

Peace Lutheran Church



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

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

PASTOR: Glenn Meyer
Elders:
Saturday 6:30 pm Brad Havemeier
Sunday 8:30am Matthew Markgraf
Sunday 10:30am Robbie Peterson, Dale Schumann
Acolytes:
Sunday 8:30am Lillian Fromm, Aidan Fromm
Greeters:
Sunday 8:30am Hazel Sitz, Gwen Wichman
Sunday 10:30am Elvern Mickle

FINALLY—THE FIRST NUMBER ON OUR BUILDING DEBT BALANCE HAS BEEN REDUCED TO A “1” ! WE RECENTLY RECEIVED A \$71,900 MATCHING PAYMENT FROM THE CONGREGATIONAL FUND THAT HAS BEEN APPLIED TO THIS DEBT. WE ARE ON TRACK TO CHANGE THAT SECOND NUMBER TO AN “8” BY YEAR END! WELL DONE!

Unfortunately, both of our live streaming computers crashed this month and have been undergoing extensive hardware and software repairs. We are deeply appreciative to Kevin Schmuhl for his many hours of troubleshooting and repair work. Please be patient as we work to get things back up and running.

If you are able to serve as a confirmation mentor after school on Wednesdays (2:45-4:30pm), please contact the Church office ASAP. Also, there is an option for Saturday classes for students unable to attend on Wednesdays. Contact Pastor Meyer.

Check out the donation board by the Peace Center Looking for snacks for our Youth—Sunday School, Confirmation, Release Time. Thanks for your help.

We have won Hutchinson Leader's annual “Best of Hutchinson” in the category of FAVORITE CHURCH DINNER AND FISH FRY! WAY TO GO! WE COULDN'T HAVE DONE THIS WITHOUT ALL OF OUR AMAZING VOLUNTEERS! THANK YOU!!!

We would like to thank all who helped this last year with Jean's battle with cancer. The smiles, hugs, cards, food, companionship and unconditional love will always be remembered. The Jean Cassens' Family

Peace Lutheran Women in Mission—The September “Mission of the Month” is LCMS Disaster Relief.. This organization responds to immediate and long term needs from natural and man-made disasters. If you would like to donate to this mission, drop your donation in one of the “Mission of the Month” boxes. Thank you.

The women of Peace have been invited to Table Treasures at Our Saviors church on Sept 23rd 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. Ticket price will be around \$15.00

Update on Sam Schumann: God gave Sam a NEW HEART on Wed, June 14th! He is now recovering at home & looking forward to doing normal stuff with no medical backpack, and being back to school—he is in 7th grade. Thank you for all your prayers. God does answer them. Please keep the prayers coming as he continues recovery. Thank You. The Schumann Family.

Lila Meyer will be interred at Fort Snelling on Sept 15th. Her family would like to invite her friends from Peace Lutheran to join them at a luncheon in her honor at noon this Friday in the Peace Center..

Current Checking Account Balances

General Fund	\$ 5,874.07	Building Fund.....	\$84,157.30
Cemetery Fund	\$ 65,603.60	Dedicated Funds	\$73,104.82

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

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

Building Debt Balance—9/1/23.....\$1,919,939.54***

Building Debt Principal paid 2023 - \$366,363.17

Debt Reduction Revenue that will be matched

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

Received to Date \$154,798.74 (111%)

Offerings Deposited 8/24-8/30

General Fund.....	\$ 11,456.69	Building Fund.....	\$ 996.04
Cemetery Fund.....	\$ 16.71	Dedicated Funds...	\$ 0.00

Please pray for Peace members

Ron Janke	Justin Nass
Rita Janke	Sandra Bach
Julie Elder	Otto Templin
Janelle Woller	Sam Schumann
Barb Ribar	Sylvia Radtke
Elaine Lewerenz	Melinda Mikolich
Angela Alsleben	Marilyn Schaffer
Etheline Clasen	Jasmine & Caius Kron
Jan Bakken	Heidi Hardel
Marjorie Huls	Bonnie Lickfelt

If you know of someone who is ill or hospitalized, or would like a pastoral visit, 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	58
Sunday 8:30pm	125
Sunday 10:30pm	52
Total	235
Boxcast	31

Looking Ahead at Peace

SUNDAY (9/10) RALLY DAY

8:30am Worship
9:40am Sunday School
9:40am Adult Bible Study
10:30am Worship /Communion
11:40am Transition Task Force
Presentation to Congregation

MONDAY (9/11)

TUESDAY (9/12)

8:30am Task Force Mtg
10:00am Women's Bible Study
10:00am LWML Exec Board
12-6pm Bloodmobile
6:30pm Promise Keepers
6:30pm Council

WEDNESDAY (9/13)

2:45pm Confirmation
6:30pm Handbells

THURSDAY (9/14)

6:00pm District Mtg W/Council
Elders & Task Force

FRIDAY (9/15)

SATURDAY (9/16)

6:30pm Worship/Communion

SUNDAY (9/17)

8:30am Worship/Communion
9:40am Sunday School
9:40am Adult Bible Study
10:30am Worship

MONDAY (9/18)

9:00am Body & Soul
1-5pm Driver Improve Class

TUESDAY (9/19)

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

WEDNESDAY (9/20)

8:30am Parish Health Mtg
2:45-4:30pm Confirmation
6:30pm Handbells

THURSDAY (9/21)

6:30pm Trustees

FRIDAY (9/22)

9:00am Ablelight

SATURDAY (9/23)

6:30pm Worship

FIREWOOD AVAILABLE—We again, have a member that has generously offered to donate & locally deliver pick-up loads of split, dried hardwood for \$200 with all proceeds going to the debt reduction initiative. Call the Church office for more info.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS—First ever Fall Fish Fry—Saturday, September 30th, 11am to 5pm We are asking all of our talented bakers to bring in their favorite dessert(s) - Any type of Sweet Treat—cakes, cupcakes, bars, cookies, pies, brownies, desserts, etc—just nothing that requires refrigeration. Our Assorted Dessert Table was a huge hit at the Spring Fish Fry. We are also, again, looking for donations of cases of bottled water. We were overwhelmed by the number of volunteers at the Spring Fish Fry and are hoping for the same response this time. If you can help all day or just a few hours—it is all appreciated. We will have a good time again and all the proceeds go to the debt reduction. There are Sign-up Sheets in the Commons Area.

FARM FRESH EGGS \$4.00/DOZ. Proceeds will go to the 7-year debt reduction initiative (these beautiful, naturally multi-colored eggs are from Michelle Jones' Easter Egger chickens. Available between/after services or stop in the Church office during the week.

We occasionally get new bandages from people after they have been healed. Right now we have extras. If you have a need of **surgical or first aid dressings** not covered by your insurance, please contact Parish Health

The Church library has several Bible studies that are worth looking into: **"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 Maschoff; **"Will the Real Jesus Please Stand Up? 12 False Christs"** by Matthew Richards; **"Meant for Good: A Study of Joseph"** by Donna Snow; **"Your Sacred Yes: Trading Life—Draining Obligation for Freedom, Passion and Joy"** by Susie Larson. If you have questions about these studies or others, Cyndy Fallon would be happy to help you. Contact her at (320) 587-5517

If you are a **Thrivent** member you are eligible for \$250 grants twice a year. Upcoming eligible events include HAY lunches, Advent lunches, Carols & Bells, Turkey dinner, Cookie sale. Call the Church office for more info.