

Peace Lutheran Church



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

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | OCTOBER 15, 2023

PASTOR: Glenn Meyer
Elders:
Saturday 6:30 Brad Havemeier, George Quast
Sunday 8:30 Kevin Buss, Matthew Markgraf
Sunday 10:30 John Lietz
Acolytes:
Saturday 6:30pm Lillian Fromm, Sierra Jenkins
Sunday 8:30am Ashby Farenbaugh-Smahel, Alexis Selle
Greeters:
Sunday 8:30am Marlene Hamblin
Sunday 10:30am John Lietz

Life is full of starts and stops, but the Lord looks at all our lives in one grand design. Our estate plans dwell in the grand design vision, instead of focusing only on the moment. Details of estate plans probably will change over time. Yet the core values are something you can get in place today. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you think and pray about the decisions. See attached flyer & plan to attend this event **THIS SUNDAY**

NEW!!! YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY Join us from 9:40-10:25am on Sundays in Rooms 207-209 for the Young Adult Bible Study, **"Balance: Living with Life's Demands"**. Balance explores the young adult issues of how to have a devotional life in the midst of the daily grind. Study books are available in class or in the Church office. This is a 14-week series. Sept 24/Oct 1: Gotta Take Care of Business; Oct 8/15: I'm So Busy!; Oct 22/29: What a Rush!; Nov 5/12: O Lord, Where Are You?; Nov 19/26: It Takes Two (or More); Dec 3/10: It's Not Fair; Jan 7/14: Justice Goes Global

LUNCH AND WORD OF GOD - Please join us every Wednesday. Luncheon serving begins at 11:45am with Bible study following at approximately 12:20pm. We will be focusing on the Book of Revelations

The Red Cross collected 124 units at their stop here at Peace this past Tuesday. Great job everyone! Besides our wonderful regular volunteers, we were again blessed with help from Ridgewater nursing students, which was fun!

Our first ever **Fall Fish Fry** was a big success with lots of positive feedback from attendees! The event was scaled down from our Annual Spring Fish Fry, and while we don't have final numbers (waiting on credit card sales), our contribution towards the debt reduction should be around \$4,000! Thank you to all of our wonderful members that donated items or time—we wouldn't be **#1** without you!

Peace Lutheran Women in Mission—The October "Mission of the Month" is Birthright. This is a non-profit charitable organization that provides support during pregnancy and after baby's birth. It is free, non-ujudgmental and confidential. Drop your donation in one of the "Mission of the Month" boxes. Thank you..

Students are asked to join us in leading the singing for the 10:30 worship service on the **FIRST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH**. Rehearsals can be arranged with Dr. Joan. Music will be simple and familiar

We served lunch to approximately 350 hungry kids thru **HAY (Hutchinson Area Youth) Ministry** on October 5th. Thank you to all of our great volunteers that helped make this a success again. Our next lunch is scheduled for December 21st. Contact Shirley Wurdell if you would be willing to help.

ADULT CHOIR—We will be practicing two Wednesdays—October 25th & November 1st at 7:30pm and we will sing on All Saints Day, Nov 5th at 8:30am. **Come & Join us!**

Common Cup Warm Coat Collection—Bring in your new or gently used coats, snow pants, waterproof mittens and boots. There is a collection box in the Commons Area. The distribution will take place on Thursday, October 19th from 9am-2pm at the Hutchinson Armory.

Release Time starts October 25th. Registration forms must be returned to the school

Flowers on the altar and the organ are from the funeral of Larry McKimm, which was held here at Peace on Thursday.

Current Checking Account Balances

General Fund	\$ 1,953.79	Building Fund.....	\$86,067.71
Cemetery Fund	\$ 66,187.76	Dedicated Funds	\$72,104.12

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.....\$1,904,887.54***

Building Debt Principal paid 2023 - \$381,415.17

Debt Reduction Revenue that will be matched

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

Received to Date \$166,925.03 (119%)

Offerings Deposited 9/28-10/4

General Fund.....	\$ 15,413.46	Building Fund.....	\$ 362.00
Cemetery Fund.....	\$ 500.00	Dedicated Funds...	\$ 0.00

Please pray for Peace members

Ron Janke	Sandra Bach
Rita Janke	Sam Schumann
Julie Elder	Sylvia Radtke
Barb Ribar	Melinda Mikolichuk
Elaine Lewerenz	Marilyn Schaffer
Etheline Clasen	Jasmine & Caius Kron
Jan Bakken	Heidi Hardel
Marjorie Huls	Bonnie Lickfelt
Justin Nass	Miles Kohls

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	60
Sunday 8:30pm	112
Sunday 10:30pm	90
Total	262
Boxcast	62
Livestream 8:30	129
Livestream 10:30	120

Looking Ahead at Peace

SUNDAY (10/15)

8:30am Worship/Communion
9:40am Sunday School
9:40am Adult Bible Studies
10:30am Worship
11:45am GIFT PLANNING

MONDAY (10/16)

1:00pm Body and Soul
1-5pm Driver Improve Part 1

TUESDAY (10/17)

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

WEDNESDAY (10/18)

8:30am Parish Health Mtg
11:45am Bible Study/Lunch
1:00pm Mission Sewing
No Youth Activities—MEA
6:30pm Handbells

THURSDAY (10/19)

6:30pm Trustees

FRIDAY (10/20)

SATURDAY (10/21)

6:30pm Worship

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1-5pm Driver Improve Part 2

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3:00pm Proverbs Bible Study
6:30pm Promise Keepers

WEDNESDAY (10/25)

9-11:00am Release Time
11:45am Bible Study/Lunch
2:45pm Confirmation
3:20pm Tiger Tweens
5-7pm Food Shelf/Trick of Treat
6:30pm Handbells
7:30pm Adult Choir

THURSDAY (10/26)

FRIDAY (10/27)

9:00am Abelight

SATURDAY (10/28)

6:30pm Worship/Communion

There was a ring found in the women's bathroom near the Peace Center last week. Contact the Church office if it is yours.

The **quilt** group has started again. We meet in the Church basement on the first, third and sometimes fifth Wednesdays of the month, from 1-3pm, Absolutely no sewing abilities needed. If you can tie your shoes, you can tie our quilts. It's a fun and productive way to have a good time and make quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Donations of large pieces of fabric and other supplies are always welcome.

COSTUMES NEEDED—We are considering a "Superhero" **VBS for 2024**. Please save your Halloween costumes, especially any superheroes. Items can be dropped off in the Church office

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES—Confirmation mentors (Wednesdays 2:45-4:30pm); phone answering in the Church office on Thursdays (am or pm shift), join a funeral lunch serving group—Contact the Church Office if you are available and would like to help.

TRICK OR TREAT FOR FOOD SHELF—Wednesday, October 25th 5-8pm. This annual event is sponsored by Hutchinson Area Youth Ministries. Peace Lutheran youth will be assigned an area & will be going door to door collecting from 5-6(ish), they will then take the donated food to St. A's after which they will return to Peace for a pizza supper. If you would be available to chauffeur some of our youth, or would like to make a monetary donation to help defray the cost of the pizza, please contact Jill Lieder or call the Church office. If you are not going to be available that evening or live outside the city limits, but would like to donate to this cause, you may drop off your items in the Church office prior to 5pm on the 25th.. Thanks for your support.

Many of you may already know **Jill Lieder** from her volunteer involvement with Confirmation and other youth events, but she has now blessed us with agreeing to join the staff at Peace. Jill will be helping in the office, with her main focus on Communications Coordination (Website, Facebook, the monthly Messenger). We would like to thank Lisa Kirchoff for coming back to again train 'her replacement' plus again helping with Confirmation. If you don't know Jill, stop in the Church office and introduce yourself and make her feel welcome.

September 22, 2023

To Peace Lutheran Church Congregation,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that a Nominating Committee has been seated and we are beginning the work of establishing the slate of candidates who will run for open seats on the Church Council and the Board of Elders. All elected positions serve two-year terms. The election will be held at the annual Voter's/Congregational Meeting on/about January 2024. The actual date for the meeting will be posted once it has been set.

The Church Council consists of a total of nine members; four officers, and five at large council members. The church council is the governing body of the Peace Lutheran Church congregation. The Church Council has the authority to enforce the Constitution and Bylaws, and develops policies as required to execute the goals approved by the Congregation.

There are five Church Council seats up for election this year. They are as follows: President, Vice President, and three At-Large seats.

The Board of Elders consists of ten male members of the Congregation who serve staggered two-year terms. The Board of Elders elects their own Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Secretary. The Board of Elders nurtures and encourages the spiritual growth of the Congregation and supervises, advises and assists the pastors in worship, preaching, congregational care, administration of the sacraments, and church discipline.

There are five Board of Elders seats up for election this year. Given that the Board of Elders elects its own officers, all seats up for election are At-Large seats.

The Nominating Committee asks you to prayerfully consider serving PLC in an elected capacity. If you are interested in doing so, please contact a member of the committee to express your interest.

Thank you and God bless you!

PLC Nominating Committee

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Provide For The People You Love And The Ministries You Care About

At your baptism the Lord gave you the gift of life. He also placed in your heart the desire to be generous with the earthly blessings He shares with you.

Lifetime Plan for Giving™ is a process offered by the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod Foundation to assist you in transferring the blessings God has given you to your family and favorite ministries in the most efficient manner.

The Lifetime Plan for Giving Workshop will cover:

- The important documents everyone should have before going to heaven.
- How the LCMS Foundation can assist you with preparing, or reviewing, a will or trust.
- Ensuring your estate is being transferred in a tax-wise manner, and in a manner which you intend.
- How giving plans are for everyone. Whether you are 18 or 98, we all possess gifts from God, and even the humblest gifts can make an impact.

LIFETIME PLAN FOR GIVING WORKSHOP

Sun., Oct. 15, 2023 @ 11:30 AM
scan the QR code to sign up:



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