

# Peace Lutheran Church



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

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER / MAY 5, 2024

**PASTOR:** Glenn Meyer  
**Elders:**  
**Saturday 6:30pm** Wayne Vinkemeier, Jeff Weckwerth  
**Sunday 8:30am** Paul Otte  
**Sunday, 10:30am** Dale Schumann  
**Acolytes:**  
**Saturday 6:30pm**  
**Sunday 8:30am**  
**Greeters:**  
**Sunday 8:30am** Gwen Wichman, Joyce Tews  
**Sunday 10:30am** Don and Phyllis Hecht

Pastor Jeff Miller has graciously accepted to fill in as our Vacancy Pastor following Pastor Meyer's last Sunday on June 2nd. He will work with Pastor Bode, who will continue to fill in as necessary. As our Call Committee continues to search for our next resident Pastor, this will give us some "breathing room" by agreeing to help our congregation in the interim. We are very blessed to have his assistance. Please thank him if you see him!

**RITE OF CONFIRMATION**—The following youth will be confirmed during the 10:30am service on Sunday.

Please keep them in your prayers!

**Ashby Farenbaugh-Smahel**, daughter of Brian Smahel and Miranda Farenbaugh

**Lillian Fromm**, daughter of Jeff Fromm and Jill Lieder

**Sierra Jenkins**, daughter of Todd and Sadie Jenkins

**Annabelle Luthens**, daughter of Garrett and Melissa Luthens

**Max Mueller**, son of Nathan and Jennifer Mueller

**Cate Oberg**, daughter of Brett and Tara Oberg

**Judah Perrault**, son of Joe and Kristin Perrault

**Chelsea Robinson**, daughter of Richard and Crystal Robinson

**Alexis Selle**, daughter of Todd and Joni Selle

**Weston Witte**, son of Justin and Sara Witte

**Peace Lutheran Women in Mission**—The May "Mission of the Month" is the four offerings for the MN South District LWML Convention. Information on these offerings is posted on the LWML bulletin board or on the MN South District website. 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. Through June 15 we are collecting new and gently used shoes and socks (all sizes, child through adult) and any size blankets, quilts, comforters.

**CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE:** We are pleased to share with you that we will be completing our pre-call interviews next week. After doing so, we will prepare our recommendations for extending a Call that will be presented to you at a May 19th Congregational meeting. We anticipate having 2 to 3 candidates to discuss and look forward to entertaining a motion for extending a Call. We appreciate your continued prayers that light and love of our triune God shine brightly upon and within all of us, throughout this journey. "Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the Lord!" Psalm 31:24. Lynn Brown, Scott Haag, Dean Kirchoff, Jeff Miller, Paul Otte, Melissa Weckwerth and Bob Sylvester, Chair

**CHILDCARE UPDATE**—The Daycare Feasibility Committee will update the Council on progress at the May meeting. We are waiting for the 2024 Cost Model Report from the State, which will establish the most current wages, benefits and rates to charge. Final numbers can then be determined. Shelly Fitzgerald, Janelle Katzenmeyer, John Korngiebel, Mike McKimm, Mary Melin, Brooke Powell and Lynn Brown, Chair

Current Checking Account Balances			
General Fund .....	\$ 53,466.00	Building Fund.....	\$83,572.64
Cemetery Fund .....	\$ 66,604.39	Dedicated Funds .....	\$71,212.16
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—5/1/24.....	\$1,495,712.03		
Building Debt Principal paid in 2023	\$	649,271.40	
Building Debt Principal YTD in 2024	\$	150,554.69	
Offerings Deposited 4/25—5/1			
General Fund.....	\$ 7.397.00	Building Fund.....	\$ 35.00
Cemetery Fund.....	\$ 0.00	Dedicated Funds....	\$ 245.00

**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	Todd Jenkins
Melinda Mikolichek	

**Looking Ahead at Peace**

**SUNDAY (5/5)**

8:30am Worship  
 9:40am Sunday School  
 10:30am Worship/Sanctuary  
**CONFIRMATION**

**MONDAY (5/6)**

1:00pm Body and Soul

**TUESDAY (5/7)**

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

**WEDNESDAY (5/8)**

11:45am Lunch/Bible Study

**THURSDAY (5/9)**

**FRIDAY (5/10)**

**SATURDAY (5/11)**

6:30pm Worship

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR:**  
**CONGREGATIONAL MTG**  
**MAY 19TH AT 11:45AM**

**SUNDAY (5/12)**

8:30am Worship  
 9:40am Sunday School  
 9:40am Bible Study  
 10:30am Worship/Communion  
 11:30am **VOTERS MEETING**

**MONDAY (5/13)**

1:00pm Body and Soul  
 6:30pm Council

**TUESDAY (5/14)**

10:00am POP Bible Study  
 10:00am Womens Bible Study  
 12-6pm Bloodmobile  
 3:00pm Proverbs Bible Study  
 6:30pm Promise Keepers

**WEDNESDAY (5/15)**

**THURSDAY (5/16)**

9:00am Garage Sale Meeting  
 6:30pm Trustees

**FRIDAY (5/17)**

**SATURDAY (5/18)**

6:30pm Worship/Communion

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	64
Sunday 8:30am	138
Sunday 10:30am	93
<b>Week Total</b>	<b>295</b>
Online	804

**PLEASE NOTE—THERE WILL NOT BE ADULT BIBLE STUDY TODAY. ALSO, NEXT WEEK, MAY 12TH, WILL BE THE LAST SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BIBLE STUDY UNTIL SEPTEMBER**

**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...

We served 342 hungry high schoolers through HAY (Hutchinson Area Youth) this past Thursday. This was our last commitment for this school year. Thank you to everyone that volunteered not only this week, but for the whole school year!

**VBS VOLUNTEERS—Please see Dr. Joan if you are willing to assist with VBS 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! Dates: June 3-7 from 9:00am-11:30am**

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

Thanks to everyone that helped make the **Pizza Fundraiser** a success! Everyone enjoyed some delicious pizzas from Unhinged Pizza in Glencoe, we had 36 pizzas purchased to donate to Common Cup, plus due to the generosity of Unhinged Pizza giving us a discount, we raised \$597 (\$1194 after Congregational Fund match) towards the debt

On May 19th we will be blessing 214 quilts and 268 baby kits for Lutheran World Relief. Thank you to everyone that donated fabric, supplies, baby clothes, etc. to this cause and thank you to all of those that spent many hours making the quilts or putting the layettes together!

**Confirmation, Mother's Day and Graduation cards are available at the LWML card shop in the rampway**

**FATHERHOOD—** Our Promise Keepers Mens' Bible Class will be studying "Fatherhood" in our May and June classes on Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm. Fatherhood is more than providing half the genetic material at conception; it's being there for the long haul. In Fatherhood with Joel Biermann, the Concordia Seminary professor and dad, relates how being a father is a demanding pursuit with a heavenly goal—raising kids who know Jesus as their Lord and Savior. This Bible study couldn't be more relevant to our times, It is produced by Lutheran Hour Ministries and uses a video, Bible verses and class discussion. All of our dads are invited to join the class and grow in spiritual leadership as fathers. Classes will be an hour long and held in the education wing. No cost! All materials provided! For more information, you may call Paul Otte, Scott Brusehaver or Dale Schumann