

The Beacon

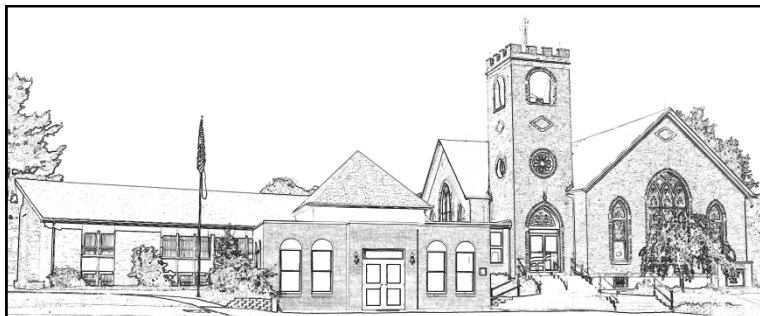
February 2025

Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church
The Cross-Lit Church

10581 Day Hill-Arnheim Rd
Georgetown, OH 45121

Ministers, All Peace Lutheran Members

Pastor Laura Shreffler
Phone: 937-446-2747



LYO Valentine Meal

The LYO will host its annual Valentine Dinner at 5:00 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 8, in Frey Hall. The dinner menu will be pasta, garlic bread, dessert, and iced tea. The pasta will be White Chicken Spaghetti, and a pasta with red sauce that is still to be determined. If you have any questions, please see Susan or Natalie.

A sign-up sheet is located on the Access Hall table. You will also find a "Valentine" bag for cards for the Valentine Dinner. For a donation, you can get a card and flower for that special someone. Pick a card out of the basket, write a message, and place the card and your donation in the bag. Don't forget to put a name on the envelope! The LYO will deliver the card and a flower to the recipient during dinner. Come and join us - the LYO always makes this a lovely occasion. There is no cost for the meal, but you may make donations to the LYO.



New Officers

Congratulations to Zach Taylor, who was elected as Church Council President on Sunday, Jan. 12. Marion Ralston was elected as vice president, and Natalie Vogel will continue as secretary.

Terry Holland is our new financial secretary, taking over from Kay Bundy. Kay served as financial secretary for several years, and we thank her for her service. Dan Wagel continues as the church treasurer.

The following are council liaisons for the church committees:

Church Property..... George Fowler
Cemetery..... George Fowler
Finance/Investment..... Steven Bundy
Evangelism Joan Yockey
Stewardship..... Linda Sue Stephan
Scholarship Sue Bohrer
Christian Education Dorothy Carrington
Worship & Music Connie Perry
Youth Ministry..... Natalie Vogel
Mission Fund Elizabeth Waits

Cookbooks

The new cookbooks have arrived and are for sale. They are \$15 each and located on the Access Hall table. Please put your money in the basket on the table or see Barbara Fowler, Linda Sue Stephan, Dorothy Carrington, or any other Dorcas Circle member.

This is a fundraiser for Dorcas Circle, and the circle has raised \$600 so far! Thank you!

Please Remember in Prayer

Anne Anderson
Roland and Fonda Barr
George Beltz
Renee Bergman
Raylen Boswell
Brittany Brown
Family of Gary Brown
Sandy Brown
Vicky
Kendal Conley
Family of Brent Donathan
Sharon and Dale Ernst
George Fowler
Trey Gagen
Karen Gilliam
Michell Grey
Family of Deloy Harp
Judith Harp
Pastor Scott Henning
Dorothy Hibbs
Judy Huber
Lydia Humble
Teresa Johnson
Shawnea Kelch
Wilfred and Norma Kelch
Wilma Kidd
Anthony Koda
Lucas Kuronen

James and Milly Leach
Ruth Litzinger
Cynthia Marks
Yolanda Meeker
Esther Miller
Family of Fae Miller
Family of Betty Naylor
Clarence Perry
Karla Ritchie
Mattie Robinette
Amanda Roush
Connie Sawyers
Dwayne Sawyers
Family of Cindy Scott
Anja Shelton
Carter Shideler
Colin Spicer
Robert Starett
Don Stevenson
Ken Stiers
Carl Stuck
Bill and Paula Taylor
Family of Keith Verville
James Wagel
Joellyn Waits
Family of Mack Wallace
Family of Michelle Wallace
Marilyn Wasson
Dave Willis
Holly Wilson

Senior Member Birthday

James Wagel (7-Feb)
6784 State Route 125
Georgetown, OH 45121

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

On Dec. 15 we welcomed into our Peace family, through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, Vernon Levi Dunn, the son of Katherine and Daniel Dunn. Levi was born Sept. 26. He is the grandson of Jim and Tara Woods and the great-grandson of Joy and the late Vernon Creighton.

We welcomed Abigail Grace Shelton, the daughter of Ben and Anja Shelton, into our Peace family through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Abigail was born August 23, 2024. Abigail's sponsors are Hallie Jimison and Brandon Sauls. She is the granddaughter of Kelly and Dave Warren and the great-granddaughter of Hallie Benjamine.

Prayers for these young families, that they may continue their walk in faith.

**HAPPY
GALENTINE'S
DAY**

Prayers for Health, Comfort and Strength

The Prayer List is published each month in the Beacon newsletter. Updates to the Beacon list are included in the weekly bulletins.

Please contact Pastor Laura or the church office to add names to the Prayer List or to request continuing prayers.

Requests for prayers may also be distributed through Peace Lutheran FYI emails and the One Call Now phone service.

Serving in the Armed Forces

Kalab Dearwester, Gordon Ellis, Michael Glass, Nicole Hatfield, Houston Henize, Daniel Kelch, Tom Mays, Tyler Thomas, Ryan Thornton, Jake Davis, Elijah Lawrence and Adam Vogel

Galentines Brunch

The women of Peace are invited to a Galentines Brunch at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 22, hosted by the Sardinia Church of Christ, 7130 Bachman Road. Discover the heartbeat behind the Pregnancy Resource Center. Donations are welcome. Pastor Laura can take three other women with her. RSVP with Pastor Laura by Sunday, Feb. 2, and she will send in the RSVPs.

Prayers for Homebound and Those in Care Facilities

Cameron McCall (at home)
Esther Miller (Monarch Meadows, 937-205-7658)



Dear Friends,

On the first Sunday in February, Feb. 2, we will step away from the usual Epiphany lesson in Luke to another lesson, The Presentation of Our Lord. This is a special Sunday when we remember Jesus taken to the temple for his official presentation at 40 days old. Feb. 2 is about 40 days away from Christmas Day. Jesus would have been six weeks old, and his mother ready to go for her purification so that she could be "clean" and enter into worship again. This is not to be confused with Jesus' circumcision, which happened when he was eight days old.

Feb. 2 is the date for The Presentation of Our Lord, Candlemas, and the only holiday for this date that sticks in people's minds -- Groundhog Day. Besides the biblical emphasis for the first one, all are dated in such a way that the sun is beginning to linger a little bit longer each day. We are halfway between winter and spring. So Britain started with hedgehogs, and Americans threw in groundhogs to give some hope that spring was coming soon. Whether the hedgehog or groundhog sees its shadow or doesn't, we all know that spring is just going to arrive when it arrives!

Candlemas is known in the Shreffler household as the day we really need to get the tree and Christmas decorations down! In some Celtic and other British traditions, Candlemas is the final day of the Christmas season. Candlemas commemorates the purification of the Virgin Mary (after childbirth, according to Jewish law) and the presentation of Christ in the Temple. New candles were always blessed at this festival. The blessing of candles did not enter into common use until the eleventh century. The celebrant, in a stole and robe of purple, standing at the epistle side of the altar, blessed the candles, which traditionally were of beeswax. Participants would also bring in their own new candles for blessing.

The story of The Presentation of Our Lord is told in Luke 2:22-40. According to Mosaic law, a mother such as Mary who had given birth to a male child was considered unclean for seven days; moreover, she was to remain "in the blood of her purification -- i.e. outside the temple -- for 33 days more. If the woman had borne a daughter, the time that she was excluded from the sanctuary was doubled. When the time was over, the mother

From the Pastor



was to bring to the temple a lamb for sin. If she was not able to offer a lamb, she was to take two turtle doves or two pigeons. The priest prayed for her, and so she was cleansed. Mary complied. She redeemed her first-born from the temple and was purified by the prayer of Simeon in the presence of Anna the prophetess.

Simeon and Anna are two of my favorite characters. God had promised Simeon he would not die before seeing the Lord's Anointed. Simeon knows exactly who this baby is. He sings what we have called the Nunc Dimittis -- Lord, now you dismiss your servant in peace. We sang this for years at the end of Holy Communion. But his blessing and his words to Mary carry a bitter prophecy: "This child is destined for the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed -- and a sword will pierce your own soul, too." How often Mary must have thought of those words. Anna, too, who may have been 84 or as old as 107, depending on your translation, also knew who the child was, and she rejoiced, telling anyone who would listen about this child.

But who listened? Or who just saw these people from throw-away generations -- the elderly and the child -- and did not pay attention to the importance of this day. We, though, will take a day to remember Simeon and Anna, favored of God to meet his child.

In Christ,
Pastor Laura



Our Christian Sympathy

Our Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Deloy W. Harp, who died on Tuesday, Nov. 19, in Hamilton County. He was 86. He is survived by his wife of 28 years, Judith Harp. He is also the son-in-law of Fae Miller.

Our Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Brent Donathan, who died on Tuesday, Nov. 26. He was 84. Brent and Betty, our retired church secretary, were married for 63 years. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Hope.

Our Christian sympathy is extended to Pastor Doug Campbell on the death of his wife, Darlene, on Dec. 19. Pastor Campbell has served many times as a supply pastor here at Peace.

Our Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Gerald "Gary" Brown, who died on Monday, Dec. 23, at Clermont Mercy Hospital after a lengthy illness. Funeral services were held for Gary on Dec. 27, here at Peace. Please keep in prayer Gary's wife, Sandy; and all their family. Memorial contributions may be made to Peace Lutheran Church.

Our Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Inez "Fae" Miller, who died Friday, Jan. 17, at the Hospice of Hope, Ohio Valley Kenton Station, in Maysville, KY. Fae was 99 years old. Funeral services were held on Thursday, Jan. 23, at Peace Lutheran Church. Please keep in prayer Fae's daughters and sons: Judith Harp; Wilma Hitt; Carl Miller; Grace (Joe) Schnelle; Rose (John) Hatfield; Harold Miller; and Mark (Tina) Miller; as well as her 54 grandchildren, great-grandchildren; and great-great-grandchildren.

Angel Warmth Tree

The Sunday School would like to thank each and everyone for the generous outpouring of support for our Angel Warmth Tree. Donations during Advent totaled \$360 (72 Angels) and 110 warm items (38 pr socks, 20 toboggans, 20 pr gloves, 6 pr pants, 6 shirts, 6 blankets and 14 PJ sets). The gifts and donations will be given to the young people at the Wilson Children's Home in West Union. Thanks to everyone for their generosity.

Melinda Moran Ordination

Melinda Garza Moran has been called by Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Kenwood as Associate Pastor for Care and Community Outreach. Melinda has invited the people of Peace to her ordination and installation worship service at 5:00 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 1, at Good Shepherd. If you have emailed her to make reservations for the chili supper, that will follow the service.

Bishop Suzanne Darcy Dillahunt will preside over Melinda's ordination. Pastor Laura will read Scripture. Pastor Laura was Melinda's mentor on Candidacy Committee. Ordinations are very moving, and you are encouraged to support Melinda by attending. Driving directions to Good Shepherd, 7701 Kenwood Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45236 are available from the church office.

Congratulations Olivia!

Congratulations to Olivia Waits, who graduated from Miami University on Friday, Dec. 13! Olivia has been accepted at three medical schools, so prayers are asked for discernment as she chooses which to attend. Olivia is the daughter of Chris and Elizabeth Waits and the granddaughter of Clyde and Mary Taylor and Joellyn Waits.

Troop Box Ministry

December 16, 2024

Greetings to All,

The Troop Box Ministry was started 23 years ago, when I had family in the military. At one time we mailed as many as 125 care packages per month. The numbers have now dropped to 10 packages. It is with much thought and discussion, we feel like our mission is now complete. Much prayer was put into this decision. We have decided to close the Troop Box Ministry. Any monetary donation after December 31, 2024, will be returned to you. The support both financial and voluntary work has just been unbelievable. We have never lacked for anything. We have just trusted God to supply the need and he did. I cannot put into words how much to thank each of you for your loyalty in the last 23 years.

Consideration is being given to which non profit military organizations the assets will be given. Thank you all from all of us with the Troop Box Ministry.

Diana Lawrence

QUAKE!

Five of our Peace youth, Isabelle, Addy, Zane, Kylie, and Hunter, along with leaders Natalie and Susan, attended the 2025 Quake from January 3-5. Grace H. and Trent also attended to help out, and they were a lot of help!

It was a great weekend and Quake remains a group favorite! Throughout the weekend there was a lot of singing, dancing, games, learning, service, fellowship, Bible study, swimming, workshops, good food, not a lot of sleep, arts and crafts, and so much more. There was even a little football watching thrown in.

The service project of the weekend was meal packing and 7,128 meals were packed during the event. Our group also had the opportunity to spend time with the band, The Scally Brothers, on Saturday during our family time. They are a wonderful band, but also just really great guys. They spent a good amount of time answering questions and asking us questions - just hanging out with our group. The kids really enjoy these opportunities to visit with groups individually.

This was the 8th year that the LYO has attended Quake. We hope there are many more years in the future! Thank you to all who support our kids and make opportunities like this possible.



Youth & Family Movie Night

On December 6, the Youth and Family team hosted a movie night at Peace. This event was very well attended! Thank you to all who came out to spend the evening together! We had a lot of yummy food to share before showtime and we were also able to offer two different movie options. The new Netflix movie 'Mary' was shown in Frey Hall (this was actually the day of the movie release). The movie 'Elf' was shown in the Sanctuary and some of our younger members were excited to have their own movie option! We look forward to our next gathering, stay tuned for more information!



Dorcas Circle Christmas Party

Dorcas Circle enjoyed their annual Christmas party on Dec. 9. The mischievous Elf Nikki organized an adult manger scene where each Dorcas Circle member was secretly assigned a character. The

picture may give you an idea how that turned out. We had crafts, readings and brought gifts for the Angel Warmth Tree. The meal was catered by the Country Inn. It really was a wonderful night and we hope Elf Nikki will stop by again next year.



Souper Bowl Sunday

By the time you get your Beacon, we will know who is playing in the Super Bowl on Sunday, Feb. 9. We invite you to wear the colors of the team you are supporting or wear the colors of your favorite team.

We've had a lot of fun with the Souper Bowl the past few years (especially 2022!), so we will have another Souper Bowl during both worship services on Sunday, Feb. 9. Bring your spare change for our Noisy Offering. Soup pots will be available to drop your money into, and we will also have the children bring the pots around during the children's message.



Bring in cans of soup or any other cans of food. The canned goods and the money will be divided between the Agape Interfaith Food Pantry at Sardinia Hope Church, and the Little Cross-Lit Pantry here. Both pantries could use the actual food. And thank you for bringing in boxed milk for the Little Cross-Lit Pantry!

Thank You!

Thank You

I would like to thank the Dorcas Circle for the beautiful Christmas poinsettia. It looks lovely on my table. Blessings, *Mary Alice Hertlein*

Pastor Laura and Pastor Ron would like to thank the congregation and council for their cards, gift cards, gifts of food, and the basket from the Home Place. All are appreciated. Have a joyous New Year!

Dear Peace Lutheran Church Family, During a time like this we realize how much our friends and relatives really mean to us. Your expression of sympathy will always be remembered. Thank you for all you did for our family! You definitely helped, especially with providing the church and a meal for Gary's funeral! Sincerely, Sandy Brown and Family.

The Parish Hall in 1959.





U.S. Wildfire Recovery

Lutheran Disaster Response is coordinating with the Southwest California and Pacifica Synods to assess the most urgent needs for the communities that are being devastated by wildfires. We will work with them to address immediate needs amid the destruction and assist with recovery efforts for months and years to come. 100% of donations designated as "U.S. Wildfires" will go directly to serve these communities. Donations may be made directly to Lutheran Disaster Response.

This disaster is just one of many — including hurricanes, war and famine — to which Lutheran Disaster Response is still responding. Your gifts equip us to respond quickly and generously, wherever and whenever disaster may strike.

Church Council Meeting Change

Due to the Super Bowl, the Church Council monthly meeting has been changed to 6:00 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 16. The Executive Committee will meet at 5:30 p.m.

Contribution Statements

If you made contributions of record during 2024, you can request a contribution statement by contacting the church office. Donations you made to other church organizations such as the LYO, Sunday School, Dorcas Circle, etc., will not be included in this statement. If you need a statement or receipt from one of our groups, please contact the treasurer of that group.

Agape Quarterly Meeting

The Agape Quarterly Meeting is set for 7:00 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 13, here at Peace. We will discuss the needs of the community after our snow and cold spell, pantry needs, and our two upcoming community services, the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 4, at Sardinia Hope Church, and the Palm Sunday Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m. Sunday, April 13, here at Peace.

Pastor Laura is the chair, Linda Sue Stephan is the secretary, and Amy Beyer is a member of Agape. Even if you are not a member, you are invited to come and see what goes on as we try to serve Christ in this community.

Congregational Meeting

The annual congregational business meeting will be held on Sunday, Feb. 23. We will have one worship service at 10:00 a.m., with the congregational meeting following. Sunday School, Catechism, and Adult Forum will meet at 9:00 a.m.

The Treasurer's 2024 Report, Pastor's Report, and the reports from the various church organizations should be in the church office by Thursday, Feb. 6 so that the Audit Committee can review them. Reports will be available to the congregation on Sunday, Feb. 16, but changes are possible between then and the congregational meeting as Church Council will not officially approve the reports until they meet the evening of Feb. 16.

One Call Notification Service

Peace has renewed the subscription to the One Call notification service. If you have changed your phone number or if you want to be on the One Call List (or want to be removed) please contact the church office. Also, it's a new year for One Call, and those on the list are encouraged to donate \$10 if you can.



Living Lutheran Print Magazine

Last year Living Lutheran ceased as a print publication and continued as a digital-only service because of financial constraints. Since then, Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton and staff have heard from many of you who have shared concerns about members who don't have access to computers or don't read content online. People have felt disconnected from the ELCA.

At the request of Bishop Eaton, a way has been found to bring back the magazine's print publication. Beginning in 2025, Living Lutheran can again appear in your mailboxes with four issues a year (spring, summer, fall and winter).

The cost for one year will be \$19.95 for an individual subscription. To start receiving the print magazine, individuals can sign up at livinglutheran.org/subscribe. If you have questions, please contact livinglutheran@elca.org or call 800-638-3522.

Council Minutes — November 10, 2024

Present: Dorothy Carrington, Paul Hertlein, Connie Perry, Cheryl Phillips, Travis Phillips, Linda Sue Stephan, Natalie Vogel, Elizabeth Waits, Steve Weddle, Shauna Weis, Joan Yockey, Pastor Laura Shreffler, Dan Wagel

President Travis Phillips called the meeting to order and read the mission statement.

Elizabeth Waits led devotions.

The Secretary's report was reviewed. Paul Hertlein made a motion to accept the report and Linda Sue Stephan seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed. Paul Hertlein made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report and Steve Weddle seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.

Pastor Laura Shreffler read the pastor's report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Church Property—The bell is now ringing; however, another small fix has been identified. It needs to be fixed to prevent further issues.

Dylan Doss will now handle our snow removal. We will be billed \$285 each time he comes to the church to work. He will handle the parking lot and sidewalks and will put down salt. He can only remove up to 3" of snow at a time. Women's restroom toilet was reported to be running, but it has not yet been addressed.

However, it doesn't appear to be an issue currently.

Cemetery—An updated 'rules' document was handed out. Updated items in the document were marked with an +. Rules will be posted in the January Beacon.

Linda Sue Stephan made a motion to accept the updates regarding the Cemetery Rules and Shauna Weis seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.

Evangelism—We helped with Bingo at the VA Home on November 9, it took approximately one hour and we took prizes. 22 veterans participated. The next meeting will be held in February 2025.

Christian Education—The Warmth Tree items will go to the Adams County children's home. They have requested PJs. The Angel tree will also be available for donations. Christmas Eve luminaries are going to happen. They need approximately 50 milk jugs. Tara Woods is looking into if we need candles.

Worship & Music—Thankoffering – November 10

Congregational Meeting – November 17

Agape Thanksgiving Service – November 26

We have received Advent items, there will be an Advent Bible Study. Coming soon – first service musicians to go first for Communion. A couple of baptisms are coming up in the new year.

Youth & Family—Game night went well on October 25, 20 people attended. Helped to deliver holiday meal boxes to the Agape food pantry today. 48 boxes were

delivered. Movie night – December 6, title TBD, Christmas Caroling – December 15

Elizabeth Waits made a motion to accept the Committee Reports and Linda Sue Stephan seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Blinds – other side of the hallway has been measured. The total cost (for both sides of the hallway) is \$3,091.20 (this includes a 30% discount. This cost also includes the valances. Richard and Linda Sue Stephan have offered a \$2,000 donation toward this cost, leaving the church with a cost of \$1,091.20. Paul Hertlein made a motion to move forward with the purchase and installation of blinds on both sides of the hallway leading to the sanctuary and Elizabeth Waits seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

New Council members for 2025 are George Fowler, Marion Ralston, Sue Bohrer, and Zac Taylor.

The two new nominating committee council members are Natalie Vogel and Elizabeth Waits.

Next meeting will be on December 6, 2024, at 6pm.

Paul Hertlein made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Cheryl Phillips seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by Natalie Vogel.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Church Property—The parsonage furnace went out. RT came out for a same day fix. The issue was with the ignitor. RT will be coming out to address a boiler issue. There is a hole in the roof above the parsonage attic. More to come.

Stewardship—A \$3,500 Thankoffering was collected @ the Sardinia Hope Church.

Christian Education—All updates given during Pastor's report.

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Worship & Music—There will be a combined Christmas Eve service. December 29 – Lessons and Carols, no communion
 Youth & Family—Movie night was held on December 6. There were 25 people in attendance, there was lots of food, and two movies were viewed, “Mary” in Frey Hall and “Elf” in the sanctuary. December 15 – Christmas caroling, currently finalizing the list of stops. Shauna Weis has invited the group to her house afterward for hot coco. January 3-5 is Quake in Eastgate.
 Paul Hertlein made a motion to accept the Committee Reports and Steve Weddle seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

The blinds have been ordered and paid for. There is a 4-6 week wait for installation.
 The church sign at Ash Ridge needs to be put back in the ground. It was removed during a telephone pole fix. Steve W has a post hold digger.
 The ‘church sign fence’ in Sardinia has been taken down.

NEW BUSINESS

Kay Bundy is stepping down as financial secretary effective January 1, 2025. Terry Holland has offered to replace her. Paul Hertlein made a motion to approve Terry Holland to replace Kay Bundy as the financial secretary effective January 1, 2025 and Elizabeth Waits seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.

End of year recognition for Dorothy Carrington and Zac and Melissa Taylor – Paul Hertlein made a motion to approve recognition gifts in the form of \$100 gift cards for Dorothy, Melissa, and Zac and Shauna Weis seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.

Elizabeth Waits made a motion to add Dan Wagel to the end of year recognition list for a \$100 gift card and Steve Weddle seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.

Next meeting will be on January 12, 2025, at 6pm. Cheryl Phillips made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Elizabeth Waits seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by Natalie Vogel.

Boot Camp for Council Presidents and Vice Presidents

Join Bishop Suzanne Dillahunt and Assistant to the Bishop, Pastor Bob Abrams for fun, information, and conversation about being a new council president and vice president. Boot Camp will take place via ZOOM from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 27.

If you plan on attending this ZOOM meeting, please give Pastor Laura your email address and phone number, and she will register you. Many of our past presidents and vice presidents have found this very worthwhile.

Please send news items, corrections and address changes to the church office or peacelutheran@ymail.com



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 5:00 p.m. Melinda Garza Moran's Ordination and Installation, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cincinnati
2 <u>PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD</u> 8:30 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Forum 10:30 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion	3	4	5 7:00 p.m. Praise Band Practice	6	7	8 ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ 5:00 p.m. LYO Valentine Dinner ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥
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16 8:30 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Forum 10:30 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion Reports Available to Congregation 5:30 p.m. Executive Committee Meets 6:00 p.m. Church Council Meets	17 <u>PRESIDENTS DAY</u> 7:00 p.m. Worship and Music Committee Meets	18 7:00 p.m. Sunday School Board Meets	19 7:00 p.m. Praise Band Practice	20	21	22 10:00 a.m. Galentine's Brunch for Pregnancy Center, Sardinia Church of Christ
23 9:00 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Forum 9:00 a.m. Catechism 10:00 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion After Worship—Congregation Business Meeting	24 7:00 p.m. Evangelism Committee Meets	25	26 7:00 p.m. Praise Band Practice	27	28	

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Peace Lutheran Church, Arnheim, Ohio

February 2025

We welcome you to join us for worship, fellowship and service!

Sunday Schedule

- 8:30 a.m. Praise Worship Service
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Forum
- 10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service

Holy Communion is celebrated every week
At both the 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. services.

Pastor Laura Shreffler

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