

# Welcome to Peace Lutheran Church

## Third Sunday in Lent

March 8, 2026

Presiding Minister: Pastor Andreas Stein

Director of Music: Nic Steltzer

Parish Nurse: Marilyn Kranich



In today's gospel the Samaritan woman asks Jesus for water, an image of our thirst for God. Jesus offers living water, a sign of God's grace flowing from the waters of baptism. The early church used this gospel and those of the next two Sundays to deepen baptismal reflection during the final days of preparation before baptism at Easter. As we journey to the resurrection feast, Christ comes among us in word, bath, and meal—offering us the life-giving water of God's mercy and forgiveness.

The Sunday Hymns and Liturgy text are projected for worship.  
Gluten-free wafers are available prior to worship from the ushers.

**Exo 17:1-7 Ps 95, Rom 5:1-11, John 4:5-42**

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”	ELW 502
“As the Deer Runs to the River”	ELW 331
“Shall We Gather At the River”	ELW 423

Chancel Flowers for Sunday, March 8, 2026 are given in thanks to Geo & Virginia Gronau by Nona Gronau

**Follow along in the Worship Hymnal, if you wish. Page 147 in the Hymnal.**

In case of Pastoral Emergencies, Please call the office at 239-437-2599 during regular office hours (9am - 4pm, Monday through Friday). Outside of these hours, please text or call Pastor Andreas at 402.885.0473.

Please remember that hospitals no longer contact churches with admissions.

**THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP**  
**PRESIDING MINISTER: PASTOR ANDREAS STEIN**  
**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC AND ORGANIST: NIC STELTZER**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2026 WORSHIP:**

**ASSISTING MINISTER:** Lynn Henderson **CRUCIFER:** Marty Spillman **GREETER:** Anne Dion  
**USHERS:** Leland Keeling, Karen Keeling, John Woodring, Ron Diehl **COMMUNION ASSISTANTS:** Anne Dion, Marty Spillman, Carol Anderson, Deb Johnson, Judy Hintzman, Jon Hintzman **WELCOME TABLE:** Pat Blake, Ann Rousseau **COFFEE:** Danna Munson **ALTAR GUILD:** Deb Uhl, Sue Lanman **LIVESTREAM:** Denny Kneller **VIDEO:** Carol Diehl **AUDIO:** Leland Keeling **OFFERING COUNTERS:** Marcia Theiss, Karen Erickson, Linda Clinton

Thank you **VERY MUCH** for serving!

**Our Prayer List is updated as needed.**

If you would like someone added to the prayer list, contact our Parish Nurse Marilyn Kranich at [parishnurse@peaceftmyers.com](mailto:parishnurse@peaceftmyers.com). Names will stay on the list for one month, unless noted otherwise. Thank you for your prayers and cooperation.

Larry Adams	JoAnn Henricksen	Sharen Schornstein
George Avery	Toby Hillen	Darcy Seferoglou
Ken and Ruth Baker	Anne Horner	Emily Smith
Pat Blake	Kathy Hontz	Mona Stelter
Skye Booher	Judy Hubbard	Peggy Stille
Dan Brown	Pete Jaeger	Dick Ullman
Chad	Wendy Jones	John Vaughn
Kathy Cook	John Koppen	Thomas & Mary Walsh
Cole	Sandy Krueger	Bob Wilbrandt
Julie Cramer	Chris LaPolla	LTC Marshall Wish
Deanna	Kristy Lebow	Sherry Yarema
Debbie	Pastor Mick	Major Patrick Zebrowski
Mary K. Doering	Pat Miller	Therese Zinn
Hank Dunster	Kathleen Mitchell	Ethan
Rick Donahue	Stephen Nave	
Pete Ekstrom	Michael Nohalie	
Fran Fantuzzo	Brent Page	
Melissa Feichtner	Judy Palombo	
Nicholas Fields	Doug Patterson	
Carolyn Myers Frederickson	Betty Pintar	
Sarah Graham	Brent Ras	
Mary Greene	Rachel Ray	
David Hamblin	Rick Sandvik	



**Lent & Easter Services**

**Midweek Lenten Worship Services:** Wednesdays, following Ash Wednesday, **4:00pm**. A Soup Supper will follow each service on Wednesdays. **Palm Sunday Worship Service:** March 29, **9:30am** **Triduum:** Maundy Thursday Service, Thursday, April 2, **7:00pm** Good Friday Service, Friday, April 3, **7:00pm** Easter Sunday Sunrise Service, **6:30am**, Breakfast following service - GSH. Easter Sunday Service, **9:30am**.

**The Gladiolus Food Pantry** is in need of the following items: **Oatmeal, Cooking Oil, Ketchup & Mayonnaise**. Thank you!



All are welcome; invite a friend or neighbor!

For more details of events here at Peace Lutheran Church, please see our monthly newsletter Dove Tales or our website at [www.peaceftmyers.com](http://www.peaceftmyers.com); click on the Home Tab at the top left to see the up-to-date calendar. Or check out our Facebook page at [Facebook.com/pg/peacefortmyers/](https://www.facebook.com/pg/peacefortmyers/)

## March

**Saturday, March 7 - 1:00pm - Ladies Spring Tea at Cristof's on McGregor.** 10231 McGregor Blvd. For questions and to RSVP please contact Marilyn Kranich, [parish-nurse@peaceftmyers.com](mailto:parish-nurse@peaceftmyers.com), (239) 437-2599

**Bag it! Tuesday, March 10, 10:00 am - GSH.** Come for fellowship while we work on a service project and help feed our community.

**Tuesday, March 10 - Peace Book Club, 10:30am, Library.** Join us as we discuss “The Frozen River” by Ariel Lawhon.

**Wednesday, March 11, 10:00 am - Lutheran Hymnody - Hymns, Harmonies, Praise & Prayer - Sanctuary.** Join Nic Steltzer and Gary Walth. Sessions will take place March 4, 11, 18 and 25.

**Wednesday, March 11, 10:30am - GSH.** The Lee County Sheriff’s Office presents “Crime Prevention & Active Response”. Join us for an opportunity to learn best practices for an active threat response. All are welcome.

**Wednesday, March 11, 1:00pm - Colorful Ministry - Jericho Room.** Join us as we use creativity to uplift others.

**Sunday, March 15 - Informational Gathering & Brunch - 10:45am, GSH.** After worship service.

*All are welcome to participate in communion; please follow the ushers’ instructions.*

***Thank you VERY MUCH for your generosity in giving and serving!***

The **attendance for Worship** on 2/28/2026 was **83**, 3/1/2026 @9:30am was **143**. YouTube views for **Worship** on 3/1/2026 is **72** views.

Offerings can be given during the service, or you can set up automatic donations with your bank, mail in your offering or visit our website and click on the GIVE tab at the top of the page. **What a blessing to be able to give for God’s work.**

**Readings for Sunday, March 15, 2026**  
**1 Sam 16:1-13 Ps 23, Eph 5:8-14, John 9:1-41**

## This Week at Peace



<b>Sunday, March 8, 2026</b>	<b>9:30am</b> <b>After Service</b>	<b>Worship Service, Sanctuary</b> <b>Coffee &amp; Fellowship - GSH</b>
<b>Monday, March 9, 2026</b>	<b>11:00am</b> <b>11:00am</b> <b>6:00pm</b> <b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Staff Meeting - Jericho Room</b> <b>CS Lewis Class - Choir Room</b> <b>AA meeting - GSH Room</b> <b>Mastersingers Rehearsal - Sanctuary</b>
<b>Tuesday, March 10, 2026</b>	<b>10:00am</b> <b>10:30am</b> <b>10:30am</b> <b>1:00pm</b> <b>1:00pm</b>	<b>Bag it! For the Food Pantry - GSH</b> <b>Advanced Spanish - Jericho Room</b> <b>Peace Book Club - Library</b> <b>Handbell Rehearsal - Jericho Room</b> <b>Sewing for Peace - Bethany Room</b>
<b>Wednesday, March 11, 2026</b>	<b>9:30am</b> <b>10:00am</b> <b>10:00am</b> <b>1:00pm</b> <b>4:00pm</b> <b>5:00pm</b>	<b><i>*Canceled*</i> - Simply Fit</b> <b>Lutheran Hymnody - Sanctuary</b> <b>LCSO Presents: Active Crime Response</b> <b>Colorful Ministry - Jericho Room</b> <b>Lenten Worship Service</b> <b>Soup Supper - GSH</b>
<b>Thursday, March 12, 2026</b>	<b>9:00am</b> <b>10:00am</b> <b>12:15pm</b> <b>1:00pm</b> <b>6:00pm</b>	<b>Chronic Disease Workshop - Jericho Room</b> <b>Lenten Bible Study - GSH</b> <b>Saturday Worship Team Rehearsal - GSH</b> <b>Choir Rehearsal</b> <b>AA Meeting</b>
<b>Friday, March 13, 2026</b>	<b>9:30am</b> <b>10:00am</b> <b>10:00am</b> <b>6:00pm</b>	<b>Simply Fit - GSH</b> <b>Men's Bible Study - Narthex</b> <b>Ladies Bible Study - Choir Room</b> <b>Al-Anon Meeting</b>
<b>Saturday, March 14, 2026</b>	<b>5:00pm</b> <b>After Service</b>	<b>Saturday Service</b> <b>Fellowship &amp; Refreshments</b>
<b>Sunday, March 15, 2026</b>	<b>9:30am</b> <b>After Service</b>	<b>Worship Service, Sanctuary</b> <b>Informational Gathering &amp; Brunch</b>

Any New Information or Corrections for the Bulletin **MUST BE SUBMITTED**  
**NO LATER** than **THURSDAY 9:00AM** if you want it printed that week.

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