



# THIS WEEK AT PEACE

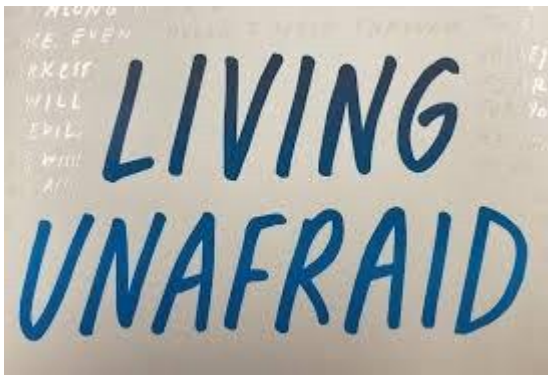
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## Sunday's Preview



### [Unafraid Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times](#)

We live in uncertain times unable to predict what the future will bring. This leads to anxiety and fear which if we remain in a perpetual state, we become captive to it.

One of the biggest fears we face is others who are different. Our survival instincts kick in and we are tempted to classify the other as threats.

Join us for Week 2 of learning what it means to live Unafraid living in God's kingdom and seeing one another as neighbors to be loved rather than feared.

## In-person Regathering Announcement

Look for a special announcement e-blast this week on our in-person regathering beginning Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>.

You will be receiving a call to see if you are planning on coming to in-person worship, so that the church can make proper preparations and precautions.



**Important Worship Opportunities:**

9/27 New Worship Series – "Unafraid: Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times"

8:00am Parking Lot Worship (in-person Holy Communion)

10:30am Livestream Worship (virtual Holy Communion). Bring your own bread and wine/grape juice to the livestream worship as we begin celebrating weekly communion together in spirit.

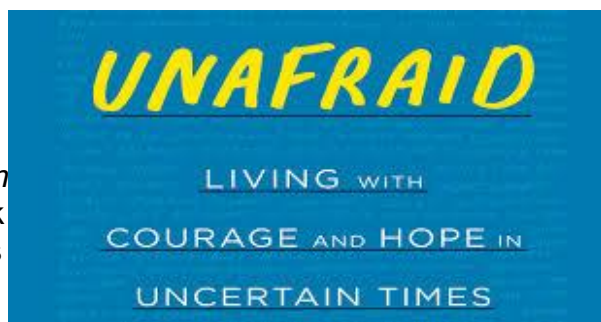
Peace,

Pastor Jake

## Worship and Life Group Series

### Unafraid: Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times

Beginning on September 20<sup>th</sup>, we will engage in a worship series by Pastor Adam Hamilton titled, *Unafraid: Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times*. Although this book was written before Covid-19, the theme certainly resonates with so much of where we find ourselves.



Much of the anxiety that we are experiencing isn't just because of a disease (certainly a reason to be anxious in and of itself), rather the unknown future that we face.

How do we respond faithfully in the midst of uncertainty?

Be not afraid, God is with us.

If you'd like to go deeper in your faith with a core group of others on this journey of living unafraid, please join a small group. Simply click on this [SIGNUP](#) link and find the group and time that works best for you. This is a digital small group. All you have to do is click on the link, and your small group leader will contact you with more instructions

If you'd like to order the book to go along with the study you can visit [HERE](#) and for a 365 days of devotions click [HERE](#).



### Pastor's Virtual Conversation

Come join Pastor Jake on Zoom from 3pm -4pm every Monday.  
Come to ask questions, check-in, lift up prayers.  
Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/99136605065?pwd=NEIvQys3bXN2azkwOVJOM016SXVxUT09>

Meeting ID: 991 3660 5065 Password: 015347

## Noisy Offering - Sunday, September 27, 2020



The Noisy Offering is back! Beginning Sunday, September 27th, Peace will be collecting donations for the following Noisy Offering Sundays:

<b>September 27th:</b>	<b>Lutheran Seminary Support</b>
<b>October 25th:</b>	<b>Peace Mission Endowment Fund</b>
<b>November 22nd:</b>	<b>UpBring/Lutheran Social Services</b>
	<b>December 27th      Habitat for Humanity</b>

The Noisy Offering will be collected a little differently though. **We will not actually collect coins, rather, we will collect cash and check donations or you may give online by clicking [HERE](#).** (For online giving, please designate Noisy Offering in the "Memo" section)

If you are attending the 8:00am Parking Lot Worship Service, you can drop off your donation at that time. Live Stream Worship Service attendees can drop off donations in the church mailbox or mail their donation directly to the church. Please make your check out to Peace Lutheran Church and put Noisy Offering in the memo.

Thank you for your continued support.

## Adult Beverage/Beer and Hymns - Wednesday, September 30



Grab your stein, your wine, or a beverage of your choice and join Jubilant Praise Wednesday, September 30<sup>th</sup> from 7-8 p.m.

Deacon Andrew and Deacon Intern Marianne will be providing the guitar/vocal/keyboards music from PBS (Peace Broadcasting System) aka the fellowship hall.

If you have a favorite hymn or song you would like to sing ...in the privacy of your home ...with your friends at Peace, please contact [marianne@peacenb.org](mailto:marianne@peacenb.org) and it will be put on the list. We hope to

provide the words by screen sharing, for those of you who do not have a hymnal at home. Zoom link to follow in next week's eblast.

Come & join the fun!

## Sweet Hour of Prayer Group - starting Monday, October 5



Peace Lutheran Church will have a weekly Prayer Group starting on Monday, **October 5th**, at 9:00 am. via Zoom. We will have a devotion, share prayer requests and pray over each request. The group will be led by Becky Voges. If you would like to be a part of the group, please email Becky ([beckyvoges@yahoo.com](mailto:beckyvoges@yahoo.com)) and she will send the zoom link. All prayer requests will be confidential.

## Technical Support



Need some technical support? Trying to stay connected in a virtual world can be frustrating when things don't work or the technological learning curve seems steep. If you need some help, contact:

Patti Kassel @ [kasselpatti@gmail.com](mailto:kasselpatti@gmail.com) or

Deacon Darcy Mittelstaedt @ [darcy.mittelstaedt@gmail.com](mailto:darcy.mittelstaedt@gmail.com)

## The Stephen Ministers are here to listen and help

*We urge you, brothers and sisters ,... encourage the disheartened ( 1 Thessalonians 5:14).*

Paul was writing to the believers in Macedonia. Encouraging the disheartened, to help the weak and be patient with everyone. These are very powerful words that can apply today. We continue to be safe with isolation, and limited contact. This can result in frustration for many of us. Just remember that the Church is here, as well as the Stephen Ministers. Contact Pastor Jake or one of our Referral Coordinators Bill Purcell or

Cathy O'shea, at 210-846-3315. For more about Stephen Ministry at Peace Lutheran Church, see the web pages at [www.peacenb.org/Stephen-Ministry](http://www.peacenb.org/Stephen-Ministry)

## Flower donations needed until the end of the year



Each Sunday a beautiful arrangement of fresh flowers, donated by members and friends of the congregation, adorns the cross in the chancel area of Peace Lutheran Church. A contract with "[Petals To Go](#)" Florist in New Braunfels assures timely delivery, quality, and consistency in the arrangements at a very reasonable cost of \$40 per arrangement. Flowers may be donated for occasions such as birthdays and anniversaries, in honor or in memory of a loved one, or simply "To the Glory of God!"

Open dates are listed in this [sign up form](#). You can mail a check (to Peace Lutheran Church office marked "Flowers" and include the date) or you can donate [electronically](#). The arrangement may be taken after worship on Sunday or picked up at the church during office hours the following week. [Kathi Anderson](#); (210) 643-8855 is the Flower Coordinator for the Worship Team. [Sign up now!](#)

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**\*The Southwestern Texas Synod Assembly 2020 is cancelled!**

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**\*The ELCA COVID-19/Coronavirus Information - [www.elca.org/publichealth](http://www.elca.org/publichealth)**

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