

November Tidings of Peace from our Pastor Samuel

There are so many reason to be thankful to the Lord in the month of November. The month begins with All Saints Day, as we thank God for all the saints, those made holy through Jesus our Lord and Savior. We thank God for the congregation of Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church in Park Falls and the years of ministry God has granted in this community and beyond. We thank God for our nation and the leaders who seek to represent the people and make and administer our nations laws, and our ability to participate in their selection. We thank God for the men and women who have heeded the call to serve our country and protect it. We thank God for the blessings too numerous to count on our nation's day of thanksgiving, harvest, home, health and the ability to praise God tend to highlight that day. Psalm one-hundred would be a good focus for this month as it is "A Psalm for Giving Thanks".

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

Serve the Lord with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing!

Know that the Lord, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his;

we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,

and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

For the Lord is good;

his steadfast love endures forever,

and his faithfulness to all generations.

When we see what the Lord has done for us, for His church, for our families and communities we should be led to give him praise and thanksgiving. God wonderfully created all things and continues to work in and through His creation. This though is included in the words of the creeds we speak. "I believe in God the Father almighty maker of heaven and earth." And "I believe in one God, the father almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. The Lord is creator and sustainer of the good we have in this world.

Use this psalm during the month to help further develop your gratitude and thanksgiving for all the Lord has done for you. You are loved by your creator who has redeemed you from sin, death and the devil. He continues to give you good gifts of body and soul. His steadfast love endures forever. Thankful for the blessings God has given.

Pastor Samuel

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES

October 17, 2024

Present: Jerry Pritzl, Art Dunham, Ken and Barb Boness, Linda Kolar, Ryan Brummer, Pastor Samuel, Gary Mertig, and Sally Zoesch.

Meeting opened at 6:02 p.m. Pastor Samuel led a prayer at 6: 12 p.m. The minutes of the September meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Ken Boness to approve the September minutes as printed. Linda Kolar seconded. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report: Current membership baptized 666; confirmed 516. Pastor led 5 worship services in September. Park Manor services 1. Pastor made 2 Park Manor-River's Edge and The Waterford visits and 2 communions. Pastor had 6 home communion visits. Pastor attended the LWML meeting. Confirmation has stared. Pastor had lunch with Vicar Paul and his wife. Pastor attended five congregational meetings. Attendance for the month of September 397, average 79. Communed for the month of September 155. YTD average 55.

Financial Secretary's Report: Linda Kolar reviewed the report with council members.

Treasurer's Report: Jerry Pritzl reported. September 30, 2024 YTD offerings \$226,660.82 YTD expenses \$227,891.01 producing a negative balance \$1,230.19. September 30, 2024 checking balance \$21,482.56. September 30, 2024 savings balance \$65,497.46. September 30, 2024 other funds balance \$34,213.97. September 30, 2024 loan balance \$193,659.87. YTD 2024 Principal paid \$25,874.68; YTD 2024 interest paid \$7,415.32.

Elders: Ryan Brummer reported. The board has three open board positions. They will continue to look for replacements. The secretary job description has been completed. The board continues to work on updating the church membership list.

Trustees/Maintenance: Art Dunham reported. The board has two candidates for open positions. The fall clean up of the properties is set for October 26, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. The rain date would be November 2, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. Northern Comfort was called for a possible leak in the Peace Centers North Hall near the furnace room. Moving the hoses/drain cover for the humidifiers seemed to resolve the problem.

Peaceful Outreach: Barb Boness reported. The board is planning for a Veteran's Day reception November 10, 2024. The board continues with nursing home, Waterford, and shut-in visits. The board is reviewing their budget for 2025. The board is also making plans for Christmas.

Christian Education: Ken Boness reported. Tom Neeck has been the classroom monitor for Ken's class. Attendance has been low in all Sunday school classes. The silent auction held on October 12, 2024 was a success. The total received is \$2,131.20. Registration and lodging are now fully funded for the National Youth Gathering participants from Peace. Transportation costs are unknown currently. It is expected that travel plans will develop after registration numbers and distributions are revealed in November, 2024. The next fund raiser will be at the Park Falls Veteran's Day Dinner. The students will be waiting tables at this event. Two board member positions are open currently. The Youth Christmas Sunday School program will be at the 9:00 a.m. service December 22, 2024.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Church Anniversary: Planning continues. The publication for celebration has been printed, Mark Donner will be the organist. The food has been confirmed. Pastor Brian Friedrich is the guest pastor.
- B. Lay Delegate for District Convention on June 1-2, 2025: Delegate needed.
- C. Volunteers to fill openings on boards/committees: Continue to try and fill the openings.
- D. Cory's consultation is October 30, 2024

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Circuit Forum Member: A lay delegate is needed to go to the circuit forum in Prentice for circuit business to elect a circuit visitor and any resolutions brought forward.
- B. Elections: Will be held at Quarterly Voter's Meeting Sunday, October 20, 2024
- C. Contact information for Red Letter Challenge Monetary Box: Four of the people involved have left the area. Volunteers needed.

Jerry Pritzl made a motion to adjourn at 7:10. Art Dunham seconded. Motion carried. We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally J. Zoesch

Council Secretary



Sponsor a Broadcast

Peace Lutheran Church in cooperation with St. Paul's in Butternut sponsor the "Lutheran Hour" broadcast on the Park Falls radio station WCQM FM, each Sunday morning at 8:30am. You can sponsor a Lutheran Hour broadcast or the Peace radio broadcast in memory of a loved one or to recognize a birthday or a wedding anniversary.

\$16 Lutheran Hour

\$30 Radio Broadcast (co-sponsor)

\$50 Radio Broadcast (full sponsor)

Please consider supporting this important outreach. Call the church office at 715-762-4541. Thank You!





Peace Lutheran Church 598 2nd Ave. North Park Falls, WI 54552 715-762-4541

Peace Lutheran Church Website is: http://peace2you.pctcnet.net

The Newsletter is attached to the website. (past 3 services are available)

You can also access our Facebook page on the website.

Visit us & like us on Facebook! Facebook.com/peacelutheranpf

You can now give an offering to God on the website or on Facebook.

In November, the trees are standing all sticks and bones without their leaves, how lovely they are, spreading their arms like dancers. They know it is time to be still.

Cynthia Ryland

UPDATES ON THE RED LETTER DONATIONS Totals for 2024

\$159.00

January's donations to Back Packs for Kids
\$472.00
February's donations to Deaf Outreach
\$653.00
March's donations to Lord's Cupboard
\$455.00
April's donations to Project Carousel
\$85.00
May's donations to Lutheran Heritage Foundation
\$170.00
June's donations to Church's Celebration
\$135.00
July's donations to the Lord's Cupboard
\$474.00
August's donations to Back Pack for Kids
\$223.00
September's donations to Disaster Relief
\$ 326.00
October's donations to Prison Ministry

REPORT FOR THE CONGREGATION As of September 30, 2024

YEAR-TO-DATE

Total Offerings Received226,660.82General Fund Expenses227,891.01Difference3,754.22

Accessibility Project Fund Summary

	AP Collections	AP Expenses	AP Account Balance
			25,956.58
January	2,790.00	(2,500.00)	26,108.58
February	2,542.00	(3,290.00)	26,108.58
March	2,386.00	(2,500.00)	26,044.58
April	2,444.00	(2,500.00)	25,988.58
May	12,058.00	(12,500.00)	25,546.58
June	2,415.00	(2,500.00)	25,461.58
July	2,856.00	(2,500.00)	25,817.58
August	2,030.00	(2,500.00)	25,347.58
September	2,546.00	(2,500.00)	25,393.58
October			
November			
December			
Total	32,727.00	(33,290.00)	
Loan Balance			\$193,659.87
YTD Principal Paid			\$ 25,874.68
YTD Interest Paid			\$ 7,415.32
Balance as of September	er 30, 2024		
Checking	\$21,482.56		
Savings	\$65,497.46		
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Thank you, God, for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvelous, how well I know it.

Psalm 139:14

PEACE-FULL GATHERING MEAL

Saturday, November 30, 2024 @ 5:30pm in the Gathering Hall

Everyone is welcome to attend!

Please check the Peace-Full Gathering sign-up board, in the narthex,

if you would like to volunteer or donate food items.

THANK YOU!



Financial Secretary's Monthly Report								
September 2024	1	8	15	22		Thrivent		Month
Sunday Envelopes	3756.00	4936.00	1759.00	2230.00	2520.00		1350.00	16551.00
Loose plate offerings	70.00	50.00	175.00	100.00	45.00			440.00
Ascension Day	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				0.00
Reformation	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.00			10.00
Good Friday	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				0.00
News Year Eve	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				0.00
Easter	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				0.00
Ash Wednesday	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				0.00
Lent	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				0.00
Initial offering	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				0.00
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TOTALS	3826.00	4986.00	1934.00	2330.00	2575.00	0.00	1330.00	17001.00
					202.00	00.00	100.00	0540.00
Accessibility Project	520.00	605.00	590.00	305.00	360.00	66.00	100.00	2546.00
Altar				0.00				0.00
Bakers	0.00	0.00	150.00	0.00				150.00
	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00			0.00
Adult Education		0.00			0.00			0.00
Building Maintenance		190.00	50.00	0.00	190.00			451.00
Christmas Gift Basket	10.00	10.00	5.00	0.00	0.00			25.00
LWR - Care Kits	0.00	10.00	0.00	0.00				10.00
Noisy Collection	136.29	5.00	0.00					141.29
Peacefull Gathering	113.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	224.00			437.00
Office Postage	0.00	5.00	0.00	0.00				5.00
Personal Needs	150.00	0.00	0.00	10.00				160.00
Radio Broadcasts	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00				100.00
Special Mission	4.00	55.00	10.00	60.00				129.00
Sunday School	0.00	0.00	21.50	4.25	20.00			45.75
Red Letter	20.00	64.00	94.00	48.00	100.00			326.00
Memorial	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				0.00
Youth Gathering	0.00	200.00	50.00	50.00				300.00
Bible Study	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	57			57.00
Flowers	0.00	0.00	0.00	0				0.00
Parish Retreat	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00				100.00
TOTALS	974.29	1344.00	970.50	577.25	951.00	66.00	100.00	
								21984.04
Total Giving	4800.29	6330.00	2904.50	2907.25	3526.00	66.00	1450.00	21984.04

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES Program Guide for November 2024

November 3, 2024 "Working the System"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

God's Law-a system that keeps the world from flying apart while it also shows us we need the Savior Who came to live, suffer, and rise for us.

Text: Genesis 33:8

November 10, 2024 "My Name is Now Yours"

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Daniel Paavola

God comes to renew us with His forgiving love, rename us in Baptism, and remain with us through His Word.

Text: Genesis 35:10-11

November 17, 2024 "Album-Worthy

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

If everything you've ever thought or done was captured in a photo, how many of them would your save for all to see? Hear how God redeems all our snapshots-even those that don't seem "album worthy"

Text: Genesis 35:3

November 24, 2024

"Jesus Sees What's in the Heart"

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Hector Hoppe

Jesus sees what's in our hearts. What's in His Heart? God saw

that we needed a Savior.

Text: Mark 12:41-44

9th Annual "Deck the Rails"

Memory Wreath Fundraiser

2024 Proceeds Benefit the Park Falls Beautification Committee 20" Memory/Honor Wreaths to Adorn Old Abe Memorial Park

Deadline November 11, 2024 Contact Shannon Greenwood 715.744.4700

Select ONE.



Mail This Form With a \$30 Check To: Memory Wreaths

c/o Shannon Greenwood P.O. Box 408 Park Falls, WI 54552

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In Memory Of:		
In Honor Of:		
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MEMBERS OF PEACE:

Peace Women LWML are going to be doing a project called "Portals of Prayer for Prisoners." We are asking members to leave their outdated Portals of Prayers in a box provided in the Narthex of the Church or at the Church office to be sent to Flambeau Correctional Center. (No other devotions)

Any name, address or phone number written in the booklet will be completely removed.

"I was in prison and you came to visit me.

"Matthew 25:36

Peace Women Thank you for sharing The Peace, Hope and Joy of the Gospel.



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It's me again with some sad news. I regret to inform you that all of us elves and Santa have made a difficult decision to cancel the Christmas Bizaare on December 7, 2024. Santa is extra busy this year and due to the time frame, we just can't get everything done in time to have a successful Bizaare for you. Hopefully we will have more elves coming to help us and we can make next year's Bizaare bigger and better before. Merry Christmas to everyone.

Sincerely C. Elf.

Looking for a Bible Study, Peace Lutheran Church has them.

Leader: Pastor Samuel Morsching
"Psalms"
Wednesday at 10am in the Peace Center

Leader: Pastor Samuel Morsching "Myths or Faith"?

Clearing up misconceptions about Christianity.

Sunday at 10:15am in the Church Basement

Leader: Sue Pfeil

Women's Bible Study "Joyfully Aging"

Thursday afternoon at 1:30pm in the Peace Center

"CELEBRATING 55 YEARS OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS"

November 3, 2024

Guest Speaker-former Pastor

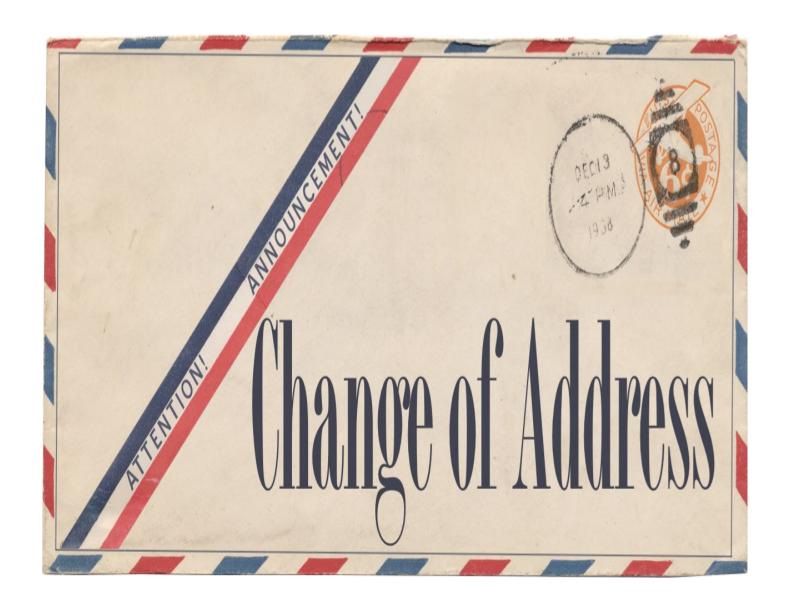
Dr. Brian Friedrich

Special Music-11:00 am

Catered Lunch

"For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations."

Psalms 100 V 5



Now is the time to update your address. If you or somebody you know has moved or changed their address or phone number, please contact the church office at 715-762-4541. We would like to keep in touch with you.



OUR PURPOSE AND MISSION

We call ourselves **Peace** because it is our **PURPOSE**, by God's grace, to **seek** the peace of God which is found only in Jesus Christ and to share it with others.

It is our <u>MISSION</u>
to **share** the Good news of God's love
in Christ, demonstrating and
offering to all people everywhere

Sr. Choir News at Peace

The Senior Choir is in full swing at Peace! We are so very blessed to have so many wonderful and dedicated members of our congregation who are willing to take the time our of their busy lives to sing praises to our Savior.

The choir sang on the first Sunday in October, will sing on Reformation Sunday, October 27, and our church celebration Sunday, November 3rd. They are also very busy preparing their music for the vast number of Christmas anthems for our Cantata on **December 15th.** The choir meets in the Peace Center every Wednesday at 6:30pm. If necessary, this wonderful hard working group continues to never complain about singing past the scheduled hour. They are also so willing to help set up and take down the risers at church, stuff folders, set chairs up in the Peace Center, help clean up the music, plus many other contributions of their time.

The members of the Senior Choir are:

Sopranos: Karen Langrehr, Alex Kirch, Peggy Prizl, Mary Tatzel & Cory Zimmermann.

<u>Altos:</u> Staci Beilke, Skyler Dural-Eder, Sue Holm & Jane Strand.

<u>Tenors:</u> Lucy Ross, Bill Trost (our snow bird now in Florida), Jim Walasek

Bassess: Dik Patterson & Roger Strand

What delightful, dedicated and energetic group of "songbirds", who love to sing. We welcome new members anytime, from grade 7th to age ?. We would be very grateful if we had a few more men join this very special group.

The choir wouldn't know what to do without our very talented accompanist Kristen Kirch. She is a very important part of the choir and we can't thank her enough for all the time she gives us.

Jesus has blessed our congregation so much with all the musical talent we have been blessed with.

With Joy in Singing to Jesus, Colleen Patterson, Director