

Peace Lutheran Church



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

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER | APRIL 23, 2023

PASTOR: Gerhard Bode
Elders:
Saturday 6:30pm Dale Schumann
Sunday 8:30am Matthew Markgraf
Sunday 10:30am Brad Havemeier, Robbie Peterson
Acolytes:
Saturday 6:30pm Dakota Hoff, Ruby Hoff
Sunday 8:30am Olivia Schmidt, Madeline Schlueter

June 12-16, 2023—VBS—'JESUS IS MY LIFESAVER'

Are you ready to have fun and learn more about Jesus? Then come on board with us for a VBS experience all about faith, love and eternal life. We will grow in our lifesaving faith as we study and sing about Jesus! **SAVE THE DATE!** Hours are 9:00-11:30am each day. If you are available to help with VBS please contact Dr. Joan or the Church Office for info.

Garage Sale—June 21-23—Peace Center. There will also be a garage sale helper meeting on Thursday, May 11th at 9:00am in the Peace Center. Welcome back to those that have worked before and inviting new members to join in the fun and planning

There are single Confirmation cards and Mother's Day cards available along with new boxes of assorted greeting cards at the **LWML** Shop in the ramp way.

We served 198 hungry students at the **HAY lunch** on Thursday, April 20th. This was our fifth, and last lunch for the school year. **THANK YOU** to all of our volunteers who again helped make this mission a success. See you next fall!

Youth **LOCK-IN**—Friday, May 5th! Youth event for ALL 5th-12th graders. Students are encouraged to invite a friend. **ALL ARE WELCOME!** This will be a fun filled 'Against All Odds' evening packed with games, team building, activities, ping pong, Bible study, movies, munchies & more! Please pick up Student and Volunteer Registrations at the Commons desk. Chaperone sign up deadline is Friday, April 21st. Registration deadline is Friday, April 28th.

Senior Driver Safety Program— It is very exciting to again be able to facilitate an 8-hour initial class and openings are still available—Monday, April 24th & Monday, May 1st, both from 1-5pm. To register call the MN Highway and Safety Research Center 1-888-234-1294 or 1-320-308-1400

We are collecting coats (no wool coats, please) and winter gear (boots, snow pants and mittens, etc) for **Common Cup's 2023 Fall Warm Coat Drive**. The greatest coat need is for newborn-16/18 youth, men/women, especially XL and up) There is a box in the Commons Area for donations.

This week in Sunday School, we study "A Life Restored." Jairus, a synagogue ruler, comes to Jesus, begging Him to heal his critically ill daughter. Along the way, servants come with news of his daughter's death. Taking along Peter, James, and John, Jesus ignores the mourners, takes the young girl by the hand, and tells her, "Arise." And rise she does, demonstrating Jesus' power over death itself. See the full account in Mark 5:21-24, 35-54. This week's memory verse is "Jesus Christ heals you." (Acts 9:34).

Peace Lutheran Women in Mission—The April "Mission of the Month" is LCMS World Relief and Human Care. This organization aids those devastated by disasters such as floods and tornadoes. If you would like to donate to this mission, please drop your donation in one of the "Mission of the Month" boxes in the Narthex of Peace Center. Thank you.

The **Red Cross Bloodmobile** collected 138 units at their stop at Peace on April 11th. **GREAT JOB EVERYONE!**

It is National Poetry Month. There are 5 books in the Bible that are considered poetic: Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes and Song of Songs. The Psalms, especially, were meant to be sung. Our library contains all of these books, plus 'Illuminated Manuscript' by David Schelhaas. One of my favorites by Schelhaas is title 'And God said Softly, "Music". Cyndy Fallon

11 of our 7th & 8th grade Confirmation students attended the **Camp Omega Retreat** last weekend. They joined other Confirmation groups for Christian growth, group building, Bible study and games. Many thanks to those who helped support our youth through prayers, encouragement and financial gifts.

Retirement celebration for Debbie Koglin—Sunday, April 30th, 2-4pm at Our Savior's Lutheran

Grady Jerome Murphy, son of Michael and Patty Murphy, will be baptized during the 8:30 service on Sunday. Serving as sponsors are Melissa Kohls, Melissa Litzau and Tim King.

Current Checking Account Balances

General Fund	\$48,946.46	Building Fund.....	\$74,735.30
Cemetery Fund	\$65,121.36	Dedicated Funds	\$70,162.42

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

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

Building Debt Balance—2/25/23.....\$2,222,792.25

Building Debt Principal paid 2023 - \$63,510.46

Offerings Deposited 4/10-4/16

General Fund.....	\$ 38,929.70	Building Fund.....	\$ 375
Cemetery Fund.....	\$ 0	Dedicated Funds...	\$ 0

Please pray for Peace members

Ron Janke	Justin Nass
Rita Janke	Doug Peterson
Julie Elder	Joyce Tews
Janelle Woller	Sandra Bach
Barb Ribar	Otto Templin
Elaine Lewerenz	Sandy Lietz
Jeanne Cassens	Elsie Alsleben
Angela Alsleben	Dale Anderson
Etheline Clasen	Carol Kubasch
Jan Bakken	Sam Schumann
Juanita Buss	Carroll Hamblin
Marjorie Huls	Kenny Wornson

If you know of someone who is ill or hospitalized, or would like a pastoral visit, contact the church office

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	54
Sunday 8:30pm	101
Sunday 10:30pm	84
Total	239
Boxcast	80
Facebook 8:30pm	204
Facebook 10:30pm	102

Looking Ahead at Peace

SUNDAY (4/23)

8:30am Worship
9:30am Sunday School
9:35am Adult Bible Study
10:30am Worship/Communion
2:00pm Crow River Singers

MONDAY (4/24)

1:00pm Body & Soul
1-5pm Driver Improve, Part 1
3:00pm Sm Group Bible Study

TUESDAY (4/25)

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

WEDNESDAY (4/26)

11:45am Bible Study/Lunch
2:30pm 6th Gr Confirm
3:30pm Elem Youth Gr 1-5
4:45pm Confirmation Review

THURSDAY (4/27)

FRIDAY (4/28)

SATURDAY (4/29)

6:30pm Worship/Communion

SUNDAY (4/30)

8:30am Worship/Communion
9:30am Sunday School
9:35am Adult Bible Study
10:30am Worship
3:00PM Confirmation Photos & Practice

MONDAY (5/1)

1:00pm Body & Soul
1-5pm Driver Improve, Part 2
3:00pm Sm Group Bible Study

TUESDAY (5/2)

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

WEDNESDAY (5/3)

11:45am Bible Study/Lunch
1:00pm Mission Sewing
3:30pm Elem Youth Gr 1-5
6:00pm 8th Gr Conf Questioning
6:30pm Handbells

THURSDAY (5/4)

FRIDAY (5/5)

YOUTH LOCK IN

SATURDAY (5/6)

6:30pm Worship

CHURCH CEMETERY SPRING CLEAN-UP - MAY 17TH - 5PM-6PM

COME TO THE CHURCH CEMETERY OR MEET AT PEACE PLACE TO CARPOOL TO THE CEMETERY

KIDS & PARENTS, ALL MEMBERS WELCOME TO HELP - IF POSSIBLE, PLEASE BRING A RAKE AND WORK GLOVES

AFTER, WE WILL RETURN TO PEACE PLACE FOR A BONFIRE WITH HOT DOGS & SMORES!

SIGN-UP IN THE COMMONS AREA - ANY QUESTIONS—CALL SADIE (320) 583-5031 OR THE CHURCH OFFICE

The **Wednesday Bible Study**, led by Pastor Asher, is held weekly in the Peace Center. Lunch is served at 11:45am with the Bible Study at 12:15pm. Everyone is welcome.—please join us.

Mission Sewing—first & third Wednesday each month at 1:00pm in the Church basement. Please join us—no experience necessary. If you are interested in helping, contact Shirley Wurdell (587-5064) or Phyllis Hecht (587-0185). 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. **We are also looking for donations of sheets, blankets or large pieces of fabric.**

If you are a **Thrivent** member, you are eligible to request a Community Impact Card for a grant of \$250 twice a year. Some of the upcoming events here at Peace that these would qualify for: an individual summer concert and/or lunch; a Wednesday Bible Study lunch, Vacation Bible School. (curriculum, crafts, food), garage sale. One grant is allowed per item/event. Talk to your Thrivent agent or make application online. Any questions, contact the Church office

FARM FRESH EGGS AVAILABLE IN THE PEACE CENTER BETWEEN SERVICES. \$4.00/DOZ. All proceeds to the 7-year debt reduction initiative which will be matched. (these beautiful, naturally multi-colored eggs are from Michelle Jones' Easter Egger chickens)

Need a ride to Church services—There is a new phone number for the taxi (320) 552-0195