

From the Pastor...

Signs

Many of us probably remember the song “Signs” by Five Man Electrical Band or the band Tesla (a 90s band, before it was a car brand). In the lyrics of the chorus, it asked the question, “can’t you read the sign?” We rely on signs to give information and directions. We depend on signs to help us navigate, even in the era of ubiquitous GPS. We need signs.

Our current sermon series uses the same title, *Signs*. Each week we are considering a sign, mostly that we can see while in a car. Road signs, information signs, speed limit signs... we see so many signs! Earlier in the chorus, the song lyrics are “Sign, sign, everywhere a sign...” and that line feels about right. We see signs “everywhere.”

The season of Epiphany is also about signs. Jesus’ identity is revealed through various signs that point toward who He is. The star the Magi followed. The miracles He performed. The authority and knowledge He displayed while teaching His disciples or the masses. The Transfiguration, in which Jesus is declared to be the Son of God – words also heard at His baptism.

Epiphany is from the Greek ἐπιφαναίω, which has four meanings:

- 1 – to cause something to be seen, show
- 2 – to provide illumination, to give light to
- 3 – to make one’s presence known, become apparent
- 4 – show oneself, make an appearance

We can use the same term with the meaning of either sudden or more gradual understanding or knowledge of something. “I had an epiphany” is often used with sudden realization in mind.

In the Gospel narratives, Jesus is revealed. His nature, purpose, and identity are recognized by a select few people. Most of the time, even His disciples are unaware of who He really is. But we have the benefit of the Holy Spirit, who gives us faith. And of Scripture from which we can learn. For many of us, sudden realization of Jesus’ identity is not how we know Him. But we learned and grew in our faith. For others, Jesus is revealed to us in an encounter that changes our lives.

Whatever your story of faith may include, let’s gather each week through the season of Epiphany to remember how Jesus is revealed, how we know Him, and how we can see the signs of who He is. Let’s follow Him like the Magi followed the star. Let’s shine our light in this world to help others see Jesus.



BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES AT PEACE

Bible Study

Sunday mornings 8:30 am

Attend in-person in the Parish Hall ~~or via Zoom.~~

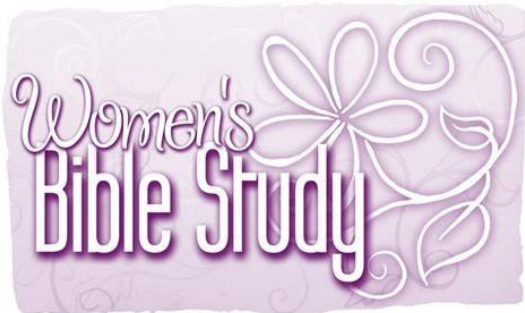
To Join the Zoom Meeting via the Internet, use this information each week:

Click [here](#) to Join (or launch Zoom and enter the ID and Passcode (below))

~~From any phone, dial 1 669 444 9171~~

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Current study – Old Testament



Women's Bible Study

Mondays, 12:30 pm in the Parish Hall

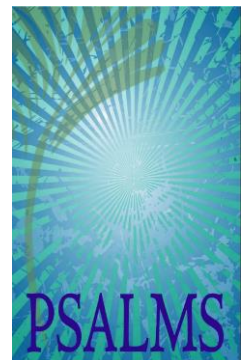
Good studies. Great discussion. Wonderful fellowship. All ladies are encouraged to attend.

Community Bible Study

Outside the Red Dirt Café, near Walmart

Time: Tuesdays, 7:30 am Topic: The Psalm of the Day

We study a selection of Wisdom literature (from Psalms, Proverbs, etc.) appointed as a reading for the day. After reading the text, we discuss its meaning and application. Men and women, believer and seeker, all are invited!



LWML February Update

At our last LWML meeting we welcomed two grace-filled members from our local Hospice. Chaplain Steve Parker and Hospice Nurse Chris Canelo shared the purpose of the Hospice Program for our area, whose professional care in all areas for people who need a kind, caring and loving medical person helps them through a difficult time. We thank them for sharing what is available in our county. They provide a wonderful service, and we are grateful for them for coming to Peace.

Our February meeting on Thursday, February 13, at 10:00 am will welcome all for another important informational day and we hope to see many come and join us.

Peace Lutheran Church LWML (Lutheran Women's Missionary League)

Invites you to a presentation by Arroyo Grande Community Hospital
Thursday, February 13, from 10:00 - 11:00am, including time for Q&A
In the parish hall, all church members welcome



You are invited for an informative, exclusive presentation to learn about Arroyo Grande Community Hospital's recent improvements and other exciting changes being planned.

PRESENTED BY

Ken Dalebout

Hospital Administrator

Amber Rogers

Senior Director of Nursing

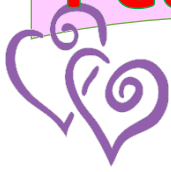
Learn about the hospital's history, some of the services provided (Emergency Department, Acute Rehabilitation Unit, Mission Hope Arroyo Grande Cancer Center, and Matthew Will Outpatient Lab & Radiology), recent improvements made to the hospital, and exciting new changes being planned as part of our Excellence Campaign. You'll also get information about the role philanthropy plays in making improvements to our hospital.



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Peace Christian Preschool



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Mark your Calendar

Chapel Every Thursday at 9:15am. Families are welcome to join us!

FEB. 7 Early Closure Day
12:20 pm pick up

FEB. 14 Classroom Valentines Parties; See Teacher for Info.

FEB. 20 SCHOOL CLOSED

President's Day



Pony Picture Day
Is coming on
March 19th!



Reminders

Please Remember to close both gates as you go in and out.

Make sure your child has a warm coat or jacket with their name in it for colder weather.

Make sure your child is at school before 9:30, unless you have notified your teacher with the excused reason for late entry.

Please, Please! **SLOW DOWN** in the parking lot. Make sure everyone that picks up your child understands the importance of this safety rule. Thank you!



Happy Birthday

- 2/1 Cody W.
- 2/4 Raxon D.
- 2/7 Zyon King B.
- 2/17 Theodore M.
- 2/20 Miss Carly
- 2/20 Nyjah T.
- 2/21 Saoirse S.
- 2/21 David G.
- 2/21 Frankie V.
- 2/24 Fransisco C.
- 2/26 Mia H.
- 2/26 Mya H.
- 2/27 Miss Jessye

For God SO LOVED THE WORLD
THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY
BEGOTTEN SON SO
THAT WHOEVER BELIEVES
IN HIM SHALL HAVE EVERLASTING
Life



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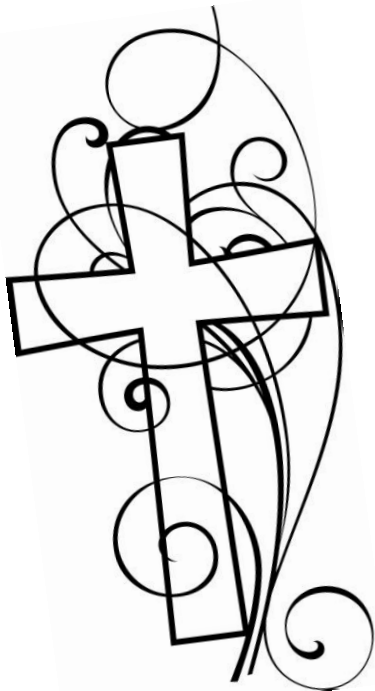
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Peace Lutheran Church
Mission Statement

In loving, caring fellowship, built upon the foundation of Word and Sacrament, we reach out with Gospel ministries to our community.