OLIVE BRANCH April 2019

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> Communion Served the first Sunday of each month

8:30am ~ Traditional Service

9:45am ~ Faith Formation

(all ages)

11:00am ~ Contemporary Service

12:15pm ~ Fellowship Lunch



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UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL SUNDAYS & BIRTHDAYS / FINANCIAL **UPDATE**

FAITH FORMATION RECAP

At Peace, we strive to be "A safe and inclusive church living God's radical message." Our goal is to be an active congregation, providing many wonderful social and fellowship events, community mission and outreach activities, and diverse engaging worship services.



Top: Preschool Faith Formation

Top Left: Fall Festival Planning

Left: Family Movie Night

Bottom: Peace ONEVOICE Praise Team





UPCOMING EVENTS

Family Game Night

FRIDAY, APRIL 5@ 5:30p—It's baaaack! All ages are invited to fill a spring night with fun and laughter. Play familiar board games and learn new ones. A board game enthusiast and expert will be present to help teach new games. Kid and family friendly! Event happens in the fellowship hall, 5:30-8:30p. Light refreshments provided. Questions? Contact Ed LeQuire (drlequire@gmail.com)

On-Line Auction

THROUGH APRIL 8 @ 6p—Be sure to check out the amazing items being sold for our on-line auction (home-made pies by Ruth Larson, 1-hr Reiki treatment by Marie Neher, Mexican dinner made by Teresa Waldof to name a few things). You must register with Oronoco OnLine Auctions to bid. All proceeds will fund the ministries here at Peace UCC. Questions? Contact Teresa Waldof (twaldof@yahoo.com)

Scholarships Available

DEADLINE IS APRIL 12—Peace UCC provides 2 scholarships available to students graduating from Rochester High Schools and 1 scholarship for those graduating in fields of religion, computer science, medicine and the arts. Applications forms can be found on our website. Questions? Contact Debby

Soul Crossing

SATURDAY, APRIL 13@ 7p—Experience a multi-discipline performance presentation of music and song woven together to illustrate the soul's journey to wholeness. Presenters will be Gary Bares (poet / photographer) and Chris Alcott (singer / songwriter). Event takes place in the Narthex, 7 - 9p. Questions? Contact Marie Neher (maneher3@gmail.com)



Weekly Community Meals

LAST DATE WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17 @ 5:30p- Our Wednesday Community Meals will continue through lent and then we'll be taking a break to re-evaluate this ministry. Our last meal for this year will be served on April 17. Special thanks to all those who have helped, especially to Ed & Stacy LeQuire for leading this effort.

Elementary Squad: Easter Treats and Easter Egg Hunt

SATURDAY, APRIL 20— Children preschool through grade 5 are invited to participate in a fun family event. Meet at Peace to make Easter treats to take home, 9:30a. RSVP to Debby, cost is \$1 per child.

SATURDAY, APRIL 21— All children pre through grade 5 are invited to participate in an Easter Egg Hunt on Peace's front lawn, 9:45a. Donations are needed to fill the eggs: stickers, washable tattoos, small coins. Leave donations with Debby. Questions? Contact Debby.

Easter Sharing Basket Donations

THROUGH APRIL 20 — Help us provide needed necessities to the organizations that support homelessness. Pick an egg from the basket, purchase the item and bring the empty egg and the donation back (all gift cards should be left at the Welcome Desk). All donations will be blessed at our Easter services.

UPCOMING EVENTS cont'd

Miriam Ministry

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24 @ 9:30a— All women are invited to gather with Miriam Ministry group for fellowship and a special presentation. This gathering will take place in the Peace Room. Questions? See Sheila Boss (shemomnov@yahoo.com)

Rags to Riches

THROUGH APRIL 28—Peace will once again collect your old and discarded textiles to be recycled. Working with a non-profit organization, NP Community, Peace will earn 10 cents per pound. All money raised will be used to support our partner agencies who provide assistance to those experiencing homelessness. Donations can be dropped off in

the bin located in the Coat Hallway. Questions? Contact Diane Pollock (dpollock288@gmail.com)

Remaining 2019 Lenten Schedule

We will finish up our Lenten theme is: "Painting the Stars: Science, Religion, and an Evolving Faith." There are multiple opportunities for you to engage in a video and discussion format as we explore the promise of evolutionary Christian spirituality along with our faith resident scientists from Peace.

Wednesdays (Apr 3 & 10)

Taize Service 5 - 5:45p Community Meal 5:30 - 6p (continues through 4/17) Wednesday Painting the Stars Study 6p (continues through 4/17)

Sundays (Apr 7, 14)

Adult Faith Formation - Painting the Stars 9:45a

Holy Week (Apr 14, 18, 19, 21)

Palm Sunday - April 14 (8:30 & 11a Worship)
Maundy Thursday - April 18 (6p) @ Riverbend Assisted Living
Good Friday - April 19 (7p)

Easter Sunday - April 21 (8:30 & 11a Worship w/Communion) 7:30 - 10:30a ~ Pancake Breakfast 10 - 10:30a ~ Easter Egg Hunt (pre - 5th grade)

Planned Giving - How to Ensure Your Gift Keeps Giving

SUNDAY, APRIL 28 @ 9:45a—Amy Dunn, Edward Jones Financial Advisor, will be giving a short presentation in the Fellowship Hall to members and guests of the congregation on various options you may want to consider to ensure that your gift to Peace UCC can keep on giving. Amy currently manages the endowment fund investments of Peace UCC. After her presentation, Amy will make herself available for questions.

There will be another opportunity to hear Amy speak in more detail on endowment and planned gifts to Peace UCC. That date will be announced on April 28. Questions? Contact Tom DeYoung (Itdeyoung@msn.com) or Jeff Hanson (jeff.hanson.roch@gmail.com).

§ SUNDAYS

SUNDAY	SERVICE	COUNCIL IN CHARGE	SPECIAL MUSIC	Fellowship Lunch
7	8:30am	Will Sunnock	TBD	
	11:00am	Laurie Klein	Joy ONEVOICE	Amber Carlson's Team
14	8:30am	Will Sunnock	Bells of Peace	
Palm Sunday	11:00am	Laurie Klein	Peace ONEVOICE	Team Superstars!
21	8:30am	Will Sunnock	Choir of Peace	
Easter Sunday	11:00am	Laurie Klein	Joy ONEVOICE	NO LUNCH
28	8:30am	Will Sunnock	TBD	
Bible Presentations	11:00am	Laurie Klein	Peace ONEVOICE	David & Shelley Schmitt's Team

AND BIRTHDAYS

- 01 Donna Groth
- **04** Sara Franks
- **05** John Franks, Nicholas Molitor, Linus Winters
- 06 Laura Thompson, Marie Wilson
- **07** Mildred Lilleskov
- **08** Hannah Potts, Greg Trachsel
- 09 Jane Batterson, Molly Berg, Sela Rist
- **10** Diane Johnson
- 11 Benjamin Winters
- 12 Liz Dahlen
- 14 Isaiah Groth, Ryan Walton
- 16 Barbara Karau, Judy Rich, Karl Rist
- 17 Matt Buda, Richard Peters
- 18 Daniel Kronemann, Allan Vrieze
- 19 Dale Ely
- 20 Josh Barrows, Doris Underdahl
- 21 Emily Wussow
- 22 Vivian Christie, Landon Robertson
- 23 Bridget Davis-Fritz, Mary Ely, Allie Splittstoesser
- 24 Al Barker, Jean Boese
- 25 Emma Potts, Ellen Rebstock
- **26** Joe Tointon
- 27 Max Oetliker
- 29 Teagen Bennett
- 30 Alissa Giere, Dominic Osowski, Cooper Osowski

Financial Update

We didn't end the month on a positive note. It's important for us to come together and honor your pledges so we can ensure that we aren't faced with any more difficult decisions.

	February	YTD	Feb 2018
Pledges Budgeted	\$36,958	\$73,917	\$36,250
Actual Received	\$34,395	\$72,104	\$32,845
Difference	-\$2563	-\$1813	-\$3405



Coming in April 2019

APRIL:

April 7:

Elementary (pre - Grade 5):

God in Nature

Youth: Hope for the Future (Isaiah 4:16-21)

Adult Faith Formation "Painting the Stars" - Science and Faith Series.

APRIL 14:

Elementary (pre - Grade 5): Palm Sunday **Youth:** Radical Forgiveness (Luke 23:1-49)

Adult Faith Formation: "Painting the Stars" - Science and Faith Series.

APRIL 21:

No formal Faith Formation

Easter Egg Hunt: pre - Grade 5

Youth: Help with Pancake Breakfast (served 7:30 - 10:30a); coordinator is Jessica Haug

APRIL 28:

Elementary (pre - Grade 5): The Bible and How We Use It **Youth:** Honest Emotions - Deep Gratitude (Psalm 118:14-29)

Adult Faith Formation: Endowment Gifts to Peace UCC (presented by Amy Dunn)

YOUTH BIBLE PRESENTATION Sunday April 28

We will once again be presenting Bibles to our 2nd graders on Sunday, April 28 at both services; this will also correspond with our theme for that day: The Bible and How We Use it. We have identified that we were negligent in presenting Bibles to previous 2nd graders so we will be including those youth on Sunday, April 28 as well.

We are excited to present the "Deep Blue Kids Bible" to our youth; here is a description of that Bible:

"Kids dive deeper into God's Word and grow stronger in faith with this popular and unique children's Bible.

Kids will dive deep into Scripture with the CEB Deep Blue Kids Bible. This engaging, interactive Bible offers four-color icons and illustrations throughout with a wealth of notes, devotionals, Bible trivia, and other interactive elements to capture inquisitive young minds. The Deep Blue Kids Bible encourages a thirst for God's timeless message as young readers join three life-like kids in discovering the Bible and what it means to their lives."



FAITH 9:45a

FORMATION Sundays



Sundays at Peace



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