Peace Lutheran Church 2084 County Road N Baldwin, WI 54002

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# September 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)

### PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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# Director of Sunday School

Missi Blegen

#### Youth on Fire Sarah Tyler-Peterson

Director of Family Ministries Pauline Wangen



#### ...our Pastor

I am excited to head into fall!

Last week I passed around sign-ups for people potentially interested in hosting a Sermon Based Small Group, and the response was overwhelming. I'm writing this on August 19<sup>th</sup>, so I might have already contacted you, but if I haven't, don't worry, I will!

On Rally Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, we will have sign-ups for actually joining Small Groups. As I've explained at church, the idea is that each Sunday I will have study materials for the small groups based on the sermon. Each group will pick a facilitator, and it can rotate if your group wants. The idea is that the facilitator is doing just that, reading questions and facilitating discussion. You do not need to be an expert in the Bible to do that!

I'm looking forward to Confirmation kicking off as well. We have the student and parents meeting on Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm. The letter inviting Confirmation students was sent out last week. This meeting is for new *and* returning students (i.e., 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade).

Finally, watch for a re-design of our website. It should be live by Rally Sunday! I can't wait to see it!

Blessings,

**Pastor Chris** 



## BOARD of STEWARDSHIP July 13, 2025

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

Chairwoman Heather Serier called the meeting to order and Sue Gillis led devotions. Heather will lead devotions in August.

We continued our planning of the Ministry Fair on Rally Sunday, Sept. 7. We are looking forward to an informative and fun event. Emails have been sent to lead people in the various groups within Peace to invite them to present a table at the Fair educating about their group.

Heather presented an updated tri-fold brochure to inform visitors and prospective members about Peace. Pastor Christian is reviewing it. We will continue to work on this brochure and a business card sized handout to help publicize Peace in various ways.

Bruce will attend the July 15 Council meeting. Our next meeting will be Sunday, August 17, at 9:15am, with Heather leading devotions.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Miller, Secretary

#### **BOARD of STEWARDSHIP August 17, 2025**

Present – Bruce Aslin, DeAnn Ashlin, Sue Gillis, Kathy Miller, Heather Serier. Chairwoman Heather Serier called the meeting to order at 9:15am and led the Board in opening prayer.

Ministry Fair – Sept 7. Heather will print name signs for all the groups to hang behind their tables. Bruce will pick up various other supplies for the day, DeeDee will send out a reminder email to the groups. Bruce and DeeDee will work Stewardship's table and create our

display. We will meet at 11:00am, Saturday, Sept 6, to setup the tables and signs.

Celebration Sunday, (formerly known as Recommitment Sunday), will be Oct. 26. We discussed QR codes and a "Get to Know Peace" handout we need ready by that date.

Next Meeting – Saturday, Sept 6 following Ministry Fair set-up. Council Meeting, Aug 19 – Kathy. Devotions Sept. 6 – Sue.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Miller, Secretary



## BOARD OF DEACONS July 13, 2025

Meeting time: 9:15am on July 13, 2025.

Present: Jennifer Nickowski, Jeanette Dahl, Gary Rott, and Cheri Rott.

Jeanette attended the Council meeting in June and updated us on items discussed. Jeanette will attend the July council meeting. We used the rest of the meeting to determine the communion schedule for the deacon members. We will meet again on August 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:15.

We closed with the Lord's prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Cheri Rott

### **BOARD of DEACONS August 17, 2025**

Meeting time: 9:15am on August 17, 2025.

Present: Allie Magnell, Jeanette Dahl, Gary Rott, Cheri Rott. Jeanette attended the Council meeting in July and updated us on items discussed. Jeanette will attend the August council meeting. We will have a table on September 7<sup>th</sup> for Rally Day. We will share a table with Advent and website updates (Allie), Rise and Son Shine (Cheri) and Deacons (Board).

We used the rest of the meeting to determine the communion schedule for the deacon members. We will meet again on September 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:15.

We closed with the Lord's prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Cheri Rott



# CHURCH COUNCIL July 15, 2025

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

Attendance: Peder Parizek, Pastor Christian Magnell, Amy Hutchins, Brenda Cronk, Jeanette Dahl, Pauline Wangen, Bruce Ashlin, Cole Tobin, Weston Arndt, Melissa McLaren, Bonnie Braymen, Ken Rimer, and Laura Bryngelson.

**Adoption of the Agenda**: Moved by Weston Arndt and seconded by Peder Parizek. Carried.

**Next Meeting**: August 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00. Brenda/Devotions. **Secretary's Report**: As printed in the newsletter. Moved by Pauline Wangen and seconded by Jeanette Dahl. Carried.

**Treasurer's Report**: Submitted with agenda. Moved by Peder Parizek and seconded by Bonnie Braymen. Carried. Moved by Ken Rimer and seconded by Jeanette Dahl that May/June benevolence of \$500 go to Be Still Retreats and \$1370 to Texas flood relief. Carried.

Reports: Executive Committee - No new business. Pastor Christian Magnell - Proposed changes to Confirmation: 6:15 games, 6:30-7:15 instruction, and 7:15-7:30 music. (Youth band practice will begin at 7:30). The requirements to be confirmed will be changing to set a standard for the youth and expectations will be very clear at the Orientation Meeting for parents and youth. Proposed High School Bible study during Confirmation time would be 6:15-7:15 and then join for worship time. Sermon-based groups will start in the fall for an opportunity to build community and get into the Word. Pastor Christian will provide questions and groups will talk through them together. Trip to Israel is moving forward March 9-19th 2026. Talked about Christmas Eve worship schedule and possible revisions. Board of Trustees - They are waiting for pricing on signage and painting downstairs is underway. They are looking at Financial Peace University and long-range planning. They are working through HVAC maintenance and looking at revisions to Child Care. They need someone to put on trim in Pastor Christian's office. Board of Stewardship - They are creating a tri-fold

pamphlet for new members and visitors and making business cards to pass out at parades, events, etc. Ministry Fair will be on Rally Day, September 7th. Board of Deacons - Volunteer schedule for August is set. Director of Family Ministries - Looking for someone to oversee the kitchen (ordering, putting things away, etc.) Pictures of boards are needed for bulletin board in fellowship hall. Craft nights are taking a break in July and August. **OVER** 55 - Need someone to take over group. They are taking a break in July and August. **LOGOS** - No representative. Child Care - There are openings. Melissa McLaren is the new director. Curriculum is being changed to more Christian based. The room next to the Child Care office is cleaned out and can become a Sunday School classroom and the office has been painted. They need some remodeling for licensing under age 2 (three sinks, two doors, etc.) They are looking for a part time cook for lunches and are trying to get on a food supplement program and they are looking at getting a washer and dryer. They would like to collaborate more with the church. Volunteers are encouraged to read books, etc. Board of Education - No representative. Director of Sunday School - No representative. Worship Director -Youth band will lead every 4th Sunday. Laura is trying to get two worship teams started. Let her know if you are interested in joining. All equipment will be updated by Vespers service July 30<sup>th</sup>. Vespers contemporary service is the last Wednesdays in July at 6:30. Women of Peace -Talked about Thank Offering Sunday in November. Youth on Fire - No representative. Usher - No report. Old Business: Christmas by Candlelight 2026 is in need of someone to organize if we want it to continue. **New Business:** We need to update our bus driver policy. Moved by Cole Tobin and seconded by Peder Parizek to allow a non-member to drive the bus on August 7<sup>th</sup> if they have the proper licensing and have been prepped by a bus driver at Peace. Carried. We are in need of bus drivers. Adjourn: 8:00 p.m. Moved by Peder Parizek and

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Brenda Cronk

seconded by Weston Arndt. Carried.

## BOARD of EDUCATION August 11, 2025

Amy, Angela, Laurie, and Missi were present at the August 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Sunday School Director's report: Missi gave an update of the progress of the Sunday School rooms in the south basement - Kevin is working on painting rooms and has found that new door signs are needed - possibly laminate? Looking to get rid of paintings and have the older kids paint a mural downstairs. Missi received a call from the new PCC Director.

The 2nd Grade class will have the room in the hallway between the north and south sides as they are a bigger class of 13. Rally Day is planned for September 7th with a

bounce house booked. Laurie and Angela will staff the registration table - 9-10:15. Sunday School registration fees will remain the same for 2025/2026 - 1 child \$30, 2 children \$50, 3+ children \$65. Sunday School Teacher positions are all full. Missi will hold a teacher meeting on 8/24/25 at 9:15. She has new teacher binders for the 2025/2026 year and there are also videos available for each lesson. Confirmation students will not be singing with the younger students during music time.

Recommitment Sunday is 10/26/25. Palm Sunday Bae Sale is 3/29/26. End of Sunday School Program and Confirmation Sunday is 5/3/26.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 8, at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Amy Jurgens



## BOARD of TRUSTEES August 13, 2025

Call to Order: 6:02. Those in attendance were Kevin, Cole, Joel, Jared, Chris, Scott.

**Secretary's Report**: Chris made a motion. Scott seconded. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report**: Trustees reviewed the month to date financials. Trustees approved the prebuy of fuel for the winter. Cole made a motion to approve and Kevin seconded.

Facilities: Working on getting the shed and property cleaned up. Putting the farm truck to sell. Cole to send the info to Laura so that a slide can be made. Dykhouse family has cleaned up a lot of branches at the cemetery. The basement painting has been completed. Signage — Pictures of the sign on the south end of the church were sent in for a proposal. Solar panels — Continuing to discuss what the goal/size of the system is as well as how this would fit into the long-term plan of the facilities. Bus Settlement — Still no response, continuing to work on. Bus Driver Policy — Reviewed and working on drafting a policy for future drivers. A/V system — Laura is still looking at getting more people trained on the system to help out. There are a

couple of speakers that need to be mounted in the narthex. Cole and Jared are going to help get them mounted once the wires are run. Fire Alarm – Our fire alarm system is coming to end of life and will need to be updated. We will be meeting with the contractor and also looking at getting a second number before a decision is made. Moving forward with repairing all walls and repainting the common spaces downstairs with a split cost with PCC since both the church and PCC use the space. Chris made a motion, and Scott seconded. Motion carried. Moving forward with making the repairs to some issues that were found that are not up to current codes. LRFPC - No update. Can Trailer - Trailer needs some updating, going to look at after the meeting. Damaged windows -Windows are ordered. Stump Grinding- This has been completed.

PCC: The rough plans were sent to an architect and requested a price to draft and stamp the drawings. Next meeting is on 9/14 at 9:15 am.

Jared made a motion to adjourn, Chris seconded. Motion carried. Meeting ended at 7:40pm.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Cole Tobin



# WOMEN of PEACE August 14, 2025

The Women of Peace had Bible study at Vi Roquette's home, and we studied Martha.

Bonnie called the meeting to order. Verla, Vi, Mary Ellen, Bonnie, Marie, and Shirley were present. The

secretary notes were read by Bonnie. Marie approved and Mary Ellen seconded. Passed. The treasurer's report was given by Marie. Mary Ellen approved and Shirley seconded. Passed.

We decided to give two quilts to the Silent Auction. We talked about the Ministry Fair, and we will talk about it again next month. We discussed how WOP is going. (cont) It's too small to do much, and we will probably table the WOP and just have Bible study. Shirley made a motion to table the WOP seconded by Marie. We'll talk more next month.

Verla made a motion to adjourn, Marie seconded. Passed.

Respectfully submitted, Shirley Rode

#### SEPTEMBER SCRIP ORDERS

The August deadline for ordering Scrip is **Sunday, September 7**. Your order will be ready for pick up the following Sunday, September 14. To place an order, simply complete your order form (blank forms at the Scrip station in the narthex and on the website) and place it in an envelope along with your **cash, check, or debit card slip.** Place your envelope in the "scrip box" in middle office or either of the church drop boxes. If you have any questions regarding the Scrip program and how easy it is to use, please contact Sharon Hauschild 715-307-2531 (cell). Thank you!

**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 Frieda Erickson, Bob Rosin, and Leona Knutson.

#### PASTORAL ACTS

July 14 – Funeral service for Leona Knutson

**August 10** – Service of Holy Baptism for Lainey Mae Emmert, daughter of Gavin and Alyssa Emmert

# Silent Auction 2025 - October 5, 2025

Time to come up with donation ideas for the 2025 Silent Auction! Please donate YOUR talent to the Peace 2025 Silent Auction!

Do you like to paint? Take photos? Bake? Serve others - babysitting, raking leaves, spending time playing a card game? Take someone to coffee or lunch? Perhaps you make crafts - woodworking, homemade cards, or something else you can share? Maybe you are a gardener and can share your bountiful blessings as a donation? Or maybe you like to be creative with your basket ideas - such as fishing theme, or geared towards kids of different ages, or a basket with of all the same color, or perhaps an entire meal? What is your talent you can share?

Please have donations to church by September 19<sup>th</sup>! THANK YOU!! Please reach out to Eileen VanSomeren 715.307.3055 or Leann Huston 715.556.2129 with any questions.

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!

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



#### Piecing It Together Craft Night - Friday, September 12, 6:00-9:00 pm

Do you have crafts you love to do but 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 - Thursday, September 18, 10:00-1:00pm

Join us for games, lunch and fellowship. Cost for lunch \$6.00. RSVP to Pauline for lunch count.

<u>Church Library</u> – **NEW SPOT!** Check out the church library now located in the north entry by the Women of Peace greeting cards. There are books for all ages!

<u>Women of Peace Greeting Cards</u> – Check out the cards in the north entry. There is a variety of cards for sale for a great price (singles and boxes) that benefit the Women of Peace.

## **ONGOING Weekly Ministries at Peace**

Rise & (Son)Shine – Starting up again September 4. 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 (<a href="mailto:erust@digitalsilk.net">erust@digitalsilk.net</a>).

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).

## \* \* \* BULLETIN BOARD \* \* \*

WORSHIP TEAM MEMBERS WANTED!! We are putting together worship teams to lead worship on Sundays beginning this fall. If you are interested in singing, playing an instrument, or working behind the scenes with AV, please talk to Laura. We'd love to have you on the team!

TUESDAY COMMUNITY SUPPER – The next TCS is September 2 from 5 – 6pm in the Fellowship Hall at Gethsemane. The TCS is served the first Tuesday of the month at Gethsemane in Baldwin. This is a free meal open to the community. Area churches, businesses and organizations take turns preparing and serving. Please join us!

RALLY DAY – September 7, at 9:15 a.m. Register for Sunday School (3-year-olds through 9<sup>th</sup> grade), meet the teachers, and have some fun (we will have bounce houses!). We would love to have you join us!! For more information, contact Missi at ssdirector@welcometopeace.org.

MINISTRY FAIR – September 7, between services, we will have a Ministry Fair in the fellowship hall. Come and learn about all the different opportunities available at Peace!

KENYA RALLY DAY BREAKFAST & SALE FUNDRAISER - Come one, come all between services on September 7! This Thrivent Action Project helps the team going in January put on a free medical clinic and make home medical visits. Our last medical clinic in May saw 450 patients in 12 hours! They will also provide food for those dealing with hunger and hope to cover all expenses with fundraisers. Breakfast will be a freewill offering. We will also have items for sale including baked goods, crafts, and Kenya items. (This event takes the place of the Walkathons held in the past to help our Kenya friends.) Please stop by the table and take a peek - there will be something for everyone! Also see the His Arms Children's Project booth that day and let us know if you have questions about joining a mission trip or would like to become a sponsor. Thank you! Asante Sana! Such a fun morning planned for all!

WHAT is LOGOS? Logos is a mid-week program after school on Wednesdays for grades 1-7. Our youth enjoy Christian fellowship through play, participation in worship and choir, Bible study, and a good meal. For more info, come to the parent meeting on Wednesday, September 10, at 6:00 p.m. If you are unable to attend or would like more information, please contact Becky Anderson at 952-715-0297 or <a href="wissgotr@hotmail.com">wissgotr@hotmail.com</a>.

**CONFIRMATION CLASS** – Confirmation is for all 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade students with class on Wednesday nights at 6:15 (note new starting time) and Sunday School Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m. Please join us for an informational meeting on Wednesday, **September 10**, at 6:30 to find out more.

**SILENT AUCTION** – It's time to start thinking ahead to the Silent Auction and what you might be able to contribute. Please have all donations to the church by **September 19**. Thanks!

**PEACE CHILD CARE** – We have exciting opportunities this fall for children two and older. Please contact us with any inquiries. <a href="Peacechildecare20@gmail.com">Peacechildecare20@gmail.com</a> or 715-688-4088.

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!



- 1 Fred Owens/Alessiah DiBona/Josh Newton/ Kaden Dykhouse
- 2 Krzysztof Nickowski/Missy Gessler/Gabby Monicken/Cameron Winger
- 3 Peder Parizek/Tashia Parizek/Brandon Greene/Jessie Freeman/Tessa Hadley
- 4 Dusty Helgeson
- 5 Kennasyn Arndt/Brooks Walker/Bella Francy/Kyle Francy
- 6 Rita Goveronski/Doug Hagen/Bryce Paulson
- 7 Rich Cronk/Merrick Paulson
- 8 Ciarrah Letter/Maddi Pickerign/Ryken Lindquist
- 9 Bridget Gooding/Trevor Woyda
- 11 Blakely Helgeson
- 12 Joe Winger/Karsten Carstens

- 13 Terry Helgeson/Brad Schumacher
- 14 Joan Mentink/Kari Wangen/Niko Grosskreutz
- 15 Gloria Rasmussen
- 16 Jon Eggen/Ellie Haugen
- 17 Hilda Gooding/Georgia Kahler
- 18 Eric Russell/Jason Thoen/Addy Corrigan
- 19 Melanie Greenfield/Jen Weiss/Hunter Clausen/Chase Galbraith
- 20 Carla O'Connell/Will Kroening/Jax Helgeson
- 21 Janine Newton/Brent Paulson
- 22 Laura Bishop/Robin Sampson/Mike Weiske/Whitney Feidt/Kendra Huston
- 23 Gail Possley/JoDean Ford/Emersyn Slind
- 24 McKenna Drentlaw
- 25 Jesse Gardner/Graiden Monicken
- 26 Chris Iverson
- 27 John Peterson
- 29 Peter Walen/Jacob Grodevant/Myla Polk
- 30 Aletta Anderson



Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

Ephesians 4:32

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sept	temb	er 20	25			
	1	2 6:30 Guatemala Team Meeting	3	4 7:00 Rise/Shine 5:15 TOPS 6:00 Worship 1	7:00 AA	6 9:00 Bible Study 11:00 Board of Stewardship
7 RALLY SUNDAY 8 & 10:30 Worship MINISTRY FAIR 9:15 Sunday School 9:15 Bible Study 9:15 Kenya Breakfast Scrip orders due	8 6:30 Board of Ed	9	6:00 Logos Parent Meeting 6:15 HS Bible Study 6:30 Confirmation Meeting 6:30 Celebration Singers	11 7:00 Rise/Shine 1:30 Women of Peace 5:15 TOPS	6:00 Craft Night 7:00 AA	13 9:00 Bible Study
14 8 & 10:30 Worship Teacher Installation 9:15 Sunday School 9:15 Bible Study 9:15 Board of Trustees 9:15 Board of Deacons	15	16 6:00 Church Council	LOGOS 6:15 Confirmation 6:15 HS Bible Study 6:30 Celebration Singers 7:30 Youth Band	18 7:00 Rise/Shine 10:00 Over 55 5:15 TOPS 6:00 Worship 2	7:00 AA	20 9:00 Bible Study
21 3 & 10:30 Worship 9:15 Sunday School 9:15 Bible Study Silent Auction starts	22	23	LOGOS 6:30 Celebration Singers 6:30 Vespers (Conf/HS Bible Study/Youth Band)	25 7:00 Rise/Shine 5:15 TOPS	26 7:00 AA	27 9:00 Bible Study
28 3 & 10:30 Worship (3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Bibles) 9:15 Sunday School 9:15 Bible Study Silent Auction continues	29	30				