

Peace Lutheran Church



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

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER / APRIL 27, 2025

PASTORS	KURT WEBER and JEFFREY MILLER
ELDERS	
Saturday 6:30pm	Robbie Peterson
Sunday 8:30am	Jeff Weckwerth
Sunday 10:30am	Brad Havemeier, Dale Schumann
ACOLYTES	
Sunday 8:30am	Mason Carlson, Aiden Fromm
Sunday 10:30am	Harper Powell, Jozie Petersen
GREETERS	
Sunday 8:30am	Gloria Dobratz, Cyndy Fallon
Sunday 10:30am	John and Linda Kallenberg

Giving Cards—For members that donate electronically, or use direct deposit, you may use an offering card provided in the Narthex rack to symbolize your offering during worship.

Our Annual Fish Fry was again an overwhelming success. We sold out shortly after 2pm—it was a pretty intense 3 hours! We served 926 meals and, after expenses, raised \$9,112.19 for debt reduction. Thank you to everyone that attended! Thank you to everyone that donated! And a huge Thank You to all of our **Amazing Volunteers**—this couldn't be done without you! We are truly blessed!

The freewill offering during the Easter breakfast raised \$1,083.25 for debt reduction. Thank you to all!

Baptized during the 8:30 service:

Wyatt Martin Kvam, son of Joseph and Jessica Kvam

Serving as Sponsors: Mandy Kvam and Jon Williams

BUILDING DEBT FUND

Balance—1/1/23.....	\$2,286,302.71
Balance—1/1/24.....	\$1,646,266.72
Balance—1/1/25.....	\$1,163,007.65
Balance—4/17/25.....	\$ 809,340.31*
Principal paid in 2023	\$ 640,035.99
Principal paid in 2024	\$ 483,259.07
Principal paid in 2025	\$ 353,667.34*

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Offerings Deposited 4/17-4/23	\$ 20,125
Average Offerings Needed Per Week	\$ 15,673

Guiding Light Early Learning Center is an official business entity as of December 20, 2024. If you would like to support the center with monetary gifts, please mail your check to: Guiding Light Early Learning Center, PO Box 94, Hutchinson MN 55350

Guiding Light Early Learning Center Update: The center is coming together nicely with fresh paint and clean carpets. The Board is busy organizing the items left in the center, setting up age appropriate rooms for licensing and working with a variety of consultants to get the center ready for operation. The Board is actively seeking applicants for the Director position. Please keep the center in your prayers as we search for a suitable candidate for this position. Visit our website at www.guidinglightelc.com

“MERE CHRISTIANITY” New Men's Bible Study Tuesdays, 6:45-7:30am at Cashwise Caribou, started April 22nd. For more info contact Pastor Weber. All men welcome.

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES WITH PASTOR KURT

Sundays— This Bible Study resumed on April 27
 Book of Genesis “Where Did It All Begin”
 9:40am—Coffee and treats

Wednesdays—This Bible study resumed on April 23
 Book of Judges “Here Comes Judges”
 11:45am—Lunch; 12:15pm—Bible Study

In our continued effort to make our campus secure, we have completed the changing of all locks. The receiving door by the kitchen will remain 'emergency exit only.' We apologize if our door policy causes inconvenience. We prayerfully ask for your support as we attempt to protect our staff, our volunteers, our children, our members and our buildings and its contents.

You are invited to attend the 2025 Annual Meeting of **Common Cup Ministry** on Monday, April 28th at 12:00noon, held at Hunter's Ridge Community Church, 850 School Rd SW. Lunch will be provided with the meeting to follow. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn about the impactful work Common Cup Ministry is doing in McLeod County as well as to hear about the exciting programs for 2025.

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

Pick-up of the youth fundraiser pizzas is this Tuesday, April 29th after 3:00pm in the Peace Center.

Our **Grief Share Support Group** continues to meet Mondays, 1:00-2:30pm, Rm 210 of the Education Bldg. You are welcome to attend! Another series will begin in the fall.. Remaining topics:
 April 28—Hope and Resilience
 May 5 — What Do I Live For Now?

PRAYER LIST

Rita Janke	Delores Plath
Barb Ribar	Rueben Draeger
Elaine Lewerenz	Mariana Macemon
Jon & Sylvia Radtke	Angie Alsleben
Melinda Mikolich	Melissa Wanous
Darlene Piehl	Mabel Boelter
Shirley Zackrisson	Ruthie Flaig
Marlene Schrupp	LeRoy Albrecht

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

Thursday 11:30am	127
Thursday 6:30pm	129
Friday 11:30am	122
Friday 6:30pm	89
Sunday 6:30am	102
Sunday 8:30am	284
Sunday 10:30am	154
TOTAL	1,007
Online	944

LOOKING AHEAD AT PEACE

SUNDAY (4/27)
 8:30am Worship
 9:40am Sunday School
 9:40am Bible Study
 10:30am Worship/Communion

MONDAY (4/28)
 10-12 Occas Sale Work Day
 1:00pm Grief Support Group

TUESDAY (4/29)
 6:45am Mens Bible Study
 10:00am Women's Bible Study
 3:00pm Proverbs Bible Study
 3:00pm Pizza Pick-Up
 6:30pm Promise Keepers

WEDNESDAY (4/30)
 10:00am Body & Soul
 11:45am Bible Study & Lunch
 5:00pm Stmt of Faith/Questioning
 6:30pm Handbells

THURSDAY (5/1)
 10am-6pm Occasional Sale

FRIDAY (5/2)

SATURDAY (5/3)
 6:30pm Worship/Communion

SUNDAY (5/4)
 8:30am Worship/Communion
 9:40am Sunday School
 10:30am **CONFIRMATION**

MONDAY (5/5)
 10-12 Occas Sale Work Day
 1:00pm Grief Support Group

TUESDAY (5/6)
 6:45am Mens Bible Study
 10:00am Womens Bible Study
 3:00pm Proverbs Bible Study
 6:30pm Promise Keepers
 6:30pm Elders

WEDNESDAY (5/7)
 10:00am Body & Soul
 5:30PM Root Beer and Bells

THURSDAY (5/8)
 10-12 Occas Sale Work Day

FRIDAY (5/9)

SATURDAY (5/10)
 6:30pm Worship

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

ROOT BEER & BELLS WEDNESDAY, MAY 7TH

5:30PM DINNER

6:30PM PROGRAM AND HANDBELLS

COME SERVE! We have many opportunities to volunteer: GREETERS, READERS, USHERS, OFFICE HELP, OCCASIONAL SALE. Contact the Church Office if you would be available to help out in any of these areas.

As a **Thrivent member** you can apply for two \$250 grants per year. These grants have been used for various events/programs here at Peace from supporting our youth activities (HAY luncheons, VBS, Sunday School curriculum), purchasing fabric/supplies for quilts for Lutheran World Relief, to helping offset expenses for our fundraisers. Through your generosity, we received 42 grants totaling \$10,500 in 2024. That is amazing! These monies help with the purchase of items not covered by the budget and also help make our fundraisers more profitable by eliminating some of the expenses. Contact Sue in the Church office if you are interested in applying for a grant for one of these activities. Thank You!

OCCASIONAL SALE UPDATE

Thank you to all the shoppers and volunteers and those who have generously donated items for our sales at Peace. The April total sales were \$2,136.40! One quarter of the April 3rd sales, \$534.10, was donated to the McLeod County Alliance for Domestic Violence; \$534.10, will go towards utilities and maintenance and half of the sales \$1,068.20, will go towards debt reduction. The next sale will be **May 1st** from 10:00am to 6:00pm. One quarter of the May sales will go towards Birthright. Donation drop off dates and times are from 4:00-6:00pm on April 28th at the "flower door" (south side of Peace Place—by the parking lot) where volunteers will receive donations. Please note: we will not accept any donations on the days of our sales. Any questions, please contact Lynn at (320) 582-0193 or Gayle at (320) 583-2487 **We are always looking for VOLUNTEERS to help sort, price, display donated items. Every Monday & Thursday 10am-12noon the crew is at Peace Place. Feel free to come help and see what's going on (or drop off donated items) PLEASE DO NOT DROP OFF ITEMS OUTSIDE OF DOOR!**