

## October Peace UCC Newsletter 2016

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### A MOMENT WITH PASTOR MILT

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Throughout time, people have felt they were living in perilous times. It is reported that as Adam and Eve were kicked out of the Garden of Eden, Adam said to Eve – “Cheer up ole gal; we are living in an age of transition.” And, we have been transitioning ever since!

Certainly our nation, the Brillion community and Peace congregation ALL are facing uncertainty at varied and multiple levels. This creates much anxiety and many people find disturbing. All kinds of predictions and speculations are being passed around – some may even come true.

While we do not know what the future might hold, as Christians we can be assured that it is God who holds the future. No matter what might happen to us, even as we might walk through the valley of death, God is there to support, guide and comfort us. The Risen Christ comes into our midst and says, “My peace I give to you, not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.” God’s will for all of us is joy, peace, happiness and fullness of life. Rest assured that God wants only the best for you.

Let us face the uncertain future with the certainty that God is with us, walks beside us and picks us up if we fall.

Joy and Peace,

*Pastor Milt*

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### NEIGHBORS IN NEED

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Peace UCC has participated in the all-UCC congregational special offering called “Neighbors in Need”. Traditionally it has been received on World Wide Communion Sunday (this year Oct 2). The material was late in arriving so our schedule this year will be a little different. Last Sunday the need was mentioned in the sermon. There will be two different bulletin inserts (when they arrive) and there will be an offering envelope in the bulletin on Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. In any event, we will be happy to receive your special offering for NIN any time throughout October. Extra envelopes will be on the table by the bulletins or you can just write NIN on the memo line of your check.

The UCC has identified four areas where there is critical human need:

1. Need in places lacking health and educational resources and/or where disaster has struck;
2. Working to change systems of injustice which oppress daily life and opportunity;
3. Needs in the lives of church leaders without sufficient resources to live with dignity;
4. Nurturing of youth and congregations just beginning their lives of faith.

These special mission offerings serve to lift people closer to the abundance and wholeness to which Jesus Christ has called us to work together. We want/need to be a blessing to others.

This year's theme "This We Believe" is connecting the issue of child hunger. Please read the bulletin inserts as they are distributed during the month of October. Prayerfully consider these issues and share your wealth as you are able to help needy neighbors near and far. Your gift will joyfully be received anytime in October. This year the congregation's gifts to NIN will be matched by an anonymous donor so your gift will go even further.

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### NEWLY BAPTIZED

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Baleigh Sommer Schwahn, daughter of Samantha (Sommers) and Carl Schwahn will be baptized on Sunday, October 2, 2016. Baleigh was born on August 15, 2016. She is the maternal granddaughter of Dave & Laurie Sommers and the maternal great-granddaughter of Alice (and the late Willis) Horn. Congratulations to the Schwahn family.

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### EMERGENCIES & OFFICE HOURS

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In case of an emergency, please contact Carla Zander our council president at 756-9625.

Just as a reminder, Kathy Daun is usually in the church office on Monday, Wednesday and Friday's from 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. You are more than welcome to leave a message on the church answering machine (756-3334) and Kathy will return your call as soon as possible.

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## SCRIP

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Now that everyone is settled and the kids are back to school, we can get down to some serious SCRIP business. It has been slow for the summer, but I am sure it will start to improve now. Christmas is coming, so start thinking about those gift cards. Todd Schneider has published the vendors we can order Scrip from on our church's web page [peaceuccbrillion.com](http://peaceuccbrillion.com). Just go to the page and under **giving** you will find Scrip. Just click on that and you will be able to view all the stores that are available to us. Please take a look. You will be surprised!! If you have any questions, please contact the church office at 756-3334.

Our Scrip profits from the summer months are as follows:

June - \$132.73  
July - \$102.63  
August - \$118.58

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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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Please note that our Peace U.C.C. Semi-Annual meeting will be held immediately following worship on Sunday, October 16th. We have several serious issues to discuss and we would appreciate all our members to attend. It is not only a privilege to attend such meetings; it is part of the vows you took when you became a member of this family. See you there!

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

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- October 2 – Endowment meeting immediately  
After worship
- October 9 – Mini Mission Sunday  
For Voices of Men (See M&O article)
- October 10 – Council Meeting at 5:30 p.m.
- October 12 – Guild Meeting & work day for the  
up-coming Fall Craft & Bake Sale at  
1:00 p.m.
- October 15 – Annual Fall Bake & Craft Sale from  
11:00 to 1:00 p.m.
- October 16 – Hand Prints on the Sunday School  
Wall for our newest students –  
During Sunday school
- October 16 – Semi Annual Meeting after Sunday  
Worship
- October 23 – Third graders receives their bible

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## FALL BAKE SALE/CRAFT SALE

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Our annual Fall Bazaar for the Women's Guild is Saturday, October 15th from 11:00 to 1:00 p.m. We want to express our thanks for the support we received from all our volunteers, workers, bakers, cooks and crafters from last year. So once again, we are looking for our wonderful members to bless us with their gifts of time, canned goods, bakery, soups and miscellaneous crafts for 2016.

This bazaar is our big fundraiser for the Women's Guild. In 2015 we donated some of our profits into the General Fund to help pay bills, we paid the copy machine maintenance contract for the church office, we purchased all the communion supplies and all the oil for our candles in the sanctuary. We also donated beyond our doors for special mission projects. So, when you support us, the Women's Guild, you are helping out with the church's needs and helping those less fortunate.

We are also looking for donations for our luncheon, which includes: chili, tortes and money for buns & bread. If you feel you can donate to the Women's Guild Craft & Bake Sale, please see the sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall.

Any questions please contact:  
Jane Kopidlansky (756-3759) – President  
Lillian Kuchenbecker (756-2377)– Vice President  
Barb Wittmann (756-3222) – Treasurer  
Sandy Kuchenbecker (524-2155) – Secretary

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## OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

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- October 5 – Dennis & Barb Kesler
- October 8 – Andrew & Tammy Williams
- October 12 – Todd & Becky Schneider
- October 15 – Chuck & Deb Burich
- October 18 – Mike & Becky Fischer
- October 19 – Paul & Suzanne Cooney
- October 21 – Rick & Dawn Eijtjes
- October 24 – David & Sharon Van Deraa

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## CONFIRMATION CLASSES

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A special thank you to Janel Feldner for helping us out by teaching our confirmation class. We truly appreciate her dedication to the youth of Peace Church. As a reminder to all our families, confirmation students meet every Wednesday evening from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. here at church. So our classes for October are: October 5, October 12, October 19 and October 26.

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## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

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September 22 – Vivian Sucevic

(We missed Vivian's first birthday in our September newsletter. I pray that Vivian had a great birthday!)

October 1 – Jase Heritage

October 2 – Philip Heritage

October 3 – Joshua Schuh

October 4 – Jill Greve

October 5 – Lance Kalies

October 6 – Bryant Barth

October 7 – Brian Horn

October 10 – Jessie Saenger

October 11 – Madeline Cooney

October 16 – Jackson Reese

October 20 – Carlee Reese

October 23 – Christopher Barth

October 25 – Steve Smith

October 25 – Tamara Riha

October 25 – Cody Greve

October 27 – Mike Fischer

October 28 – Tiana Hillmann

October 29 – JoLynn Schuh

October 29 – Talyn Kalies

October 31 – Skip (James) Greve

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## WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

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### **Sunday, October 2, 2016**

9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship with Communion  
(World Wide Communion Sunday)  
No Sunday School & Baptism

10:15 a.m. – Coffee Hour & Fellowship

### **Sunday, October 9, 2016**

9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship/Dan Natzke speaking  
& Mini-Missions (see M&O Article)  
& Sunday School

10:15 a.m. – Coffee Hour & Fellowship

### **Sunday, October 16, 2016**

9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship – Sunday School  
10:15 a.m. – Semi-Annual Meeting & Coffee Hour

### **Sunday, October 23, 2016**

9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship - Sunday School  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grader receives his Bible

10:15 a.m. – Coffee Hour & Fellowship

### **Sunday, October 30, 2016**

9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship – Sunday School  
10:15 a.m. – Coffee Hour & Fellowship

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## FINANCIAL GIVING

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### August, 2016

Sunday School Children - \$46.00

Loose Collection – \$177.00

General Fund - \$3,611.00

E-giving - \$2,692.50

In Memory of Margie Christopherson - \$25.00  
(For Missionaries in Peru to purchase bibles)

Bulletin Sponsor - \$30.00

In Memory of Rich Rosner - \$20.00

(For Missionaries in Peru to purchase bibles)

In Memory of Rich Rosner - \$25.00

(Into Memorial Fund)

Donation from M/M Brent Buboltz – \$200.00  
(Use of Church)

Donation in Memory of James Barrabee -  
\$3,000.00

### September, 2016

Sunday School Children - \$66.75

Loose Collection – \$129.00

General Fund - \$3,247.00

E-giving - \$2,506.50

In Memory of Kathleen Flynn - \$20.00  
(For Missionaries in Peru)

In Memory of Rich Rosner - \$20.00  
(Into Memorial Fund)

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## GREETERS

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October 2 – Steve & Karla Miller

October 9 – Sandy Kuchenbecker

October 16 – Jane Kopidlansky

October 23 – Don & Barb Wittmann

October 30 – Roger & Lois Schwahn

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## ACOLYTES

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October 2 – Collin Greve & Madeline Cooney

October 9 – Rachel & Jacob Fischer

October 16 – Nick & Nathan Loose

October 23 – Morgan Janas & Emma Schneider

October 30 – Joshua Schuh & Derek Vande Hey

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## CONFIRMATION HELPER

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October 5 – Krahn Family

October 12 – Barth Family

October 19 – Aplin Family

October 26 – Williams Family

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## SUNDAY HELPERS

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October 2 – Carla Zander  
October 9 – Dawn Voight  
October 16 – Jane Kopidlansky  
October 23 – **need volunteers**  
October 30 – **need volunteers**

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## COFFEE HOUR

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October 2 – Leiterman Family  
October 9 – Mission & Outreach  
October 16 – Carla Zander, Roger & Lois Schwahn  
October 23 – **need volunteers**  
October 30 – **need volunteers**

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## LAY READERS

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October 2 – Chad Klika  
October 9 – Ashley Eickert  
October 16 – Carla Zander  
October 23 – Barb Wittmann  
October 30 – John Seefeldt

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## USHERS

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October 2 – Roger Schwahn  
October 9 – Todd Schneider  
October 16 – Roger Schwahn  
October 23 – Don Wittmann  
October 30 – Todd Schneider

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

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### **Grades Pre-School – 2**

October 9 – Amber Leiterman & Joselyn Heritage  
October 16 – Jane Kopidlansky & Lacey Kalies  
October 23 – Amber Leiterman & Ashley Eickert  
October 30 – Amber Leiterman & Dara Schuh

### **Grades 3-6**

October 9 – Tammy Williams & Ann Vande Hey  
October 16 – Becky & Jacob Schneider  
October 23 – Becky & Emma Schneider  
October 30 – Becky Fischer & Joselyn Heritage

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## MISSION AND OUTREACH

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**Mini Missions:** The September Mini Missions project addressed several areas of mission and outreach. By partnering with Furlough Ministries we help active missionaries with transportation while they are back in the continental U.S.A. With a mechanical background and a business owner, Ken Enneper of Brillion reached out to assist returning missionaries needing vans/cars to recuperate with their families and then travel about to raise money to continue their work. Our collection of \$100 will be used to provide small travel bags for each of the children and one larger health and hygiene package for the family. The bags are waiting for the families in the vehicles as they arrive at the airports. Be sure and check out Furlough Ministries on their website or stop in to see Dahl and Ken Enneper to hear firsthand how your mission money will bless the missionary families that work hard to spread the Word of God throughout the world.

**Vest-a-Dog:** If you were not in church on September 11th you missed two very special visitors – Calumet County Deputy Will Pearson and his canine partner, Amer. Your April Mini Missions collection helped equip Amer with a bullet proof vest and they were present to thank our congregation in making this vest possible as well as answer the unending questions posed by our children. A recent gift in memory of Margie Christopherson will help begin a fund to purchase a second vest when and if a second canine unit is added to the force.

The Missions and Outreach Committee would like to thank Janel Feldner for bringing this project to our attention and remind you to keep those suggestions coming in!

**Voices of Men:** October is National Domestic Abuse Awareness month and in honor of this your collection will help shine a spotlight on not only domestic abuse, but abuse in general. The organization Voices of Men began only seven years ago in Appleton after leaders from four Domestic Abuse and Crisis Centers came together to seek ways to teach men constructive ways to handle anger and disagreements. Since domestic abuse victims are normally women, the organizations knew they needed to include the male community to advocate changes in behavior. Voices of Men have grown not only in numbers over the last seven years, but in programs that now even include high school age boys.

**Vision Statement of Voices of Men: A community where boys are taught Healthy Manhood and men treat all people with dignity.**

Once again we thank Janel Feldner for bringing this very worthy project to our attention – keep it going!

**Dominican Republic** – The morning worship on October 9<sup>th</sup> will include a visit from Dan Natzke, a local farmer who travels each year with a mission team to the Dominican Republic. Over the years our church has reached out to help in their annual pilgrimage and projects which included well drilling (our H2O project in 2013), supplying Bibles (Mini Missions 10/2010 and 10/2015), feeding programs and building shelter/meeting areas (rummage sales 2009 and 2016). Dan will be reporting on progress over the years and what they hope to achieve during their upcoming trip.

**Adopt-A-Family** – Hard to imagine it is time to start thinking about doing our Christmas shopping but it's upon us!! Stores have already begun stocking shelves with Christmas decorations! We will again be partnering with the Salvation Army to provide two families with presents for under the tree and food for their tables. Each year the Salvation Army screens requests and selects about 100 families to be adopted. This leaves between three to four hundred families not adopted! That equates to approximately 700 children that are not adopted! We have completed paperwork to adopt two families with small children and would like to try something new this year. There will be no Shoe Box Christmas gifts this year so we are asking people to consider donating items to the Toy and Clothing Shop at the Salvation Army which is an

area where the families that were not adopted can select a toy and/or clothing for their children. Suggestion cards will be available soon in the Fellowship Hall for the Adopted Families as well as suggested items for the Toy & Clothing Shop.

**NOTE: Distribution of gifts begins early this year so all purchases need to be returned to the church no later than December 4<sup>th</sup>.**

**Love Baskets:** It's also time to start searching your hearts and minds for people that need to receive our love in the form of Christmas Love Baskets. There are many people all around us with heavy hearts or worries that need to know we acknowledge and care about them. There will be slips available to fill in names, addresses and suggestions on how we might brighten their day. Please remember to sign up to help make these baskets special with a touch of your home baking, canning or a personalized item. Mark your calendar for December 11th and come prepared to enjoy a wonderful hour of stuffing and wrapping baskets of love.

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## **MEN'S ACTION NETWORK**

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Clarence Harms is a member of MAN (Men's Action Network) the community ecumenical Christian men's group, he has set a volunteer workday for Saturday, October 8. They are meeting in Mr. Harms' garage, located at 345 Ridgeway Drive in Brillion starting at 9:00 AM.

The organization will be making desk tops and bench seats and a few other pieces for school desks that will be taken to the Midwest Mission Distribution Center in Chatham, Illinois. They will be finished into kits there to ship to needy foreign countries. They have been buying used kitchen cabinet tops from Habitat for Humanity ReStore to use for this purpose. The cabinet tops need to be cut to the right sizes, corners rounded and edges sanded, and made ready for inclusion in the kits.

Depending on the number of volunteers, they may be able to finish by noon. If anyone is interested in helping out, they may call Clarence Harms or e-mail him at [cljharms@gmail.com](mailto:cljharms@gmail.com) so he can make plans in preparation.

Volunteers: If you can bring an electric circular hand saw with sharp blade and/or possibly a set of sawhorses, it may be helpful. Otherwise, we have the tools needed.