December & January

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Messenger of PEACE





Dear Peace Lutheran Family and Friends, Hear the Good News,

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6

On behalf of our church staff, our elders, our church council, all of our amazing volunteers, and Laura and myself and our family, we wish you a very merry and Blessed Christmas and a joy- filled Happy and safe New Year!! May the Peace and Love of the Newborn Christ child fill each of our hearts and lives this Christmas season and everyday of the New year!

As we reflect back on this past year we have so much to be thankful for in our own families and our church family.

In Holiday season we take a moment to pause and say, "Thank you God!" We especially thank God for the many meaningful Advent and Christmas worship services. We thank God for the Kids Christmas Service and Lessons and Bells service. We thank God for all the great food we got to share with our church and community like our Big Turkey Dinner, the Cookie Sale, Wednesday luncheons, and more. We thank God for all who gave and participated in the Operation Christmas Child boxes that were sent to kids who wouldn't have received any presents.

Of course, how can we forget the beautiful Christmas trees and decorations surrounding our Church as we sang Silent Night Holy Night by candlelight. I still have tears in my eyes every Christmas Eve.



As we begin the New year of 2025, let's not let the light and Life of Christmas go out with the Christmas trees on our lawns and lights packed up in their boxes. Let's begin this new season at Peace with the word of Savior, "Let your Light Shine before others.., Let's begin with Jesus at the center of our hearts and our families. May we along with the Shepherds of Old carry the message of the Hope of the Savior Born to us and share his love with all our family, friends, and neighbors

God Bless you and your family! See you at Church! Pastor Kurt and Laura and family



ADVENT SEASON WEEKDAY WORSHIP

Advent is the season when the Church looks ahead to celebrate the Birth of God's Son Jesus Christ. WHY - It was God's PLAN following the Fall into sin by Adam and Eve in the Garden that blood needed to be shed to cover the sins of God's people and to provide the forgiveness that all of us sinners require. The Old Testament sacrifices were a TYPE or an example, but they were temporary. The sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross was a ONCE FOR ALL TIME sacrifice. So, we celebrate the Birth of Jesus knowing that He was born for a mission to forgive us and save us from sin and death. This year, as many others in the past will focus on the words of Isaiah - God allowed Isaiah to write prophecy that had meaning for his day (800 years before Jesus)) and meaning and/ or description of the ministry of Jesus Christ. The prophesy/ fulfillment is a powerful statement for the incredible design of God's Word brought to us by inspiration. There will be services on Wednesday Dec. 4, 11, and 18. Each Wednesday the service times will be 11:30 am, 4:30 pm after confirmation class (and it will last about 30 minutes), and 6:30 pm. There will be lunch after the 11:30 service.

December 4 - Jesus is the Servant sent to SERVE. Isaiah 42:1-9; Matthew 12:17-20

December 11 – The View of the Ideal. Isaiah 11:1-8; Luke 2:1-20

December 18 - Finish Well/Finish Strong. John 10:3-4

December **Ushers**

Saturday 6:30pm Dec 7: Kevin & Gloriann Heikes 14: Dick & Corinne Higgins

December

Readers

Saturday 6:30pm Dec 7: Herbert Kuehl 14: Dick Higgins

Sunday 8:30am

Dec 1: Bev Luke 8: Nona Anderson Phyllis Hecht 15: Melissa Weckwerth Program 22: Pastors for 10am service 29: Arlene Benshoof for 10am service

December Greeters

December 1

8:30 Brian and Stephanie Schlueter 10:30 Barb Marguardt & **Diane Johnson**

December 8 8:30 Norb & Dee Hemmann 10:30 Anita Miller

8:30am Team 5 & 6 Wayne Vinkemeier Dale Schumann **Robbie Peterson Ross Peterson Travis Brecht Brad Havemeier**

Gary Havemeier

Ethan Kaufmann

Roger Kaufmann

<u>10:30am</u> Jennifer Plath

December 15

8:30 Butch and Judy Hanke 10:30 Deb & Tom Wiprud December 22 8:30 Gloria Janicke and Joyce Tews December 29 8:30 Annette Kohler and Arlene Benshoof

Loading All The Christmas Fun



A Christmas Worship Service with the Adult Choir, Handbells, a guest singer and so much more. Please join us, December 22nd at the 10:00 service. Following, you are invited to join us in a Congregational Holiday Party, following a short Congregational meeting on December 22nd at 11:30am in the Peace Center.





Children sing at the 10:30am Service

January Ushers

Saturday 6:30pm

Jan 4: Kevin & Gloriann Heikes Hochsprung 25: Dean & Lisa Kirchoff

8:30am

Team 1 & 2

11: Dick & Corinne Higgins **18:** Rhonda Tronick & Kathy

Glen Witte Doug Witte Brian Koehler Allan Fuchs **Rusten Huls** Kevin Buss

January Readers

Saturday 6:30pm

Jan 4: Joanne Keilen 11: Corinne Higgins 18: Lee Uldbjerg 25: Annette Koehler

Sunday 8:30am Jan 5: Melissa Weckwerth

January Greeters

8:30 Alan and Carol Swenson

8:30 Gwen Wichman and

10:30 Dale & Judy Schumann

Hazel Sitz

10:30 Elvern Mickle

12: Nona Anderson 19: Duane Hall 26: Sandra Hall

10:30am

Sharon Christensen John Lietz Arlene Benshoof John Lietz

January 19

8:30 Duane and Sandra Hall 10:30 Linda & John Kalenberg

January 26

8:30 Diane Neubarth and Bev Czmowski 10:30 John Lietz & Shirley Wicklund

January 5

January 12



OFFICIAL ACTS BAPTISM



WEDDINGS

FUNERALS

November 9 - David Schmidt, 82, passed October 13

November 11 - Bev Schmidt, 87, passed November 5

Memorials

Harvey "Skip" Sustacek - \$100 - youth

\$100 – Sunday School

\$100 – debt reduction

\$50 – LWML

Beverly Schmidt - \$100 – youth

RECENT TRANSFERS

Suzanne Helland transferred to Living Word Lutheran, New London MN





wednesday December 4	11:30 AM WORSHIP/LUNCH 4:30 PM WORSHIP (PC) 6:30 PM WORSHIP
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wednesday December 18	11:30 AM WORSHIP/LUNCH 4:30 PM WORSHIP (PC) 6:30 PM WORSHIP

Christmas Music in the Commons

Join us for caroling between worship services! December 8th - Adult Choir Caroling December 15th - Adult Choir Caroling



Prince of Peace Retirement Living Independence * Community * Safety * Affordability Holiday Tour of Home Saturday, December 7th 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.



- * Coffee, treats, & more
- * 25 + Themed Christmas Trees
- Hutchinson's Best Kept Secret!

301 Glen St SW, Hutchinson — www.poprl.org

The holiday season is upon us, and we are ready! We went from celebrating our Veterans to preparing for the holidays. This is the busiest and most enjoyable time of the year for us here at Prince of Peace. Don't forget to mark your calendars for our Annu-



al Holiday Tour of Home Open House that will be on Saturday, December 7th from 2 - 4 pm. Will be offering led tours of the apartments and invite everyone to check out our over 30 themed Christmas trees throughout the building afterwards. Stay to enjoy the live entertainment provided by the Trisky Duo, delicious holiday treats, and more.

Blessings,

Destini Doring Executive Director Prince of Peace Retirement Living #320.234.7588





SUNDAY December 15	8:30 AM WORSHIP/COMMUNION 10:30 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS SERVICE (Sanctuary) (No Sunday School/Drop off 10AM)				
TUESDAY December 24	3:00 PM CANDLELIGHT WORSHIP 5:00 PM CANDLELIGHT WORSHIP 7:00 PM CANDLELIGHT WORSHIP				
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January 4 & 5	6:30 PM WORSHIP/COMMUNION 8:30 PM WORSHIP/COMMUNION 10:30 AM WORSHIP				

A Children's Christmas Service



Sunday, December 15, 10:30 am Sanctuary

All are invited to join us as the children tell about God's

great love for us in word and song! Rehearsal for the Children's Christmas service Sat. Dec 14, 10:00am - 11:30am Follwed by Christmas Party

Includes a Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus (bring your camera), decorating and lighting of the children's Christmas tree, making ornents, ice cream & pizza, crafts and so much more. **Everyone invited!!!**

Tiger Tweens- Elementary Youth Group

(Grades 4-5)

Every Wednesday during school year 3:30-4:45 Church Basement.

- Children meet at the Park Elementry "Rock" and are walked to church together.

KIDS CONNECT

Confirmation | Wednesdays Begins Sept 21 | 2:30 pm | Grade 6,7,8

The confirmation program at Peace Lutheran provides an opportunity for students in grades 6-8 to continue their spiritual journey, that they may come to have a greater understanding of the Bible and Luther's Catechism in their daily lives. Classes are held September through April.

This year students are invited to join youth group prior to class on early releae days.

Sunday School Age 3-Gr 8

Sept.-May

Children can come and interact with friends and teachers to learn about the Old and New Testament through team building games, movies, crafts, and Bible stories. There is music each week as well that the children will be working on towards Family Worships. Jesus is constantly showing us his great plan and we love to teach the little ones how it is unfolding into a bigger plan for them.

Release Time Grades 2-5

Wed. Morning Church Basement **Beginning Oct. 30th** This is a great mid-week program in which children are released from school for one hour to go to a church of their choice for religious education. This year we will be going over the Ten Commandments in detail, along with visits to Prince of Peace, holiday crafts, prayers and much more.



Poinsettias

Ind visitors will again be enjoying beautiful decorations during the Christmas season. This year we will need only 25 poinsettias to decorate our church for the Christmas season. The cost of a plant is \$12.50.

If you would like to buy a poinsettia plant as a memorial, or perhaps to honor a special person in your life, or give a donation for a project or ministry such as **TTNG** (Debt Free Initiative), **General Fund**, or **Other**, please fill out the form below and return to church along with your donation **by December 13**th. Your name and the name of the person in whose memory or honor you are giving a poinsettia or donation will be listed in the bulletin.

____ Number of Poinsettias x \$12.50 = \$_____

\$_____ Donation to _____

TTNG (Debt Free Initiative), General Fund or Other

In Memory of _____

OR In Honor of _____

_____ Given by _____



Christmas Cookie Sale Saturday, December 7th 12 am - 3 pm

We have many wonderful bakers and we're asking for your

help. If you would be so kind, please bring in some of your favorite homemade cookies or specialties to the Peace Center kitchen on or before December 7th. We will begin packaging them at 9am on the 7th and have ready to sell by noon. Look for the Cookies to be for sale in the Peace Center 12 -3. Would you like to help? We can use people to sort and package the treats. Questions or to help, please call Sue at the church office, 320-587-3031.

All proceeds will go to the Debt Reduction, and will be matched by the Congregational Fund!!

Wisemen still seek Him!

It has been the tradition at Peace to invite you to to Capture A Family Photo For Christmas!

Located in the Commons Area, it's available to use whenever the church is open. If you'd like help taking the photo, just ask one of the staff for assistance.

COMMON CUP MINISTRY

Thank You to the members of Peace for your continued support of Common Cup Ministry! Thanks to generous donations, Common Cup Ministry is able to provide financial and emergency assistance to those in need in our community. Through a variety of free and reduced programs, they support individuals and families during difficult times while

also sharing spiritual resources of encouragement and guidance. If you know someone who could benefit from the many services, let them know they can reach out to Common Cup Ministry for support.

Learn more about Common Cup Ministry at:

common-cup.org

105 Second Avenue SW #2, Hutchinson, 320.587.2213



Giving Tree

This year we will have a new tree in the Peace Center. We will be decorating the tree with ornaments you can purchase in the office. The tree will have a beautiful tradtional look. We are "selling" the ornaments to collect extra funds for Common Cup. They always do so many amazing things to help so many in our community. What a wonderful way to bless others, while keeping our church looking so lovely.





On November 6th the Early Release children and Tiger Tweens worked hard togther to make so many boxes. It was a wonderful time had by all!! It's always a great day when the youth groups get together to work hard on accomplishing gifts of love. Thank you to all the children, helpers, donations, and other groups that have set the example of loving servant hearts.

Operation Christmas Child



Parish Health would like to thank

everyone that helped with Operation Christmas Child. We had good helpers, donations of items and regular shoe boxes and the money to help ship them.

We filled over 70 boxes and will be delivered to the drop off site. There will be over 70 blessed children this Christmas thanks to you.

Thank You!!!!

Thank you to all that contributed food for the collection for common cup with our tradtional Holiday Dinner. Half of the Thanksgiving offerings will be given to Common Cup also. Last but not least the Cornucopia in the commons will all be donated to Commom Cup. Thank you all for so many donations, that will make a Big impact in our beautiful community!!





January 2024 Prayer Calendar



" Because He has inclined His ear to me, therefore I will call upon Him as long as I live." Ps 116:1

- 1. New Year's Day Give thanks for God's blessings which are "new every morning". Lamentations 3:23
- 2. Do you feel that your prayers aren't answered? Pray for wisdom as you wait.
- 3. Pray for our world leaders today that their hearts be touched by God's wisdom.
- 4. Pray for God's forgiveness when as a nation we fail to follow His direction.
- 5. Epiphany We celebrate the gifts of the Magi. Ask to recognize God's good gifts to you today.

6. Ask for God's guidance as you plan your New Year. Pray for more Christians to be dedicated to prayer. Teach us to pray. Luke 17: 1.

- 7. Pray for a greater interest in Bible Study, and growing in your faith.
- 8. Pray that members of Peace seek the Lord's guidance in decisions made for our congregation.
- 9. Pray fervently that all regulations and staff can be processed to open Guiding Light Day Care, soon.
- 10. Give thanks for the police, firemen and medical personnel who care for our community.
- 11. Pray blessings on the Saturday night and Sunday services that our faith grows as we pray and sing praises together.
- 12. Give thanks for God's Word and His faithfulness in keeping His promises to us.
- 13. Pray that the shut in and sick know that God cares for them and is always with them.
- 14. Ask for ways that you can be a help for your neighbor, or family member.
- 15. Pray that confirmation lessons give to each child the assurance that God's mercy and grace is with them.
- 16. Be confident that God is with you whatever happens in your life.
- 17 Ask God to give you patience and trust in your Lord always.
- 18. Give thanks for answered prayer in His wisdom and His timing.
- 19. Give thanks that every good and perfect gift comes from your Heavenly Father.
- 20. Pray that parents are models to their families in worship, prayer and daily devotions.
- 21. Pray for the well being of our pastors and staff and that they continue to be "Spirit inspired."
- 22. Pray for the sick and housebound among us, that they will see God's blessings in their days.
- 23. Pray for the Congregational Fund members to have wisdom in their decisions for Peace.
- 24. Pray for the Council to exercise sound judgement and discernment in their decisions.
- 25. Pray for good attendance at the Annual Voters Meeting to make wise choices for our future.
- 26. On this Sunday, spend time thanking our Lord for the gift of salvation through His Son.
- 27. Pray that the Holy Spirit work in our lives and faith as we attend worship.
- 28. Thank God that we are free to worship Him openly.

29. Pray for Able Light Ministry (formerly Bethesda), and give thanks for their mission among adults and children with special needs.

30. Pray that businesses in Hutch serve us honorable and with integrity.

31. Thankful prayer for all the ladies making mission quilts that go around the world warming and protecting folks with dire needs.

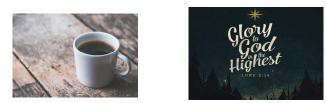
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Bloodmobile

TUESDAY, Dec 10th TUESDAY, Jan 14th 12 pm - 6 pm - Peace Center



• Appointments only can continue to be made on line at **redcrossblood.org** or by calling Shirley W. at 587-5064. **Thank you**



Thank you for being so generous at Sunday Morning coffee. It might be easier for us to just pay for the taxi and not shop and serve but what fun is that? The taxi is a great service, and we are happy to help fund it. Some of you really get this. A dollar doesn't cover the cost of coffee and a napkin full of treats and the treats are not complimentary, but they are there for you to enjoy. It's always better to share them with friends. Some of you have even shared your baking or bought treats to share. So good to see you on Sunday mornings. We've even started offering a larger cup on request for those that know one cup isn't enough.

Again, thank you for being so generous. The taxi bills are not getting any smaller and some of the riders have helped as they are able. That is not the purpose of this information, but it is appreciated. The bills are still over \$700-\$800 each month. We are just so glad that the taxi is available, and everyone can attend the worship service they like best. Don't we all want that?

The 10:30 serving change has been well received. Thank you for understanding and we are happy to still offer you a cup as you arrive.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all our church friends. Love the social time with you at Sunday Morning Bible study.

Peace Lutheran Women in Mission



Occasional Sale Update

Thank you to all the shoppers, volunteers, and those who have generously donated items for our first two sales at Peace Place!! One quarter of the November sales, \$425.17, was donated to our local food shelf. \$425.17 will go toward utilities and maintenance. Half of the sales, \$850.32, will be matched by the Congregational Fund, for debt reduction. Hours for the December 5th sale will be extended from 9:00-6:00, and an additional sale date on December 7th from noon-3:00 will occur during the same time as the cookie sale at the church. Starting with the January 9th sale, regular hours will be from 10:00-6:00 P.M. One quarter of December 5th's sales will support Mcleod Alliance for Domestic Violence. Donation drop-off dates and times are from 4:00-6:00 on December 2 and January 6 at the flower door where volunteers will receive your donations. We are accepting: clothing, outerwear, shoes, purses, jewelry, home décor including holiday, towels, sheets, small rugs, kitchen items, small appliances, crafts, toys, books, DVD's, VHS tapes, CD's, and records. We welcome volunteers to help sort and price donations on Monday and Thursday mornings from 10:00-noon or donation drop-off times. Any further questions, please contact Lynn at 320-582-0193 or Gayle at 320-583-2487.

SENIOR DRIVER SAFETY PROGRAM



~ REFRESHER COURSE ~ The next three scheduled dates from the Precision Driving Center for the 55+ Driver Discount Program at Peace Lutheran

Church are: Monday, January 13, 2025 1:00 pm-5:00 pm

Monday, February 24, 2025 1:00 pm-5:00 pm Monday, April 7, 2025 1:00pm-5:00 pm To register for these classes call 320-308-1400 or 888-234-1294

You may also register online at www.DriverDiscountProgram.com

December "Mission of the Month"

The "Mission of the Month" for December is Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch. A Christ-centered residential treatment and education center for troubled children and their families. Drop your donation in the "Mission of the Month" boxes. Thank you.

SAVE THE DATE!

Mark January 26, 2025 on your calendar to help Peace Lutheran Women in Mission celebrate their 100th anniversary. More information will be forthcoming. Watch the Sunday bulletins and the LWML bulletin board for details.

As the year draws to a close, we remember our faithful LWML sisters who entered into eternal life in heaven: Florence Albrecht and Marlyn Krueger. Blessed be their memory.



Peace Lutheran Church Council Meeting October 8, 2024; 6:30 p.m.

Present: Kim Borka, Melissa Weckwerth, Chuck Jones, Pastor Kurt, Gary Havemeier, Kathy Hochsprung, Dean Kirchoff, Sue Kroyer, Justin Evenson, Barb Otte

Agenda

Welcome

Opening Prayer and Devotion by Pastor Weber

Approval of minutes: Motion made by Kathy to approve September 10, 2024 minutes. 2nd by Barb. Motion carried.

Reports

1. Pastor's Report: Pastor shared notes on bible studies, confirmation, preaching schedule, staff teaming, greeting, & operations.

2. Administrator/Office Report: Sue shared Occasional Store made \$1250.51. The monies are going to debt fund, building fund and youth programming. HAY lunches—25th anniversary of this program coming up. October 30th –Youth trick or treat with Food Shelf. October 31 will be Pumpkin Patch at Peace. Congregational fund is going to match us up to \$50,000 between now and end of the year!

3. Treasurer's Report: Justin shared the profit and loss report from January through September 2024.

4. Elder's Report: No report given.

Old Business

1. Door/entrance security: Cyber security is being discussed and addressed. Website needs to be updated. Discussion on getting an app for PLC.

2. Governance documentation and discussion: A subcommittee (Chuck, Dean, and Gary) will work together to gather information to continue creation of the governance policy manual.

3. Update on Guiding Light Child Care facility: Update from Lynn Brown: A full board is in place: Members from PLC: Kyle Wendling, Margo Kaping, Laura Weber: Members from the community: Gail Telecky, Ari Zaske

Oct. 23: There will be a 2 hour training for Guiding light board members on how to function cohesively as a board. Vivid Image has submitted logo ideas. Pledges are still being sought for start up costs. 501C3 will be the next step for the board to apply for.

4. Pictures and contact info posted: these will be posted soon in the rampway

5. Giving cards for collection of offering: Sue prepared these. Need to find where they've been moved to.

6. Pumpkin Patch at Peace and other upcoming events: See above notes from Sue.

New Business

1. Goals for the upcoming year: Discussion of goals for PLC.

a. Three years?

2. Promotion ideas:

Adjourn @ 8:26 p.m.

Closing Prayer –the Lord's Prayer

Next meeting: Tuesday, November 12; 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,	
Kim Borka	Melissa Weckwerth
Council Secretary	Council President

Congregational Meetings - Information and Voting for Peace Lutheran

Congregational meeting has been scheduled for information and voting on December 22nd, at 11:30 here at Peace.

Your Contributions to Peace Lutheran Church for 2024

Tax purposes must be received by noon Tuesday, December 31th. Any contributions received after that time will be applied to 2025 tax statements. If you have any questions, please contact Sue at 320-587-3031.



December 2024 Prayer Calendar



" Thanks be unto God for his inestimable gift" II Cor. 2:15

1. Pray for our children to know that the Savior, Jesus be a part of their daily prayers and life.

2. The first Sunday in Advent: Prepare your hearts for the coming of the Holy Babe. Worship and read the Christmas story in Matt. 1: 18 -2: 23.

- 3. Pray that we remember this is our Savior's arrival, not Santa Clause's.
- 4. Ist Advent Service A special time to ponder God's mercy, love and grace to YOU in the gift of the Savior.
- 5. Pray blessings on Roger Kaufmann and Lisa Kalenberg as they are joined in marriage today.
- 6. Give thanks for the volunteers that decorate our sanctuary and church for Christmas, and bake cookies for tomorrow's Cookie Sale.
- 7. Pray blessings on Pastor Weber as he teaches us God's Word at our services and Bible studies.
- 8. Give thanks for the Word and Spirit that comforts and sustains us.
- 9. As you shop for gifts give thanks for the most important gift-Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of Man.
- 10. Pray for the families that have lost homes because of flood and or fire.
- 11. Pray that our Advent worship keep us near the manger and the cross.
- 12. Pray that Pastor Miller and Paul Otte keep safe as they travel to our shut-ins bringing communion and the Word.
- 13. Pray for words to share the Gospel with a loved one who is rejecting Christ and God's Word.
- 14. Hear our prayer and. for your honor's sake, shine your face on our nation.
- 15. Pray for the children who will present a Christmas Service today at 10:30.
- 16. Give thanks for the musicians and music that enhances or worship.
- 17. Give thanks for the faithfulness of our staff as they encourage us to grow in our faith.
- 18. Encourage one who is ill or alone, with a card, call or a few cookies that they are not forgotten.
- 19. Give thanks that God loved us so much that he sent his Son to be our substitute.
- 20. Pray for safe travels for family and students as they make their way home for Christmas.

21. Pray that the spirit of Christmas, peace of heart, joy of salvation and love of God will stay in our hearts long past Christmas.

22. Remember the Words "I am come that they might have life and that they might have it more abundantly. "John 10:10.

23. Galatians 5: 26 gives us these fruits as gifts. "Love, joy, peace ,patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self control.". Unwrap them and use them daily.

24. Christmas Eve "There was a chorus of angels singing " Glory to God in the highest and on earth, peace, goodwill to all men. " Col. 3 :15 Luke 2: 14

25. Christmas Day: "You shall call His name Jesus." Luke 1:31b......." of his kingdom there shall be no end." Luke 1: 33b

26. " The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory." John 1: 14

27. Give thanks for this promise, "I am come that they might have life and that they might have it more more abundantly". John 10:10.

- 28. " Let the Peace of God rule in your hearts". Col. 3:15
- 29. May 2025 be the year you will start a personal devotion and Bible reading time. Portals of Prayer is a good start.
- 30. Ask God how to serve Him by serving others in the New Year. Peace has many opportunities.

31. Give prayers of praise for all the blessings He has given you and your family this past year. God is so good. God in the Highestand on earth peace goodwell to all men. Luke 2:14

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A Children's Christmas Service

Peace Lutheran Church

Sunday, December 15th 10:30 am in the Sanctuary

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320-587-3031

Rehearsal for the Children's Christmas service Sat. Dec 14, 10:00am - 11:30am Follwed by Christmas Party

Includes a Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus (bring your camera), decorating and lighting of the children's Christmas tree, making ornents, ice cream & pizza, crafts and so much more.

Everyone invited!!!

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Come and celebrate with us the birth of our Lord and Savior!

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	9-12 Office Hours	31	NO SCHOOL	7pm Candlelight Service		Christmas Eve. 24	10:00 Women's Bible Study 3:00 Proverbs Bible Study 6:30 Promise Keepers	17	10:00 POP Bible Study 10:00 Women' Bible St 12-6 Bloodmobile 3:00 Proverbs Bible Study 3:20-5 Elementary Sewing Group 6:30 Promise Keepers 6:30 Council Meeting	10	10:00 POP Bible Study 10:00 Women' Bible St 3:00 Proverbs Bible Study 3:20-5 Elementary Sewing Group 6:30 Promise Keepers 6:30 Elders Meeting	Tuesday 3	szu-587-6484 .plchutch.org <mark>blchutch.org</mark>
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