



September 2025 Messenger of PEACE

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Dear Church Family,

I pray you had a restful Summer and enjoyed time with family and friends outside in God's Creation. We truly enjoyed the summer with our family in Wisconsin and Michigan and with our church family right here in Hutchinson.

We (Laura and myself) are excited to serve with you for the New Fall Season of Ministry at Peace Lutheran! I can't wait to see what God will do through us his church to reach out to our church, community, and world with the Love of our Savior Jesus Christ.

God has blessed us with amazing ministries and amazing people like yourselves to do the good work of the Lord. We love doing the work of our Lord together as brothers and sisters in Christ. We love the kids ministries, youth ministries, adult Bible studies, women's ministries, men's ministries, outreach ministries like the Occasional Sale, the fish fries and other amazing meals, the bell choir, the church choir, Kids christmas program and so much more.

Each of us has our own unique gifts and talents to serve the Lord and serve one another and serve our community. The Apostle Peter wrote: As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: v.11 whoever speaks,

PEACE WORSHIP TIMES

SATURDAY
6:30 pm Worship in Sanctuary

SUNDAY
8:30 - Worship in Sanctuary

10:30 Worship in Peace Center

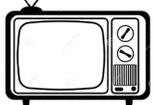
ONLINE WORSHIP

Livestream
plchutch.org Watch Live@8:30am

FacebookLive
www.facebook.com/HutchinsonMN

YouTube
www.youtube.com/PeaceHutchinsonmn

CABLE TV - HCVN
chan 10 – Nuvera, chan 8 – Mediacom
Sun. 7 pm & 10 pm
Wed 5 pm, Thurs 10 am

as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies-in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. 1 Peter 4:10-11

I want to encourage everyone young, middle age, and mature to serve the Lord and his church this New Season of ministry. Serve here at Peace, serve in our community, and serve around the world. Everyone has a part to play in God's amazing orchestra of service!

God bless your service!
See you at church!
Pastor Kurt Weber

Associate Pastor's Corner

This article/segment/video flash showed up on my phone the other day – 10 MOST POWERFUL PASSAGES THAT WILL CHANGE YOUR LIFE. Well, that caught my attention, so I followed the article through. It's difficult to improve on passages from God's Word. God has done a remarkable job relaying His message to us from the beginning of time. I wasn't fast enough to catch the commentators' thoughts, so I will give you mine. You will get the idea.

Philippians 4:13 – God is with us; He is in control.

Isaiah 41:10 – A reassurance of God's strength and support, assuring us that He upholds us through all things.

Jeremiah 29:11 – God has incredible plans for you even though you may not see them now.

Romans 12:1 - "Present yourself" to God – confidently. He gives the most difficult tasks to the strongest persons.

John 3:16 – God loves me and the world/look at what He gave up to save us. Incredible!

Philippians 4:13 – God probably won't make us a super hero, but he will make us a Christian caring and sharing boldly.

1Corinthians 13:8 – When all else fails try LOVE. God's love!

Revelation 7:9 – Remember heaven will be filled with people different from us. Get to know them now.

1Peter 5:7 – Casting cares on God – don't overthink this. Let God be God!

John 13:7 – You may not understand what God is doing with you now, do it, serve anyway. God will make it clear.

I'm sure I didn't include your favorite passage. There are so many. The Fall season is happening. Yes, confirmation instruction seems over-whelming for me too. Yes, schedules seem crazy. Talk to God! Be patient. Talk to God.

From an old confirmation hymn, "let us Ever Walk with Jesus, follow His example"

God's Peace,
Pastor Miller

September

Ushers

Saturday 6:30pm

Sept 2: Patty Thul & Brian
Baysinger

9: Dick & Corinne Higgins

16: Rhonda Tronick & Kathy
Hochsprung

23: Dean & Lisa Kirchoff

8:30am

Team 5 & 6

Wayne Vinkemeier

Dale Schumann

Robbie Peterson

Ross Peterson

Brad Havemeier

Gary Havemeier

Ethan Kaufmann

Roger Kaufmann

Saturday 6:30pm

Sept 6: Lee Uldbjerg

13: Corinne Higgins

20: Herb Kuehl

27: John Mons

September Readers

Sunday 8:30am

Sept 7: Weston Witte

14: Gwen Wichmen

21: Lynn Brown

28: Marie Maki

10:30am

Cate Oberg

Kim Kruse

Sadie Jenkins

Heidi Sickmann

OFFICIAL ACTS

Baptism

August 10th – Jasper Hanke, son of Andrew
and Grace Witte

FUNERALS

August 9th – Doris Sturges, age 96, passed August 4th

August 11th – Nancy Klapotz, age 68, passed August 5th

Transfer

Brian Baysinger – joined by profession of faith

Sharon Schroder – transferred to Good Sheperd Lutheran,
Owatonna, MN



September Greeters

September 7

8:30 Darlyn Egge &

Gloria Janieke

10:30 Barb Marquardt &

Dianne Johnson

September 14

8:30 Hazel Sitz &

Gwen Wichman

10:30 Gloria Janicke

September 21

8:30 Steve & Sandy Sturges

10:30 Mary & Jerry Haag

September 28

8:30 Alan & Carol Swenson

10:30 Anita Miller

Occasional Sale Update

August occasional and garage sale proceeds were \$2,543.17. Half of the proceeds, \$1,271.59 went to debt reduction, Safe Avenues (formerly McLeod Alliance) received \$635.79, and the same amount went toward utilities and maintenance. We are thankful for all of our volunteers and donors. We couldn't do this without you!!

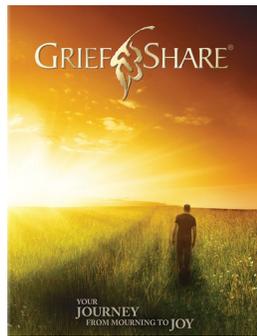
The next drop-off date is Monday, September 22, from 4:00-6:00 P.M. We welcome volunteers to help sort and price donations on Monday and Thursday mornings from 10:00-noon. Items can also be dropped off during those times. Please ring the doorbell, and volunteers will receive your donations. We are accepting clothing, shoes, purses, jewelry, home décor (especially Fall and Christmas), towels, bedding, small rugs, kitchen items, lamps, pictures, small appliances, crafts, YARN, toys, books, puzzles, DVD's, CD's, vinyl records, and sport collector cards.

The next occasional sale date is September 4th from 10:00-6:00. The sale will feature ALL clothing half-off. A quarter of the occasional and garage sale proceeds will be given to our local food shelf. Please contact Lynn at 320-582-0193 or Gayle at 320-583-2487 if you have any questions about donations.

GRIEFSHARE

Last year a new program was initiated to help those who have lost loved ones. We experience a good number of funerals each year, and survivors often need to talk about their loss. Griefshare is that opportunity. What is said at those meetings stays there. A group of members who lead the sessions are folks who have experienced loss. The format for each meeting is to talk about a specific topic, watch a video of experts talk about a specific topic in grieving, and share personal experiences. We meet every Monday from 4 – 5:30 pm in Room 210 at Peace. You can call the church office at 320-587-3031 to register. You are welcome even if you just show up. Our sessions begin September 8, 2025.

Welcome.



CHURCH PICTURE DIRECTORY - It is time again for us to do a picture directory of our members. We have the following photo sessions reserved (September 25, 26 & 27; October 3 & 4; and November 6, 7 & 8). More dates will be added if needed. Each individual or family unit having their photo taken will receive a free 8 X 10 color picture, a copy of the completed book (which will be 8½ x 11, spiral bound) and the option to order Christmas cards or additional pictures in various sizes which will arrive prior to Christmas for gifts. This will be a “one stop-shop” - pictures will be taken and you will immediately be able to view them and select the photo you want in the book (and if you want a different one as your free 8x10) and also place an order for additional pictures or Christmas cards. Your photos will be mailed directly to you. The books should be available for pickup by mid-January at the Church. Please plan on having your picture taken for this book. Sign up after worship services in the Commons area. OR-

sign up on-line at ucdir.com - 1. go to ‘Photography’, 2. click on ‘Photography session sign up’, 3. our Church code is MN609. • 4. our Password is photos. You can access this site from 12:01am on Sundays until 11:59pm on Fridays. The site is not accessible on weekends, however, you will be able to sign up in person here at Church. If you have questions, please contact Sue in the office.

Save-The-Dates!

Register TODAY at PLCHUTCH.ORG

Please watch for details of these events in the upcoming Bulletins!

WED. SEPT 3rd	Confirmation Orientation Gr. 6, 7, & 8 (you will be receiving information of Confirmation details)
SUN. SEPT 7th	Rally Day - Family Fun Day
WED. SEPT. 10th	First Day of Confirmation Gr. 6, 7, & 8
SUN. SEPT. 14th	First Day of Sunday School 3 yrs - Gr 8
WED.. SEPT. 7th	First Day of Bible Study/Lunch

September 7th
2025
At 9:40am



RALLY DAY

COME AND PLAY SOME GAMES

FAMILY FUN DAY

**COME AND MEET YOUR
TEACHER, AND FAMILY
RECEPTION IN THE PEACE
CENTER.**

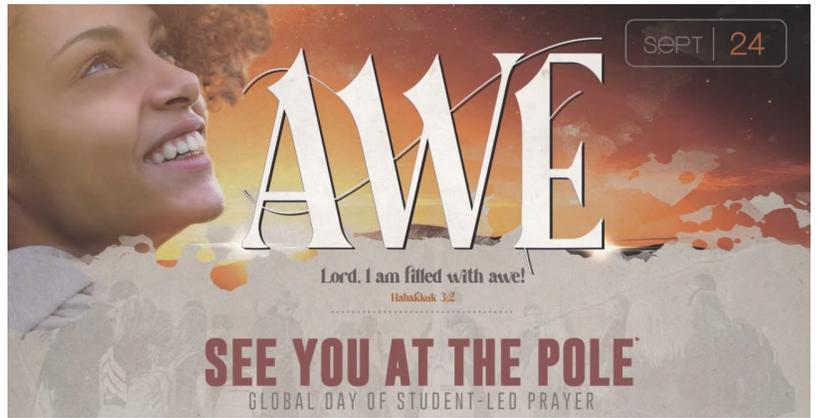


SEPT 24

AWE

Lord, I am filled with awe!
1ststPaul 3:2

SEE YOU AT THE POLE
GLOBAL DAY OF STUDENT-LED PRAYER



Peace Lutheran Church

**Confirmation Orientation
For Students & Parents
Grades 6, 7, 8**

plchutch.org



Wed. Sept. 3 • 5:00 pm • Peace Center

“Do you love to sing and have a passion for worship? Consider joining our church choir! We welcome all voices, regardless of experience, to come and share their gifts in leading our worship services. Rehearsals are Wednesdays at 5:30pm in the Choir Room. Come make a joyful noise with us!



We have an **URGENT** need for additional Audio-Video team persons. Please consider this vital ministry. Call or text Dr. Joan at 952-277-9961. The computer training isn't difficult but some “techy” skills are helpful.

Teen Bible Study



gifted
DISCOVERING AND CULTIVATING YOUR SPIRITUAL GIFTS

WEDNESDAYS 4:35-5:35
PEACE CENTER
STARTING SEPTEMBER 10TH



God's gift to the believer is good stewardship in the decision reward system of a joyful life.

Bloodmobile

TUESDAY, Sept 9th
TUESDAY, Oct 14th
12 pm - 6 pm - Peace Center

• Appointments can be made on line at
redcrossblood.org



SENIOR DRIVER SAFETY PROGRAM

~ **COURSE DATES & TIMES** ~

Thursday September 11th 1-5 pm
Thursday November 13th 1-5 pm
Thursday December 11th 1-5 pm



Room 207-209 Education Building

The next 55+Drivers Discount Class at Peace Lutheran Church is scheduled for Monday, August 11th 1:00 – 5:00pm in rooms 208-210. The Fall classes have been changed to Thursdays. September 11th, November 13th, and December 11th. The classes will be held at the same time and in the same rooms. Registration is still through Precision Driving Center of Minnesota. You may call 320-308-1400 or 888-234-1294 or register online at www.DriverDiscountProgram.com.

Save the Day!

November 18th 2025 6:30 pm in the Peace Center. Benjamin Hylden is the speaker. At age 16 Ben was in a near death motor vehicle accident. He is now a motivational speaker and will present his story. Additional information is pending, Stay Tuned!



We would like to thank the Peace Lutheran members for their donations of the school supplies collected and also for the diapers collected in August! The School Supply Distribution through Commom Cup helped over 500 kids prepare for a sucessful school year ahead in Hutchinson and Glencoe communities. It was a great outreach for families in need, and we would like to thank Peace Lutheran for being a part of it all!!

God is good! We had the BEST July and August anyone could hope for. From our raised garden beds producing some delicious food to our Jammin' for Jesus event ~ our hearts and stomachs are FULL. We are gearing up for all the changes that come this fall and are excited for the cooler temps. Please note that our Holiday Tour of Home Open House event will take place in November this year, so be watching for more information coming soon. We are praying for a few more meal volunteers to help out occasionally during the week and on Holidays. If you think you could spare 2 hours, once a month, to help us out please call or email Lisa Hoff at residentservices95@gmail.com.



Blessings,
Destini Doring
Executive Director
Prince of Peace Retirement Living
#320.234.7588

Peace Lutheran Women in Mission

Peace Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML)



A report from the 41st Biennial LWML Convention held this past June in Omaha, Nebraska is posted on the LWML bulletin board.

The MN South District Fall Women's Retreat will be on September 12-13, 2025 at Camp Omega in Waterville, MN.

SAVE THE DATE: The Crow River Conference Fall Rally will be on October 11, 2025. More information will be coming soon.

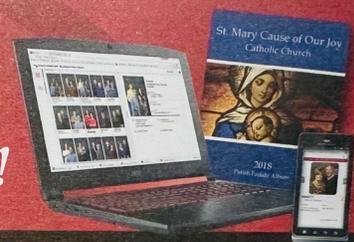
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! The Minnesota South District LWML is seeking volunteers to help at the 31st District Convention in 2026. The Crow River Conference, which is made up of the Arlington Zone, the McLeod Zone and the Litchfield Zone, will be the Host Committee for the convention. Around 30 volunteers are needed from the three zones. Please consider attending the convention and being a volunteer. More information will be coming soon. **YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE AN LWML MEMBER TO ATTEND THE CONVENTION.** If interested, contact Nona Anderson (583-6745).

If you are having trouble sleeping, don't count sheep. Talk to the Shepherd.

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*Dear Church family,
It's time for a New Directory!*



*Celebrating faith.
Connecting families.
Sharing hope.*

Connections Event

Our church directory will not be complete without you. Join us to celebrate faith and family with our new church family album.





September 2025 Prayer Calendar



“For the Lord gives wisdom, and from his mouth comes knowledge and understanding.” Proverbs 2:6

1. Ask the Lord to help you in your labors, that they be pleasing to Him.
2. As a new school year begins, pray that all children have a year that is beneficial to them in knowledge and health.
3. Pray for the well being of the school bus driver. Ask God to give them wisdom and patience as they deal with the children.
4. Ask God to guide all teacher as they help children to learn and grow.
5. Pray for the ministry of the Guiding Light child care center.
6. Ask God to help people in the child care industry and the state legislature to work out improved regulations so safe and affordable programs can be provided to families.
7. On this Sabbath Day praise God in His Sanctuary
8. Pray that people would recognize the importance of education and support programs designed to improve children's lives.
9. Pray for people enrolled in post secondary programs, that they will be conscientious students.
10. Ask God to help you to grow in faith and commitment to a life lived in Christian love.
11. Pray that parents of pre and school age children remember the pledges they made when their children were baptized. Pray they would be committed to raising their children in Christ centered homes.
12. Ask God to support and sustain PLC's staff members so they are able to fulfill their duties as His servants.
13. Pray for the members of the church council that they continue to work in harmony for the ministry of the congregation.
14. Pray for a receptive heart as you hear and read God's word today.
15. Thank God for the elders as they work with our pastors in service to the congregation.
16. Pray for the call committee as it continues in its search for candidates for a youth and family minister.
17. Ask God to guard and protect farmers as they work during this busy harvest season.
18. Jesus used many "word pictures" to describe his work. Thank Him for missionaries who help save lost sheep, fish for men and gather the harvest in His service.
19. Thank God for the work of Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML) who support many missionaries worldwide.
20. Thank God for the LWML women in our congregation who continue to help people in need.
21. Remember the Sabbath Day to keep in Holy.
22. Ask God to show you how you can be a servant in this congregation.
23. Pray for the people who serve our community as police officers, fire fighters, first responders and health care workers.
24. Pray for our leaders at every level of government that they would work for the welfare of all people.
25. Thank God for all the volunteers in our congregation who help keep our ministry functioning smoothly.
26. Ask God to open the hearts of the unchurched to the call of the Holy Spirit.
27. Pray for the people you know who have rejected God and His Word.
28. Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
29. Thank God for His plans for your life.
30. "...whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable.....think about such things." Philippians 4:8

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 Pastor Jeff Miller 320-510-3674
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OFFICE HOURS Monday- Closed
 Tuesday -Thursday 9am-4pm
 Friday 9am - 1pm

September 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7 8:30 Worship/Communion 9:40 Bible Study 9:40 Rally Sunday 10:30 Worship	8 4:5:30 Grief Share	9 6:45-7:45 Men's Bible 10:00 Women's Bible St 12-6 Bloodmobile 3:00 Adult Bible Study 6:30 Promise Keepers 6:30 Council	10 10:00 Body & Soul 11:45 Bible Study & Lunch 2:45 Confirmation 4:30 Teen Bible Study 5:30 Adult Choir 6:30 Handbells	11 1-5 Drivers Training	12	13 6:45-7:45 Men's Bible 6:30 Worship
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Council Meeting

June 10, 2025

Present: Melissa Weckwerth, Chuck Innes, Gary Hauemeler, Kathy Hochspring, Lynn Brown, Pastor Weber, Sue Kroyer

Opening Prayer and Devotion by Pastor Weber, Galatians 2:20

Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Kathy to approve the May 13, 2025, Council minutes as presented, seconded by Gary. Motion carried.

Reports:

1. Pastor's Report:

Pastor gave an update on the Call Committee for the Director of Child, Youth and Family Ministry position. They continue to interview possible candidates for this position. He also gave an update on Guiding Light and reported that they continue to search for a Director.

2. Administrator/Office Report:

Sue reported that the Occasional Sale continues to be more successful each month. The 2-day sale held, June 5th and 6th expanded into the garage and parking lot and the total sales were \$1,639.11. She also reported that the youth held a lunch stand in conjunction with the 2-day sale and raised \$1,373 to help fund 13 of our youth to attend the National Youth Convention in July in New Orleans. .

3. Treasurer's Report: Sue shared a brief update

4. Elder's Report:

Pastor Miller and Paul Cote continue to serve our shut-ins with visits and communion.

Old Business:

1. Carpet installation in the Sanctuary - will be scheduled later this summer
2. Door/entrance security - there have not been any problems recently
3. Church directory - several companies are being looked at with anticipation of completing this project by year end.
4. Lease for Guiding Light - this is on hold until they have secured licensing, hired a Director and established a starting date
5. Governance documents - It is expected that this project will be completed soon.

New Business

1. Reminder - There will not be a Council meeting in July
2. The August meeting will be held on August 11th

Closing Prayer: The Lord's Prayer

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Borke

Church Council Secretary

Melissa Weckwerth

Church Council President

In Kim's absence, the minutes were recorded by Sue Kroyer, Administrator