

**October 2023**



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# General Announcements

The Fall Highway liter pickup will take place **Saturday, November 18** (weather permitting). We will meet at the church at 10:00 am. Please contact Rex if you can attend!

**November 7th:** Make a Pillowcase at Peace Lutheran

- Two Make & Take Sessions: 3:30-5:30pm or 6:00-8:00pm.
- For ages 11- 18 years of age.
- Participant Chosen Fabric from our fabric stash at the church, sewing supplies & sewing machines will be provided with guided help from a Peace Quilter.
- Check out our website at [peacelutheranconfax.org](http://peacelutheranconfax.org) to learn more and sign up.

**November 9th:** Ladies Night: Making Yeast Bread and Fun Prizes!

- 6:30-8:30pm at Peace Lutheran
- Ages 21 and up welcome.
- We will provide the recipe's 4 ingredients, refreshments, and DOOR PRIZES!
- Participants need to bring their own mixer, with beaters (free standing or handheld), medium-sized mixing bowl, a pie pan or 8x8 dish, any beverage of their choice. If your mixer has a bread hook beater, bring it.
- Bring a friend to double the Fun!
- If you don't bake with all purpose flour, please bring 2 cups of your own type of flour.

Check out our website at [peacelutheranconfax.org](http://peacelutheranconfax.org) to learn more and sign up before Nov. 8th.

The next Adult Book Study "Sealed" discussion will be **Sunday, November 12**, following worship.

The Chosen, Season 3, will begin on **Sunday, November 5**. We will meet at the church at 6:00 pm. All are welcome! (Invite a friend, neighbor, etc)

# Offerings

## 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](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

## November Birthdays

7th - Lyndell Repp

18th - Becky Hart

19th- Hans McMichael

21st - JP Wigen

Mary Ann Wigen

24th - Steve Larkin

27th - Chad Maki

## November Anniversaries

1st - Pete & Brandy Wigen (2003)

## Sunday Attendance

| Week 1<br>October 1 | Week 2<br>October 8 | Week 3<br>October 15 | Week 4<br>October 22 | Week 5<br>October 29 |
|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| 17                  | 17                  | 34                   | 30                   | 21                   |

## PLC Treasurer's Summary Report

10/30/2023

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|   | 2023<br>YTD |                   |
|---|-------------|-------------------|
| <b>Regular Offerings</b>  |             | <b>\$ 97,394</b>  |
| <b>Funds transferred from other<br/>accounts for non-budgeted<br/>expenses/Grants</b> |             | <b>\$ -</b>       |
| <b>Total offerings available for expenses</b>   | <b>\$ -</b> | <b>\$ 97,394</b>  |
| <br>  |             |                   |
| <b>Budgeted Expenditures</b>  |             | <b>\$ 102,289</b> |
| <b>Non-Budgeted Expenditures/Refunds</b>  |             | <b>\$ -</b>       |
| <b>Total Expenses</b>   | <b>\$ -</b> | <b>\$ 102,289</b> |
| <br>  |             |                   |
| <b>Net Balance</b>  | <b>\$ -</b> | <b>\$ (4,895)</b> |

# Pastor's Message

1 Thessalonians 5:15-22

See that none of you repays evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to all. Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise prophecies, but test everything; hold fast to what is good; abstain from every form of evil.

Dear Members of Peace and Trinity,

Every day, but especially each fall, I am filled with gratitude for each of you. For the ways that you help make worship meaningful, provide sustenance for fellowship, come to education hours, and take an interest in the well-being of the church. Equally as important, I am grateful for your interest in loving the community of which we are a part. At Trinity, this happens through food bank fundraisers and community soup and bread, and at Peace through continued discussions about how we can use our space for the betterment of the community. Of course, this all happens outside of fall as well, but each fall as things sort of “start up” again, I am drawn to this feeling of gratitude.

I remember in eighth grade, my English teacher Mrs. Franz, created a “Gratitude Week,” in which each of us was given a secret person each day and were asked to do something nice for them. Get their binder for class, or put it away, tell them that we liked what they were wearing, etc. I remember working extra hard in another class to earn a piece of gum so I could give it away to my person. Livin’ the eighth grade life! Whatever it was, and even though it was rather forced, I still remember it reorienting my day when someone did something for me that day. So, this is my “piece of gum moment” where I tell all of you how grateful I am to be among you. The church looks different than it did ten years ago, and it even looks different post-COVID than it did before the pandemic, but in all of it, we are working together to worship God,

fellowship together, and serve our community. That's the call of Christ and I am grateful for the opportunity to be able to do it with you.

Now comes the invitation to pass it on. If you are giving thanks for someone in your life, tell them! Grab them a coffee, treat them to lunch, invite them on a walk, spend intentional time with them, send them a text, whatever it is, do it with a heart full of gratefulness and make sure they know how lucky you think you are to have them in your life! It takes minimal effort to make someone's day. Who knows? Like me, they may even be talking about it twenty years after the fact!

I was talking to someone recently about how I am always thankful for the reprieve of summer, but once fall rolls around again, I always feel energized and ready to go again! I pray that it is the same with you all. I look forward to engaging ministry with you all in the year to come.

Peace,  
Pastor Ian

