

# Peace Lutheran Church



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## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST/ SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

<b>PASTORS</b>	<b>KURT WEBER AND JEFF MILLER</b>
<b>ELDERS</b>	
Saturday 6:30pm	Matthew Markgraf, George Quast
Sunday 8:30am	Kevin Buss, Paul Otte
Sunday 10:30am	Marc Telecky
<b>GREETERS</b>	
Sunday 8:30am	Darlyn Egge, Gloria Janicke
Sunday 10:30am	Barb Marquardt, Dianne Johnson

**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.

We have an urgent need for someone to join the 8:30am AV team on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month. Please call or text Dr. Joan at (952) 277-9961.

We are in need of snack donations for Sunday School, Release Time and after school activities for our youth. Please check the poster on the ramp bulletin board for the items we need. Thanks for your generous support!

Thank you to Steve Maki for refinishing our outside wooden doors to the Narthex. They look amazing! And, A huge THANK YOU to our Trustees and their family members who helped to facilitate the carpet project. Dealing with the pews is no small task – detaching, moving (three times), reattaching, along with the cutting/dismanteling a couple of them plus major cleaning. Job well done!

We will be continuing to print the Order of Worship and the Bulletin separately. We urge you to take the Bulletin home with you as a reference for information on upcoming events.

The Fall Women's Retreat will be Sept 12 & 13 at Camp Omega. Information is on the LWML bulletin board. Sept 16 is "Mission Possible Day" a day to make a donation to the LWML Mission Grant Goal. You can find information and donate on the LWML website.

**Guiding Light Early Learning Center** is an official business entity as of Dec 2024 and recently received 501(c)(3) non-profit classification and are working on acquiring their state licensing. UPDATE – THEY ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT THEY HAVE HIRED A DIRECTOR! If you would like to support the center with monetary gifts, please mail your check to: Guiding Light ELC, PO Box 94, Hutchinson MN 55350. 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. Please keep the center in your prayers. Visit our website at [www.guidinglightelc.com](http://www.guidinglightelc.com)

### WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES WITH PASTOR KURT

- Sundays** Peace Center, 9:40am, resumes 9/14  
Book of Genesis "Beginnings Part 2"
- Tuesdays & Saturdays** Mens Bible Study, Cashwise Caribou, 6:45am  
Men of Faith and Action  
"Mere Christianity" by CS Lewis
- Wednesdays** Peace Center with lunch, 11:45pm starting 9/10  
1 Samuel "Kingdoms rise and fall, but Christ is Forever King (History of the Monarchy of Israel)"

**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 pick-up at the by mid-January at the Church. Please plan on having your picture taken for this book. Sign up before or after the worship service this weekend in the Commons area. Or, sign up on-line at [ucdir.com](http://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 on Saturdays and Sundays. NOTE: ALL PICTURE SESSIONS WILL BE HELD IN THE PEACE CENTER. If you wish to have multi-generational or extended family pictures taken, please sign up for two consecutive photo sessions to allow adequate time. If you have questions, please contact Sue in the office. NOTE; WE HAVE ADDED A DIRECT LINK TO THE SIGN UP SITE FROM OUR WEBSITE .

<b>BUILDING DEBT FUND</b>	
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—8/31/25.....	\$ 675,982.50*
Principal paid in 2023.....	\$ 640,035.99
Principal paid in 2024.....	\$ 483,259.07
Principal paid in 2025.....	\$ 487,025.15*
<b>WEEKLY OFFERINGS</b>	
Offerings Deposited 8/28- 9/3	\$ 10,141
Average Offerings Needed Per Week	\$ 15,673

Rita Janke  
 Barb Ribar  
 Elaine Lewerenz  
 Jon & Sylvia Radtke  
 Melinda Mikolichuk  
 Darlene Piehl

Delores Plath  
 Rueben Draeger  
 Melissa Wanous  
 Bev Alsleben  
 Mabel Boelter  
 Mary Melin

If you know of someone who is ill or hospitalized, or would like a pastoral visit, please contact the Church office.

WORSHIP BAGS FOR CHILDREN are in the red wagons in the Chapel, Peace Center or Narthex. Children may use the bags during Worship and return them to the wagon.

If you have extra garden produce and would like to share – please place it on the table in the Commons. Thanks!

Attendance Last Week	
Sunday 10:00am	148
Online	390

**SUNDAY (9/7)**  
 8:30am Worship/Communion  
**9:40am RALLY SUNDAY**  
 10:30am Worship

**MONDAY (9/8)**  
 10-12 Occas Sale Work Day  
 4:00pm Grief Share

**TUESDAY (9/9)**  
 6:45am Men's Bible Study  
 10:00am Women's Bible Study  
 12-6pm Bloodmobile  
 3:00pm Adult Bible Study  
 6:30pm Promise Keepers  
 6:30pm Council

**WEDNESDAY (9/10)**  
 10:00am Body and Soul  
 11:45am Bible Study & Lunch  
 2:45pm Confirmation  
 4:30pm Teen Bible Study  
**5:30pm Adult Choir**

**THURSDAY (9/11)**  
 10-12 Occas Sale Work Day  
 1-5pm Drivers Training

**FRIDAY (9/12)**

**SATURDAY (9/13)**  
 6:45am Men's Bible Study  
 6:30pm Worship

**SUNDAY (9/14)**  
 8:30am Worship  
 9:40 Bible Study  
 9:40am Sunday School  
 10:30am Worship/Council

**MONDAY (9/15)**  
 10-12 Occas Sale Work Day  
 4:00pm Grief Share

**TUESDAY (9/16)**  
 6:45am Men's Bible Study  
 10:00am Women's Bible Study  
 3:00pm Adult Bible Study  
 6:30pm Promise Keepers

**WEDNESDAY (9/17)**  
 9:00am Parish Health  
 10:00am Body and Soul  
 11:45am Bible Study & Lunch  
 2:45pm Confirmation  
 4:30pm Teen Bible Study  
**5:30pm Adult Choir**

**THURSDAY (9/18)**  
 10-12 Occas Sale Work Day  
 6:30pm Trustees

**FRIDAY (9/19)**

**SATURDAY (9/20)**  
 6:45am Men's Bible Study  
 6:30pm Worship/Communion

**ANNUAL COMMON CUP COAT DRIVE** – We are collecting coats (no wool coats please), boots, snowpants, mittens, etc – new or gently used – infant to adult sizes, for Common Cup. There is a box in the Commons Area for your donations thru October 10<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your generous support!

**Thrivent members:** 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. 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. WE ARE STARTING A NEW SCHOOL YEAR & WE ARE DEFINITELY IN NEED OF SOME THRIVENT CARDS! Contact Sue in the Church office if you are interested in applying for a grant Thank You!

**Thank you to all the shoppers and volunteers and those who have generously donated items for our sales at Peace. The September total sales were \$2,028.83!** One quarter of the September 4th sales, \$507.21, will go to the local Food Shelf, \$507.21 will go towards building utilities and maintenance and half, \$1,014.41, will go towards dept reduction. The next sale will be October 2nd. One quarter of the October sales will go to Safe Avenues. Donation drop off dates and times are from 4:00-6:00pm on August 25th (the week before the sale instead of the week of the sale) 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!**