

# Peace Lutheran Church



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

## TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | NOVEMBER 13, 2022

**PASTOR:** Glenn Meyer  
**ELDERS:**  
**Saturday 6:30** Jeff Weckwerth  
**Sunday 8:30** John Lietz  
**Sunday 10:30** Robbie Peterson, Wayne Vinkemeier  
**Greeters 8:30** Marion Fenske  
**Greeters 10:30** Betty Ruskamp  
**Acolytes 6:30** Judah Perrault, Mason Carlson  
**Acolytes 8:30** Kiera Plath, Kylie Johnson

Please sign the **Attendance Pad** in the pew and pass it along to others, or you may sign the attendance pads provided in the Narthex or entrance of the Peace Center

God allows generous hearts to give that others may grow! During the summer months our offerings were short of paying expenses here at Peace Lutheran. We are asking that you would consider how God has generously blessed you and ask Him how you may be generous to others. As we respond to the many gifts that God has given us, we will again be passing the **offering plates** at the 6:30pm and 8:30am services in the Sanctuary. May God work through you that others may grow in their faith and generosity. For online giving options, check our web site: [plchutch.org/give](http://plchutch.org/give).

Thanksgiving and Christmas greeting cards have arrived and are for sale at the **LWML card shop** in the ramp way. Also, a special Thank You to Gloria Janicke for her continued devotion to this mission.

We served 328 9th-12th graders last Thursday for the HAY (Hutchinson Area Youth) lunch. Thanks to all who helped with this great outreach program! Our next turn to host this event is Jan 5th.

The **Red Cross** collected **130 units** during its stop at Peace on Thursday. Thank you to all who support this important program. Also, a special thank you to our Parish Health Staff and all of the volunteers from Peace that help with this every month.

Looking for **FIREWOOD**? A pickup load of cut & split hardwood has been donated to Peace for the debt reduction fund. It can be yours for \$175 (includes delivery up to 10 miles from Hutch). Call the Church office for more info.

**If you are visiting today, welcome!** We invite you to learn more about our ministries at Peace and look forward to getting to know you. Join us for coffee and fellowship between services on Sunday at one of the two Bible Studies offered. Complete a pew card and let us know how we can help you!

This week's **Sunday School** lesson tells of ten terrible plagues and how Pharaoh relents and releases the Israelites to worship in the wilderness. Realizing the Israelites have no intention of returning, Pharaoh's army pursues the runaways. Caught between Pharaoh's charioteers and the waters of the Red Sea, the people cry out to God. Moses stretches his hand over the sea as God parts the waters, enabling the people to pass through the sea on dry ground. As Egypt's army attempts to follow, the sea closes in over them, so no one survives. God also rescues us—from sin, death, and the devil through our Lord Jesus Christ. Read the whole account in Exodus 14. This week's **memory verse** is: "Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you." Psalm 50:15

**High School Bible Class—LESSON FOCUS:** In a large degree, young people experience a put-down culture in which insults are cool and kindness is not. They may believe that scoring points at the expense of another's feelings is no big deal—that it doesn't really mean anything. When pressed, however, most will admit that even the small digs sometimes hurt and that teasing and unkind words can easily build up to become a serious offense. **GOSPEL FOCUS:** God calls on His children to support and build one another up. By God's grace we have forgiveness as we repent of our sinful words and actions. Christ's love empowers us to plant seeds of kindness.

The November **LWML** Mite calendar and the Children's Coins for Jesus calendars are available at the LWML bulletin board. Your mites and coins help fund LWML mission work. Donations can be dropped off in the Church office. Mission update as of July 31st \$1,646,858.46. Thank you for continued donations.

The door by the kitchen has been replaced. We apologize for the inconvenience while this entrance was not available. Going forward, for security purposes this door will only be left unlocked when there is an actual event occurring in the Peace Center.

**THE FIRESIDE CHATS - THERE ARE STILL SESSIONS TO CHOOSE FROM. IF YOU HAVE NOT SIGNED UP YET, PLEASE DO SO IN THE COMMONS AREA (OR ONLINE @ [www.plchutch.org](http://www.plchutch.org))**

**Ava Lynn Kvam**, daughter of Joseph and Jessica Kvam will be baptized Sunday after the 10:30 service. Serving as sponsors: Bradley and Kelsey Zieman.

## Please pray for Peace members

Scott Hilgeman	Elaine Lewerenz
Ron Janke	Jeanne Cassens
Rita Janke	Angela Alsleben
Julie Elder	Rueben Draeger
Shirley Miller	Etheline Clasen
Sandra Hall	Jan Bakken
Janelle Woller	Juanita Buss
Barb Ribar	Marjorie Huls

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

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

### Attendance Last Week

Saturday 6:30	95
Sunday 8:30am	165
Sunday 10:30am	96
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>356</b>
Boxcast	86
Facebook 8:30am	233
Facebook 10:30am	144

Looking for a book to read to your children or grandchildren for Thanksgiving? The church library has 2 offerings: **Thanksgiving: A Harvest Celebration** by Julie Stiegemeier and **Thank You for Thanksgiving** by Darcy Mackall.

## Looking Ahead at Peace

### SUNDAY (11/13)

8:30am Worship  
9:30am Sunday School  
9:30am Adult Bible Study  
10:30am Worship/Communion

### MONDAY (11/14)

9:00am Body & Soul  
10:00am Fireside Chat  
3:30pm Sm Group Bible Study  
6:00pm Fireside Chat

### TUESDAY (11/15)

10:00am POP Bible Study  
10:00am Staff Mtg  
10:00am Women's Bible Study  
10:00am Fireside Chat  
2:00 pm Fireside Chat  
6:30pm Promise Keepers  
7:00pm Council Meeting

### WEDNESDAY (11/16)

8:30am Parish Health Mtg  
9-11am Release Time  
11:45am Lunch/Bible Study  
1:00pm Mission Sewing  
2:30pm 6th Grade Confirmation  
3:30pm Elem Youth  
4:45pm Confirmation/Fireside  
6:30pm Handbells

### THURSDAY (11/17)

10:00am Fireside Chat  
2:00pm Fireside Chat  
7:00pm Trustees

### FRIDAY (11/18)

10:00am Fireside Chat  
2:00pm Fireside Chat

### SATURDAY (11/19)

10:00am Fireside Chat  
6:30pm Worship/Communion

### SUNDAY (11/20)

COMMITMENT SUNDAY  
8:30am Worship/Communion  
Sunday School Sings  
9:30am Sunday School  
9:30am Adult Bible Study  
10:30am Worship

### MONDAY (11/21)

9:00am Body & Soul  
1-5pm Driver Improve Course  
3:30pm Sm Group Bible Study

### TUESDAY (11/22)

10:00am POP Bible Study  
10:00am Staff Mtg  
10:00am Women's Bible Study  
6:30pm Promise Keepers

### WEDNESDAY (11/23)

6:30PM Thanksgiving Worship

### THURSDAY (11/24)

THANKSGIVING  
9:00am Worship  
OFFICE CLOSED

### FRIDAY (11/25)

9:00AM Bethesda  
OFFICE CLOSED

### SATURDAY (11/26)

6:30pm Worship

**LUNCH & WORD OF GOD**—Wednesday— Lunch-11:45am & Bible Study-12:20pm. Focus is on the Gospel of John, lead by Pastor Asher. This traditional Bible Study continues through meaningful scripture and life application. The cost of lunch is covered by a free will offering.

**Mission Sewing** has started—please join us—first & third Wednesday each month at 1:00pm in the Church basement. If you are interested in helping, contact Shirley Wurdell (587-5064) or Phyllis Hecht (587-0185).. No experience necessary. Besides quilts, they assemble baby kits/layettes for Lutheran World Relief. Donations needed: cotton fabric for quilts; flannel for baby blankets and diapers; T-shirts, pants, sleepers, socks and jackets for infants 6-24 months; and bars of ivory soap. PLEASE NOTE—Mission Sewing will not be held on Nov 30th, instead, we will be assembling layettes on Dec. 1st at 1:00pm in the Church basement. Any questions, call Shirley, Phyllis or Delores Reiner (582-0835)

**STEWARDSHIP entails our whole life and includes the sharing of our Time, Talent and Treasure.** Nov 12/13 we will be exploring how developing and living as a steward of God's gifts can change your life and the life we share together in Christ here at Peace. Nov 19/20 we will be asking one another to make a commitment of faith, trust and courage to our Lord and Savior as our 'faithful intents/commitments' set the foundation for what is possible in our renewed and growing ministry support plan for 2023 here at Peace. In response to His many blessings, let us willingly do our part faithfully, with thanksgiving, joy and courage! In all things, including our life of faithful stewardship, may God be praised and glorified!

To Peace Lutheran Church Congregation,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that a Nominating Committee has been seated and we are beginning the work of establishing the slate of candidates who will run for open seats on the Church Council and the Board of Elders. All elected positions serve two-year terms. The election will be held at the annual Voter's/Congregational Meeting in January 2023. The actual date for the meeting will be posted once it has been set.

The Church Council consists of a total of nine members; four officers, and five at large council members. The church council is the governing body of the Peace Lutheran Church congregation. The Church Council has the authority to enforce the Constitution and Bylaws, and develops policies as required to execute the goals approved by the Congregation. There are four Church Council seats up for election this year. They are as follows: Secretary, Treasurer, and two At-Large seats.

The Board of Elders consists of ten male members of the Congregation who serve staggered two-year terms. The Board of Elders elects their own president and secretary. The Board of Elders nurtures and encourages the spiritual growth of the Congregation and supervises, advises and assists the pastors in worship, preaching, congregational care, administration of the sacraments, and church discipline.

Changes to the makeup of the Board of Elders over recent years had resulted in the terms of service for some of the members of the Board of Elders to become out of sync with the PLC Bylaws. The Nominating Committee has addressed this issue. As a result, there are eight seats on the Board of Elders up for election this year. Three of those seats will have one-year terms, which will allow for five open seats beginning January 2024. At that point the Board of Elders terms of service will once again be compliant with the PLC Bylaws. Given that the Board of Elders elects its own officers, all seats up for election are at large seats.

The Nominating Committee asks you to prayerfully consider serving PLC in an elected capacity. If you are interested in doing so, please contact a member of the committee to express your interest.

Thank you and God bless you!

PLC Nominating Committee

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## Poinsettias

Peace members and visitors will again be enjoying beautiful decorations during the Christmas season. **This year we will need only 25 poinsettias to decorate our church for the Christmas season.** The cost of a plant is \$11.50.



If you would like to buy a poinsettia plant as a memorial, or perhaps to honor a special person in your life, or give a donation for a project or ministry such as **TTNG** (7 yr. Debt Free Initiative), **General Fund**, or **Other**, please fill out the form below and return to church along with your donation **by December 9<sup>th</sup>**. Your name and the name of the person in whose memory or honor you are giving a poinsettia or donation will be listed in the bulletin.

\_\_\_\_\_ Number of Poinsettias x \$11.50 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Donation to \_\_\_\_\_

TTNG (7 yr. Debt Free Initiative), General Fund or Other

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

**OR** In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Given by \_\_\_\_\_