

# Peace Lutheran Church



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## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT / DECEMBER 7, 2025

**PASTORS:** KURT WEBER AND JEFF MILLER  
**ELDERS:**  
 Saturday 6:30pm George Quast, Marc Telecky  
 Sunday 8:30am Dale Schumann, Jeff Weckwerth  
 Sunday 10:30am Brad Havemeier  
**GREETERS:**  
 Sunday 8:30am James and Darlynn Muetzel  
 Sunday 10:30am Ron and Barb Kirchoff

### WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES WITH PASTOR KURT

**Sundays** Peace Center: 9:40am  
 Book of Genesis "Beginnings Part 2"  
**Tuesday & Saturdays** Men's Bible Study, Cashwise Caribou, 6:45am  
 Men of Faith and Action  
 "Mere Christianity" by CS Lewis

IT IS PEACE'S TURN TO PROVIDE COOKIES FOR THE BLOODMOBILE THIS MONTH. PLEASE BRING YOUR COOKIES TO THE PEACE CENTER BEFORE TUESDAY, DEC 9TH. QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT SHIRLEY WURDELL AT (320) 583-1009 THANKS.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE THAT BROUGHT IN YOUR AMAZING BAKED GOODS AND TREATS, HELPED WITH THE SALE, OR PURCHASED GOODIES AT OUR ANNUAL SALE, WE RAISED \$ 1,188.00 FOR THE DEBT AND WERE SOLD OUT IN A LITTLE OVER AN HOUR!

NOTICE – ELIA PETERSON, OUR NEW DIRECTOR OF CHILD, YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRY WILL START OFFICIALLY WORKING ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9TH. HER INSTALLATION HAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR THE WEEKEND OF JANUARY 3/4. THERE WILL BE A LIGHT BRUNCH RECEPTION AT 9:30AM IN THE PEACE CENTER ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 4TH. EVERYONE IS WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO COME MEET ELIA AND HER FAMILY

GUIDING LIGHT UPDATE: THEY HAVE OBTAINED THEIR LICENSE AND ARE NOW OPEN FOR ENROLLMENT. WITH AN ANTICIPATED START DATE LATER THIS MONTH. THEY WILL BE HOSTING AN OPEN HOUSE ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9TH AT THE CENTER FROM 3PM TO 6PM.

THE CONGREGATIONAL FUND WILL AGAIN PROVIDE MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE DEBT REDUCTION FOR MONIES DONATED UP TO A TOTAL OF \$50,000! WE HAVE ALSO HAD A MEMBER PLEDGE AN ADDITIONAL \$20,000 IN MATCHING FUNDS!

LAST CHANCE - IF YOU MISSED GETTING YOUR PICTURE TAKEN FOR THE CHURCH DIRECTORY, WE ARE POSSIBLY GETTING ONE MORE DAY, AFTER THE HOLIDAYS. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SETTING UP AN APPOINTMENT, PLEASE TALK TO CONNIE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE. IF WE CAN GET ENOUGH PEOPLE INTERESTED, THEY WILL SET UP ANOTHER SESSION.

REMINDER – SUNDAY, DEC 14TH THE 10:30AM SERVICE WILL BE THE CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM ON SATURDAY THE 13TH, FOLLOWING THE 10:00 REHEARSAL, THERE WILL BE A CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR THE KIDS & FAMILIES WITH FOOD, GAMES, CRAFTS, AND AN APPEARANCE BY SANTA. ANYONE THAT WOULD LIKE TO HELP, CONTACT THE OFFICE.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS – DECEMBER 21ST. 10:00AM 'CAROLS AND BELLS' THERE WILL BE ONLY ONE WORSHIP SERVICE THAT WEEKEND AND IT WILL FEATURE OUR CHOIRS AND HANDBELLS. FOLLOWING THE SERVICE THERE WILL BE A CONGREGATIONAL HOLIDAY LUNCHEON IN THE PEACE CENTER.

THE TURKEY AND HAM DINNER WAS AGAIN A HUGE SUCCESS! THERE IS A REASON WHY WE WERE AGAIN VOTED "BEST CHURCH DINNER" - IT'S BECAUSE OF OUR AMAZING VOLUNTEERS!!! THANK YOU TO EVERYONE!!! THE CROWD WAS MUCH SMALLER THAN ANTICIPATED, BUT WE SERVED 263 DINNERS AND DUE TO THE USE OF SEVERAL THRIVENT CARDS, DONATIONS, GENEROUS ATTENDEES AND SOME BARGAIN SHOPPING WE MADE \$4,509.00 FOR THE DEBT REDUCTION FUND. WE ALSO COLLECTED 82 FOOD ITEMS FOR COMMON CUP!!!

REMINDER: THERE WILL BE A CHRISTMAS CAROL SING-ALONG IN THE COMMONS THIS SUNDAY AND NEXT.

A HUGE THANK YOU TO EVERYONE THAT DONATED THEIR TIME AND TALENTS TO DECORATE OUR CAMPUS SO BEAUTIFULLY FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON!

BAPTISM: SUNDAY AT THE 8:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE HENRY DAVID WESTLUND, SON OF ALEC AND ABBY WESTLUND; SERVING AS SPONSORS: BEN AND MADDIE MCKIMM, COLIN MCKIMM, DAN WESTLUND, LAURA WESTLUND

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—12/1/25.....		\$ 554,775.51*
Principal paid in 2023.....	\$	640,035.99
Principal paid in 2024.....	\$	483,259.07
Principal paid in 2025.....	\$	608,232.14*
WEEKLY OFFERINGS		
Offerings Deposited 11/207 - 12/3	\$	14,852
Average Offerings Needed Per Week	\$	15,673

**PRAYER LIST**

**THIS WEEK**

**UPCOMING**

Rita Janke  
 Barb Ribar  
 Elaine Lewerenz  
 Jon & Sylvia Radtke  
 Melinda Mikolichek  
 Delores Plath

Rueben Draeger  
 Melissa Wanous  
 Bev Alsleben  
 Mabel Boelter  
 Gale Schlueter  
 Jan Klabunde

**SUNDAY (12/07)**  
 8:30am Worship/Communion  
 9:40am Bible Study/Caroling  
 9:40am Sunday School  
 10:30am Worship

**MONDAY (12/08)**  
 10-12 Occas Sale Work Day

**TUESDAY (12/09)**  
 6:45am Men's Bible Study  
 10:00pm Women's Bible Study  
 12-6 Bloodmobile  
 3:00pm Parables Bible Study  
 6:30pm Promise Keepers  
 6:30pm Council

**WEDNESDAY (12/10)**  
 9:00am ReleaseTime  
 10:00am Body and Soul  
 11:30am Worship & Lunch  
 2:45pm Confirmation  
 3:20pm Tiger Tweens  
 4:30pm Advent Worship  
**5:30 Adult Choir**  
 6:30om Handbells

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

**FRIDAY (12/12)**

**SATURDAY (12/13)**  
 6:45am Men's Bible Study  
 10:00am Program Rehearsal  
 11:30am Children Holiday Party  
 6:30pm Worship/Communion

**SUNDAY (12/14)**  
 8:30am Worship  
 9:40am Bible Study/Caroling  
 10:00am Children Meet  
 10:30am Childrens Program

**MONDAY (12/15)**  
 10-12 Occas SaleWork Day

**TUESDAY (12/16)**  
 6:45am Men's Bible Study  
 10:00am Women's Bible Study  
 3:00pm Parables Bible Study  
 6:30pm Promise Keepers

**WEDNESDAY (12/17)**  
 9:00am Release Time  
 10:00am Body and Soul  
 11:30am Worship & Lunch  
 1:00pm Mission Sewing  
 2:45pm Confirmation  
 3:20pm Tiger Tweens  
 4:30pm Advent Worship  
**6:00pm Choir & Handbells**

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

**FRIDAY (12/19)**

**SATURDAY (12/20)**  
 6:45am Men's Bible Study  
 No Worship Service

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.

Christmas cards are available at the LWML Card Shop in the rampway

**Attendance Last Week**

<b>Saturday 6:30pm</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>Sunday 8:30am</b>	<b>107</b>
<b>Sunday 10:30am</b>	<b>64</b>
<b>64Advent 11:30am</b>	<b>88</b>
<b>Advent 4:30pm</b>	<b>41</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>332</b>
<b>Online</b>	<b>614</b>

Coffee and treats are served for Sunday morning Bible Study and BEFORE the 10:30 service. The coffee will remain available, but the treats put away at the start of the worship service. ALL donations support the taxi service. Thank You! It is so appreciated!

**Thank you to all the shoppers and volunteers and those who have generously donated items for our sales at Peace. The December 4<sup>th</sup> total sales were \$2,598.10!** One quarter of the December 4<sup>th</sup> sales \$647.77, will go to the local food shelf, \$647.77 will go towards building utilities and maintenance, and half, \$1294.56, will go towards debt reduction (which will also be matched by the Congregational Fund!) There was an additional sale in conjunction with the Annual Cookie and Bake Sale on December 6<sup>th</sup>. whraised \$965.00, This total amount will go towards the debt reduction. The next sale will be January 8<sup>th</sup> with a quarter of the proceeds going to Common Cup. . The next drop off date is Monday, December 29th, 4-6pm.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 and Thursday from 10:00am to 12 noon, the crew is at Peace Place. Feel free to come and see what's going on (or drop off donated items). PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ITEMS OUTSIDE OF THE DOOR.