



# Messenger of PEACE

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



## From the desk of Pastor Meyer

2 "Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.....I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, 16 I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, ..... "Ephesians 1

I give thanks for you and will continue to remember you in my prayers long after I ridden off into the sunset (Nebraska). That's what pastors do. I pray you also keep me and my family in your prayers. Pray and care for one another, that's what Christian congregations do.

Daily pray for the new senior pastor and his family that we hope to call within the next 12-18 months. Be able to tell him, when he comes, "I have been praying for you since September of 2022." Also join in doing the necessary work in preparation for his coming.

I thank you for all the many kindnesses that I have received from so many! I have heard some of your stories. There truly are some amazing folks of faith here at Peace!

I want to hear your stories, concerns, fears and hopes. I want to hear your dreams of what you believe God has in mind for the ongoing and future ministry of Peace Lutheran I want to hear your ideas and how you want to be part of a new chapter of ministry here at Peace.

I have been a pastor for over 41 years. I have seen time and time again how God's love and grace can work as we take to heart God's promises, share His love, and forgiveness with one another, and trusting in the Lord move forward in doing the work and ministry to which we are called.

We have challenges: I am adamant that we identify and address them. We are working to get a clear updated picture of our finances. When we have that picture, we will share that picture. We had people all over the map about our worship and Bible study needs and schedule. We have addressed this in the best way that we could. There is no perfect answer. We worked to come up with the best imperfect answer we could.

We have people who are hurting and we will continue to address those hurts in love and care as we are allowed. I am determined that we will identify and learn from our many mistakes and strive to never make those same mistakes again. We will review our gifts and resources and trusting the Lord, we will strive in joy and thankfulness to God, to do the work, ALL the work, that He has called and gifted us to do. No more excuses. Let's trust the Lord, and in joy and hope, let's each do our part and see what God brings about! When we ponder coming to worship, let it always be about Jesus and wanting to see and receive Jesus!

The Interim Process: We will conduct and schedule what we will call, "Fireside Chats". I am hoping we will be able to do this during October. All will have an opportunity, in small groups, in a 90 minute session, to share their insights on what God says in His Word about His will for His Church. We will share what we know about opportunities for new or renewed ministries and mission needs. We will discuss, (and listen carefully to one another), what we believe are our strengths and weaknesses, and what we believe are the identifying ministries that God intends for us at Peace as we move forward in His power and grace. All of this will help us identify the gifts, talents and experiences we are looking for in our next pastor!

The main thing will always be Jesus and His Word. In all our words and actions we want God's love and care for all souls to be evident. It will be important that we talk and have fellowship (and fun) with one another so that, where necessary, healing and reconciliation may also take place by God's grace and power.

This is a time of transition which can be difficult, but at the same time it can be very rewarding and life changing!

Where God leads, let us follow! Let this be our prayer, determination and commitment!

God is good, all the time! In anything good that will take place, to God be all the glory!, what great things He has done!

Your Interim Senior Pastor and forever brother in Christ,  
Pastor Meyer

## PEACE WORSHIP TIMES

**Sundays  
thru Sept. 4**

**8:30 am | Sanctuary**  
(livestreamed)

**10:00 am | Outdoor/Drive-Up**  
87.9 FM

## NEW FALL Worship Schedule begins Sunday, Sept. 11

Please read Pastor Meyer's  
Letter to the congregation on  
pages 2 & 3 of this Messenger.

## ONLINE WORSHIP

### Livestream

[plchutch.org](http://plchutch.org) Watch Live@8:30am

### FacebookLive

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

### YouTube

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



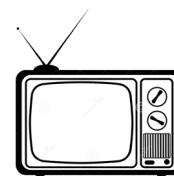
## CABLE TV HCVN

chan 10 – Nuvera,  
chan 8 – Mediacom

**Sunday 7 pm & 10 pm**

**Wednesday 5 pm**

**Thursday 10 am**



***A Letter & Report from Pastor Glenn Meyer***  
concerning our**WORSHIP TIMES STARTING SEPT. 11, 2022**

Please know that a lot of listening & prayer went into the eleven options I presented to the joint meeting of the elders & council on Tuesday, August 16. I responded to questions. I shared pros and cons for various options. After discussion, a decision was made by those present.

I have had numerous conversations touching on different aspects of our weekend worship, fellowship and Christian education efforts and schedules going forward here at Peace Lutheran. I struggled between two very different worship schedule proposals during my first three weeks here at Peace. I tried very hard to come up with a workable approach to us returning to worship at 8/9:15/10:30. As I reviewed the following concerns & goals, I could not find a way to make three Sunday worship times work in a sustainable manner. Especially, looking ahead to the likelihood of only having one pastor (our next called resident pastor) and my desire and likely his desire to be able to lead a Sunday Morning Bible Class. Leading such a class gives us all time together in God's Word and a chance to also address questions and concerns that members might have in an open and timely fashion. Also, having a schedule that encouraged families to want to worship together was a weighty consideration.

Please know that I have heard many ideas and concerns. Please know that I have taken each comment and idea very seriously. I have learned that no matter what we do, it will not be a perfect solution. Some different valid concerns each need different answers. There is NOT a perfect answer. I ask you to understand and accept that what was decided is, all things considered as we sit at the feet of Jesus... the best we were able to come up with at this time.

Each does not get our 'first choice'. We will all have opportunities for worship, fellowship, Sunday School and Bible Class. We will strive to make this all work, doing the very best we can, that God may be glorified in what we say and do and that God's people would be encouraged and edified in their walk with God.

**VARIOUS CONCERNS, GOALS AND VALUES THAT WERE CONSIDERED**

Not in any particular order

1. Sustainability - is this solution one that only one pastor would be able to 'easily' sustain and maintain with the help of staff and volunteers.
2. Quality in all that we do.

3. Not rushed. Some flexibility built in. Pastor having opportunity to talk with people before and after services/Bible Class.
4. People are growing in their knowledge and understanding of God's Word. Seeking to increase numbers in Bible Class, Home Devotions, & private reading of Holy Scripture.
5. Families encouraged to worship together as a family.
6. Increase average number of kids in a seat/pew at worship every weekend.
7. Senior (Sole) Pastor available to lead a Bible Class.
8. Children have role-models, examples of adults they see in Bible Class and Worship.
9. Growing Bible Class & Sunday School attendance.
10. Growing Worship Attendance.
11. Create more opportunities for fellowship and conversation. Worship, fellowship and study God's Word TOGETHER with fellow members & friends of Peace.
12. Keep the Sunday morning day as short as possible for the pastor & members Yet, provide good opportunities for all to be in worship and Bible Class/S.S together.
13. Recent worship survey showed a strong preference for 8:30 over 8:00 and for having a contemporary service that was NOT at the same time as Sunday School/Bible Class.
14. That there would not be large gap of time between worship service/Bible Class and the next available worship service/Bible Class. Large gaps tend to discourage people from staying for next event. (fine line between no large gaps and not feeling rushed!)

**IDEAS THAT RECEIVED SOME ATTENTION**

1. Having the 'contemporary' service be the early service time slot instead of the late service time slot on Sunday morning. Several suggested this option during my visits. Was a lot of positive feedback to this idea: Easier logistics for set up; etc.
2. Adding a 'mini/ Bible Class into every worship service? (I gave this a lot of thought and was not able to come up with good practical ideas for our situation.) The Bible Class time I will lead in the Peace Center will have time for prayer requests, updates, etc.
3. Different time for Saturday night instead of 6:30 pm, possibly (5/5:30/6/6:15pm)
4. With the new adopted schedule, having the first service at 8:20 or 8:15 am, but keeping everything else the same: 9:30 S.S/B.C and 10:30 am worship.
5. Numerous other ideas about actual service and Sunday School times, length, etc.

## OUR NEW WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### **Saturday/Sunday (RALLY DAY, Sept 10/11 only)**

Saturday: 6:30 pm Sanctuary Worship

Sunday: 8:30 am Sanctuary (shortened service)

9:15 am Rally Day: Peace Center

10:30 am Peace Center Worship

### **Saturday/Sunday (September 17/18 & following)**

Saturday: 6:30 pm Sanctuary Worship

Sunday: 8:30 am Sanctuary Worship

9:30 am Sunday School/Bible Classes

10:30 am Peace Center Worship

### **Expanded view of worship schedule starting 9-18**

Saturday: 6:30 pm Sanctuary Worship

Sunday: 8:30 - 9:25 Sanctuary Worship

9:25 - 9:40 Fellowship in Peace Center/Commons

9:30 - 10:25 S.S/Bible Class

9:30 - 10:25 Bible Class in Berg Bible Study Room  
(Pastor Asher)

9:40 - 10:20 Bible Class in Peace Center  
(Pastor Meyer)

10:30 - 11:25 Peace Center Worship

(Bible Class Notes: Pastor Asher and Pastor Meyer will introduce what they plan to be doing in Sunday Bible Classes during the Rally Day activities on September 11. All classes will officially be up and running by September 18. We want to also see 1-3 other Bible Class opportunities available on Sunday morning, if possible. If interested in helping to start a young adults class, parenting class, Financial Peace class, a Singles' class, etc. please talk with Pastor Meyer)

## CHALLENGES:

1. We went with a compressed schedule that is ambitious. We think we can make it work. If, after time, we decide it is too rushed, I believe solution would be moving 8:30 start back to 8:20 or 8:15 am but keeping all other times the same.
2. It is never easy adopting change. Few, if any got their '1st' choice in the entire schedule. We believe that we are presenting the best possible choice for our congregation going forward, all things considered.

## JOYS & EXCITEMENT

1. I am very excited about opportunity to lead a Bible Class. I have had several good one on one conversations since my arrival over three weeks ago. Now I can have those conversations with a larger group. Folks can ask questions about anything. If there are some misunderstandings and crazy rumors popping up, they can now be addressed each week instead of needing to wait for the next annual Voters' Meeting. I have so much that I want to share from God's Word and what I have witnessed and experienced in my work with numerous congregations over 41 years of pastoral ministry. The Scripture readings of the day will be our starting point, but we will not be afraid to address any question that is brought forward. I have 10-18 months, God-willing, to share with you. Let's make good use of our time together.
2. Sunday School Opening should always be able to start at or very close to 9:30 am.
3. 10:30 am service should always be able to start on time since it follows set S.S/BC times.

## Final Comments & Commitment

We will do our best, in love for our Lord and one another, in making this work. Yes, this decision wasn't easy but we believe it was necessary for several reasons. If it was easy, as several told me, we would have made a decision we were all good with long ago. It wasn't, and we didn't! But now, I pray, we have!

In all our conversation, we will be listening to one another and praying. Let us not raise our voice. Let us be respectful and considerate of one another and all the people who will be affected by this decision. We will speak the truth in love and we will always care. We will strive to always be part of God's blessing to everyone around us. Let us worship, study God's Word, and fellowship together. Let us continue to sit at the feet of Jesus, seeking His will in all things. Let us together experience His plan and purpose for the ongoing ministry of His Church here at Peace Lutheran, Hutchinson.

Thanks to all the many who made helpful contributions to this conversation and decision, including all of our church staff whose input and frankness was very helpful.

On behalf of our elders and Church Council, thank you for your prayers, patience and understanding!

In Christ,  
Pastor Glenn Meyer  
Intentional Interim Pastor -  
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## OFFICIAL ACTS

### WEDDINGS

Kendra Telecky and Jeffrey Zander August 5, 2022

### FUNERALS

August 12 Vera Meyer, age 89  
passed away August 7, 2022

August 24 Ronald Swensen, age 77  
passed away August 19, 2022

August 27 Kathleen "Kathy" E. Baker, age 65  
passed away August 12, 2022



### MEMORIALS

|             |                 |                  |
|-------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Erlin Thran | \$200.00        | Parish Health    |
|             | \$100.00        | Building Fund    |
|             | \$100.00        | Landscaping      |
|             | \$100.00        | Shoebox Missions |
|             | <u>\$500.00</u> |                  |

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| Michael Fuchs | \$1010.00        | Cemetery         |
|               | \$505.00         | General Fund     |
|               | \$500.00         | Shoebox Missions |
|               | <u>\$2015.00</u> |                  |

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|----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Warren Macemon | \$75.00         | General Fund |
|                | \$20.00         | Cemetery     |
|                | \$15.00         | TTNG         |
|                | <u>\$110.00</u> |              |

### September Ushers

#### Team #2 (8:30)

Rod Huls  
Wally Kohls  
Allan Fuchs  
Rusten Huls  
Kevin Buss

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

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



### September Readers

#### 6:30pm

Sat, Sept 3: Bev Luke  
10: Corrine Higgins  
17: Joanne Keilen  
24: Annette Koehler



#### 8:30am

Sun, Sept 4: Nona Anderson

#### 10:00am

Phyllis Hecht

#### 8:30am

Sun, Sept 11: Gwen Wichman  
Sun, Sept 18: Betty Ruskamp  
25: Melissa Weckwerth

#### 10:30am

Darlyn Egge  
Marion Fenske  
Lee Uldjberg

Looking for people who would like to read scripture during a worship service. Contact Cyndy Fallon @ 320-587-5517, Thank you.

**\*\* Please Note: Greeters will be listed in the weekly Bulletin.**



## Rally Day - Let's Celebrate!

On Sunday, September 11

we will celebrate Rally Sunday with an Open House at 9:15. Meet in the Peace Center for refreshments, music, a short devotion, handing out Bibles to children, meeting the Sunday School staff, and parents and children seeing the classrooms.

This celebration is for ALL members as the adults will also be beginning education hour.

Please register your child to join us as we grow in our knowledge of God's Word and in our love for Jesus our Savior.

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



**Join a Worship Team at Peace!**

**Audio Video Teams** - Thank you to our many awesome AV volunteers who live stream and record our services for HCVN! Volunteers rotate Sundays and training is available. Please contact Dr. Joan or any of our team members for more information. This is a great service opportunity for families with children who enjoy computers!

**Hosanna Handbells -**

Rehearsals will begin on September 7th at 6:30pm in the music room. If you are interested in ringing with us or know someone interested, please contact Dr. Joan.



*Thank you to everyone who played for Pastor Meyer's installation in July!*

**PRAYZ TEAM** - Students and youth are asked to lead the singing at the contemporary worship services. Please contact Dr. Joan if you are interested. Rehearsal times are flexible.

**Praise Team for Contemporary**

**Worship** - We are in need of some additional praise team leaders for the contemporary worship service. If you are interested, please schedule a time to meet with Dr. Joan. We are also seeking musicians who can play guitar and/or drums. The drummer position is especially critical since we have not had a drummer since Dennis Jannusch passed away last year. Rehearsal times are flexible.

**Thank You!! Thank You!!**

To those who supported the Back-to-School supplies drive, Backpack Program and Diaper Drive thru donations, monetary gifts and prayers, THANK YOU!

Common Cup received and filled 400 school supply applications and continue to fill requests as they come in. Through Common Cup we are able to reach those in need in our community.

**GROWING  
in God's Word**

*At Peace, we believe that God desires every one of every age have the opportunity to grow in the knowledge and understanding of God's powerful Word and loving direction for our lives. We invite and encourage members and non-members to participate in Worship and the educational opportunities at Peace.*

**Sunday Morning Bible Study**

9:30 am | Room 207 | Beginning Sept 18

**We invite you to join Pastor Asher for a series called**

**"Encounters With Jesus."** How does Christ's encounter with the Roman Centurion apply to your life? How about Mary and Martha? The woman at the well? The widow of Nain? The rich young ruler? Join us to explore these encounters and many others over a hot cup of coffee!

**Sunday Morning Bible Fellowship**

9:25 am | Commons/Peace Center | Beginning Sept 18

**Enjoy Sunday Morning for Food, Fellowship,**

**Sharing & Caring** (with food & drink for all)

**Starting Sept. 18 at 9:25-9:40 Peace Center &**

**Commons** God's people grow closer as they share, care, listen, talk and eat!

**Pastor Meyer's Sunday Morning Bible Study** (with food & drink for all)

**Starting Sept 18 at 9:40-10:20 am in the Peace Center**

We will begin with prayer requests, brief prayer and then Pastor Meyer will lead us through the Bible Readings of the Day and address any questions that are on your heart. Join Pastor as we together sit at the feet of Jesus, address our challenges and celebrate the victory, life and hope that is ours in Christ Jesus our crucified and risen Lord!

**Lunch & Word of God**

Every Wednesday Beginning Sept 14<sup>th</sup>

Serving at 11:45 | Bible Study at 12:20 pm

The focus will be on the Gospel of John lead by Pastor Asher. This traditional Bible Study continues through meaningful scripture and life application. The cost of the lunch is covered by a free will offering.

**More Small Groups & Gatherings**

We want to also see 1-3 other Bible Class opportunities available on Sunday morning, if possible. If interested in helping to start a young adults class, parenting class, Financial Peace class, a Singles' class, etc. please talk with Pastor Meyer. Watch the Bulletin for more offerings!



## Bloodmobile

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13<sup>th</sup>**  
**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11<sup>th</sup>**  
**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**

## Relay for Life



A big thank you to every one that came out to support us at the Relay. We had a great time playing Cancer Schlogen, eating freshly popped corn, buying silent auction items and just visiting with you. Unfortunately, we were not able to light the luminaries this year because of the strong winds but we were able to walk and remember our loved ones as we read the names.

We do not have a dollar total yet but should have it after the next Relay meeting in September. We will update you at that time.

There was a bloodmobile at the Relay for the first time. It had a goal of 35 units and the last numbers I heard were close to 50 units collected. We were able to schedule some of our regular donors to that drive because ours was full here at Peace. Again, showing your great giving spirit.

## Peace Lutheran Garage Sale!

The Peace Garage Sale was TERRIFIC!!!

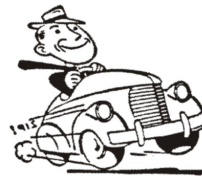
We are still totaling sales and donations and we will update you when we know the numbers. My goal in having the sale at Peace, in Peace Center was to surround ourselves with fellow members and just have a great get-together. Mission accomplished. At this time, I have at least 50 names of people that helped, not counting all the donations. How great is that!!! It takes a lot of people but such a wonderful turnout and the buyers were very happy and loved the location, organization and quality of the items. Give yourselves a pat on the back. Job well done!! Shirley Wurdell



## PRINCE OF PEACE RETIREMENT LIVING SEPTEMBER 2022

September is a month to remind us of people we need to be grateful for. As we approach September 11<sup>th</sup> consider thanking our emergency responders for choosing the line of work that they are in. Thank them for helping others in difficult situations, for assisting those who can't help themselves, and for being our heroes. It's important not just in September, but all 12 months of the year. And let's not forget about Grandparents day as we have learned so much listening to their stories giving us wisdom beyond our years. Lastly, we all need to continue to thank our God for giving us this good life we're living.

Peace and joy,  
 Destini Doring, Executive Director



## 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.

### UPCOMING 4 HR. RECERTIFICATION

**MON. Sept 12 1 - 5 pm**

**MON. Oct. 10 1 - 5 pm**

**MON. Nov 21 1 - 5 pm**

**Please Note: Max class capacity: 24 people**

To register for these classes go to

**[www.mnsafetycenter.org](http://www.mnsafetycenter.org)** or call

**1-320-308-1400 or toll free 1-888-234-1294.**

Thank you, Renee Clabo, Parish Health.



## Lutheran Hour Ministries Supper and Presentation

**by Rev. Pastor Kirby**

**Sat, September 24, 5:00 pm**

**First Lutheran Church, Glencoe, MN**

Door Open at 4:15 with a light meal/free will  
 Lutheran Hour Ministries Regional Director for Europe,  
 Central Asia & Jamaica. Hear how God is working  
 through LHM.

Replies 1 week prior are appreciated. Call  
 320-864-5522 or email [office@1stglencoe.org](mailto:office@1stglencoe.org).

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*Serve Christ with our Words, Service and Resources.*

## LWML

The September LWML meeting will be on Thursday, September 8, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. The delegates to the LWML District Convention will share highlights and experiences from the Convention.

### "Giving Tuesday"

Tuesday, September 13 has been designated as "Giving Tuesday" by the LWML. It is your chance to donate to the LWML Mission Goal. Go to the LWML website for more information.

### Be Somebody

Have you ever been in a situation where someone needed to step in and help in some way but no one was willing to be that person? Why don't we jump to help when we have the time, resources or money to do so? When God is tugging at your heart to act, you can't just sit back and think "somebody should do something". We must be the somebody that God wants to send. Are we responding to the opportunities to serve that are in front of us every day? Be brave to act and gracious to serve. Be that somebody so others can see Jesus in you.

### Lutheran Hour Ministries

The Rev. Pastor Kirby, LHM Regional Director for Europe, Central Asia & Jamaica will be the guest speaker at First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Glencoe on Saturday, September 24, 2022. Hear how God is working through Lutheran Hour Ministries. For more details, see the poster on the LWML bulletin board.

*If God had a refrigerator, your picture would be on it.*



## Women's Retreat Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup> 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.

A light 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 ON Sale NOW - \$10  
in the church office.**

*Join us to connect with others, grow in faith,  
and to fill your cup.*



## HERE'S THE SCOOP!

WE'RE HAVING A

## ICE CREAM SOCIAL & POLKA MUSIC

## SAT. SEPT. 17

MUSIC BY CHUCK THIEL

**SERVING BEGINS @ 5**

**MUSIC 5:15-6:15**

**WORSHIP @ 6:30**

### MENU:

**Sloppy Joes, Scalloped Potatoes, Baked Beans,  
Apple Crisp w/Ice Cream, Ice Cream Sundae  
or Root Beer Float**



Proceeds will be  
supporting TTNG.

Supplemental funding from Thrivent Financial.

## CHILDREN & YOUTH **CONNECT**

**It's time for Sunday School! This year we have something for everyone with exciting new opportunities to grow in your faith as you study God's Word!**

**Sunday School | Sundays Sept. 18 | 9:30 am**  
**Students Age 3 through grade 8** will be studying the "Enduring Faith" curriculum which develops a basic understanding of Bible stories and how God's Word applies to our lives. They will begin examining key stories from the Old Testament, learning about creation, heroes of the faith, Old Testament Kingdoms and more. By spring we'll begin the New Testament and learn about Jesus' birth, death, and resurrection as well as some of His miracles. Each week children will learn about their God who loves them and their Savior who died for them. The children will also learn music each week, including hymns and songs that teach the faith.

**Bible Study | Sundays Sept. 18 | 9:30 am**  
**Sr. High Youth - (Grades 9-12)** - Have we got a deal for you! It's "The Real Deal" - a Bible study designed just for you! We'll explore real answers to the hard questions you face every day - answers found in the Word of God! Join us in the upstairs of the education wing every Sunday at 9:30 as we explore the question of who you are (from the inside out!) as well as questions you face every day - school struggles, bullying, cliques, stress, cheating, religious rights in public schools, competition, self-image, body piercing, leisure time, and much more! And yes, of course we'll have food each Sunday!

### Confirmation Orientation

For students & parents - Peace Center  
**Wed. Sept. 7 | 6:00 pm | Grade 6, 7, 8**

### Confirmation | Wednesdays

**Begins Sept 14 | 2:30 pm | Grade 6**  
**Begins Sept 14 | 4:45 pm | Grade 7, 8**

The confirmation program at Peace Lutheran provides an opportunity for students in grades 6-8 to continue their spiritual journey, that they may come to have a greater understanding of the Bible and Luther's Catechism in their daily lives.

Classes are held September through April.

**Help Needed!** We are looking for parents/adults who are interested in helping with our youth programs. The greatest area of need will be Confirmation mentors! If interested please contact the church office @ 587-3031.



### Questions?

**Deaconess Dr. Jennie Asher** - Sunday School Coordinator

**Pastor Joseph Asher** - Confirmation

**Paul Otte** - Confirmation

**Pastor Glenn Meyer** - IIM Pastor

**Parents - please register your children to join us!** This will help us to be good stewards and order the correct amount of materials. You may register online at **plchutch.org** or using a registration form found in the narthex or at the Welcome Center desk.

## Register at **plchutch.org**

**ALL Programs are FREE -**  
**We encourage kids to bring friends!**

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



This year there will be 3 lunch periods, beginning at 10:45. We should be done and cleaned up by 1:00 -1:30pm. If you would like to help with this ministry, please contact the church office at 587-3031. Thank you!

**Peace Lutheran first serve date is: Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>**

### Release Time Grades 2-5

**Wed. Morning Oct 26 - Mar 29** Church Basement  
 This is a great mid-week program in which children are released from school for one hour to go to a church of their choice for religious education.

**\*\*REGISTRATION must be done prior to attending to be excused from school. Forms are returned TO THE SCHOOL.**

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

Two-Hour Late Start (ISD 423)

**5 DATES - Oct 5, Nov 2, Feb 1, Apr 5, May 3**

Church Basement

The program will meet at Peace Lutheran when the public school has a regular scheduled two-hour late start. The children will enjoy breakfast, learn about a mission project and work on activities for mission. Bring your friends!



## Mission and Ministry Council August, 4, 2022 - 7:00PM

Present: Bob Sylvester, Shirley Uldbjerg, Barb Otte, Kathy Hochsprung, Pastor Meyer, Steve Wick, Chuck Jones, Brad Wick  
Absent: Kevin Heikes

1. Opening prayer by Pastor Meyer: Psalm 32
2. Pastor Meyer shared his report for his week at PLC.
3. Discussion of Pastor Meyer's contract and benefit package.
4. Revisited motion made on July 19, 2022 regarding gas payment for Pastor Meyer. Motion made by Chuck to pay for one round trip per month to Nebraska. All other mileage related to pastoral duties will be reimbursed at the current IRS rate. 2nd by Barb. Motion carried.

Motion made by Barb to table discussion of benefits for medical health care and extra compensation for pay for Pastor Meyer before his arrival to PLC. 2nd by Brad. Motion carried.

5. Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Meeting adjourned: 9:41 p.m.  
Respectfully submitted,

Kim Borka  
MMC Secretary

Steve Wick  
MMC President

## Operation Christmas Child



If you would like to plan ahead for Operation Christmas Child and purchase items early that are on sale for school, the following items will be included in the shoe boxes:

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

You may bring these items to church and put them in the "Operation Christmas Child" box in the commons at Peace. Peace will be packing our shoeboxes October 30<sup>th</sup>.

## Mission and Ministry Council August, 16, 2022 - 6:30PM

Present: Steven Wick, Kim Borka, Barb Otte, Chuck Jones, Shirley Uldbjerg, Brad Wick, Pastor Meyer, Pastor Asher  
Absent: Kevin Heikes, Kathy Hochsprung  
Congregational Members: Jerry and Mary Haag

### Approval of previous minutes:

1. July 19, 2022: Motion made by Chuck to approve July 19 minutes. 2nd by Brad. Motion carried.
2. August 4, 2022: Motion made by Barb to approve August 4 minutes. 2nd by Chuck. Motion carried.

### Reports:

1. Pastor Meyer: His first three weeks have been productive with meetings, staff, etc.
2. Staff: Staff meeting tomorrow.
3. Human Resources: No report presented
4. Elders: Baptism policy is being reviewed.
5. Trustees: No report presented.
6. Treasurer: No report presented.

**Pastor Meyer's contract requests:** Motion made by Brad to approve the salary, housing allowance, parsonage, one month compensation upon completion of ministry responsibilities, auto reimbursement per August 4, 2022 minutes, vacation and the amount of the worker benefit plans as stated in the IIM agreement. 2nd by Chuck. Motion carried.

**Policy Manual:** Will be addressed in September.

1. Consent agenda draft & Code of conduct for meetings draft: Motion made by Barb to accept the Consent agenda draft and the code of conduct draft. These two documents will be included in the policy manual. 2nd Shirley. Motion passed.

**3. Events policy:** This will be reviewed.

4. Financial assistance requests: Will be addressed as policies are reviewed.
  - A. Bulletin, Messenger
  - B. Dedicated funds, etc.

**5. Past policy research results:** Will be addressed in September.

Meeting Sept. 6th, 2022 @ 6:30 to review PLC policies.

**Orientation Manual:** To be discussed at future meeting.

1. Leadership development

Submitted by:  
Kim Borka  
MMC Secretary

Steven Wick  
MMC President

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*Serve Christ with our Words, Service and Resources.*



## September 2022 Prayer Calendar

Life Giving Prayers for our church adapted from A Month of Prayer for Your Church by Sandra Higley 2005

*"Prayer is a strong wall and fortress of the church; it is a goodly Christian weapon." Martin Luther*


- Sept. 1 Pray for our pastoral staff. May they stay faithful with the things you have entrusted to them.
- Sept. 2 Teach us to honor and respect our elders. May they give wholehearted attention to the prayer and their ministry.
- Sept. 3 May our elders and council be devoted to their families and above reproach.
- Sept. 4 May our elders be gentle, honest and wise as they carry out their responsibilities.
- Sept. 5 LABOR DAY Pray and give thanks for all who have worked past and present to build America.
- Sept. 6 Pray for all our teachers. May they correctly handle your Word of truth, teaching wisely.
- Sept. 7 Pray for discernment as our teachers deal with troubled youth, teaching life-giving principles.
- Sept. 8 Give thanks for every behind the scenes worker who is devoted to their service at Peace.
- Sept. 9 May God bless them for their obedience and generosity of time.
- Sept. 10 May they be rewarded for serving You humbly and wholeheartedly.
- Sept. 11 Pray today for our children as they come to Rally Day the beginning of the Sunday School year.
- Sept. 12 Pray the worshipers praise and thanksgivings defeat the enemy, Satan.
- Sept. 13 Pray that the Gospel be presented in worship with the Holy Spirit's power.
- Sept. 14 Pray that our lives show God's love for others in our lives.
- Sept. 15 Pray we see every opportunity to spread the fragrance of Christ to others.
- Sept. 16 Give thanks for our freedom to gather to worship and praise our Lord.
- Sept. 17 Pray the marriage of Kevin Pfau and Sonia Leintz will be blessed by looking to the Lord for daily direction.
- Sept. 18 Pray that the hurting will know you as ED Roi, the God who sees them.
- Sept. 19 Pray their mourning be replaced with the "oil of gladness".
- Sept. 20 Pray comfort for them so they will have a ministry of comfort to others.
- Sept. 21 Pray that the Holy Spirit lead us to level ground.
- Sept. 22 Touch our conscience when we grieve, quench or resist the Holy Spirit.
- Sept. 23 Pray earnestly for the gift of the Spirit to grow in each believer.
- Sept. 24 Pray our love for one another will be sincere and from the heart.
- Sept. 25 Pray for a spirit of unity glorifying you with our hearts and voices.
- Sept. 26 Pray we support one another in love as brothers and sisters.
- Sept. 27 Pray as our High School students are "Praying Around the Pole" at school this morning
- Sept. 28 Pray that grace abounds that we have the finances we need to do the work you give us to do.
- Sept. 29 Remind us that sharing with others is a pleasing sacrifice to you.
- Sept. 30 Thank our God for doing away with sin on the cross so we are no longer slaves to it.

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Office Hours:  
 8:30am-4pm  
 Monday-Friday

# September 2022

| Sunday   | Monday  | Tuesday   | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday  | Saturday   |
|--|---|---|--|---|---|--|
|  |   |   |  | 1   | 2   | 3  |
|  |   |   |  |   | 9:00 Garage Sale Wrap-up meeting<br><br>NO School | 6:30 Worship   |
| <i>Blood Pressure Checks</i> 4<br>8:30 Worship/Communion<br>10:00 Outdoor Worship  | <i>Labor Day</i> 5<br>Office Closed<br><br>                            | 6<br>10:00 POP Bible Study<br>10:00 Dorcas Exec. Bd<br>10:00 Staff<br>6:30 Promise Keepers<br>6:30 Elders | 7<br>6:00 Confirmation Orientation<br>6:30 Handbells   | 8<br>8:30 Circuit Pastors @ Peace<br>11:00 HAY Lunch<br>1:30 Dorcas: Women in Mission | 9   | 10<br>6:30 Worship   |
| <i>Rally Day</i> 11<br>8:30 Worship<br>9:15 Sunday School/Open House - Peace Center<br>9:15 Adult Bible Study<br>10:30 Worship/Communion | <i>Pastor Lemke's Visitations</i> 12<br>9:00 Body & Soul<br>1 – 5 Driver Improve Course<br>3:30 Small Group Bible Study<br>6:30 Small Group Bible Study | 13<br>10:00 POP Bible Study<br>10:00 Staff<br>12-6 Bloodmobile<br>6:30 Promise Keepers                    | 14<br>11:45 Lunch/Bible Study<br>2:45 Confirmation (6 <sup>th</sup> Gr.)<br>3:30 Elem Ministry Gr 1-5<br>4:45 Confirmation (7 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> )<br>6:30 Handbells                                   | 15<br>7:00 Trustees   | 16<br>4:00 Pfau/Leintz Wedding Rehearsal          | 17<br>2:00 Wedding Pfau/Leintz<br>5:00 Ice Cream Social<br>6:30 Polka Service Peace Center |
| 18<br>8:30 Worship w/communion<br>9:30 Sunday School<br>9:30 Adult Bible Study<br>10:30 Worship  | 19<br>9:00 Body & Soul<br>3:30 Small Group Bible Study<br>6:30 Small Group Bible Study  | 20<br>10:00 POP Bible Study<br>10:00 Staff<br>6:30 Promise Keepers<br>7:00 Church Council                 | 21<br>8:30 Parish Health Mtg<br>11:45 Lunch/Bible Study<br>2:45 Confirmation (6 <sup>th</sup> Gr.)<br>3:30 Elem Ministry Gr 1-5<br>4:45 Confirmation (7 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> )<br>6:30 Handbells         | 22  | 23<br>9:00 Bethesda Thrift Shop                   | 24<br>6:30 Worship w/Communion   |
| 25<br>8:30 Worship<br>9:30 Sunday School<br>9:30 Adult Bible Study<br>10:30 Worship/Communion  | 26<br>9:00 Body & Soul<br>3:30 Small Group Bible Study<br>6:30 Small Group Bible Study  | 27<br>10:00 POP Bible Study<br>10:00 Staff<br>6:30 Promise Keepers  | 28<br>7:00 See You at the Pole MS/HS<br>11:45 Lunch/Bible Study<br>2:45 Confirmation (6 <sup>th</sup> Gr.)<br>3:30 Elem Ministry Gr 1-5<br>4:45 Confirmation (7 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> )<br>6:30 Handbells | 29  | 30  |  |

Sept. 21-Oct. 5..... Pastor Meyer taking some 'Days Off' and some long planned vacation time with his wife Sue as they drive (weather permitting) to Hilton Head, South Carolina.

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**9:15 am**  
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