

November 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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Greetings from Pastor Joe Asher,

After four weeks of serving our Lord Jesus at Peace Lutheran Church, I can truly say it has been a joy to be with you this beautiful 2021 fall season. Since my home state is Indiana, where most of my family still lives, I have a lot to learn about Minnesota. So many members have stopped in to the church office to say "hello," and also clue me in to Minnesota winters, and important features of living in Hutchinson, also farming, and fishing, and so many other things too numerous to mention.

I've attended meetings and observed how Sunday school and Bible studies work at Peace. I've sat in as a table mentor in Confirmation, and I've visited members at home.

If there is a goal for my work in serving God here, and in my work for our church, it can be found in the following two Scripture passages.

## 2 Corinthians 4:16-18 (NIV)

*16 Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. 17 For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. 18 So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.*

In this world with all the violence and conflict, and also with the recent conflict in church, it is easy to "lose heart" and forget about our Lord Jesus entirely. The problems and division seem too big for us and it becomes easy to despair about what the future holds. Will we be able to solve the problems that plague us? It comes to the point where we are "wasting away" with worry.

But in the above passage, Paul reminds us all that there is a power in our lives which is "being renewed each day." That power is the presence of Christ in us, and the Holy Spirit who works in our lives. No matter what we face, we know that God is able to take our eyes off this fallen world, and return us to a close fellowship with our God, who renews us daily.

## Hebrews 12:1-2

*And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.*

Eyes on Jesus! That is the way to live the life marked out for us! We must persevere, which can be defined as "gutting it out," or "hanging in there," as we run the race of our lives. But here is the good news-- it is God who supplies the power not only to finish the race, but also to win the crown of glory which He has prepared for those who love Him. And as the passage above explains, Jesus is in control. He is seated at the right hand of the heavenly Father.

May the peace of God which surpasses all understanding keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Amen

Pastor Asher

## PEACE WORSHIP TIMES

**Saturday**

**6:30 pm | Sanctuary**

**Sunday**

**8:00 am | Sanctuary**

**9:15 am | Peace Center**

(livestreamed)

**10:30 am | Sanctuary**

(livestreamed)

## ONLINE WORSHIP

**Livestream**

[plchutch.org](http://plchutch.org)

Watch Live@9:15 & 10:30am

**FacebookLive**

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

**YouTube**

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



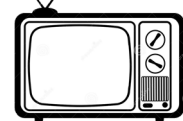
**CABLE TV  
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chan 8 – Mediacom

**Sunday 7 pm & 10 pm**

**Wednesday 5 pm**

**Thursday 10 am**





## OFFICIAL ACTS

### BAPTISMS

- October 3 Grant Roger Schuerman, son of Benjamin & Erin Schuerman
- October 10 Brynn Ann West, daughter of Matt & Lara West
- October 24 Colby Calvin Tabberson, son of Adam & Ashley Tabberson

### WEDDINGS

- October 2 Stephie Ellig & Aron Burmeister
- October 9 Elizabeth Lanners & My Van Chau

### FUNERALS

- October 14 Helen Florence Froemming, age 80 passed away October 10, 2021
- October 19 Luella Lorraine Mackdanz, age 94 passed away October 7, 2021
- October 31 Mavis Jeanette Muckala, age 89 passed away October 25, 2021



### Memorials/Poinsettias for Christmas

Peace members and visitors will again be enjoying beautiful decorations during the Christmas season. This year, we will only need 25 poinsettias to decorate our church for the Christmas Season.

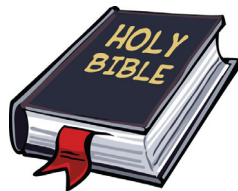
The cost of a plant is \$11.00. If you would like to buy a poinsettia plant as a memorial, or perhaps to honor a special person in your life, or give a donation for a project or ministry such as Tell the Next Generation, or General Fund, please stop fill out a form and return to church along with payment by December 10, 2021.



### November Readers

#### 6:30pm

- Sat, Nov 6: Joanne Keilen
- Sat, Nov 13: Corinne Higgins
- Sat, Nov 20: Joanne Keilen
- Sat, Nov 27: Annette Koehler



#### 8:00am

- Sun, Nov 7: Shirley Wurdell
- Sun, Nov 14: Melissa Weckwerth
- Sun, Nov 21: Nona Anderson
- Sun, Nov 28: Paul Otte

#### 9:15am

- Bev Luke
- Betty Ruskamp
- Scott Lang
- Betty Ruskamp

#### 10:30am

- Sadie Jenkins
- Marion Fenske
- Mary Haag
- Sandra Hall

## THANKSGIVING

### Worship Services

**Wednesday, Nov 24 - 6:30 pm**

**Thursday, Nov 25 - 9:00 am**

### Expressing Thanks Through Our Offerings

This year your Thanksgiving offering will be evenly divided and given to the following:

Common Cup Ministries

The Good Samaritan Fund

International Children's Ministries



### Cornucopia for Common Cup

One of the traditions at Peace is a Cornucopia (Horn of Plenty).

This benefits people in our local community.

**Please bring your food donations for the**

**Cornucopia display in the Commons Area  
November 1<sup>st</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!**

### November Greeters

#### Nov 7

- 8:00 Doug & Lynn Brown
- 9:15 Elvern Mickle
- 10:30 Dolores Reiner

#### Nov 14

- 8:00 George Quast
- 9:15 Pat Schmidt
- 10:30 Dale & Judy Schumann

#### Nov 21

- 8:00 Marlys Palmer, June Beach
- 9:15 Hazel Sitz
- 10:30 Lee & Shirley Uldjberg

#### Nov 24 Thanksgiving Eve

- 6:30 Mary & Jerry Haag
- Nov 25 Thanksgiving Day**
- 9:00 Anita & Jeff Miller

#### Nov 28

- 8:00 Jerry & Nancy Fischer
- 9:15 Terri & Dennis Jannusch
- 10:30 Jeff & Anita Miller

### November Ushers

#### Team #2 (8:00)

- Rod Huls
- Wally Kohls
- Allan Fuchs
- Rusten Hulls

#### Team #5 (10:30)

- Dale Froemming
- Bryce Cassens
- Joel Haag
- Dale Schumann
- Robbie Peterson
- Ross Peterson



## All Saints Day November 6 & 7



On the weekend of November 7<sup>th</sup>, we will remember those who have entered into eternal life in the past year. Letters have gone out to all family contact persons, and names will be read at all services. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

Paul Berg  
Lyla Latzig  
Lucille Smith  
Irene Schroeder  
Waldemar Grussing  
Shirley Schloeder  
Colleen Fitzloff  
Willard Prieve  
Luelle Stucke  
William Settergren  
Carol Mons  
Donald Janke  
Debra Rueb  
Joan Bradley  
Dawn Rauch  
Lucille Kelley  
Richard Olson  
Doris Oldre  
Harriet Emans  
Charles Schmidt  
John Aul  
Helen Froemming  
Luella Mackdanz  
Mavis Muckala

Almighty God, we remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served You in Your Church on earth and who now rest from their labors. Keep us in fellowship with all Your saints, and bring us at last to the joy of Your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## Join Us for Advent & Christmas Worship

Mid-week Advent Worship services will be held on Wednesdays, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am (lunch following) and 6:30 pm (no meal).

### Children's Christmas Programs

December 19<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm  
December 24<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm.

### Christmas Eve Candlelight Services

December 24<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm, 7 pm and 9 pm.  
Christmas Day at 9:00 am with communion



## Matthew 14:16 Dinner

The Matthew 14:16 Dinner is served the 4th Sunday of each month in the Peace Center.



The Next Dinner is:  
**Sun. November 28<sup>th</sup>**  
**5 - 6 pm**  
**Peace Center**

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

To help support this church mission, donations can be given to "The Good Samaritan" fund at Peace. Would you like to help serve -- contact Sandy at 320-587-3031.



## PRINCE OF PEACE RETIREMENT LIVING NOVEMBER 2021

Happy Fall Y'all! Our hearts are full over here at Prince of Peace Retirement Living as we have been so blessed recently. We have new volunteers coming in, the best staff, and so much more to be thankful for. God is good! We are looking forward to the next two months celebrating Veterans Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. Be watching for information about our Open House this December where you can enjoy our over 20 themed Christmas trees and all that our community has to offer. Do you enjoy decorating? Please contact Lisa Hoff, Resident Services Specialist, if you would like to come volunteer to help us set up for Christmas. You can reach Lisa by email at [residentservices95@gmail.com](mailto:residentservices95@gmail.com) or by calling 320.234.7588. Wishing you all God's blessings.

Destini Doring,  
Executive Director

## Daylight Savings Time Ends...

Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup>.  
Remember to Fall Back 1-hour!



## Bloodmobile

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9<sup>th</sup>**  
12 pm - 6 pm Peace Center  
**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14<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.

## LWML



A new LWML Mission Statement, adopted in 2021, replaced the former statement written in 1988:  
As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others.  
Assisting the women of the LWML to put the new Mission Statement into practice, five LWML core

Values are provided:

- Christian Women - we live as redeemed children of the Triune God.
- In God's Word - we live in joyful response to the Holy Scripture.
- Mission-focused - we answer God's call to share His Gospel at home and abroad.
- Embrace Diversity - we are sisters in Christ who value and benefit from each other.
- Servant Leaders - we are called and equipped by God to serve others.

LWML membership is available to any woman who is a communicant member of a congregation in the LCMS (Lutheran Church Missouri Synod).

The next LWML/Dorcas meeting will be on Thursday, November 11, 2021 at 1:30 p.m. Our speaker will be from Little Lambs Christian Center. Everyone is welcome.

## Little Lambs Christian Center!

November 2021



The smells of crisp leaves, pumpkin pie, and cooked turkey are in the air. Fall is here and Little Lambs Christian Center has been celebrating and learning everything about Fall!

The kids in the Infant room have some fun things coming up for the month of November. They will be making a turkey out of their handprints, playing with items from nature in the sensory bins, and having a couple of days where they will be wearing certain colors (green & brown).

The Toddler classroom is also going to have fun learning about Thanksgiving. They will talk about who they are thankful for, learn a little bit about the early settlers, and what people eat at Thanksgiving. They will be focusing on the Triangle shape and the color brown this month.

The Preschool room is going to be very busy this month by collecting leaves from outside and making "Leaf People" for an art project. The Preschoolers will also be talking about what Thanksgiving is all about and how we can be thankful for those that we love.

The Pre K classroom is going to be writing in their journals who they are thankful for and then draw a picture of it. They will discuss how some families do not eat Turkey at Thanksgiving and what different types of foods some eat. They will also be learning about the Early Settlers and how Thanksgiving started.

This month the classrooms will be learning/reading the Bible stories of Mary and Martha and Jesus Loves the Little Children.

A quick update on LLCC's Annual Fall Fundraiser. Last year the Carlson Pies sales were very successful! However, with the owner's wife passing earlier this year, we will not be able to do that fundraiser. We are hoping to have another fundraiser around the holiday season, please watch for information either on the church website under Little Lambs Christian Center or in the Sunday bulletins.

Little Lambs Christian Center will be closed Thursday, November 25<sup>th</sup> and Friday, November 26<sup>th</sup> for our holiday break.

Many blessings to you all,  
Heather Pagel  
Center Director



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## Women's Retreat Committee sends our gratitude!!

A special thanks to all who came to the Women's Retreat. It was such a fun morning! We all enjoyed the speaker, Sarah Legband and the music by Patty Kark. In fact many of you asked to hear her speak again. Great news. Sarah Legband will be back to speak again on Sat, October 8, 2022 at our next women's retreat. Get it on your calendar and invite your friends!!

## GROWING in God's Word

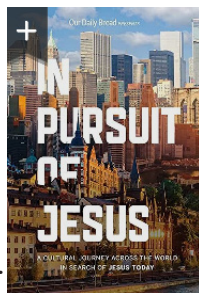
### Join a Small Group

#### Annual Fall Small Group Video Bible Study



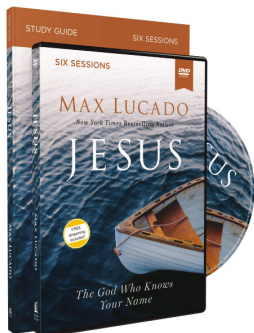
#### "In Pursuit of Jesus"

Through the lens of global cultures.



Jesus is one of the most talked about figures in history. Some love Him. Some hate Him. Many are simply indifferent. No matter where you stand on that spectrum, He's notable enough that it's worth finding out more about Him and His impact on this world through global cultures. This 7-week study will challenge you to consider how your own upbringing influences your view of Jesus.

If you are unable attend a Fall group, a new small group will be starting in January, or you can start your own small group. Contact Sandy Kephart 320-587-3031 or maizy@hutchtel.net.



### Sunday Morning Bible Study 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. The current Bible Study is "Jesus" by Max

Lucado, a 6-week Bible study. Award-winning author Max Lucado reveals in this video Bible study that in order to really know God and understand the Gospel, it's essential that we take a closer look at Jesus' humanity. Everyone is welcome!

## Giving Thanks!

Thank you to our many musicians for your participation in singing and playing for our worship services. Thank you to the 9:15am Praise Teams, and to the Hosanna Handbells for playing for worship and at the German Dinner.



### Lunch & Time in God's Word Wednesdays thru May



You are invited to enjoy a tasty lunch with fellowship along with time in God's Word.

Lunch is served beginning at 11:45 am with Time in God's Word beginning at 12:20 pm.

George Quast, Dale Schumann, and Wayne Vinkemeier are leading the Bible study. 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 Lunch & Word of God. Prayerfully think about who you may bring. The cost of the lunch is covered by a free will offering.

### SENIOR DRIVER SAFETY PROGRAM

#### ~ REFRESHER COURSE ~



- **Mon. November 29**  
1 - 5 pm, Church Basement
- **Thurs. December 2**  
1 - 5 pm, Church Basement

There was not enough interest in an 8 hour class. However there is still a great need for 4 hour refresher classes. Therefore, 2, 4-hour classes have been scheduled. Monday November 29, 1-5 PM in the Church Basement. Thursday December 2, 1-5 PM in the Church Basement.

To register for classes call Minnesota Highway Safety Research Center at 1-320-308-1400 or toll free at 1-888-234-1294. Registrations can be made online at [www.mnsafetycenter.org](http://www.mnsafetycenter.org).

## KIDS CONNECT

For Kids age 3 - Grade 5



### Peace Packing Shoeboxes!

**Sunday, Nov 14<sup>th</sup>**  
**9:15 - 10:15 am**  
**Church Basement**

Join the fun and help bring Jesus to children around the world by helping pack a shoebox.

- Packing as a group will be done on Nov. 14 from 9:15-10:15 in the church basement
- If you would like a shoebox to pack at home, there are empty boxes for your use in the Commons Area, pack it and return it by Nov. 14.

Items to include:

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

Thank you to those who have collected and supported this project throughout the year.

Crow River Singers Presents

### “Christmas Time Is Here”

featuring traditional Christmas carols

**Friday, December 3, 7 pm &**  
**Sunday, December 5, 2 pm**

- Paul Otte and Jim Nelson, Directors
- Cheryl Glaeser, Pianist

Admission: \$9, children under 12 free  
No refreshments will be served due to covid.

### Questions?

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

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

Register for Programs at **plchutch.org**

**ALL Programs are FREE -**

**We encourage kids to bring friends!**

### Sunday School Age 3 - Grades 5

Sept. 26 - May. 8

9:15 - 10:15 am

### Elementary Release Time has begun,

if you know a child that would like to join us please call Sandy at 587-3031.

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

Two-Hour Late Start (ISD 423)

Remaining Dates - Nov 10, Feb 2, Apr 6, May 4

**Elementary Youth for Grades 1-3** is held in the basement of Peace every Tuesday after school from 3:30-4:45. For Now, and until the children move to their new school, Sandy and Leslie meet the children at “The Rock” on the Southeast corner of Park Elementary and walk them to Peace. Friends are always welcome to join the fun. If you have questions please call Sandy 587-3031.

**Pre Teen Youth Group** for Grades 4-6 is held every Wednesday after school at Peace Place. Grade 6 meets us after confirmation at 4:00, grades 4-5 walk to Peace Place at the end of their school day.



## YOUTH CONNECT

Grades 6 - 12

**A Note to Confirmation Families:****Thank you parents for having your children in Confirmation!**

For most people, this will be the only opportunity of a lifetime to STUDY Christian theology and thereby strengthen their faith for this life and the next.

**This month, we will be studying the Third Commandment which tells us to set aside one day each week for hearing the Word and worshipping with other Christians.** Everyone who has been confirmed has promised to do this regularly. **Our expectations are that families of confirmands will attend church regularly. In addition, students are expected to turn in 10 sermon notes per semester (5 for 6th Grade), and serve as acolytes, ushers, or sound technicians (which requires training) for about six services per year.** Students are expected to do memory work including Books of the Bible, and Luther's Small Catechism. In these ways, we pray that they will joyfully serve God and prepare for a lifetime of faithful Christian living.

Paul Otte

**Questions?**

Paul Otte, Confirmation

Call the church office 320-587-3031

confirmationotte@nuveramail.net

Sandy Kephart, Interim Youth Coordinator  
Maizy@hutchtel.net

**Youth Programs**■ **Confirmation | Wednesdays**

Grade 6 | 2:30 pm

Grade 7, 8 | 6:30 pm

■ **High School Youth | Grade 9-12**

Every Wednesday night from  
6:30-7:30 at Peace Place.

Join Sandy for Fun, Fellowship, and studying God's Word. If you have questions about the National Youth Gathering or other youth events, this is a great place to plan for future events at Peace, come and be a voice.

■ **Sunday School | Grade 6-12**

Sundays | 9:15 am | Peace Place

■ **Middle School Youth | Grade 6-8**

Held at Peace Place every Sunday night from 6:30-7:30. Join your friends for some Christian fellowship, play games, hang out in a safe place, study God's word and how it applies to you. Come and be a voice in upcoming youth events at Peace.

**SAVE-THE-DATES**

- Nov. 16 MS Release Time - Peace hosts at Oak Heights
- Nov. 18 Peace Serves lunch for HS @ Crosspoint
- Dec. 16 Annual REACH Outreach Supper
- Jan. 13 Peace Serves lunch for HS @ Crosspoint
- Feb. 9 Winter Tubing at Powder Ridge (HS)
- Feb. 10 Winter Tubing at Powder Ridge (MS)
- Mar. 4 Peace Annual Fish Fry
- Apr. 1-2 Camp Omega (8th Gr)
- Apr. 14 Peace Serves Lunch for HS @ Crosspoint
- Apr. 17 Youth host Easter Breakfast
- May 18 Baccalaureate - Peace conducts service
- May 22 HS Graduate Recognition at Peace
- July 9-13 Nat'l Youth Gathering, Houston
- Third Tues. each month MS Release Time with HAY Ministries

**Peace Hosts Thursday Free Lunch at Crosspoint Church.**

Next Serve Date: Nov. 18

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!

Remaining serve dates: Jan 13, Feb. 24, Apr 14

**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 updates, cost, and details for the trip/event. We will also be looking for adult chaperones/leaders for the trip as well, so prayerfully consider going!

**Mark Your Calendars . . .**

**Congregational Meeting**  
**Sunday, November 21, 2021**  
**after 10:30 Service**

**Tentative Agenda:****1. Vote on approval of revisions to our Constitution and Bylaws.**

*Article IX of the Constitution states "wording of the amended constitution shall be distributed to all members in a mailing as far in advance as possible, but no fewer than two Sundays in advance."*

To meet that requirement included in this mailing, for your review, is our Constitution and Bylaws that indicate revisions recommended by the MMC and BOEs.

**2. Pastoral care transition plan****3. Status of Director of Youth Ministry position****Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ**

I hope you all took the time to read the biographical information on Vacancy Pastors Asher and Fuchs published in the October Messenger. Bios are also available to read on [plchutch.org](http://plchutch.org). Both Vacancy Pastor Asher and Fuchs look forward to meeting you. Please stop by or call and make an appointment to introduce yourselves.

**Office Hours:**

Pastor Asher - Tues. and Thurs. 8:30am-12:30pm;

Wed. 11:45am-5pm

Pastor Fuchs - Wed. 10:00am-noon; 1pm-4pm.

If you have additional topics for the Council to consider adding, please call me to discuss your request. Please note our bylaws state in Article 5 - Voters' Assembly, "No agenda items may be added once notification of any meeting is publicized." Thank you in advance for assisting in setting the agenda for our Congregational Meeting in compliance with our bylaws.

A reminder from the Mission and Ministry Council and Board of Elders: MMC and BOEs meetings are open to members of the congregation. Anyone wishing to discuss a topic, may request it be placed on the agenda. Requests should be made to the Mission and Ministry Council President, Bob Sylvester or the chairman of the Board of Elders, Robbie Peterson at least 2 days before the scheduled meeting. The dates and times for the Mission and Ministry Council and Board of Elders meetings are published on the monthly church calendar posted on the walkway bulletin board and the PLC website. Portions of meetings addressing agenda topics of personnel/confidential matters will be closed.

That all know the Peace of God.

Bob Sylvester, Council President  
 701-367-0732



## Annual Christmas COOKIE SALE



**Saturday, December 11 at 9 am**

The Annual Cookie Sale will be held again this year!

Cookies will be sold at \$8./lb. For the safety of our buyers cookie trays will be assorted

prepacked & priced. Everyone is invited, we encourage social distance between yourselves and others. **MASKS ARE ALSO ENCOURAGED.**

So spread the word, bring your friends and neighbors to the ANNUAL PEACE LUTHERAN COOKIE SALE.

**Would You Like to Help?**

We're baking cookies Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> We need lots of extra help baking, packaging, weighing & pricing. If you can spare some time to help please call Marlys at the Church office (320)587-3031.

**Join a Worship Team!**

Audio Video Teams - We are looking for additional volunteers for our AV teams. This is a great service opportunity for families and youth who enjoy computers! Please contact Dr. Joan or any of our team members for more information.

9:15 am Kevin Schmuhl and Justin Evenson

10:30 am Brian Gartner and Ross Peterson.

AV service credit is available for confirmation students/families.

At the present time, there are no volunteers for Saturday night or Sunday morning at 8:00am.

PRAYZ TEAM - After a long pause due to COVID, we are back! Students and youth are encouraged to serve as song leaders and provide special music. Please contact Dr. Joan if you are interested. Rehearsals can be scheduled according to your availability.

Praise Team Song Leaders for Contemporary Worship - We are in need of some additional praise team leaders and instrumentalists for the 9:15am worship service. If you are interested, please schedule a time to meet with Dr. Joan.

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



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## November 2021 Prayer Calendar



- 1- Pray for good health during the COVID pandemic and flu season.
- 2- Pray for safe travel to those going to Branson. May they enjoy great fellowship, rest, and relaxation.
- 3- Read Romans 8:28--"We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him." Pray daily.
- 4- Thank God for the encouragers in your life. Challenge yourself to encourage others in their faith.
- 5- Thank God for forgiving your sins and being with you throughout every change and trials in your life.
- 6- Praise the Lord. Remember His benefits.
- 7- Help us to clearly hear God's message today. Help us to share that with others. Let your light shine. Stay positive.
- 8- Pray for God's strength to get us through the hard times in life.
- 9- Thank God for your talents. May He help you to use them for His glory.
- 10-Read Mark 11:24--"Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours."
- 11-Thank a Veteran today. Thank God for our freedom.
- 12-We are weak and He is strong. Thank God for giving you the power to believe, witness, and serve you.
- 13-Look to God when we struggle and have problems and hardships in life.
- 14-Thank God for Peace Lutheran church. Thank Him for the blessing of worship and a church family.
- 15-Pray for joy knowing you will be celebrating with God in Heaven one day. Spread His love to others today.
- 16-Read Psalm 150:11--"Praise the Lord!" Thank God for each blessing. We truly have many.
- 17-Remember God can do anything!! He even threw a party with bread and fish! Don't be anxious-give your worries to Him.
- 18-Ask for forgiveness when we say hurtful things. Help us to guard the things we say.
- 19-Thank God for the gift of His law. Help us to follow it willingly.
- 20-Read Galatians 5:22-23--Ask yourself if you are using the fruits of the Spirit?
- 21-Help us to be cheerful givers today. Protect us from temptations of greed, materialism, and selfishness.
- 22-Thank God for being our rock. Hear His voice. Trust Him. Talk to Him daily.
- 23-Stress and Rest--that's how you grow with God. Remember that and you will be able to thank Him on good days and bad.
- 24-Set down your phone,turn off the internet, turn off the television- open your Bible or devotional booklet.
- 25-HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!! Read 1 Chron. 16:31--"Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, for His mercy endures forever."
- 26-Steps to PRAY--P=Prepare R=Read A=Ask Y=Yield.
- 27-When pain gets the best of you, know the Holy Spirit is still with you. Jesus endured pain so we could be with Him someday.
- 28-Pray for our church staff and it's members.
- 29-Read James 3:5--"The tongue is a small thing but what enormous damage it can do." May your words about one another be ones that are spoken in the spirit of God's kindness.
- 30-Be a mentor to a young person. Read 1 Timothy 4:12--"Don't let anyone think less of you because you are young Be an example.."

**Mission & Ministry Council & Board of Elders Meeting September 21, 2021 – 7 PM**

Present: Lynn Brown, Kathy Hochsprung, Kim Borka, John Lietz, Chuck Jones, Kevin Heikes, Pastor Pasche, Shirley Uldjberg, George Quast, Wayne Vinkemeier, Justin Evenson, Dale Schumann, Doug Brown, Pastor Woodford, Barb Otte  
Absent: Bob Sylvester, Matt Markgraf, Peter White, Jeff Weckwerth, Heidi Sickmann

Meeting called to order by Lynn.  
Opening prayer by Pastor Woodford.

Joint confidential discussion with Mission and Ministry, Board of Elders, Pastor Woodford and Pastor Pasche in relation to conflict among staff, congregational leadership, and members.

Pastor's report: Confirmation information night went well. Confirmation will begin on September 22. Pastor Fuchs begins as vacancy pastor in October. He will serve for four services. Pastor Bode's final day is Reformation Sunday, October 31. \*

Approval of August 17, 2021 minutes: Kathy made a motion to approve minutes, Chuck seconded, with all voting aye. Motion carried.

**Reports:**

1. Treasurer report: Sue and Kevin continue to work in the office updating and organizing. Kevin will update the congregation on giving in the bulletin.
2. LLCC report: LLCC held an emergency meeting due to staff shortage. Beginning October 8, they will be closed on Fridays due to staffing shortages. This will be a temporary measure until more staff are hired. One teacher resigned, but the position has been filled beginning 9-23-21. One full time teacher is still out until Thanksgiving. Darlyn Egge has joined the LLCC board.
3. HR committee: The HR manual review is complete. Lynn shared the changes made. Shirley made a motion to approve the revised personnel manual. Barb seconded, with all voting aye. Motion carried.
4. Approval of revisions to constitution and by-laws: The proposed changes were reviewed and explained by Chuck. These changes will need to be approved by the congregation. Kevin made a motion to approve the revisions and presentation to the congregation. Chuck seconded with all voting aye. Motion carried.

With Pastor Woodford's leadership it was agreed that Pastor Pasche would be offered the option of an amicable release. Pastor Pasche agreed to notify Pastor

Woodford of his decision by Wednesday, September 22, 2021 at 10:00 A.M.

Closing prayer by: Barb  
Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Submitted by:

Kim Borka  
MMC Secretary

Lynn Brown  
MMC Vice-President

**\* Following Pastor Pasche's release, Pastor Bode's service will continue on an as needed basis. RKS**

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**Mission & Ministry Council & Board of Elders Meeting September 28, 2021 - 7 PM**

Present: Bob Sylvester, Lynn Brown, Robbie Peterson, Kevin Heikes, Chuck Jones, Wayne Vinkemeier, Dale Schumann, Doug Brown, Shirley Uldjberg, Barb Otte, Heidi Sickmann, Kathy Hochsprung, Matthew Markgraf, Jeff Weckwerth, Kim Borka, John Lietz

1. Opening prayer by Bob
2. Discussion regarding Brianna's letter: Bob reported that Pastor Woodford reached out to Pastor Welch in Glencoe where Brianna works to bring resolution to this unfortunate situation. Bob is waiting to hear from Pastor Welch regarding this matter.
3. Communication with Pastors Asher and Fuchs  
Pastor Fuchs: His services will be October 17, November 7, 21, & Dec. 19. He would like to meet staff and conduct a survey with staff before October 17. Pastor Reed, Pastor Asher, Robbie, Lynn & Bob will develop a written plan offering 25 hours of service per week for Pastor Asher.
4. Confirmation support for Paul:
  - a. Table mentors for Wednesday night---there is a request for council members and elders to help run groups on September 29 for small groups. People may sign up if they are able to help.
  - b. Workbooks will be purchased for confirmands: Cost is approximately \$4,000.
5. Bob shared the agenda which will be covered with himself, Pastor Reed, Pastor Asher, Robbie, and Lynn on September 28, 2021.

Closing prayer by Barb.  
Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.  
Respectfully submitted,

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# November 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 9:00 Body & Soul 10:00 Prayer Chain 3:30 & 6:30 Small Group Bible Study	2 10:00 POP Bible Study 10:00 Staff / Life Stage 3:30 Elem Youth Gr 1-3 6:30 Promise Keepers 6:30 Elders  <b>Branson at Christmas Nov 2 - 7</b>	3 9:00 Release Time 11:45 Lunch/Bible Study 1:00 Mission Sewing 2:30 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation 3:30 Pre-Teen Group Gr 4-6 6:00 Parent Confirm. Mtg 6:30 Confirmation 6:30 Handbells 6:30 HS Youth	4 5:00 TPA Bible Study	5	6 6:30 Worship
7 <i>All Saints Sunday</i> 8:00 Worship/Communion Blood Pressure Checks 9:15 Adult Bible Class 9:15 Contemp. Worship 9:15 Sunday School 10:30 Worship/Communion 6:30 MS Youth Group	8 9:00 Body & Soul 3:30 & 6:30 Small Group Bible Study	9 10:00 Dorcas Exec. Bd 10:00 POP Bible Study 10:00 Staff / Life Stage 12:00 Bloodmobile 3:30 Elem Youth Gr 1-3 6:30 Promise Keepers	10 8:00 MAP (Late Start) 11:45 Lunch/Bible Study 2:30 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation 3:30 Pre-Teen Group Gr 4-6 6:30 Confirmation 6:30 Handbells 6:30 HS Youth	11 1:30 Dorcas Mtg. 3-5pm LSS Dementia Support Group 5:00 TWM Bible Study	12	13 6:30 Worship
14 <i>Shoebox Sunday</i> 8:00 Worship 9:15 Adult Bible Class 9:15 Contemp Worship/Comm 9:15 Sunday School/packing shoeboxes 10:30 Worship 6:30 MS Youth Group	15 <i>Pastor Lemke's Visitations</i> 9:00 Body & Soul 3:30 & 6:30 Small Group Bible Study	16 9:00 Evergreen Worship 10:00 POP Bible Study 10:30 Pines Worship 10:00 Staff / Life Stage 3:00 Congreg. Services 3:30 Elem Youth Gr 1-3 6:30 Promise Keepers 7:00 Mission & Ministry	17 8:30 Parish Health Mtg. 9:00 Release Time 11:45 Lunch/Bible Study 1:00 Mission Sewing 2:30 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation 3:30 Pre-Teen Group Gr 4-6 6:30 Confirmation/7:30 Parent Mtg 6:30 Handbells 6:30 HS Youth	18 Peace Serves HAY lunch 10:00 Park Towers 5:00 TWM Bible Study 7:00 Trustees	19	20 6:30 Worship
21 8:00 Worship/Communion 9:15 Adult Bible Class 9:15 Contemp. Worship 9:15 Sunday School 10:30 Worship/Communion 11:30 Congregational Meeting 6:30 MS Youth Group	22 9:00 Body & Soul 3:30 & 6:30 Small Group Bible Study	23 10:00 POP Bible Study 10:00 Staff / Life Stage 4:00 LLCC Board Mtg 6:30 Promise Keepers	24 6:30 Thanksgiving Worship	25 <i>Thanksgiving</i> 9:00 Worship  <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	26 9:00 Bethesda Thrift Shop  <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	27 6:30 Worship w/Communion 11:00 PC Private Event
28 <i>First Sunday in Advent</i> 8:00 Worship 9:15 Adult Bible Class 9:15 Contemp Worship/Comm 9:15 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 5-6 Matt 14:16 Dinner 6:30 MS Youth Group	29 9:00 Body & Soul 10:00 Prayer Chain 1-5 pm Driver Improvement 3:30 & 6:30 Small Group Bible Study	30 9:00 Worship Committee 10:00 POP Bible Study 10:00 Staff / Life Stage 3:30 Elem Youth Gr 1-3 6:30 Promise Keepers				

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