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News From Peaces Movember

Focus on the Word: BLESSED

...to be a blessing

When I was serving First Lutheran Church in Aitkin, MN, every year a group of college aged camp counselors would come out and lead day camp with the children. The trade off was that they would come and lead a camp for us if we provided food and lodging for them. It was always a challenge to find families who would open their homes and feed 7 college students for an entire week each summer. After spending a week calling and emailing families to see if they could host, I finally emailed Val. Val was of middle age, still worked full time, and had no kids left in the house. When asked if she might be willing to host one of these college students for the week, she hesitated briefly, gave a deep sigh and replied, "I suppose I ought to do just that. It's not my house, but God has blessed me with it and so I ought to bless others as well. I have 7 empty beds in this big house. I'll take all 7 of them".

Val experienced laughter, love and joy with the camp counselors. She allowed them to use her car, her boat, her ATV's (for she knew that these things, also, were given to her as a blessing). She fed them dinner each night but also ate with them and they stayed up late every night chatting, playing games, and building friendships that would end up lasting a lifetime.

When God made the great promise and covenant to Abraham in Genesis 12:2-3 he said,

"I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you;
I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing.
I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse;
and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."

Twice here God says we will be a blessing. And while these verses are a snapshot of God's great plan and Jesus' mission to bring all people back to himself, it also shows the power of blessings. We are blessed by God. We are a blessed humanity. Peace Lutheran Church is a blessed community and family of people. May we remember that our blessing does not end with us. It is to be carried on in all we do, with all we have.

Join us for the month of November as we Focus on the Word: Blessed. We are excited to explore together the different blessings that we have been given in our lives, how we respond to a God who continually blesses us, and how we live out those blessings (and bless others wile we are at it!) in all that we do. May the Spirit lead and guide us to new understanding and life through Him.

See you in Church! Pastor Melissa

SUNDAY CHANGES ARE COMING...

Beginning Nov. 28th 8:30am Worship 9:35am Connection Fellowship For All (CFFA)

With the implementation and huge success of our online live streaming each week, as well as the ongoing concern of Covid that many of our members have, our 10:45am service has not been well attended this fall (averaging 12-15 people a week). Instead of seeing this as a hardship (because, in fact, we are more than making up for it with our number of people that are choosing to worship live and/or online), Peace Lutheran Church Council has decided to make it this into an exciting opportunity!

Beginning November 28th (Sunday after Thanksgiving), our Sunday morning here at Peace will look a little bit different. We will continue to worship at 8:30am each week both in-person and online. At 9:35am, we will begin a time of **Connection Fellowship For All** (CFFA) where we will connect with each other and with our faith in various ways. Our children will continue to attend B.L.A.S.T. Sunday School, our choir will continue to sing, and each week, we will have different opportunities for our Peace Family to connect. Some of the ideas include bible studies, round table discussions about parenting, live music, a Christian comedian, Yoga classes, connecting with other small business owners, parenting topics to discuss, different experts and speakers being invited in, dad's groups, and more! Oh - and we are bringing back coffee and treats and will have space for just having time for fellowship if that is what you desire as well.

Moving forward, while we will not have regular 10:45am worship services, we will have the opportunity to hold other "special services" throughout the year during that time frame, such as the Sunday School Christmas program, the Service of Remembrance, and other special and unique services.

This change is being implemented after much prayer, discernment and guidance from the Spirit and we are excited to see God at work through this opportunity. We will give it a try and see how it goes! Plan to join us as you are able on Sunday mornings as we continue to connect with our faith, with God, and with each other through these ways.

(If you are interested in being a part of this new and exciting opportunity and like planning things, contact Sara Haase or Pastor Melissa).



FROM THE OFFICE

October 17th: Baptism of Jacob Ervin, son of Eric & Noreen Martin October 24th: Baptism of Eden Ellyn, daughter of Ben & Jackie Peterson

Sunday, Oct. 24th, we received the following new members to our family at Peace. We give thanks for these families and encourage you to meet them and welcome them!

- Lee & Maggie Isaacson
- Mark & Kristin, Bret, Madi, and Kacy Johnson
- Brett & Kelly, Jackson and Addison Lossing

October Attendance:

3rd: 121/12 10th: 122/12 17th: 100/39 24th: 80/28

Giving in October: Budget/Missions

3rd: \$6,816/\$188 **10th**: \$7,895/\$110 **17th**: \$9,201/\$354 **24th**: \$4,216/\$50

Needed each week: \$10,158

There is a folder on the Welcome Center with the Peace members info that we have in our database. Please check this folder and mark any changes in your family's information. This is what will be put into our new Church Photo Directory. Thank you.

Coming in December... **Drive-Thru Soup Supper!** Our theme for November is *Blessed to be a Blessing so* we are planning a meal for everyone in our community. If you wish to help offset the cost of this meal we have listed several items needed on our Amazon wishlist. Just type this link in your browser and it will bring up our list. Thank you for your support. Link: https://a.co/bPpTVeV

It's time for a NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY!

Universal Church Directory photographers will be at Peace on the following dates:

- November 18th & 19th (5-8:30pm)
- November 20th (1:30-5:00pm)

All portraits will arrive before Christmas!

For online scheduling go to: www.ucdir.com then click on "Photography Appointment Scheduling Login"

Enter the Church code and password (lower case)

Church Code: wi145 Password: directory

If you have 6 or more in your family, please take 2 time slots. There will be a scheduling link on our website and fb. Online scheduling is closed on Sundays so that we can have paper sign-ups at church.

Help is needed with registration on the days/evenings when the photographers are at Peace. Contact Pat if you can help.

JNIVERS





baskets, etc.

We are also having a Bake Sale so if you love to bake-we'd love to have your donations!

On Sundays, November 7th & 14th, there will be a stack of beautiful plates for you to choose one (or more), take home, and return with your baked goods on it, for the Bake Sale. These can be brought to church on Friday, Nov. 19th or early Saturday, Nov. 20th.

If you (or a family member) are interested in having a Vendor Table (cost \$20) please let the office know.

THIS-N-THAT

WEST IMMANUEL THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Weds., Nov. 17th, 7:00 pm 447 180th St., Osceola



PEACE THANKSGIVING SERVICE Weds., November 24, 1:00 pm

Join us for a brief Thanksgiving service followed by pie & coffee & fellowship!

Note: if you love to bake pie and would bake one for this day, please let the office know!



- to Bill & Pat Lones for picking up the Confirmation robes at Norcosto Rental, Golden Valley
- To Don & Jean Dehmer for returning the Confirmation robes to the rental office in Golden Valley

Peace Scholarship Committee, Thank you for the honor of receiving the Larson Scholarship. I am currently attending the University of MN, majoring in Architecture, and this scholarship will help with my tuition. Thank you to my Peace Lutheran family for your support.

Thanks again, Alex Robinson

Peace Scholarship Committee, It was such a privilege to receive the Larson Scholarship, and I am so grateful! I am currently a freshman at Bethel University and will be using the scholarship to help with tuition. The community of Peace is something I am thankful to be a part of and it means a lot to have your support in this next chapter of my life. Thank you so much, Peace family!

Love, Bekah Robinson

Salvation Army Homeless Shelter

Polk & Barron counties are creating a homeless shelter that will serve both counties. The location is between Barron & Clayton, and is plans are to open in February 2022.

Years ago, Peace sponsored a room in the Balsam Lake Serenity shelter (which closed a couple of years ago.). Would we be willing to sponsor a room again? There will be 14 small rooms for 1 person, 6 bigger rooms for families, and 2 TV/lounge rooms.

An **Individual room** will need these <u>new items</u>:

- 1 extra-long twin bed mattress and box spring,
- a pillow, a sheet set,
- towels and a blanket

The bed frame is already donated. They request a patchwork quilt for a bedspread. Peace quilters can provide this.

Gently used items needed:

- a small dresser,
- a bed-side lamp,
- a small chair, and
- curtains for 1 window

A Family sized room will be in need of:

- a new double or queen mattress and box spring,
- 2 regular twin mattresses, pillows, sheets,
- blankets, towels.

Gently used items:

- 2 small dressers or 1 large dresser,
- a sturdy bunk bed,
- a bedside lamp,
- a small chair and
- curtains for 1 window.

Peace quilters will make the quilts/bedspreads. Each TV room needs gently used couches/chairs, curtains and a new or nearly new flat screen TV. A DVD player would be a great bonus.

Please contact Diane Lechman, 715-483-9791, if you have items to donate or will help with delivery of the items.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS & ORDERS!

Kwik Trip Cards For Sale!

The youth will be selling Kwik Trip Gift Cards beginning Nov. 1st (while supplies last) and receive 10% of all sales. You can pick up your \$5, \$10, \$20, \$25, \$50 or \$100 gift card from church or from any youth attending the 2022 Mission Trip. These make great gifts or stock up on them for yourself and know that you are helping the youth of PLC every time you get gas.



Maple Syrup Ministry

Holiday Syrup Bottles are here! Don't forget to stock up on these beautiful and fun holiday Maple Syrup bottles! These make great Christmas gifts, teacher gifts, or host/hostess gifts! Stock up today and enjoy our holiday and winter-painted bottles and Gingerbread Bottles!

Mission Trippers - During the month of November, you will receive 40% of all profit from the syrup that you sell! Don't miss out on this great opportunity to raise money for your trip!! These make great gifts for the holidays!

Coffee Mugs & Tumblers

Check out the mugs & water tumblers we have for sale. Several different designs & sayings.

Christmas CD's for sale featuring our very own accompanists, Ronda Haley and Dennis Alfveby. The cd's are located at the Welcome Center and the cost is \$10 each.



Poinsettia Orders

Poinsettia Order Form

Orders must be received by November 15

Please complete the form below and attach a check made payable to **Peace Lutheran**. The form and check may be placed in the basket in the Narthex or dropped off in the Church Office.

Types of Poinsettias - \$12 Each

	Red	Pink	
	White		
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(circle one)	In Honor or	Memory of:	
"Other": _			
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for Christmas and may be taken home after the <u>Christmas Eve</u> worship service that you attend.

HS YOUTH

HS Youth Programming Updates

*A reminder to all students:

If either SCF or OHS closes or is cancelled due to Covid_19 or inclement weather, church activities will be cancelled as well.

Wednesday Nights:

6pm Pizza Dinner (\$1/slice) 6:30pm-7:30pm Programming

<u>Many students</u> have begun Peace University.

Many students are participating in course either in-person or independently. So far, we have heard great feedback from this program! A reminder to sign up for events at least one week in advance on our google doc sign up page (link was emailed to all 9th grade families). Looking forward to experiencing more core and elective courses together this month!

10th - 12th Grade - In-Person YOUTH GROUP is off to a great start!! We meet every week from 6:30-7:30pm. Make sure you have signed up to receive our REMIND messages each week for details, plans, and meeting locations. Join us on Wednesdays from 6:30-7:30pm!

No Programming on Weds., Nov. 24th Happy Thanksgiving!

2021 Idaho Mission Team Breakfast Club

Bringing our trip back home -Gathering & Bible Study

All mission trip students who attended last summer's Idaho Mission Trip are invited to join us. Breakfast provided!

- Weds., November 3rd @ 6:45am
- Weds., November 17th @ 6:45am

2022 Summer Mission Trip & ELCA Youth Gathering Updates: 9th - 12th Grade Dates: July 19-28, 2022

We are booked & ready to go!! Registrations and deposits were due Oct. 20th, but there is a <u>chance</u> we can still accept more participants. Contact Pastor Melissa if you are interested.

This trip is open to all 9th - 12th graders and friends!

Save the Date for the upcoming fundraisers and watch for sign-ups coming soon:

- Nov. 20th: Work @ Church Bazaar
- November: Sell Maple Syrup (receive 40% profit)
- Sell Kwik Trip Cards (while supplies last)



<u>Confirmation Class of 2021</u> Congratulations to the following students who affirmed their baptismal promises on October 31st, 2021 through the rite of Confirmation. Their Confirmation service is recorded and on our You Tube Channel for you to witness these amazing youth confirming their faith:

Trey Anderson, Beau Baillargeon, Connor Brown, Ryah Corbett, Carter Durand, Morgan Gjovig, Selah Greenquist, Michael Hale, Ethan Hall, Kacy Johnson, Jack Kaiser, Aydin Koenig, Noah Larson, Brianna Lee, Aaliyah Lopez, Gabbie Neumann, Jadie Simpkins, Jocelyn Tate, Matthew Vitalis

B.L.A.S.T. (Believe, Learn & Seek Truth) 2021-2022 Calendar

November

7, 14, 21, 28 BLAST @ 9:35 am

December

- 5 Group practice @ 9:35 am
- 11 Sat. Christmas Program practice @ 9:30-Noon
- 12 BLAST @ 9:35 am
- 12 Christmas Program @ 10:45 am Worship Service
- 19 Christmas Party @ 9:35 am
- 26 Vacation

Dana Paulsen, CYF Director

Email: plcdressercyf@gmail.com

Cell #: 715-553-1451

Children, Youth & Families

Come and join us!!

B.L.A.S.T meets every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. at PLC All are welcome!! Come and share in the faith, fun and food!

Bring a friend. See you there.....it will be a blast!!

All children gather in the Sanctuary on Sundays at 9:35 for an opening.

Following that the PreK /Kindergarten students go to their classroom which is in the Ed Wing, at the end of the hall to the right, and

CLUB56 kids gather in the Youth Room which is the 3rd room on the right in the Fellowship Hall.

The other grades will meet in the Fellowship Hall for learning stations.

Peace I utheran's Little Bitty



A monthly gathering of the youngest members of Peace (and their parents).

Story time, craft/sensory activity, snack and prayer!

Postcards will be mailed in November to the parents.

Attention: Peace Lutheran Church SS Kids...... (B.L.A.S.T.)

Save the Date:

Sunday, November 14th, 8:30 am service Kids will be singing in church to Honor our Service Men and Women

Parents of PreK & 3rd grade students:

If your child did not receive a Bible please talk with Dana!





PLC Families:

We are in need of snacks for B.L.A.S.T and Confirmation Classes. Asking for anything prewrapped or individually contained. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Confirmation for 7th, 8th and 9th Grade

- Pizza at 6:00 P.M.
- Games, small group and large group 6:30-7:30 P.M.
- No Confirmation on Weds. Nov. 24

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sun. Nov. 7th Congregational Meeting at 9:35 am	1	2 9am Staff Mtg	3 6:45 Idaho Brkfst Club 6 pm Confirmation 6:30 pm HS Youth	4 7pm-AA	5	6
7 All Saints' Sunday 8:30 & 10:45 am Services. 9:35 am BLAST (SS)	8	9 9am Staff Mtg Group	10 6 pm Confirmation 6:30 pm HS Youth	11 7pm-AA	12	13
14 SS kids sing! 8:30 & 10:45 am Pr. Band Services 9:35 am BLAST	15	9am Staff Mtg 2:00 pm Caregiver Support	17 6:45am Idaho Break- fast Club 6 pm Confirmation 6:30 pm HS Youth	18 7:00 pm Council Mtg 7pm-AA	19	20
21 8:30 & 10:45 am Services. 9:35 am BLAST Bitty Book Bunch	22	23 9am Staff Mtg 1:30 pm Rachael Circle	24 1:00pm Thanksgiving Service & Pie No Confirmation or HS Youth	25 Thanksgiving 7pm-AA	26	27
28 8:30 am Service 9:30am Advent Event for all	29	30 9am Staff Mtg		Advent Event-Sunday. Nov. 28 Please stay following 8:30 service. There will be kids activities, swags to hang, lg tree to set up and decorate & treats!		

Usher/Lay Reader Schedule					
Nov. 7	Usher Reader	8:30 Chad Slater Family Kayla Stankowski	10:45 Gene Jaremczuk Michele Merritt		
Nov. 14	Usher Reader	Mark Gjovig Family Maria Gjovig	Jim Kirby Pat Kirby		
Nov. 21	Usher Reader	Hall Family Hall Family	Chris Chinander Claire Chiannder		
Nov. 28	Usher Reader	Steve & Karrie Swenson Karrie Swenson			

PARISH NURSE NOTES

Peace Lutheran Church's word for this month is *Blessed*. I know I feel blessed in so many ways, but especially as a witness to the collective purpose and intention of the truly wonderful people that make up PLC. I believe coming together to live out God's Word as a community is at the core of what it means to be a church.

Through continued research on the ever-evolving coronavirus, experts are now recommending that fully vaccinated people get a booster shot. I recommend you talk to your clinic or schedule a drive-through booster vaccine with the Polk County Health Department. The CDC also recommends that you get your annual flu shot. It's considered safe to get the COVID-19 vaccine and the flu vaccine simultaneously. And it's never too late to get your first Moderna, Pfizer or J & J....

It's also Medicare Part D Open Enrollment time, a period of weeks where a person can check on their prescription drug coverage and change their plan if they discover they can save money. This can be done on-line by individuals (I can help you with this) or you can make an appointment with a benefit specialist at the Aging and Disability Resource Center of NW Wisconsin *free of charge*. All you'll need is an accurate list of your current medications. The deadline to make a change is December 7th. Go to www.medicare.gov/find-a-plan to get started.

According to the Alzheimer's Association another one of the warning signs of early dementia may be: *A CHANGE IN SOMEONE'S MOOD OR PERSONALITY.

The person may become confused, fearful, anxious or often suspicious (e.g. accuse family or friends of stealing something when they can't find it.) They may easily become upset with others or in places where they are out of their comfort zone.

What's a typical age-related change? Developing very specific ways of doing things and becoming irritable when a routine is disrupted. *NOTE: Mood changes with age may also be a sign of some other condition. Consult a doctor if you observe any changes.*

May you feel beyond blessed during this during this season of thanksgiving,

Karen



Be aware that I will be on vacation the first half of the month, from Oct 30th thru Nov 14th. You may leave messages with our staff during my absence.

Karen



1st	Bonnie Schmitt	12th	Jon Nordin		JVLIVIL
	Stacia Kneath		Shawn Koosman	1041	D W/1
2nd	Scott Carlson		Donnie Tate	19th	Eva Waalen
3rd	Tim O'Hare		JJ Tinney	20th	Mike Lundeen Jennifer Jeske
4th	Karlee Howard		Mayim Peer	21st	
	Eleanor Hanson	13th	Mark Kravik		Hayden Prokop Charlie Hanson
5th	Logan Johnson		Aaron Rysdam	99nd	Lorin Demulling
6th	Jazmyn Everson	14th	Kathy Vesperman	2211u	Dan Link
$7 \mathrm{th}$	Eileen Stensven		Shellee Mierow	23rd	John Cavallin
	Joe Kneath		Dylan Cotch	24th	Linda Hansen
	Bjorn Neumann	15th	Bailey Ellefson	24011	Denise Schmidt
8th	Dick Geving		Nate Jensen		Darrin Ellefson
	John Hale	16th	Mike Robinson		Alivia Maki
	Brian Warner	17th	Jill Carlson	25th	Grayson Skinner
	Trevor Carlson		Diane Martell	26th	Pat Adam
	Delaney Carlson		Cindy Cronick	20011	Macie Demulling
9th	Addison Symons		Amanda Lietz	$27 \mathrm{th}$	John Gerlach
10th	Jordan Swiontek		Tyler Paulsen	27011	Jackson Dvorak
	Matt Vitalis		Josh Paulsen	28th	Bill Degner
11 th	Darren Bliese	18th	Vicky Koehler	29th	Cale Campbell
	Zoey Larson		Tim Swenson	30th	Jeff Everson
			Erik Swenson	50011	Levi Gregory
			Isaiah Guilfoile		Levi diegory

This past month we especially prayed for:

Ashley Miller Carlson & family, Ilene Chapman, Mark Crary (Bonnie Crary's son)

Cheryl DeMenge (Tim DeMenge's sister in law), Dick Geving

Lee Johnson (Ronda Haley's sister-in-law)

Sharon Johnson (Danielle Nelson's aunt)

Sidney Johnson (Peter Ward's grandfather)

Jim Kirby, Virgil Koehler, Minnie Kolve, Chris Larson

Marian Madsen, Chris Nelson, Craig & Danielle Nelson, Mary Nelson

Kylie Peterson (Peggy Basham's niece), Randy Senske (Ben Peterson's uncle)

Wendy Sherrard (Sue DeMenge's niece), Adrian Smith (great nephew of Tim DeMenge)

Lois Stueland (Karen Hale's mother), Duane & Thelma Vanderwerf

Joel Wigstadt (Kathy Clark's nephew), Jim Wynne, Jr. (Dallas Wynne's cousin)

Serving in the Military: Collin Western, Mason Peer, Graidy Guggisberg

Divine Rehab & Nursing, SCF: Opal Parel

Evergreen Sr. Apartments, Amery: Anita Siltberg

Amery Memory Care, Amery: Pam Teig

STEWARDSHIP NOTES

"I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you. I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you." Genesis 12:2-3, New International Version.

God speaks these words to Abram, later to be known as Abraham, at the beginning of the migration he and his family undertook in response to God's command. This promise, or covenant, was fulfilled as Abraham, by faith, (see Hebrews 11:8-12) answered God's call. Abraham was indeed blessed with material wealth and the descendants that he and his wife had given up hope of enjoying.

We too have been richly blessed by God with material wealth beyond even the imaginations of most of the rest of the people of the world. What's more, we have been eternally blessed as believers in God's loving grace expressed in the life, death, and resurrection of His son Jesus Christ.

Like Abram, we are called to be a blessing to others. In terms of our material blessings, we are called to joyfully, intentionally, proportionately, and generously share our time, talents, and treasure. And more importantly, we are called to share the Good News of Jesus' love with "all nations" (see Matthew 28:19-20) in order, as Isaiah writes, "to open eyes that are blind, to free captives from prison, and to release from the dungeon those who sit in darkness." Isaiah 42:7. See you next month!

The Mission of the Stewardship Ministry of Peace Lutheran Church is to educate all Peace members about God's Scriptural teachings regarding stewardship; namely, that our lives and our property belong to God, and that our grateful response should include generously, intentionally, proportionately, and joyfully sharing our time, talent, and treasure for use in His service.

AUTOMATIC GIVING OPTIONS:

- Contact your bank to set up automatic payments to Peace.
- Use the NEW Vanco Mobile Phone App
- Complete a Simply Giving form found at the Welcome Center.



 $8:\!30\ \&\ 10:\!45\ \mathrm{am}$ $9:\!35\ \mathrm{am}$ B.L.A.S.T. (Believe, Learn, and Seek Truth) Sunday School Livestream is at $8:\!30\ \mathrm{am}.$



See page 5 for more information!

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