PRINTS OF PEACE

AUGUST 2022





PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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OFFICE HOURS

Memorial Day through Labor Day Monday through Thursday 8 AM to 12 PM

Office Hours after Labor Day will be 8 AM to 12 PM Monday through Friday.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday Service at 8:00 AM Facebook Live Sunday Service at 9:00 AM in-person and Facebook Live

SUNDAY COFFEE HOUR at 10 AM

2nd and 4th Sunday of the month

FROM THE PASTOR

The time has gone by quickly and it is hard for me to believe the five months that I agreed to serve Peace Lutheran Church as interim pastor has now been completed. Bonnie and I are excited about the new chapter that now begins for us in Indiana and we are also grateful for the opportunity that we have had to be a part of such a warm and loving congregation here at Peace.

We continue to pray that God will bless you with just the right pastor who will serve you well into the future. We have certainly been blessed by the time we have spent in your midst and I know that when your new pastor arrives they will also be blessed in this place. You will always be in our prayers and we will also be paying attention to what is happening at Peace. No doubt you will see us again when we have a chance to return to Oshkosh to visit family. Until then...

May the good Lord bless and keep you whether near or far away
May you find that long awaited golden day today
May your troubles all be small ones and your fortunes ten times ten
May the good Lord bless and keep you till we meet again
May you walk with sunlight shining and a bluebird in every tree
May there be a silver lining on every cloud you see
Fill your dreams with sweet tomorrows never mind what might have been
May the good Lord bless and keep you till we meet again

Blessings Always, Pastor Roland & Bonnie Lindeman

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Called to Make Disciples, Sent to Share Christ

This is our mission. This is how we fulfill God's purpose for us, by sharing how Christ sacrificed himself for us so that our sins are forgiven and the promise of eternal life with him is available to us. Part of that mission involves looking outward-engaging in activities that focus on reaching people outside of Peace. In fact, we have a mission team dedicated to reaching out to our neighborhood, our community, our nation and the world... wherever there's a need. Our Mission and Outreach Team fills our Little Free Pantry, sponsors our bi-monthly "Hot Dog Lunches," and serves meals at the Day-by-Day Warming Shelter. They also coordinate our donations for tornado and flood victims, as well as Afghan refugees. The Mission and Outreach Team is always looking for additional ideas on how we can reach beyond Peace to make disciples by sharing Christ through our actions. If you have ideas, or would like to help with Mission and Outreach's activities, connect with any of the following team members: Kim Dawson, Janell Duwell, Heather Miller, Barb Molash, or Katelyn Olds.

In addition to activities outside Peace, our mission also calls us to support each other inside our congregation. And, we have a mission team that does just that. Next month I'll share who that team is, why their work is so important, and some of the activities they've undertaken.

Dirk Kagerbauer Leadership Team President

SUMMER CAMPFIRE WORSHIP

August 17th at 6:30pm

One more chance to catch this special summer service. Join the community of faith at Peace as we gather outdoors to worship around the campfire. We will gather around the fire-pit at Peace, sing songs, hear God's word, and enjoy the warmth of the fire and of course make s'mores! S'more supplies will be provided, please bring a chair for seating comfort and a roasting stick, if possible. In case of inclement weather we will move indoors for campfire worship, songs and snacks but no campfire.



RALLY DAY

Peace Church will be hosting brunch on September 11th as part of our Rally Sunday. Join us following church for fellowship, food and fantastic entertainment. More details will be announced later this month.



HELP NEEDED

Sunday School teachers needed!

Training and guidance provided. No experience necessary. Teachers are asked to help out every other Sunday. If you are not available to lead teach, we are also looking for subs to fill in with different classes throughout the year as needed.

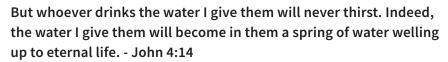
Programming Note: At this time we do not have enough volunteers to run the program for this year. We are really looking for any available volunteers in order to continue this ministry. Please contact Nicki if you are interested.

PRAYER PARTNERS

Prayer Partners is a cross generational ministry of Peace and we are looking for a few more adult members to partner with our confirmation students this fall. This amazing group is made up of confirmation students partnered with a member of our congregation. How this works is we find an adult who would be willing to "adopt" a confirmation student. They pray for them and meet up for personal connection just three times a year. Our three meetups are; once in the fall at a get to know you dinner, a holiday event just after the new year, and a wrap up dinner in the spring. That's it! Not a huge commitment but a huge impact on a young adult's faith and possibly your own. Some participants may want to send birthday and holiday cards, but that's just a bonus. We are searching for some new partners this year, we are searching for YOU! Please contact Nicki if you are interested. Several spots are open and we need to fill them for a successful year of matches for each confirmation student.

JULY'S CAMPFIRE SERVICE

How fitting that water was part of the message for last month's campfire service. The rain came in fast and didn't bother to even last. Most everyone was served tasty burgers and dogs thanks to Jesse and Joe before the rain started. Pastor was still able to share his message and some songs while we gathered indoors, a little wet and a lot less hot. Thanks to those who gathered together, to those who helped set up, to the cooks and bakers for bringing a dish to pass, to Heidi and Lucinda for volunteering for VBS activities (even though the rain prevented most from participating) and to everyone who, while scrambling inside, grabbed anything that could be carried. Shout out to Jesse and Miles for taking over most of the outdoor clean up after the rain. Rain or shine it was a great night spent with the Peace family. I think the rain soaked children would agree, they danced and played outside the whole time!









SUNDAY SCHOOL KICKOFF

Sunday september 11th at 10:00am in the social center

This year, we are excited to once again offer Spark: Activate Faith Sunday School for all kids grades Pre-K to 5th. Each week we'll explore a new Bible story using the Spark Bibles. For families, we will send home a Family Page for you to explore that week's Bible story together. With Spark All Kids, kids will learn a new Bible story each week starting with the creation story through Paul's letters by reading the Bible, engaging in fun activities, and praising God through our music. We will also incorporate mini lessons on how to use their Bibles, common prayers, Ten Commandments, and much more.

Join us on Rally Sunday, September 11th, for our open house. Families are encouraged to stay and see what this new curriculum and school year has to offer. There will be games, contests, refreshments and a chance to sign up for volunteer opportunities.

BRAVE SPACE



Our monthly meet-up on the fourth Friday of each month is open to our youth as well as non-members, LGBTQIA+ and allies come together with Peace and Love. All are welcome. We will have games, snacks, music, and time to share with each other. This month's meeting will be on August 19th at 6:00pm

If you don't want to come alone, that's okay! Bring some friends along. You can email Sommer at sommer@peaceoshkosh.org or Nicki at nicki@peaceoshkosh.org if you have questions or want to RSVP. We look forward to seeing you. Remember, God loves you just as you are, and we do too.

GREAT AMERICA TRIP

We had a fantastic group of youth to take down to Great America in July. Thanks to everyone for being awesome representatives of Peace and having a fantastic adventure together.



ROOTS

Not just for confirmation students. We invite and welcome any youth grades 6th through 12th

ATTENTION: All Youth 6th -8th grade during the 2022-2023 school year.

Classes will be starting in September. Please let the office know if you have a child that you would like to be confirmed. Parent/Student orientation will be on September 21st at 6:30pm. See Nicki McKnight for further details.

RPM (Roots @ Peace Mixers) SEPTEMBER 25TH 3:00 PM

As summer comes to a close and school starts up again, be sure to keep a spot on your calendar for some time with your Peers at Peace. We will have a monthly meetup on the last Sunday of every month in our new and improved youth rooms located in the bell tower! Air hockey, Wii, XBox, basketball and other games in the gym and much more to entertain you. Soda, pizza, snacks and candy to feed you. Peace has an amazing group of young adults, and if you are entering 6th grade up through 12th grade, that includes YOU! In addition to our Last Sunday meetups we are also planning some fun outings this year which include Jr & Sr retreats, ski/snowboarding trips, sledding, movies, dinners, bowling and so much more! If you are looking to give back as well, we are also planning community service projects which offer a way for you to get in your "required volunteer" hours. Join us for nursing home visits, neighborhood clean up, Day by Day warming shelter help, babysitting service, United Way, and so much more. Whether you can come once or can make it to every event, feel free to join us whenever you can. When you give, you find you get so much more. Transportation will always be provided as needed. Bring a friend (or two or more) for a chance to win a prize. A night of fun, faith and friends. See Nicki McKnight for questions and or further details. Nicki@peaceoshkosh.org (949)690-4177.







WEDNESDAY LUNCHES

This summer Peace is offering a free lunch on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month. We have had a slow start but the momentum is gaining!

We have two lunches left for August on the 10th and the 24th. We hope you can join us!





OUR CHURCH FAMILY

In the hallway between the church sanctuary and the church office is a lovely bulletin board called Our Church Family, created by the Care of Congregation Team. This bulletin board reminds us to keep in our prayers the members of our Church Family who may not be able to worship with us each week. Some have moved to different home arrangements, some are serving in the military, and some have passed away. We do our best to keep the board up to date so we can all remember these members in our prayers.

If you are able to help us with any updates, please reach out to Heather Miller. heather.miller@peaceoshkosh.org | 920.231.4730

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Mary Jo Becker

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Paula Albee
Arlene Augsburger
Jan Kornder
Jeri Ann Kunde
Doris Otto
Annette Rice
Floyd Wambold
Don Patt

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Captain Andrew Duwell Sr. Airman Samantha Hall

CALLED HOME 2022

Doris Martin
Germain Nelson
Bob Bruce
Donald Berndt
Barbara Sitzberger
Carol Jennerjohn
Don Bartelt
Faye Reinert
Elaine Patt
Suzanne Schnedier



PARK DANCE

On July 8th Peace Lutheran Church organized the 13th Annual Park Dance. This annual event was sponsored by Custom Heating and Cooling. Volunteers started set up around 10 AM and closed up the park around 11 PM that evening.

An impressive and hardworking group of volunteers sold burgers, brats and beverages. Peace was well represented in the community! Proceeds from the concession sales netted near to \$5500. All proceeds are being allocated to the Carpet Project to help with the cost of abatement of the old flooring.

This amazing evening would not be possible without the hard work of the many volunteers who came with good attitudes and worked hard!





















RACIAL EQUITY EVENTS

As you know, working for Racial Equity is a priority for both our synod and churchwide Women of the ELCA. Please include this information in your church newsletter or bulletin to encourage people to learn more about racism. Thank you.

Shirley Paulson, Editor WELCA Open Door

Racial Equity Training Offered in October Watch for how to register information.

One Church's Racial Equity Journey: Free August 28 Virtual Presentation

You are invited to a Zoom meeting. When: Aug 28, 2022 at 7:00 PM Central Time The presentation is free, but you must register to receive the link.

Register in advance for this meeting to receive the link. More information can be found at peaceoshkosh.com

WE ARE HIRING

CUSTODIAN

Are you self-motivated, tidy, and looking for a job with flexible hours in a comfortable work environment? Peace Lutheran Church is currently searching for a custodian. The position will require 3-4 hours of work per day, but the times can be flexible for late afternoon/early evening. Please contact Heather Miller via email at office@peaceoshkosh.org or via phone at 920.231.4730 if the position interests you.

THE GARDEN CLUB

The Garden Club has continued to faithfully meet on a regular basis through the summer to keep our grounds looking healthy and free of weeds–something we can take pride in!

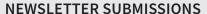
Kathi Sawall heads up this crew of hard workers and keeps the work light and fun. If you are interested in lending a hand you can reach Kathi via email at katcall@charter.net.

MEMORIAL GIFTS RECEIVED

June 22, 2022 A memorial was received on behalf of Austin Taylor Baldwin, a confirmand from eight years ago, from Danny and Donna Baldwin of Hillsboro, WI.

July 2022 Memorial funds were received on behalf of Elaine Patt.

July 2022 Memorial funds were received on behalf of Suzanne Schneider



If you have additional information for the Newsletter, please contact communications@paeaceoshkosh.org by the 18th of each month.



PRAYER REQUESTS

If you or someone you know (with their permission) would like to be on the prayer list, contact the office by phone (231-4730) or email office@peaceoshkosh.org. PLEASE LET THE OFFICE KNOW WHEN SOMEONE IS HOSPITALIZED.

JULY ATTENDANCE

07/03 70 07/10 119 07/17 94 07/24 79 07/31 -

AUGUST ALTAR FLOWERS

08/14: In memory of her brother Travis Balch given by Heather Balch Miller

08/21: In remembrance of their parents' anniversaries by Dave and Nancy Lokken

08/28: In memory of their daughter Jean Ann Stecker given by Roger and Joanne Stecker.

OFFERING REVENUES

Annual Target: \$266,500

OFFERINGS TO THE GENERAL FUND

January: \$21,649.00 February: \$19,172.50 March: \$22,143.00 April: \$27,017.00 May: \$20,401.00 June: \$14,728.00



"Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."



Welcome Barbara Probst

The Preschool Board is excited to announce that the search for a new Center Director is over. On Tuesday, July 18th the preschool hired Barbara Probst as the new Center Director – effective immediately.

Barbara has been a part of the preschool for 10 years as a parent, board member, assistant director and preschool consultant.

We are very blessed to have Barbara take the position of Center Director.

REFLECTIONS ON GOD'S WORD

Below are verses from August's Bible readings that made me stop and ask, "What is this telling me about my relationship with God and other people?" When time allows, re-visit the Sunday Bible readings. Look for verses that help answer that question for you.

Dirk Kagerbauer, Leadership Team

Week of August 7, 2022

Psalm 33:12-15 13 The LORD looks down from heaven, and sees all humankind. 14 God sits firmly enthroned and watches all who dwell on the earth. 15 God fashions all their hearts and observes all their deeds.

Like it or not, God sees what I do AND knows what's in my heart. However, since God truly knows what's in my heart, He's the one person I can talk to about my doubts, fears, and failures. I should never hesitate to share my innermost feelings with Him. After all, he already knows them and loves me in spite of them.

Week of August 14, 2022

Psalm 82:3-4 3 Save the weak and the orphan; defend the humble and needy; 4 rescue the weak and the poor; deliver them from the power of the wicked.

Following Christ's example, I should be providing for, and standing up for, those who are most in need. Throughout the Bible, there are passages like this one that tell me exactly where I should be directing the resources God has made available to me. I just need to do it.

Week of August 21, 2022

Isaiah 58:9b-10 9b If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, 10 if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.

There is no doubt what God wants me to do. He reminds me over and over again in the Bible. Each time I come across a passage like this, I ask God to give me the strength and courage to act according to His will.

Week of August 28, 2022

Hebrew 13:1 1 Let mutual love continue.

As God loves me, so I should love others. Hard as this is, and it's very hard, this means approaching everyone as if they had a "clean slate," absent preconceptions, prejudices, and biases...letting love guide my actions, i.e., living out "Clean Slate Christianity."

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Remember that you can follow along with the work of your leadership team. Go to

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