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Our Vision Statement: "Touching Lives with the Love and Saving Grace of Jesus."



Third Sunday in Advent – December 16, 2018

Welcome to all who are worshipping with us today. **Please sign the Friendship Pad** for all your family members.

Elders: (6:15) Jerry Haag (8:00) Scott Brusehaver and Jeff Weckwerth (9:15) John Lietz (10:30) Jon Bock and Matthew Markgraf (3:00) Matthew Markgraf

Acolytes: (6:15) Caiden Pfeiler & Riley Chaplin (8:00) Robb Abelson (10:30) Lily Sickmann & Grace Puckett

Free copies of the December Lutheran Witness and Minnesota South insert are available in the commons area.

Dorcas: Women in Mission Christmas Cards are available at the Dorcas Card Shop.

We welcome Nathaniel Blom into membership today. We wish him the Lord's richest blessings as he joins our congregation.

Sunday Morning Bible Fellowship

8:15 am – Office Conference Room

9:15 am – Room 207, Upper Floor of Education Building

Join us Sunday morning and enjoy coffee, fellowship, worship, and time in God's word. This schedule allows you to still participate in one of the Sunday Morning Bible Fellowship opportunities.

We will be studying: "The Book of Daniel"

Do you remember the story of Daniel and the Lion's Den or 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.

Annual Reach/Matthew 14 Outreach Supper

The annual Reach/Matthew 14 Dinner will be held on Thursday, December 20th. This annual supper has been a joint venture between "Reach Program" of Hutchinson High School and Peace Lutheran Church over the past years. It is also a tremendous opportunity for members of Peace Lutheran to give witness to the love and saving grace of Jesus by touching the lives of those who attend by helping to prepare and serve this event. Along with your prayers, if you would like to help or would like to make a donation to help cover cost, please contact Sandy Kephart or Paul Berg at 320-587-3031.

Envelopes: The board in the commons area has envelopes which can be used to support budgetary expenses for December and January. Please take an envelope and return it to the offering plate or the church office. Be sure to fill out back of envelope for envelope credit. All gifts should be above and beyond normal offerings. Thank you!

Please pray for . . .

Members hospitalized, receiving treatment & recovering: Marie Maki, Roger Huls, Sandy Bach, Deb Janke, Delores McLain, David Plath, Diane Born, Audrey Knacke, John Tupa, Ronney Wendlandt, Mary Melin, Joan Bradley, Robert Dobratz, Sue Moritz, Lucille Smith, Gary Mons, Barb Ribar, Linda Rost, Dale Sturges, Orville Beilke, Michelle Robinson, Joyce Reinke, Beverly Alsleben, Chuck Schmidt, Elsie Alsleben, Melvin Burmeister, Shirley Zackrison, Sylvia Settergren, Elaine Lewerenz, Grace Zumberg, Judy Prieve, Boni Schanil, Mary Hansen, Mitchell Shesta, Roger Lambert

Worship Attendance Last Week:

Saturday: 6:15p.m. = 76
Sunday: 8a.m. = 116, 9:15a.m. = 135,
10:30a.m. = 105 **Total = 432**
Wed: 11:30a.m. = 42, 5:15p.m. = 152,
6:45p.m. = 107 **Total = 301**

If you know of someone who is ill or hospitalized, or would like a pastoral visit, please contact the church office.

If you enjoy reading the Messenger on PLCHUTCH.ORG and would like to stop delivery of the printed copy to your home, please call the church office at [320-587-3031](tel:320-587-3031) to have your name removed from our mailing list.

Let's Go Caroling!

Please come and join us to help us bring Christmas cheer!
Sunday, December 23rd at 3 p.m.
Meet in the Peace Center. There will be Potluck at 5 p.m. BBQ will be provided.
Please contact: Sandi Lietz at 320-587-4599 or Karen Klimp at 320-296-1164.

Thank you to our many musicians for sharing their Christmas Music in the Commons Area between worship services. December 16th – Hosanna Handbells. December 23rd – Sing along with Carolers!

Candy Bar Sales

Who wants Chocolate!! The youth are selling candy bars through January 6th: The price is \$1 per candy bar. Please contact a member of our **Youth program**. Please contact Robbie Oeltjenbruns 320-583-9070 or Luke Oeltjenbruns at 320-583-9033.
Thank you for supporting Youth Ministry at Peace.

Poinsettias will be used to decorate our church for Christmas. If you'd like to purchase one as a memorial or give a donation for a project, please do so by Dec. 19th. The cost is \$10.00. Please stop by the office or see your messenger for details.

Family Christmas Photo Opportunity

Please feel free to take a family picture in the commons area near the Tree. If you'd like help taking the photo, just ask one of our staff and they will be happy to assist you.
Merry Christmas!

Spring/Summer Paper/Cardboard Drive

April 22-29 and July 22-29 2019. This drive supports Jr./Sr. High mission projects. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Advent	11:30am Worship/Lunch	5:15pm Family Worship	6:00pm Supper	6:45pm Worship	
Wednesday Dec 19	Turning Darkness into Light. Darkness Covers the Earth Isaiah 60:1-3	God With Us Our Guide Isaiah 2:3-5 Jesus is our Way to Eternal Life	Chicken Noodle Soup & Sloppy Joes	Turning Darkness into Light. Darkness Covers the Earth Isaiah 60:1-3	
Christmas		3:00pm	5:00 PM	7:00pm	10:00pm
Sunday Dec 16	Worship/ Comm. 8:00 & 10:30am Sanctuary	Children's Christmas Program			
Monday Dec 24		Children's Christmas Program	Candle Light Worship	Candle Light Worship	Candle Light Worship
Tuesday Dec 25	Worship/Communion 9:00am Sanctuary				
Weekend Services					
Dec 22-23 Regular Worship Service Times: No Sunday School					
Dec 29-30 Regular Worship Service Times: No Sunday School					
Jan 6 Sunday School Resumes					

Financial Peace University Just imagine the impact we could have on the community if we were all debt-free! Marriages and families would be strengthened. People would be freed up to be outrageously generous. This kind of hope will ignite change in our entire community! Planning for the future is hard when you're still paying for the past! Listen—there's a better way! Join **Financial Peace University** and learn how to beat debt and make a plan for the future! Interested? Join the next class at Peace Lutheran Church starting Sunday, **January 6th from 6-7:30pm**. Sign up at: <https://fpu.com/1079638> or Contact: kati.katzenmeyer@gmail.com or ksolien@hotmail.com.

Congregational Weekly Giving

9-Dec-18

General Fund:

Needed per week	\$15,288.00
Received last week	\$16,270.65
	\$982.65

TTNG Fund:

Needed per week	\$3,144.00
Received last week	\$783.00
	(\$2,361.00)

Building Fund:

Received last week	\$720.00
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Donation Board:

Goal by: 31 Jan 19	\$8,300.00
Received to date	\$3,555.00
Needed to reach goal	\$4,745.00

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Week of December 16, 2018

- Mon:** *Pastor Lemke's Visitation Week*
3:30 & 6:30 p.m. Small Group Bible Study
- Tue:** 9:00 a.m. Evergreen Worship
10:30 a.m. Pines Worship
10:30 a.m. POP Bible Study
10:30 a.m. LSS Caregivers
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
6:30 p.m. Promise Keepers
7:00 p.m. Mission & Ministry
- Wed:** 8:30 a.m. Parish Health Mtg.
9:00 a.m. Release Time
11:30 a.m. Worship & Lunch
1:00 p.m. Mission Sewing
2:30 p.m. Recharge
3:30 p.m. Elementary Youth
5:15 p.m. Family Worship
6:00 p.m. Supper
6:45 p.m. Worship
- Thur:** 10:00 a.m. Park Towers
5:00 p.m. Reach
6:00 p.m. Focus
Matthew Dinner 14:16
7:00 p.m. Trustees
- Sat:** 6:15 p.m. Worship

Sunday, December 23, 2018

4th Sunday in Advent

- 8:00 a.m. Worship
9:15 a.m. Contemporary
Worship/Communion
10:30 a.m. Worship
No Sunday School

Week of December 23, 2018

- Mon:** ***Christmas Eve***
3:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Program
5,7, & 10:00 p.m. Candlelight
Worship Services
- Tue:** ***Christmas Day***
9:00 a.m. Worship/Communion
- Fri:** 9:00 a.m. Bethesda Thrift Shop
- Sat:** 6:15 p.m. Worship/Communion
**No School Dec 24-31

Sunday, December 30, 2018

- 8:00 a.m. Worship
9:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship
10:30 a.m. Worship

