

The Resurrection Lutheran Church Endowment Committee will host a **lunch** and ***Peace Through Planning*** seminar on **Sunday, August 22**, after the second service.

It is easy for all of us to postpone planning for our death, funeral and estate distribution. To help us prepare for our future needs the ***Peace Through Planning*** workshop will include presentations from:

- an estate planning attorney
- an ELCA gift planner
- a funeral home representative
- and Pastor Corey

The emphasis will be education of the topics, **not** on selling of services. The following story is to get us thinking about our own plans...

Giftng a Submarine

In a congregation in South Carolina, Mr. Paul was listening to a presentation about the value of creating a comprehensive charitable estate plan. *What if someone in your congregation wanted to give you a submarine?* the presenter asked. The point of the question? As a congregation, would you take a submarine, an actual real life, used in the water, military edition submarine?

The speaker used a submarine because it was outlandish and funny. It proved the point to the extreme, but Mr. Paul laughed. When he was a student at the Citadel in 1969, someone did in fact offer the Citadel a submarine. Any guesses on whether or not they took the gift?

The Citadel did not take the submarine. They took the periscope, and according to Mr. Paul, the cadets had a great time with it when the board members arrived to unveil it.

While a gift policy answers important questions like, would you take that submarine, who would decide, and what would you do with it, having a policy also shows that the congregation values the generosity of its members. Reviewing the policy facilitates discussion on creative and faithful ways to support the mission and work of the congregation in the community.

Our formal gift policy is attached to the newsletter if you would like to review it.

For more information on how to include Resurrection Lutheran Church in your estate [click here to submit your request electronically via web browser](#)

or

return the information below to the church office.

I/We are interested in including Resurrection Lutheran Church (Lebanon, OH) in my/our estate plan and would like more information.

Name _____ Phone _____ email _____