

Peace Lutheran Church



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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER / APRIL 21, 2024

PASTOR: Glenn Meyer
Elders:
Saturday 6:30pm Brad Havemeier, Marc Telecky
Sunday 8:30am Kevin Buss, Paul Otte
Sunday, 10:30am Dale Schumann
Acolytes:
Saturday 6:30pm
Sunday 8:30am Keira Plath, Lily Demere
Greeters:
Sunday 8:30am Broden and Jenny Demere
Sunday 10:30am Gloria Janicke

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).

Confirmation cards are available in the LWML Card Shop

Four of our eighth graders and three of our seventh graders attended the Confirmation Retreat at Camp Omega on April 19-20. They joined 41 other youth from the South District. Thank you to the LWML for their financial support and thank you to the four adult volunteers who accompanied the youth.

VBS VOLUNTEERS—Please see Dr. Joan if you are willing to assist with VBS again this year! We were blessed with outstanding help last year and are grateful for your generous support of this important week of Bible study and fun! June 3-7 from 9:00am-11:30am

The Red Cross collected 130 units at their stop here at Peace this past Tuesday. We would like to thank everyone involved.

Many thanks to Paul Otte for his faithful service, playing organ for the past six weeks! We are blessed by his talents and dedication. Thank you also for your many prayers for Dr. Joan's continued healing. She will begin playing again while undergoing six weeks of therapy.

Peace Lutheran Women in Mission—The April "Mission of the Month" is Camp Omega tuition. This will provide financial aid to confirmation students so that all the students can attend the retreat in April.. If you wish to donate to this mission, drop your donation in the "Mission of the Month" boxes. Thank you..

There is a collection box in the Commons area for Gifts From the Heart donations for the MN South LWML District convention in June. We are collecting new and gently used shoes and socks (all sizes, child through adult) and quilts, blankets and comforters of any size.

CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE: As mentioned in past bulletins, we've asked President Woodford to provide us additional candidates to consider. We received this information on April 5th and will proceed with the evaluation process. 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."Romans8:28

Lynn Brown, Scott Haag, Dean Kirchoff, Jeff Miller, Paul Otte, Melissa Weckwerth and Bob Sylvester, Chair

SAVE THE DATE—Root Beer and Bells—Wednesday, May 29th; Dinner at 5:30pm, Program at 6:30pm

Unhinged Pizza Fundraiser. Pickup will be this Wednesday April 24th at 3pm in the Peace Center.

Current Checking Account Balances			
General Fund	\$ 54,612.38	Building Fund.....	\$77,657.64
Cemetery Fund	\$ 65,854.39	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—4/10/24.....	\$1,529,682.66		
Building Debt Principal paid in 2023	\$ 649,271.40		
Building Debt Principal YTD in 2024	\$ 116,584.06		
Offerings Deposited 4/11—4/17			
General Fund.....	\$ 23,075.89	Building Fund.....	\$ 25.00
Cemetery Fund.....	\$ 750.00	Dedicated Funds....	\$ 0.00

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	Shirley Zackrison
Justin Nass	John Youngdahl
Sandra Bach	George Quast
Jon & Sylvia Radtke	Pastor Layton Lemke
Melinda Mikolichek	Todd Jenkins

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 them to the wagon

Attendance Last Week

Saturday 6:30 pm	52
Sunday 8:30am	132
Sunday 10:30am	80
Week Total	264
Online	326

Looking Ahead at Peace

SUNDAY (4/21)

8:30am Worship/Communion
9:40am Bible Study
9:40am Sunday School
10:30am Worship
2:00pm Crow River Concert

MONDAY (4/22)

1:00pm Body and Soul

TUESDAY (4/23)

10:00am POP Bible Study
10:00am Womens Bible Study
3:00pm Proverbs Bible Study
6:30pm Promise Keepers

WEDNESDAY (4/24)

11:45am Lunch/Bible Study
2:30pm Confirmation
3:30 Tiger Tweens

THURSDAY (4/25)

FRIDAY (4/26)

SATURDAY (4/27)

6:30pm Worship

SUNDAY (4/28)

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

MONDAY (4/29)

1:00pm Body and Soul

TUESDAY (4/30)

10:00am POP Bible Study
10:00am Womens Bible Study
3:00pm Assemble Baby Kits
3:00pm Proverbs Bible Study
6:30pm Promise Keepers

WEDNESDAY (5/1)

11:45am Lunch/Bible Study
3:30pm Tiger Tweens
4:00pm Confirmation Practice
And Questioning
6:30pm Handbells

THURSDAY (5/2)

FRIDAY (5/3)

SATURDAY (5/4)

6:30pm Worship/Communion

COMMON CUP ANNUAL COAT DRIVE—Through the end of May we are collecting coats (no wool coats, please) and winter gear (boots, snow pants and mittens, etc) for **Common Cup's 2024 Fall Warm Coat Drive**. There is a collection box in the Commons Area for your donated items.

The Wednesday Bible Study has resumed. Lunch serving begins at 11:45am followed by the Bible Study from 12:15-1:00pm in the Peace Center. This Bible Study will continue through May 8th.

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. We will be assembling the Baby Kits on Wednesday, April 29 at 3:00pm in the Church basement—Everyone Welcome!

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

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

We are looking for volunteer(s) to answer phones and greet visitors in the Church Office on Thursdays—9:00am to 12:30am and/or 12:30am-4:00pm.

Pastor Lemke and Melba would like to thank Peace Lutheran members for the recognition reception on the 7th and the outpouring of thanks, cards and gifts. Pastor Lemke's recent cardio inversion was successful so his inevitable valve replacement will not be scheduled until later this year.