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Christian Symbol

Almond



In Numbers 17:1-8, God settles a dispute among the Israelites by directing Moses

to obtain a staff from each of Israel's 12 tribes and to place the staffs in the Tent of Meeting. The one representing the tribe God chose would sprout. The next day, not only had the staff of Aaron, representing the tribe of Levi, sprouted, but it had blossomed and borne ripe almonds. Thus, the almond came to symbolize God's approval. By extension, it has also been used as a symbol of the Virgin Mary, who found divine favor and was chosen to bear God's Son.

Thanksgiving and the 2nd Commandment

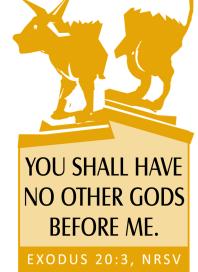
Encore Post: It is that special day of the year where everyone (hopefully) gets together with loved ones and gives thanks while enjoying all the food that their eyes desire and (hopefully) their stomachs can handle. And probably around the table before the meal begins you might go around saying what you are thankful for this year. And most of the time each person has something to add to the list. Most people desire to give thanks. The question that should be asked of us all, to Whom should this thanks be directed?

But we as Christians should come to a day such as this with a different mindset. In his fine explanation of the **Second Commandment**, Lu-

ther first tells us what the improper ways of using God's name. And in the second half, Luther tells us the proper way to use the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We are to pray, praise, and give thanks to Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

So, giving thanks is something that should not just happen one day a year, but rather it should be a part of our daily prayer life. Jesus is the foundation. Christ is our life, the very source of all our blessings for this life we live now. As Christians then, we can give thanks in a very distinctive way.

Jesus came into our sin burdened world, took on human flesh, became like



us in every way, yet without sin. By Jesus' redeeming work of suffering and dying on the cross, we receive forgiveness. His resurrection is the guarantee of our everlasting life. And you are united to Jesus' death and resurrection by being baptized into His name. Jesus is the very foundation of our life and our giving thanks!

Thanksgiving has a higher and greater meaning for us as Christians. That word that is translated as thanksgiving in 1 Timothy 2:1-4 means



- 2 Debbie Mayes
- 8 Joe Stauch
- 9 Jim Janssen
- 10 Joe & Vicki Stauch
- 13 Linda Schaumburg
- 14 Cathie Mueller
- 17 Ned Soseman
- 20 Dale Montague
- 20 Tim & Cindy Kaminski
- 22 Lilyan Lewis



Church Office Schedule

Church office hours Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday from 8 a.m. to noon. Phone number 573-836-8141. Pudge Springer, Secretary "grateful acknowledgement for the past mercies of God." This leads to our humble and honest requests we bring before our Father in prayer. We have so much for which to thank our Lord. Not only does He care for our spiritual needs of forgiveness of sins through Jesus' death and resurrection, but He cares for our earthly and bodily needs too. He tells us that much in His Holy Word, especially in the 4th petition of His prayer:

"give us this day our daily bread."

Let us continue then to call upon the Lord offering up prayers, supplications, and thanksgiving for all that He has done for us for this life and the life that is to come.

Written by Rev. Jacob Hercamp St. Peter's Lutheran Church La Grange, MO

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

2025 statistics to date: For Women

1/8 Women in your life will be diagnosed with breast cancer

- Breast cancer is increasingly common in women under 50
- 1 in 2 women don't get their annual breast screenings
- If caught early, breast cancer patients have more than a 99% survival rate
- Women of color are more often diagnosed with an advanced state of breast cancer

For Men

1/726 men will be diagnosed with breast cancer Risk factors include:

- Aging
- Family history of breast cancer
- Inherited gene mutations
- Klinefelter syndrome
- Radiation exposure
- Alcohol
- Liver disease
- Estrogen therapy
- Excess body weight
- Testicular conditions

Resources: American Cancer Society National Breast Cancer Foundation Inc.





Thanks to Diane Borgmann and Susan Kral for snapping these models during the cancer presentation after worship.

Praise & Praise & Manksgiving

Join us as we give thanks to God for all of our blessings Thanksgiving Eve Wed., Nov. 26 6 p.m.

"Thou hast given so much to me. Give me one thing more a grateful heart."

—George Herbert

New Member



On Sunday, September 7, Matt Walz became a member of Peace via transfer from Kansas City, MO. Welcome Matt to our church family.

EVERY ONE HIS WITNESS

Share: What To Share - Context

ontext is important when sharing God's Word with a nonchurched person. Context is made up of many factors including the setting, timing, a person's attentiveness, how a person connects and communicates, his current life circumstances, and the nature of your relationship with that person. When context is disregarded, it is likely that a script or "canned" presentation will be shared.

It is impossible to share something based on the other person's con-

text if you don't listen and ask to understand it. The "canned" presentation is likely to convey that you weren't really listening, or don't really care about the person, and are working to your own agenda, resulting in the person not listening.



While God's Word

speaks to every human context, what you share with an elderly person facing end of life will differ than sharing with a young person who just gave birth. Consider the various aspects of a context to help shape what you share as well as how best to share. Some will show eagerness to listen while others will be passively reluctant, though they will politely listen. Still others will be closed to hearing and will make that clear to you.

Remember there are "head" people, "heart" people, and "hand people. Whatever type a person is helps shape the context in which you are witnessing. Listen carefully for the way they connect, then share accordingly. Be encouraged. Contexts change. One who may be closed to hearing now maybe open later when something happens that changes the context of their life.(i.e. death of a loved one, birth of a child, marriage, or divorce). By listening, asking, and seeking, you can learn the context and come to understand how best to share God's Word with a person in that context.

by Mark Wood director of LCMS Witness & Outreach Ministry





Join us as we decorate the church for Christmas, on Saturday, November 29 at 9 a.m.

Wedding Shower

On September 25, church secretary Pudge McCloud was honored at a wedding shower held at the Tavern at Trails End. There were twelve ladies that attended the shower. Photos submitted by Candi Tostenrud and Diane Borgmann.







Bulletin Bloopers

- The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.
- Ladies don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.
- Don't let worry kill you off. Let the church help.

A Dose of Humor

I had been teaching my threeyear old daughter, Caitlin, the Lord's Prayer for several evenings at bedtime. She would repeat after me the lines from the prayer. Finally, she decided to go solo. I listened with pride as she carefully enunciated each word, right up to the end of the prayer: "Lead us not

into temptation," she prayed, "but deliver us from E-mail."



United in Marriage



Don Springer and Pudge McCloud were united in marriage on Saturday, October 4 at Peace.

God's blessing to Don and Pudge. Photo submitted by Candi Tostenrud.

"So they are no longer two, but one flesh. There-

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fore what God has joined together, let no one separate". Matthew 19:6

November Devotion



All That We Are

For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me was not in vain.

1 Corinthians 15:9-10

Mitterfirmiansreut

Odds are pretty good that very few Daily Devotion readers have ever heard of that little Bavarian town in the mountains near the German-Czech border. There are even better odds that most of us can't say that hamlet's name without a bit of practice.

No matter, Mitterfirmiansreut is still going to be a tourist attraction from now until the beginning of spring. Why?

I'm glad you asked. It's because in honor of the past, the people of Mitterfirmiansreut have built a church composed of snow and ice. The 65-foot-long building worships 200 and is composed of slabs of ice and 49,000 cubic feet of the white stuff.

So, what happened in the past

which caused the folks of that Bavarian mountain village to build a snow church? Back in 1911 the Christians of Mitterfirmiansreut had grown tired of walking hours to a neighboring community for worship. To show their enthusiasm for a local facility, they erected the community's first snow church.

And being a practical lot, they used the most common materials to do the job. It's a trick they must have learned from the Lord.

It's true, you know. The Lord doesn't always use the most brilliant, the most beautiful or the brightest among us to accomplish His purposes.

Read through Scripture and you will see Him call an exiled murderer to lead His people out of slavery. He will select a forgettable Bethlehem shepherd boy to be king over His people, and a despised tax-collector to record the story of the Redeemer's life.

This is why, if I were you, I wouldn't be too surprised if the Lord taps you on the shoulder and says, "I'd like you to do this for me" or "I'd like you to work on that so my Son's Name might

be better known." No, I wouldn't be surprised, and I wouldn't be too eager to tell the Lord there are many others better qualified to do the job.

There may be others, but it's you He has selected.

That's a fact St. Paul understood. That's why he wrote the words of today's text that tell us God's grace has made us what we are, and it's by His power His work is done.

The Prayer: Dear Lord, You have given each of us a job to do. Rather than refusing Your work and declaring our inadequacies, help us do all we can to proclaim the crucified and risen Christ to a lost world. Empowered by Your grace, may we share the salvation which comes through faith in Jesus. In His Name. Amen Pastor Ken Klaus (Pastor Klaus 1948-2023 former speaker of The Lutheran Hour® Lutheran Hour Ministries, archived devotions, January 12, 2012





- **Brock Kliewer** will continue to serve as **president**.
- **Noah Estes** will continue to serve as **vice president**.
- Susan Kral will continue to serve as secretary.
- Peggy Callahan will continue to serve as treasurer.
- Jeff Hedberg, Jeff Emery, and Larry Trick will continue to serve as elders.
- Chuck Kral, Rodney Schulz, Pat Callahan and Kyle
 Wright will continue to serve as trustees.
- Paula Emery will become the head of evangelism.
- Candi Tostenrud will become head of stewardship.

Thank you to all who held an office last year and continue to hold an office.



The 2026 calendars are available to pick up. They are located in the back of the church.

Thanks to Pastor Brandt for providing them this year.

Guest Speaker



Pastor Kris Morris preached Sunday, October 12 during our morning worship and spoke to our Bible class about Concordia University. He is the Director of Church Engagement at Seward, Nebraska. A time for questions and answers followed his presentation. Photo submitted by Candi Tostenrud.

Singing Praises to God



Members of Peace shared their musical gifts singing "Just a Closer Walk With Thee", during our worship service on Sunday, October 19. Thank you to Ron Meyer, Penny Jost/Hansen, Judy Slough, Candi Tostenrud, and Linda Meyer. Photo submitted by Cindy Niebur.



LWML Meeting Held October 13

2025 Officers: Co-Presidents Cindy Niebur and Dawn Hedberg
Treasurer Susan Kral, Secretary Jayne Marie Trick

When the meeting with a reading on "Spiritual Growth" and a prayer by Co-President Dawn Hedberg. Roll call word for the month of October was "spiritual". Nine members and three guest members were in attendance and answered the roll call with their chosen Bible verses. Members recited the LWML Pledge. Bible Study was titled "Body and Soul - All Thirst For the Living Waters", taken in part from a 2023 LWML devotion.

The secretary's September meeting minutes were examined, and a few high points were mentioned. Treasurer Susan Kral read and discussed the September Treasurer's Report.

Presidents Reports:

- Several of the new visitor bags were distributed after church services. Peggy put together the bags that are stored under the credenza in the sanctuary. We need to form a "Visitor Bag Committee" and will address that in the November meeting.
- Dawn, Paula, and Jayne Marie attended the Sedalia Zone meeting. Also scheduled that

- day was the Spring Rally 2026 meeting to finalize details on that event taking place at Peace April 28, 2026. St. Paul Stover and Faith in Warsaw will help us with the hosting. Additional decorating ideas, prayers, music, skits, and the main speaker were topics discussed.
- Discussion was held on the price increase of zone dues and LWML Quarterlies. It was noted that the large print Quarterlies are free.
- A count was taken for those who are planning to attend the Fall Rally at Trinity Lutheran in Clinton. We will meet at the church to carpool.

Correspondence: We received two lovely thank you cards from newlyweds Mr. and Mrs. Springer.

The Mites Reading by Cathie Mueller was "Martha - Being a Worrier"

Committee Reports:

• Yard Sale Committee: It was discussed to have a chair for the Yard Sale Committee for 2026.

- **Pop Tabs:** No report, however, for the new member information, the pop tabs are collected to help support Ronald McDonald House.
- Best Choice Labels: Paula reported that the collection of Best Choice labels was a little short, and what stores in the area offer Best Choice canned goods.
- Kitchen Committee: A short discussion was held on getting rid of the coffeemakers that don't work.
- Human Care: Cathie Mueller commented that

September and October,
we collected \$76 in pocket
change for Mite. Thank you
for your continued support of
this ongoing project.
You can bring your pocket
above a partime. The how is

You can bring your pocket change anytime. The box is located in the back of the church.

Human Care is what we do with our projects every month! We briefly discussed crafting decorations with the hymnals that are now stored in the LWML closet.

- Stamps Committee: Dawn encouraged the society to gather old stamps.
- Photography Committee: Candi has been diligent in taking pictures of our events and forwarding them to the Sedalia District and our newsletter editor Sheryl.

Old Business:

- The Centurion Project box lunches that were scheduled for October 16 and 17 have been cancelled.
 - A short discussion was held concerning the Sweetheart Dinner in February. Members voted not to hold the event.
 - A discussion was held on the distribution of proceeds from the September yard sale. Members wanted to help local organizations, and agreed upon the Pregnancy Help Center in Camdenton, and Community For Christ in Sunrise Beach.
- A date was set for the 2025 LWML Christmas party. It will be Saturday December 13th at 11:30am, featuring a salad luncheon with dessert. Members were

- asked to bring a \$10 wrapped gift.
- The Nominating Committee for LWML officers was tabled for the November meeting.
- A request was made by Elder Larry Trick to keep the back door locked when we conduct our meetings. A short discussion was held on the emergency exits.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted Jayne Marie Trick, Secretary

Our next meeting will be held on Monday, Nov. 10 at 9 a.m. The roll call word is thankfulness.

Mark your calendar for the LWML Christmas party on December 13 beginning at 11:30 a.m.

Donation Box



The LWML is gathering mittens, gloves, and scarves for Hurricane Deck Elementary. Deadline to bring items is Sunday, November 23. Photo submitted by Candi Tostenrud.





Approximately 53 ladies attended the fall rally at Trinity, Clinton on Tuesday, October 21. The theme was Grow-Gather-Go. Ladies attending from Peace were Jayne Marie, Paula and Dawn. Photo submitted by Dawn Hedberg.

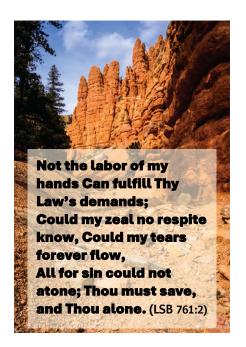
Stewardship







Pointing to the Rock of Ages



hile the classic hymn "Rock of Ages" shows up in the Lutheran Service Book in the "Hope and Comfort" section, it can also teach us a valuable lesson about Christian stewardship. If that surprises you, stay with me on this one.

No Lutheran would ever dispute the fact that our work does not save us. Ephesians 2 makes it truly clear that we are dead in our trespasses and sins and would remain in that state until Christ raises us by grace. There is not a ladder on which we can climb out of the grave that our sins have dug for us. No blood, sweat nor tears will be able to rescue us. We all know this.

Our works do not save. Christ's work on the cross of Calvary does! He bore human flesh. He carried the burden of our sin to the cross. His body was beaten, bruised and bloodied for us. He has indeed atoned for us! This is more than enough reason for this hymn to be bouncing around in your head all day today!

But our work has a place. The place is in response to what the Father has done for us in Jesus. The Rock of Ages, who is Jesus, becomes the foundation on which our lives of faith are built. The Holy Spirit uses the means of grace to make us God's workmanship that Paul talks about in Ephesians 2:10.

Our workmanship does not display our power or prowess. Like the heavens declare the handiwork of the Creator, the works of a redeemed sinner point others to the salvation that is worked only by Jesus alone. Our work is a response to and reflection of a grace and glory that we ourselves could never accomplish or achieve.

We become stewards of the treasure that is the Gospel. When we faithfully support the work of the Gospel of Jesus Christ with our financial support, we are doing the work which points to the

One who alone atones. When we come alongside a struggling sister or brother for whom Christ died and we share the stewardship work of compassion and care, we enflesh the treasure of God's love and redemption. When we make it a weekly priority to arrange our schedule to be in the Lord's House with other stewards of the Gospel to receive again and again the Gospel's precious gift, we are stewards of the Body of Christ in the congregation that points even more people to Jesus.

We cannot do this. Jesus does it through us. We are simply stewards of this precious treasure!

Reprinted from the LCMS Steward-





Sunday Worship* 9:00 am Bible Class/Sun. School 10:30 am

Wednesday Evening Services:

 Ash Wednesday 	6:00 pm
 During Lent 	6:00 pm
During Advent	6:00 pm

Holy Week

 Maundy Thursday* 	6:00 pm
 Good Friday Service 	6:00 pm
Easter Sunday*	9:00 am

Thanksgiving Eve

Wednesday Evening 6:00 pm

Christmas Eve

Evening Service 6:00 pm

*Holy Communion

The Lord's Servants

Elders—First Sunday of Each Month

Chairman: Jeff Hedberg, Jeff Emery, Larry Trick

Council—2nd Tuesday of Each Month

6:30 pm

◆ President: Brock Kliewer (two yr term)

◆ Vice President: Noah Estes (fill vacancy for one yr)

◆ Secretary: Susan Kral (two yr term)

♦ Financial Secretary: Brett Niebur

◆ Treasurer: Peggy Callahan (two yr term)

• Stewardship: Dawn Hedberg

• Evangelism: Cindy Kaminski (finishing term)

• Education: Open

• Organists: Rev. Gary Brandt, Diana Schwab

• Trustees: Kyle Wright, Rodney Schulz, Pat Callahan

Chuck Kral

LWML—2nd Monday from March—Nov. 9:00 am

Co-Presidents: Dawn Hedberg and Cindy Niebur

Altar Guild: Dawn Hedberg
Bible Studies As announced

Elected Offices

Serving in God's House

	Elder	Altar Guild					
August	Jeff Emery	Paula Emery					
September	Larry Trick	Cindy Niebur					
October	Jeff Hedberg	Janet Bartels					
November	Jeff Emery	Paula Emery					
December	Larry Trick	Dawn Hedberg					
Minister	Rev. Gary Brand	dt					
Organists	Rev. Gary Brand	dt, Diana Schwab					
Ushers							
1st Sunday	Robert & Penn	y Hansen, Paul Bartels					
2nd Sunday Earl Hartenstein, Jeff & Paula Emery							
3rd Sunday Diane Borgmann, Rodney Schulz							
4th Sunday	unday Jeff & Dawn Hedberg, Russ Schulz						
5th Sunday Robert Hansen, Earl Hartenstein,							
	Jeff Hedberg						
Counters							
1st Sunday	Jeff & Dawn H	edberg					
2nd Sunday	Jeff & Paula Er	nery					
3rd Sunday	Brett & Cindy	Niebur					
4th Sunday	Matt & Deb Ma	ayes					
5th Sunday	Pudge McCloud	d Revised 7/2025					

Council Meeting Held September 2

President Brock Kliewer called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Pastor Brandt opened with prayer.

The following board members were present: Pastor Gary Brandt, President Brock Kliewer, Financial Secretary Brett Niebur, Secretary Susan Kral, Elder Jeff Hedberg, Trustee Chuck Kral, Evangelism Cindy Kaminski, Cemetery Diane Borgmann, and Church Member Pat Callahan

Absent: Vice President Noah Estes, **Treasurer** Peg Callahan, and **Stewardship** Dawn Hedberg

The minutes from the August 8, 2025 meeting were approved as printed.

Financial Secretary: Brett reported that contributions for the year are ahead of this time last year. The report was accepted and approved.

Treasurer: Peg's report stated the following: All bills are paid for the month of August. The report was accepted and approved.

Elders: Jeff Hedberg had no report.

Trustees: Trustees reported the following:

- Mowing crews have kept the grounds looking attractive.
- Pat rented a stump grinder and removed stumps from the cemetery.
- The water sample that Chuck sent to the state shows that our water is good.
- Pat arranged for debris to be removed from the cemetery.
- Another leak developed in the water line to the cemetery. Pat and Chuck replaced part of the line.
- Pat removed the sink in the garage and installed a counter in its place.
- Chuck contacted Amos Septic. Our system will be cleaned soon.
- Pat made large wooden signs advertising our yard sale. He will place them in strategic places. He is willing to pick up donated furniture. He will load church tables on his trailer on Sept. 5 and set them up on Sept. 6.

The report was accepted and approved.

Education: Vacant

Evangelism: Cindy reported the following:

- There was no contract with Outreach for the sending of new move-in cards. She cancelled future sending.
- Our LWML group has made gift bags for 1st time visitors.
- Our October Trunk or Treat will be held on October 31 from 4:00PM—6:00PM. Children will be given an opportunity to win a bicycle.
- Sheryl Bald will make a flyer for our Thanksgiving service to be held on November 26 at 6:00 PM.

The report was accepted and approved.

Stewardship/LWML: There were no reports.\

Member at Large: Vacant

Cemetery: Diane reported the following:

- Pat Callahan cut down some trees and trimmed others.
- Pat arranged for two piles of good dirt to be combined.

• A clearing was made so that leaves and sticks could be burned.

The report was accepted and approved.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Brandt reported the following:

- Pastor attended his first Jefferson City-Columbia Joint Circuit Pastors' Conference since Peace was moved to that circuit. It was held at Faith Lutheran in Jefferson City.
- On September 7, his sermon was the tenth part of twelve parts of the 11th chapter of Hebrews. Also on September 7 we will receive Matt Walz membership. He is transferring from Kansas City, MO.
- Following the September 2 service, he and Linda will travel west to visit several national parks and then visit relatives in Nebraska. Pastor Tony Alter will lead our worship services on September 14 and 21.
- Don and Pudge will be married here at Peace on October 4. The congregation is invited.
- After meeting with the elders, Pastor decided that he will continue to serve Peace rather than retire.
- Following the September 2 Circuit Meeting, he went to St. Mary's Hospital for an injection to ease pain in his lower back and right hip. On September 4 he had his final follow-up visit for his bone spur removal. He thanks God for healing and for being pain free.

The report was accepted and approved.

President's Reports

Old Business:

- It was decided that council position descriptions do not need to be reviewed.
- Various council members will donate all that is necessary for the cookout at the yard sale. There will be a freewill offering for food sales.

New Business:

- Cindy stated that Candi Tostenrud would like to give a presentation regarding Medicare changes that will be made in 2026 and speak about Medicare fraud alerts. The council gave approval. The meeting will be open to the public.
- Because the Pastor Circuit meetings for the Jefferson City-Columbia Circuit are held on the first Tuesday of the month, council members decided to return to meeting on the second Tuesday of each month.
- Brett presented changes that will be made in how member attendance will be taken at services. An attendance sheet will be provided to an elder to mark off names of attendees. Visitors will be asked to fill out an attendance card that will be

- placed in the pew card holders. Visitors will place them in the offering plate.
- A potluck welcoming new members will be held following the October 5 service.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Pastor Brandt led the closing with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Kral, Secretary

Council Meeting Held October 14

Vice President Noah Estes called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Pastor Brandt opened with prayer.

The following board members were present: Pastor Gary Brandt, President Brock Kliewer, Vice President Noah Estes, Financial Secretary Brett Niebur, Secretary Susan Kral, Elder Jeff Hedberg, Trustee Chuck Kral, Evangelism Cindy Kaminski, Cemetery Diane Borgmann, and Church Members Jeff and Paula Emery

Absent: Treasurer Peg Callahan, and **Stewardship** Dawn Hedberg

The minutes from the September 2, 2025 meeting were approved as printed.

Financial Secretary: Brett reported that contributions for the year are ahead of this time last year. He also presented a balance sheet listing all church assets. The report was accepted and approved.

Treasurer: Brett stated that all bills are paid. The report was accepted and approved.

Elders: Jeff stated that new visitor attendance cards will be placed in the pew card holders. Member attendance will be marked off by an elder. The report was accepted and approved.

Trustees: Chuck reported the following:

- Mowing crews have kept the grounds looking attractive.
- Chuck contacted a person who does snow removal. When the gentleman comes back from Florida, they will meet.
- Chuck tested the water softener unit. It is not working properly. If it can't be recalibrated a new one must be purchased.
- The septic tank was cleaned. Redex needs to be added every other month.
- The new furnace was hooked up.
- Best Pest Control sprayed on October 15.

- Chuck and Don Springer repaired the toilet in the downstairs men's' room.
- The seal on the downstairs door needs replacing. The report was accepted and approved.

Education: Vacant

Evangelism: Cindy reported the following:

- Bob and Candi Tostenrud gave a presentation regarding new Medicare information on September 30. It was well received.
- Our Trunk or Treat will be held on October 31 from 4:00PM 6:00PM. Children will be given an opportunity to win a bicycle. Participants need to bring candy for 125 children. Cindy will ask for more participants at the October voters meeting.
- Cindy participated in the Hurricane Deck School's Monster Bash. She stated that PTO officer Kathy Brown will extend an invitation to Peace Lutheran to participate next year.
- She contacted the <u>Lake Sun</u> regarding advertising for our Thanksgiving Eve service.
- Peace Lutheran will again sponsor the large Peace on Earth display at the Enchanted Village of Lights Christmas display.
- There will be a Christmas parade in Laurie on November 29. Cindy will give members more information at the October voters meeting.

The report was accepted and approved.

Stewardship/LWML: There were no reports.

Member at Large: Vacant

Cemetery: Diane reported the following:

- Rodney applied fertilizer and planted red hot poker in the flower garden.
- Pat burned leaves and sticks.

The report was accepted and approved.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Brandt reported the following:

- Matt Walz was received into membership. He transferred from Kansas City, MO.
- Don Springer and Pudge McCloud were united in marriage here at Peace on October 4.
- Pastor and Linda enjoyed their thirteen-day vacation.
- Pastor and Linda attended a picnic given for the Jefferson City and Columbia Circuits pastors and guests at the home of recently retired Pastor Gerald Scheperle near Lohman, MO.
- Pastor and Jeff Hedberg attended the Circuit Forum at St. John's Lutheran in Lohman. Delegates were elected for next year's Synodical Convention in Phoenix, AZ.
- Pastor thanks our LWML group for hosting a beautiful luncheon on October 5 honoring new members.

- On Sunday October 12, Pastor Kris Morris preached at Peace. Pastor Brandt enjoyed playing the organ that day.
- From October 12-14 Pastor attended the annual MO District Pastors' conference held at Christ the King. There was a presentation on the book of Amos and attendees chose three breakout sessions.
- Following the October 19 voters meeting, Pastor, Penny Hansen, and Candi Tostenrud will attend choir practice at Trinity in Jefferson City, MO. The choir will sing at the circuit-wide Reformation Service at Trinity at 4:00 PM on Sunday October 26.
- Pastor and Linda attended their high school class reunion in Imperial, MO. It was held on October 16.
- Pastor feels blessed to have good health and enjoys serving a kind and caring congregation. May the Lord continue to bless Peace Lutheran Church.

The report was accepted and approved.

President's Reports

Old Business: None

New Business:

- Jeff Emery presented the officer's slate which will be voted on at the October 19 voters meeting. Additional nominations can be made from the floor.
- Brett will check the office computer to see if an upgrade is needed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 P.M. Pastor Brandt led the closing with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Kral, Secretary

Voters Meeting Held October 19

President Brock Kliewer called the meeting to order. Twenty-five members were present. Thank you to everyone who provided rolls, cookies, bread, coffee and orange juice. Pastor Brandt opened with prayer. The minutes of the July 10, 2025 Voters Meeting were approved as printed.

Reports:

Treasurer's Report: The reports are printed in the monthly newsletters.

Financial Secretary's Report: The reports are printed in the monthly newsletters.

Board of Elders: The reports are printed in the monthly newsletters.

Board of Trustees: The reports are published in the monthly newsletter

Evangelism: The reports are printed in the monthly newsletters.

Stewardship: The reports are published in the monthly newsletters.

Auxiliary Organizations:

Cemetery: The reports are printed in the monthly newsletters.

LWML: There was no report.

Pastor's Reports: In addition to what is printed in the monthly newsletters Pastor Brandt reported the following:

- Pastor has become active in the Jefferson City-Columbia circuits. The two circuits meet jointly.
- Pastor and Jeff Hedberg attended a Circuit forum on September 28 to elect delegates to the 2026 Synodical Convention.
- On October 25 Peace will celebrate the Reformation. On that Sunday our congregation is invited to attend a circuit-wide Reformation Service at Trinity Lutheran in Jefferson City. Pastor, Penny Hansen, and Candi Tostenrud will be singing in the choir.
- Thanksgiving is five weeks away. The season of Advent begins on November 30.
- There will be five consecutive Wednesday services. The Thanksgiving Eve service will be held on November 26. Advent services will be held on December 3rd, 10th, and 17th. Christmas Eve will be celebrated on December 24th.
- Pastor gives thanks to God for good health and the ability to serve a wonderful congregation.

President's Report: The president's reports are published in our monthly newsletters.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Jeff Emery presented the slate of officers for the upcoming year.

- Brock Kliewer will continue to serve as president.
- Noah Estes will continue to serve as vice president.
- Susan Kral will continue to serve as secretary.
- Peggy Callahan will continue to serve as treasurer.
- Jeff Hedberg, Jeff Emery, and Larry Trick will continue to serve as elders.
- Chuck Kral, Rodney Schulz, Pat Callahan and Kyle Wright will continue to serve as trustees.
- Paula Emery will become the head of evangelism.
- Candi Tostenrud will become head of stewardship.

- We thank Dawn Hedberg for the many years she headed stewardship.
- We thank Cindy Kaminski for serving as head of evangelism.
- After discussion, it was decided that a new water softener unit is required. A congregational member has generously offered to pay the cost. Chuck Kral will contact Lowes and Menards for prices.
- Don Springer located a file cabinet that was no longer needed. Jeff and Paula transported to church. Thank you to all three. It's already nearly full!

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40.

Closing: Pastor Brandt closed the meeting with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Kral, Secretary

Activities Page

Bible Word Search: Thanksgiving

All the words listed below are in the puzzle - left, right, up, down or diagonally. After you have found all the words, write the leftover letters in the correct order to form the *mystery answer*.

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GIVE PRAISE

Solve this puzzle to read a Bible verse about praising God for all his blessings.

Directions: In each group, circle the word that doesn't belong. Then write the circled words on the lines below.

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Take	praise	house	past	boy	destroy
Grab	pear	Lord	present	lad	make
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NOVEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						Turn Clocks Back 1 hr All Saints Day
Worship 9 am Bible Study 10:30 a.m. Elders Meeting Mites Collection	3	Election Day	5	6	7	8
Worship 9 am Bible Study 10:30 a.m.	LWML Mtg 9 a.m. Roll call word thankfulness	Council Mtg. 6:30 p.m.	12	13	14	15
Worship 9 am Bible Study 10:30 a.m.	Newsletter Deadline 9 a.m.	18	19	20	21	22
Worship 9 am Bible Study 10:30 a.m.	24	25	26 Thanksgiving Eve Service 6 p.m.	27 THANKS Giving Day	28	Decorate the church for Christmas 9 a.m.

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Worship 9 am Bible Study 10:30 a.m. 1st Sunday in Advent THE LUTHERAN CHURCH Missouri Synod

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