



## Peace Weekly Announcements

Pentecost 15, September 13, 2020

During this time, office hours will be Monday—Thursday, 9am—noon.

Please leave a message after hours.

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**We are blessed to share our “LIVE” broadcast with you on Sundays at 9AM on our YouTube channel.**

To view live or recorded services, visit our website, or go directly to YouTube by clicking the link below.

**All worship services and special recordings are available for viewing.** Check it out on our YouTube channel— Peace Lutheran Fort Myers or click on this link [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCeauNwL60-z3MeHP6ekbQ9w/featured?view\\_as=subscriber](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCeauNwL60-z3MeHP6ekbQ9w/featured?view_as=subscriber) Tune in and hear God’s Good News!

**Your patience, and understanding are so appreciated** as we broadcast our worship services. We also appreciate your continued support financially as we navigate through this COVID crisis.

To view an exciting new **ENRICH YouTube** interview with Pastor Walter, Dena Kilgus, and Marilyn Kranich from September 9, 2020 see link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vAig5ov4Mnw>

**IMPORTANT UPDATE:** The Leadership Council approved the recommendation of the Health Team that we start in-person worship on Sunday, September 20 at 10 AM. Please note: our leaders will continue to monitor the data from COVID-19 and a spike in the cases, perhaps from school starting or Labor Day events, may force the start date to be delayed. Next week a “Question and Answer” sheet will be sent and video developed about our practices for in-person worship during the COVID-19 pandemic. Worship via YouTube will continue for our traveling snowbirds or those who choose to worship virtually due to health concerns. Thank you for the prayers and support of our leadership during this difficult time.

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**Bible study from your couch to the Holy Land!** Have you wanted to study the Bible in the Holy Land? Pr Walter on **Wednesday, September 16th and 23rd @ 9 AM EST (NOTE NEW TIME)** will be showing Bible studies developed by Rami, the wonderful guide that led the group in January. Rami will connect the Bible story to the land and you will be blessed! Join by Zoom at Link below: You will be richly blessed by our study with Rami!

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89527212728?pwd=dGVJdVJsTjFHM0hBbGJCelpSR282dz09>

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Join our sisters and brothers across the ELCA in **God’s Work-Our Hands 2020.**

Our project this year is to donate food and financial gifts to our neighbors at Gladiolus Food Pantry on **Sunday, September 13 from 10 AM to 11:30 AM.** The Food Pantry van will be in our parking lot and volunteers will take bagged food from your car/trunk. Preferred food items: Canned fruit and vegetables, peanut butter and jelly, kids cereal, and bathroom tissue. Checks may also be given— make them payable to Gladiolus Food Pantry. Our thanks to Pat Blake and the Servant Committee for coordinating this event!





**ENRICH Senior Center** is committed to providing balanced offerings of activities, programs, and opportunities to help you experience joy, purpose and well-being in the face of the challenges of social isolation, loneliness, and reduced connections. Here are a couple of the upcoming programs being offered via Zoom – unless otherwise stated. **There is now a link to the ENRICH events under the ministry tab on our website. You can click there to see upcoming events for the ENRICH Senior Center. Please visit <http://peaceftmyers.com/enrich.htm>**

Here is the link for the **August 4 ENRICH** program, **Navigating Telehealth Lee Health**

Marilyn Kranich, Judy Hintzman, Joann Andrews (Lee Health)

[https://stadia.zoom.us/rec/share/hDAeYS87p0-tDFDjPdsFaOyLCyWHzZSHYxf9KuXetem\\_k4vXNcPYdXva9kZx4YeX.nvHJ2911zVCtPaf7](https://stadia.zoom.us/rec/share/hDAeYS87p0-tDFDjPdsFaOyLCyWHzZSHYxf9KuXetem_k4vXNcPYdXva9kZx4YeX.nvHJ2911zVCtPaf7)

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**Note:** The passcode unique to this event IS required to access the recording. Every recording will have both a unique link and passcode. **Do Not Copy & Paste; Enter Passcode Manually.**

**Friday, September 18 – 10-11 am EST - Detecting and Avoiding Scams – Including COVID-Related Cons**

Heather Turco—Lee County Sheriff’s Office—Crime Prevention Specialist

- There are so many creative ways criminals are stealing our money, from realistic-looking websites and warnings, to convincing threats and awards. They take advantage of current crises, like the COVID-19 concerns. Every day the devious plot list is growing - thieves using our devices to scam us. It’s unsettling, embarrassing and unfortunately, the criminals can quickly drain our bank accounts. You hear the stories and think, that will never be me...but sadly, it just takes one vulnerable moment for us to fall victim. The crime prevention specialists at the Lee County Sheriff’s Office are experts on crime trends and can share those with you, along with valuable advice on how to spot a scammer or fraudster and what to do if you become a victim. **Click on or copy & paste this link:**
- <https://stadia.zoom.us/j/99698075015?pwd=KzIKMHU1a1JQU5ROGF4VWVaeHFadz09> or **join by phone:** 1-312-626-6799 and add meeting ID # when prompted.  
**Meeting ID:** 996 9807 5015

**Monday, September 28 – Wednesday, November 18 – Tai Chi (every M and W during this period)**

- Area Agency on Aging – Instructor TBA
- Zoom is initiated by the Area Agency on Aging – not ENRICH
- **Class is limited to 10 participants**
- **You must pre-register by contacting:**  
[Sherry.young@aaaswfl.org](mailto:Sherry.young@aaaswfl.org) or 239-652-6900 ext. 58240 or  
[Deborah.pierce@aaaswfl.org](mailto:Deborah.pierce@aaaswfl.org) or 239-652-6900 ext. 58262

**Friday, October 2 – Healthy Living for your Brain and Body**

Amy Schenk—Alzheimer’s Association—Program Manager

Adrian Gerard—Cypress Cove—Marketing Coordinator

- <https://stadia.zoom.us/j/95023692870> or **join by phone:** 1-312-626-6799 and add meeting ID # when prompted.  
**Meeting ID:** 950 2369 2870

**Thrivent Choice Dollars® directions can help ENRICH Senior Center:**

Are you a member of Thrivent Financial who’s eligible to direct Choice Dollars®? Choice Dollars charitable grant funds can make a world of difference to Peace and ENRICH Senior Center as we work together to do God’s work in the community. By directing Choice Dollars, eligible Thrivent members recommend where they feel Thrivent should distribute a portion of its charitable grant funds. Directing Choice Dollars is easy. Simply go to **[thrivent.com/thriventchoice](http://thrivent.com/thriventchoice)** to learn more and find program terms and conditions. Or **call 800-847-4836** and say “Thrivent Choice” after the prompt. To reach our local office, please call Damian Varela at 239-689-4728.



**Readings for Pentecost 16, September 20:**  
Jonah 3:10-4:11; Psalm 145:1-8; Phil 1:21-30; Matthew 20:1-16



The giving report for September 6 is \$6,139. **We thank you** for your continued support through this crisis and going forward. You can set up automatic donations with your bank, mail in your offering (**a new secure mailbox is installed and all mail is removed daily**), or visit our website and click on the donate button on the front page. The views for September 6th were 177 as of 9-8-20, which means an estimated 300 people were blessed through our worship!

**The Thrivent Volunteer Program**

We have updated the Thrivent Volunteer Program website with new resources for you. Check it out!



Here you will find brochures, videos, and links to information that will help you connect others to Thrivent. Connect to The **Thrivent Volunteer Program Website** @: <https://www.thrivent.com/leader-resources/thrivent-volunteers/>

**Thanks for helping others Thrive with Purpose Join us for upcoming events in September!**

**Unshakeable, Unstoppable - The Power of a Personal Brand**

**Tuesday, September 15 @ 11 a.m.**

Personal branding is the story people tell about you when you're not in the room. Tara Lynn Foster will discuss the importance of your brand. You will take away two key strategies that you can practice right away to understand your brand and share it with the world consistently and intentionally.

**Your Retirement: How to Take Control Today with Tom Hegna**

**Thursday, September 17 @ 2:30 p.m.**

Tom Hegna, CLU®, ChFC®, CASL®, is the author of Don't Worry, Retire Happy!, a straightforward guide to retirement planning in uncertain times. He'll offer insights to help you prepare for a secure and fulfilling retirement—and live generously along the way.

**Krys and Glen Chisholm share some pics from the Northwoods...**



“Millions of trees are accidentally planted by squirrels who bury nuts, then forget where they hid them. Do good and forget. It will grow someday.”



During these stressful times, please remember that the **Lutheran Counseling Service** is still providing assistance to anyone who needs it. Pastor Johanna Kiefner is seeing some clients at Peace and some clients virtually, so that you can feel safe. This is a wonderful resource for our members and friends! Please feel free to call LCS at 800-444-2842 or 407-644-4692 for an appointment.



Thank you all for your prayers and concern after my stroke. The prayer share was greatly appreciated. The women do a great job on these, and they are sent with love and prayers. Still on the road to recovery, but doing better every day, the therapy is making me stronger.  
— George Adams

Dear Marilyn,

I have received your kind and very thoughtful gift. My life certainly is quite different, moments of such sadness but that doesn't last long. I am so grateful of a new understanding of God and His extreme love that speaks to me. We make our sense of God, too short-sided and difficult or unworthy of each of us or simply ME. I have a better love with God now. Please give my best to everyone who prays because I REALLY know God heard them on our behalf. My best to you.—Brenda Bucklew

Dear Peace Lutheran Church,

We speak his name: George Floyd. We gratefully acknowledge your generous contribution to the Justice Fund at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. Your loving support enables us to serve our community and to be generous with our neighbors as we support the cause of justice together. Thank you for being our partner as we pray for and work toward a more equitable tomorrow.

Sincerely—Virginia Jordan—on behalf of the pastors, staff and congregation

**Prayer Requests:** Please pray for these requests in our Peace Family. Names will remain for one month. Email [peace@peacefymyers.com](mailto:peace@peacefymyers.com) if there is someone you would like to add to our prayer request list.

George Avery	Sue Lanman
Robyn Brown	Chris LaPolla
Bruce & Rhonda	Kristy LeBow
Darlene Brunner	Linnae & Jude
Chad	Owen Mooney
Cole	Gene Ras
Mary Daggett and Gary	Teresa Riccardi
Hemsworth on death of	Ethan Ricketts
Mary's mother Doris	Judy Satin
Daggett	Dave Schornstein
Dillon DeBoer	Vince Smith
Brenton K. Fannin	Carl & Helen Still
Tina Frusciante	Ruth Jean Unger
Marty & Sheila Galis	Susan Wejrowski
Bev and Ray Gerds	Bill Wilcop
Sandra Grimm	Rollie & Matt Yudt
John Austen Guilfoil	
Bill Kern	
Donna Kern	



Heavenly Father, You intend for our bodies to be a temple of the Holy Spirit. May it be your gracious will that we enjoy Your healing power. That we may seek You, serve You, enjoy You, and depend on You through the physical life You have given us and shared with us. In Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.



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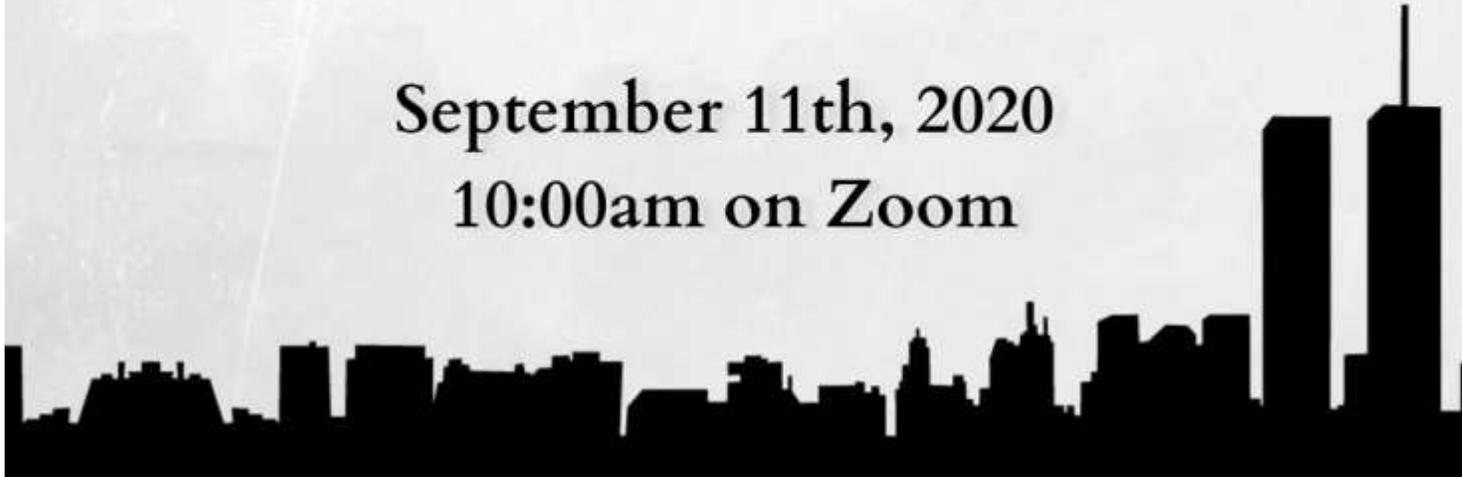
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# September 11th Service of Remembrance

September 11th, 2020  
10:00am on Zoom



## **September 11, 2020 at 10:00am on Zoom**

Join Bishop Pedro Suárez, Assistant to the Bishop Pastor Khader El-Yateem, and Pastor Joe Conner for a service of remembrance and prayer on the 19th anniversary of September 11th, 2001.

This brief service will include prayers of lamentation and special live music. Reflections will be shared by Pr. Joe Conner, who served as Pastor of Zion Lutheran Church on Staten Island during 9/11/01, and now serves as Pastor of Lamb of God in Haines City.

No registration is necessary. Simply copy the link below to access the meeting and click on “Join the Service by Clicking Here”

<https://fbsynod.com/september-11th-service-of-remembrance/>



**CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE:** As the chair of the Call Committee, I'm pleased to tell you that on this past Tuesday, the Call Committee voted unanimously to recommend a candidate to the Leadership Council for their consideration for our new Pastor.

In spite of the COVID challenges, the Call Committee has been busy meeting with all the candidates that we were given, all meetings via ZOOM and some meetings face to face.

In addition, the Call Committee, through the Synod office contacted all those names that were given to us from the congregation as possible candidates, and those people told the Synod office that they were not interested in moving at this time.

In total, we contacted seven people, four from names submitted by our congregation, three from names given us by the Synod.

Our last meeting a week ago gave us clear direction for our future.

After much prayer and discussion, and an afternoon of face to face, the Committee needed to check references that were given regarding a particular candidate. All of these references came back positive and with rave comments.

Now procedure is this: first, the candidate will meet with the Leadership Council, then when the Council agrees with our selection, the Council will vote to call a special congregational meeting. Constitution requires that there is a two week notice for a congregational meeting. Prior to that meeting the congregation will be given the person's name, and some biographical data, where the person has served prior, possibly a "meet and greet," and then at the congregational meeting, the congregation will vote to issue a call to the individual.

Once the call is issued, the individual has thirty days to respond yea or nay.

The Call Committee is excited and confident that the HOLY SPIRIT has been directing us in the process.

We now encourage your prayers for the decisions to be made.

Frank Warner, Call Committee Chair