Dear Members of Peace,

A few weeks ago I preached on 2 Corinthians 8:1-9. The subject of being generous to the people around us is a very sensitive one. It is easy to be motivated in the wrong way (guilt). Our amazing Father provides an amazing example for us to follow. We are asked to share with others as He has shared with us – out of love – out of grace! The following helps us better understand the generous heart of our Father in heaven.

Our friends, we want you to know what God's grace has accomplished in the churches in Macedonia. (2 Corinthians 8:2, Good News Translation).

The focus is on God's grace and what God's grace accomplishes. It is grace that has the power to change people, not guilt. It is God's grace that changes people.

Once in an adult instruction class, a woman was struggling with grace. She even telephoned her friend saying that she didn't get it. But a week later, she telephoned again and exclaimed, "I got it. I got it." She finally got it that God loved her unconditionally, freely; that she couldn't earn it, didn't deserve it.

As the book of Colossians says, "That you would come to know grace as it really is." It is the power of God's grace that accomplishes all good things in the church. Grace empowers great generosity. Grace is the inner power that makes great givers. Guilt has no power to produce great generosity. Not the Ten Commandments. Not the tithe. These are all law; they are all guilt. It is grace that empowered people in Macedonia to be great givers. This is a very basic principle that needs to be clearly understood.

"They have been severely tested by the troubles they went through; but their joy was so great that they were extremely generous in their giving, even though they are very poor." (2 Corinthians 8:2, Good News Translation).

These people were put to the test by the early persecutions of the Christians. Many or most of us have discovered that when life severely tests you, you can actually become stronger through the suffering. These severe troubles made these Christians stronger in their faith, not weaker. These people's joy was so great. This was not a middle-class happiness dependent on a good home and good job and good income and good cars. This was joy from knowing Jesus. Great generosity comes from great joy. The tall flower of generosity is planted in the soil of great joy.

“ Their abundant joy...overflowed in a wealth of generosity” -2 Corinthians 8:1-7

Giving or stewardship is putting our beliefs into practice. We believe everything is a gift from God and that belief impacts how we think, act and live... how we spend our money, care for the environment and use our time. One of the important ways we live out our faith is by giving. This generosity flows from Christ centered joy, and your generosity is what makes the ministries of Peace possible. Your generosity inspires abundant joy!

-Pastor Pasche
Baptisms
Oct. 5  Atticus John Ray Turner, son of Tyler Turner & Janine Anderson
Oct. 7  Jillian Lynn Schuerman, daughter of Benjamin & Erin Schuerman
Oct. 13 Oaklyn Ann Kause, daughter of Dan & Brianna Krause
Oct. 14  Faye Olive Piehl, daughter of Travis & Tory Piehl
Oct. 27 Eli John-Howard Albrecht, son of Joshua & Abby Albrecht

Funerals
Oct. 4  Julianne Tupa, 81, passed away Sep. 29
Oct. 5  David Pfeiler, 50, passed away Sept. 28
Oct. 6  James Markgraf, 74, passed away Sept. 29
Oct. 6  James D. Mitsche Sr., passed away Oct. 4

Membership Changes

Received by Transfer/Other Lutheran
Janine Anderson, and children Audrina* and Brody* from Our Savior’s Lutheran Church, Hutchinson
Brittany Sanford from Bone Lake Lutheran Church, Luck, WI

Received by Profession of Faith
Diane LeVesseur

Transferred Out/Released
JoAnn Blankenhagen – moved, requested release
Gustav & Elizabeth Wurdell, Grace*, Max* and Miles* to Christ the King Lutheran Church, Hutchinson
*Baptized Member

Memorials
Victor Brinkmeier Memorial
Lutheran Hour  $ 75
Kitchen  200
TTNG  610
Confirmation Bibles  100
Music Fund  100

Total: $1,085

Acolytes
Nov. 3  6:15 p.m.  Kiera Ziemer & Gabby Gabrelcik
4  8:00 a.m.  Ashley Witte & Monica Padrnos
10:30 a.m.  Mason Jindra
Nov. 10  6:15 p.m.  Shelby Lang & Noah Sturges
11  8:00 a.m.  Ashley Witte & Jersey Roiger
10:30 a.m.  Chloe Telecky & Jennifer Hilgemann
Nov. 1  6:15 p.m.  Daniel Roiger
Nov. 18  8:00 a.m.  Evan Baumgarten
10:30 a.m.  Jaslyn Maki & Zach Hausladen

Thanksgiving
Nov. 21  6:45 p.m.  Jaslyn Maki & Bryce Klancke
22  9:00 a.m.  Madilyn Gehrke & Kylie Luedtke
Nov. 24  6:15 p.m.  Carson Evers
Nov. 25  8:00 a.m.
10:30 a.m.
Advent Schedule
The 5:15 Family Worship Services begin Wednesday, November 28th and continue December 5th, 12th, and 19th. These worship times will be followed by Dinner at 6:00 p.m.

The 11:30 a.m. and 6:45 p.m. Advent Services will be held on December 5th, 12th, and 19th. The 11:30 a.m. service will be followed by lunch at 12:15 p.m.

Thanksgiving Worship Services will be held at Peace on Wednesday, November 21st and Thursday November 22nd at 9:00 a.m.

Cornucopia – Common Cup
One of the traditions at Peace is a Cornucopia (Horn of Plenty). This benefits the Common Cup Ministry. Please bring your food donations for the Cornucopia display in the Commons Area November 1st through the 26th. Thank you.
Maizy (Sandy Kephart)
Director of
Children's Ministries
Mission To Wales Oct. 23-Nov. 4

A sincere thank you for keeping Maizy, Dean, Cheri, Tim, Cynthia, Katelyn and Nathan in your prayers as they do ministry in the Merthyr Valley of Wales. Pray for each team member that they remain focused on Him and Him alone.

Pray that God will prepare the hearts of those He already knows will be hearing the Gospel - that they will respond to the Holy Spirit.

Pray the team will leave healthy and stay healthy as they adjust to the cool, damp weather of the valleys this time of year.

Pray that their travel will be safe and free of delays. Pray the team makes all of the flight connections and that the luggage and supplies arrive with the team. Clowns need their “stuff.”

Watch for updates on the church web page www.plchutch.org

Bloodmobile

Tuesday, November 13th
12 p.m. to 6 p.m.

To set up an appointment or if you would like to help, please call Shirley at 587-5064.

Common Cup Ministry
Coming Together in Song XII

Sunday, November 18th
4:00 p.m.
at Christ the King Church

Little Lambs Christian Center

Little Lambs Christian Center has been named Hutchinson Leader Readers' Choice Award Winner for the second year in a row! Congratulations for making LLCC a wonderful mission for Peace Lutheran.

November Monthly Munchies

Our November Monthly Munchie will be your favorite trail/snack mixes and Baker’s Choice.

We will be selling Monthly Munchies on Sunday, November 11th between and after all services. Our location is in the Commons Area. If you would like to donate, please bring your munchies in a disposable container, or come back after the 10:30 service to pick up your container.

We invite the entire congregation to purchase these seasonal treats! All proceeds will go to Tell the Next Generation.

--Jolene Dennis and Cassie Padrnos
Sunday Morning Bible Fellowship
8:15 a.m. & 9:15 a.m.

There will be two opportunities to participate each Sunday Morning and enjoy coffee, fellowship, and time in God’s word. The 8:15 am class will be held in the office conference room and the 9:15 am class will meet in Room 207 on the upper floor of the education building. This schedule allows you to select a worship service of your choice and still participate in one of the Sunday Morning Bible Fellowship opportunities.

“The Book of Daniel”

Do you remember the story of Daniel and the Lion’s Den? Or about Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego and the Fiery Furnace as recorded in the Old Testament book of Daniel? And guess what, there is much, much more!!

As we travel with Daniel in the first half of the book, we will experience exciting examples of God’s power and love followed by the last chapters where God allows Daniel to look ahead to future world events. All of these events lead to the coming of Jesus, the Savior. Once again, we will find in God’s Word the assurance that our God is in control of all history, and He directs all things for the purpose of saving His people. The class will also have the opportunity to grow in their understanding of the culture and history during the years of Daniel.

Operation Christmas Child

Peace Lutheran Church will be participating in Operation Christmas Child again this year. This program collects shoeboxes filled with gifts, and delivers them to children in need around the world. Every one of these shoebox gifts is an opportunity for the Gospel. In the hands of churches, it is a powerful tool for evangelism and discipleship, where they learn to follow Christ and share with others.

You can be a part of this worldwide effort to grow the Kingdom of God even in places where the Gospel has never been heard. Please think about contributing the following items to be included in the shoe boxes:

- dolls, stuffed animals, 70 sheet spiral notebooks, pens, pencils and sharpeners, color crayons, color books, color pencils, tape, balls (baseball size works great), soccer ball and pump, combs, brushes, hair accessories, hygiene items (no gels or liquids), any toy that is not war related, and also donations of $9.00 to send a box.

Most importantly, pray for the child who will receive these gifts.

You may bring these items to church and put them in the “Operation Christmas Child” box in the commons area at Peace. Packing day will be November 11th in the Peace Center throughout the morning. God bless your involvement in this mission.

Save the Date for Children’s Christmas Programs
Sunday, December 16th at 3:00 and Monday, December 24th at 3:00
Peace Lutheran Youth Info: November 2018

**Youth Contacts During Interim**

For General Information:
Robbie Oeltjenbruns  Youth Committee Chair  320-583-9070  
Confirmation: Pastor Pasche 320-296-9877

**Middle School Sunday School:** Jodi Evenson 320-583-9964  
**Wednesday Recharge Program:** Teri Friauf 320-510-0666  
**High School Bible Study:** Heidi Sickmann 320-582-2406  
**2019 Summer Trips:** Robbie Oeltjenbruns 320-583-9070

Church Office: 320.587.3031 Youth Ext. 2769  
Email: youth@plchutch.org

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**Cinnamon Roll Sales – Sunday, November 4th!**

The youth will be selling yummy cinnamon rolls at church on Sunday morning, one at church or take some home to enjoy later. $2 per roll or 12 for $20. This is a fundraiser for Youth Ministry at Peace.

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**2019 Mission Trips: YOUTH AND ADULTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO GO!**

Interested in participating in a mission trip/servant trip next summer? We attempt to follow Acts 1:8 to go out into the world to live out Peace’s mission statement, “Touching Lives with the Love and Saving Grace of Jesus.” Therefore, we are offering a variety of mission trips that allow students (and adults) to grow in how we live into that Bible verse and mission statement. We are offering a variety of trips based on the grades/experience of our youth, the older the youth and more experiences they have, the farther out we want to send them. Please prayerfully consider joining us next summer to serve God.

**Summer 2019 Mission Trip Locations:**

- **6th Grade Trip** – will have a mini-mission trip, with one overnight to Lutheran Island Camp. (staying local, within 150 miles).
- **Middle School Trip** (7/8 Grades) – will go to Kenosha, WI (going a bit further out, goal is staying within 5-6 hours of Hutchinson)
- **High School Trip** (9-12 Grades) – will go to the National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis, MN (occurring every 3 years in a different location)

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**Candy Bar Sales – Start November 14th!**

Who wants Chocolate!! The youth will be selling the following flavors of candy bars: caramel, milk chocolate, almonds, peanut butter, and crispy. All candy bars are milk chocolate. The price is $1 per candy bar. There will be no soliciting at church, so please contact a member of our youth program or get in touch with the youth committee. Thank you for supporting Youth Ministry at Peace.
Prince of Peace Retirement Living   November 2018

At Prince of Peace Retirement Living, we are blessed to be able to celebrate special occasions and you’re invited to join us.

The first is our annual Veterans’ Day Celebration to be held on Friday, November 9th at 10:00 a.m., where we will once again be handing out some “Quilts of Valor”.

We are also planning our second annual “Tour of Home” open house on Saturday, December 1st from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. In case you missed it last year, you’ll find yourself strolling past our “20+ themed Christmas trees”. We will be serving different holiday fares, and will enjoy the musical stylings of the Victorian Carolers and Adam Krumrie.

Plan to stop by for both events! If you’re unable to attend but would like a personal tour, please call us directly and we will set it up with you.

Merline Duering
Executive Director

Dorcas – Women in Mission

There was no meeting in October. Members were encouraged to attend the LWML Fall Rally at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Glencoe, Minnesota on October 20th.

Dorcas – Women in Mission will meet Thursday, November 8 at 1:30. Pastor Pasche will share a Bible Study. All women are invited to attend.

Does your family know what your wishes are?

Parish Health will be offering information and help on Advance Directives. Watch bulletins and bulletin boards for more information in the next months. Any questions please ask a Parish Health member or call Shirley at 587-5064.

Want to Tie One On?

Looking for helpers to tie quilts for mission quilting. If you can tie your shoes, you can tie a quilt. Join us on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesday of the month at 1pm in the church basement. No experience required and all supplies are provided. If you have questions please call Shirley at 587-5064. See you there!

MAP (Missions Awareness Program) Grades K-5 Two Hour Late Start

This program will meet at Peace in the church basement on regular scheduled two hour late start days. The Children enjoy breakfast, learn about a mission project and work on activities to support the mission. At the conclusion the children are walked to Park Elementary. Kindergarten and First Grade will ride the bus with Little Lambs Childcare Center. THIS PROGRAM STARTS IN NOVEMBER.
PRAYZ TEAM - We sing for Family Worship services, Sunday, November 11th at 9:15 a.m. We will also sing for Family Advent services on Wednesdays at 5:15 p.m. on November 28th, December 5th, 12th, and 19th. We practice at 5:00 p.m. (or students can stay after Youth Group at 4:45 p.m.)

PRAYZ TEAM – 6th, 7th and 8th graders are encouraged to sing for the start of our worship time every Wednesday. We practice at 6:00p.m and sing at 6:15p.m.

Hard Hat offering music - Children and youth are encouraged to provide music for hard hat offerings on the last Sunday of each month (6:15pm, 8:00am or 10:30am). See Dr. Joan to sign up.

New AV team members are welcome to join us! Please stop by the AV booth (Sanctuary or Peace Center), or see one of our team leaders: Kevin Schmuhl, Eric Padrnos, Justin Evenson, Ross Peterson and Brian Gartner. This is a great opportunity for families and youth to participate in worship and serve!

HCVN Channel 10 - The 8:00am worship service plays on Sunday at 7:00pm and Thursday at 10:00am. The 9:15am worship plays on Wednesday at 5:00pm and Sunday at 10:00am (one week after the actual service). Please see Dr. Joan if you are interested in serving with our AV ministry.

Offering Music
Children and youth are encouraged to provide music for offerings at 6:15 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. services, especially during seasons of Advent and Christmas. Students will play for prelude at the Children’s Christmas programs on December 16th and 24th. Please contact Dr. Joan to sign up. Call the church office or email musicministryatpeace@gmail.com.

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**Annual Christmas Cookie Sale**

**Saturday, December 8th**

**Begins at 9:00 a.m.**

*First*, bring your family and friends and get some cookies.

*Second*, **we need you to bring 4-5 dozen of your favorite family Christmas cookies for the sale**. If you can help, please call the church office and let us know how many cookies and what kind you will be bringing so we can have a nice assortment. Anything you can bring will be much appreciated.

*Third*, we will be baking lots of cookies to add to your donations. The baking days are Thursday and Friday, December 6th and 7th. If you can come any part of those days, please call Marlys at the church office. **WE CAN USE YOUR HELP!** It’s lots of fun and you get to spend time with other wonderful bakers from our congregation.

All profits from the sale will go to the General Fund. So, come and join us for some great cookie baking and buying!
Peace Lutheran Church Council Minutes
October 16, 2018

Call to Order: Nick

Opening Devotion: Pastor Pasche opened with the bible verse: Ecclesiastes 5:18. Message was about being content with our lives we have, knowing that our heavenly Father has met our greatest need through the redemptive work of His Son, Jesus.

Members Present: Lynn Brown, Nick Brellenthin, Cindy Mons, Lee Uldbjerg, Deanna Puchalski, Troy Puckett, Pastor Pasche

Members Absent: Kim Borka, Heidi Sickmann, Pastor Bode, Paul Berg

Guest: John Lietz, Elder

Touching Lives: Deanna shared a story about her dad and roller coaster ride with his health needs, with some very significant, scary possibilities told to him and his family, including a possible fast-growing cancerous growth. When it was all said and done, it was not cancer and the diagnoses was much less dire and treatable. He is doing so well, and is even going hunting tomorrow. Deanna had sent prayer requests to many people, and prayers were answered!

Approval of October Minutes: Cindy made a motion to accept September minutes, and Deanna seconded with all voting aye.

Approval of Treasurer’s Report: September general fund balance had a negative balance of $133,695.44. Total cash flow loss is a negative $62,867.95. LLCC had a balance of $22,559.96. Cash flow in all accounts had a negative balance of $62,867.95. Building maintenance fund had a balance of $83,922.56. Building mortgage fund had a balance of $7,948.77, leaving 0.63 months in reserve. Lynn made a motion to approve, Lee seconded, with all voting aye.

Troy passed out copies of the proposed 2019 budget for Council members to review before the November meeting.

Cindy made a motion to approve three $800 scholarship applications for Christian education that were applied for, and Lynn seconded with all voting aye. Lynn will contact Marc Max to request withdrawal of funds from the Congregational Fund.

Troy shared with the Council the current daily operating expenses and income for PLC. We are not meeting monthly expenses with weekly giving. The congregation approved a budget in January 2018 that required giving to increase by 7%. That did not happen. In fact, giving has decreased. Troy made a motion to increase our line of credit to $250,000. Nick and Troy will sign document to increase this line of credit at Citizen’s Bank. Lee seconded with five voting aye and one voting nay. Pastor Pasche will speak to the congregation on upcoming Sundays about envelope usage and shortfall in giving. Council members will be available to talk with Council members after every service in the conference room for the next two Sundays.

Nick shared information from Paul Berg about this Saturday’s seminar presented by Dr. Paul Maier. Small groups are starting soon. Paul recently attended a LCMC seminar in Des Moines. He was reminded that this is not our church but Jesus’ church. Jesus has never called people to be members but to be disciples, and it is not about us but about reaching those who do not know Jesus as their Lord and Savior.

Pastor Pasche: Pastor explained how to access missional formation questionnaire on the church website at Plchutch.org home page. He encouraged all church members to complete this. Pastor shared the PLC vision and mission statement proposal. We are here to connect, grow, and serve the Lord in everything we do.

Adjourn: Troy made a motion to adjourn and Deanna seconded with all voting aye.

Pastor closed with a word of prayer.

Submitted by:

Lynn Brown
Mission and Ministry Secretary

“Touching Lives with the Love and Saving Grace of Jesus”
Little Lambs TURKEY SUPPER
Mon. November 5
5 - 7 pm - Peace Center

PRICE:
$9.00 Adults
$4.00 Children
Kids 3 and under free with paying adult

Supper Includes:
Turkey • Dressing • Mashed Potatoes
Corn • Cranberries • Buns • Pickles
Coffee • Milk
Homemade Pumpkin & Apple Desserts

We need workers for the supper and desserts. Please sign up at the preschool or on the board by the office.

Bring friends and relatives!
NOVEMBER 2018 PRAYER CALENDAR

1. Pray for good crops and for the safety of those who harvest them.
2. Pray for our pastors, may their ministries be Christ-centered.
3. Thank God that America is a blessed nation, above all the nations of the world.
4. Pray that all people of the world would come to know Jesus as their Savior.
5. Ask God to protect all students who play sports.
6. Pray that many will prayerfully vote today and that God’s men and women are elected.
7. Thank God that every day is a ReDo day to praise and give thanks for our many blessings.
8. Pray that caregivers will have the heart of Jesus as they care for the elderly.
9. Pray for courage to speak up and share the Good News of our Savior, Jesus Christ.
10. Give thanks for all Veterans who have served to keep America safe and free.
11. Pray our military will come to no harm, and all may come safely home.
12. Pray today for the ReDo ministry in Hastings, MN, a missionary church that we support.
13. Give thanks to all pastors as they bring lost sheep back to God.
14. Pray for strength when we are weak and seem to have lost faith.
15. Ask the Holy Spirit to control our thinking and to equip us for whatever God brings our way.
16. Pray for Sunday School, confirmation and release time teachers that they teach God’s Word.
17. May Christians of America fall on their knees and repent so our land may be healed.
18. Ask forgiveness for our pride, so we will work together for continued freedom of the USA.
19. Pray that the Holy Spirit give us wisdom to keep our hearts and minds open to God’s Word.
20. Ask blessings on our marriages and pray for unity of our families.
21. Pray that our freedom of religion always be part of America.
22. Thanksgiving Day - Thank God for the many blessings God has given you and your family.
23. Keep the faith - God can - God will.
24. Pray that the Lord will keep our hearts and minds centered on Jesus, our Savior.
25. Do not give in to sadness or desperation. God knows how you feel and blesses in each trial.
26. Pray that you will take time to listen to Jesus speaking thru his Word daily.
27. Pray for God’s wisdom when you doubt.
28. Remember each month is a precious gift - use your time wisely.
29. Pray that you would have a heart that never hates and a smile that never fades.
30. Give thanks for Little Lambs Christian Center and the faith seeds planted there.

“Delight yourself in the Lord and He will give you the desires of your heart.” Ps. 37: 4-5.