

# Peace Lutheran Church



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

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY | JANUARY 29, 2023

**PASTOR:** Glenn Meyer

**Elders:**

**Saturday 6:30pm** Justin Evenson, George Quast

**Sunday 8:30am** Doug Brown, Jeff Weckwerth

**Sunday 10:30am** John Lietz, Wayne Vinkemeier

**Acolytes:**

**Saturday 6:30pm** Max Mueller, Evan Sturges

**Sunday 8:30am** Judah Perrault, Mical Perrault

**Greeters:**

**Sunday 8:30am** Doug and Lynn Brown

**Sunday 10:30am** Elvern Mickle

Peace Lutheran **Women in Mission** will sponsor 3 Lutheran Hour broadcasts on radio station KDUZ on Sundays at 9:00am for the January "Mission of the Month". Dates for the broadcasts will be April 23, May 28 and June 25, 2023. The February "Mission of the Month" is the large print Portal of Prayer, a quarterly devotional magazine from Concordia Publishing House. The magazine is available in the racks in the Narthex and in the Commons area. If you would like to donate to this mission, please drop your donation in one of the "Mission of the Month" boxes.

February **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. Drop donations off at the Church office.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR—ANNUAL PIE SALE WITH PICKUP ON VALENTINE'S DAY, FEB 14TH** (order by Feb 8th). Sign up forms available in the church office.

The date has been set for the **ANNUAL GARAGE SALE**—it will be held JUNE 19th-23rd in the Peace Center. More info to come.

To our members who are unable to help with funeral lunches—would you be interested in occasionally baking a pan of bars to donate for the funeral lunches? If so, please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the Commons Desk

**DATE SET—ANNUAL FISH FRY WILL BE HELD FRIDAY, MARCH 10TH.** IT WILL BE AN EAT-IN EVENT THIS YEAR (WITH TAKE-OUT AVAILABLE). Sign-up boards for volunteers will be in the Commons area starting next weekend,

**ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING—SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5TH AT 11:45AM IN THE PEACE CENTER.**

In today's **Sunday School lesson** the children learn about Mephibosheth, Jonathan's son. At age 5 Mephibosheth suffered crippling injuries while escaping Saul's enemies with his nurse. Once David established his kingdom, his thoughts turned to whether there were any survivors from Saul and Jonathan's line. Discovering Mephibosheth, David bestows on him Saul's land and fortune. Mephibosheth's family moves to Jerusalem, where he always eats at the king's table. Read more in 2 Samuel 4:4, 9:1-13. This week's memory verse is "O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good for His steadfast love endures forever." Psalm 107:1

**Powder Ridge Snow Tubing with HAY** Feb 1st (high school) & Feb 2nd (middle school). Sign-up sheets at the Common desk. Deadline for payment and forms is Tuesday, January 31st.

**USHERS**— 2023 Schedules are available in the Narthex.

**Your 2023 Offering Envelopes & Your 2022 Contribution Statements are available in the rampway.**

New donation to the library: **Katharina & Martin Luther: The Radical Marriage of a Runaway Nun and a Renegade Monk.** Although only 8 letters written by Katharina exist, the author used many sources to enrich our knowledge about two of the most famous people living in the 1500s, including much from Martin Luther himself. You will learn about how the Luthers met, what it was like to live in the early modern period, the Reformation and much more.

**CPR Classes**—John Arlt will be teaching two CPR classes in February (heart month). Classes will be from 5:30 to 9:00pm on Tuesday, February 21st or Monday, February 27th. A \$10.00 deposit is required. Contact Shirley Wurdell at (320) 587-5064 or between services on Sunday mornings to reserve a spot.

The next **HAY lunch** served by Peace will be Feb 16th. Volunteers to help always needed and welcomed.

### Current Checking Account Balances

General Fund ..... \$42,588.41 Building Fund ..... \$72,761.20

Cemetery Fund ..... \$64,248.42 Dedicated Funds ..... \$71,010.38

Building Debt Balance—1/1/22.....\$2,491,042.35

Building Debt Balance—1/1/23.....\$2,286,302.71

Building Debt Balance—1/25/23.....\$2,279,356.56

Building Debt Principal paid 2023 - \$6,946.15

### Offerings Deposited 1/16—1/22

General Fund.....\$ 23,669.11 Building Fund.....\$ 1,160.00

Cemetery Fund.....\$ 0 Dedicated Funds...\$ 0

## Please pray for Peace members

|                 |                 |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| Scott Hilgeman  | Etheline Clasen |
| Ron Janke       | Jan Bakken      |
| Rita Janke      | Juanita Buss    |
| Julie Elder     | Marjorie Huls   |
| Shirley Miller  | Justin Nass     |
| Janelle Woller  | Doug Peterson   |
| Barb Ribar      | Carol Kubasch   |
| Elaine Lewerenz | Joyce Tews      |
| Jeanne Cassens  | Sandra Bach     |
| Angela Alsleben | Norb Hemmann    |

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 to the wagon

### Attendance Last Week

|                 |            |
|-----------------|------------|
| Saturday 6:30pm | 60         |
| Sunday 8:30am   | 111        |
| Sunday 10:30am  | 80         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>    | <b>251</b> |
| Boxcast         | 79         |
| Facebook 8:30   | 173        |
| Facebook 10:30  | 102        |

## Looking Ahead at Peace

### SUNDAY (1/29)

8:30am Worship/Communion  
9:30am Sunday School  
9:35am Adult Bible Study  
10:30am Worship

### MONDAY (1/30)

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

### TUESDAY (1/31)

10:00am POP Bible Study  
10:00am Staff Mtg  
10:00am Women's Bible Study  
3:00pm Proverbs Bible Study  
6:30pm Promise Keepers

### WEDNESDAY (2/1)

9:00am Release Time  
11:45am Lunch/Bible Study  
1:00pm Mission Sewing  
2:30pm 6th Grade Confirmation  
4:45pm 7 & 8 Gr Confirmation  
HS Tubing at Powder Ridge  
6:30pm Handbells

### THURSDAY (2/2)

MS Tubing at Powder Ridge

### FRIDAY (2/3)

### SATURDAY (2/4)

6:30pm Worship/Communion

### SUNDAY (2/5)

8:30am Worship/Communion  
9:30am Sunday School  
9:35am Adult Bible Study  
10:30am Worship  
**11:45am ANNUAL MEETING**

### MONDAY (2/6)

9:00am Body & Soul  
10:00a Prayer Chain  
3:00pm Sm Group Bible Study

### TUESDAY (2/7)

10:00am POP Bible Study  
10:00am Staff Mtg  
10:00am Women's Bible Study  
3:00pm Proverbs Bible Study  
6:30pm Promise Keepers  
6:30pm Elders

### WEDNESDAY (2/8)

8:30am Parish Health Mtg  
9:00am Release Time  
11:45am Lunch/Bible Study  
2:30pm 6th Grade Confirmation  
3:30pm Elem Youth (Gr 4-5)  
4:45pm 7 & 8 Gr Confirmation  
6:30pm Handbells

### THURSDAY (2/9)

### FRIDAY (2/10)

### SATURDAY (2/11)

6:30pm Worship/Communion

## VALENTINE'S COOKIE SALE

## BETWEEN SERVICES ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH

Give your sweetheart, friends, relatives, neighbors, Valentine's Cookies this year!

**HOW YOU CAN HELP:** 1) Bring homemade cookies, candy or other sweet treats to sell to the Peace Center by 9am on Saturday, February 11th 2) Help package the goodies on Saturday at 9am

**ALL FUNDS RAISED WILL GO TO THE 7-YEAR DEBT FREE INITIATIVE**

**MIDWEEK STUDY & LUNCH** continues on Wednesdays in the Peace Center. Serving begins at 11:45am with Bible Study at 12:15pm. Pastor Asher will serve among us Feb 1 thru May 24th. He resumes the Wednesday Bible Study along with the Sunday Bible Study at 9:35am in Room 207-209. He will also be leading Wed. 8th grade Confirmation classes. Pastor Bode will continue leading the Sunday Bible Study in the Peace Center at 9:35am.

**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.

**BROLL FAMILY SERVICE PROJECT**—The Naomi Family Program serves women & families escaping domestic violence, homelessness, effects of addiction or other traumas. If you can help with this project, check out the board in the Commons for item(s) to donate. Our goal is to fill 50 bags. Bring item to church by Sunday, Feb 5th. If you are interested in participating, the Broll Family and Sadie Jenkins will be packing the bags on Tuesday, Feb 7th at 12:30pm in the church basement.

If you are a **Thrivent** member, you may be eligible to request a Community Impact Card for a grant of up to \$250. Some of the upcoming events here at Peace that these would qualify for are: HAY lunch in Feb or April; an individual Lenten lunch; an individual summer concert and/or luncheon; Vacation Bible School. Only one grant is allowed per event. Talk to your Thrivent agent, or make application online. Any questions, contact the Church office.

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH  
ANNUAL VOTER'S ASSEMBLY MEETING  
FEBRUARY 5, 2023

1. Call to Order
2. Opening Devotions
3. Approval of Congregational Meeting Minutes, January 30, 2022
4. Vote to ratify appointment of Chuck Jones to Vice President position
5. Vote to waive term limit for Barb Otte
6. Presentation of Election Ballot
7. Treasurer's Report
8. Approval of proposed 2023 Budget
9. Pastor's Report
10. Adjourn
11. Closing Prayer

**Church Council-Secretary (Vote for one)**

- ☐ Kim Borka (Incumbent)

**Church Council-Treasurer (Vote for one)**

- ☐ Justin Evenson

**Church Council-At Large (Vote for two)**

- ☐ Barb Otte (Incumbent)  
☐ Marlene Hamblin  
☐ Melissa Weckwerth

**Board of Elders-All Seats are At Large (Vote for 8)**

- ☐ John Lietz\*  
☐ Robbie Peterson\*  
☐ George Quast\*  
☐ Dale Schumann\*  
☐ Wayne Vinkemeier\*  
☐ Paul Otte  
☐ Kevin Buss  
☐ Brad Havemeier

\*Incumbent

Three of the eight Elders seats will serve for one year, which will result in 5 open seats in the 2024 election, thereby putting the terms for Elders back into compliance with the Bylaws. The term limits required by the Bylaws will be dispensed with until the election cycle issue for the members of the Board of Elders has been resolved in 2024.