



ALL ARE WELCOME

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday

8:00am-4:30pm

Friday

8:00am-2:00pm

WORSHIP WITH US

SUNDAYS AT 9:00AM

Weekly Communion
& Fellowship

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PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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OCTOBER & NOVEMBER 2025

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Family of Christ, Spirit Led ~ Grace Fed



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From Pastor Lori's desk,

"If it is possible, as much as is in you, live peaceably with one another."
Romans 12:18

A guru had a class of eager students seeking inner peace. He tells them about a man who came to him and said, "Teacher, I am so anxious. I'm desperate to find peace. I try to meditate every day but, I live over a 24 hour repair shop and the noise always distracts me." The teacher turns to his students and asks what they would tell the man. One student suggests he should be able to find peace in any chaos. One suggests he try quieting his mind by breathing deeper and relaxing. The teacher remained quiet till one student asks him what he had suggested. The guru just smiled and said, "I told him to move."

Thankfully, we don't have to move anywhere to find peace! We've found it right here on top of the hill in Dresser, WI. And, this year's theme is to celebrate our church as a Community of Peace, a growing gathering of peaceful people, and peace makers who follow Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace.

Biblical peace is both an internal, spiritual gift and an outward, active practice of living peaceably. Inner peace is the work of the Holy Spirit who reminds us that the basis of our calm is not the absence of trouble, a walk in nature or regular yoga classes. It comes from knowing that we have been reconciled with God through Christ's work on the cross. Trusting that the living God has adopted us as a precious son or daughter and sanctified us in Christ, we find a peace beyond understanding by believing that we will be found guiltless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

With our biggest problem behind us, inner peace is able to spill over into other aspects of our lives and become the foundation of living as a peaceful community. Jesus calls the church to be a calm, non anxious presence in a culture of fear, a beacon of faith and a safe place for all. In our pursuit of peace, we call upon Jesus and the Holy Spirit to help us as we actively pursue social justice, healthy relationships, humility, and compassion so that we can identify the walls that separate us, seek out common ground and work to mend the broken relationships and situations that could steal our joy and stifle our Christian service.

As we grow in love for God and one another - Blessings to you, O Community of Peace and, "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope." Romans 15:13

Pastor Lori



PEACE

NOTES from the Office



OCT/NOV. SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Worship 9:00 am

Children's Church 9:15am

Fellowship & Coffee 10:00 am

Oct. 12th - Share & Care Sunday

Oct 19th - Pastor Appreciation/Lay Sunday

Oct 26th - Confirmation/Reformation
Sunday

Nov. 23rd Gratitude Sunday

Nov. 30th 1st Sunday of Advent

ATTENDANCE / FINANCIAL

August

3rd 151 10th 134 17th 103 24th 130 31st 154

September

7th 113 14th 214 21st 185

Financial Giving

(August/September)

Budget \$59,846

Missions \$365

Noisy Offering \$358.22- Teach Haiti

Building Fund \$6,215

Council Minutes are posted on our
website: plcdresser.org

PASTORAL DUTIES

August 3rd - Baptism of Kevin Anderson

August 10th - Baptism of Della Louise
Bjorkman, daughter of Alyssa and Tom Bjorkman

August 24th - Baptism of Molly May Feldt
daughter of Jack and Rachel (Swanson) Feldt

August 31st - Baptisms of Jack and August
Rickard, sons of Cody and Jessica Rickard

September 14th - Baptism of Mia Grace
Maloney daughter of Michael and Ashley
Maloney

WEEKLY @ PEACE

Sundays

- Worship Service @ 9:00 am
- Children's Church during worship
- Coffee & Fellowship @ 10:00 am
- Ukelele Ministry @ 1:00 pm
(All levels welcome)

Tuesdays

- Staff Meeting @ 9:30 am
- Coffee Time @ 9:00 am

Wednesdays

- Quilting Group @ 8:30 am
- Scripture Study @ 1:30 pm
- 5:30 pm CLUB56 (5th & 6th Grade)
- 6:30 pm 7th & 8th Confirmation
- 7:00 pm HS Youth Group

Thursdays

AA @ 7:00 pm

MONTHLY @ PEACE

- Worship Ministry Meeting
1st Tues. @ 4:00 pm
- Adult Ministry Meeting
1st Tues. @ 6:00 pm
- Caregiver Support Group
3rd Tuesday @ 2:00 pm
- Breast Cancer Support Group
1st Monday @ 6:30 pm. For more
info contact Becky Anderson
715-557-0836
- Rachel Circle
4th Tuesday @ 1:30 pm.
- Youth Ministry Meeting
3rd Thursday @ 5:00 pm
- Peace Council Meeting
3rd Thursday @ 6:30 pm
- Itty Bitty Book Bunch Last Sunday of
the month @ 10:00 am



MORE
newsworthy items



Peace received two heartfelt thank You's from out in the community. The first being from Beaver Valley Camp thanking our youth volunteers for all their hard work.

The second was an email thanking Dallas Wynne, Joe Berg and 4 of the high school boys for helping clear out a garage of boxes and other miscellaneous items. You turned a tedious task into quick work! Many thanks!

SAVE THE DATE

**Nov 2nd, 10:00am - PLC
Annual Meeting**

Worship Volunteer Schedule

- Oct 5** - Ushers Sue Rawlings & Claire Chinander
Reader Karrie Swenson
- Oct 12** - Ushers Maria & Mark Gjovig
Reader Daniel Hanson
- Oct 19** - Ushers Paul Lindholm & Dick Blattner
Reader Mary Lee
- Oct 26** - Ushers Michell & Peter Ward
Reader Emma Schreck
- Nov 9** - Ushers Robyn & Drew Eckstrom
Reader Anne Miller Solrud
- Nov 16** - Ushers Kim & Doug Kaiser
Reader Claire Chinander
- Nov 23** - Ushers Alissa & Larissa Chapman
Reader Joe Rysdam
- Nov 30** - Ushers John & Matt Adam
Reader Jan Museus
- Dec 7** - Ushers Sue Rawlings & Claire Chinander
Reader Rylee Hall
- Dec 14** - Ushers Paul Lindholm & Dick Blattner
Reader Vylet Hove
- Dec 21** - Ushers Melissa & Jeff Hall Reader N/A
- Dec 24- 2pm** Ushers Michelle & Peter Ward
Reader Sara Haase
- Dec 24- 4pm** - Ushers Sue Rawlings & Ben Peterson
Reader Michelle Merritt
- Dec 24 10pm** Ushers: John & Matt Adam
Reader - Sonya Swenson
- Dec 28** - Usher Maria & Mark Gjovig
Reader Diane Moser

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

October Bible Study with Ronda

Join Ronda for a 5-week study "Carry the Flame" by Jim Cymbala, on Thursdays in October, beginning Oct. 2nd at 10:00am. We will learn to carry the flame Christ lit, follow the Holy Spirit, and accomplish extraordinary things. We will look at examples from Acts as well as modern-day testimonies to encourage, inspire, and equip our study group to respond. How will we? Will you answer God's call to carry the flame?

We will gather each week for a video lesson by Jim Cymbala followed by discussion and then 5 short devotional studies to do on your own before the next session. Just come on October 2nd... no preparation needed... hope you will join us

Book of Revelation Bible Study with Pastor Lori

Join Pastor Lori for a 6-week study starting with a video at 10:15am on October 5th. We will explore this profound book answering questions about its symbols and timeless message. We will see that no matter the struggle, the victory of God and the Lamb is certain.

Scripture Study (all are welcome) Wednesdays @ 1:30pm

Pete Peterson leads this weekly gathering as they focus on and dig a little deeper into the scriptures for the upcoming Sunday.

Rachel Circle - Womer's Bible Study 4th Tuesday @ 1:30pm

The women of Peace meet for fellowship and a video bible study

HS Youth

Confirmation Day on Reformation Day

On Sunday, October 26th (Reformation day!), our 10th Grade students will be affirming the promises that were made to them on their baptism day during worship. We invite congregation members to wear red for this day of celebration.

The following youth are preparing for their Rite of Confirmation. Please pray for them as they prepare for this special time in their life

Keagan Berg
Sylvia Demulling
Wyatt Martinson
Henry Thanig

Bella Brown
Aubrey Haase
Alexa Peterson
William White



High School Youth Programming:

Here is what's happening for our 9th - 12th Grade Students this fall!

***A reminder to all students:** If either SCF or OHS closes or is cancelled due to inclement weather, church activities will be cancelled as well.

9th Grade - 9th Graders will be participating in "Peace University" for their 9th grade year of Confirmation. Students will be able to choose courses and a schedule that fits their busy lifestyle and that speaks to their gifts and talents. 9th Graders will have the opportunity to participate in High School Youth Group (on-site) many Wednesdays from 7:00-8:00pm (dinner available at 6:30pm for \$3/person), while choosing other "elective" courses or activities other weeks. (Parents: Detailed information was given out and discussed at the Parent Meeting on Sept. 18th. Please contact Pastor Melissa if you were unable to attend the meeting or would like to learn more). We look forward to this opportunity and way of learning for our 9th grade students.

10th - 12th Grade - In-Person YOUTH GROUP meets every Wednesday night at the church from 7-8pm. Youth Group is a great night of friends, fun, games, and life-applicable and faith-based learning. Clear your schedules for Wednesday nights and invite your friends to join in the fun! **Join us on Wednesdays from 7:00-8:00pm! (Also - dinner is available each Wednesday evening beginning at 6:30pm for \$3/person)**

Looking forward to a great year of High School Ministry Together!

Youth Events

WEDNESDAY NIGHT HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Join us on Wednesday nights this year from 7-8pm for games, fun, and growing in faith! We begin our year together on Wednesdays. Kick off your Wednesday night with dinner @6:30pm. Invite your friends and join us for a great year where we will laugh, eat, play games, and grow in our relationship with God.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS @ 7:00PM...SEE YOU THERE!!

7th - 9th Grade

Confirmation meets Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00pm and the schedule is as follows:

6:30pm Dinner Served (\$3/person)

7:00pm Large Group Time

7:30pm Small Group Time

8:00pm End

If you missed the informational meeting on Wednesday, September 17th, or have not yet registered your student for this program, please contact the church office or Pastor Melissa ASAP!

10th Grade Reminders

October 5th :
Confirmation Retreat

October 22nd:
Confirmation Rehearsal,
Pictures & Faith Projects due

October 26th:
Confirmation Sunday

2025-2026 Student Leadership Team Breakfast Club

All mission trip students who attended last summer's Idaho Mission Trip are invited to join us for a FREE breakfast and bible study every other Wednesday morning before school. Throughout the year, this Student Leadership Team will also plan events, lead devotionals, and help plan the 2026 Mission trip.

During October & November, we will be meeting at church the following dates:

Wednesday, October 8 @ 6:45am

Wednesday, October 22 @ 6:45am

Wednesday, November 5 @ 6:45am

Wednesday, November 19 @ 6:45am!

2026 YOUTH MISSION TRIP: TENNESSEE & APPALACHIAN MOUNTAINS July 10-19, 2026

It's not too late to be a part of this incredible mission opportunity (for current 9th -12th graders). Deposits and registration forms are due Wednesday, October 8th. To inquire, or for more information, contact Pastor Melissa.

To receive weekly information and any last minute updates about children and/or youth related news, make sure that you are signed up on our NEW messaging platform: SLACK. Contact Pastor Melissa to be added. Parents - you are also encouraged to join the app for updates and information.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Save the Date - our annual Bazaar at Peace will take place on Saturday, December 6th

This year, we are looking for people to donate or make jams, jellies & lefse to sell!! Donate towards a good cause!

There will be Christmas plates available in the Narthex for you to take home, and return with your baked goods on for the sale.

Contact Vicki Simpkins if you would like to help make crafts for the bazaar or if you can help in any way.

4K-4th Grade Children's Church Sundays @ approx. 9:15am

New this year! All 4k-4th grade students are invited to Children's Church on Sunday mornings.

Children will be dismissed from worship each week (approx. 9:15am) and engage in a worship experience that is age-appropriate and meaningful. Children will also hear the same scriptures

as adults each week, and will learn how to apply it to their lives through hands-on activities, prayer practices, songs, and more.

The last Sunday of each month, deemed "Last Sunday Funday", children will stay and worship in the sanctuary and then head to a family-friendly event following worship. See below for schedule:

October 5, 12, 19 - Children's Church

October 26 - Last Sunday Funday (Fall Family "Reformation" Festivities)

November 2, 9, 16 & 23 - Children's Church

November 30 - Last Sunday Funday (Kick off to Advent Family Celebration)

KWIK TRIP

KWIK TRIP CARDS ARE BACK!

Kwik Trip Gift Cards have been restocked and are available while supplies last! Youth & missions receive 10% of all sales.

You can pick up your \$25, \$50, \$100 or \$200 giftcards from church or from any youth attending the 2026 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 or purchase something in-store.



Club 56 now on Wednesdays!!

If you are in 5th or 6th Grade, you now get to be a part of our Wednesday night program!!

That's right...Club 56 has moved to Wednesday evenings, and its not too late to join the fun! We meet from 5:30-6:30pm for a time of games, activities, and bible-based learning. Come join us on the best night of the week (friends invited....dinner is also available for \$3/person after Club 56 at 6:30pm each week!).



Save the Date Something for Everyone!

JOIN US!
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Oct
6

Peace Ham Dinner

4:30pm -6:30pm

The annual Ham Dinner will be held on Monday, October 6th. In-person and To-go orders will be available as well as limited delivery (please inquire ahead of the dinner for options. Tickets will be "at the door"

Oct
11

Sourdough Class with Vicki

1:00pm-4:00pm

Learn the art of sourdough from scratch with Vicki! Join us on October 11th for a fun, hands-on bread making class. All experience levels welcome.

Oct
12

Second Sunday Supper- Dalles House

5:30pm

will be on October 12th at 5:30pm. This is an adult fellowship opportunity. If you've never joined us before- please do!

Oct
26

Bingo @ Peace

4:00pm-6:00pm

Come to the fellowship hall October 26th for a night of intergenerational bingo! All ages welcome

Oct
29

Trunk Or Treat

5:30pm -7:30pm

Join Us on October 29th for a great youth ministry opportunity to come enjoy costumes and candy! Please watch the slides and weekly email for additional information

Nov
9

Second Sunday Supper- Pizza Pub

5:30pm

will be on November 9th at 5:30pm. This is an adult fellowship opportunity. If you've never joined us before- please do!

Nov
22

Lefse Making with Dallas & Friends

1:00pm-4:00pm

Join us November 22nd to learn the classic Norwegian tradition of making lefse from scratch! No experience is needed.

Nov
28&29

Porch Pot Class with Kelli Newman

Time TBD

Make your own beautiful winter porch pot while enjoying the fellowship of other Peace friends. All supplies provided. Sign Up Sheet will be at the Welcome Center

meet

OUR TEAM!



LORI PEPER

Pastor of Adult Ministry

How do you take your coffee?

I love everything about coffee from the smell to the taste of a strong cup of black coffee. At the coffee shop, I would probably order an almond milk latte with a sprinkle of cinnamon on top and savor every sip.

What is one question you wish people asked you more?

Ha! It will probably never happen but would be great fun to have someone ask, "How did you learn to play the guitar so well?" Realistically, I love it when people ask about my kids.

What book changed your life?

It's really hard to pick just one, I will say the first book that had a significant impact was "To Kill a Mockingbird" by Harper Lee

What is your favorite quote?

"This will be our reply to violence: To make music more intensely, more beautifully, more devotedly than ever before." 1963 Leonard Bernstein in response to the JFK assassination.

What songs are on the soundtrack of your life?

Since I can't spend all day on this question, I'll just say it's been an eclectic mix of classics, sacred and 70's acoustic from Eine Kleine Nachtmusik, Pie Jesu, Wade in the Water, Amazing Grace, Better Together by Jack Johnson, Wildflowers by Tom Petty, and Blue Bird by Nici Peper.



HOLLY SCHNITZLER

Administrative Assistant

Unless it's freezing outside, I drink my coffee iced. My go-to is Cold Brew with Sweet Cream cold foam. My new favorite though, is iced chai latte with 2 shots of espresso.

My boyfriend and I are starting to look at buying a house so currently I'd really like to hear "Can I offer you this spare \$25k I have to put towards your house?" (Ha! If only)

She Said Yes: The Unlikely Martyrdom of Cassie Bernall written by her mother Misty Bernall. There are many others as well, but this was the first one that came to mind. It's a good read; I highly recommend it.

"Courage is not the absence of fear but rather the judgement something else is more important" Franklin D. Roosevelt

Here's a sampling of my life soundtrack: The Middle by Jimmy Eat World, a plethora of Beach Boys and Styx songs played while road tripping with my mom and Taylor Swift's entire music catalog on repeat



“ap-pre-ci-a-tion”

Recognition and enjoyment of the good qualities of someone or something. Valuing, cherishing, treasuring, showing gratitude.

For many years now, October has been designated as Pastor Appreciation month, a time to honor pastors for their service and leadership. At Peace we will celebrate Pastor Melissa and Pastor Lori on Sunday, October 19th. Both will be in the pews worshiping with us as the service will be a Lay Led Sunday. Cards with words of gratitude and appreciation are welcome and there will be a collection basket for each of them in the narthex on the 19th.

We also will recognize the other pastors in our church family: Maggie Isaacson, John Lee, Suzi Orlopp, and Alan Padgett. We are truly grateful for each of them, too!

A NOTE FROM COUNCIL

Peace Lutheran Family,

This is an exciting time for Peace Lutheran Church, as our reimagination is becoming our new reality! We are richly blessed by your generosity. By paying off the mortgage, we have entered a new era of ministry. Our staffing plan with two pastors has already allowed us to refocus on our mission of worship, service, and outreach. Our church is vibrant and thriving!

At our most recent Congregational Council meeting, we spent time reflecting on the importance of continued giving and the needs of our church moving forward. As we transition from a “mortgage-focused” budget to a “ministry-focused” budget, we want to share a few key points with you:

1. A Shift in Expenses – The blessing of making our final mortgage payment has made our new staffing model possible. While we no longer have a mortgage, we have essentially exchanged that financial commitment for another: investing in the leadership of two dedicated pastors. This helps us pursue the dreams God has placed before us. Our overall budget remains essentially the same.

2. Capital Campaign Commitments – If you pledged to the Capital Campaign, please continue to fulfill your commitment. While the mortgage is behind us, our facilities still require care, including future needs such as furnaces and roof work. All gifts toward the facility are deposited into a designated account specifically for this purpose.

3. General Giving Matters Most – We are striving to minimize requests for project-specific giving. Instead, our goal is to fund as much as possible through the general operating budget. When you give to the general fund, you directly support the daily work of our mission and ministry. The Council will then prioritize projects as resources allow, ensuring we remain faithful stewards of your generosity.

I thank the Lord daily that I am part of such an amazing family in Christ! Together, we look with hope toward the growth of our congregation and the continued reimagination of our ministries. With God’s help, all things are possible.

In Christ,
Brandon Robinson
Congregational Council President

Happy Birthday!



OCTOBER

4th Jean Dehmer
Ryan Hanson
5th Mark Boyken
Sally Wulf
Suzi Orlopp
6th Mary Pauley
Nicole Kovar
Holly Schnitzler
7th Hunter Robinson
Leyton Liesch
8th Steve Martell
Scott Hagen
9th Tim Kautz
Justin Chapman
Jovi Schrock
10th Jack Brust
Russel Lysne
Bob Lee
Sara Carlson
Teresa Halstrom
Garrett Lee
Laura Swanson
Olivia Schiebel
11th Mary Lou Koosman
Susan Stevenson
Dale Getschel
Andy Willeman
12th Kelli Newman
Keagan Berg
Colton Krueger
13th Joe Kahl
Amanda LaBoda
Krissy Gregory
15th Audrey Arndt
Jered Haase
Amber Chapman
Parker Bottolfson
16th Ava Gorski
18th William Sheehan
Greg Rosik
Macklin Prokop

20th John Solsrud
Reeclyn Rada
21st Phillip Kovar
22nd Kacy Johnson
24th Dick Koehler
25th Janelle Tolzman
Connor Brown
Kailyn McNitt
26th BreNel Ward
Benica Rosik
27th Steve Swenson
28th Larry Carlson
29th Sue Rawlings
30th Derek Martinson
Pierce Hanson
31st Terrye Succo
Ian O'Hare

NOVEMBER

1st Bonnie Schmidt
Stacia Kneath
2nd Scott Carlson
3rd Tim O'Hare
5th Logan Johnson
6th Jazmyn Everson
7th Eileen Stensven
Joe Kneath
Bjorn Neumann
8th Dick Gevin
John Hale
9th Addison Symons
10th Marcia Clark
Mathew Vitalis
11th Zoey Larson
12th Jon Nordin
Donnie Tate
Mayim Peer
13th Mark Kravik
Aaron Rysdam

14th Kathy Vesperman
Bryan Score
Dylan Cotch
16th Mike Robinson
17th Jill Carlson
Diane Martell
Amanda Lietz
18th Vicki Koehler
Tim Swenson
Isiah Guilfoile
19th Vylet Hove
20th Mike Lundeen
21st Jennifer Jeske
Hayden Prokop
Charles Hanson
22nd Lorin Demulling
23rd John Cavallin
24th Linda Hansen
Denise Schmidt
Alivia Maki
25th Grayson Skinner
26th Pat Adam
Macie Demulling
27th Jackson Dvorak
28th Bill Degner
Hannah Kautz
29th Darrel Spaeth
30th Jeff Everson
Levi Gregory

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Custodian Jerry Rosenow



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\$15 ADULTS \$6 KIDS 6-12 YRS.

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