March/April 2022



Messenger of PEACE

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



Website: plchutch.org Email: office@plchutch.org Ph: 320-587-3031



As we walk through these 40 days of Lent, we encourage you to set aside time to worship with us each Wednesday at 11:30 am or 6:30 pm.



A Travesty of Justice:

In the Shadow of the Cross

A Travesty Of Justice: In The Shadow Of The Cross is, a series of six meditations in which an unusual assortment of "eyewitnesses" -- the thorn, robe, nail, spear, shroud, and stone -- tell about their extraordinary encounters with Jesus.

Lent Services Lunch served following 11:30 worship

Ash Wed. MARCH 2 11:30 am 6:30 pm	THE THORN
Wed MARCH 9 11:30 am 6:30 pm	THE ROBE
Wed. MARCH 16 11:30 am 6:30 pm	THE NAIL
Wed. MARCH 23 11:30 am 6:30 pm	THE SPEAR
Wed. MARCH 30 11:30 am 6:30 pm	THE SHROUD
Wed. APRIL 6 11:30 am 6:30 pm	THE STONE

Holy Week

Palm Sunday APRIL 10 8, 9:15 & 10:30	HOSANNA
Maundy Thursday APRIL 14 11:30 & 6:30 Communion all Services	BEING A SERVANT
Good Friday APRIL 15 12 noon & 6:30	TENEBRAE SERVICE
Easter Sunday APRIL 17 8:00, 9:15 & 10:30 w/Comm Easter Breakfast 7-9:30 am	JESUS' RESURRECTION changes EVERYTHING!

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 Watch Live@9:15 & 10:30am FacebookLive www.facebook.com/HutchinsonMN YouTube www.youtube.com PeaceHutchinsonmn CABLE TV HCVN chan 10 - Nuvera. chan 8 - Mediacom Sunday 7 pm & 10 pm Wednesday 5 pm Thursday 10 am

PEACE WORSHIP



BAPTISMS

February 26	5 Evan Michael West, son of		
	Steven & Caroline West		
February 27	Christian Michael Fromm, son of Jeffrey Fromm & Jill Lieder		
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FUNERALS

January 7	Leona Verna Peterson, age 86,
	passed away Dec 31, 2021
January 10	LeOra June Pittman, age 92,

- January 10 LeOra June Pittman, age 92, passed away Dec 27, 2021
- January 13 Judith Louise Radunz, age 82, passed away Jan 9
- February 1Joyce LaRayne Reinke, age 98,
passed away Jan 27
- February 19 Eileen Frieda Mielke, age 98, passed away Feb 10

MEMORIALS

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Alice Dobberstein	
Dorcas	150.00
Cemetery Fund	450.00 🕋
	\$600.00
Pogina Piononhurg	
Regina Piepenburg	25.00
General Fund	25.00
Leona Peterson	
Dorcas	20.00
Joyce Reinke	
General	10.00
Judy Radunz	
Dorcas	105.00
Little Lambs	240.00
Cemetery	5.00
Fund to replace basement stove	2,160.00
(with balance to go to Bell Tower Fund)	\$2,510.00

March & April Readers

March & April Read	615		
<u>Saturday 6:30pm</u>	<u>8:00am</u>	9:15am	<u>10:30am</u>
Mar 5: Joanne Keilen 12: Corinne Higgins 19: Joanne Keilen 26: Charlene Havelka	March 6: Arlene Benshoof 13: Melissa Weckwerth 20: George Quast 27: Shirley Wurdell	Scott Lang Shari Zieman Betty Ruskamp Stephanie Schlueter	Tanya Benson Mary Haag Darlyn Egge Peace Youth
Apr 2: Charlene Havelka 9: Dick Higgins 16: No Service 23: Joanne Keilen 30: Charlene Havelka	April 3: Arlene Benshoof 10: Melissa Weckwerth 17: Pastc 24: George Quast	Shari Zieman Scott Lang ors will read for Easter Betty Ruskamp	Tanya Benson YOUTH Phyllis Hecht

March/April Greeters: March 6 April 3

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8:00 Lynn & Doug Brown 9:15 Dale & Judy Schumann 10:30 Dee & Norbert Hemman

March 13

8:00 Marlys Palmer, June Beach 9:15 Brenda Petersen 10:30 John & Sandy Lietz

March 20

8:00 Marianne Johnson 9:15 Dale & Shari Zieman 10:30 Dale & Judy Schumann

March 27

8:00 Jerome & Nancy Fischer 9:15 Jeff & Anita Miller 10:30 Jeff & Anita Miller



Ushers

APRIL MARCH Team #2 (8:00) Team #1 (8:00) Rod Huls Glen Witte Wally Kohls Doug Witte Allan Fuchs Scott Lund Rusten Hulls Brian Koehler Kevin Buss Team #3 (10:30) Team #5 (10:30) Marlin Haag Dale Froemming Troy Kurth **Bryce Cassens** Mike McKimm Joel Haaq Nic Tews Dale Schumann **Owen Streich** Robbie Peterson Scott Streich **Ross Peterson**

<u>LENT</u>

8:00 Lynn & Doug Brown

10:30 Dale & Judy Schumann

April 10 - PALM SUNDAY

8:00 Marlys Palmer, June Beach 9:15 Dale & Judy Schumann

10:30 Evangeline & Lloyd Dettmann

April 17 - EASTER

8:00 Marianne Johnson

10:30 Jeff & Anita Miller

9:15 Dale & Shari Zieman

8:00 Jerome & Nancy Fischer

10:30 John & Linda Kalenberg

9:15 Lona Schmidt

April 24

9:15 Juanita Buss

(11:30 & Noon Good Friday) Mid-Week Team March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, Apr 6 (6:30)March 2 Team 1 March 9 Team 3 March 16 Team 4 March 23 Team 2 Team 5 March 30 April 6 Team 6 Maundy Thursday Team 6

Easter Sunday (8:00) Team 1 Easter Sunday (9:15) Team 2 Easter Sunday (10:30) Team 3

Team 2

Good Friday

If you would like to be a Reader for a future Worship Service, please call Cyndy Fallon, 320-587-5517.

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As we enter the season of Lent and Holy Week, we pray that you will experience the blessings of the Lord in both worship and your personal life!

These have certainly been challenging times of late, but there is nothing quite like the power of God's Word, worship, prayer, and music to bring us closer to God.

If you have been watching online throughout COVID, we are grateful that you have stayed connected. At the same time, we encourage you to return in person during this important season of the church year.

If you have an interest in the music or audio-video offerings here at Peace or just wish to request a special hymn, please see Dr. Joan.

Praise the Lord!

Wednesday Noon Lunch & Word of God



Ash Wednesday, March 2 thru Wed. April 6,

we will have Lenten service at 11:30 am followed by lunch in the Peace Center. Bible Study will resume April 20.



PRINCE OF PEACE RETIREMENT LIVING MAR/APR 2022

Ahhh... the signs of Spring are upon us and we are ready for it! We are enjoying the Blessings of

new beginnings here at Prince of Peace Retirement Living. Our hard work, support, and dedication to our mission has brought us new options to enjoy this season. From the successful fundraiser that provided us the ability to purchase a popcorn machine for social events to the new Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program that will be led by Lisa Hoff. As I always say, we are blessed with the best! If you haven't had time to tour our community since the expansion, give us a call to set up a tour. We are currently taking names on our Waiting List.

Destini Doring, Executive Director

Support Prince of Peace Retirement Living when you shop on Amazon. Use this link:

https://smile.amazon.com/ch/41-1767063

Sunday Morning Bible Fellowship

Each Sunday Morning Room 207-209 9:30-10:15 am Upper Floor of Education Bldg.

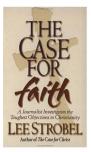


This time slot allows you to participate in either of the Sunday Morning Worship Services - Please Join Us!

Promise Keepers

Each Tuesday Evening 6:30-7:30 pm Upper Floor of Education Bldg.

The Promise Keepers Bible study is beginning a new study based on the book called "The Case for Faith" by Lee Strobel. Lee is a former atheist who came to faith by



examining the Scriptures. The class meets on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 - 7:30 for prayer and study. All are welcome to join us. For further information, call Paul Otte 320-583-8873.

Little Lambs Christian Center



The weather is getting warmer, and the sun is staying out longer. Spring is in the air! The kids are so excited to be able to get outside and play more here at Little Lambs now that it is starting to warm up. The Infants are enjoying sitting up at their table and looking out the window. They like to watch all the wildlife (birds, squirrels, etc.) go by and watch all the cars drive down the roads. Sometimes they might even wave to you to say Hello! The Infants will be working on their tummy time on the floor and working on those motor skills to work their muscles to help them start crawling. The toddlers will be having fun learning about different food groups and taste testing some of their favorites. Some foods include apples, strawberries, limes, and lemons. The Preschool room will be working on tracing letters, counting cutouts of ladybugs and painting with flowers. The Prek room is going to be learning more about insects and amphibians. They will have plastic toy insects for their sensory play and tracing the letter A for amphibians. During these two months, the teachers will be focusing on some exciting news that is told in the Bible. They will be reading the story of Easter. The teachers will teach the children about Good Friday and Easter Sunday and why it is so important to know what happened on those days (other then getting candy from the Easter Bunny). Little Lambs wants to continue to say Thank you for your continued support on our mission to spreading God's word to all his children.

Many Blessings, Megan Schlueter

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YOUTH CONNECT Grades 6 - 12

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SAVE-THE-DATES

March 3 March 11	Children Singing at 10:30 service
•	Drive-through only 11am - 6pm
April 1&2	8th Gr Confirm Retreat
April 10	Palm Sunday Service Palm branch processional & children singing at 10:30 service
April 14	Peace Host FREE lunch for HS kids at Crosspoint
April 17	Easter Breakfast
May 15	8 th Gr Conf Photos/Practice 1 pm
May 18	8 th Gr Confirm Questioning 6 pm
May 22	8 th Gr Rite of Conf 1 pm
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7th - 8th Gr Confirmation Students

Although we will not be formally meeting as a class during Lent, the expectation is for the 7-8th Gr to continue with memory work assignments, and attend Lenten Services each Wednesday (take sermon notes) preparing their hearts as events lead up to the death of Jesus, and the celebration of His resurrection on Easter.

Students can recite their memory work in the half hour before Lent Services (6:00 – 6:30) beginning Wednesday, March 2 in Room 208 to Lynn Brown, Barb Otte, or Tammy Jelkin.

Questions regarding Confirmation, please contact Pastor Joe Asher or Paul Otte. They can be reached at the church office 320-587-3031.

CAMP OMEGA Confirmation Retreat Fri. & Sat. April 1/2



The 8th Grade Confirmation class will be joining other confirmation groups for a

fun-filled weekend of Christian growth, songs, group building, and games at Camp Omega. The event runs April 1 & 2 from Friday 6:30 pm to 4:00 pm on Saturday. Registration forms are available in the Commons Area and church office. Deadline for signing up is Wed. March 16. Cost \$75/pp. Scholarships are available.

Hey Students - WE WANT YOU!

Would you like to be a part of Worship during LENT Services @6:30pm and Palm Sunday @ 10:30am!! We're looking for:

- readers
- help with leading music
- serving as a greeter or usher
- help with audio/visual component

Please contact the church office at 320-587-3031.

KIDS CONNECT

ELEMENTARY YOUTH Age 3 - Gr. 5

A SPECIAL REMINDER TO PARENTS:



Sunday, March 13 AND Palm Sunday, April 10 The children will be singing during the 10:30 a.m. service both days. They will remain with their class after Sunday School to go into the sanctuary and will sit with their parents after the children's message. Thank you!



Sunday School News

A few weeks ago, our children learned of how Jesus told His disciples to "let the children come to Me", took them in His arms, and blessed them. Each Sunday, we encourage parents (and grandparents!) to heed Christ's command and bring their children to learn of Jesus.

In March, we will be completing Unit 8 of the **Enduring Faith Bible Curriculum**: **Jesus Saves the World.** Since our lessons are little "out of sync" with the church calendar, the students will have opportunities to hear the accounts of Jesus' passion, death, and resurrection twice this year, once in Sunday School and later during the Lenten and Easter worship services.

In March, the students will learn about:

March 6 – Jesus on Trial / Peter Denies Jesus March 13 – Jesus' Death and Resurrection March 20 – Jesus Appears to Thomas March 27 – Jesus Appears in Galilee

We continue to celebrate baptism birthdays on the first Sunday of each month. We send home a candle and other small tokens to enable families to remember together the important day when each child was brought into God's family. Through Bible lessons, crafts, and music, the children are learning about how Jesus came to save them from their sins and about how much He (and their family at Peace!) loves them! Please continue to pray for our children and teachers, that love of Christ will be shown to all!

In Christ's Service, Deaconess Dr. Jennie Asher Volunteer Sunday School Coordinator

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PARISH HEALTH MINISTRY THANKS YOU!

• We had a good response to our request for a wheelchair. We received a couple of wheelchairs and a generous donation towards our AED battery and taxi cost. Thank you!

• Our Sunday morning coffee time has been fun. It's been good to have time and opportunity to visit with so many of you. Thank you to those that have donated money for the treats!

• Thank you for continuing your Covid protocol when appropriate, washing hands, wearing masks and getting vaccinated. As a reminder we are also providing small packages of tissue to take with you at worship services.

Bloodmobile

TUESDAY, MAR. 8th TUESDAY, APR. 12th 12 pm - 6 pm Peace Center



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

• Appointments only can continue to be made on line at **redcrossblood.org** or by **calling Shirley W. at 587-5064.** Thank you for continuing to support us. Shirley Wurdell at 587-5064.

Relay for Life of McLeod County Friday, August 5, 2022 Masonic West River Park, Hutchinson MN



Teams are starting to meet in March. Peace has had a team at the Relay

for over 20 years but it's time for some new blood. It is a great experience and a great opportunity to raise funds and the awareness to fight cancer. We need some younger members to help carry on. Under 70 is starting to look young to us. Parish Health will help where we can but it is difficult for us to do all the physical work of setting up the site and walking the path for the hours expected. More helpers mean lighter work for everyone. If you are interested, please contact a member of Parish Health for more information, Thanks!



The MN Highway Safety Research Center--Driver Discount Programs scheduled at Peace Lutheran Church is BACK!! Classes are for adults 55 years or older & for a 10% reduction on car insurance.

4 HR. RECERTIFICATION 3 CLASSES SCHEDULED!

 MON. Mar 14th
 1 - 5 pm

 MON. Apr 24th
 1 - 5 pm

 MON. May 16th
 1 - 5 pm

Please Note: Max class capacity: 24 ppl To register for these classes go to www.mnsafetycenter.org or call 1-320-308-1400 or toll free 1-888-234-1294.

CDC guidelines will be in place. If you are not feeling well or have a fever on the day of class, please reschedule or complete the course on line. Thank you, Renee Clabo, Parish Health.

The Good Samaritan

Through kind donations to the "Good Samaritan" fund, Peace has been able to offer emergency help to those in need in our community. Thank you for the generous donations. If this is a ministry you feel moved to support, please contact the finance office.

Need a pick-me-up?

The Parish Health sponsor a Taxi Program for transportation to and from Worship services. Call cab at 587-7878 or if you have questions,



Cards for Every Occasion!

Watch for new cards coming soon at the Dorcas Card Shop! You will find a nice selection of Confirmation, Graduation, Mother's Day and all-occasion cards in the rampway of Peace. Stop and pick up a few cards - you'll be supporting Dorcas missions with your purchase.



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Dorcas: Women in Mission



The March LWML meeting will be on

March 10, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. We will be conducting the LWML Prayer Service, based on Luke 11:1, "Lord, Teach Us to Pray", written by Rev. Robert W. Grimm. This service focuses on the various forms of prayer using thoughts, Bible verses and hymns.

There will NOT be an April LWML meeting. Instead we encourage you to attend the LWML McLeod Zone Spring Rally on April, 23, 2022 at Immanuel Lutheran in Brownton. More information will be posted on the LWML bulletin board when it becomes available.

LWML is starting a new campaign called "I am the Heart of LWML". The purpose is to promote a strong LWML identity among the women of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. Information is posted on the LWML bulletin board.

You are invited to participate in an online Respite and Companion Care workshop on March 26, 2022, presented by Voice of Care and made possible in part by a grant from the LWML Minnesota South District. The workshop, Set to Serve: Respite and Companion Care, will be offered from 1 to 5 p.m. (Central) and will equip participants with the necessary techniques and skills for safe, effective caregiving and the confidence to offer respite and relief to families of people with special needs. Registration is \$25 per participant and is open until March 21. Register or learn more at voiceofcare.org. Information for this is also posted on the LWML bulletin board.

LWMIL-WIM Dorcas Memorial Service February 10, 2021 REMEMBERING Melva Plath Joan Bradley Alice Doberstein Leona Peterson



Pictured from left: Holly Brenhaug, Weston Plath, Shannon Plath-Gerber, Mary Haag, Debra Doberstein, Danielle Clayton

LWML will be Assembling Layettes Thursday, March 24, at 1pm, Church Basement

Volunteers are encouraged to come and help put them together. If you can come to help or have any questions please call Phyllis Hecht at 587-0185 or Shirley Wurdell at 587-5064. There is a great need for these supplies now around the world and we want to be faithful. We are always looking for donations of items for Baby kits/layettes and for quilts. Larger adult t-shirts are used to make diapers, flannel is also used. Please consider helping with this mission activity. Everyone welcome, Thank you.

LWML Mission Sewing

Quilting can always use larger pieces of fabric and we love bed sheets for backs or liners. You can also join us to tie quilts on first, third and fifth Wednesdays of the month.



EASTER BREAKFAST RETURNS

After a couple of years not having an Easter breakfast we will once again be serving a full breakfast on Easter Sunday.

Serving time: 7am to 9:30am.

You will be treated to:

Scrambled Eggs & Ham, Homemade Kolaches, Frosty Fruit Cups, Juice, Coffee and Milk

All will be served for a suggested free will donation of \$5.00 per person. Come and enjoy a fresh homemade breakfast before or after attending Easter worship services. Give mom a break from cooking. Everyone is welcome.



Reaching Children of India through VBS

"So that all know the Peace of God" is part of our vision statement at Peace Lutheran. Reflecting on the vision along with meditating on Acts 1:8 reminds each of us that our responsibility to share the saving knowledge of Jesus is not limited to our neighborhood, but includes our community, our region, our country, and to the ends of the earth.

For many years since, Peace Lutheran has helped the local pastors in Chennai, India and the surrounding area. This has been a long term ongoing relationship which began as a result of the 2004 Tsunami. Peace has sent funds, supplies, and a team to reach children through VBS.

This year during the month of May our friend Dicrose and his team will be sharing the love and saving knowledge of Christ with local children through VBS. If you should feel moved to support this ministry there is a dedicated international missions account that you may donate to. Thank you in advance for your prayers and ongoing support.

If you have questions please contact the church office 587-3031.

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Church Council Meeting

January 18, 2022, 7 PM

Present: Pastor Fuchs, Pastor Asher, Kathy Hochsprung, Kim Borka, Bob Sylvester, Shirley Uldbjerg, Lynn Brown, Shirley Wurdell, Chuck Jones, John Lietz, Justin Evenson, Barb Otte, Sandra Hall

Absent: Heidi Sickmann, Kevin Heikes

1. Call to Order - prayer by Pastor Asher. 2 Corinthians: 4

2. Approval of minutes - December 21, 2021. Motion made

by Chuck to approve, 2nd by Lynn. Motion carried.

3. Reports:

A. Pastors: Pastor Asher reported that confirmation families will be notified of their progress in confirmation class. Confirmation is May 22, 2022, at 1:00 P.M. Christmas services went well as is Wednesday Bible Study. Pastor will continue to work with Jeff Miller and HAY at Crosspoint for Thursday lunches. Pastor reported on behalf of Jennie Asher that Sunday School memory work has started. Baptism birthdays are being celebrated. The Christmas program was successful.

Pastor Fuchs: Pastor Fuchs reported that recommendations about worship services this summer and going forward will be made at the next Elders meeting.

B. Treasurer – Bob reported that Kevin is waiting for the results of a COVID test and will not be in attendance.

- financial report: Kevin has emailed this to council members. - proposed budget: This is currently being worked on. Chuck made a motion to schedule a council budget meeting for 7 pm on January 25th, 2nd by Lynn. Motion carried.

C. Board of Elders – John Lietz reported the Elders are currently reviewing a list of inactive congregational members. Elders will reach out to members to hear concerns and needs. **D. Trustees** – Justin Evenson reported the installation of the columbarium at the cemetery has been completed. The roof leaking above the bathrooms along the ramp is being assessed.. The Trustees have received a report from a consultant (Building Restoration Corp.) on the bell tower. It is structurally sound however the interior plaster is crumbling due to moisture problems. The Trustees plan to remove the degraded plaster and are weighing options to deal with the moisture problem.

E. LLCC report – Sandra Hall, LLCC board President, reported that the needs of LLCC and the industry overall is presenting a challenge with the cost to families and the monetary needs of paying staff and operating costs. Keeping consistent staff is also a concern. LLCC may qualify for a hardship grant from the state but is awaiting details on applying.

F. Human Resources Committee Update – Lynn Brown reported that the committee has not met since the last meeting. Still looking for a facilities manager.

G. Nominations Committee – Lynn Brown reported no additional nominations have been submitted.

4. Unfinished business:

A. Discussion of additional revisions of Constitution and Bylaws – Bob Sylvester reported on additional suggested revisions that surfaced following the November congregational vote.

- age requirement for vote: the suggestion is to adopt 18.
- requirement for mailing out to membership: Mailings will no longer go out. Members can request it be mailed to them.
- role for BOEs in outreach to inactive members: Identify members every 6 months and annually to encourage spiritual life of our congregation.

- 2 weeks vs. 1 month publication requirement: This provides more flexibility with an agenda.

These changes will be shared with the Elders and there will be a subsequent congregational meeting to vote on the suggested changes.

B. Parsonage update – Kevin Heikes & Justin Evenson are working to set a date for when the parsonage will be available.

5. New Business

A. Intentional Interim Pastor (IIP) Call Committee – Bob discussed the Call Committee's recommendation to extend a call to the IIP interviewed January 10.

B. Availability of Peace Place for Sunday School: Pastors Asher & Fuchs reported concerns of past supervision in the building. It currently will be open for adult events, but not youth events. Motion made by Barb to create a task force (minimum of 3 people) to review Peace Place needs before youth resume usage; 2nd by Kathy. Justin Evenson agreed to serve on this committee. Lynn suggested that a youth board member be asked. Motion carried.

C. Updating PLC organizational chart: Bob, Chuck & Sue reviewed the current chart. Chuck shared that this chart only reflects the current organizational structure and not the potential future chart. Proposed changes will be discussed at the next meeting.

D. CPR Training—Shirley Wurdell reported dates are changed to 3/14 /22 and 3/21/22. Training includes CPR and First Aid. Class run by John Arlt. This is being offered to staff, ushers, and leaders of PLC. Class is from 5:30-9:30 and cost is \$10. Please sign up with Shirley.

E. Annual Fish Fry—this will be researched by Marlys.
6. Adjournment - Closing prayer by Pastor Fuchs.
Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,

Kim Borka Secretary Bob Sylvester President

Changes at Peace Place

The Trustees were recently approached by parties interested in purchasing Peace Place, which is the former funeral home and parking lot across the street from the church. This facility has been used to accommodate youth activities. With the recent changes it is felt that all programs for our youth can easily be accommodated within the main church facility with no need for the additional building. There are always expenses associated with insurance, maintenance and repair of an older building and it would be financially beneficial to part with this location. At this time the church council will be taking written offers for the facility and if one or more of the offers is deemed by the church council, in consultation with the Trustees, to be adequate that offer will be brought to a voter's meeting for approval by the congregation before final acceptance. If you are interested in making an offer, please contact the church office and we will arrange for you to have access to the building. All offers must be received in the church office by March 15, 2022, at 4PM.

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Peace Lutheran Church Annual Voter's Assembly Meeting January 30, 2022 11:45 a.m.

1. Call to Order: Bob Sylvester

2. Opening Devotions: Pastor Ascher: John 13: 34-35; 1 Corinthians: 13:4-8

3. Approval of Congregational Meeting Minutes: Bob Sylvester Motion made by Dale Froemming to accept the January 31, 2021, Au-

gust 8, 2021, and November 21, 2021, Congregational minutes. 2nd by Robbie Peterson. Motion carried.

4. Vote on recommendation to extend IIM call:

Motion made to extend the call to Pastor Glenn Meyer by Lee Uldbjerg. 2nd by George Quast. Motion carried.

Tentative plan would be for Pastor Meyer to begin in late spring. Pastor Asher and Pastor Fuchs will continue to help assist PLC until the interim arrives and begins his position. Salary is equitable to what Pastor Pasche received. Parsonage may potentially be used as well and may impact salary compensation.

5. Vote to waive term limit* for Jeff Weckwerth and Matt Markgraf: Vote carried out. Results: Yes: 84 No: 9

6. Presentation of Election Ballot:

Results: Board of Elders: Matthew Markgraf, Jeff Weckwerth Council: President: Steve Wick Vice President: Lynn Brown At Large Council Members: Kathy Hochsprung, Shirley Uldbjerg, Brad Wick

7. Treasurer's Report:

Bob shared an email and 2021 summary slides from Kevin (as he was unable to attend the voter's meeting due to COVID). Expenses were less than revenue.

This was due in part to special gifts to PLC. We are so thankful for such generosity.

8. Proposed 2022 Budget:

Currently, the proposed budget is still being put together. The council will review the budget and bring before the congregation in February or March.

9. Little Lambs Christian Center: Sandy Hall and Heather Pagel Introductions of LLCC board members took place. LLCC celebrated their 10th anniversary in January. Background of how LLCC began, and the mission of PLC and LLCC was presented. LLCC, along with daycares nationwide, are facing challenges with costs to families and staff wages. The State of MN is awarding stabilization grants to daycares. If selected to receive a grant, daycares must use 70% of grants for retention bonuses or pay increases with 30% going to operating expenses.

\$76,000 in grants went to LLCC in 2021. 60 children are currently attending LLCC.

10. Approval of Membership Changes: as listed in 2021 Yearbook Motion made by Brad Wick to approve membership changes in the 2021 yearbook. 2nd by: Kevin Buss. Motion carried.

11. Pastor's Report:

Pastor Asher: Please keep his wife Jennie in your prayers as she fell last week. He is preaching half of all services as well as teaching Bible study on Wednesdays. Confirmation is progressing well with expectations being met by confirmands and assistance to those who need help meeting expectations. Sunday school is going well. He attends elders meeting, council, Sunday school meetings, and worship services.

Pastor Fuchs: He supports Pastor Asher and highlighted the work Pastor Asher is doing with the confirmation class. He is working with Elders on topics of membership, governance, and Lent. He also updates the District weekly with progress at PLC.

12. General discussion:

Update on the bell tower given by Justin Evenson. A committee will be put together to go over the report received from the Building Restoration Corp. and go forward. Marlys announced that the Fish Fry will be March 11 at 11:00. It will be a drive through / pick up. Troy Puckett will assist. Funds raised will go towards fixing the roof above the men's bathroom. Thanks to Bob Sylvester for his dedication.

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Thanks to Dr. Joan for her work with Dorcas.

13. Adjourn: Motion made by Ron Kirchoff to adjourn. 2nd by Bob Sylvester. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Kim Borka Secretary

Bob Sylvester President

The Closing of Little Lambs Christian Center

Due to the growing financial deficit incurred by the operation of the Little Lambs Childcare Center the Church Council has been forced to close this outreach, effective April 22, 2022. This was a very difficult decision; however, one that has been years in the making. The center has received extensive support from the general fund but has still lost money almost every year. The projected loss for 2022 was more than \$140,000 and this was in addition to the church receiving no rent for the building plus paying all the center's utilities, liability insurance, providing custodial services, administrative support, and other forms of assistance. We plan to use the money that will be saved to support other forms of outreach as well as perform much needed repairs and maintenance to our church property that have been delayed due to years of budget shortfalls. We would like to thank everyone that has participated at Little Lambs. We have been blessed with a kind and caring staff, many volunteers, people who have given financially to the program, members that have served on the Little Lambs board and others who have assisted in many other ways too numerous to list. We ask that you pray for the staff and families that are affected by this closing that they may find new daycare options, new jobs and that they are inspired to keep Christ in their lives as well as the lives of their children. Peace will continue to serve the youth of our community through other programs such as Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, Release Time programs, Confirmation, various youth groups, HAY Ministries activities and lunches, and other ways that the Lord will lead us to. For those who may have questions feel free to contact any Church Council member or reach out to me directly, Kevin Heikes 320-583-0636.

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. Romans 8:28

March 2022 Prayer Calendar



- March 1. Heavenly Father, may the gentle falling of fresh snow be a reminder to me of what you can do in my life. Amen. Isaiah 1:18
- March 2. Today is Ash Wednesday. Lord Jesus help me to be reminded once again about how much you really love me by dying on the cross for me.
- March 3. Father, thank you for the order You have created. Help me live out Your order in my life. Amen.
- March 4. Lord, help me to be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ has forgiven me. Eph. 4:32
- March 5. Dear Father, the world is so full of need. Break down barriers that would keep us from showing your love to all mankind. Amen.
- March 6. Pray for our Elders as they care for the spiritual lives of the members at Peace Lutheran.
- March 7. Lord, I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you. Psalm 119:11
- March 8. Lord, we thank all who donate blood today as they continue to help those who are trying to stay alive.
- March 9. Lord, bless all of the police officers here in Hutchinson and throughout the nation as they put their lives on the line each day to protect our safety.
- March 10. Dear God, of all the things we wear, our expression is the most important. A happy heart makes the face cheerful. Prov. 15:13
- March 11. Lord Jesus, thank you for the hope and assurance of a heavenly home. Let this hope be reflected in my life today. Amen.
- March 12. If you tell others with your own mouth that Jesus is your Lord, and believe in your own heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. Roman 10:9
- March 13. Lord, help me to adjust to daylight saving time as I keep growing and changing to become the person you desire me to be.
- March 14. Lord, since you are directing my steps each day, why should I try to understand everything that happens along the way. Prov. 20:24
- March 15. It is easy to praise when things go right, but it is more precious to praise when things go wrong. Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say rejoice. Phil.14:4
- March 16 Pray that the confirmation students be diligent as they study and learn how the Lord wants them to live their lives.
- March 17. Lord , help us to know it is possible to give without loving, but impossible to love without giving.
- March 18. Thank you Lord for the full moon tonight as it reminds us of your presence in our lives during the day and night.
- March 19. Lord, when I am critical of others, cause me to stop and examine myself.
- March 20. Lord, it was for me that you were despised, rejected and died on the cross. Search my heart and show me if today I am part of that rejection. Amen.
- March 21. Thank you Lord, for taking the worst that could have happened at the hands of sinful men and turning it into the worlds greatest victory, available to all who accept it. Amen
- March 22. How precious it is, Lord, to realize that you are thinking about me constantly. Psalms 139:17
- March 23. Lord, help me to give myself fully to do your work, because I know that my labor in the Lord is not in vain. 1 Cor.15:58
- March 24. Pray for the families who have lost a loved one recently. Lord, remind them that you are holding them in your arms.
- March 25. Lord, be with all of our Doctor's and nurses who care for all who are in the hospitals, nursing homes and in their own homes.
- March 26. Lord, help me pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness. Help me fight the good fight of faith. 1 Tim.6:12
- March 27. Today Lord, make me sensitive and alert to the needs you would have me see. Amen
- March 28. Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. Gal.6:2
- March 29. Pray the Lord would guide our elected officials in our state and national government to listen to their constituents and vote accordingly.
- March 30. Pray for the staff as they continue to minister to the members at Peace Lutheran. Pray that our newly called
- March 31. And God Said. "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest. Exodus 33:14

Keeping Our Records Current! If your address, phone, or email have changed, please call the share for the formation of the start of the



April 2022 Prayer Calendar



- April 1. 1 Corinthians 1:23 Paul says the Gospel is foolishness to the Gentiles(non-believers). Pray for the Holy Spirit to enliven hearts and minds to believe that Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior.
- **April 2.** We pray for those who are approaching the end of life. Send your Holy Spirit to surround them with your presence and power. Assure them of their forgiveness through Christ.
- April 3. Profit/Loss. Gain/broke. This Sunday's lessons speak of accepting the gift of eternal life through God's sacrifice of His Son Jesus for our sake. Pray for humility to accept such a gift.
- April 4. We pray for peace at Peace. Perhaps "my" way is not the best or only way. Please lead us Lord.
- April 5. Lord, we pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit to direct our hearts, minds and bodies towards the peace that only you can give. It does surpass our understanding.
- April 6. We pray for the volunteers we have who provide needed service to our church and community.
- April 7. We pray for our church leaders especially our two pastors. Strengthen and encourage them Lord.
- April 8. We pray for the parents, guardians, friends and family of our confirmands. Lord may they be encouragers of the faith.
- April 9. We pray for our confirmands. Help them to learn of your mercy and grace Lord. Help them to understand Law and Gospel. Help them to be disciples on your path.
- April 10. Palm Sunday Rejoice, HOSANNA all hail to Jesus our Triumphant King who fulfills all God's promises. We pray for God's people to rejoice in God our Savior.
- April 11. This Monday often called Holy Monday. Jesus cursed the fig tree, cleansed the temple, responded to questions about His authority. Pray that your life is lived from God's grace and a fitting service.
- April 12. Jesus and disciples pass the withered fig tree. We pray for our faithfulness and faithfulness of others to being faithful disciples of Jesus in our every-day life.
- April 13 During Holy Week this was a day of rest. Pray that our service to the kingdom of God is focused on providing a clear message of forgiveness and grace through Jesus Christ.
- April 14. Maundy Thursday Jesus instituted what we call the Lord's Last Supper. Pray for our members to share the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ together as God's family. Acknowledge the gifts given.
- April 15. Good Friday Thank you Jesus for suffering and dying for our sins and those of the entire world. We pray that God would grant us courage to share this sacrifice of God's love with our family and neighbors.
- **April 16.** Holy Saturday, while in darkness Jesus lay in the tomb, paying the price for our sins, fulfilling God's promise to crush the head of Satan. Pray that this message spreads through me and our church.
- **April 17.** EASTER Alleluia His is Risen, He is Risen Indeed, Alleluia. Rejoice! We have the resurrection! Our hope and promise have a firm foundation. All people of every race and nation rejoice.
- April 18. We pray for those who are ill, hospitalized, and those who are listed in our weekly bulletin and for those in our circle of family and friends.
- April 19. We pray for parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles and other role models. Help them to be faithful to your Word and Grace. Lead them Lord.
- April 20. We pray for Christian families that you provide assistance and tools necessary to overcome every challenge.
- April 21. Lord, protect marriages. Help husband and wives to cling to each other and provide the model and nurture for their family.
- **April 22.** Today member Lester Schuft is inducted into the MN Musicians Hall of Fame. Thank you, Lord, for all musicians who with your gifts speak the language of angels.
- April 23. We pray that family members would treat one another with kindness and patience.
- April 24. Today reading John 20 Jesus gathers with his disciples and breathes on them the Holy Spirit. Forgiveness is the topic. Forgive and be forgiven. The Holy Spirit gives us the authority to do that.
- April 25. We pray that you would help to raise up leaders and servants to serve in our congregation to lead our children especially.
- April 26. Today we remember the 175th anniversary of our Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. Pray that our church body remains faithful to God's Word and to preaching, teaching it and baptizing.
- April 27-28. These days are Call Day and Assignment days for our seminary vicars, graduates and deaconess students. May they faithfully preach, teach and serve God's Word and care for God's people churched and unchurched.
- April 29. We pray for our high school, college and trade school students. Lord guide them to serve you through their skills and knowledge. Those are gifts from you.
- April 30. Lord may the journey of Interim Ministry lead our congregation to reconciliation around your cross.

Columbarium Installed at Peace Lutheran Cemetery





We have completed a few projects at the cemetery the last couple years.

• The new cemetery area, west of the big pine trees, was surveyed and a new road put in the fall of 2021.

• The storage shed was moved to the northwest corner of new area, and fill pile from graves was hauled off site to clean up that area.

• Last fall the tree line on the north side received a well needed trimming and cleanup. This spring we plan to remove west tree line (pines) along with pines in center area north of the well.

• After some discussion last year, the purchase of a 96 niche columbarium took place and was set on a concrete pad, with a crane, to the west of main entrance. This was completed on January 17, 2022.

• Details for purchasing a niche, as far as cost, will be discussed soon with the cemetery board so we can move forward with that.

• There were 9 lots sold and 12 burials in 2021.

• There are approximately 58 lots open in original site left. (flat and upright marker areas)

• As far as the new area, and how many exact plots will be available, we really don't know yet because there is discussion about making an area just for cremations and an area for traditional burials. Plus additional landscaping/seeding needs to take place first which is on the to do list for 2022.

Cemetery Superintendent Lonnie Kohls

320-583-6410



Memorials/Flowers for Easter

Easter Lilies, Kalanchoe and Mum plants will be used this Easter, April 17, to decorate the church. 20 Lilies, 10 Kalanchoe and 5 Mum plants are needed. The cost will be \$12.00 for Lilies and \$13.00 for Kalanchoe or Mums.

If you would like to buy a Lily, Kalanchoe or Mum plant as a memorial, or to honor a special person in your life, or give a donation for a project or ministry below, you may stop by the church office by **April 8th**, or mail in this form.

Number of Easter Lilies

Number of Mum/Kalanchoe Plants _____

OR

Given by _____

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Peace Lutheran Annual



Friday, March 11 11 am - 6 pm or until the fish run out!

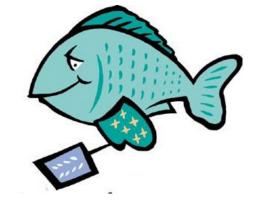
MENU: Fried Fish • Au Gratin Potatoes • Baked Beans Cole Slaw • Roll & a Bar

Each Meal \$13

DRIVE-THROUGH ONLY

Proceeds support Peace Lutheran Roof Repair Fund





DO YOU HAVE A FEW EXTRA HOURS? HELP US AT THE FISH FRY! Many shifts and a variety of jobs available. Contact the Church Office 320-587-3031

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