

Peace Lutheran Church



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

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

ELDERS:

Saturday 6:30: Dale Schumann

Sunday 8:00: Wayne Vinkemeier

Sunday 9:15 Justin Evenson and George Quast

Sunday 10:30 Matthew Markgraff

GREETERS:

Sunday 8:00: Scott and Shannon Streich

Sunday 9:15: Jeff and Anita Miller

Sunday 10:30 Lloyd and Evangeline Dettman

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The October LWML Mite calendar and the Children's Coins for Jesus calendars are now available at the LWML bulletin board in the ramp area. Your mites and coins help fund mission work of the LWML. Drop off your donations in the church office.

The LWML Mission grants goal for the 2021-22 biennium is \$2,150,000. Mites received as of July 31, 2021 is \$343,067.14. Thank you for your donation to LWML mites.

LWML Sunday is next Sunday, Oct. 3rd. There will be a display table set up on the Commons area. Check it out to see what LWML is all about.

If God has given you a heart for **working with children or youth**, and you would like to be involved in teaching the next generation of the love and saving grace of Jesus, we have a place for you to share your gifts and talents. Peace youth need teachers, mentors, people to serve food, to assemble projects, etc. Call Sandy Kephart to get more details on how you can use your gifts to serve at Peace. 587-3031

The **Bloodmobile** collected 146 units on its stop here on September 14th. Thank you for donating and for supporting this important cause. Peace has been hosting the bloodmobile for over 30 years and the one held this past week was a major milestone—we have hosted one every month continuously for ten years!

Last chance for BRANSON AT CHRISTMAS—Spread the word—There are a few seats available—Nov 2-7. All Peace members and friends are welcome! Contact Marlys Palmer ASAP!

Calling all Ladies —WOMEN'S RETREAT! Sat, Oct 2nd 9am-Noon in the Peace Center. **"In His Loving Care" Lord I'm Tired please take over.** Speaker Sarah Legband, Song Leader Patty Kark \$10/person—includes breakfast. Tickets can be purchased in the church office. Ladies bring your friends and daughters—this is something you won't want to miss.

Help Serve Lunch to Over 400 High School Youth! Peace hosts free lunch next Thursday, Sept. 30th (and once a month thereafter) through HAY (Hutchinson Area Youth) Ministries at Crosspoint. Prep begins at 8:30am and we are usually done before 1:30pm. Contact Mel Klockman (320)583-6787 if you are able to help for part of a day or the entire time. Also, please pray for the young people who are able to hear the word of God each week through this outreach ministry.

Now is the perfect time to consider hosting a **Small Group BIBLE STUDY**. The location of your study is up to you, maybe it is in your home, here at Peace or in the community somewhere. Simply sign up at the desk in the commons and we will provide a leader DVD and materials for "In Pursuit of JESUS" by Our Daily Bread Ministries. **Small Groups will begin the Week of Oct 10th.** If you have questions, please feel free to call Sandy Kephart 587-303

Matthew 14:16 Dinners—We will begin our Fall/Winter schedule of dinners tonight. We will be hosting the Matthew 14:16 dinners the Fourth Sunday of each month from 5:00-6:00pm. Everyone's invited to attend & we could always use more helpers!

New Sunday Morning Bible Study - "Jesus—The God Who Knows Your Name" by Max Lucado. Do you ever feel like Jesus couldn't possibly know what you are going through? He's the God of the universe after all! Does he really know your daily struggles? The good news is he does! **Join us each Sunday morning, beginning Sept. 26th at 9:15am in Room 207-209** and enjoy coffee, fellowship and time in God's word.

A reception will be held in the Commons Area this Sunday from 9-10:30 to honor **Marlys Palmer** for her 35 years of service at Peace Lutheran Church. Please stop in to thank her and have some cake and coffee.

Prince of Peace—Weekend Meal Volunteers Needed. Call Lisa Hoff, Resident Service Specialist at 234-7588 for information.

Worship Attendance Last Week:

Saturday 6:30pm: 45

Sunday 8:00am: 64

Sunday 9:15am:

Peace Center 121 Boxcast

Facebook 247 Total 368

Sunday 10:30am:

Sanctuary 71 Boxcast 105

Facebook 197 Total 373

If you have extra garden produce that you would like to share with Peace members, please drop it off at the table in the Commons Area. If any is left over, it will be taken to the McLeod County Emergency Food Shelf. Peace members providing commu-

If you are a member of **Thrivent** and would like to designate your Action Grant(s) for church fundraising events, please see Sandy, Marlys or Dr. Joan. Grants must be submitted at least 3 weeks prior to the event.

Dementia Support Group sponsored by Lutheran Social Services are held the second Thursday of each month from 3-5pm. Contact Barb Alsleben (320) 221-3747

Quilt tying will start again on Oct. 6th. Newcomers welcome! Meet in the church basement at 1:00pm on the first and third Wednesdays of each month. No experience needed. Call Shirley at 597-5064 or Phyllis at 587-0185 if you have any questions.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD— We will again be collecting the following items for the shoeboxes: **70 sheet spiral notebooks—pens—pencils & sharpeners—color crayons—tape—bandages—balls (baseball size works great) - combs & brushes— hair accessories— soccer ball & pump—any toy that is not war related**

Consider wearing a mask when in close quarters or large crowds. Covid is still around and the vaccine, masks, distancing and handwashing are still the best ways to stop the spread or becoming ill. Disposable masks are available at the entrances or reusable ones are still available from Parish Health or for purchase at many stores. Wear them in good health! Thanks, Shirley Wurdell

Little Lambs has full and part-time employment positions available. Applicants must be at least 18 years old and have a minimum of one year early childhood work experience. For more information or to apply, contact Heather Pagel, LLCC Director, (320) 587-2629

Please pray for Peace members

Naomi Meier	Elaine Lewerenz
Bev Alsleben	Mavis Muckala
Ronney Wendlandt	Elise Schwan
Scott Hilgemann	Ron Janke
Lucy Hagen	Rita Janke
Donald Fenske	Mary Melin
Sue Moritz	Pastor Hannemann
Sylvia Radtke	Melva Plath
John Bradley	Michelle Manteufel/White
Barb Ribar	Jim Berg
Warren Macemon	Brad Wick
Rod Huls	Lynette Hart
Jason Miller	Larry McKimm
Linda Rost	Luella Mackdanz
Cyndy Schmidt	Rod Olson
Lee Gruenhagen	Miles Kohls
Roxann Lauer	Josh Beadell
Dale Sturges	Shirley Otto
Melissa Wanous	Helen Froemming
Erlin Thrane	Jean Coulthard
Larry Stender	

If you know of someone who is ill or hospitalized, or would like a pastoral visit, contact the church office **320-587-3031**.

Worship Bags for children are in the red wagons in the chapel, Peace Center and narthex. Children may use a bag during worship and then return it to the wagon.

Looking Ahead at Peace

SUNDAY (9/26)

8:00am Worship
9:15am Contemp Worship
10:30am Worship
5-6pm Matthew Dinner

MONDAY (9/27)

9:00am Body & Soul
3:30pm Small Group Bible Study
6:30pm Small Group Bible Study

TUESDAY (9/28)

10:00am POP Bible Study
11:00am Staff/Life Stage
3:30pm Elem Youth Gr 1-3
4:00 LLCC Board Mtg
6:30pm Promise Keepers

WEDNESDAY (9/29)

11:45am Lunch/Bible Study
2:30pm Confirmation 6th Grade
3:30pm PreTeen Youth Gr 4-5
6:30 pm Confirmation 7th & 8th
6:30pm Handbells

THURSDAY (9/30)

10:45am Peace Serves HAY lunch

FRIDAY (10/1)

5:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal

SATURDAY (10/2)

9:00am Women's Retreat
3:30pm Wedding
6:30pm Worship/Communion

SUNDAY (10/3)

8:00am Worship/Communion
9:15am Contemp Worship
10:30am Worship/Communion

MONDAY (10/4)

9:00am Body & Soul
10:00am Prayer Chain
3:30pm Small Group Bible Study
6:30pm Small Group Bible Study

TUESDAY (10/5)

10:00am POP Bible Study
11:00am Staff/Life Stage
3:30pm Elem Youth Gr 1-3
6:30pm Elders
6:30pm Promise Keepers

WEDNESDAY (10/6)

9:00am MAP (late start)
11:45am Lunch/Bible Study
1:00pm Mission Sewing
2:30pm Confirmation 6th Grade
3:30pm PreTeen Youth Grade 4-5
6:30 pm Confirmation 7th & 8th
6:30pm Handbells

THURSDAY (10/7)

FRIDAY (10/8)

5:00pm Wedding Rehearsal

SATURDAY (10/9)

3:00pm Wedding
6:30pm Worship

Dear Members of Peace Lutheran Church,

As you are aware, the last year of our life together has included many challenges. But what some of you may not be aware of, this included significant unrest among our staff, congregational leadership, and Pastor Pasche. Beginning last November, the MN South District of the LCMS has been helping us navigate our way through these difficult times. With their assistance, the unfortunate but needed recognition has been made that it is now time for Pastor Pasche and Peace to amicably part ways to avoid further unnecessary unrest. Pastor Pasche and the leadership of Peace have made an agreement for a peaceful release of Pastor Pasche that became effective on Wednesday, September 22.

As leaders of Peace, we understand there will be many questions. The short answer is there is enough blame to go around and all bear accountability in this unfortunate situation. Our desire is to be as transparent as possible without violating any confidence and to put the best construction on everything as the 8th commandment and its meaning invite us to do. We desire the best for the congregation and Pastor Pasche but understand healing and the building of trust among our membership must also take place.

With the help of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the power of His Word and Holy Spirit leading the way, we are confident this can happen. Let us strive to be patient with each another as we move forward. The MN South District will continue to assist us as we do so. Your Council and Elders will do our best to keep you all regularly informed of what is happening and the vacancy plans moving forward. Join us in praying for Pastor Pasche and Nancy, one another, and for a strengthening of faith toward God and love for one another.

As I mentioned, MN South District President Lucas Woodford and his staff have been a valuable resource to our leadership. I am pleased to share with you that Pastor James Fuchs, Pastor Joseph Asher, and Pastor Bode have graciously agreed to assist us leading worship services as well as other pastoral care duties. Today Pastor Joseph Asher will be leading our worship. It is my pleasure to introduce Pastor Asher to you.

Pastor Asher and his wife Jennie moved to Hutchinson within the last year when Jennie accepted a job at New Discoveries Montessori School on East 5th Avenue. Pastor Asher graduated from the Fort Wayne seminary in 1984. He has spent most of his ministry serving churches in the Indiana District.

For the past 7 years he served as a missionary to our men and women in the military stationed in Turkey and Germany. His resume notes that he retired January 1 of this year. We are grateful that he has reconsidered retirement life to become a member of MN South District and serve our Lord and Savior, by serving us at this time. Please take the time to greet and thank him after our service.

That all know the Peace of God.



Bob Sylvester
President, Mission and Ministry Council