

# Peace Lutheran Church



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

## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | MAY 21, 2023

**PASTOR:** Glenn Meyer  
**Elders:**  
**Saturday 6:30pm** George Quast, Wayne Vinkemeier  
**Sunday 8:30am** Brad Havemeier, Matthew Markgraf  
**Sunday 10:30am** Robbie Peterson  
**Acolytes:**  
**Saturday 6:30pm** Kiera Plath  
**Sunday 8:30am** Lily Demere, Cooper Schuft  
**Greeters:**  
**Sunday 8:30am** Darlyn Egge, Annette Koehler  
**Sunday 10:30am** Wayne Vinkemeier

**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.

Join us as we decorate for VBS Wed May 24th & 31st & June 7th - 9:00am each day,

Please check the board by the entrance to the Peace Center—we are asking for donations of bars of Ivory soap for the layette kits for Lutheran World Relief. These will be assembled by the kids during VBS.

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**. There is a box in the Commons Area for your donated items

This Sunday is **High School Senior Recognition Day**—This will be held during the 10:30am Service, followed by a brunch/reception for the seniors and their families.

**Thank you Reception Sunday, June 4th, Between services for Pastor Asher & Deaconess Dr. Jennie Asher to thank them and show our gratitude for their ministry work here at Peace for the last year and a half. Join us for cake!**

We have a critical need for new **Audio-Video teams**. We do not have enough summer volunteers to cover both Sunday indoor services. Please see Dr. Joan if your family could cover one service per month, it would be greatly appreciated.

**Pipes & Pizza**— This Sunday at 4:30pm Dr. Charles Luedtke, recently returned member, will present a free organ recital, followed by a pizza buffet at 5:30pm in the Peace Center.

Today in Sunday School the children are reviewing all that they have learned during this school year. We have studied important lessons in both the Old and New Testaments that show how much God loves us and keeps His promises. We have seen how Jesus is true God and loves and cares for each of us, just as He did for the people who lived on the earth when he did. We will be playing a game of "Jeopardy" to show our parents all that we have learned. Parents—The Sunday School staff would like to thank you for allowing us the privilege of teaching your children this year and assisting you in your important work of bringing them up in the knowledge of Jesus as their Savior. We hope to see your child in VBS and next year again in Sunday School. We pray that they will continue to study God's word and write it on their hearts by memorizing God's promises and messages of His love!

**Peace Lutheran Women in Mission**—The May "Mission of the Month" is the four offerings at the LWML National Convention. Information on the offerings is in the LWML section of the May Messenger. We are still collecting "Gifts from the Heart" items, too. 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 or the Peace Center. Thank you

The **Red Cross** collected 122 units during their stop here on May 9th. Thank you to everyone that supports by donating or volunteering their time for this great cause!

Graduation cards are available along with assorted greeting cards at the LWML Shop in the ramp way.

### Current Checking Account Balances

General Fund ..... \$20,450.58 Building Fund.....\$76,962.92  
Cemetery Fund ..... \$65,137.40 Dedicated Funds .....\$70,240.42

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

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

Building Debt Balance—4/25/23.....\$2,185,128.82

Building Debt Principal paid 2023 - \$101,174.29

Debt Reduction Revenue that will be matched

Goal \$140,000.00 (2/1/23-1/31/24)

Matching Submitted \$ 52,086.28

Still Needed \$ 87,913.72

### Offerings Deposited 5/8-5/14

General Fund.....\$ 18,252.09 Building Fund.....\$ 847.00  
Cemetery Fund.....\$ 16.04 Dedicated Funds...\$ 30.00

## Please pray for Peace members

Ron Janke	Marjorie Huls
Rita Janke	Justin Nass
Julie Elder	Doug Peterson
Janelle Woller	Joyce Tews
Barb Ribar	Sandra Bach
Elaine Lewerenz	Otto Templin
Jeanne Cassens	Dale Anderson
Angela Alsleben	Carol Kubasch
Etheline Clasen	Sam Schumann
Jan Bakken	Sylvia Radtke
Juanita Buss	Melinda Mikolichek

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	49
Sunday 8:30pm	151
Sunday 10:30pm	75
<b>Total</b>	<b>275</b>
Boxcast	57
Facebook 8:30am	153
Facebook 10:30am	68

## Looking Ahead at Peace

### SUNDAY (5/21)

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

### MONDAY (5/22)

1:00pm Body & Soul  
3:00pm Sm Group Bible Study

### TUESDAY (5/23)

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 (5/24)

7:00pm HS Baccalaureate

### THURSDAY (5/25)

### FRIDAY (5/26)

9:00am Bethesda

### SATURDAY (5/27)

6:30pm Worship

### SUNDAY (5/28)

8:30am Worship  
10:30am Worship/Communion

### MONDAY (5/29)

OFFICE CLOSED

### TUESDAY (5/30)

10:00am Staff Meeting  
6:30pm Promise Keepers

### WEDNESDAY (5/31)

### THURSDAY (6/1)

### FRIDAY (6/2)

### SATURDAY (6/3)

6:30pm Worship/Communion

**JOB POSTING:** We are seeking applicants for a part-time office position, 20-30 hrs/wk; to include covering the front office, publications and social media. Possible time share position. Please see Sue Kroyer in the Church office for more information.

If you are a **Thrivent** member, you may be eligible to request a Community Impact Card for a grant of up to \$250. We could still use Thrivent cards for a couple of the Summer Concerts or for VBS. Talk to your Thrivent agent or you can make application online. Any questions, contact the Church office.

**FARM FRESH EGGS** AVAILABLE IN THE PEACE CENTER BETWEEN SERVICES \$4.00/DOZ. Proceeds to the 7-year debt reduction initiative (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**

Justin Nass has been a lifelong member at Peace Lutheran and was diagnosed with ALS in 2021. Since then his mobility and independence have been and will continue to decline. A benefit is being held on June 10th at Cedar Mills Gun Club from 2pm to midnight in his honor. Please come out and join us for trap shooting, large silent auction, bake sale, food, kids carnival, games, music and to show Justin and his family love and support. There is a toy drive being held to support the kids carnival at the benefit. If you have it in your heart, donate an unopened toy. The toys will be used in the silent auction and for carnival prizes at the benefit. There is a box located in the Commons Area for donations thru May 31st. In addition, if you have items to donate to the silent auction or would like to make a monetary donation, please bring them to the Church office by May 31st.