

THE DOVE



Surprise!

“He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, ‘Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.’”

Mark 9:35

Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

This last month Nancy and I went to Chicago for a week. I lived there as a child. Nancy had never been there. She had never been to Indiana either so we drove over to Valparaiso, original home of Orville Redenbacher Popcorn. That has nothing to do with the point of the story. I just thought it might be of some interest to you. (And then maybe not)

As happens with most vacations, we forgot a few items. We drove to a Target store to get the items. We walked into the store and almost immediately we were disoriented. It was the exact opposite of most the Target stores we have visited in the Bay Area.

For example, when we walk into the Target Store in Novato, the clothing sections are on the right as we enter the store and the food sections are to the left. At this Target store outside Chicago, the clothing sections were on the far left and the food sections on the right. We were disoriented as we shopped for our supplies.

I have chosen “Surprise!” as the theme for the month of September. In the readings from the Gospels for this month, Jesus seems to disorient his followers by doing the opposite of what they might expect. Outsiders are Insiders; in losing one’s life, life is found, the last are first and Jesus uses the ordinary to do the extraordinary.

Theologians often use the word “paradox” to describe this. It is the idea that the opposite of the way one would expect God to work is the way God works.

It’s a surprise! What surprises has God brought into your life? What seemingly negative events in your life turned out to be positive surprises?

Join us for worship in September and share the surprises of God in your life!

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**Sunday Service
9:30 a.m.**

**Fellowship
10:30 a.m.**

**Bible Class
11:10 a.m.**



**KID'S FAIR
SEPTEMBER 13
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.**



If you can help there is a sign-up sheet on the board in the narthex. We also would appreciate any monetary donations to help pay for the Petting Zoo and slippy-slides. Talk with Gary Glover with any questions.

In The Word

September Worship - Surprise!

September 6 –
The Outsider Becomes The Insider
Mark 7:24-37

September 13 (Kid's Fair) –
Burden Brings Relief
Mark 8:27-38

September 20 –
The Last Becomes First
Mark 9:30-37

September 27 –
God's Use of the Ordinary for the Extraordinary
Mark 9:38-50

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Please join us on Tuesday, September at 7PM in Luther Lounge. Bring a food item and/or beverage to share.

Friday Morning Bible Class will resume September 18, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. The study will be "Praying the Psalms". Come join us!





Adrian Johann Stein will be baptized during the service on Sunday, September 27, 2015 so please be sure to join us. A special celebration will follow.

More details to come.

BIRTHDAYS

- 9-1 Janet Reese
- 9-5 Betty Erickson
- 9-6 Amiee Rottings
- 8-11 Elizabeth Erickson
- 9-10 Laureen Schneeberger
- 9-15 rose Marie Wyneken
- 9-20 Tyler Brenes
- 9-24 Jeanine Hillebrandt
- 9-24 Tomas Brenes

Treasurer's Report

	July 2015	Year to Date
Approved Budget Income:	\$ 13,500	\$ 104,800
Actual Income:	\$ 10,625	\$ 91,364
Less Expenses	-\$13,339	-\$109,277
NET GAIN/LOSS	-\$2,714	-\$17,913

Peter Pardini, Treasurer

ANNIVERSARIES

- 9-15 Art & Mimi Strassburger
- 9-24 Sebastian & Dahlia Stein
- 9-25 Keith & Jackie Stoneking
- 9-29 Bryan & Joanne Wells

September Menu
"Brown Bag"
 Meal Program For Fireside
 " Cheddar Potato Soup"
 We are preparing 51 bags for seniors and families!

Soup mix already purchased.

We need:

- Monetary donations for fresh veggies and fruit.
- additional items

Delivery date: Tuesday, September 8th
Thank you for feeding our neighbors!



Peace Lutheran Church
2015 Officers, Council & LayMinisters

OFFICERS

- President** - Gary Glover
- Vice President** - Marlene Rice
- Treasurer** - Peter Pardini
- Secretary** – Laureen Schneeberger
- Social Ministry:** Mary Ann Griller

COUNCIL

- CommunityOutreach:** Sharon Sides
- Fellowship:** Dahlia/Sebastian Stein
- Properties:** Gary Glover

LAY MINISTERS

- Jane Green
- Beverly Erbel
- Rick Kinney

September

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
		1 9:30-12:30 SD (PH) 3-6 VL (S)	2 2-6:30pm VL (S) 6-8p SD (PH)	3	4	5 8:30-9:30a PC-SD 9:30-12:30 SD (PH)
6 9:30am-Worship Service	7 3-5 VL (LL)	8 9:30-12:30 SD (PH) 10:30am Fireside Meal Program 3-6 VL (S) 7p Ladies Bible Study	9 2-6:30pm VL (S) 6-8p SD (PH)	10	11	12 8:30-9:30a PC-SD 9:30-12:30 SD (PH)
13 9:30am-Worship Service KID'S FAIR 11a-2p	14 3-5VL (LL)	15 9:30-12:30 SD (PH) 3-6 VL (S)	16 2--6:30pm VL (S) 6-8p SD (PH) 7p Church Council Mtg. (LL)	17	18 10a Women's Bible Study	19 8:30-9:30 PC-SD 9:30-12:30 SD (PH)
20 9:30am-Worship Service 11:15a Adult Bible Study DOVE article deadline	21 3-5VL (LL)	22 9:30-12:30 SD (PH) 3-6 VL (S)	23 9:30a Worship Com.Mtg. 2-6:30pm VL (S) 6-8p SD (PH)	24	25 10a Women's Bible Study 12-3:30p Mt. Tam Use of Parking Lot	26 8:30-9:30 PC-SD 9:30-12:30 SD (PH)
27 9:30am-Worship Service 11:15a Adult Bible Study	28 3-5VL (LL)	29 9:30-12:30 SD (PH) 3-6 VL (S)	30			OFFICE HOURS M-Thurs. 9AM-12N M-Pastor's Day Off F-Secretary's Day Off

2015

SERVERS FOR SEPTEMBER 2015

	September 6	September 13	September 20	September 27
<u>Altar Guild</u>	Janice Hellman Vicki McGowan	Dorlane Krausse Ulla Kerr	Betty Erickson Vicki McGowan	Jeanine Hillebrandt Marlene Rice
<u>Coffee Hour</u>	Ulla Kerr Laureen Schneeberger	Betty Erickson Vicki McGowan	Lee & Janet Rosevear	John & Ana Hilda Mosher
	<i>Coffee Hour Supplies for September: Barbara Petropoulos</i>			
<u>Counters</u>	Sally Erickson	Ulla Kerr Vicki McGowan	Lee Rosevear Vicki McGowan	Dave Erickson Marlene Rice
<u>Flowers</u>	Marlene Rice	Rusty Rush	Rusty Rush	Sally Erickson
<u>Greeters</u>	Rick Kenney	Lee & Janet Rosevear	Ernie & Marilyn Au	Jeanine Hillebrandt
<u>Lay Ministers</u>	<i>Communion Assistants</i>		<i>Communion Assistants</i>	
	Gary Glover John Moorhead	Gary Glover Keith & Jackie Stoneking	Rick Kenney Vicki McGowan	Rick Kenney Ulla Kerr Laureen Schneeberger
<u>Lay Readers</u>	Nancy Adams	Rick Kenney	Janet Reese	Cynthia Smith

(If you cannot serve on your assigned date, please find a substitute and inform the Church Office, 388-2065)

SERVERS FOR OCTOBER 2015

	October 4	October 11	October 18	October 25
<u>Altar Guild</u>	Janice Hellman Vicki McGowan	Dorlane Krausse Ulla Kerr	Betty Erickson Mary Ann Griller	Jeanine Hillbrandt Marlene Rice
<u>Coffee Hour</u>	Nancy Adams Sally Erickson	Don & Beverly Erbel	Ulla Kerr Laureen Schneeberger	Betty Erickson Vicki McGowan
<i>Coffee Hour Supplies for October : Jeanine Hillebrandt</i>				
<u>Counters</u>	Don Erbel Vicki McGowan	Vicki McGowan Lee Rosevear	Sally Erickson	Don Erbel Ulla Kerr
<u>Flowers</u>	Beverly Erbel	Sally Erickson	Marlene Rice	Rusty Rush
<u>Greeters</u>	Peter Pardini	Vicki McGowan	Rick Kenney	Ulla Kerr
<u>Lay Ministers</u>	Communion Assists.	Marlene Rice	Communion Assists.	Beverly Erbel
<u>Ushers</u>	Don & Beverly Erbel	Keith & Jackie Stoneking	Jim & Sharon Sides	Gary Glover John Moorhead
<u>Lay Readers</u>	Art Strassburger	Beverly Erbel	Sharon Sides	Mary Ann Griller

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