

opens us up to new ways of seeing the world God created.

Consider participating in our partnership with Lutherwood by doing one of these things this summer:

- Pray and Encourage. In the worship service on June 19th each member of the congregation was given the opportunity to select a summer staffer to pray for and write notes of encouragement throughout the summer. If you were not at church this Sunday or if you were, but didn't receive a staffer's name, see me and we will connect you with someone to pray for as lead camp.
- Meet the staff. On Saturday, July 23rd Peace will be hosting Camp Lutherwood's staff at a Corvallis Knights baseball game. This will provide us an opportunity to let the staff relax for a night away from camp and for us to attend a game and get to know them. See me if you want a ticket.
- Learn and visit. Check out Camp Lutherwood's website to find out more information about the different camp opportunities. Better yet, visit the camp one afternoon and walk the grounds to see what it is all about.
- Ask. Peace is offering scholarships to youth to go to camp. Seek out one of our campers and ask them about their experience.

I hope your summer is a refreshing one. Thank you for continuing to make a difference in our community. It is a great blessing to be your pastor!



In Gratefulness,
Pastor J



Preparing for Worship

Scripture lessons for July:

July 3:

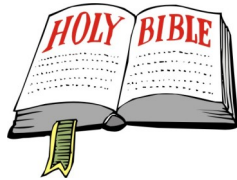
Isaiah 66:10-14
Galatians 6:1-10, 14-18
Luke 10:1-20

July 10:

Leviticus 19:9-18
Colossians 1:1-14
Luke 10:25-37

July 17:

Genesis 18:1-10a
Colossians 1:21-29
Luke 10:38-42



July 24:

Genesis 18:20-33
Colossians 2:6-15
Luke 11:1-13

July 31:

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14, 2:18-26
Colossians 3:1-11
Luke 12:13-21

National Night Out



Peace will not be one of the hosts for Philomath's National Night Out on Tuesday, August 2nd. In case you didn't know, National Night Out is an annual community building campaign that promotes better police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. This event helps build a safer and better connected neighbor-

Request!

I would like to assist College Methodist with an on-going fundraiser (Teen Challenge -- Adults) by collecting BiMart receipts. I will pass them on as they accumulate. Please put yours in the Gutbrod mailbox at church where I will place a large envelope.

Carole Gutbrod

Poem

By Jan Skaar

May I worship with you in your church today
Or will you look at my clothing and send me away?

I know I look wind blown and rather unkempt
But the river is cold and I have no tent.

I did have a room and a good place to stay
but I ran out of cash and they turned me away.

I just want to hear the bells when they ring.
I just want to hear the hymns that you sing.

When I leave after church will you invite me back
To share in your friendship and have a light snack?

Will I sit at a table, watch you stare and walk by
Never knowing I'll leave and go somewhere to cry.

May I worship with you in your church today?
I just want to be here to kneel and to pray.

Attendance and Grace of Giving

DATE	COUNT	GRACE OF GIVING	
5/15/2016	96	Offering	\$2,204
5/22/2016	110	Offering	\$1,446
5/29/2016	107	Offering	\$1,030
6/05/2016	102	Offering	\$6,191
6/12/2016	107	Offering	\$1,466