

EASTER SUNDAY
In-Person and Online Worship Bulletin
April 20, 2025



PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Welcome to Peace Lutheran Church

Mission Statement

**We are called to be an inclusive community,
sharing God's grace through worship, service,
and hospitality.**

**We of Peace Lutheran Church welcome all people to
full participation in the life of the church regardless of race,
ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression,
or physical or mental disability.**

Children are welcome in any worship service at Peace Lutheran Church.

**It is a pleasure to have you worship with us this week
and we invite you to worship with us again soon.
If you are in need of assistance of any kind, please speak with an usher.**

P= Presider, A= Assisting Minister, C= Congregation

⊕ -----GATHERING----- ⊕

PRELUDE

The Risen Christ --Charles Sergisson
Kathie Rich, piano and Jieun Newland, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
C: **Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
C: **Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

P: In the name of + the One
who was, who is, and who is to come.
C: **Amen.**

P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection,
and called to live the baptized life,
let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Holy God,
we give you thanks for the waters of baptism,
waters that make a people your own,
that restore to wholeness,
and empower us to be witnesses in your name.
Baptized into you, O Living One,
C: **make us one as you are one.**

- P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,
waters that strengthen believers
and give new life to beloved servants of your church;
waters that extend your boundless love
and cross barriers of our own making.
Baptized into you, O Living One,
C: **make us one as you are one.**
- P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,
waters that open the hearts of believers
and give a voice in the night to those in captivity;
waters that set your people on a new path,
rejoicing in the Spirit's power.
Baptized into you, O Living One,
C: **make us one as you are one.**
- P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One,
that our every day is shaped by these waters
that give us our very lives in you.
We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.
C: **Amen.**

***GATHERING HYMN**

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

ELW 365



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!



who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!
praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

*GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Risen Christ, you have shattered the power of the grave! Fill us with the joy of resurrection life and lead us into the world to share the joy and hope of Easter with a whole creation in need.

C: **Amen.**



FIRST READING

Isaiah 65: 17-25

¹⁷ I am about to create new heavens
and a new earth;
the former things shall not be remembered
or come to mind.
¹⁸ But be glad and rejoice forever
in what I am creating;
for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy,
and its people as a delight.
¹⁹ I will rejoice in Jerusalem,
and delight in my people;
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in
it,
or the cry of distress.
²⁰ No more shall there be in it
an infant that lives but a few days,
or an old person who does not live out a
lifetime
for one who dies at a hundred years will be
considered a youth,
and one who falls short of a hundred will be
considered accursed.
²¹ They shall build houses and inhabit them;
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

²² They shall not build and another
inhabit;
they shall not plant and another eat;
for like the days of a tree shall the days
of my people be,
and my chosen shall long enjoy the
work of their hands.
²³ They shall not labor in vain,
or bear children for calamity;
for they shall be offspring blessed by
the LORD—
and their descendants as well.
²⁴ Before they call I will answer,
while they are yet speaking I will hear.
²⁵ The wolf and the lamb shall feed
together,
the lion shall eat straw like the ox;
but the serpent—its food shall be dust!
They shall not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain,

L: The Word of the Lord
C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

PSALM 118: 1-2, 14-24

read responsively

¹ Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good;
God's mercy endures forever.
² **Let Israel now declare,
"God's mercy endures forever."**
¹⁴ The LORD is my strength and my song,
and has become ¹ my salvation.
¹⁵ **Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:
"The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"**
¹⁶ The right hand of the LORD is exalted!
The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"
¹⁷ **I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the LORD.**

¹⁸ The LORD indeed punished me sorely,
but did not hand me over to death.
¹⁹ **Open for me the gates of righteousness;
I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.**
²⁰ "This is the gate of the LORD;
here the righteous may enter."
²¹ **I give thanks to you, for you have answered me
and you have become my salvation.**
²² The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.
²³ **By the LORD has this been done;
it is marvelous in our eyes.**
²⁴ This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

SECOND READING

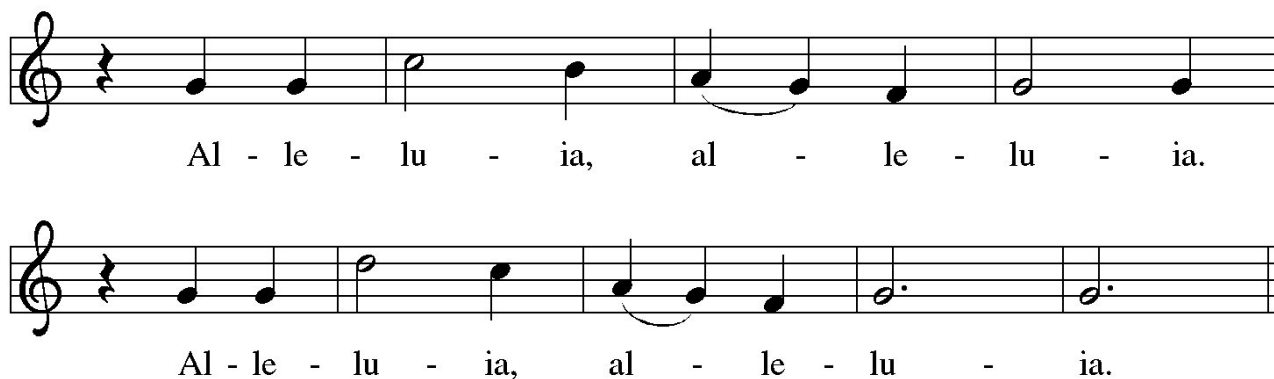
Acts 10: 34-43

³⁴ Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵ but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶ You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷ That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

L: The Word of the Lord.
C: **Thanks be to God.**

FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



P: The Gospel according to Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter
C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL*Luke 24: 1-12**

1 On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. 2 They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, 3 but when they went in, they did not find the body. 4 While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. 5 The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. 6 Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, 7 that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." 8 Then they remembered his words, 9 and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. 10 Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. 11 But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. 12 But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON

Rev. Hannah DiPasquale

Silence for Reflection

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia / Mfurahini, haleluya
(see page 7)

ELW 364

***NICENE CREED**

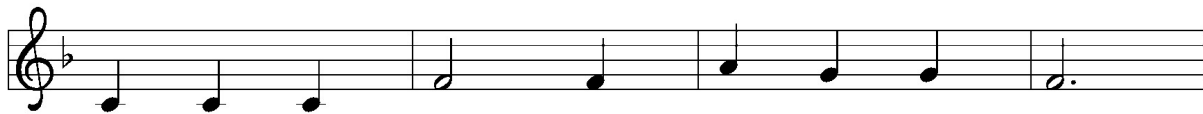
C: We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen .



M - fu - ra - hi - ni, ha - le - lu - ya,
 1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia.
 2 For three long days the grave did its worst
 3 The an - gel said to them, "Do not fear.



m - ko - mbo - zi a - me - fu - fu - ka.
 Re - joice and praise him, al - le - lu - ia.
 un - til its strength by God was dis - persed.
 You look for Je - sus who is not here.



A - me - fu - fu - ka, ha - le - lu - ya,
 For our re - deem - er burst from the tomb,
 He who gives life did death un - der - go,
 See for your - selves the tomb is all bare.



m - si - fu - ni sa - sa yu ha - i.
 e - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.
 and in its con - quest his might did show.
 On - ly the grave - clothes are ly - ing there."



Refrain

Tu - mwi - mbi - e so - te kwa fu - ra - ha.
 Let us sing praise to him with end - less joy.



Ye - su a - me - to - ka ka - bu - ri - ni.
 Death's fear - ful sting he has come to de - stroy.



Ka - shi - nda ki - fo, ha - le - lu - ya;
 Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!



ha - le - lu - ya, Ye - su yu ha - i.
 Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

4 "Go spread the news: he's not in the grave.
 He has arisen this world to save.
 Jesus' redeeming labors are done.
 Even the battle with sin is won."

Refrain

5 Christ has arisen to set us free.
 Alleluia, to him praises be.
 Jesus is living! Let us all sing;
 he reigns triumphant, heavenly king.

Refrain

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

A: God of grace,
C: **hear our prayer.**

Saints of Peace:

Wilhelmina Von Morgen, **Delores** Rustan, **Howard** Kiefer, **Bill** Moore,
Vora Landdeck, **Mary** Rosen

P: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

C: **Amen.**

*THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

In-Building: Please share signs of peace in whatever way you are comfortable and is respectful of your neighbor's comfort level.

Online: You may share signs of peace in the chat .



OFFERING

Gifts for the work and ministry of Peace Lutheran Church can be placed in the offering plates or mailed to the Church Office or sent through on-line giving on our website.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Joyful Alleluia
Campanas de Paz*

--Cynthia Dobrinski

*OFFERTORY

Doxology

(Old 100th)



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise God all



crea - tures here be - low; Praise God a - bove, ye



hea - v'nly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

A: Risen One,

C: **you have gathered us around your table of grace
along with these gifts we bring.**

**Come among us again, breathe your life into us,
and enliven us with this meal,
that we may live as your risen body in the world. Amen.**

*EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: The Lord be with you!

C: **And also with you!**

P: Lift up your hearts!

C: **We lift them to the Lord!**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise!**

P: It is indeed right...

And so with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,
with earth and sea and all their creatures,
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

ELW 192

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,

heav' n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father in Heaven
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive
those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Padre nuestro que estás en el Cielo,
santificado sea tu nombre,
venga a nosotros tu Reino,
hágase tu voluntad
en la Tierra como en el Cielo.
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.
Perdona nuestras ofensas,
como también
perdonamos a los que nos ofenden.
No nos dejes caer en tentación,
y líbranos del mal.
Porque tuyo es el Reino, tuyo el Poder,
y tuya la Gloria,
ahora y siempre. Amén.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All are invited to the Lord's table for communion, regardless of age or church membership. Come forward up the center aisle, taking an empty cup from the tray at the front. Follow the direction of the ushers and kneel or stand at the rail. The Bread Minister will hand you a piece of bread (gluten-free wafers are available, just ask the bread minister). There are two Wine Ministers. The first pouring chalice offers wine and the second chalice is grape juice.

If you choose not to receive communion, you may come forward for a blessing from the Bread Minister. Crossing your arms over your chest will indicate that you would prefer a blessing.

If you have difficulty coming to the front, please notify an usher and communion will gladly be brought to you.

*LAMB OF GOD

ELW setting 9, p. 201

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you

take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION MUSIC

With a Voice of Singing
Ron Odegard, conductor

--Martin Shaw

***BLESSING FROM THE TABLE**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

A: O Jesus,

C: **you have fed us**

**with the bread that has no price,
the precious gift of your own self.**

**Now send us out like Mary with her perfume,
prepared to give the best we have
to dignify the world you so loved.
Amen.**

⊕ -----SENDING----- ⊕

***THE BENEDICTION**

P: Now may God,
who is creating a new heaven and a new earth,
who is breaking the power of sin and death,
who is bringing us all to new life,
bless you and sustain you.

Today God has answered your need,
and now the Spirit sends you out
to answer the world's need.

In the name of God our tender parent,
God the crucified one,
God the reconciling Spirit,

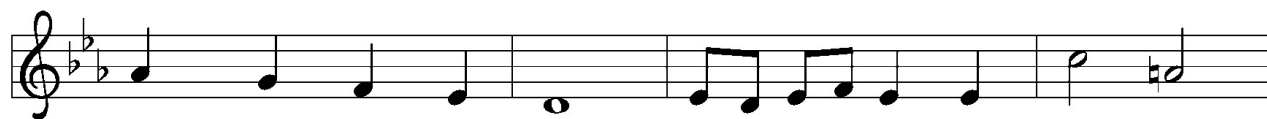
C: **Amen**



1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the
 2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he
 3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-



vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment
 greets thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness
 out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con - qu'rors,



rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
 hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
 through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain

where thy bod - y lay.
 death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring
 to thy home a - bove.



Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!

*DISMISSAL

A: Alleluia! Christ is risen.
 C: **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**
 A: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new.
 C: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE

Toccata from Symphony V

--Charles Marie Widor

All are welcome to gather in the Fellowship Hall for our Easter brunch.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS - April 20

If you have Prayer Requests to be included in the Prayers of the Day, please write them before the service on the Prayer Request sheet found on the stand in the narthex. You are welcome to use the Prayer Request Cards in the pew for next week's prayers,

There are now only 2 coats hanging on the rack just outside the sanctuary: 1 red jacket and 1 long black wool coat. Please claim them if they're yours!

Support BSC on Southern New Mexico Giving Day, Friday, April 25. Border Servant Corps' giving page is where you can donate as well as read an update about BSC's current work.
<https://www.southernnewmexicogivingday.org/organizations/border-servant-corps>

Next Sunday, April 27 – ADVOCACY SUNDAY at Peace

This year Bread for the World will be celebrating 50 years of advocating for legislation that will provide funding to support and protect nutrition programs for children. This ties into this year's theme: Nourish our Future. Next Sunday, April 27, we will participate in offering letters to our members of Congress regarding legislation to support nutrition programs for women and children. Come hear from Kurt Rager, the director of Lutheran Advocacy Ministry-New Mexico who will be joining us for worship and preaching. **There will also be a special presentation for a Lifetime of Advocacy Award to one of our own Peace members.**

SAVE THE DATE – CONGREGATIONAL MEETING – SUNDAY MAY 4

After worship, we will elect new Church Council and standing committee members and hear several updates about the congregation. Plan to join us!

SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE: APPLY by July 15

DONATIONS ARE WELCOME

The Mason S Brown Scholarship has been made available through the generosity of Mike and Jennifer Brown more than 19 years ago after the death of their infant daughter, Mason. Peace Lutheran hopes to award the Mason S. Brown Scholarship to a graduating high school senior or person who is attending a college, university, community college, or vocational-technical school on a full-time or part-time basis, and who is an active member/participant in good standing at Peace Lutheran Church. Application forms are available in the office and must be submitted by July 15.

If you would like to contribute to this scholarship fund, please place your donation in the offering plate or send it to the church office. We can continue to help students through your generosity.



Green Team Tip Turn your hot water heater down to 120. If you still have a tank, you are keeping the water hot needlessly (up to a third of the household energy goes to heating water). In any case there is the danger of scalding unwary house guests or small children if it is turned too high.

Ana's Place After School Program is in need of a few more volunteers! Regular positions needed are for kitchen and hallway monitors, as well as an outdoor supervisor. Additionally, we are in need of a few "on call" volunteers, who would not need to be there every Thursday/Friday but could come if a regular volunteer can't make it one afternoon. If you're interested, please email Susanna Odegaard at anasplacelc@gmail.com.

Thank you to the congregation for approving the Solar Initiative! We have reached our goal with **\$22,875 pledged** for solar panels. If possible, please fulfill your pledge **by May 1st** by placing a check in the offering plate with "Solar Initiative" in the memo. Cash in a similarly marked envelope is also acceptable.

Inclusive Evangelicals Book Study: Sundays thru May 25 (resuming next Sunday). 10:30 a.m., Room 107. Reading: *The Kingdom, The Power, The Glory* by Tim Albert.

EASTER FLOWERS: Thank you for sharing your spring flowers with us this morning. Please take them home with you when you leave today.

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! See the open slots on the podium in the narthex.

Anyone is welcome to sign up to help! If you need training, see the bulletin board as you enter the Fellowship Hall, or ask Pr. Hannah.

Worship Assistants - TODAY

Assisting Minister: Lynette Schurdevin
Lector: Geri Ayers
Greeter: _____
Communion Server: Deacon Anna
Ushers: Karen & Gene Quandt
Donna & Glenn Kuehn
Technology (3): Lisa Bates, Betty Lindsey,
Clare Scheffer
Altar Care: Susan Yarne
Bulletins: Deb Sarabia, Barb Patton

Worship Assistants - APRIL 27

Assisting Minister: Diana Diemer
Lector: Ron Odegaard
Greeter: Dan & Diana Diemer
Communion Server: Ron Odegaard
Ushers: _____, _____
Technology: Bob Treulich, Karen Harvey,
Kathie Rich
Altar Care: Cindy Peterson
Bulletins: Barb Patton, Deb Sarabia

SCHEDULE - April 20-27

Sun., Apr. 20 9:00 a.m. EASTER Sunday Worship
 10:30 a.m. Easter Brunch
Apr. 21 - 26 PASTER HANNAH OUT OF OFFICE
Mon., Apr. 21 OFFICE CLOSED
Wed., Apr. 23 3:45 p.m. Green Team
Thurs., Apr. 24 4:00 p.m. Ana's Place Afterschool Program
 4:00 p.m. Bells
Fri., Apr. 25 4:00 p.m. Ana's Place Afterschool Program
Sun., Apr. 27 9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship
 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
 10:30 a.m. Bread for the World Letter Writing
 10:30 a.m. Inclusive Evangelical Group

Alzheimer's Women's Support Group 1:00 p.m. - 1st & 3rd Thursdays
OA - Overeaters Anon: 9:30 a.m. - Sa
AA - Downtown Group: 5:30 p.m. - Su, M, Tu, Th, F, Sa
 7:00 p.m. - W
 8:00 p.m. - Sa
AA - Primary Purpose: 7:00 p.m. - F

Ministers and Staff

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Deacon Anna Dykeman, Minister of Word and Service
Sandy Johnson, Office Administrator (office@peacelutheranlc.com)
Jieun Newland, Music Minister
Tommy Grimes & Phil Lingle, Custodians