



Dear Friends through Christ:

First, I would like to thank all of you for giving Sandy and I the opportunity to vacation at my Garden of Eden. We humans call it Ocean Isle, NC. Thank-You!

It's been eight months since my heart attack, so this year was a little more laid back than previous beach trips, not quite as many shells. Last year I wrote about the excitement of getting stuck at the point a ¼ mile out in the ocean on a sandbar, while a "microhurricane" blew over me and my bag full of Baptismal Shells. In the middle of that storm, I thought I was asked to write the same exact letter addressed two people—Donald Trump and Joe Biden. Sounds crazy! But crazier yet, I wrote that letter, mailed them and after a full year nothing.

I did, however, do what I felt and believed God wanted me to do. Isn't that how we are to live our lives every single day of year, even if people think we are crazy? Doing what we believe, feel, and sometimes hearing what God wants us to do? If we are to fulfill our task of being Fruitful, God needs to come to us. Human beings cannot do it alone. The reason for Pentecost! The outpouring of God's Holy Spirit. And if I never teach you anything else, hopefully you will always be able to answer this one question, quickly. While God can come to you anyway God chooses, in what ways does God promise to come to You?

The answer is Word and Sacrament!

God promises to come to you through the Word found in our Holy Bible, or in English, "Set Apart Books." These Words can be read aloud or silently in our hearts, but they must be heard. Faith comes by hearing. These Words can be sung or expounded upon through Bible Study and Sermons. These Words become Flesh and live among us. Once a person begins to know and understand these set apart words, they will know that God is with them, always.

God also promises to come to you through the Sacrament of Holy Communion, or in English again, "The Mystery of a Set Apart Fellowship." Through this fellowship of believers and through the simplicity of bread and wine, you and I can experience the Real Presence of Christ Jesus, His body and blood. "Do this in remembrance of me."

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And finally, God promises to come to you through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, or in English one last time, "The Mystery of a Set Apart Washing." I genuinely believe that Holy Baptism is a beautiful gift that saves many lives, but only if that person puts this gift to work and remembers these set-apart waters. A person must use those simple waters!

That is why I walk the shallows of Ocean Isle for hours upon hours searching for these magnificent reminders of Baptism. So people can use their Baptism. Granted I have no clue how these mysteries of God work, but almost every day now, I am given signs that make me just know that they do work. These waters daily wash me from sin, daily free me from death and help me fight evil, every single day. God comes to me, over and over.

Every time I find a Baptismal Shell, I am reminded how something so ordinary like a Cockle Shell can hold such power when touched by God's amazing grace. I am also humbled how a single act of kindness, such as sharing a shell with someone we care about, how that single act of faith can light a fire in someone you love.

So now that I have walked more that 40 hours collecting these treasures, now that my leg cramps are gone, now that I have cleaned and sorted these Baptismal symbols, now that I have prayed over each shell and marked them all with the Cross of Christ on the inside, my work is done.

However, yours is just beginning.

Think of someone you care about who seems to need some help in fulfilling their task of being fruitful. Take a shell and offer it to that person as a gift to place in the kitchen, bathroom, or bedroom to remind them they have been named as a child of the Living God. They are special and have a purpose. Then simply turn over the shell and see the Cross. No matter what is holding you down, beating you up, know for certain that through those waters of baptism, your sins are forgiven. Your robe has been washed clean through the blood of the Lamb and God will give you guidance. At this moment you're pure and your name is written in the book of life!

This summer let us recommit ourselves to God's Word and Sacrament, even when the reasons seem unclear and the world thinks us crazy. Because through every storm and every heart attack, we still have God's Word and Sacrament—a promise that will carry us through. Praise the Lord!

In Christian love,

Pastor David Trexler



We seem to be rolling along smoothly as far as church management is concerned. Our church campus is as busy as always. So at this time, it is fitting, to say a prayer of thanks for all the folks whose hard work and volunteering keep our church buildings and grounds looking so good. It takes a lot of effort and we appreciate all you do.



With Memorial Day behind us, it is officially summer! As a child I lived in an apartment in NYC with my 3 siblings, my parents and my grandmother. In the summer the kids would be sent to New Jersey to a sleep away camp that was run by Sisters of the Fellowship Deaconry. Their mission was to provide a safe fun environment, while teaching us about the love of Jesus. Our counselors led us in daily Devotions, but also took us on hikes and hayrides. We attended assemblies of singing and clapping as well as Sunday morning service. We engaged in creating arts and crafts like basket weaving and painting ceramics. It is a time I remember fondly.

This summer our Vacation Bible School (VBS) takes place July 7th to the 11th. We are looking for volunteers to help shepherd the children as well as to assist in activities and crafts. Please consider if your schedule will allow you to help out. Let me or Faye Schill know of your interest. Come and help spread the love of Jesus!

Gabrielle DiTota

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School



JULY 7 - JULY 11

8:45AM - 12:00PM

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FREE!!!

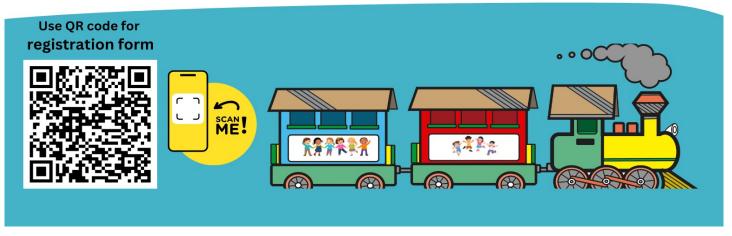


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Register at: www.peacelutheranpb.org or pick up registration form at Church office 8:30AM - 12PM / Monday - Friday

AGES 4 - 12 (Limit is 75 children)



Treasurer's Report for May 2025

Hello Brothers and Sisters in Christ!

The Major Roof Fund stands at \$48,382.26 at the end of April.

The Building Maintenance Fund stands at \$4,019.95 for new Air Conditioners and other projects.

Wes Edwards, Treasurer treasurer@peacelutheranpb.org

Treasurer's Report of General Fund for April 2025

	<u>April</u>	<u>YTD</u>	YTD Budget
Contributions	\$12,475.00	\$50,054.38	\$62,705.68
Loose Contributions & Other	\$1,126.00	\$6,086.50	\$2,666.68
Use of Facilities	\$2,385.00	\$21,920.00	\$23,333.32
Total Income	\$15,985.00	\$78,060.88	\$88,705.68
Expenses	\$23,009.71	\$90,645.27	\$86,299.32

Our Expenses exceeded our Income for April 2025: (\$7,023.71)

The General Fund account is used for regular expenses (utilities, salaries, lawn care, insurance, mortgage, etc.)

God bless all who give freely of their time, tithes and talents.

Did you know? Instead of writing multiple checks for individual contributions like the Children's Hunger Project, the Food Pantry, etc., you only have to write one check. Simply designate the breakdown of your giving in the check's memo area or on the envelope itself. "FP" for Food Pantry, "CHP" for Children's Hunger Project, and so on.



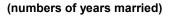
BRADLEY, Theresa & Scott (30) 06/10

ARNDT, Steven & Luisa (42) 06/11

FLAHERTY, David & Janet (42) 06/11

LAPLANTE, Christian & Dina (18) 06/13

GARCEA, Elizabeth & Gary (50) 06/14







SMITH, Scott	06/01
SANDBERG, Shayne	06/03
MITCHELL, Judy	06/04
SCHERER, Cayla	06/07
TROTTER, June	06/09
BRADLEY, Scott	06/13
COOK, Sally	06/13
RAMSEY, Sue	06/13
GOODWIN, Leonora	06/18
COTTON, Rosita	06/19
SCHILL, Faye	06/19
SHEEHAN, Elizabeth	06/26
O'BRIEN, Charlene	06/28



Lori Deaton
Ryan Dasinger
Rick Pellecchia
Jacqueline Darby
Debbie Parks
Matt Parks
Enid Rodriguez

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Don Hoffman
Betty Sheller
Tonita Diaz
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Janet Flaherty
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Mardelle Hansen
Sherry Anderson
Richard & Joanne
Honbaugh

Cristina Elliott
Rafael Rivera
Karen Holzer
Patricia Null
Denise Thomas
Debra McKinny
Melinda Adams
Wes & Molly
Edwards & Family
Jude Zrutskie



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Friday	6 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch	13 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch	20 First Day of Summer 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch	27 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch	4 July 4th Holiday - Office Closed 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch
Thursday	5 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch 5:00pm Stamp Club FH	12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch	19 Juneteenth Holiday 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch	26 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch	3 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch 5:00pm Stamp Club FH
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Sunday	1 8:45am Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch	8 PENTECOST SUNDAY 8:45am Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch	15 FATHER'S DAY 8:45am Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch	22 8:45am Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch	29 8:45am Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch

Bits & Pieces

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Give us a LIKE and get updates, spiritual messages, events and any changes.

Or visit us on our website www.peacelutheranpb.org





Jesus says in Matthew 25, "For I was hungry and you gave me food...Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."

Where do buy groceries, gas, prescriptions? What restaurants do you like? Where do you purchase clothing or things for around the house? A couple weeks ago, Peace began a program called Scrip. Simply and I mean simply, purchase the cards following worship or order whatever you want for the following week. That's it. 100% of the proceeds will go toward our food pantry in feeding the poor.

We are going to shop no matter what. We might as well serve the Lord in the process. I love the program because it helps me think more about God. I don't always do that when I use my debit or credit card. When I'm out having a meal with family or friends, shopping at the mall with my wife, doing some work around the house, and I go to pay the bill with my Scrip card, I find myself lifting up a word of thanksgiving for being able to enjoy the blessings given by my Creator.

Give it try. See how you feel.

Please help us keep our list of military personnel up-to-date! Call or e-mail the office with any changes in status, rank, or location! Thank you!

E.J. Alcario, Iraq

John Bedford, Iraq

Kristen Hall AF, Iraq

Capt. Brian Nailing, Ft. Cavazos. TX

Maj. AD Dennis Peoples, Rock Island Arsenal, IL

Major Nathan Schill, Pentagon, VA

USN FC3 Stephen Weaver, USS Dewey

Navy Chief Sean Patrick Goguen, Norfolk, VA

1st Lieut. Tanner Johnson—Army, *E. Africa*





Our Food Pantry is always in need of donations of either food or financial donations to support this much needed ministry. Our community is flooded with people looking for help, and we are grateful that as a church, we can help meet the need, anyway we can. Your generous donations will

allow us to continue to help them and together, we can see our community get stronger!

Our pantry is open on: Tuesday's—9:00AM-11:00AM

Thank you to everyone who has been donating to the food pantry. It truly makes a difference in our community.





EVERY SATURDAY 5:00PM

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June 2025

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Worship

5:00PM—Saturday Night Worship 8:30AM—Bible Study 10:00AM—Worship Service



We Serve

Altar Guild—Set up and prepare for communion each week, usually serving one month at a time; more people are needed.

Worship Servants—Sunday Worship Assistants and Communion Assistants are needed.

Office Helpers—Those who help with special mailings, etc. Please call Jacqui in church office (321)727-3131

Chancel Choir—Wednesday night rehearsals—7:00PM

Bell Choir—Call Cindy Wagman to learn more about our bell choirs 321-830-4207.

Money Counters—Teams of two people working for one month at a time. Call church office if interested.

In the Nursery—Nursery is available during worship.

Property/Grounds—There is always plenty of work to be done here. Please contact Steve Barnett.

Projectionists Needed—We need people who can use the remote for our Slide Presentations on Sunday morning . Please see Pastor David Trexler for details if you would like to volunteer.

Call and Caring—Our team visits people who are in the hospital, nursing homes, and who are homebound. See Terry Neumann for more information.

Please call the office to be a servant for the Lord by taking on one or more of these opportunities. (321)727-3131

