

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 14, 2021

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IN OUR PRAYERS we remember: Marcia Neelly, Kirk Aeilts, Ray Delfs, Walt Dibbern

ORDER OF WORSHIP: Order of Service Hymns 702 575 571

THIS WEEK AT PEACE AND ENGLISH:

Mar. 14 8:30 a.m. Worship at English

Mar. 14 9:00 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Studies

Mar. 14 10:15 a.m. Worship at Peace

Mar. 16 10:00 a.m. Bible Study

Mar. 17 2:30 p.m. Confirmation

Mar. 17 7:00 p.m. Lenten service at Peace

Mar. 18 Noon Bible Study

HYMN OF THE DAY: Our hymn of the day is *God Loved the World So that He Gave*. This hymn was written by Johann Olearius in 1671. Many of Olearius' hymns were meant to explain core doctrines of the Christian faith. This hymn focuses on John 3:16 and teaches the doctrine of justification. In verses 1-3, we see what God has done to save sinners. He sent his Son into the world to suffer death and save the lost. All who trust in Christ build on Christ (1-2). But we are not able to trust in Christ without God's help, so God has also sent the Holy Spirit to us to declare through the Word that we are heaven's heirs (3). In verses 4-6, we see the benefits of God's work for us. First, we have forgiveness of sins through baptism and Jesus' blood (4). Second, we have hope in death because Christ has saved our souls (5). Finally, we can offer praises to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, for all the good God has done for us (6).

ABOUT THE BULLETIN COVER: Jesus was lifted up on the cross so that all who look to Him for salvation would have eternal life. In John 3:16, we also have the perspective of God looking down upon the world in love. Christ's act of going to the cross is the definitive act of God's love for us. "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life."

BIBLE READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Jeremiah 31:31-34; Hebrews 5:1-10;
Mark 10:32-45

FELLOWSHIP HOUR IS BACK!!! Peace has opened the fellowship hall for after service coffee and fellowship. There is a sign-up sheet in the back if you would like to provide snacks and beverages.

ATTENTION THRIVENT MEMBERS: Please direct your Thrivent Choice Dollars before they expire on March 31, 2021. You can go to www.thrivent.com and click on Generosity or call 1-800-847-4836 and say "choice dollars". You may give all of your amount to one organization or you can split it between several. If giving to this church, be sure to put Peace Lutheran of Rock Rapids, IA or English Lutheran of Larchwood.

TAXES: If anyone needs a receipt for any single donations of \$250 or more for their tax records, please let Doris Iwen know at 712-348-0202 or iwen@premieronline.net

DAUGHTERS OF PEACE will have a Spring Rummage Sale on May 7th. Please start accumulating your good, clean, used items for the sale. If you have any special items that you are donating, please let a member of Daughters know so it can be advertised to bring more people to the sale.

FUNERAL SERVICES for Ron Steinberg will be held in on June 4th at Peace Lutheran.

EASTER LILY/SPRING FLOWERS SIGN UP SHEET: If you would like to share your flowers on Easter Sunday April 4th, there is a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall.

MID-SIOUX OPPORTUNITY, Early Headstart is currently taking applications for their FREE Family Support and Resource Program. For more information on this free preschool program contact 800-859-2025.

THIS MONTH Daughters of Peace will collect canned vegetables for Atlas. Thank you all for your support in our monthly projects.

ACOLYTE TODAY is Amber Langholdt. Next Sunday will be Alex Minor.

USHERING TODAY is Team 3; Next Sunday is Team 4: Wayne Ranschau, Brad Vogel, Gary Delfs, Marv Flier, Wayne Jepsen, Denton Olson, John Schulte