

Peace Lutheran Church



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

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY | JANUARY 16, 2022

PASTOR: James Fuchs
ELDERS:
Saturday 6:30 Wayne Vinkemeier
Sunday 8:00 Dale Schumann, Jeff Weckwerth
Sunday 9:15 Robbie Peterson
Sunday 10:30 Matthew Markgraff, Peter White
GREETERS:
Sunday 8:00 Jerry and Mary Haag
Sunday 9:15 Dale and Judy Schumann
Sunday 10:30 Marion Fenske

Both Pastor Asher and Pastor Fuchs look forward to meeting you. Please stop by or call and make an appointment to introduce yourselves. Office Hours:

Pastor Asher: Tues & Thurs 8:30am-12:30pm
Wed 11:45am-5:00pm

Pastor Fuchs: Tues 10:00am-Noon, 1:00-4:00pm

Thank you to **Sadie Jenkins** for accepting the part-time , temporary Christian Education Coordinator position. She will serve in this position until Peace Lutheran installs a Called Youth or Family Director.

The **Bloodmobile** collected 139 units during their stop here at Peace on January 11th. Thanks to the congregation for supporting these blood drives. Parish Health

Food for the body (often with hot soup) **and food for the soul!** Wednesday Noon Lunch & Time in God's Word...Pastor Asher will lead a sixteen session series on the Gospel of John, or if the class prefers, Pastor will teach the Bible topic he wrote in Germany entitled "Encounters with Jesus". The focus of this second option will study what happened when Jesus met, for example, the woman at the well, or Zacchaeus in a tree, or the rich young ruler...etc. You don't have to attend every session, just come when you can for a fun time (yes, Bible study can be fun) of learning, lunch and fellowship.

An anonymous donation of \$38,000.00 has been made to the **Bell Tower Fund** in honor of **Melva Plath** for her 38 years of service to Peace Lutheran Church.

Senior Driver Safety Program—Monday, Jan. 17th 1-5pm. If you are 55 or older and need the refresher course to get a 10% discount on your car insurance, call the State of MN to sign up (320) 308-1406.

Drivers Wanted—Meals on Wheels—multiple routes available at 9:30/10:40am, takes about an hour. Contact Dalton Kalina, Lutheran Social Services, (320) 282-1002.

Packing Layettes for Lutheran World Relief—Many Hands, Make Light Work. On Thursday, January 27th, we will be assembling baby kits/layettes. If you are free, join us in the church basement at 1:00pm.

WANTED: A stove for the church basement. Need a new or good, clean, used electric stove in good working condition, If you have one you would like to donate, contact Marv Seller at (612) 618-4387.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO REMEMBERED US WITH CARDS AND GIFTS THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON. WE FEEL VERY BLESSED! PASTORS AND STAFF

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign the Friendship Pad in the pew and pass it along to others. As it is passed back to the center aisle, please take the opportunity to note the names of others seated in your pew.

We will also resume the hard hat offerings on the last weekend of each month for 'Tell the Next Generation'. The hard hat will be placed by the offering box.

The January LWML Mite calendar and the Children's Coins for Jesus calendars are 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 Thank you for your continued donations. Mite progress report: as of November 30, 2021—\$817,991.55.

The **flowers** in the sanctuary are from the funerals of Leora Pittman and Judy Radunz this past week.

There will be a **Sunday School Teachers meeting** on Monday, January 17th, at 7:00pm.

Please help yourself to the poinsettias in the Commons. Whatever is left will be disposed of on Mon, Jan 17th..

YOUR 2022 OFFERING ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE RAMPWAY.

HELP WANTED — PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH IS SEEKING A FACILITIES MANAGER

This is a part-time (15-20 hours) position. Prior custodial and maintenance experience is desirable. Job description and application can be picked up in the office or accessed on the church website. Please contact Sue in the church office 587-3031 for additional info. Open until filled.

LET US HELP YOU CELEBRATE VALENTINE'S DAY - WITH A DELICIOUS HOMEMADE PIE!

9 VARIETIES AVAILABLE - 10"/ DEEP DISH - \$20/PIE - THAT'S ONLY \$2.50/SLICE!

ORDERS MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH PAYMENT BY 12 NOON, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH

AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP AFTER 3PM, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH IN THE PEACE CENTER

ORDER FORMS AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE OR AT THE COMMONS DESK

Attendance Last Week

Saturday 6:30pm	26
Sunday 8:00am	52
Sunday 9:15am:	102
Sunday 10:30am:	133
Boxcast:	178
Facebook:	590
TOTAL	1061

ON A MISSION— Looking for interested church members to serve on the **Peace Lutheran Church Mission Committee**. To view committee description, please look on our PLC website or view copy in the office or at help desk in the Commons. Please contact Lynn Brown at (320) 582-0193 if interested or if you have questions.

Coffee & treats will be available in the Commons Area between the Sunday services. Join us in fellowship or grab a cup to take to the Bible Study. Thanks, Parish Health

OPEN HOUSE—SUNDAY SCHOOL

January 16—9:00-9:15AM—Church Basement—For Parents of Age 3-Grade 5—Meet your Child's Sunday School Teacher

Please pray for Peace members

Naomi Meier	Larry Stender
Bev Alsleben	Elaine Leweren
Ronney Wendlandt	Elise Schwan
Scott Hilgemann	Ron Janke
Lucy Hagen	Rita Janke
Donald Fenske	Mary Melin
Sue Moritz	Pastor Hannemann
Sylvia Radtke	Michelle Manteufel/White
John Bradley	Jim Berg
Barb Ribar	Brad Wick
Warren Macemon	Rod Olson
Jason Miller	Miles Kohls
Linda Rost	Josh Beadell
Cyndy Schmidt	Shirley Otto
Lee Gruenhagen	Jean Coulthard
Roxann Lauer	Michael Plath
Dale Sturges	Kim Heikes
Melissa Wanous	Irene Yerks
Erlin Thran	Carol Kubasch

Looking Ahead at Peace

SUNDAY (1/16)

8:00am Worship/Communion
9:15am Contemp Worship
9:15am Adult Bible Class
9:15am Sunday School
10:30am Worship/Communion
6:30pm MS Youth Group

MONDAY (1/17)

9:00am Body & Soul
1-5pm Sr.Driver Safety Class
3:30pm Small Group Bible Study
7:00pm Sunday School Teachers Mtg

TUESDAY (1/18)

10:00am POP Bible Study
10:00am Staff Meeting
3:30pm Elem Youth Gr 1-3
4:30pm LLCC Board Meeting
6:30pm Promise Keepers
7:00pm Council Meeting

WEDNESDAY (1/19)

8:30a Parish Health Mtg
9:00am Release Time
11:45am Lunch/Bible Study
1:00pm Mission Sewing
2:30pm 6th Gr Confirmation
3:30pm Pre-Teen Youth
6:30pm 7 & 8 Gr Confirmation
6:30pm Handbells

THURSDAY (1/20)

7:00 Trustees

FRIDAY (1/21)

9:00am Bethesda

SATURDAY (1/15)

6:30pm Worship

SUNDAY (1/23)

8:00am Worship
9:15am Contemp Worship/Comm
9:15am Adult Bible Class
9:15am Sunday School
10:30am Worship

MONDAY (1/24)

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

TUESDAY (1/25)

10:00am POP Bible Study
10:00am Staff Meeting
3:30pm Elem Youth Gr 1-3
6:30pm Promise Keepers

WEDNESDAY (1/26)

9:00am Release Time
11:45am Lunch/Bible Study
2:30pm 6th Grade Confirmation
3:30pm Pre-Teen Youth
5:00pm TWM Bible Study
6:30pm 7 & 8 Gr Confirmation
6:30pm Handbells

THURSDAY (1/27)

1:00pm Assemble Baby Kiits/Layettes

FRIDAY (1/28)

SATURDAY (1/29)

6:30pm Worship/Communion

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

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

The January-March **Portals of Prayer** are available in the Narthex or Commons.

Call to the Congregation for Nominations

Open positions for 2022 are:

Mission and Ministry Council, President

Steve Wick

Mission and Ministry Council, Vice-President

Current nominations – incumbent: Lynn Brown

Mission and Ministry Council, Three at-large positions

Current nominations - incumbents: Shirley Ulbjerg, Kathy Hochsprung

Brad Wick

Elders, two open positions

Current nominations- incumbents: Jeff Weckwerth* and Matt Markgraf* (according to our bylaws to be on the ballot Jeff and Matt will need 2/3 congregational approval to waive term limit of two consecutive terms as this would be Jeff's third term and Matt's fifth term)

Lee Ulbjerg

Kevin Buss

Please submit your candidate nominations for consideration by the nominating committee to:

Lynn Brown

954 Church St. SW

Hutchinson, MN 55350

320-582-0193

labrown@hutchtel.net

THE ANNUAL VOTER'S ASSEMBLY IS SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 30TH FOLLOWING THE 10:30AM SERVICE. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE.

THANKS, BOB

**Peace Lutheran Church
Annual Voter's Assembly Meeting
January 30, 2022**

- 1. Call to Order:** Bob Sylvester
- 2. Opening Devotions:** Pastor Ascher
- 3. Approval of Annual Meeting Minutes:** Bob Sylvester
January 31, 2021; August 8, 2021; November 21, 2021
- 4. Vote on recommendation to extend IIM call:** Bob Sylvester
- 5. Vote to waive term limit* for Jeff Weckwerth and Matt Markgraf:** Bob Sylvester
- 6. Presentation of Election Ballot:** Lynn Brown
- 7. Treasurer's Report:** Kevin Heikes
- 8. Proposed 2022 Budget:** Kevin Heikes
- 9. Little Lambs Christian Center:**
- 10. Approval of Membership Changes:** as listed in 2021 Yearbook
- 11. Pastor's Report:** Pastors' reports
- 12. Adjourn:**
- 13. Closing Prayer:** Pastor Fuchs

* Bylaws requirement

Dear PLC members,

A vote to extend a call to an Intentional Interim Minister (IIM) will occur at our January 30 Voters' Assembly meeting. Call Committee member Rev. Jeff Miller prepared this summary of the Synod's IIM program to help everyone understand its purpose and structure. Please review this information and if you have any questions, please contact us. A call committee member will be in the library between services to discuss any questions you have.

That all know the Peace of God,

Bob Sylvester
Council President

Intentional Interim Ministry (IIM) – What is it?

It is an LCMS ministry developed to assist Lutheran congregations to identify, work through their issues of conflict, and bring about true biblical reconciliation.

What IIM does not do:

It does not negotiate peace, it works towards reconciliation.

It does not fire staff and lay down new rules of operation.

It does not have a prescription that fits all congregations like ours.

Who does this IIM?

The LCMS through the Minnesota South District provides trained LCMS pastors who are equipped with course work and experience to help congregations work into reconciliation. An LCMS pastor is the leader who comes into the congregation to assist its leadership and membership through the reconciliation process.

How does our congregation get an IIM pastor?

The Minnesota South District provides names of qualified certified LCMS IIM pastors to the congregation. The congregation selects members to be a "IIM selection committee." It works similar to a Call committee under the authority of the church council and elders. After a vetting process the selection committee presents one name to the church council and the council issues a non-tenured (temporary) Call to the IIM pastor. The IIM pastor considers if he believes he is the correct person to assist our congregation – and accepts the Call.

Terms of the IIM pastor

The IIM pastor understands that the term of ministry at this congregation is for a limited time – usually 18 months. He then leaves and IS NOT eligible to be called to the congregation as its full-time pastor. He serves the congregation as its full-time pastor but with one purpose in mind – to bring reconciliation and peace to the congregation. He initiates changes necessary for peace and the congregation, by calling an IIM pastor, recognizes that changes need to be made.