

September 2025



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General Announcements

On Thursday, October 9th, Trinity will host a **cluster gathering**. This will begin at 5:30 pm with a meal. Following that, representatives from our companion synod in Tanzania will give a presentation.

We will have a **joint worship service with Trinity on Oct 12th**. Gabe Brannan, Colfax native and LWR Senior Donor Advisor, will speak during the service, as well as help with the Blessing of the Quilts and Baby Care Kits. **Service will begin at 10:00 am.**

We are excited to bring you Peace Lutheran Church t-shirts! These shirts were designed and produced right here in Colfax by Signs and Designs! They are available in 3 colors- grey, ivory, and blue- with sizes Small through 5XL. **They are only \$18 per shirt!** We will have these shirts on display at the church for a few weeks before placing our first order. Feel free to look them over, try one on, etc., but please keep them at the church. There are also options for collared polo shirts and sweatshirts. If you would like to order a shirt(s):

Please call or email Kristi with the color and size and how you will pay (cash or check, payable to the church).

Children's Sunday School will kick off for the (school) year on Sunday, October 5th. More info will follow in the weekly announcements later this month.

Pastor Ian will be leading a new **Adult Bible Study** which will meet on Wednesday at 10AM, starting on September 10th. He will lead an eight week study on "evangelizing through a new lens." All are Welcome!

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

September Birthday's to Celebrate 🎂

18th - Curt McNeilly

19th - Marc Larkin

Stephanie McNeilly

23rd- Wren McMichael

23rd - Ryan Teade

25th- Pastor Ian McMichael

29th - Alex Teade

Julie Teade

Sunday Attendance

Week 1 August 3	Week 2 August 10	Week 3 August 17	Week 4 August 24	Week 5 August 31
22	23	24	34	21



**PLC Treasurer's Summary Report
8/31/2025**

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	2025
	YTD
Regular Offerings	\$ 53,794
Funds transferred from other accounts for non-budgeted expenses/Grants	\$ 3,200
Total offerings available for expenses	\$ - \$ 56,994
Budgeted Expenditures	\$ 78,613
Non-Budgeted Expenditures/Refunds	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ - \$ 78,613
Net Balance	\$ - \$ (21,619)

Pastor's Message

For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.

–Jeremiah 29:11

Dear Members of Peace and Trinity,

Raising kids, I have found, is similar in many ways to being part of the church in the present day. Corrin and I are busy. You all have probably heard too much about that busy-ness from me over the years and for that I apologize. For close to four years, we took Hans and Wren to childcare in Pullman during the week. I have nothing but wonderful things to say about each of the places that they attended, but I'll also say that first, it was expensive! And second, it took an extraordinary amount of time to simply drive there and back each day, especially if I was the one dropping them off and needed to return to Colfax or even Endicott to work for the day. We shifted that routine this year and Hans has settled into kindergarten nicely, while Wren has found her home at two part-time pre-schools, one of which at least is closer to home! This has been less expensive, but has also presented the "opportunity" to plan out our weeks down to the minute, as we discuss who will be in charge of Wren for the afternoon each day after her school ends.

Still, in the midst of the chaos and as you all have so graciously let me tell you all about our days, I hear the comment "Just wait. It gets worse." I'll admit that, depending on my mood I either take this as a comment that brushes off our own current experience, or as a gracious comment preparing us for what is to come. Either way, it provides me a sense of anxiety about how we will possibly survive the next 15 years of life. How could it possibly get more hectic!?

This month, Wren starts Transitional Kindergarten, full time. I am so excited for her, a kid who loves learning and socializing, and for Corrin and I, who will have our full days open again. However, I also know that what is to come is full of sports, activities, concerts, practices, piano lessons, dance recitals, and friend playdates. I know life will shift and it may even get more chaotic. People have told me as such!

But I also know that, through each phase of life, from daycare, to part-time preschool, to starting school full time, God has been faithful. Each phase has had its hard parts, where I wasn't quite sure we had made the right decision, but each phase has taught us, and the kids, just a bit more about what it means to work together as a family, to love each other, and to walk faithfully into the next step of life. Isn't that what Jeremiaiah 29:11 is actually all about?

I know this phase of the church can produce anxiety. I know previous phases have involved more people, more committees, more activities, and more money. I know they even involved having your own pastor and being able to dictate your own church life without having to share with a partner. And, I know that God's plans for good don't just end. That they may look different, but the call to faithfulness will always and forever remain the same. I am excited about what is to come, and grateful that I get to walk the path with each of you.

Peace,
Pastor Ian

