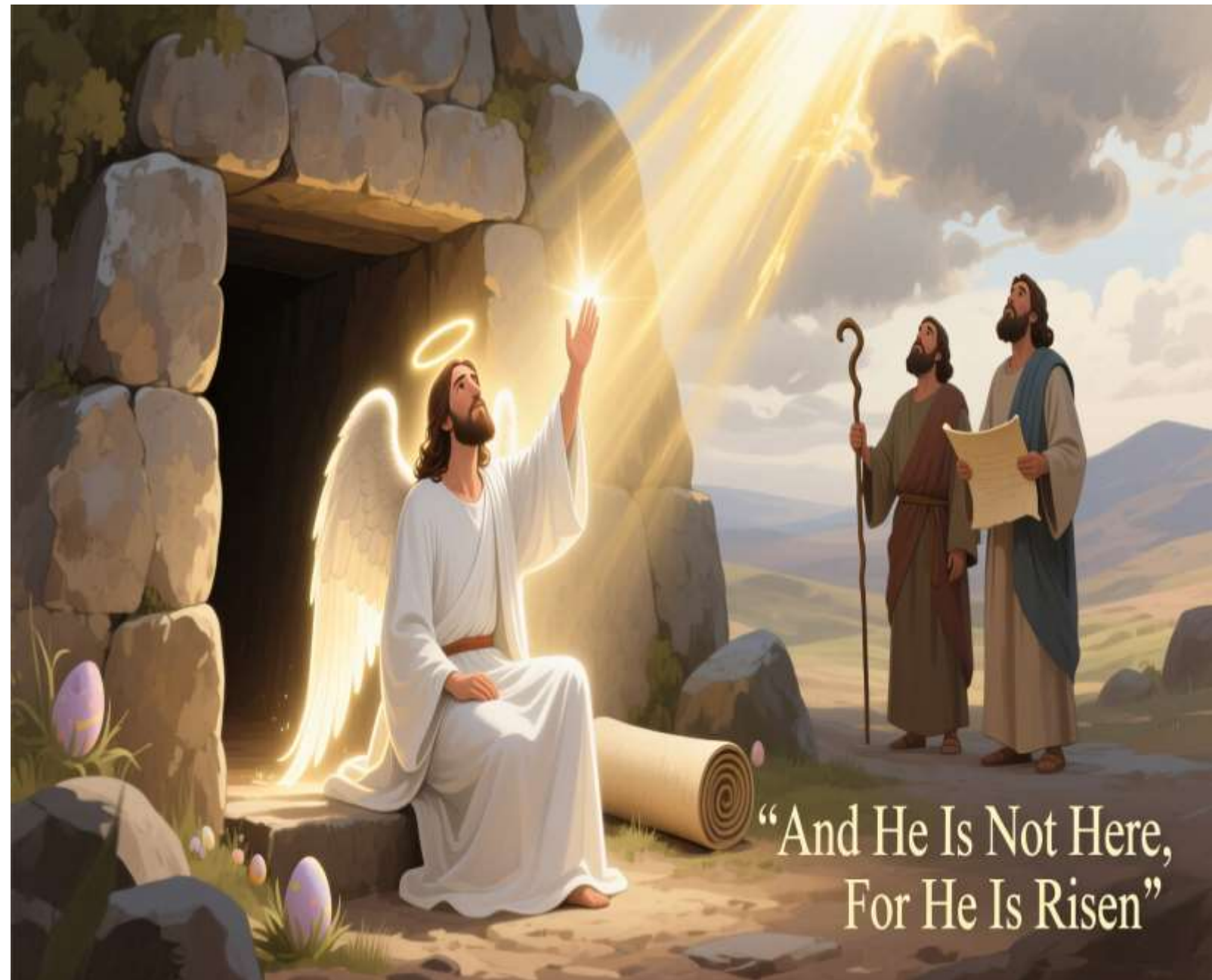


LSF REFUGE FAMILY

Dove Tales

Come Share God's Love
APRIL 2026



“And He Is Not Here,
For He Is Risen”



OUR MISSION:

To equip disciples of Jesus Christ for ministry and mission.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9:30am Sunday (Livestreamed on YouTube)



2026 LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

Pastor Andreas Stein

Tom Brusegaard - President

Linda Clinton - Vice Pres

Janet Carter - Secretary

Shawn Ray - Treasurer

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Greetings From Your Leadership Council

The excitement of Easter is upon us as we recount Christ's crucifixion and celebrate his Resurrection here at Peace in song and service.

Holy Week begins with Maundy Thursday service at 7:00 pm. A new element this year will be foot washing by Pastor Andreas.

We continue with the Good Friday service at 7:00 pm. The Easter Sunday service begins with a Sunrise Service at 6:30 am outside. That's followed by an Easter breakfast from 7:00 AM to 9:15 AM and then the Easter celebration worship service at 9:30.

We are excited to see our long awaited Cell phone tower project finally approved with all parties in agreement. Documents were signed, sealed and delivered last week. We are awaiting the construction schedule and will post that after it's received.

Respectfully

Tom Brusegaard, President



Easter is close. You can feel it at Peace.

Voices fill the sanctuary again. Music rises. People return. Some walk through our doors for the first time. There is energy in these weeks. Con-versations linger. Prayers carry weight. Something is moving among us.

We have walked through a full season together. Lenten midweeks. Honest conversations. Heavy moments. Personal stories shared in small circles. A real depth has taken root in this community. It formed over time. It grew through presence and trust.

Life at Peace continues in powerful ways. Gladiolus Food Pantry places food into hands every week. Families find support and stability through Lutheran Services of Florida. Our campus stays alive during the week with music, meetings, and countless acts of care that rarely get noticed. This is faith in motion.

Then Easter arrives.

It meets real life. It meets exhaustion. It meets disappointment. It meets the questions people carry deep inside.

The empty tomb speaks right into that space.

Life rises. Hope opens. A future unfolds.

I see it in you. I see it in the way you show up. I see it in the way you care. I see it in the strength that keeps going. Resurrection is already at work among us.

So come. Bring your whole self. Bring your joy. Bring your questions. Bring the parts of life that still feel unfinished.

Easter at Peace will be full. Full of people. Full of music. Full of life.
Full of Christ.

And that changes everything.

Rev. Andreas Stein

PARISH NURSE MINISTRY



HOW CAN PEACE PROVIDE YOU THE BEST CARE POSSIBLE? PART II

In January, I asked the above question in Dove Tales and invited you to join me in February to address that question. During the meeting, we outlined 2 surveys: one to focus on your health and wellness needs, the other for fellowship. The results:

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Please circle any conditions your health care provider has identified in you or a family member:

Heart Disease/Atrial Fib Stroke Diabetes Cancer Depression Arthritis
Mental illness Obesity Chronic lung disease Digestive disorders Chronic pain
Kidney disease Osteoporosis Other

Please circle any chronic illness that you are interested in learning strategies for prevention and intervention:

Controlling blood pressure Understanding your medications Understanding cancer
Healthy diet Being more active Understanding insurance/Medicare Stress
Diabetes. Caring for the caregiver Grief Advance directives. Special diets
Understanding mental health issues. Balance Other

Please list any programs you would like our team to offer to improve your body, mind, and spirit:

ACTIVITIES

Please circle any activities in which you would consider participating or volunteering:

Movies (on campus) Facility visits Line dancing Art classes Cooking/nutrition
Drumming circle. Restaurant visits Dementia visits Interfaith gatherings
Other

Please return your responses to Marilyn, your Parish Nurse, or into the box at the end of the service.

If you wish to participate in planning this summer's activity schedule, please join us in the Nazareth Room (Peace's library) to contribute to the discussion on Monday, April 13, at 1:00

With gratitude for the assistance of Karen Coleman, Janey Wendschlag, and her connection with Southern Hill Methodist Church.

Reference: Gallagher, Dr David P. Senior Adult Ministry in the 21st Century, 2006

Marilyn Kranich, Parish Nurse



If you would like someone added to the prayer list, please email Marilyn at parish-nurse@peaceftmyers.com. Names will stay on the list for one month unless noted otherwise.

MUSIC MINISTRY



Happy Easter Peace Lutheran Church— Jesus, the Christ, is risen; He is risen indeed!

One of my favorite movies to watch around Easter time is “My Big Fat Greek Wedding.” In this movie there is a scene that depicts an Easter celebration. It is extremely joyous with a lot of dancing and there are traditions relating to Christ’s sacrifice on the cross. For example, the hard boiled eggs that are hit together are only dyed in red. This symbolizes the blood of Jesus, and how His body is broken for humanity. It is amazing to think about how the resurrection of Jesus, when God conquers death on earth, is the most victorious event in history.

Nic

Peace Stewardship



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NEW MEMBER LUNCHEON



Gladiolus Food Pantry

For the month of April the food pantry is asking for donations of Pancake mix, Grape and Strawberry Jelly and Cooking Oil. Ground Coffee (not whole bean or K-Cup) and tea are also appreciated.

For the snow birds as you start to think of heading north this month and next remember all of your non perishable food items will be appreciated. Thank You for your generosity!

Our Monthly Bagging project for the pantry will happen again on Tuesday April 14 at 10am in GSH. Join us for a couple hours of fellowship as we complete a much needed and appreciated service project. See you there!



Peace Book Club

All are welcome to join us from 10:30am to 11:30am in the Peace Library. A copy of selected books is available to borrow- look for the display on the small table in the Welcome Center. This is the last scheduled Book Club until November.

***April 14:** *The Magnificent Lives of Marjorie Post* by Allison Pitaki

“A biographical novel chronicling the extraordinary life of Marjorie Merriweather Post, from her humble beginnings as C.W. Post’s daughter to becoming one of America’s wealthiest and women and a major philanthropist.”

Reminder: If you have borrowed a book from Peace, please return it once you are finished reading the selection. A few of our past books are being searched for by others to read and enjoy. Thank you...and happy reading!

Happy Birthday!



PAUL BISCHOFF	04/02
VALERIE KNELLER	04/02
VICKI CARLSON	04/05
DAVE SLICK	04/05
JEAN PHILLIP	04/06
BARBARA NORDBERG	04/07
JOYCE JENSEN	04/08
VIRGINIA STACY	04/08
LOIS HUTTON	04/10
LOIS HELVICK	04/12
PATRICIA SPOTTS	04/12
ERIC JACKSON	04/15
CAROL DIEHL	04/16
JEAN MECIONIS	04/16
ROBERTA HELLER	04/18
GAYLE O'HERN	04/19
PEGGY STILLE	04/21
JIM WENDSCHLAG	04/21
DAVE DIMOND	04/24
RUSTY GEISER	04/27
FORREST JENSEN	04/28
EVELYN SOARES	04/28
RICH BUCKLIN	04/30

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WEB RESOURCES: Florida-Bahamas Synod, ELCA Florida Happenings, www.fbsynod.org, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, National News, www.elca.org

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Dove Tales submission deadline is the 15th of each month to

media@peaceftmyers.com. Please send your pictures, articles, and upcoming events! We are always looking for pictures of church happenings, be sure to add a caption when you submit a picture.

Take out your phone, snap a picture, and send it in!

Thank you!

We would love to hear from you.