

Peace Lutheran Church



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Sunday, September 6, 2026

Pastors: Gerhard Bode and Jeff Miller

Elders

Sunday 10:00am Robbie Peterson
Dale Schumann

Greeters

Sunday 10:00am Anita Miller &
Wayne Vinkemeier

The flowers on the organ are from the funeral of Lori McElmury which was on September 2nd.

Mark your calendars for Rally Sunday:

We invite you to be a part of a new exciting season in your child's faith formation! Your child's first day of Sunday School is September 13th.

We are looking forward to exploring the Creation Story together in a fun, interactive and engaging way. The day will also be a special one for our Preschool, 3rd grade and 6th grade students, who will receive their very own Bible.

Here is the road map for our morning:

9:40am Opening Prayer

9:45am Breakfast

10:00am Creation Stations begin

10:20am Everyone returns to Peace Center

10:30am Worship Service and Kids sing

Weekly Bible Studies with Pastor Kurt

Sunday, September 6th - No Bible Study

No Men's Bible Study on Tuesday at 6:45am at "Caribou Coffee" in Cash Wise for this week.

Parents and kids - Its time to register for Confirmation, Sunday School, Release Time and Tiger Tweens. The forms are located on the desk in the Commons Area and also on the back table in the Narthex. You can also register on-line at plchutch.org

No Grief Share on September 7th - Labor Day

The next Grief Share is September 14th, at 4:00pm - 5:30pm in room 210. This is our fourth session and the topic is "Self-Care". This is a thirteen week program. You do not have to commit to all thirteen sessions. You can attend any session. If you have any questions, please call the church office at 320-587-3031.

Reminder for all parents of 6th - 8th graders:

There is a meeting on September 9th at 6:00pm in Peace Center. We will provide the orientation for students and parents to know the following:

- Which class and instructor to go to.
- What the subject matter will be for the year.
- What the class schedule for the year looks like.
- What is expected of parents and students.

If you are not able to attend, please contact Elia Peterson.

We have another Congregational Fund Match of \$25,000 towards the Debt which started on September 1st.

Thank you everyone for all your generous donations for the debt reduction and also the Congregational Fund for matching \$50,000 and upcoming \$25,000 towards the debt. Each year approximately 90% of the earnings help support our ministry and projects at Peace Lutheran. The remaining 10% of earnings and growth are reinvested back into the fund as principal to help the fund grow and support the church for generations.

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 1/1/26.....	\$431,118.02
Balance 9/1/26.....	\$113,466.94
Principal paid in 2023.....	\$640,035.99
Principal paid in 2024.....	\$483,259.07
Principal paid in 2025.....	\$731,889.63
Principal paid in 2026.....	\$317,651.08

Since its inception in 1993, The Peace Lutheran Congregational Fund has been instrumental in financially assisting our Church in many ways including helping us fund the actual building of Prince of Peace and also procuring additional property for their campus, the purchase of Peace Place for our use and providing funds to assist us in constructing the Little Lambs building. Since 2014, they have provided us \$5,000 per month to be used towards the monthly debt payment, totaling \$745,000 to date; and since 2023 have also provided us \$390,000 in matching funds. Their assistance will allow us to realize our goal of retiring the debt at the end of this year.

PRAYER LIST

Rita Janke	Mabel Boelter
Barb Ribar	Jon & Sylvia Radtke
Delores Plath	John Youngdahl
Rueben Draeger	Jeff & Cynthia Beadell
Melissa Wanous	

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.

Attendance Last Week

6:30pm Saturday	53
8:30am Sunday	126
10:30am Sunday	<u>64</u>

Total	243
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Online	258
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If you have any extra garden produce you would like to share, there is a table in the Commons Area. All produce is free. Thank you to all who donated.

This Week

Sunday (9/6)
One Worship Service with
Communion at 10:00am
No Bible Study

Monday (9/7)

Labor Day
Office Closed

Tuesday (9/8)

10:00am Women's Bible Study
Noon-6:00pm Blood Mobile
3:00pm Parables Bible Study
6:30pm Council
6:30pm Promise Keepers

Wednesday (9/9)

10:30am Body & Soul
6:00pm Handbells
6:00pm Parent Confirmation
meeting in Peace Center

Thursday (9/10)

Occas sale work day
10:00-Noon

Friday (9/11)

Saturday (9/12)

6:30pm Worship Service

Upcoming

Rally Sunday (9/13)

8:30am Worship Service
9:40am New Bible Study Crossways
9:40am first day of Sunday School
10:30am Worship Service/Communion

Monday (9/14)

10:00am Prayer Chain
4:00pm-5:30pm Grief Share

Tuesday (9/15)

6:45am Men's Bible Study
9:00am Parish Health
10:00am Women's Bible Study
3:00pm Parables Bible Study
6:30pm Promise Keepers

Wednesday (9/16)

10:30am Body & Soul
11:45am-1:00pm Lunch/Crossways
2:30-4:30pm Confirmation
3:30pm Tiger Tweens
4:30pm Youth Group grades 6-8th
5:00pm Choir
6:00pm Handbells

Thursday (9/17)

Occas sale work day
10:00-Noon
6:30pm Trustees

Friday (9/18)

Saturday (9/19)

6:30pm Worship Service/Communion

Its time again for the Annual Common Cup Coat Drive. We are collecting gently used or new items, sizes infant to adult. Donations for coats (no wool coats please) boots, snowpants, hats and mittens can be placed in the play pen located in the Commons Area. We will be collecting till October 4th.

The Peace Place occasional sale on September 3rd raised \$3,509.88. One quarter \$877.47 will go to the McLeod County Food Shelf. One quarter \$877.47 will go towards building/utilities and half \$1,754.94 will go towards debt reduction (which will be matched). If you have any questions regarding donations for the sale contact Lynn at 320-582-0193 or Gayle at 320-583-2487. The next drop off for donations will be Monday, September 21st from 4:00-6:00pm for the sale on October 1st. Proceeds from that sale will go towards Safe Avenues.

Thank you to all who donated school supplies to our church for our youth education programs. We are so blessed by your generosity.

If you are a Thrivent member you are eligible for two grants of \$250 each per year that can be used here at Peace for various events and ministries. We have used these for curriculum and supplies for Christian education (Sunday School, Release Time, Vacation Bible School, Confirmation) and to offset expenses for our fundraising events. If you would like to help the church with this, please contact Sue in the office to see what we currently need cards for. Thanks for your support.