

September 2021



# Messenger of PEACE

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We are a loving community called by God's grace – that all know the Peace of God.



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*The LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever.*

*Psalms 100:5*



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**2021/2022 Created for Community**

*At Peace, we believe that God desires every one of every age have the opportunity to grow in the knowledge and understanding of God's powerful Word and loving direction for our lives. We invite and encourage members and non-members to participate in Worship and the educational opportunities at Peace.*

## **Worship** New Fall/Winter Worship Schedule Begins Weekend of Sept. 18 & 19

Saturday	6:30 pm	Traditional - SANCTUARY
Sunday	8:00 am	Traditional - SANCTUARY
	9:15 am	Contemporary - PEACE CENTER
	10:30 am	Traditional - SANCTUARY

## **Confirmation** Confirmation Orientation, Wed. Sept 15 First Confirmation Class, Wed. Sept. 22

Wednesday	2:30 pm	6th Grade Confirmation
	6:30 pm	7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation

## **Children/Youth Programs** Rally Sunday, Sept 19 First Week of Programming Sept. 26

Sunday	9:15 am	Early Childhood, Age 3 - K, Rms 107-108 Elementary Gr 1-5, Church Basement Youth Gr 6-12, Peace Place
Tuesday	3:45 pm	Elementary Youth Gr 1-3, Church Basement
Wednesday	9:00 am	Release Time, Gr 1-5, Church Basement
	3:45 pm	Preteen Youth Gr 4-5, Church Basement
	6:30 pm	H.S. Youth Group at Peace Place

## **Bible Studies** First Day of Adult Bible Study, Sept. 26

Sunday	9:15 am	Rm 207-209, EDUCATION WING
Wednesday	11:45 am	Bible Study/Lunch, PEACE CENTER
Beginning Week of Oct. 10		Small Group - "In Pursuit of Jesus"

## PEACE WORSHIP TIMES

### Summer

Sundays thru Sept. 12

8:30 am | Sanctuary  
(livestreamed)

10:00 am | Outdoor/Drive-Up  
87.9 FM

Wed. Contemporary  
thru Sept. 8

6:45 pm | Peace Center

6 - 6:30 pm FREE meal - everyone invited

## ONLINE WORSHIP

### Livestream

[plchutch.org](http://plchutch.org) Watch Live@8:30am

### FacebookLive

[www.facebook.com/HutchinsonMN](https://www.facebook.com/HutchinsonMN)

### YouTube

[www.youtube.com/PeaceHutchinsonmn](https://www.youtube.com/PeaceHutchinsonmn)



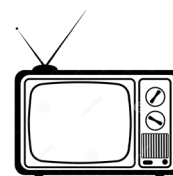
## CABLE TV HCVN

chan 10 – Nuvera,  
chan 8 – Mediacom

Sunday 7 pm & 10 pm

Wednesday 5 pm

Thursday 10 am





## OFFICIAL ACTS

### BAPTISMS

- August 1** Lennon Kay Albrecht, daughter of  
Carl and Kaylee Albrecht
- August 8** Grace Avery Knoll, daughter of  
Zachary and Kelly Knoll

### FUNERALS

- July 24** Richard O. Olson, age 75  
passed away May 20, 2021
- July 30** Harriet L. Emans, age 85  
passed away July 7, 2021
- August 20** Charles "Chuck" Schmidt, age 84  
passed away August 18, 2021
- August 27** Diane L. Born, age 71  
passed away August 20, 2021
- August 28** John H. Aul, age 98  
passed away August 18, 2021



### MEMORIALS

Wally Grussing	\$4,000.00	Cemetery Fund
Willard Prieve	\$5.00	undesignated
Harriet Emans	\$170.00	Bell Tower Repair
Geraldine Handberg	\$50.00	Cemetery Fund
Ray Urban	\$50.00	undesignated
Anonymous	\$500.00	Bell Tower Repair
Anonymous	\$500.00	Little Lambs

### WEDDINGS

- Vow Renewals  
Kevin & Molly Niebuhr July 31, 2021  
Dennis & Terry Jannusch August 22, 2021

### TRANSFER IN

- Bill & Jean Coalthard from Immanuel Lutheran, Brownton

### TRANSFER OUT

- Steve & Sue Plath to First Lutheran, Glencoe  
Brianna Quast to First Lutheran, Glencoe  
Lois Olsen to Good Shepherd, Clearbrook

### MEMBER REJOIN

- Sue Kroyer

The HR Committee has been busy this Summer, along with staff, reviewing and revising job descriptions. Those revised job descriptions were approved at the monthly Mission and Ministry Council meeting in July and are available in the church office for any church member to read. Some staff job titles have also been revised including the following: Lisa Kirchoff, Communication Coordinator/Office Administrator Assistant; Dr. Joan Dixon, Director of Worship, Music, and Audio-Video Ministries; Sue Kroyer, Office Administrator; Sandy Kephart, Christian Education Director and Outreach Coordinator/Operations Coordinator.

## Schedule Change to Matthew 14:16 Dinner

Beginning with our Fall schedule the Matthew 14:16 Dinner will be served the 4th Sunday of each month from 5-6 pm in the Peace Center.



### Meal Schedule for Sept:

Wed. Sept 1	6-6:30 pm
Wed. Sept 8	6-6:30 pm
Sun. Sept 26	5 - 6 pm

**Please Join Us - Everyone's Welcome!**

### September Greeters

- Sept 5**  
8:30 Marlys Palmer, June Beach  
10:00 Connie Campa,  
Arlene Benshoof

- Sept 12**  
8:30 Allan and Dolores Reiner  
10:00 Steve & Sandy Sturges  
**Sept 19**  
8:00 Scott & Shannon Streich  
9:15 Dale & Shari Zieman  
10:30 Jon & Cindy Bock

- Sept. 26**  
8:00 Scott & Shannon Streich  
9:15  
10:30 Lloyd and Evangeline Dettman

### September Ushers

- Team #2 (8:00)**  
Rod Huls  
Wally Kohls  
Allan Fuchs  
Rusten Huls

- Team #5 (10:30)**  
Dale Froemming  
Bryce Cassens  
Joel Haag  
Dale Schumann  
Robbie Peterson  
Ross Peterson



### September Readers

- 8:30am**  
Sun, Sept 5: Shirley Wurdell  
12: Melissa Weckwerth

- 10:00am**  
Phyllis Hecht  
Lee Ulbjerg

- 8:00am**  
Sun, Sept 19: Nona Anderson  
26:

- 9:15am** Shari Zieman  
Sara Peterson  
**10:30am** Hazel Sitz  
Marion Fenske

- 6:30pm**  
Sat, Sept 18: Kevin Heikes  
25: Joanne Keilen



Looking for people who would like to read scripture during a worship service. Contact Cyndy Fallon @ 320-587-5517, Thank you.

## Thank you!

Many thanks to everyone who attended the Summer Recitals and to Marlys Palmer and the many kitchen volunteers who assisted with the wonderful Salad Luncheons! It's a wonderful tradition at Peace that is enjoyed by many.

## A Message from the Congregational President

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ,

On behalf of the Mission and Ministry Council, thanks to our staff and countless volunteers that supported our many successful summer activities (Vacation Bible School, the Summer Concert and Salad Luncheons, Youth Guitar Camp, Hangouts, and HAY activities, the Annual Garage Sale, numerous LLCC field trips, and the cultivation and nurturing of our flowers and plants).

If you were unable to attend our August 8th Congregational Meeting, we discussed the Worship Committee Survey results and the pastoral care transition guidance and implementation from MN South District President Pastor Lucas Woodford. The complete worship survey report was 42 pages long. Although the survey was conducted to receive input to determine our fall worship schedule, concerns regarding non-worship related topics were received and included: budgetary concerns - cemetery, status of the parsonage, staff salaries, selling Peace Place to pay down debt; music programming - lack of choirs, the need for song leaders; management of the previous call committee for an associate pastor, and the transition plan for pastoral care. The Council and Board of Elders are aware of these concerns. We welcome you to attend one of our meetings to discuss any of these issues in more detail.

As we begin our fall programing in a few weeks we will miss the contributions of Shannon Campbell who resigned August 14 to become the new Director of Music and Worship, at Christ the King. We thank her for her service and wish her well as she pursues her passion for music ministry. We are actively seeking applications for her replacement. During the interim Sandy Kephart will be coordinating youth activities with the Youth Board.

As a result of the staffing shortage our staff and Human Resources Committee met and determined it best to make the following programming changes for Fall:

- Eliminate Wed evening worship after Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>
- Schedule all evening worship services at 6:30 pm
- Only offer 6<sup>th</sup> grade confirmation after school

We remain grateful for God's continuing grace and guidance as we focus on the tasks before us.

"May mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you."  
Jude 1:2

Bob Sylvester  
Mission and Ministry Council President



## PRINCE OF PEACE RETIREMENT LIVING SEPTEMBER 2021

Greetings and salutations for this season, of fall, that will soon be upon us. As we change from one season to the next, we often take that time to reflect on memories of the

past and dreams for the future. In 1995, Prince of Peace Retirement Living opened its doors for the first residents. A couple of years later, I was offered the position of Executive Director. Throughout those years, I have had the humble honor of serving great folks....some of whom might have been or are your parents, your relatives, or even yourself. In September, as the season changes, so will my position here at POPRL. I will be assuming the role of Director of Development. At my recommendation, the Board of Directors has promoted Destini Doring as the new Executive Director. I am thrilled to be starting the next season of my life, at the same time to be consulting Destini in the development of her own vision of "Prince of Peace" while holding onto the mission of a dignified, independent lifestyle for those who call this home.

Enjoy Life,  
Merline Duering, Executive Director



## Little Lambs Christian Center!

Heather Pagel, LLCC Center Director

### September 2021

Another Summer has come and gone, and the 2021-2022 School Year is about to begin. Little Lambs Christian Center will be ringing in the new school year with some new faces and some changes in classrooms. Our Pre-K classroom will be joined by 10 new kiddos who will be ready to go to Kindergarten in the Fall of 2022. This month, Mrs. Kruse is going to focus more on teaching the children all the ins and outs of her classroom. She will be showing them the classroom schedule and how it is different from what they have been used to.

The Preschool room will have a little change as well as a good handful of Toddlers will be transitioning up to the Preschool room. The Preschoolers will also be having fun making art with Apples and learning about Apple Orchards.

The Toddler Room will be also learning about Apples and even getting to taste test different kinds of Apples (i.e. Green Apples, Red Apples, & Yellow Apples).

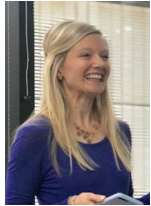
The Infant Room will be having fun this month playing with some new toys that were donated from families within the center. The babies love watching all the big kids and especially watching that big bus pick them up. It makes their day, and they look forward to when the bus comes back to drop the kids back off at LLCC.

LLCC will be expanding into the PLC Education Wing in one of the rooms in the basement. There has been a higher demand for before and after school care since COVID-19 hit and Little Lambs is happy to help those families in need. We are excited to spread God's word with these new families and show them just how amazing our God truly is! Here's to praying for a fun and safe school year and good things to come from all the changes coming to LLCC!

Many Blessings,  
Heather Pagel, Center Director



## In His Loving Care, "I'm Tired Lord, Please Take Over"



**Sat. Oct. 2, 9am - noon**

Breakfast served at 9:15am  
Tickets \$10.00  
Peace Lutheran Church



Calling all Ladies ages Tweens on up, the Women's retreat is back! We are so excited to have Presenter Sarah Legband. Sarah and her husband have 2 children, reside in the Twin Cities and live in a multi-generational home with Sarah's parents and her husband's father. She has done mission work and her passion is speaking and ministry. Sarah leads a weekly mom's group of about 100 women. I'm sure, she has much wisdom to share with us in surrendering to the Lords care for us. Patty Kark will also be back with her wonderful voice to lead us in music.

Bring your friends, neighbors, daughters and daughter-in-laws. This event will be just what we all need after the year we have all had. See you there. Tickets are on sale at the church office.



A reception will be held in the Commons Area from 9:30-10:30 on September 26<sup>th</sup> to honor Marlys Palmer for her 35 years of service at Peace Lutheran Church. Cake, coffee, and punch will be served. Please stop in and thank her.

## BACK ON THE ROAD FOR A MYSTERY TOUR !?!?

It's time once again for a Peace Lutheran Mystery Tour. Let's get on the bus and head out on **Tuesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>**. We'll leave the church parking lot at 8am for a fun day of touring. Cost for the day hasn't been completely determined but the price should be very similar to past trips. We should return home approximately 5 - 6 pm. So, as usual call your friends and neighbors and invite them along for a fun, safe and entertaining day with all your Peace pals. **Sign up deadline is Friday, September 17<sup>th</sup>**. For more information or to sign up, call the church office at 587-3031.

## LWML

The next LWML/Dorcas meeting will be on **Thursday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm**. Our guest speaker will be Lisa Kamrath, McLeod Zone President and deligate to the 2021 LWML National Convention. Lisa will be sharing her experiences and highlights from the convention.



The **MN South District LWML Fall Women's Retreat** will be on **Saturday September 18<sup>th</sup> at Good Shepherd Lutheran in Owatonna**. Registration and hotel information is available on the MN South District website: [mnslwml.org](http://mnslwml.org). Registration deadline is September 7<sup>th</sup>. More details are available on the LWML bulletin board.

## Upcoming Events

The **Crow River Conference Fall Rally** will be held on **Saturday, October 9** at **St. John's Lutheran in Buffalo**. Registration (\$5) and coffee at 9:00 am. Program begins at 9:30 am. The guest speaker will be Alfrieda Baldwin, micro-school founder of Laurel Community School in St. Paul. If interested in attending, call Nona Anderson at 587-3141 by October 1st. More details are available on the LWML bulletin board.

**LWML Sunday - Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>**. The theme is "Our hearts in His hand" written by Dr. Dale A Meyer, President Emeritus, Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO.

## BRANSON at CHRISTMAS!

**NOVEMBER 2 - 7**



It's time to get out of the house after a very long year and hit the road for Branson. We will be leaving Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> and returning Nov 6<sup>th</sup>. In Kansas City we will be stopping off at the Drury Inn on the way down and back. The Lodge of the Ozarks is a very nice hotel that we will be staying at in Branson.

There is a great line-up of shows for you including, The Texas Tenors, The Life of Jesus at the Sight and Sound Theater, Rick Thomas, an Illusionist, The Oak Ridge Boys and Oh Happy Day, a classic gospel show. On our last trip to Branson, everyone on the bus voted "Oh Happy Day" the best show ever. We will also have time to shop including a winery. We will also be seeing the drive through Christmas Light Show "Lights of Joy".

Cost for the trip is \$675.00 for Double, \$575.00 for triple, \$815.00 for Single and \$550.00 for Quad. This includes everything except meals on the road and 2 lunches in Branson, however, the hotel breakfasts are huge so you may not need lunch. Very large dinners are included in the price.

First half payment is due now, which is also the sign-up deadline. 2nd half payment is due October 1st. All Peace Members and friends are more than welcome.

## GROWING in God's Word

### Would You Consider Serving as a Host for This Fall's Small Group Series?



This fall Peace Lutheran will launch its **Annual Fall Small Group Video Bible Study** the Week of October 10<sup>th</sup>. The video series is titled:

**"In Pursuit of Jesus"**  
by Our Daily Bread Ministries

Our Daily Bread is a Christian organization founded by Dr. Martin De Haan in 1938. It is based in Grand Rapids, Michigan, with over 600 employees and produces several devotional publications. Our goal is to have a minimum of 25 small groups. Do you enjoy a discussion with a group of your friends over a cup of coffee and a snack? You may be saying, "I have never hosted a Small Group before. Will there be printed material, training, and ongoing support? YES....the committee for this Fall's Small Group Campaign will provide you with all that you will need to be a host, step by step, including leader's material, resources and an orientation/training session.

Watch for sign up in the Commons Area in the next few weeks - it would be my pleasure to visit with you.  
Sandy Kephart - 320-587-3031 or maizy@hutchtel.net.

## Education Wing Dedication

Paul A. Berg, Minister of Operations, was instrumental in the continuing Christian Education Programs at Peace for many years. He was a servant of the Lord and his love for God and others was lived out every day of his life.

Paul A. Berg  
Education Wing  
Love God and Love Others

In the January 2017 Messenger Paul wrote, "Today is the day to extend that apology, today is the day to speak that word of kindness, today is the day to spend time with someone who is lonely, today is the day to share your food and clothes with those in need, and today is the day to share the saving knowledge of Jesus with someone through your words and actions."

It is fitting the Peace Lutheran Education Wing be named the Paul A. Berg Education Wing.

Dedication will take place on Sunday, September 26 at each of the morning Education Ministries.

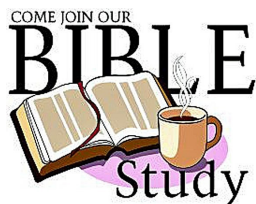
May it be the prayer of each of us as God opens doors and gives us the opportunity to touch the lives of others with God's love and saving grace of Jesus, our response will be, "Yes, Lord!"

## Soup, Sandwich & Word of God Every Wednesday beginning September 15<sup>th</sup>

You are invited to enjoy a tasty lunch with fellowship along with time in God's Word every Wednesday beginning Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>.



This traditional Bible Study continues through meaningful scripture and life application. Lunch is served beginning at 11:45 am with Time in God's Word beginning at 12:20 pm. The class is structured so you may come and go as your schedule allows. It's a tremendous opportunity not only for yourself, but maybe there is a friend, a neighbor, a co-worker who would be blessed by attending the Wednesday Noon Soup, Sandwich & Word of God. Prayerfully think about who you may bring. The cost of the lunch is covered by a free will offering.



**Sunday Morning  
Bible Fellowship**  
9:15 am | Room 207

Join us each Sunday Morning and enjoy coffee, fellowship, and time in God's word. The Bible Study class will meet in Room 207 on the upper floor of the education building.  
Our first class will be starting on Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup>

Dedication of the Education Wing to Paul A. Berg, will take place on Sunday, September 26 at each of the morning Education Ministries.

## Thank You!! Thank You!!



To those who supported the Back-to-School supplies drive, Backpack Program and Diaper Drive thru donations, monetary gifts and prayers, THANK YOU!  
Common Cup received and filled 400 school supply applications and continue to fill requests as they come in. Through Common Cup we are able to reach those in need in our community.

## YOUTH CONNECT

Grades 6 - 12

### Register at [plchutch.org](http://plchutch.org)

■ **Sunday School | Sundays Sept. 26 - May 8 | 9:15am**  
As 2020-21 was a year of disconnect, we are focusing on being Connected in 2021-22 ... connecting with others, connecting to God's Word, making connections in developing a Biblical Worldview, and growing in our relationship with Christ.

■ **Confirmation Orientation**  
For students & parents - Peace Center  
**Grade 6, 7, 8 | 6:30 pm | Wed. Sept. 15**

■ **Confirmation | Wednesdays**  
**Grade 6 | 2:30 pm | Begins Sept 21**  
**Grade 7, 8 | 6:30 pm | Begins Sept 22**

The confirmation program at Peace Lutheran provides an opportunity for students in grades 6-8 to continue their spiritual journey, that they may come to have a greater understanding of the Bible and Luther's Catechism in their daily lives. Classes are held September through April.

■ **High School Youth Grade 9-12**  
**Wednesdays | 6:30 - 7:30 pm**  
Our high school youth group is a place where we hope to prepare our students for life after high school. As they journey towards adulthood, the choices they make now have a profound effect on the rest of their lives. This is especially true for their faith journeys; and this is what makes high school such a crucial time.

■ **Sunday School | Sundays Grade 6-12**  
**Sept. 26-May. 8 | 9:15 am**  
This year we are focusing on being Connected in 2021-22... connecting with others, connecting to God's Word, making connections in developing a Biblical Worldview, and growing in our relationship with Christ.

### Join a Worship Team at Peace! Coming Back After Covid...

**Audio Video Teams** - We are looking for a few more people to join our AV teams. We rotate weeks, so you are not tied down every week. Please contact Dr. Joan or any of our team members for more information. This is a great service opportunity for families with children who enjoy computers!

8:00am - TBA

9:15am - Kevin Schmuhl and Justin Evenson

10:30 - Brian Gartner and Ross Peterson.

Saturday - TBA

Thank you to our many awesome volunteers and all that you have done to keep the online services up and running throughout COVID!

### Questions?

**Pastor John Pasche** - Confirmation  
[jpasche@hutchtel.net](mailto:jpasche@hutchtel.net)

**Sandy Kephart**, Youth Coordinator  
[Maizy@hutchtel.net](mailto:Maizy@hutchtel.net)

### SAVE-THE-DATE!



**2022 LCMS YOUTH GATHERING - JULY 9-13, 2022** Peace Lutheran youth will be headed to Houston! We will be registering for the event in November, so stay tuned for any updates, cost, and details for this trip/event. We will also be looking for adult chaperones/leaders for the trip as well, so prayerfully consider going!

### Peace Hosts Friday Free Lunch at Crosspoint Church.



This year there will be 3 lunch periods, beginning at 10:45. We should be done and cleaned up by 1:00 -1:30pm. If you would like to help with this ministry, please contact Sandy Kephart at 587-3031. Thank you!

**Peace Lutheran serve dates:**

**Sept. 30, Nov. 18, Jan 13, Feb. 24, Apr 14**

**Help Needed!** We are looking for parents/adults who are interested in helping with our youth programs. The greatest area of need will be Confirmation mentors! If interested please contact Sandy 587-3031.

**Hosanna Handbells** - After a long pause due to COVID, we are back! Rehearsals will begin on September 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the music room. We look forward to ringing again!



**PRAYZ TEAM** - After a long pause due to COVID, we are back! Please contact Dr. Joan if you are interested. Rehearsals will be scheduled according to your availability.

**Praise Team Song Leaders for Contemporary Worship** - We are in need of some additional praise team leaders for the 9:15am worship service. If you are interested, please schedule a time to meet with Dr. Joan. We could also use some additional persons who play guitar and/or drums.

*If you are interested in joining a music or av team, please contact Dr. Joan at 587-3031.*



## KIDS CONNECT

For Kids age 3 - Grade 5

Register for Programs at

**plchutch.org**

ALL Programs are FREE -  
We encourage kids to bring friends!

### Questions?

**Sandy Kephart** Elementary Ministries  
Maizy@hutchtel.net  
320-587-3031

**Stacy Miller** Early Childhood Ministries  
plc3kministry@hutchtel.net  
320-587-3031

### ■ Sunday School Age 3 - Gr K

**Sept. 26-May. 8**

Children can come and interact with friends and teachers to learn about the Old and New Testament through team building games, movies, crafts, and Bible stories. There is music each week as well that the children will be working on towards Family Worship. Jesus is constantly showing us his great plan and we love to teach the little ones how it is unfolding into a bigger plan for them.

### ■ Sunday School Grades 1 - 5

**Sept. 26 - May. 8**

This is a wonderful interactive way for children to study and explore Bible stories from the Old and New Testament. The children will learn how God is at work for the benefit of his people: guiding, preserving, and saving them. Friends are always welcome.

#### Option One: Traditional

9:15 - 10:15

Meet in the church basement for songs, opening devotion & lesson.

#### Option Two: Combination

At 9:15, they will be with their family at worship in Peace Center and will be excused before the message. Children will be escorted to basement for Sunday School which concludes at 10:15.

### ■ Release Time Grades 2-5

**Wed. Morning Oct 27 - Mar 30** Church Basement

This is a great mid-week program in which children are released from school for one hour to go to a church of their choice for religious education.

**\*\*REGISTRATION must be done prior to attending to be excused from school. Forms are returned TO THE SCHOOL.**

### ■ MAP (Mission Awareness Program) Grades 1-5

Two-Hour Late Start (ISD 423)

**5 DATES - Oct 6, Nov 10, Feb 2, Apr 6, May 4**

Church Basement

The program will meet at Peace Lutheran when the public school has a regular scheduled two-hour late start. The children will enjoy breakfast, learn about a mission project and work on activities for mission. Bring your friends!

**NEW!**

## Two Elementary Youth Groups

Every Tuesday & Wednesday

With the structural changes of Grades 2-3 moving out of Park into Tiger Elementary, we can no longer walk all of the kids from Park to our after school program. This has created a few challenges, but also opportunity. This year to better meet the needs of our students and to teach more age specific, we are offering two Youth Groups, Elementary (Gr 1-3) and Preteen (Gr 4-6).

If you would like to help with snacks, games, devotions, or just to join the fun at either of these programs, please call Sandy 587-3031.

### ■ Elementary Youth Group (Grades 1-3)

Every Tuesday beginning Sept. 21

3:45-4:45 in the church basement

- Elementary youth will have to find their own transportation from Tiger Elementary.

### ■ Preteen Youth Group (Grades 4-6)

Every Wednesday beginning Sept. 22

3:45-4:45 at Church Basement.

- Preteens can safely walk from Park on their own.

- Grade 6 can join the fun at 4:00 after confirmation.

## Operation Christmas Child



If you would like to plan ahead for Operation Christmas Child and purchase items early that are on sale for school, the following items will be included in the shoe boxes:

- |                                    |                   |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| *70 sheet spiral notebooks         | *pens             |
| *pencils and sharpeners            | *color crayons    |
| *color pencils and sharpeners      | *tape             |
| *balls (baseball size works great) | *bandages         |
| *soccer ball and pump              | *combs/brushes    |
| *any toy that is not war related   | *hair accessories |

You may bring these items to church and put them in the "Operation Christmas Child" box in the commons at Peace. Peace will be packing our shoeboxes November 14<sup>th</sup>.

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*Serve Christ with our Words, Service and Resources.***Bloodmobile****TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14<sup>th</sup>****TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12<sup>th</sup>****12 pm - 6 pm Peace Center**

- Refreshment/ beverage area is distanced and all food and drinks are prepared and packaged.

- Appointments only can continue to be made on line at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) or by calling Shirley W. at 587-5064.

Thank you for continuing to support us.

**September 2021 Prayer Calendar**

"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayer and requests." Eph. 6:18

1. "O Lord, open my lips and my mouth shall show forth your praise." Ps. 51: 15
2. Pray that Peace will be a "House of Prayer."
3. Today and every day, give thanks for the blessing of salvation in Jesus Christ.
4. As the new school year begins, pray safety and health for teachers and students.
5. Give thanks for the Word you will hear today and for Christ's body and blood shed for you.
6. Pray safety for all travelers coming home from the Labor Day holiday.
7. Pray that parents will bring their children to Sunday School and worship.
8. "Do not be anxious about anything but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, present your request to God." Phil 4:6,7.
9. Give thanks for the quilts and offerings Women in Mission of Peace (LWML) make for missions around the world.
10. Pray that parents and others will want to teach in Sunday School and Release Time.
11. Pray for the wedding of Paige Wiehr and Gregor Fraser that they establish a Christ centered home and family.
12. Give thanks for the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of LLCC, being celebrated today.
13. Thank the Lord for Pastor Lemke's visitation to our shut ins.
14. Pray for our staff as they meet on Tuesdays. Pray for spiritual strength that their decisions be in God's will.
15. Give thanks for growing attendance at Wednesday evening dinners and worship service.
16. Give daily thanks for God's faithfulness, grace and mercy to us, his children.
17. Today is Citizenship Day. Ask blessings on all who come to the U. S. to become Americans.
18. Pray for the wedding couple Courtney Frick and Todd Breyer that the Lord will be the center of their home.
19. Rally Day: As Sunday School and Bible Study begins today, pray that hearts will be open to attend.
20. Pray today for family or a friend struggling in a broken relationship. Pray for healing and peace.
21. Pray for our members in care facilities, make a phone call or a visit..
22. Give thanks for all the students who will gather for prayer this morning, gathering "Around the Pole" at our High School.
23. Pray thanks for the hands that make quilts for families in disaster around the world.
24. Give thanks for the women who faithfully go to Bethesda Thrift Shop to work once a month.
25. Pray wisdom for national, state, and local government leaders.
26. Pray safety and health for your family during the Covid pandemic.
27. Give thanks for all who are generous with time, talents and treasure to make possible the work of Peace.
28. Pray for the church council to look for God's will in decisions.
29. "This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it." Ps 118: 24
30. Pray for all aspects of the upcoming Women's Retreat, "In His Loving Care"



**Mission and Ministry Council July 20, 2021 - 7:00 PM**

**Present:** Lynn Brown, Shirley Ulldberg, Kathy Hochsprung, Bob Sylvester, Kim Borka, Pastor Pasche, John Lietz, Heather Pagel, Chuck Jones, Heidi Sickmann, Kevin Heikes, Pastor Pasche, Jerry Haag, Mary Haag

**1. Call to order:** The meeting was called to order by Bob. Opening prayer led by Bob.

**2. Approval of Minutes:** Approval for June 15, 2021 & June 22, 2021 minutes. Barb made a motion to approve both sets of minutes, Chuck seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**3. Reports:**

**LLCC:** Heather reported that more space is needed to accommodate the number of children this fall in the before and after school program. A variance was given by the Fire Marshall to use two rooms in the basement of PLC. They would be used both before and after school hours. LLCC is requesting to use the two classrooms to meet codes needed for the number of children. LLCC will incur the cost of what is needed to be done to meet code requirements for the space. Kevin made a motion to approve the use of the space. Kathy seconded the motion. Motion carried. Lynn reported that an electronic brochure was shared for drop-in daycare and that posters for back up childcare are up in the community and on the PLC & LLCC websites. The final DHS state grant of \$6000 was paid in June. LLCC will receive \$4250 from the American Rescue Plan. LLCC is in the black by \$9700, partly due to grant money. Little Lambs will have an end of the summer celebration at the Rec Center on August 27 and is also preparing plans with PLC to celebrate LLCC's ten-year anniversary which is on September 12.

**Treasurer:** Kevin reported that the budget is being maintained. He asked permission to contact the person that helps with QuickBooks to assist Sue in the office. There is no formal backup system for our computers. Kevin requested iCloud be put on up to 10 computers to obtain backup. The cost is \$299.25 for two years of coverage. Kevin made a motion to approve the purchase of the iCloud program. Shirley seconded the motion. Motion carried. Lutheran Church Extension Fund contacted Kevin stating we have approximately \$10,000 in a fund. Kevin requested the money to be sent to PLC where it will be put it towards the principal of the building mortgage. Bob will provide Citizens Bank and Trust the names of our officers (Lynn Brown, Kim Borka, Kevin Heikes, Robert Sylvester) as signatories on the line of credit at the bank.

**Pastor Pasche:** The planning meeting with staff for the upcoming year occurred. Wednesday night services are continuing.

**Elders:** John reported that a Saturday night service will begin in the fall, along with keeping Wednesday night services and Sunday services. The annual garage sale is being organized.

**Human Resources Committee:** Lynn reported that they have met 4 times since the last meeting. Revised job descriptions have been updated and reviewed by staff. Lynn made a motion to approve the job descriptions. Barb seconded the motion. Motion carried. Personnel files will be updated in the next couple of weeks and the personnel manual update is nearly completed. It will be sent to

the MMC for discussion and approval at the August meeting.

The committee interviewed Sue and the MMC approved her hiring via email.

A request was made to send out the Messenger monthly as numerous members have requested that they want to receive information in a timelier manner. The suggestion is to email those that have email addresses. Those that do not will continue to receive a hard copy in the mail. The Messenger can also be accessed on PLC website.

A motion was made by Lynn to send out on a monthly basis to those that have email and if requested, a paper copy will be mailed. Kathy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**4. Unfinished business:**

**a.** Office transition with Sue in the new position is ongoing. Kathy suggested a biography about Sue would be informative and it could be added to the others on the bulletin board. Creating a staff bulletin board is being considered.

**b.** Guidance from MN South District: Names were given to PLC for vacancy pastors. The decision was made to contact one candidate. We are waiting to hear back from the candidate on their decision.

**c.** Revisions to PLC Constitution / Bylaws: Chuck reported that changes and updates will be shared at the August meeting.

**5. New business:**

**a.** Review of Worship Survey: Copies of the summary of the survey will be copied and shared at the congregational meeting. The summary will be distributed before the meeting both online and in hard copy a week before the meeting so members can review it beforehand.

**b. Fall Worship Schedule:** This will be shared at the congregational meeting. The Human Resources committee will look further into the Wednesday confirmation schedule that is being presented.

**c.** Date / Agenda for congregational meeting will be set. Items to be presented will be the survey summary, pastoral care transitional plan and the proposed fall worship schedule. The date will be August 8, 2021 in the Peace Center following the 10:00 service. Chuck made a motion that name tents of the council members be made for the meeting and subsequent meetings. Shirley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**d.** Proceeds of the garage sale go to the youth group missions (25%) and TTNG (75%).

**e.** Outreach to new members: Discussion on how to welcome new members. Kevin mentioned in the past mentors had been assigned to new members. It will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

**f.** Stewardship committee discussion: Discussion occurred about the past committee. The council will continue to review and research this with future plans for a committee to be formed. It was suggested we review the stewardship resources available on MN South's website before our August meeting.

Pastor Pasche closed with prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Borka  
Secretary MMC

Bob Sylvester  
President MMC

**Mission and Ministry Council August 17, 2021 - 7:00 PM**

**Present:** Lynn Brown, Kathy Hochsprung, Bob Sylvester, Kim Borka, Pastor Pasche, John Lietz, Chuck Jones, Heidi Sickmann, Kevin Heikes,

**Absent:** Shirly Uldjberg, Barb Otte

**1. Called to order** at 7:37 by Bob.

**2.** July 20 minutes were approved via email.

**3. Reports:**

**a. Pastor Pasche-** Pastor shared that weddings and funerals are taking place and services continue.

**b. Treasurer-**Kevin shared that Sue is working on items in the office as she transitions into her position. Sue will be working with a consultant next week to complete items on QuickBooks.

**c. Board of Elders-**John shared that we continue to pray for Robbie Oljetnbuins.

**d. Human Resources Committee-**Lynn shared that the committee met twice since their last meeting. Revised job descriptions were reviewed with PLC staff. Job descriptions were also updated on the website. The HR committee attended the staff meeting on August 17. Employee files are being updated. The updating of the employee handbook is near completion and will be reviewed at the September Mission & Ministry Council meeting.

**e. LLCC-**Lynn shared that the before & after school program will be using the Kindergarten classroom in the lower level of PLC. DHS has offered a \$4250 grant. Heather applied for this grant in early August.

Federal childcare grant money is available and Glorianne Heikes will be in charge of this grant. The 10th anniversary will be rescheduled to November. There is still a need for another board member.

**f. Constitution/Bylaws Subcommittee-**Council members are asked to review these and discussion will take place at the September meeting.

**4. Unfinished Business:**

**a. Update on pastoral care plan:** PLC is working with Pastor Reed. An offer was made to fill Pastor's Bode's vacancy position, but the candidate declined. More guidance will be coming from the District on the next step in this process.

**b. Status of Finance & Organizational Chart Subcommittee-** Bob will work with Chuck on this committee. Members of the finance committee will be approached to see if anyone is interested in assisting Kevin on the Finance Committee.

**c. Discussion on establishing Stewardship Committee:** The Mission & Ministry Council will read through the manual and also review the district website on stewardship to gain ideas to begin this. Discussion will follow up at the September Mission & Ministry Council meeting.

**d.** New member welcome will be Saturday, September 11 with an ice cream social and polka band.

**5. New Business:**

**a.** Friday, August 20 is the deadline for September messenger mailing.

**b.** \$9200 was raised at the garage sale. John thanked all of those who were able to help. Thank you to John & Sandy Lietz for their support and for chairing this event.

**c.** Statement on status of the prescriptions: Bob will draft a statement of where PLC is at in this process.

John Lietz closed with prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kim Borka, Secretary MMC

Bob Sylvester, President MMC

**SENIOR DRIVER SAFETY PROGRAM**

~ REFRESHER COURSE ~



Sept. 20 1 - 5 pm Church Basement

If you are in need of a refresher to get a discount on your car insurance please call the State of Minnesota to sign up for our class on Sept. 20, 320-308-1406.

Class is for adults 55 years or older & for a 10% reduction on car insurance.

Thank you, Renee Clabo, Parish Health

**Relay for Life**

**This year's Relay for Life was on August 14.**

After a years absence it was a shorter event this year Thank You so much for helping and for visiting our site at the Relay. We don't have all totals yet but Peace Power team raised almost \$3,000.

Courtney Witte made beautiful leather ear rings, we had guessing games for the kids, Popcorn and beverages. Cancer Schlagen was a new game involving pounding nails into a big old log that turned out to be very popular with lots of laughs for a wide range of ages. Mary and Jerry Haag, Marith and Glenn Witte, and Shirley Wurdell have been doing this for over 20 years and need new families or younger people to join if we want a team next year. We all know someone that was touched by cancer. It was fun but requires new energy. Thank You, Parish Health




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Office Hours:  
 8:30am-4pm  
 Monday-Friday

# September 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Blood Pressure Checks</b> 8:30 Worship/Communion 10:00 Outdoor Worship/Comm.	<b>Labor Day</b> Office Closed 	10:00 POP Bible Study 10:00 Dorcas Exec. Bd 11:00 Staff/Life Stages 6:30 Promise Keepers 6:30 Elders	6:00 Matthew 14:16 Dinner 6:45 Contemporary Worship/Comm.	1:30 Dorcas: Women in Mission 3-5 LSS Dementia Support	5:00 Wedding Rehearsal	2:00 Baptism 2:30 PC Reserved
8:30 Worship/Communion 10:00 Outdoor Worship/Comm.	<b>Pastor Lemke's Visitations</b> 9:00 Body & Soul 3:30 Small Group Bible Study 6:30 Small Group Bible Study	10:00 POP Bible Study 11:00 Staff/Life Stages 12-6 Bloodmobile 6:30 Promise Keepers	8:30 Parish Health Meeting 11:45 Lunch/Bible Study 6:30 Confirmation Orientation 6:30 Handbells	7:00 Trustees	5:00 Wedding Rehearsal	2:00 Fruser/Wiehr Wedding 5-7 Ice Cream Social & New Member Reception
<b>Rally Day</b> <u>Fall/Winter Schedule Begins</u> 8:00 Worship w/communion 9:15 Contemp. Worship/Bible Presentation - SS Open House to Follow 10:30 Worship/Communion	9:00 Body & Soul 1 - 5 Driver Improvement Program 3:30 Small Group Bible Study 6:30 Small Group Bible Study	10:00 POP Bible Study 11:00 Staff/Life Stages 3:00 Cong. Services Mtg 3:30 Elem Youth Gr 1-3 6:30 Promise Keepers 7:00 Mission & Ministry	See You at the Pole 11:45 Lunch/Bible Study 2:30 Confirmation 6 <sup>th</sup> Gr. 3:30 Elem Youth Gr. Gr 4-5 6:30 Confirmation 6:30 H.S. Youth Group 6:30 Handbells	9:00 Bethesda Thrift Shop	6:30 Worship w/communion	6:30 Worship w/communion
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320-587-3031

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