

Peace Lutheran Church



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

ELEVENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST / AUGUST 4, 2024

PASTOR: Gerhard Bode
Elders:
Saturday 6:30pm Paul Otte, George Quast
Sunday 8:30am Marc Telecky, Jeff Weckwerth
Sunday 10:30am Wayne Vinkemeier
Acolytes:
Saturday 6:30pm Ruby Hoff, Maggie Henke-Rannow
Sunday 8:30am Cate Oberg, Annabelle Luthens
Greeters:
Sunday 8:30am Brian and Becky Kobow
Sunday 10:30am Dale and Judy Schumann

It is with great joy that we share with you the following letter of acceptance from Pastor Weber:

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I accept your call to be senior pastor of Peace Lutheran Church Hutchinson. My wife Laura and myself look forward to serving with you at Peace beginning September 1, 2024.

We are praying for God's blessing upon you and your families and the many upcoming years we serve Jesus and His church together!

See you soon! Pastor Kurt and Laura Weber

DAYCARE UPDATE—By two-thirds vote, the Congregation approved the feasibility committee's recommendation to move forward with re-opening the daycare as a 501(c)3. Guiding Light Christian Childcare Center will offer two pre-school daycare classrooms and one before and after school childcare classroom and school age childcare in the summer. The implementation committee (Lynn Brown, Janelle Katzenmeyer, Leslie Korngiebel, Brooke Powell and Jen Telecky) will complete the next phase of the process. The last step will be to seat the Guiding Light Childcare Board, which will be comprised of 3 Peace Lutheran members and 2 community members. We pray that the Lord continues to guide us in this tremendous opportunity for outreach to the children and families of our community. For those interested in providing financial assistance, pledge information will be available shortly.

Warning—there have again been scammers contacting members on "behalf" of our Pastors. These are not legitimate. If you receive questionable email requests please do not reply to them and report them to the Church office.

We recently received the \$50,000 congregational fund match from this spring. Please note our balance has now dropped below 1.4! Thank you everyone for your support

We look forward to working closely with President Woodford's staff and Pastor Reed, our circuit minister, to finalize the details of Pastor Weber's installation service, which will be held SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 AT 10:00AM Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. **1Thessalonians5:16-18**

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

Peace Lutheran Women in Mission—The July "Mission of the Month" is the taxi service provided by Parish Health. This service provides a ride to our worship services and the cost averages \$600 per month. If you wish to donate to this mission, drop your donation in the "Mission of the Month": boxes.

Due to recent events, we are implementing new practices regarding security on our Church campus. Information sheets explaining these changes are available in the Narthex, at the Commons Desk or in the Church Office. **NOTE: we have had 3 'door/security incidents' in the last 2 weeks and need to be aware and safe. There have also been continued issues at other local churches**

We are also reminding everyone that any acquisition, removal, rearranging, relocation, etc of any church property must go through the Church Office and approved by the Facilities Mgr

REMINDER—Christian Education meeting Tues, Aug 6 at 5pm

Sanctuary flowers are from the funerals of Carol Retzlaff and Lee Wright, both were held here at Peace this past week.

Esmæ Kathleen Miller, Daughter of Timothy Miller and Lexi Hemmesch, will be baptized on Sunday, during the 10:30 worship service. Serving as Sponsors: Leah Hemmesch, Miah Thielen, Mike Miller; Serving as Officiant: Rev. Jeffrey Miller, Esmæ's Great Grandfather

Current Checking Account Balances			
General Fund	\$ 99,196.19	Building Fund.....	\$ 27,001.64
Cemetery Fund	\$ 67,004.39	Dedicated Funds..	\$ 69,207.16
Building Debt Balance—1/1/23.....	\$2,286,302.71		
Building Debt Balance—1/1/24.....	\$1,646,266.72		
Building Debt Balance—8/1/24.....	\$1,355,320.58		
Building Debt Principal paid in 2023	\$ 640,035.99		
Building Debt Principal paid YTD in 2024	\$ 290,946.14		
Offerings Deposited 7/25—7/31			
General Fund.....	\$ 6,595.00	Building Fund.....	\$ 2,475.00
Cemetery Fund.....	\$ 0.00	Dedicated Funds....	\$ 0.00

Please pray for Peace members

Rita Janke	Marlene Schrupp
Barb Ribar	Delores Plath
Elaine Lewerenz	Reuben Draeger
Jon & Sylvia Radtke	Rhonda Henderson
Melinda Mikolichek	Mariana Macemon
Darlene Piehl	Marlene Hamblin
Pat Schmidt	Coleen Cronen
Shirley Zackrison	

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	61
Sunday 8:30am	117
Sunday 10:30am	55
Week Total	233
Online	528

Looking Ahead at Peace

SUNDAY (8/4)

8:30am Worship/Communion
10:30am Worship

MONDAY (8/5)

10:00am Prayer Chain
1-5pm Driver Improve Class

TUESDAY (8/6)

10:00am Womens Bible Study
10:00am POP Bible Study
5:00pm Christian Ed Mtg.
6:30pm Promise Keepers
6:30pm Elders

WEDNESDAY (8/7)

11:30am Summer Concert

THURSDAY (8/8)

FRIDAY (8/9)
6:30pm Worship

SATURDAY (8/10)

6:30pm Worship

SUNDAY (8/11)

8:30am Worship
10:30am Worship/Communion

MONDAY (8/12)

TUESDAY (8/13)

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

WEDNESDAY (8/14)

THURSDAY (8/15)

6:30pm Trustees

FRIDAY (8/16)

SATURDAY (8/17)

6:30pm Worship/Communion

THRIVENT CARDS—If you are a Thrivent member you are eligible to receive two \$250 grant/cards per year that can be used to help sponsor events here at Peace. Contact Sue in the Church office for more information.

What is your favorite hymn? We will be singing many of your favorite hymns through the end of August. If you haven't yet made a request, please do so. Fill out a form at the Commons desk. We still have the forms from last year and will be including those as well.

We turned in the aluminum cans from the trailer at Peace Place recently and received a check for \$233.20 which will go to the debt reduction fund. **Don't forget to bring your cans to the trailer!**

COMMON CUP DIAPER DRIVE—Now through the end of August we will be collecting diapers for Common Cup. All sizes needed. Place your donations in the play pen in the Commons Area. Thank you

PEACE LUTHERAN 37TH ANNUAL SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

CONCERT STARTS AT 11:30AM \$10.00 LUNCHEON SERVED AT 12:15PM

*****LAST CONCERT OF THE SUMMER*****

August 7—Gospel featuring Shannon Watts and Austin Willhite

WE ARE LOOKING FOR SOME HELP!

We have lots of exciting things happening here at Peace Lutheran! We are approaching our busy season—start up of Sunday School, Confirmation, Release Time, After School Programs, Bible Studies, Youth Events, PLUS, WE HAVE OUR NEW PASTOR ARRIVING! Do you have some spare time? We would love to have you join us in the office. Flexible/any hours available. Must have basic computer skills (ie data entry ability). We also could use someone to answer phones/greet Thursday mornings and/or afternoons. If you are available or have questions, give Sue a call.