

Peace Lutheran Church
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May 2025

Tidings of Peace Newsletter

PEACE WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

- 1. In-person at 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. on Sundays*
- 2. On Facebook (streamed live at 8:00 a.m. and then posted following the service)*
- 3. On Cable Channel 6 at 7:00 p.m. Tuesdays and 9:00 a.m. Wednesdays*
- 4. On YouTube anytime (search for Peace Lutheran Church Baldwin)*

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Join us Sunday mornings!
Worship at 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School & Bible Study at 9:15 a.m.
(September to April)



BOARD of STEWARDSHIP

March 30, 2025

Present – Bruce Ashlin, DeAnn Ashlin, Sue Gillis, Heather Serier, Kathy Miller.

Heather Serier called the meeting to order at 9:15am. Commitment Cards were discussed and ways to improve them. DeAnn will investigate building a QR code, who gets that information, and how it gets into a database.

DeAnn will do April devotions. The next meeting will be April 12 at 11:00. The next Council meeting will be on Tuesday, April 15. The Council will be reminded to do a website video.

We will look into ways to educate members on getting more involved in the church. Heather Serier will chair this board for 2025 and Kathy Miller will be secretary.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Miller, Secretary



WOMEN of PEACE

April 10, 2025

The Women of Peace met on Thursday, April 10, with Mary Ellen, Marie, Vi, Nancy, Verla, Bonnie, and Shirley present. We had Bible study with Mary Ellen in charge and learned that Herodias means heroic.

Bonnie called the meeting to order. Our next meeting is May 8, and Verla will have lunch. Quilting is May 19.

The secretary's report was read by Shirley. Motion to approve by Marie, second by Vi. The treasurer's report was given by Marie. Motion to approve by Shirley, second by Vi.

Old Business: Coffee hour for Confirmation – we will have fruit breads, muffins, and donuts with juice and coffee. Quillows for Seniors are ready.

Motion to adjourn by Shirley, second by Vi.

Respectfully submitted, Shirley Rode



BOARD of DEACONS

April 13, 2025

Meeting time: 9:15am on April 13, 2025. Present: Robert Rust, Jennifer Nickowski, Jeanette Dahl.

Jeanette attended the Council meeting on March 18, so she reported on a few items mentioned at council meeting. The Council would like a picture of our board members so we will do this at the next Deacons' meeting, which is

scheduled for May 18 at 9:15 a.m. Jennifer is unable to commit to the April 22 meeting, so Jeanette will attend the April council meeting.

The congregation has been great at helping out with extra Easter service volunteer openings. The Board of Deacons is grateful for the persons that have stepped up to help. Amy will post a notice in the bulletin for volunteers to assist with the 10:30 Easter service.

Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Cheri Rott



BOARD of TRUSTEES

April 13, 2025

Call to Order: 9:10. Those in attendance were Jared, Kevin, Cole, Scott, Chris, Joel. Wes and Christian joined for part of the meeting.

Secretary's Report: Chris made a motion to accept the minutes and Scott seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Wes presented the report for April, we ran a deficit of \$10k this month again. Wes stated that the skid steer was sold this past month. The funds have not hit the account yet. The attachments for the skid steer and grasshopper are at Smith Auction to be sold. There was a

double up on benevolence last month, so it will be skipped for the month of April to even out. All funds from equipment sales will be put into the Building Fund. Wes asked for us to think of ideas for silent auction goal ideas. Chris made a motion to accept, and Cole seconded. Motion carried.

Old Business: Women's grab bars - Delivered. Need to be installed. FA Covers - Delivered and installed. Ice Machine – The damaged one was picked up; waiting for a delivery date for the replacement one. Mowing – Jim and Allie are moving forward with mowing for this year. Trustees approved paying \$18/hr for this year. Jared made a job description for future years. Chris and Kevin (cont.)

are going to give them a tutorial on equipment use as well as where they need to mow. Jim will not be here until the end of May. Trustee Calendar – Cole presented Trustee calendar to be printed out and added to the Trustee folder. Added cemetery cleanup for the spring and fall. Also added, spring and fall HVAC maintenance. Countryside Maintenance Contract – Trustees decided not to hire Countryside on for a service contract. Joel recommended hiring Brian Montpetit to look at where our equipment is at and to train Kevin on things to check. Trustees approved moving forward with this. Joel is going to reach out to Brian and coordinate the schedule with Kevin. Signage – Approved getting the church sign refinished. Cole is going to get pricing to replace it with an acrylic sign to avoid rust. Solar project – Wes met with solar company to discuss three different pricing options to see what the different costs would be. Youth Leader Position – Cole sent out the job description Sarah made as well as the rough projection of the hours that it would take to do the job. Discussed different options for how to move forward with this position. Jared is going to run a couple of different cost projections so that we can make an informed decision. Cole to let Sarah know that we are working on it. Employee Review – Jared sent the reviews out to all of the employees. He is going to send out the rubrics and a list of who is reviewing each person to all the trustees.

New Business: Bible Study – Discussed the incident that happened at the Bible study on 4/6/25. Christian shared how it was handled, as well as the actions that were taken for moving forward. Cameras at the parsonage – Christian

requested help for installing the camera with a floodlight that requires being hardwired. Updated meeting time – Proposed changing the meeting time to the Wednesday before church council at 6pm. All were in favor of it, we need to confirm with schedules but are planning on making the change starting in May. Procedures – Jared made a procedure for what the trustees are responsible for and asked that we all review and give feedback this week. Work Order Procedure – Jared also made a guideline for people to request work to be done around the church. Benevolence – Jared made a procedure for benevolence requests for people to give to different causes as well as for members to be able to request financial help in times of need. Vision Planning Committee – Jared made a list of guiding principles for the long-term facility needs of the Church. Began making a preliminary list of who should be a part of it. Church Truck – Discussed moving forward with selling the truck. We decided that if we are just using it for parades, we discussed that we could use members' trucks and trailers to do parades instead and save on the maintenance costs. All agreed that we needed to get Christian's input before we made a final decision.

Cole made a motion to adjourn, Chris seconded. Motion carried. Meeting ended at 10:56am.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Cole Tobin



BOARD of EDUCATION April 24, 2025

The Peace Board of Education met on April 14, 2025, with new leadership updates—Alex is now President and Mikaela is Secretary. The meeting welcomed Kennedy and recapped March's acceptance of Alex to the board. Discussions included upcoming events like the April 27th end-of-year celebration, VBS planning (set for June 9–12, preparing for 25 kids), and ongoing support for various missions, including April's THUG Life Ministries and

May's outreach to elderly care facilities. Updates included Crumbl Cookies for perfect attendance, Brenda Cronk assisting with awards, and finalizing teachers for the 2025–2026 year.

Fundraising updates included raising \$740 from the Palm Sunday Bake Sale and \$165 on Ash Wednesday Soup Supper. VBS scheduling and volunteer roles were discussed, along with a free-will donation of \$5/day. The next meeting is scheduled for May 12 at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Nicole McKone



BOARD of STEWARDSHIP April 19, 2025

Present – Bruce Ashlin, DeAnn Ashlin, Heather Serier, Sue Gillis, Pastor Christian Magnell, Kathy Miller.

Chairwoman Heather Serier called the meeting to order. She welcomed Pastor Christian and thanked him for joining us today. DeeDee led devotions.

Discussion followed on many Stewardship-related topics. What will the 2025 Recommitment Sunday look like? Pastor would like to include fall Bible studies based on the fall sermons. How to publicize our church better? Handouts during parades? Flyer at the usher stand to give visitors. We decided to have a Ministry Fair on Sunday, Sept 7 (Rally Sunday), to share what all the various groups at Peace do. Each group will have its own table and (cont.)

will have someone there to explain what they do, possibly have a handout, and welcome people to participate in that area of the church family. We want to include member involvement in our Recommitment Sunday.

Next meeting will be Sunday, May 18 at 9:15. We will discuss the use of QR codes and new software being used at Peace. The May council meeting is Tuesday, May 20.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Miller, Stewardship Secretary



CHURCH COUNCIL

April 22, 2025

Call to order: Peder Parizek at 6:00 p.m.

Attendance: Peder Parizek, Pastor Christian Magnell, Ken Rimer, Amy Hutchins, Brenda Cronk, Pauline Wangen, Weston Arndt, Ken Rimer, Nancy Rowe, Heather Serier, Nicole McKone, Jeanette Dahl, Joel Afdahl, Laura Bryngelson, Sherri Meyer, and Bonnie Braymen. Becky Anderson joined via Zoom and Kathy Afdahl as a visitor.

Adoption of the Agenda: Moved by Jeanette Dahl and seconded by Peder Parizek. Carried.

Next Meeting: May 20th at 6:00. Pauline Wangen/devotions.

Secretary's Report: As printed in the newsletter. Moved by Peder Parizek and seconded by Jeanette Dahl. Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Submitted with agenda. Moved by Ken Rimer and seconded by Peder Parizek. Carried. Moved by Ken Rimer and seconded by Peder Parizek that March benevolence goes to Kicking Bear Foundation for summer camps. Carried.

Reports: Pastor Christian Magnell - Lenten season and Easter services were well attended and received, especially the Good Friday service written by Laura. In general, attendance has increased at worship services. May 4th is Confirmation and 21 students will be confirmed. **Board of Trustees** - Skid steer has been sold. Lawnmower attachments are on Smith Sales. Lutheran Limo truck may be sold as well. Fire alarm covers are installed. New ice maker arrived but was damaged. Grab bars are installed in the women's bathroom. Looking at new signage by the road and side of the building. Received some information on solar options. A YOF leadership position is being discussed. Working on an employee review process. Cameras will be installed at the parsonage. Working on an annual calendar for things that need to be completed each month. **Board of Stewardship** - Recommitment cards will be discontinued but will use a QR code to update personal information. They will be creating tri-fold brochures for Peace. Boards/Groups will each have a small table to be

set up on Rally Sunday to share what they do. **Board of Deacons** - Thank you for the extra people who helped at Easter services. **Director of Family Ministries** - May 9th is craft night. Church library is near puzzle table by the office. Bulletin board in Fellowship Hall needs pictures of board members. Please take pictures of your board members and get them to Pauline. August 7th is Church Basement Ladies play. **OVER 55** - Nancy Rowe is the new leader. She is talking with the group and looking for ideas for speakers and activities. **LOGOS** - April 23rd is the last day for the year. Brat stand will be last weekend in May. Looking into options for LOGOS curriculum. **Child Care** - Currently, 38 children are enrolled for summer. A half time lead teacher is needed. They are now accepting 2-year-olds. Playground needs to be stained again and need volunteers to assist. They are in need of more mulch. New child care board will meet in May. **Board of Education/Director of Sunday School** - There will be an opening on the board in June. All teachers are finalized for next year. They raised \$740 from the bake sale and \$165 from the Lenten meal. **Worship Director** - Lent and Easter services went well. April 30th will be a Vespers service that will be music and scripture for an hour at 6:30 p.m. Youth Band will continue through the summer. Help is needed in the AV booth during services, potentially working toward a 15-hour a week position. **Women of Peace** - May 4th is Confirmation and help will be needed to serve between services. **Youth on Fire** - Gerten's orders can be picked up May 3rd and 4th in the pole shed. **Usher** - No report.

Old Business: None.

New Business: The nursery will be moved to a small area outside of the sanctuary and the current nursery will become Laura's office or potential YOF clothes closet. A few people are piloting Planning Center, an online master calendar, that would be universal and could go on the website and all groups could schedule their meetings/activities. Moved by Peder Parizek and seconded by Jeanette Dahl to approve Confirmation students: Ellen Anderson, Kingston Arndt, Reginel Bignell, Gracie (cont.)

Bowell, Olivia Fitts, Sawyer French, Emma Greenfield, Erik Iverson, Evelyn Jensen, Katherine Kroening, Stella Mathison, Ayda Miller, Rhyann Nichols, Dawson Nigbor, Tess O'Connell, Ruger Peavey, Molly Sarauer, Rylan Schumacher, Kenney Smith, Courtney Snegosky, and Cameron Winger. Carried.

Adjourn: 8:00 p.m. Moved by Jeanette Dahl and seconded by Ken Rimer. Carried.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Brenda Cronk

JUNE SCRIP ORDERS

NO MAY SCRIP ORDERS – The next deadline for Scrip is **June 8**. Orders will be ready for pick up on June 15.



CANS - We collect aluminum cans as a fundraiser for the Building Fund. Cans can be thrown in the trailer at the north end of the farthest parking lot (**PLEASE THROW THEM IN LOOSE – NO BAGS**). *Please note we no longer take ink cartridges.*



Please remember the **Food Pantry**. The "Lord's Cupboard" is at the north end of the Fellowship Hall. Food may be dropped off anytime the church is open.

Gifts and Memorials

Gifts were received in memory of Robert Widiker and Donald Schumacher

PASTORAL ACTS

March 30 – Service of Holy Baptism for Michael Gordon Shilts

April 27 – Service of Holy Baptism for River Lee Virgil Gossel, son of Greg and Rachel Gossel



Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous.
Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord
your God will be with you wherever you go."

~ Joshua 1:9

Pauline Wangen is the Director of Family Ministries
(pauline.wangen@gmail.com or 651-210-5106).



Piecing It Together Craft Night - Friday, May 9, 6:00-9:00 pm

Do you have crafts you love to do but you don't have the time or space at home? Here's the answer! Bring your pictures, paper, quilting, crocheting, beads, tools, stamps, ideas, and inspiration to share! *Pizza, snacks and beverages will be available for a freewill donation.*

Over 55 Event - Minnesota Landscape Arboretum - Thursday, May 15, 9:30am – 4:00pm

Cost: \$20 per person (includes admission and bus). The bus will leave church at 9:30am and return around 4:00pm. There is a café for lunch or you can bring your own. *Please let Pauline know by May 12th if you are attending.* Payment can be put in the drop box by the church office with checks made out to "Peace Lutheran Church."

Church Basement Ladies - August 7, 2:00pm at Plymouth Playhouse

We will leave church at 11:30am. Cost: \$45 includes ticket and bus donation, and we will stop for lunch on the Way. We have limited tickets, so get yours soon! Contact Pauline Wangen for more info. Payment can be put in the drop box by church office. Make checks out to "Peace Lutheran Church."

Church Library – Check out the church library located by the puzzle table in the south entry. There are books for all ages!

ONGOING Weekly Ministries at Peace

Rise & (Son)Shine – Join us Thursday mornings from 7-8:45am at church for exercise (7:00) and Bible study (7:45). Contact Cheri Rott for more information (cherigary@gmail.com). You can join us for one or both parts.

TOPS Club (Take Off Pounds Sensibly). Meetings are weekly on Thursdays from 5:15-6:00pm. For more information, check out www.tops.org or contact Liz Rust (erust@digitalsilk.net).

Bible Study – Saturdays at 9:00am in person or on Zoom. Contact Pauline for login.

Bible Study – Sundays at 9:00am in the lounge (across from the offices).



YOUTH on FIRE is a group of young adults who gather in Jesus' name and enjoy expanding their spirituality through music, prayer, fellowship, friendship, and service.

YOF is open to kids in grades 8 through 12.

For information about YOF, please contact Sarah Tyler-Peterson at 715-928-0069.

COMING UP: Watch for more info about summer plans!



Scan the QR code and you will be directed to the Band App, which is a social media platform similar to Facebook, only for groups!
This is a great way to stay updated on the most current YOF information.



If you are getting a paper copy of this newsletter and would prefer to receive an electronic copy, please go to our website (welcometopeace.org) and fill out a request on the home page. Thanks!

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TUESDAY COMMUNITY SUPPER – The next TCS is **May 6** from 5 – 6pm in the Fellowship Hall at Gethsemane. The TCS is served the first Tuesday of the month at Gethsemane Lutheran Church, 1350 Florence Street in Baldwin. This is a free meal open to anyone in the community. Area churches, businesses, and organizations take turns preparing and serving good nutritious food. Please join us!

BLOOD DRIVE - A priest, a minister and a rabbit walk into a blood drive. The rabbit says, I think I might be a type O. No matter what type you are, come to the blood drive at Zion Lutheran Church in Woodville on **May 6** from 11 to 5. To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter Zion Lutheran Church in the search box.

MUFFINS FOR MOMS - will be held on Mother's Day, **May 11**, during our coffee hour. Join us to celebrate moms with muffins, juice, and coffee. A freewill donation will be taken to help support the medical clinic that will be done by the His Arms Children's Project team going to Kenya in May.

SENIOR SUNDAY – ALL graduating seniors – we want to recognize you! Please join us at either service on **May 18** to be recognized and receive a gift from the Women of Peace. We will also be handing out the 2025 scholarships at that time.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – True North – Trusting Jesus in a Wild World! Join us for VBS 2025 **June 9-12** from 5pm-7pm for games, crafts, music, and more! (3/23)



HOW DO I GET SOMETHING IN THE ANNOUNCEMENTS? Please have all items for the announcement slides and sheets to us by Wednesday mornings to give us enough time to get them included. Items should be sent to Pastor Christian, Laura, and Amy at announcements@welcometopeace.org. Thanks!



Addy Haugen

6 - Olivia Fitts

7 - Keri Fitts/Henry Krosnoski

8 - William Smith

9 - Cheryl Lamb/Hailey Schumacher

10 - Vivian Cernohous/Oaklynn Brown

11 - Leona Knutson/Junior Paulson, Jr

14 - Dave Edin/Brooks Thomason

15 - Joe Weinandt/Isaac Smith/Vidalia Graese

2 - Don Melander/Jim
Hauschild, Jr./Van

Hanson/Bristol Carroll

3 - Chase

Shafer/Wyatt Krupa

4 - Mackenzie Meyers/

16 - Shirley Rode/Lane Emmert

17 - Carrie Krueger/Dallas Chevrier

18 - Beverly Bignell/Dave Kundy

19 - Julie Carroll

20 - Dawson Nigbor/Jaxon Galbraith

22 - Rickey Lee/Joel Afdahl/Chris Meyers/Megen
Werner/Nola Freeman

23 - Tess O'Connell/Baylor Walker

25 - Heidi Dumond/Julie Hanson/Winston Graese/
Lacey Read

27 - Andrew Rognholt/Sophia Rognholt/Blake
Lynum/Lucas Lynum

28 - Emily Veenendaal/Daxton Weiss

29 - Donna Lee/Harper French

30 - Terry Edwards

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
May 2025						
				1 NO Rise/Shine 5:15 TOPS	2 7:00 AA	3 9:00 Bible Study 9-12 Gerten Pickup
4 8:00 Worship 9:15 Bible Study 10:30 Worship w/Confirmation NO Scrip orders	5	6	7 6:00 Youth Band 6:30 Celebration Singers	8 7:00 Rise/Shine 1:30 Women of Peace 5:15 TOPS	9 6:00 Craft Night 7:00 AA	10 9:00 Bible Study
11 8 & 10:30 Worship 9:15 Bible Study	12 6:30 Board of Ed	13 6:30 Guatemala Team	14 6:00 Board of Trustees 6:00 Youth Band	15 7:00 Rise/Shine 9:00 - 4:30 Over 55 5:15 TOPS	16 7:00 AA	17 9:00 Bible Study
18 SENIOR SUNDAY 8 & 10:30 Worship 9:15 Bible Study 9:15 Board of Deacons 9:15 Board of Stewardship	19 9:00 WOP Work Day	20 6:00 Church Council	21 NO Youth Band	22 7:00 Rise/Shine 5:15 TOPS	23 7:00 AA	24 9:00 Bible Study
25 8 & 10:30 Worship 9:15 Bible Study	26	27	28 NO Youth Band	29 7:00 Rise/Shine LOGOS Brat Stand 5:15 TOPS	30 LOGOS Brat Stand 7:00 AA	31 9:00 Bible Study LOGOS Brat Stand