

July 2022



Messenger of PEACE

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

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A Message from Pastor Joseph Asher



Many of our Peace members are taking off for some much-needed time away from the rigor our "the daily routine." Already in June, we've had beautiful days where there is no better place to be than outside. Minnesota is beautiful this time of year.

One of my personal favorite places is on the bike path in Hutchinson, north of the Crow River, near the tent camping area. I love to ride my bicycle there, and read a book with some iced tea. Yes, I remember to take bug spray and sunscreen along, but that doesn't dampen my fun! But I'm writing this article to remind you NOT to take a vacation from God this summer. I think of the Scripture reading from Luke 9:28-36, where Jesus is transfigured showing His glory, and then stands with Moses and Elijah, and the Father speaks from heaven...

This is My Son, Whom I have chosen; listen to Him.

The last three words in the above verse are crucial to me. In this fallen world, where there is so much bad "out there," we need to hear Jesus' voice through the Holy Scriptures so that the problems of this world don't drag us down. Because we constantly hear one bad thing after another, we can begin to believe that there is no hope for us. But the truth is that the opposite is true; our hope is in our risen Savior Jesus Christ.

Jesus is our hope because He is our living Savior, and He is in control, and God has declared in Philippians 2:9-11

9 Therefore God exalted him to the highest place
and gave him the name that is above every name,
10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
11 and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

As our Savior, Jesus holds our lives in His hands, and He is with us every day. Further, Christ's name is exalted above all others. And beyond this, Jesus is worthy of worship because He paid the price of sin for this world of transgressors (including us) who have missed the mark falling short of God's holy and righteous expectations. And our tongues need to acknowledge and confess Jesus as Lord and Savior of our fallen world. Often, so many things can distract us from Jesus (think recreation, overtime at work, travel, etc.), God's Word is able to "make us wise for salvation" through faith in Christ. The Holy Scriptures give us God's truth on sin and righteousness. And through the Bible, we are equipped for life in this world. So in our lives, let's listen to Jesus, taking time for worship this summer in God's house (or outside at 10am!), personal devotions, and time in Bible study with family and friends.

Pastor Asher

PEACE WORSHIP TIMES

Weekend Worship Summer Schedule

May 28 - Sept 4

8:30 am | Sanctuary

10:00 am | Outdoor

Watching from your car, Tune in to 87.9 radio

Saturday

6:30 pm | Sanctuary

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Wednesdays

June 29 - August 3

12 noon | Sanctuary

12:30 Luncheon | Peace Center

ONLINE WORSHIP

Livestream

plchutch.org Watch Live@8:30am

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





Please Join Us in Welcoming Rev. Glenn Meyer Intentional Interim Pastor

Pastor Meyer will begin his intentional interim ministry (IIM) at Peace on Wed. July 27th, he will be installed at the 6:30 pm service July 30th.

A 'brief' bio (and comments) from Pastor Meyer:

I am the oldest of eleven children and grew up on farms near Creston & Hadar, NE. I always knew that I would be a pastor/missionary since the third grade. I attended Lutheran schools throughout my education journey: grade schools in Leigh & Pierce, NE; High Schools in Seward, NE and Concordia, MO; College, one year in Concordia, MO and two years in Seward, NE. In the summers I worked as a hospital orderly, in construction, and as a camp counselor.

I was ordained after completion of study at Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Indiana in 1981. Prior to attending seminary, I received a bachelor's degree in Education from Concordia University in Seward, Nebraska. (1977). I met my wife, Susan (nee Bergquist), at Concordia, Seward. We both worked as camp counselors at Camp Omega, summer of 1978. Sue is a trained deaconess. Most of her ministry outside of the home has been as a preschool teacher in our Lutheran schools. She is currently a preschool teacher at St. Mark Lutheran, Omaha, NE. She also keeps herself available for anything needed by her mother, Ardis, who will soon be 99, and still lives in her own apartment in Omaha.

I have been a pastor for 41 years. Sue and I raised three children while I served churches in Independence, MO, Creston, IA, Glendale, WI, and Fort Wayne, IN.

Our oldest, Anna is married to Kevin Foley, they have three children. Kevin recently accepted a call to serve at River of Life Lutheran, in Omaha. [They are currently living with us in as they search for a home in a difficult market.]

Rachel is married to Aaron Kuehn, they have three children. They live in Waconia, MN. Aaron serves as the pastor at Christ Victorious Lutheran, Chaska, MN.

Timothy is currently serving as a missionary/teacher at Concordia in Chaiyi, Taiwan. He is home for six weeks this summer and then returns, August 9, for his 8th year teaching in Taiwan.

In July, 2015, I transitioned to becoming a full-time intentional interim minister for the LC-MS. This allowed us to move closer to parents in north-east Nebraska. As an IIM, I have served four churches in Nebraska (Fremont, Lincoln, Fairbury, then Omaha). Covid-19 drastically reduced the number of opportunities for service the late summer of 2020, and not wanting to retire, I made myself available outside of Nebraska. I was immediately contacted by the Northern Illinois District and I accepted a call to serve as an IIM at Holy Cross Lutheran, Cary, IL. May 1 was my last Sunday, after 18 months serving as their IIM pastor.

By God's goodness and grace, each IIM church that I have served is currently being served by the resident pastor who followed me. I praise and thank God for this as we currently have a severe shortage of pastors!

I thought that my next place of pastoral service would be much closer to home, but God had other plans. Peace Lutheran contacted me, the call committee interviewed me. I am certain that I told them that I had questions about again being so far from home, but you all were led to call me anyway.

*“Where God leads and directs us, as His people of faith, we want to follow and we MUST follow!”
Our trust and confidence is in Him and His Word!*

We face challenges at Peace Lutheran, as many faithful Christian churches do throughout our nation. It is NOT an easy time to be faithful to God, His Word and our calling as His loving and caring people! I struggled with this call. Your call and challenges seemed to be a good match to my gifts, but the distance??? Sue & I talked a lot! I can honestly tell you, God did not let me have 'peace' until I realized that I was supposed to come and serve among you all as your Intentional Interim Pastor. Yes, I will need to make certain I spend needed time at home and I will work out those details with your leadership.

I had plans for this summer, between churches. I knew I needed a longer break than normal. I planned for things I would be able to get done and better organized in my 'home office'. Yet, my summer is going much differently than I planned. My 'home office' is now the bedroom and playroom for three of my grandchildren. Things I hoped to accomplish this summer 'on break' will NOT happen. But, and we will be talking about this a lot, "Where God leads and directs us, as His people of faith, we want to follow and we MUST follow!" Our trust and confidence is in Him and His Word!

In the meantime, know that I am keeping you all in my prayers. You are constantly in my thoughts. I know that there have been many decisions that you have needed to make and challenges that you have faced. I cannot make those decisions for you. I do not, yet, really know you or your community. But, once I arrive, I plan to listen, observe and learn. Together, we will continue to grow in grasping a picture of what this next chapter in the life of Peace Lutheran is going to be. My prayers are with you as you face these challenges together and strive to make the decisions that God is directing for you. Listen to one another! Care for one another! Honor our God with our offerings of thanksgiving, the first fruits of His financial blessings to us, as well as our gifts of time and service! You are brothers and sisters in Christ whom God has gathered together at Peace Lutheran, in the Hutchinson area, for a purpose. Strive to learn and affirm that purpose. Strive to support and encourage one another in your worship together. And, as I often tell people at the churches I serve, "Play nice with one another!"

In anything good that happens, and in every blessing, even in the midst of trial and challenge, we will praise and thank God! AND we will do all that we can to encourage and lift up one another in the love, hope and promise that is ours in Christ Jesus, our Lord and Savior!

Your friend and brother, and soon to be your pastor, IN CHRIST,
Pastor Meyer

Rev. Glenn Meyer and Sue, currently reside in the Omaha, NE area (Bennington). When not providing pastoral care Pastor Meyer enjoys being home with Sue, and being active (golfing, walking, gardening, swimming, Table Tennis, etc.) as well as card and board games. Now at age 65, he is wondering if being in MN will add (Skiing?, Cross-Country Skiing?, Ice-Fishing?) to the list..... OR, as his surgeon/doctor told him a few years ago when Pastor Meyer asked him when he might be able to start running again, "We'll just work on you being able to walk without pain....."

We'll see what God has in mind.

God bless!

May God keep us all in His grace until the day that we shall see Him face to face!

Serve Christ with our Words, Service and Resources.

A Message from Council President, Steve Wick

It has been an interesting first few months being on PLC Council. I would like to thank our visitation pastors, Fuchs and Asher, for their unwavering commitment to PLC at this time of transition. This has allowed us time to find an intentional interim minister. Pastor Glenn Meyer accepted our call as intentional interim minister and will likely arrive the week of the installation service. The installation of Pastor Meyer will be at the July 30 Saturday evening service. What was committed by Pastor Meyer and the congregation at the installation service will be shared at the two Sunday services that same weekend. Some of the following information pertaining to Intentional Interim Ministry (IIM) was obtained from LCMS. This ministry is to provide healing, care and renewal for congregations in transition. Intentional Interim Ministry is designed to restore congregational health by offering a safe bridge between challenging times and the selection of the next resident pastor. This will be done through healing existing divisions within the church so that we can move forward with a unified mission and ministry. It is likely Pastor Meyer will bring different perspectives to ministry and pastoral leadership and assist us in setting a fresh course.

As you already know, Little Lambs Christian Center is now closed. We as the congregation need to pray for God's guidance concerning all programs, missions and outreach of Peace Lutheran Church.

Steven Wick
PLC Council member

Pastor Glenn Meyer will be Installed at Peace on Saturday, July 30th, 6:30 Service.



Let's join in giving Pastor Meyer and his wife, Sue, a Peace welcome!

Please plan to attend!

Ushers

JULY

Team #1 (8:30)
Glen Witte
Doug Brown
Scott Lund
Brian Koehler
Skip Sustacek



July Greeters:

July 3

8:30 Dale & Judy Schmann

July 10

8:30 Jerry and Nancy Fischer

July 17

8:30 Mary & John Melin

July 24

8:30 Delores & Allan Reiner

July 30

8:30 Marianne Johnson

July Readers



Saturday 6:30pm

July 2: Jim Warnke
9: Paul Otte
16: Bev Luke
23: Annette Koehler
30: Joanne Keilen

Sunday 8:30am

July 3: Scott Newman
10: Nona Anderson
17: Hazel Sitz
24: Margo Kaping
30: Shirley Wurdell

10:00am

Arlene Benshoof
Betty Ruskamp
Mary Haag
Sara Peterson
Melissa Weckwerth



Invite your friends, family members & neighbors to worship at Peace!

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

6:30 PM SATURDAY Sanctuary

8:30 AM SUNDAY Sanctuary

10 AM SUNDAY Sanctuary

** In case of rain, service will be in the sanctuary.*

This schedule will continue through Labor Day Weekend.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9 am - 4 pm

Friday 9 am - Noon



OFFICIAL ACTS

BAPTISMS

June 5 – Elsie Lucille Telecky, daughter of Jacob and Ashley Telecky

FUNERALS

May 5 Laura Wendorff, 100, passed away February 3

May 14 Charles Yerks, 91, passed away April 26

June 16 Erlin Thran, 80, passed away June 11

June 30 Michael A. Fuchs, 37, passed away June 22

MEMORIALS

Dennis Jannusch Music Ministry - \$50.00

Laura Wendorff General- \$25.00
Dorcas/LWML - \$100.00
\$125.00

Charles Yerks General - \$575.00
Cemetery - \$10.00
Little Lambs - \$15.00
\$600.00

TRANSFERS

Randy and Sharon Celandor released to join St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Litchfield, MN

Angie Dolezal released to rejoin St. Anastasia Catholic Church, Hutchinson, MN

Ken and Shelly Quast released to join Christ the King Lutheran Church, Hutchinson MN

Rhonda and Greta Berg released from membership

Nathan Blom released from membership

Cynthia Fink released to join Christ the King Lutheran Church, Hutchinson MN

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**PRINCE OF PEACE
RETIREMENT LIVING
JULY 2022**

**Destini Doring
Executive Director**

Oofta! What a summer it's been so far. We've been able to celebrate with family and friends, enjoy the weather, and even do some traveling. God's blessings continue to shower us with joy and fulfillment. All of us here are excited to have our Modernization Update complete bringing new life to our original portion of the building with freshly painted walls, lighting, and carpet. If you haven't been here lately call to set up a tour and check it out.

Calling all VOLUNTEERS - we are still looking for more meal volunteers for the weekends from 11 am to 1:30 pm. If you enjoy helping others and appreciate a FREE lunch afterwards, please contact Lisa Hoff for details. You can reach her by phone 320-234-7588 or email her at residentservices95@gmail.com.

Grace and blessings,
Destini Doring, Executive Director



Marlys Palmers last day at Peace was June 24th. We thank Marlys for her years of service and dedication to PLC. We wish God's richest blessings on her.

**Peace Lutheran Annual
GARAGE SALE**

August 18, 19, 20

Location: Peace Center



We will be having a Church Garage Sale this year!!

- It will be held in the Peace Center.
- Sale Dates are August 18, 19, & 20. Drop off items & set up August 15-17. Times TBD.
- Please NO Furniture or Electronics.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer please contact Shirley Wurdell or Lynn Brown for more info and watch the bulletins for updates. We look forward to having a good time and making some money.

**2022 Wednesday
Summer
Concert Series**



**12-12:30pm Free Concert followed by a
buffet luncheon for \$8.00.**

Concert Dates

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| JUNE 29 | Hutchinson Brothers
Paul Otte, Jim Nelson and Brian Brosz |
| JULY 6 | Piano & Organ Duets
Brandon Begnaud & Joan DeVee Dixon |
| JULY 13 | The Cogley Sisters
Linda Evenson, Bobbi Ludewig, Barb Peterson, Bev Wangerin & Patti Hoerner |
| JULY 20 | STONEY POINT
Lucy Newcomb, Robin Kashuba & Brian Brosz |
| JULY 27 | Basics
Brothers and Sisters in Christ Singing |
| AUGUST 3 | Sunday Morning Gospel
Austin Willhite & Shannon Campbell |
- Supplemental funding by Thrivent Financial.

Women's Retreat

October 8th 9 am-noon



**"There is Power
in the Name of Jesus"**

Sarah Legband will be back to speak on "The Power of Jesus name". She was our speaker last year and everyone enjoyed her so much we asked her back. Patty Kark will also

be back to sing. Save the date and spend the morning with us. Breakfast will be served at 9am. Prize drawings, singing and great conversation too. This will be something you won't want to miss. If you have enjoyed our retreats before we challenge you to bring someone new with you. Tickets will be on sale in September in the church office.

YOUTH CONNECT GR 6-12 MINISTRY

SUMMER EVENTS FOR YOUTH!!



Weekly Volleyball with HAY!

- Every Wednesday 1 - 4pm, June 8 - Aug 3 at Roberts Park
NO COST!

Summer Middle School Madness with HAY!

- Every Thursday 10am-12pm, June 9 - Aug 4 at Oak Heights. Register with QR code on poster. All MS students invited. NO COST!

Rally Day

Sunday, September 11, 2022

Mark your calendars! We know that you don't want to think about the end of summer, but Rally Day is coming on **Sunday, September 11, 2022**. Plan now to attend our celebration of a new academic year of learning and growing in God's Word! Sunday School and Adult Bible classes will begin with an Open House where you can meet the teachers, view the curriculum, learn about opportunities to memorize Scripture, and more! Join us for fellowship, learning, and fun!

KIDS CONNECT

Elem Youth Age 3 -GR.5

Deaconess Dr. Jennie Asher
Sunday School Coordinator

Email: mrsdrjash@fastmail.com Cell/Text: 320-583-2625



Save The Date ... Sat. SEPT. 17
ICE CREAM SOCIAL & POLKA SERVICE

Serving Begins - 5 pm

Chuck Thiel playing - 5:15 - 6:15 pm

Polka Service in Peace Center - 6:30 pm



VBS 2022 MEMORIES

**JESUS DOES THE
IMPOSSIBLE!**

From June 13-17 Peace Center and the Paul Berg Education Wing were transformed into God's Wonder Lab for the 2022 Vacation Bible School. Approximately 50 students and 54 youth and adults participated as we learned that "Jesus Does the Impossible." Lessons focused on the miracles of Jesus, especially His greatest miracle of dying on the cross and rising again to save us from our sins. Children age 3 through those who've just finished Grade 5 enjoyed observing Science experiments, exploring Bible lessons, learning new songs (including Scripture verses set to music), making crafts, and playing games. Our wonderful kitchen crew even created snacks that connected to each day's lesson! A huge thank you to parents and grandparents who went the extra effort to bring the children each day and to our wonderful staff for their dedication to teaching our children about Jesus. Thank you to all who served!

Deac. Dr. Jennie Asher



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PARISH HEALTH MINISTRY

Mary Haag, Marith Witte, Sally Moehring, Renee Clabo, Shirley Wurdell



Bloodmobile

TUESDAY, JULY 11th

TUESDAY, AUG. 8th

12 pm - 6 pm Peace Center

We are able to continue collecting donations at Peace on the second Tuesday of every month in the Peace Center from noon to 6pm. At this time, masks are optional. **Appointments can be made by calling Shirley at 320-587-5064**

Need a pick-me-up?

Need a pick-me-up. Call the Taxi at 587- 7878 and tell them you need a ride to worship services at Peace. Parish Health will pick up the tab. If you have questions, Shirley Wurdell at 587-5064.



Relay for Life

Parish Health will again have a spot at the McLeod County Relay for Life on Friday August 5, 2022 at Riverside Park. We will be in a new location on the path so stop in and visit. Come down, walk the route, buy some popcorn, play Cancer Schlagen, win something at the Silent Auction and play some games. If you are able to help with setup or to walk some laps, please contact someone from Parish Health. The more helpers, the more fun and easier to do. Thank You. Luminaries cost \$10 and are available in the church office and between services on Sunday mornings. Luminaries can be dedicated in memory of or in honor of loved ones.



Personal Care Items

Emergency personal care items are available in the restrooms at Peace. Please let us know if there are other items that would be helpful.

Diaper Collection

PLC is responsible for diaper distribution in August. We will **collect pkgs until Sunday, August, 28th**. Larger sizes 3,4,5,6, and pull-ups especially needed. Diaper packages may brought to the Commons Area.



Driver Improvement Program

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

MON. July 18 1 - 5 pm

MON. Aug 15 1 - 5 pm

Please Note: Max class capacity: 24 people

To register for these classes go to **www.mnsafetycenter.org** or call **1-320-308-1400** or toll free **1-888-234-1294**.

Thank you, Renee Clabo, Parish Health.

COMMON CUP



Fare For All - A favorite food distribution program — has returned to Hutchinson.

Save the date: 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Thursday, July 7, at its new site — Oak Heights Covenant Church, 1398

South Grade Road S.W. There are no income or residence requirements, and it is open to everyone who is looking to save money. There is no pre-registration, no pre-ordering and no pre-payment. When you arrive at Oak Heights Covenant Church, fill out an order slip letting the staff know which packages you'd like to purchase. Great food, at a great price!

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Watch for sales and bring new school supplies to the collection area in the Commons Area.

Items designated for Peace Lutheran Church Request:

20 backpacks, 75 boxes colored pencils (12 ct), 100 glue bottles (4 oz), 100 green wide ruled notebooks, 100 composition notebooks (wide ruled) and cash.

Donations accepted until Aug 5th, they can be dropped off in the Commons Area, Thank you! Distribution in Hutchinson will be on Aug 17.

- Look for list of Common Cup activities in the rack outside the Peace Center doors.
- Road Ready bikes are also needed for Wheels of Mercy. They are given to kids that need them for no cost.



July 2022 Prayer Calendar

JULY 1 1 Timothy 2:1 First of all, then, I urge that petitions, prayers, requests, and thanksgiving be offered to God for all people.

Lord, help me seek you faithfully every day. Grant me wisdom that my petitions are a blessing to you for all people.

JULY 2 Philippians 4:11-13 I have learned to be content no matter what the circumstances.

Heavenly Father, thank you for the gift of salvation. Grant me contentment in this life as I wait for Your eternal gift of life everlasting.

JULY 3 Matthew 25:23 Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things.

Come and share your master's happiness!

Lord, send your Spirit to strengthen my faith, help me have a servant's heart, and be a good steward of Your gifts that they might be a blessing to others.

JULY 4 2 Chronicles 7:14 Ah Lord God! Behold, you made heavens and the earth by Your great power and by Your outstretched arm! Nothing is too difficult for You.

Help me turn to you first in my life trusting in your mighty power. Praise to you for your great creation.

JULY 5 Isaiah 43:1 Fear not, I am with you, I have called by name, you are Mine. Father, give me confidence today that no matter what difficulty comes my way, I am a chosen child of God.

JULY 6 Romans 15:13 May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Thank you, Lord, for the hope you give to me every day. Let me share the hope I have in you in all I do and say.

JULY 7 1 Corinthians 16:13-14 Be watchful, stand firm in the faith... Let all that you do be done in love.

There is so much distraction in the world today. Father, send your Spirit to keep us steadfast in our faith. Help us be kind and loving.

JULY 8 1 Peter 5:7 Cast all your fears on him because he cares for you. Heavenly Father, thank you for loving and protecting me. Keep me and those I love from all harm.

JULY 9 Matthew 22: 39 ...Love your neighbor as yourself.

Lord, help me be kind to my neighbor. Let my thoughts, words, and deeds reflect my love for you.

JULY 10 Exodus 20:12 Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. Thank you, Lord, for the gift of parents. Help me to honor and show love to them every day.

JULY 11 Romans 1: 28 And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. Heavenly Father, when things in our life do not seem to go our way, help us remember that our desire may not be your desire. Give us faith to trust that our prayers are answered according to your will for us.

JULY 12 Psalm 107:1 Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; his love endures forever.

Thank you, Lord, for your many blessings, for this day, for food, and for shelter. We praise you today for your never-ending love!

JULY 13 Matthew 17: 20 Our faith can move mountains.

Father, help us trust in and rely on you. When we suffer from illness or injury, when our hearts are troubled, be with us and help us to know that with You anything is possible.

JULY 14 2 Chronicles 7:14 If my people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land. Lord, help me remember to pray each day. Forgive my sins and help me to act in ways that are pleasing to you.

JULY 15 Psalm 56:3 When I am afraid, I will put my trust in You.

Father, protect me and watch over me. Help me trust in you above all things.

JULY 16 Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Thank you, Lord, for every minute, every hour, every day in my life. Thank you for each detail in my life you tend to.

JULY 17 Psalm 96:1 Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord all the earth. With my voice, every day, let me sing praises to Your Holy name.

JULY 18 Ephesians 4:3 Do your best to preserve the unity which the Spirit gives by means of the peace that binds you together.

Dear Heavenly Father, I pray for unity in our church. May we work together led by the Holy Spirit to share the love of Jesus Christ with all people.

JULY 19 Colossians 3: 12 You are the people of God; he loved you and chose you for his own. So then, you must clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience.

Lord, thank You for choosing me to be one of your children. May my actions reflect your great love for me.

JULY 20 1 Corinthians 3:6 I planted the seed, Apollos watered the plant, but it was God who made the plant grow.

Help us remember everything in our life is a gift from you. Help us work in harmony sharing Christ's love.

JULY 21 Ephesians 6:4 Parents, do not treat your children in such a way as to make them angry. Instead, raise them with Christian discipline and instruction. Father, help us to be wise and loving parents and grandparents, bringing our children to church to learn about Jesus.

JULY 22 Philippians 4:6 Don't worry about anything, but in all your prayers ask God for what you need, always asking him with a thankful heart.

Lord, keep my heart and mind from worry. Help me turn to you for help and be grateful regardless of my situation.

JULY 23 Luke 11:28 But Jesus answered, "Rather, how happy are those who hear the word of God and obey it!"

Help us, Lord, spend time in Your Word, read the Bible, and worship in church. Help us obey your commandments.

JULY 24 Ecclesiastes 4:9 Two are better off than one because together they can work more effectively.

Father, help us work together, not leaning on our own abilities, for the good of all.

JULY 25 Psalm 19:1 The heavens are declaring the glory of God, and their expanse is declaring the work of His hands."

Thank you, Lord, for this day and all that You created. Help me give glory to God for the gift of creation.

JULY 26 Proverbs 11:25 Be generous and you will prosper. Help others, and you will be helped.

Heavenly Father, help me be generous with the abundant gifts You have given to me-gifts of time and treasure.

JULY 27 Titus 3:2 Tell them not to speak evil of anyone, but to be peaceful and friendly, and always to show a gentle attitude...

Help me be kind to others in words and action. Forgive me when in times of anger or sadness I fail.

JULY 28 1 Corinthians 12:28 In the church God has put all in place: in the first place apostles, in the second place prophets, and in the third place teachers; ...those who are given the power to heal to help others or to direct them....

Thank you for pastors, leaders, and volunteers. May their gifts be a blessing to us. Help us love them and support them.

JULY 29 1 John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not die but have eternal life.

Thank you for the gift of eternal life. We pray for your help in loving each other as You have loved us.

JULY 30 1 Timothy 6:13-14 ...I command you to obey your orders and keep them faithfully until the Day when our Lord Jesus Christ will appear.

Lord, as we wait for your return, help us obey your commands and share the great news of salvation with others.

**Meet the
Bae Family . . .****Saturday, July 9th
10:00 am****Peace Center****Sponsored by LWML / Dorcas****ALL INVITED-Ladies, Men, Children**

Sam and Beth Bae are based in Orlando, Florida and serve the region of East Asia with the Jesus Film Project. They previously lived in East Asia for 17 years ministering to college students. They will share about their experience overseas, the current situation where they lived, their family's transition to the US, and how God is at work through the Jesus Film Project.

LWML

The July LWML meeting will be on Thursday, July 14, 2022 at 12 Noon for our annual picnic in the Peace Center. Husbands and guests are welcome.

The August LWML meeting will be on Thursday, August 11, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. The guest speaker will be Bev Bonte from Common Cup.

Where do the mission quilts and baby care kits go? The 301 mission quilts that we sent to Lutheran World Relief went to Peru. The 300 Baby Care kits went to Nicaragua, Angola, and Ecuador.

Would you or someone you know like to do a short mission trip teaching Vacation Bible School? LWML National has an opportunity for you. Coming soon is the "Missionary Kids Program". LCMS is looking for volunteers to teach VBS-type programming to kids in Latin America and Africa.

Dates are August 1-6 in the Dominican Republic and October 20-24 in Africa. Form a team or apply as an individual. Go to LCMS Serve Now for more information on requirements and costs for each trip and an array of opportunities. You may contact Leslie Colligan, chair of the Gospel Outreach Committee at 781-329-3896 with questions or for more information.

Mission and Ministry Council**February 19, 2022 Emergency PLC Council Meeting**

Members present: President Steven Wick, Vice President Lynn Brown, Barb Otte, Shirley Uldbjerg, Kathy Hochsprung, Chuck Jones, Brad Wick, Treasurer Kevin Heikes, Pastor Asher, Pastor Fuchs. Absent: Secretary Kim Borka
Attendees: I-I-CC Board members; Lynn Brown, Tamara Jelkin, Darlyn Egge, Absent: LLCC Chair Sandra Hall

1. Call to Order @ 5 pm. By President Steven Wick
 - a. President Wick asked for a volunteer to be secretary. After the second call Brad Wick volunteered.
 - b. President Wick appointed Brad Wick as the council parliamentarian.
 - c. President Wick asked Pastor Fuchs to give opening prayer
2. I-I-CC presentation
 - a. President Wick asked who was going to address and give LLCC presentation. V.P. Lynn Brown gave presentation and presented handouts of letters to be given to staff, parents of attendees of LLCC and the LLCC Director. Letters contained; what had transpired, how and when LLCC was closing and the severance package to the employees. Treasurer Kevin Heikes offered more information pertaining to severance and the process.
 - b. President Wick then opened the meeting up for discussion. He asked about method use for determining the severance package and the end date for closure of I-I-CC.
 - c. LLCC Board member Tamara Jelkin explained the insurance involved, federal, state level guidelines. Much discussion.
 - d. Brad Wick made recommendation for the parent letter to include; what PLC has to offer for youth to adult. VBS, Sunday School, Release time, catechism, adult Bible Study and church services at various times. Discussion followed
 - e. No further questions President asked for a motion. Treasurer Kevin Heikes made the motion "To accept the letters with the recommendations from LLCC and with the recommendation to close LLCC, with the added statement to the parents of what PLC has to offer the youth and the parents for education purposes. Barb Otte Second the motion.
 - f. President Wick asked 3 times for anymore questions for discussion hearing none he call for the vote.
 - g. vote 8 yes 0 no
 - h. Treasurer Kevin Heikes. Brought forward ideas about Peace Place, options on how to handle pending offers, methods for listing and timeline to close process for offers.
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Treasurer Kevin made motion to move forward to entertain offers to sell PP and to advertise property. If offers are accepted then take to Congregational Meeting. Kathy Hochsprung Second the motion.
 - j. Discussion followed and the President asked for any last question hearing none called for the vote. 8 yes 0 no
 - k. President Wick ask if there was anything else that needed to be addressed; hearing none asked for motion for adjournment. Chuck Jones made the motion second by Treasurer Kevin Heikes.
 - l. Closing prayer was given by Pastor Asher.

Respectfully submitted by acting secretary;
BRAD W. WICK

Peace Lutheran Church Council Meeting
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President Wick- moved to approve the minutes. All in favor.

• Little Lambs update by Merline:

Note went to all parents. We would have to temporarily close infant room until staff could be hired. Parents began to exit. By next week, we will have a "feel" for what we have. Now it seems we are more stable.

We have some teacher and aide openings- pre-K room. The positive things, it happened, now we're moving beyond it. But the ratio 1 to 4 in infant room, we had to close temporarily due to staffing.

• Contacted some colleges looking for staff, but in the last several weeks, colleges have heard of four day cares closing. We wanted to rent staffing from other facilities. It is a difficult cycle on staffing, but Merline has some interviews.

Grants received- DHS- \$19,000.

Stabilization- \$6,007.10

Parent- \$5000.

Easter Memorial- \$2000.

We were turned down from Hutchinson Health Foundation as they did not approve our grant.

The employees- retention grant- gave a bonus to remaining staff. We have to use it for this.

Addressing staffing issues. We're working on this to get information out there so people are aware of what our program offers.

Curriculum- looked into CPH and is much better than Pinnacle.

Talked with Lynn and decided not to go forward with it. We will pull back on Pinnacle, and will switch to CPH sooner than later. Robin and Genessa would take the lead on implementation on this.

One staff member is looking for health insurance and Merline is trying to help her navigate this.

Merline is busy with day-to-day operations

Discussion of using the retention money for a hiring bonus. This may be possible by applying this to salaries down the road as long as we are using it for retention of staff.

Discussion about health insurance and it was noted we've increased wages to supplement loss of health insurance.

• New business-

Donna Sellers shared information in regards to the parsonage used by the Bergs and the process of vacating the home.

Housing allowance- Resolutions for this was done by Peace in the past to designate.

Motion made by Pastor Asher to authorize the treasurer to implement the housing allowance requested by Pastor Asher. 2nd by Barb.

Discussion- What about Pastor Meyer? We will wait for his arrival. Motion carried.

Pastor Fuchs- Reviewed church attendance patterns and that numbers are down. All members need to focus on inviting people to worship.

Communication- We need to start communicating to people about what is coming.

Baptism- Fuchs will write a rough draft of a baptism policy--bullet points and the reasons behind it. It will go out after elders approve it with final approval by Council. Elders were asked to set up a timely meeting. Parents must make the decision on baptism, not grandparents, cousins, etc.

Pastor Meyer- We are asking that the installation date gets set. It probably will be a Saturday around August 1st.

Parsonage update- furnishing. A member passed away and may donate some items. New mattresses are requested. Kevin Heikes will supply at cost or below. New towels should be purchased. Sue, Lisa, and Marlys seem to have the matter in hand.

Elders- will start visiting people. Those who haven't picked up envelopes- snowbirds are returning. Each will be assigned a certain number. Elders are experiencing trouble getting a membership list. Elders will NOT take envelopes out.

Treasurer's Report- First sheet, March only numbers. It was a hard month for our bottom line. April so far has been a very good month for giving. As Little Lambs regroups, expenses will turn around. NO healthcare expenditures. Kevin will have more comparisons and year-to-date comparisons.

We used to have a brief report in the bulletin on how we are doing with giving/ expenditures. Elders request this. Kevin thinks he can do this.

Kevin suggested getting some bookkeeping help. This may save some money and keep Sue from being burned out. Funding was in the 2022 approved budget. Chuck made the motion. 2nd by Shirley. Motion carried.

Trustees- Justin reported that re-zoning is being tried but feels that there is a 1% chance of re-zoning. They are cleaning up masonry in the belltower. Roof will start in middle of May. Insurance is still being worked on for the leaks in fellowship hall and Peace Place and sanctuary. Coffeemaker has been replaced.

Shirley- a sink needs to be repaired in Little Lambs. It was not fixed today.

Brad inquired about keys to the church, how many are there, and accountability for them. Trustees are working on this. We need to work on the security policy. Can we re-key? If we re-core the exterior doors, could we limit our liability? There are six entry doors. Justin suggested we should go down to four entrance keys.

Chuck shared that a key card system is a higher cost up front, but then we could shut down a key card and secure the building. Key card system could be \$22,000. Key cards may save insurance. Barb suggested a key pad may be a better solution. No decision was made.

Human resources- need to follow through with Jennie Asher with work agreement for VBS. Lynn will take care of this.

Submitted by,
Pastor Asher

Peace Lutheran Church Council Meeting May 17, 2022

Present: Pastor Asher, Steve Wick, Brad Wick, Kevin Heikes, Chuck Jones, Lynn Brown, Kathy Hochsprung, Shirley Uldbjerg, Barb Otte, Justin Evenson, Merline Duerig
Absent: Kim Borka

Opening devotion: Pastor Asher opened with prayer and bible verse Matthew 8:8-9.

Approval of Minutes: After review of April 19th minutes, two corrections were made. Brad made a motion to approve, Chuck seconded, and all voted aye.

Little Lambs: Discussion was held about current conditions at LLCC and ongoing issue of hiring staff. Merline presented three options concerning LLCC. The third option was to close LLCC. Merline requested that Lynn abstain from voting as she was too embedded in LLCC. Lynn stated that if she was voting, she would vote for option two, especially with the recent notification from Southwest Initiative that they would be funding a partnership with Vivid Images and LLCC to assist with changes in program modeling and image/branding consulting. Additionally, Merline shared that she will be resigning, effective May 27, 2022. Brad made a motion to close LLCC, and Kevin seconded. After discussion and input from Pastor Asher, motion was amended to close LLCC but prayerfully look to God for continued guidance. Chuck made motion to approve the amended motion, Brad seconded, with all voting aye. Merlin requested permission from Council to refund donation of \$5,000 from an LLCC family. Kevin made a motion to refund the \$5,000 donation; Chuck seconded with all voting aye.

Pastor Report: Catechism questioning is tomorrow evening. Twenty-two Confirmation youth will be received into Communicant membership this coming Sunday at a 1:00 P.M. service. Pastor Asher reported that he has been doing more hospital calls as there have been more members in intensive care and having surgeries. Submitted hours have increased for this as well as confirmation. Attendance is down 10% at Wednesday bible study and Sunday morning Sunday school. LCMS circuit pastors will be coming to PLC on September 8th for administration time, Bible study, theology topic, and a hymn sing/devotion time. Pastor Asher will be on vacation from July 4-18th, 2022. He is reviewing Lifelight Bible studies for adult small groups, starting in fall 2022. He has started LLCC chapel time at 9:00 on Thursday mornings. Pastor Asher reported that office computers are slow and in need of replacement. LLCC preschool graduation program is tomorrow, and it would be good for church to show support.

Elder's report: Elders are going to begin visiting members. Elders discussed stopping of live-streaming services and are divided

about doing so. Some think that attendance would improve if that was not an option. After report Steve said that oral reports written in minutes are sufficient or it is also sufficient to submit a written report. Human Resources Committee: Barb made a motion to contract Mike Eggert as a part-time bookkeeper and Kathy seconded. After further discussion Barb withdrew her motion and Chuck made a motion to offer an employee agreement for bookkeeping services to Mike at \$300 per week. Specifics of agreement will be shared with Council before being offered to Mike. Brad seconded the motion. Kevin will draft this employee agreement and email to Council for approval. All voted aye. Other confidential employee situations were discussed, and notes will be placed in employee file.

Trustee Report: Justin said that there are multiple leaks in the roof. Plan is to start repairs on Thursday. Landscaping will also be started. New air conditioning unit will be installed once roof is complete. There has been an issue with the sewage flow in the education wing. Trustees are looking for some non-low flow toilets to eliminate the issue. Trustees are looking at replacing door keys/locks on outside doors in the church. Four doors will not have an outside key access. With new system, keys will not be able to be duplicated. PLC will have the ability to make replacement keys. Some furniture has been donated and moved into parsonage.

Treasurer Report: Kevin shared the P & L for April. Total income through April 2022 was \$510,981.74 and total expenses were \$522,085.16, leaving a net loss of \$11,103.42. Brad made a motion to accept the treasurer report, and Chuck seconded. There was no further discussion, and motion was unanimously approved. Finance Committee: Brad suggested that the finance committee bring a preliminary budget to council by November and would then be shared with church congregation to review and ask questions prior to the January meeting.

Capital Campaign: Brad suggested that a workshop be held in June to discuss how to proceed.

Organizational Chart: Brad and Chuck presented a revised organizational chart that they had created with Pastor Fuchs. A meeting was scheduled for June 7th for further discussion.

Garage Sale: Lynn asked if garage sale was going to happen. Discussion ensued that fundraising policy needed to be followed, form completed, and submitted to Council for approval. Chuck said that based upon policy, Sue would be the point person for the garage sale. Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

Submitted by: Kim Borka
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>*Middle School Madness is at Oak Heights Church</i> <i>*HAY Volleyball is at Crosspoint Church</i></p>					1	2 6:30 Worship
3 8:30 Worship/Communion 10:00 Outdoor Worship	4 Office Closed in observance of Independence Day 	5 10:00 POP Bible Study 10:00 Staff 6:30 Elders 6:30 Promise Keepers	6 12 Noon Recital & Luncheon 1-3 HAY Volleyball	7 10-12 MS Madness 3:30-5:30 Fare For All distribution @ Oak Heights Church	8	9 10 Guest Speakers - Baer Family 6:30 Worship
10 <i>Blood Pressure Checks</i> 8:30 Worship 10:00 Outdoor Worship/Comm.	11 <i>Pastor Lemke's Visitations</i> 6:30 Bible Study	12 10:00 POP Bible Study 10:00 Staff 10:00 Dorcas: Exec Bd. 12-6 Bloodmobile 6:30 Promise Keepers	13 12 Noon Recital & Luncheon 1-3 HAY Volleyball	14 8:30 Parish Health Meeting 10-12 MS Madness 12 Noon Dorcas Picnic/Mtg	15	16 6:30 Worship
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