

July/August 2022



PEACE
LUTHERAN CHURCH

"Where everybody is somebody because Jesus Christ is Lord!"

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General Announcements

The **Peace community garden beds available to rent for the season.** Cost is \$30-\$40 per bed. If interested, please contact the office, or Kent Miller with any questions.

Sunday, **July 10**, we will have a joint **10:00 am service at Trinity**, followed by a potluck.

Beginning Sunday, **July 17**, worship will be at **9:00 am** for the remainder of the year.

Pastor Ian will be gone the following dates: June 15-16–Seattle, July 17-23–Minneapolis, July 26-August 10-Europe

You may reach Pastor Ian via email, or you can leave a voicemail at the office (397-2121) for him. Pastor Jeannette Solimine will be covering in his absence.

The church council met on June 21st and approved the following:

A remodel of the basement and the creation of a child care center that uses the church's non-profit status.

The creation of a committee that will work on this project and report to council.

If you would like to be on this committee, please talk to Georgie.

The ability for this committee to apply for grant funding.

With this in mind, there will be a **special congregational meeting on July 24th at 11AM. On this Sunday there will be a combined worship service, at Peace, at 10AM.** There is a lot of information to share and this will be your chance to share your thoughts and vote on important matters pertaining to the child care center. Please make arrangements to be there if at all possible! If you have questions, please talk to Pastor Ian.

Your financial gifts can be received in a number of ways!

In addition to leaving your offering during in-person worship, we also have, Tithe.ly, our online giving platform, which can be found here:

https://tithe.ly/give_new/www/#/tithely/give-one-time/1302894

You may also may also drop your offering in the mailbox at church or mail it to:
309 N Lake Street, Colfax, WA 99111

Birthdays

JULY:

2nd - Scot Cocking
4th - Mitch Jamison
9th - Marten Larkin
13th - Alexis Maki
15th - Christina Solimine
19th - Kathy Carr
21st - Stella McNeilly
27th - Julie Roberts
31st - Brian Cornelius

AUGUST:

1st - Lola Gillespie
2nd - Christine Henning
 Judy Young
4th - Jim Repp
7th - Colby Cocking
 Sara Whelchel

15th - Wayne Henning
20th - Cathy Landers
 Kent Miller
21st - Annie Larkin
22nd - Lorna Hanrahan
31st - Jon Kehne

Anniversaries

JULY:

2nd - Nick and Sara Cocking
(2016)
9th - Aaron & Jamie Colyer
(2009)
20th - Tyler & Megan (Teade)
Moos (2013)
29th - Rich & Cathy Landers
(1994)

AUGUST:

15th - Chad & Marne Maki
(1992)

Pastor's Message

Mark 6:30-32

30 The apostles gathered around Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught.

31 He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while."

For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. 32 And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves.

Dear Siblings in Christ,

We are in the middle of summer! Harvest is about to arrive, the sun is beaming down and we have forgotten the rather dark dreary days of winter. In our family at least, that means copious amounts of outside time, lots of BBQing and constantly hoping that I put enough sunscreen on the kids.

The more I think about all of this, the more the passage above, from the book of Mark, is a funny choice. In this newsletter I wanted to tell you that I will be on vacation for a larger chunk than usual. First, I'll be in Minneapolis for some continuing education from July 17-22. Then, from July 26 through August 10 I will be with my family in Switzerland! The Swiss family hasn't seen any of us in years and has not had the chance to meet Wren yet, so I am really looking forward to the time spent there! Which leads me to the point about why that is an interesting Bible passage. Jesus told the disciples to "[c]ome away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." That sounds great. Rest is important! Vacation is important, especially if you, like the disciples, are having trouble finding time to do things like eat! Self-care is important, especially if you are a disciple of Christ. However, just a few short verses later they see a huge crowd as they come ashore and they end up feeding 5000 people. Of course, that is a wonderful act of compassion, but it is probably not the most restful of experiences! Even rest time turns to work time for the disciples and Jesus!

Anyway, I wanted to let you know that I will be leaving the "livestream" cell phone at home so that livestreaming on Sundays can continue without any issues. Thank you to Pastor Jeannette and Kate who are taking over that responsibility! That means that if you call or text 509-553-1750 I will not get the message until I get home. You can certainly text or call my personal cell phone while I am in Minneapolis and I will get back to you as soon as I can. That number again is 541-571-6183. However, since I am not physically here, I probably won't be as much help as I might like! In Switzerland, I will have no access to texts or calls on either phone and your best bet is to send an email

to pastoriankmc michael@gmail.com. I will very sporadically be checking emails. Pastor Wes from Trinity, Pullman is on sabbatical during this time, but Pastor Jeannette has graciously agreed to fill in any pastor care duties or emergencies. Her number can be found in the directory or by calling the church office.

More importantly than any of this, however, is the hope that I have that you, too, can find a time for self-care and relaxation. I hope you find some time to do nothing, or to do the things that are simply enjoyable. We all need that in our lives. It is possible that in the midst of your vacation, you are bombarded by something like 5000 people in need of food and you are moved to have compassion for them. You can cross that bridge when you come to it. One thing is certain though: In this day in age, the work never stops! We have to be intentional about how we recharge. Summer is one of the best times that I can think of to do just that. I look forward to connecting with you either before I leave or after I get back. Be safe! Be well! Have a great summer! God bless!

Peace,
Pastor Ian

Sunday Attendance

Week 1 June 5	Week 2 June 12	Week 3 June 19	Week 4 June 26
20	15	18	25

PLC Treasurer's Summary Report				
7/6/2022				
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				2022 YTD
Regular Offerings				\$ 44,830
Funds transferred from other accounts for non-budgeted expenses/Grants				
Total offerings available for expenses			\$ -	\$ 44,830
Budgeted Expenditures				\$ 61,838
Non-Budgeted Expenditures/Refunds				\$ 96
Total Expenses			\$ -	\$ 61,934
Net Balance			\$ -	\$ (17,104)

Account Balances			
			1-Jul
Checking			\$ 18,294
Campaign Fund			\$ 65,815
Emergency Fund			\$ 5,049
Foster Kids			\$ 156
Lutheran World Relief			\$ 2,689
Other Benevolence Fund			\$ 460
Peace Stitches			\$ 295
Youth Fund			\$ 2,881
Other Building Fund			\$ 4,285
Memorial Fund			\$ 17,102
Endowment Fund @ ELCA			\$ 41,275
Total Cash			\$ 158,300

