

# MESSENGER OF PEACE

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

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#### From Pastor's Desk: WHAT ABOUT YOU?

He (Jesus) said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' 'You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God!' Matthew 16:15-16.

"I appeal to you therefore, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind... Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them." Romans 12:1-2, 6. We are at the start of an exciting new chapter here at Peace Lutheran. Things are happening; things are falling into place.

The only question remains, "Who will be part of this story?" What about you, what will you say and do? What will be your part, contribution, commitment? I think of Joshua when he says, "But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord!" Joshua 24:15b.

There is a **special report on Sunday, September 10** after the late service. I encourage you to attend after all the festivities of **Rally Sunday.** Hear about what is happening, what is planned, and what we believe God is calling us to do in ministry as we go forward in God's love and grace!

It is possible that we may soon be able to start collecting names for consideration on our pastoral call list!

We are working to soon reopen the Peace Place to help us in our efforts to again expand our youth ministry. Several have stepped up, in this area of ministry and in others.

More volunteers are needed. Will you be one of them?

We are moving forward with our Sunday School, Bible Class and Confirmation offerings.

I will meet with the confirmation parents on Sept 6. I will be teaching the 7th and 8th grade class. Paul Otte will teach the 6th grade class. There will be great opportunities for fellowship, sharing and learning. What is done with those opportunities will depend greatly on the students and their parents. Of course, I will expect much, but I will also trust much, trusting the students to make their very best effort. I will help them grow in confidence that they can handle any question that this world will toss at them!

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### **Peace Worship Times**

SATURDAY:

6:30 PM Sanctuary

**SUNDAY:** 

8:30am - Sanctuary

10:30am Peace Center

#### **ONLINE WORSHIP**

Livestream
Plchutch.org Watch Live at
8:30 am

Facebook Live www.facebook.com/Hutchinson.

YouTube www.youtube.com

Peace Hutchinson MN

\*Channel 10 with Nuvera
\*Channel 8 with Mediacom
Sunday 7 pm and 10 pm

Wednesday 5 pm Thursday 10 am

Office Hours: Monday and Friday 9-noon Tues, Wed, Thurs 9 - 4 Please note, ANYONE NOT YET CONFIRMED, or not yet baptized: if you want to become a confirmed member of Peace, I will work with you. Let me know and I will share with you some of the options I am putting together.

We are looking closely at:

- ways to again have Christian childcare ministry on our site;
- We are pursuing paths to again call a DCE or have a DCE intern with us by next summer;
- A key question will be our continuing progress on quickly paying down our debt (reducing our interest costs) and our willingness to commit the first fruits of our financial blessings.

This, all so that we can, in confidence, put together the financial ministry support plan needed to support our called and contracted church workers and also cover all the other costs of maintaining our wonderful campus and doing all the work and ministry to which God has called us. I am all in, totally on board with this effort. I am excited about progress that we have made!

#### The key question is you, what about you?

Will you (and members of your family and your friends) be part of this effort? Do not sit back to 'see what happens'. Rather, I encourage you to step up, be the person God has called and gifted you to be! Use your gifts in service to the Lord here at Peace, and let us together experience ALL that God has in mind for us!

With your words, actions and commitment.... Make clear to the world about "Who do you say that Jesus is! "Be a living sacrifice", a total dedicated child of God in Christ Jesus, eager to serve, eager to do what is good for the sake of your family, your church, your community, and your world!

We can feel alone at time, even as Christians. Like Elijah, who was afraid and felt all alone, even after God had performed a great miracle. We also can be afraid and wonder, "What's the point of trying?" But just like Elijah, God also assures us that He is with us and still has a place for us within the work of His kingdom. (Kings 18-19).

Just this morning I read an article in my Fox morning news feed: (I share excerpts because I was amazed that such a great, encouraging Christian article was part of the 'regular' news. This reminded me that folks still care, still listen, and we can still make a difference as Christians, as members and friends of Peace.)

Is <u>heaven real? Pastor reveals faith-filled response as people ponder 'the truth' about 'paradise'</u> by Maureen Mackey Fox News, Published August 29, 2023 7:45am EDT Maureen Mackey is managing editor of Lifestyle for Fox News Digital:

Pastor Jesse Bradley of Grace Community Church outside Seattle, Washington, shared his thoughts and reflections on the question, "What is heaven really like and how do we know?" First, he said, "heaven includes both mystery and clarity." "No mind can fully conceive all of the goodness God has designed for us. It is far beyond all that we could ask, think or even imagine."...So "what is the truth about paradise?" Pastor Bradley made three key points in comments shared with Fox News Digital...

Heaven is real. "The Bible states that our citizenship is in heaven (*Philippians 3:20,*"..." Heaven is our home (2 Corinthians 5:8); he went on. "Jesus has prepared a place for us and will return and take us there (John 14:1-6). God made heaven"... Said Bradley, "The most well-known verse in the Bible is John 3:16: 'For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life."

**Next...Heaven is eternal**. ... ..Bradley said, "God is faithful and keeps all of His promises. Heaven is not a cruel bluff or a placebo effect. Heaven is our deep longing." Bradley quoted C.S. Lewis: "If I find in myself a desire which no experience in this world can satisfy, the most probable explanation is that I was made for another world." also, the Bible says, "we are not of this world (John 17:16.")....

And Finally...Heaven is personal. "Jesus is making all things new," Bradley counseled. "There will be no more crying, pain, temptation, sin, demons or death in heaven (Revelation 21:4-5)," he said. "We will receive resurrected bodies and be reunited with loved ones in perfect relationships and unity (1Cor.15)."

In Christ,

Pastor Meyer

## Attention! Attention!

# CONGREGATIONAL MEETING SUNDAY <u>SEPTEMBER 10</u> AFTER 10:30 SERVICE

The transition task force committee has been busy preparing a Congregational Profile Report to present to the congregation. Once approved by you, this report will be used by the Call Committee in calling a permanent pastor for Peace Lutheran Church.

The report will give readers a description of our church. It will provide a brief history of Peace Lutheran, identify our mission and vision, and our current strengths and opportunities for improvement as identified by Peace members in the Fireside Chats.

Committee members are happy to talk with you about our process. Feel free to contact a committee member with any questions you might have.

Members include: Robert Sylvester, Sara Peterson, Renae McKimm, Wayne Vinkemeier, Cyndy Fallon, Annette Kohler, Missy Kohls, Mary Haag, Jerry Haag, Scott Haag, and Lynn Brown.

## "Redefining Balance" Support Group for Older Adults

From Lutheran Social Services of Minnesota:

Your life matters! Aging creates a unique set of circumstances for older adults, such as loss, pain and regret, and physical deterioration that can give rise to a unique sense of disconnection from the world. If you are experiencing this, please consider joining the Redefining Balance Support Group.

You will receive Information, Training, Tools, and Resources to cope with growing older and approaching the end of life.

You will discuss experiences in a safe space and build a supportive network by connecting with others.

This group is offered for older adults age 60 and older.

You can learn more by contacting Kim Brehmer and 320.221.3747 or emailing her at Kim.Brehmer@lssmn.org

The local group which meets the first Thursday of each month at the Harmony River Community Room, 1555 Sherwood St SE, in Hutchinson. They meet from 3-4:30pm.

#### **AVAILABLE IN THE LIBRARY**

The church library has several bible studies that are worth looking into for your small group:

"Be Thou My Guide a Bible Study on Trusting God" by Margo Heath-Dupre;

"Golden Fruit: Living the Fruit of the Spirit Through the Best Times of Your Life" by Julie Hale Maschhoff.

"Will the Real Jesus Please Stand Up? 12 False Christs" by Matthew Richards;

"Meant for Good: A Study of Joseph", by Donna Snow.

<u>"Your Sacred Yes: Trading Life – Draining Obligation for Freedom, Passion and Joy"</u>, by Susie Larson.

If you have questions about these studies or others, Cyndy Fallon would be happy to help you. Her phone number is 320-587-5517.

#### SEPTEMBER SERVICE VOLUNTEERS

#### **USHERS**

Saturday 6:30pm

Kevin & Gloriann Heikes SEPT 2

SEPT 9 Dick & Corinne Higgins

Rhonda Tronick & SEPT 16

Kathy Hochsprung

Dean & Lisa Kirchoff SEPT 23

**Sunday—8:30** 

Team 5 Team 6

Travis Brecht Dale Froemming

Dale Schumann Brad Havemeier

Robbie Peterson Gary Havemeier

Ethan Kaufmann Ross Peterson

Roger Kaufmann Wayne Vinkemeier

#### **GREETERS SUNDAY**

8:30AM

SEPT 3 Gloria Janicke and Ruby Thran

Hazel Sitz and Gwen Wichman SEPT 10

SEPT 17 Glen and Marith Witte

Barb Otte and Margo Kaping SEPT 24

10:30AM

SEPT 3 John and Linda Kalenberg

Elvern Mickle SEPT 10

SEPT 17 Mary and Jerry Haag

SEPT 24 Hazel Sitz

#### **READERS**

SATURDAY 6:30pm

Herb Kuehl SEPT 2

SEPT 9 Corinne Higgins

SEPT 16 Jim Warnke

Annette Koehler SEPT 23

SEPT 30 Joanne Keilen

#### **SUNDAY 8:30AM**

SEPT 3 Darlyn Egge

Margo Kaping SEPT 10

**SEPT 17** Mary Haag

**SEPT 24** Lynn Brown

#### SUNDAY 10:30AM

Phyllis Hecht SEPT 3

Sara Peterson SEPT 10

SEPT 17 Anita Miller

Heidi Sickmann SEPT 24

#### **OFFICIAL ACTS**

**FUNERALS** 

August 11 Sloan Buchanan, age 4 months,

passed July 27

Jean Cassens, age 79 years, passed August 17

August 14th

August 19 Dennis Getz, age 67 years, passed

August 17

August 25 Norman Johnson, age 87, passed

August 21

Doug Peterson, age 82, passed August 28

August 23

#### **MEMORIALS**

Juanita Buss

\$ 40

Jean Cassens

\$ 50 to Parish Health

\$100 to Abelight (Bethesda)

\$ 55 to LWML

\$ 25 TTNG

#### RECENT TRANSFERS

None

#### **Baptisms**

None

#### FINANCIAL REPORT 01/01/2023 - 07/31/2023

#### INCOME

GEN REVENUE FUND 637,677.69 7,225.00 DEDICATED REVENUE 14.189.06 BUILDING REVENUE CEMETERY REVENUE 1.321.76

#### TOTAL INCOME

660,413.51

#### **EXPENSE**

GEN FUND EXPENSE 393,310.94 DEDICATED EXPENSE 8,883.55 **BUILDING EXPENSE** 3.626.00 **CEMETERY EXPENSE** 0

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TOTAL EXPENSE

405,820.49

LCEF LOAN PRINCIPLE.....281,181.88

TOTAL CASH FLOW..... -26,588.86

#### **CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION**

There will be a meeting for 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students on Wednesday, September 6, at 6:00pm.

CLASSES WILL BEGIN ON SEPTEMBER 13 and are scheduled to meet after school this year. Exact times will be determined based on busing schedules, but approximately 2:45 to 4:30. Contact Pastor Meyer or Paul Otte with any questions.

The classes at Peace provide an opportunity for students in grades 6-8 to continue their spiritual journey so that they may come to have a greater understanding of the Bible and Luther's Catechism in their daily lives. Please let us know if you did not receive a letter about signing up for confirmation!

#### **CONFIRMATION MENTORS**

If you would like to work with the youth who are working towards their confirmation, please volunteer to be a mentor!

Call the church office if you are interested.

**YOUTH ADVISORY GROUP** met on August 27<sup>th</sup> with Pastor Meyer.

If you are interested in participating or learning more, please call the office.

## MISSION SEWING FOR YOUNG SEWING STUDENTS

We plan to begin another sewing program for students in 4th grade and older. We will meet on the first and third Tuesdays after school.

Last year we made items for the layettes/baby kits. We plan on doing the same this year. You will learn to cut patterns, do some hand sewing, machine hemming, machine sewing, and learn the basics of sewing machines.

If this is something you think you might enjoy, please sign up online or contact Lynn Brown or Shirley Wurdell. We look forward to more time together!

#### RELEASE TIME

Beginning late October on Wednesday mornings. Children will be released from school for one hour for religious education. More information will be coming.

#### HERE COMES SUNDAY FUNDAY!

A new Rally Day Fun Day will be Sunday, September 10, at 9:40am for Sunday School Children and youth, with Family Worship at 10:30am.

Students will meet their teachers and enjoy some fun and games! We encourage all kids to bring friends!

**REGISTER ONLINE** at plchutch.org or complete a form in the church office if you need to register your child. This helps us prepare the correct number of materials.

All programs are free. Non-members and guests are always welcome.

Sunday School classes will begin on **Sunday**, **September 17 at 9:40am**. We will be studying stories from the Bible, beginning with Creation and ending with Pentecost. Each week, students will learn about their God who love them. We will also be singing for worship once per month.

Lessons can be found at:

http://lutheransundayschool.org.

Sept 17: Creation

Sept 24: The Fall into Sin

October 1: Noah and the Flood
October 8: Joseph Sold into Slavery

October 15: Joseph's Brothers Come to Egypt

Again

October 22: The Plagues October 29: Reformation

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSION 2023-24

This year's Fall 2023 mission project for Sunday School children will the Orphan Grain Train. (We will NOT be doing the Operation Christmas Child boxes this year.)

We will be collecting undies and socks (all sizes, they must be NEW) and stuffed animal in excellent condition and cleaned. Sunday School offerings will also go toward OGT.

A Sunday School Teacher's Meeting is Thursday, September 7, at 4:45pm.

#### JOIN A WORSHIP TEAM!

#### **AUDIO-VIDEO TEAMS**

Thank you to our volunteers who live stream and record our services for HCVN!

Volunteers rotate Sundays, and training is available. Please contact Dr. Joan for more information.

This is a great service opportunity for families with children who enjoy computers!

#### **HOSANNA HANDBELLS**

Rehearsals will begin on September 13 at 6:30 in the music room.

If you are interested in ringing, please contact Dr. Joan.



#### **PRAYZ TEAMS**

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.

Rehearsal times are flexible.

#### **Tiger Tweens**

Join us for an afterschool group for grades 4-5

Peace volunteers will meet students at "the rock" at 3:20.

We'll have snacks, play games, sing, spend time in the Word.

Sign up online or fill out registration form at the help desk in the Commons.

#### NEW!

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#### YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Please join us in rooms 207-209 on Sunday mornings for a time of fellowship and bible study with young adults and parents. Coffee and treats will be available.

We look forward to this NEW opportunity for young families to connect.

#### SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY

9:40 Peace Center

Pastor Meyer's Sunday Morning Bible Study (with food and drink for all).

We will begin with prayer requests, have brief prayers, and then he will lead us through the Bible Readings of the Day, while addressing any questions that are on your heart.

#### LUNCH AND WORD OF GOD

Please join us every Wednesday beginning on September 27.

Serving begins at 11:45am and Bible study begins at 12:20pm.

This traditional Bible study continues through meaningful scripture and life application.

The cost of the lunch is funded through free-will offering.

# HAY (Hutchinson Area Youth) VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for Thursday free lunches at Crosspoint Church.

Peace hosts at Crosspoint on October 5, December 21, Feb 22, and May 24. Volunteers are needed from 8:30 to 12:30.

If you would like to help with this ministry, please contact the church office at 587-3031.

Present: Pastor Meyer, John Lietz, Shirley Uldbjerg, Melissa Weckwerth, Kathy Hochsprung, Wayne Vinkemeier, Justin Evenson, Sue Kroyer, Chuck Jones, Kim Borka, Barb Otte, Dean Kirchoff, Becky Kobow.

Welcome

Opening prayer by Pastor Meyer

Approve Minutes from 6-13-23. Motion by Kathy to approve minutes with changes. Second by Shirley. Motion carried.

Make appointments to the Church Council to fill the vacancies created by the resignation of Council President, Steve Wick, and At Large Council Member, Brad Wick.

Motion by Chuck to approve Melissa Weckwerth as the Council President, Second by Barb. Motion carried.

Pastor's report. Pastor updated the council on events he is working on within the church and community.

Administrator's Report: Sue shared updates with garage sale information, which made \$6703. Lisa Kirchoff is now retired. New hire, Cindy, is assisting with office duties.

Treasurer's Report: Justin shared the audit update which will be completed by August Council meeting. Motion by Barb to accept treasurer's financial report. Seconded by Chuck. Motion carried.

Trustee's report: No report.

Board of Elders Report: Wayne shared that discussion has taken place about members who give electronically to be able to put a paper in the offering plate each week so that it could be blessed even though their giving was done online. Discussion of having greeters at various doors for each service.

Discussion on agenda for July 23<sup>rd</sup> Special Congregational Meeting.

Motion by Barb to adjourn. Second by Shirley. Adjourn at 8:43pm

Closing: Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Borka Church Council Secretary Melissa Weckwerth Church Council President

## Peace Lutheran Church Special Voters' Meeting July 23, 2023

11:45am

Welcome.

Opening prayer by Pastor Meyer.

Confirmation of appointments of Council.

Council President: Melissa Weckwerth, expiring January 2024. Passed. Council At Large Member: Den Kirchoff, expiring January 2025. Passed Council at Large Member: Becky Kobow, expiring January 2024. Passed.

Treasurer's Report: Justin Evenson shared that giving is up by 27%. PLC's budget is at or below budget from last year.

The seven year loan initiative has already met is \$140,000 goal. It is currently at \$146,752.45, and \$140,000 will be matched by the Congregational Fund.

Pastor Meyer shared updates.

Trustee Report: Justing shared the updates on the Main Building, PLC Cemetery, and Peace Place. Vote by hand was taken for approval of repairing Peace Place.

Estate Planning: Kurt Fuhr from LCMS will be working with PLC to present information on this to the congregation on October 25, 2023. Please watch for upcoming information.

Questions and answers.

Meeting adjourned at 12:52pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Borka Council Secretary Melissa Weckwerth Council President



## Lutheran Women in Mission

The September
"Mission of the Month"
is LCMS Disaster Relief.
This ministry responds to immediate and long-term needs
following natural and man-

made disasters. Drop your donation in the "Mission of the Month" boxes. Thank you!

The Fall LWML Women's Retreat at Camp Omega is on September 15 and 16. Complete details are available at <a href="https://www.mnslwml.org/2023 district retreat">www.mnslwml.org/2023 district retreat</a> and on the LWML bulletin board in the ramp area.

Save the date of October 7, 2023 for the **LWML** Crow River Conference Rally to be held at St. Paul's Lutheran in Lester Prairie. More details will be available in the coming months.

## FACTS AND FIGURES FROM THE LWML CONVENTION:

During several servant events at the Convention:

- over 50,000 meals and 566 backpacks with school supplies were packed for Orphan Grain Train;
- 1,167 Braille books and calendars were assembled for Lutheran Braille Workers; hundreds of cards were written to missionaries and military personnel;
- fleece blankets and cards were made for Phil's Friends for cancer patients;
- A golf outing raised over \$35,000 toward the Mission Goal,
- A Mission Walk raised over \$100,000 toward the Mission Goal. There were 4 convention offerings that were collected each day. The Mission Goal offering collected \$54,922. The other 3 offerings for Lutheran mission organizations raised \$52,269.

A monthly **Mite Challenge calendar** is available on the National LWML website or you may pick one up by the LWML bulletin board.

On September 12<sup>th</sup>, Lutheran Women in Mission are celebrating our annual day of giving known as **SEPTEMBER TO REMEMBER**.

This is the day to donate to the Mission Goal in honor of someone who has made a difference in your life. Every dollar will go directly to the mission grants selected at the convention in Milwaukee.

#### **Table Treasures**

The Women of Peace have been invited to Table Treasures at Our Saviors Church on Sept. 23 at 10:30am to view the tables, with lunch served at 11:00am.

The speaker will be Scott Gottschalk, motivational speaker.

If you would like to attend, please contact Nona Anderson at 587-3141 by Sept 15. The ticket price will be around \$15.

#### PRINCE OF PEACE

The end of summer is upon us, kids are back in school, and the leaves are starting to change.

Oh how I love that in Minnesota we get to enjoy the beauty of all 4 seasons, especially the fall

colors, apple picking, and all of the fun that comes with pumpkins!

I'm happy to say we had a successful Jamming with Jesus event in August.

We enjoyed singing, visiting, and cooling down with some ice cream!

Thank you to all of our volunteers who came to help with setting up, serving, and cleaning up.

Blessings,
Destini Doring
Executive Director
Prince of Peace Retirement Living
www.poprl.org

Farm Fresh Eggs are available for \$4 a dozen. Proceeds will go to the 7-year debt reduction initiative.

These beautiful naturally-colored eggs are from Michelle Jones' Easter Egger chickens.

Check in the Peace Center between Sunday Church services, or they are available in the office during the week.

# Praise the Lord for His gifts to Peace Lutheran Church!

You will recognize the processional cross that

has been in our church for 40 or 50 years now.



It was created by **Artist Dr. Ben Marxhausen**, a professor at Concordia University in St. Paul.

Dr Marxhausen passed away this summer.

His obituary may be found at : <a href="https://kleinfh.com/obituary/benjamin-marxhausen">https://kleinfh.com/obituary/benjamin-marxhausen</a>.

#### BLOODMOBILE

The Bloodmobile is here **Tuesday**, **September 12**, from noon until 6pm in the Peace Center.

Appointments can be made online at redcrossblood.org or by calling Shirley W. at 320-587-5064

#### IF YOU ARE A THRIVENT MEMBER

If you have a Thrivent policy you are eligible for up to two grants of up to \$250 each per calendar year for a variety of projects.

If you have never applied for these or if you have extra grants available, please contact us and we can help.

They do not cost you anything and they are lost at the end of the year if not claimed.

Parish Health does not receive funding from the church budget. We have a couple of projects coming up and we could use Thrivent grants to cover the expenses.

Please talk to Shirley at 320-587-5064 if you have any questions.



#### KIDNEY DONOR NEEDED!

One of our members, **Jeff Beadeli**, is at Stage 4 Kidney Failure. He has inherited polycystic kidney disease (PKD) from his father and is in need of a living kidney donor for a transplant.

Because Jeff served in the US Coast Guard and is a veteran, anyone willing to donate will have all costs involved in the operation, including air travel from and hotel stay, paid for by the Veterans Administration.

If you or anyone you know might be interested in helping Jeff, **please call Elizabeth Schultz at 412-360-1729** (Transplant Coordinator Kidney and Liver Transplant Program) at the VA Pittsburg Healthcare System to find out how to proceed.

Please be sure to tell them that it is for Transplant Recipient 9613.

# DO YOU HAVE CHANGES ON YOUR PHONE NUMBERS, EMAILS, OR ADDRESSES?

<u>PLEASE</u> let us know if your landlines are defunct, cell phone numbers have changed, email addresses have changed ,or if you have moved.

Email the office at <a href="mailto:peacelutheran.comm@gmail.com">peacelutheran.comm@gmail.com</a> or phone us at 320-587-3031.

#### **COMMON CUP**

Please contribute to Common Cup by donating Easy Mac individual meals and Peanut Butter-to-go packages for the **School Back Pack program**. These can be put in the shopping cart.

Thank you to those who supported the Back-to-School supplies drive, Backpack Program, and Diaper Drive through donations, monetary gifts, and prayers.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

## SEPTEMBER PRAYER CALENDAR

- 1. Dear Lord, Thank you for the gift of another day and month. May I use it wisely all for your glory.
- 2. Thank you, Lord, for the talents of those serving on our Youth Advisory Board.
- 3. Dear God, We thank you for Pastor Meyer's compassion, wisdom, and patience as he leads us in calling our next resident Pastor.
- .4. God, I pray my work might enable others to see the blessings that flow from being your child.
- 5. I thank you, Lord for our dedicated staff as they support our vision: "We are a loving community, called by God's grace, that all now the peace of God."
- 6. I pray for your blessings upon our confirmation students and families
- 7. I pray the Holy Spirit uplift our Sunday School teachers to help our children understand God's love for all.
- 8. I pray for Your healing touch to be upon me and fill my heart with Your powerful love.
- 9. I pray, help me to advance your kingdom and give me the grace to be a worthy example to others.
- 10. I pray that Rally Sunday instills in us the importance of sharing and studying God's word.
- 11. Dear God, thank you for granting us your never-ending mercy, and forgiveness made possible by the gift of your Son and our Savior Jesus Christ.
- 12. I pray for a continued sense of purpose and fulfillment that grows from serving others.
- 13. Dear God, thank you for the handbell choir's ability to enrich our worship services.
- 14. Dear Lord, Bless me with the courage to forgive others that I may truly love my neighbor as myself.
- 15. I pray for strength to follow your example as your disciple.
- 16. Lord, please give me the strength to choose to forgive in the same way You have forgiven me.
- 17. Dear Lord, let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. **Galatians 6:9**
- 18. Dear Lord, Grant me the wisdom to be slow to anger as human anger does not produce the righteousness God desires. **James 1:19**
- 19. Purify my heart Father and allow the word to become active in my life. (Joshua 1:8)
- 20. I pray that I might... "Be kind to one another tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you." **Ephesians 4:32**
- 21. Lord, please grant me the strength that comes for following your Word.
- 22. Dear Lord, give me the strength to persevere in my faith so I might be a blessing to my family, friends, and community.
- 23. I pray to have a servant's heart eager to serve others.
- 24. I pray to trust in the lord with all my heart, soul, and mind.
- 25. Dear Lord, may I be your disciple and follow you in every thought, word, and deed.
- 26. Lord, I pray, help me hold fast to Your truth, and commandments.
- 27. Dear Lord, I desire to have a heart that yearns for the things that please you and bring you delight. **Jeremiah 29:13**
- 28. Dear God, help me to abide in you so that you might abide in me and bring glory to your name.
- · 29. "Do not be anxious about anything but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, present your request to God." **Phil 4:6,7**
- 30. Thank you, Lord, for your servants, serving our congregation and community at today's Fish Fry.

Pastor Glenn Meyer 402-580-2929 Pastor Gerhard Bode 320-587-3031 Pastor Layton Lemke 952-467-4496

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Friday	,—	ω	<u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>	22 9:00 Ablelight Thrift Shop	No school
Thursday		7 4:45 Sunday School teachers' meeting	6:00PM Church Council/Elders Transition Task Force/District meeting	21 6:30 Trustees	28
Wednesday		6:00 Confirmation Orientation	13 (6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Gr.) 6:30 Handbells	8:30 Parish Health Mtg 2:45 Confirmation 6:30 Handbells	27 11:45 Lunch/Bible Study 2:45 Confirmation 2:45 Youth Group (gr 4-5) 6:30 Handbells
Tuesday		8:30am Transition Taskforce Meeting 10:00 POP Bible Study 10:00 Dorcas Exec. Bd 10am Women's Bible Study 6:30 Promise Keepers	12 10:00 POP Bible Study 10am Women's Bible Study 12-6 Bloodmobile 6:30 Promise Keepers 6:30 Church Council	19 10:00 POP Bible Study 10am Women's Bible Study 3:00 Proverbs Bible Study Rm 210 6:30 Promise Keepers	26 10:00 POP Bible Study 10am Women's Bible Study 11:45 Bible Study/Lunch 3:00 Proverbs Bible Study 6:30 Promise Keepers
Monday		Office Closed Labor Day	11 Pastor Lemke visitation	18 9:00 Body & Soul 1 – 5 Driver Improve Course	9:00 Body & Soul
Sunday		3 8:30 Worship/Communion 9:40 Adult bible study 10:30 Worship	Rally Sunday Fun Day! 8:30 Worship 9:40 Sunday School/Funday 9:40 Adult Bible Study 10:30 Worship/Communion 11:40am Transition Taskforce Report ALL CONGREGATIONAL	8:30 Worship w/communion 9:40 Sunday School 9:40 Adult Bible Study 10:30 Worship	8:30 Worship 9:40 Sunday School 9:40 Adult Bible Study 10:30 Worship/Communion

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## FIRST ANNUAL! FALL FISH FRY!!

Saturday September 30 11am – 5pm or until the fish runs out!

**Menu**: Fried Fish, au Gratin Potatoes, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Dessert table, Beverage

Each meal \$16.



Eat in or carry out available.

DO YOU HAVE A FEW EXTRA HOURS TO HELP AT THE FISH FRY? Many shifts and a variety of jobs available! Contact the Church office at 320-587-3031 or sign up in the Commons Area.