

Peace Lutheran Church



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

EASTER SUNDAY / MARCH 31, 2024

PASTOR: Glenn Meyer
Elders:
Sunday 6:30am Kevin Buss, Jeff Weckwerth
Sunday 8:30am Kevin Buss, Dale Schumann
Sunday, 10:30am Marc Telecky, Wayne Vinkemeier
Greeters:
Sunday 8:30am Scott and Shannon Streich
Sunday 10:30am Jeff and Anita Miller

Peace Lutheran Women in Mission—The March “Mission of the Month” is Main Street Living. This is an LCMS liturgical church service aired on Sunday mornings on Channel 29 WFTC.. If you wish to donate to this mission, drop your donation in the “Mission of the Month” boxes. Thank you..

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, April 13th is the date for the McLeod Zone LWML Spring Rally at St. John’s in Winsted. Information is available on the LWML bulletin board in the rampway.

DEBT REDUCTION UPDATE—WE HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED THAT THE CONGREGATIONAL FUND WILL AGAIN MATCH DONATIONS (UP TO A TOTAL OF \$50,000) TOWARDS THE DEBT REDUCTION FUND!

Please pray for our 8th grade students as they begin their final steps toward their **Confirmation** on Sunday, May 5th at 10:30am (in the Sanctuary). We are also looking forward to the confirmation retreat at Camp Omega April 19-20 and hope that all of our 7th and 8th grade students will attend.

Yes, Dr. Joan Dixon did fall and fracture her wrist March 3rd prior to the 10:30 service and will be unable to play the organ until midApril. We are blessed that Paul Otte has graciously agreed to fill in. Dr. Joan will still continue to perform her multitude of other tasks here at Peace during this time and will play piano in the contemporary services.

THE ANNUAL SPRING FISH FRY WAS A HUGE SUCCESS! WE RAN OUT OF FISH BEFORE 3PM AND SERVED ALMOST 800 PEOPLE IN LESS THAN 4 HOURS! WE APOLOGIZE TO THOSE THAT WEREN'T ABLE TO GET HERE BEFORE WE RAN OUT. OUR PROFIT (INCLUDING EXTRA DONATIONS) WAS \$9,909.15 — WHICH WILL GO TOWARDS THE DEBT REDUCTION FUND & WILL BE MATCHED BY THE CONGREGATIONAL FUND! THANK YOU TO EVERYONE THAT DONATED DESSERTS AND BOTTLED WATER! THANK YOU TO EVERYONE THAT CAME AND SUPPORTED THIS CAUSE—SEE WHY WE WERE VOTED #1 LAST YEAR AND HOPEFULLY, WILL REPEAT THIS YEAR! MOST IMPORTANT—A HUGE THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR AMAZING VOLUNTEERS. THE FISH FRY TAKES A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF VOLUNTEER HOURS AND THIS EVENT IS SUCCESSFUL MAINLY BECAUSE OF YOU!!!

We are looking for volunteers to answer phones and greet visitors in the Church office on Thursdays 9:00am to 12:30pm and/or 12:30 to 4:00pm

The April-May-June **Portals of Prayer** are now available.

CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE: As mentioned in past bulletins, we've asked President Woodford to provide us additional candidates to consider. On March 8 his office advised us it may take 4-6 weeks to complete compiling background materials on the new candidates. We will let you know when we receive those materials and begin evaluating candidates. We appreciate your continued prayers that light and love of our triune God shine brightly upon and within all of us, throughout this journey. "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." Roman8:28 Lynn Brown, Scott Haag, Dean Kirchoff, Jeff Miller, Paul Otte, Melissa Weckwerth, and Bob Sylvester, Chair

EASTER SUNDAY BRUNCH—This year the Easter Sunday Brunch will include a waffle bar with various fixings/toppings, assorted pastries, fruit cups and beverages. We will be serving from 7:30 to 10:00am in the Peace Center. Freewill donation, with proceeds going to the debt reduction fund.

We will again be selling Unhinged pizzas as a fundraiser during the month of April. Order forms in the April Messenger, in the Church office or at the Commons desk. Deadline for ordering will be April 19th, This will be a fundraiser for the debt reduction fund.

Current Checking Account Balances	
General Fund	\$ 59,278.72
Building Fund.....	\$77,478.59
Cemetery Fund	\$ 65,548.39
Dedicated Funds	\$71,457.16
Gen Fund Reserve....	\$ 50,000.00
Building Debt Balance—1/1/23.....	\$2,286,302.71
Building Debt Balance—1/1/24.....	\$1,646,266.72
Building Debt Balance—3/6/24.....	\$1,553,371.61
Building Debt Principal paid in 2023	\$ 649,271.40
Building Debt Principal YTD in 2024	\$ 92,895.11
Offerings Deposited 3/21—3/26	
General Fund.....	\$ 20,767.22
Building Fund.....	\$ 875.00
Cemetery Fund.....	\$ 0.00
Dedicated Funds....	\$ 582.75

Please pray for Peace members

Ron Janke	Jasmine & Caius Kron
Rita Janke	Bonnie Lickfelt
Barb Ribar	Miles Kohls
Elaine Lewerenz	Darlene Piehl
Jan Bakken	Pat Schmidt
Marjorie Huls	Melba Lemke
Justin Nass	Shirley Zackrison
Sandra Bach	John Youngdahl
Jon & Sylvia Radtke	Joan Dixon
Melinda Mikolichek	George Quast

Looking Ahead at Peace

**SUNDAY (3/31)
EASTER**
6:30am Worship/Communion
8:30am Worship/Communion
10:30am Worship/Communion
7:30-10am Easter Brunch
No Sunday School/Bible Study

MONDAY (4/1)
10:00am Prayer Chain
1:00pm Body and Soul
1-5pm Driver Improve Class

TUESDAY (4/2)
10:00am POP Bible Study
10:00am Womens Bible Study
3:00pm Proverbs Bible Study
3:30pm Youth Sewing
6:30pm Promise Keepers
6:30pm Elders

WEDNESDAY (4/3)
11:45am Lunch/Bible Study
1:00pm Mission Sewing
2:30pm Confirmation
3:30 Tiger Tweens

THURSDAY (4/4)

FRIDAY (4/5)

SATURDAY (4/6)
6:30pm Worship/Communion

SUNDAY (4/7)
8:30am Worship/Communion
9:30-10:30 Lemke Reception
9:40am Sunday School
No Bible Study
10:30am Worship

MONDAY (4/8)
1:00pm Body and Soul

TUESDAY (4/9)
10:00am POP Bible Study
10:00am Womens Bible Study
12-6 Bloodmobile
3:00pm Proverbs Bible Study
6:30pm Promise Keepers

WEDNESDAY (4/10)
8:30am Parish Health
11:45am Lunch/Bible Study
2:30pm Confirmation
3:30pm Tiger Tweens
6:30pm Handbells

THURSDAY (4/11)
6:30pm Council

FRIDAY (4/12)

SATURDAY (4/13)
6:30pm Worship

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	81
Sunday 8:30am	180
Sunday 10:30am	57
Thursday 11:30am	109
Thursday 6:30pm	83
Friday 12:00noon	110
Friday 6: 30	683
Online	446

Baby Kits (Layettes) - We need the following: Tshirts 6-24 mo, special 6-12 mo (can use onesies, but have to cut them off and sew bottoms), sleepers 6-24 mo (we can sub a shirt/pant set & pin them together), hand towels (15-18" X 25-30", dark colors) flannel sheets (for making blankets). New or gently used items only—no stains, flags, camouflage, holiday themes) **NO FLEECE!** Drop off items at the Church office.. Thank You.

Quilters—Need sheets/blankets/large pieces of fabric Also need good quality fabric which is used for the tops.

Thrivent members may request two \$250.00/each grant cards per year that can be utilized here at Church. There are many upcoming events that qualify for these cards. Please contact Sue in the Church office

There are copies of the **2023 Annual Report** in the Office, at the Commons Desk, and in the wall racks by the Peace Center entrance and in the Narthex. **2024 Offering Envelopes** and **2023 Offering Statements** are available to pickup in the rampway.

LAST CALL FOR FIREWOOD FOR THE SEASON—We have one more pick-up load of dried, mixed hardwood available. Even with the mild weather we have been having, there still will probably be some 'fireplace nights' yet—or time to start planning for those Spring campfires. \$200 for the load—includes delivery (within 10 miles of Hutch). The \$200 will be donated to the debt reduction fund.

NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 7TH, WE WILL HOST A RECEPTION FOR PASTOR LAYTON LEMKE IN RECOGNITION OF HIS OVER 23 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO PEACE LUTHERAN AS OUR VISITATIONAL PASTOR. PLEASE COME SAY THANK YOU TO HIM AND JOIN US FOR CAKE AND FELLOWSHIP BETWEEN SERVICES (9:30-10:30AM)