

# Peacefully Yours



## PASTOR'S MESSAGE

By Pastor Kevin Mann

*And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. (Deuteronomy 6:6-7 ESV).*

Dear friends in Christ:

It's back to school time! From preschool-aged children to college-bound adults, school is starting again. In this country, we understand the value of education, so we have developed a system of publically-funded schools. Within various churches, including our own LCMS, the importance of education has also been a part of their structure for centuries – Catholic schools and LCMS schools are the two largest religious school systems in the country. We value education because it provides knowledge and skills needed to survive and thrive in adulthood.

So also within the church, we value education! More than just reading, writing, and arithmetic, we value the learning of the Word of God. God's Word – the power of the Gospel – affects our lives beyond childhood and adulthood, for it is the power of salvation and eternal life. As children of God and disciples of our Savior Jesus, we are to constantly be learning more about our God and all that he has done and promises to us, his children. Certainly, we do that as we gather together for worship. We also join together in Bible Study, Sunday School, and other opportunities for study and discussion. Beyond the church building, we are to read and study the Word in our homes and with our families. Sometimes, this is an easy thing to do. Sometimes, time just slips away and it becomes another thing that we did not do that day.

God's Word is powerful and active. Let us, by the working of the Holy Spirit, strive to further come to know our God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit:

- If it has been a while since you opened the Bible at home, I encourage you to dust it off and open to Luke's Gospel and start reading.
- If you already read (nearly) every day, keep it up!
- If you need some direction on what to read, try following the Portals of Prayer or another devotional book. If you would rather have an electronic guide, Portals of Prayer is available as an app on your smart phone! Other materials may also be available.
- Attend Sunday School or Bible Study. All are invited to participate and receive the gifts God delivers through his Word.

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30



REFORMATION SUNDAY



## Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Mike Nowling, President

*"For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully." Romans 12: 4-8*

At Peace Lutheran Church, we celebrate the joys and challenges of life together as the body of Christ. This past June we held our annual Voters' Meeting and approved:

- A slate of officers, church workers, and volunteers for 2022-2023
- A Work Program for planning our church finances and operations
- The Board of Directors proposed to change the financial reporting year to January to January. The change will begin January 2024. This will make our financial planning easier and more accurate.

We celebrate and are very thankful for all of the members who serve and devote many hours of faithful service to the various ministries at Peace. We are all blessed to be in the body of Christ!

This coming October 9<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate Pastor Appreciation Day to recognize the faithful service and work of Pastor Mann. Please mark your calendar to join in the celebration. October has traditionally been designated as Pastor Appreciation Month — an opportunity for congregations to express, in various ways, their thankfulness to the shepherds who care for them. The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) will be encouraging congregations and school communities to demonstrate appreciation not only for their pastors, but for all workers in the parish and school. The call to honor our church leaders' contributions goes back to the time of Apostle Paul. As a founder of many of the first Christian churches, he was especially concerned with honoring "those whose work is preaching and teaching." We are all blessed to be in the body of Christ!



## THANK YOU

From the Spira and Hoham Families

Thank you so much for all your prayers and condolences on the passing of Caryl's Dad, Roy Roggentin. He was blessed with 91 years, all of which were joyfully lived in The Church. His final months had become increasingly challenging and we are thankful that he died in peace.

Roy is buried in his hometown of Milwaukee alongside his first wife, Gerry and other family members. A memorial service was held on Saturday, August 20th at his home church in Adell, WI. All three of our family pastors (Paul, Ethan, & Ted) participated in the service - Ted's part recorded from his Army post in Baghdad.

Again and as always, thanks for your love and support. They truly embody Jesus' words to love one another as He has loved us (John 13:34).



## PARISH HEALTH and WELLNESS

By Cheryl Erickson, RN, FNP-BC

### OFFICE HOURS

**Fridays, 10-11:30 am**

**Sept 16, Oct 14 & 28**

For immediate assistance with health-related questions, call Cheryl at 260-341-8215

Parish Nurse Email is [Parishnurse@peacelutheranfw.org](mailto:Parishnurse@peacelutheranfw.org)

### EXERCISE SCHEDULE

Exercise classes are held in the Wellness Room below the stairs. Enter via doorway #3 off the parking lot. No previous experience necessary. \$5 per class session (cash only, please).

#### Chair Yoga

M/F 11am-12pm

#### CardioTone

M 5-5:45pm

Th 6-6:45pm

#### Yoga

Tu 6pm

#### Zumba

**Fri 9-9:45am (not meeting at this time)**

### National Suicide Prevention Week

**September 5 - 11**

### World Suicide Prevention Day

**September 10**

### Mental Illness Awareness Week

**October 3 - 9**

### The following is from The Lutheran Foundation Website:

In Christian culture, mental illness has historically been seen as a sign of weak faith, lack of spiritual willpower or a source of shame. But the fact is that mental health conditions are no different than physical conditions. We would never suggest that someone with cancer, diabetes or a heart condition should just pray about it without seeking treatment in tandem. But for many who struggle with depression or anxiety, or worse, that's what is often implied, or even said. What's more, they often face dehumanizing stigma and prejudice.

In 2013, The Lutheran Foundation conducted a ground-breaking Mental and Behavioral Health Needs Assessment of the 10-county area we serve. It was the first study of its kind to analyze all aspects of mental and behavioral health for adult, adolescent and elderly populations in northeast Indiana. The results were overwhelming: a huge number of people here are struggling. From there, the study formed the basis of The Lutheran Foundation's long-term goals and grant-making initiatives, as well as the creation of [LookUpIndiana.org](http://LookUpIndiana.org), a website dedicated to helping people on their journey to mental wellness.

### Why focus on mental wellness?

The study showed us that mental health and wellness was a significantly underfunded area in our community. Yet, no one in our community is immune to mental health issues. People of all ages and in all walks of life are hurting from the invisible disease of mental illness. But they often don't know where to turn for help, lack the resources to pay for treatment, or are lost in a confusing, disjointed system.

We saw many areas where we could step into the gap, and help people find the healing and hope they need.

### Prevalence of Mental Illness

- Approximately 1 in 5 youth aged 13-18 will experience a severe mental disorder at some point during their life.
- Just over half of children with a mental health condition aged 8-15 received mental health services in the previous year.
- Minorities are significantly less likely than Caucasians to use mental health services. (African Americans and Hispanic Americans each use mental health services at about half the rate of Caucasians, and Asian Americans at about one-third the rate.)

### Consequences Of Lack Of Treatment

- Suicide is the 10th leading cause of death in the U.S., and the 2nd leading cause of death for people aged 10-34.
- More than 90% of people who die by suicide show symptoms of a mental health condition.
- Half of all chronic mental illness begins by age 14; three-quarters by age 24. Despite effective treatment, there are long delays—sometimes decades—between the first appearance of symptoms and when people get help.



### BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS

Second Wednesday

&

Third Sunday

each month

before and after Church





### Mission Statement

*Peace Lutheran Preschool exists to reach out with the Gospel and love of Jesus to young children and families in our congregation and community by providing excellence in early childhood education.*

### Peace Preschool Philosophy

God tells us through his word "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it."

*Proverbs 22:6*

These words confirm our belief that it is our obligation to provide a Christ-centered environment where children are encouraged to grow in faith and knowledge.

Through play, exploration, and discovery, children learn to interact positively with each other and with adults who will assist them as they develop educational readiness and gain a love for learning.

Using developmentally appropriate practice, children are encouraged to learn in a manner that best fits their needs and in a way that makes the most sense to them. Through active learning they acquire the ability to grow spiritually, socially, emotionally, physically, and cognitively.

## PEACE LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL

By Barbara Bradtmueller, Preschool Director



*"Let the little children come to me for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14*

The new preschool year will start on Tuesday, September 6 with a Meet & Greet. The 3's & 4's class will see each other for the first time from 10:00-10:45 accompanied with a parent. The Pre-K class will split into two groups. The morning only children will attend from 9:30-10:15 and the full day children will attend from 10:45-11:30. It will be a busy morning! The first full day of school will be Wednesday, September 7 from 9:00-11:30 or 9:00-3:00.

We look forward to getting to know the new families and getting re-acquainted with the families returning from last year.

We will be asking for members to become Prayer Angels once again this year. It is so special to these little ones and their families to know that someone is praying just for them. Be on the lookout in the next few weeks. It is our hope to have a few events through-out the school year that will include families and Prayer Angels.

Thanks in advance for taking the time to remember these little ones in your prayers.

We look forward to a wonderful and blessed school year! Thank you for your support!

Barb Bradtmueller, director

Kris Tinsley, teacher

Katrina Marcum, teacher

Molly Zolman, teacher aide

*"Peace Lutheran Preschool admits students of any race, color, national or ethnic origin."*

## YOUTH and YOUNG ADULTS

By Rose Murphy, Youth Ministry

### THANK YOU!

Many THANKS to our congregation for the support you gave to Jacob and Hannah as they made their journey to the National Youth Gathering. A Thank-You Breakfast & NYG Update was held on Sunday, July 24 where reflections of the Gathering were given and mementos were displayed for all to see! Many thanks to everyone for your continued support of our youth at Peace!

### Youth Group

Youth meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays from 6-8pm (no youth group on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of month). We spend time in God's word, share highs and lows, plan activities & get some game time in!

### Young Adult Ministry on Zoom (YAMz) – Staying Connected

Those young adults (age 18 and out of high school) meet up on Zoom once a month, usually on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at 7pm. If you are a young adult and would like to get connected, contact Rose for Zoom info at 260-402-1679 or

[youth@peacelutheranfw.org](mailto:youth@peacelutheranfw.org).



## SHARING PEACE CAFÉ

By Rose Murphy, Café Ministry



**Cards in the Café:** It's always a great time playing Euchre in the Café on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays each month! We gather for a few rounds from 1-3pm with friends from Peace and friends from the neighborhood! Come early if you want to purchase a beverage from the café before it closes. Bring a snack to share if you like and enjoy some great camaraderie with old and new friends alike!

**Sharing Peace Art Gallery:** The Café Gallery has openings to display works from artists in our local area. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Rose Murphy at [cafeministry@peacelutheranfw.org](mailto:cafeministry@peacelutheranfw.org) or 260-744-3869.

**Trunk or Treat:** Ghosts, goblins, angels and other sweet and sour characters will be filling our parking lot on Sunday, October 30 for another Trunk or Treat! Watch soon for announcements in upcoming bulletins, emails and social media for more information.

**Café Mission Moment:** One morning in July, a young man was found sleeping by the Café entrance. The Sharista on duty, Kasey, and our church secretary, Heather, woke him to see if he was ok. After discerning their own safety, they invited him into the café and gave him a coffee and baked goods\*. He was homeless and hadn't eaten lately. Kasey sat and listened to him and gave him some resources for assistance. Other church leadership provided a book bag and some snacks. Kasey even drew a map for him to walk to Shawnee Library as he wanted to look up resources as he had no phone. A phone was provided to him to contact Connect Allen County\*\*, a local access center that provides community resources and support. After spending some time in the café to organize himself and to gather his thoughts, he left and headed to the library. A prayer card has been added to the bulletin board in the Café for this young man\*\*\*.

*Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. Galatians 6:2*

*\*This is one example of how the Café Pay-It-Forward gift card is used.*

*\*\*You can find Connect Allen County information cards in the Café or contact the church office.*

*\*\*\*When in the Café, please take a moment at the bulletin board and pray for those asking for God's healing and grace. Feel free to fill out a prayer card for yourself and/or those you know needing prayers.*

## SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY

By Dennis Wheeler, Elder



I give thanks to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you.

In Colossians 1:4, Paul's thanksgiving to the Colossians was because of their faith in Christ and love for fellow Christians, which is the hallmark of genuine Christianity.

The study group that meets the first Tuesday of each month at 1:00 pm has not just learned who Paul was and his love for others, but how our Thankfulness and Prayer strengthen Peace Lutheran Church. And, like Paul, we should always be thankful in praising others with their faith in Christ and encourage them to keep up their good conduct, good deeds and spiritual growth.

The once a month Friday group that meets at members' homes is still working through Revelations.

There still is a need for an evening study group once a month. If you would be interested or like more information contact either Pastor Mann, Elder Dennis Wheeler, the church office at 744-3869 or [secretary@peacelutheranfw.org](mailto:secretary@peacelutheranfw.org).

### Sharing Peace Café Hours

**Monday - Thursday**  
8:00am to 1:00pm

**Friday - Saturday**  
CLOSED

**Sunday**  
8:30am to 11:00am

*Note: Café will be closed on Sunday, September 4 and Monday, September 5*

**Sharista Opening:** Our summer Sharistas have headed for school, so we're in need of another Sharista to cover our Tuesday shifts, and an occasional Sunday. There are opportunities to work Café and private events as well. Contact Rose at [cafeministry@peacelutheranfw.org](mailto:cafeministry@peacelutheranfw.org), 260.744.3869, or stop in the Café to pick up an application. Spread the word!

## WinGS (Women in God's Service)

By Elaine King



**Mother/Daughter Brunch:** There were approximately 38 women and girls of all ages in attendance at the Mother/Daughter Brunch held on Saturday, June 25. Dawn Mann, Pastor's wife, was introduced and honored. We enjoyed a nice meal and a whole lot of wonderful conversation. This was a great time for us to catch up with old friends and get to know new people a little better. WinGS would like to have more events like this as well as other activities and service projects. Let us know how you would like to be involved. If you haven't completed one of the pink survey forms, please pick one up in the narthex and return completed forms to Elaine King or Nancy Herber. (See photos on page 11.)

### Shirts and Shorts for Soldiers

Peace member, Army Chaplain Ted Hoham, is stationed at a base hospital in Iraq. He had reported that there are many who walk in their doors with only the clothes on their back, and has asked for donations of Thrivent t-shirts and other clothing items. WinGS (Women in God's service) took this project and put the word out to our congregation.

THANK YOU to members of Peace who so generously opened their hearts to make this "Shorts and Shirts for Soldiers" project such a huge success! Our thanks also go out to Thrivent Financial for the T-shirts and project funding through their "Action Team" assistance. Thanks also to Sharing Peace Café & Peace for donations of additional Thrivent T-shirts. A special THANK YOU to the ladies of WinGS who spearheaded this project!

Cash donations of \$943 were received, which included door collections of \$447 and \$250 from the Thrivent Action Team Grant.

Clothing donations of \$610 were purchased and shipped thru Amazon.

20 boxes of clothes were shipped from Fort Wayne to Iraq at the cost of \$333. Of the 300 shirts shipped, 200 were Thrivent shirts donated by Thrivent Financial and the Sharing Peace Café. Also shipped from Fort Wayne were 365 pairs of socks, 70 pairs of shorts and 216 undergarments.

Once again, thank you for your generosity. Thanks be to God!

*Note: If you would still like to be a part of this project, another Amazon Smile order can be made with clothing items sent directly to Ted. Amazon order forms are available in the church office; just complete the form, add a check (made out to Peace) and place both in the box on the counter. Once the forms have been collected a combined order will be placed.*



**Ephesians 2:10** says, "We are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them." We serve and volunteer confidently, knowing that God has prepared the way for us!



# For the Record



Mary Brown	Sep 1
Deborah Ricks	Sep 1
Jacob Mann	Sep 2
Andrew Bercot	Sep 5
Greg Murphy	Sep 6
Haley Blanchette	Sep 7
Cody Fairchild	Sep 7
Christine Slattery	Sep 8
Bob Michael	Sep 10
Amy Biddle	Sep 13
Jacob Hapner	Sep 14
Nancy Lohr	Sep 14
Aurie Laisure	Sep 20
Elijah Ricks	Sep 20
Josiah Ricks	Sep 20
Andrew Mahrt	Sep 21
Sandy Meyer	Sep 21
Jackie McBride	Sep 25
Kevin Torwelle	Sep 25
Casey Marcum	Sep 28
Amanda Beeks	Sep 29
Olivia Mann	Sep 30



Maggie Hollman	Oct 2
Bertie Hormann	Oct 3
Amy Bredemeyer	Oct 4
Dick Burkholder	Oct 4
Ivy Harkenrider	Oct 4
Jack Klage	Oct 6
Lucas Mann	Oct 7
Jeremiah Ricks	Oct 7
Paul Spira	Oct 8
Dennis Wheeler	Oct 8
Rachael Bercot	Oct 11
Molly Blake	Oct 13
Barbara Grote	Oct 13
Bill Scott	Oct 13
Abbey Pfenning	Oct 14
Brie Marker	Oct 15
Caleb Meyer	Oct 16
Max Moore-DeZaldo	Oct 21
Andrew Heingartner	Oct 24
Jay Lahrman	Oct 24
Benjamin Strasen	Oct 30



Ralph and Vicki Beeks	9/15
Harry and Claudia Russell	9/20
Tim and Treva Strasen	9/20
Robert and Barbara Jordan	9/23
Eric and Pam Lehman	9/24



Dick and Becky Rutkowski	10/4
Adam and Linda Erickson	10/5
Jay and Deb Lahrman	10/8
Grant and Lora Acker	10/10
Chris and Alissa Till	10/11
Paul and Caryl Spira	10/11
Adam and Danielle Ramsey	10/13
John and Karen Bercot	10/21
Michael and Anna Bishop	10/21
Laura and Anthony Hill	10/24
James and Judy Uffelman	10/25
Don and Judy Parker	10/27
Todd and Kristi Hollman	10/27
Scott and Brie Marker	10/28

*If your birthday or anniversary is not listed, kindly contact the church office with your information.*

## For the Record

### Soul Accounting

#### Transfers In

Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Torwelle and June Rambo,  
with son, Fredrick  
7/21/22

Jacob Hapner                      Nancy Becker  
07/19/22                              8/31/22

#### Affirmation of Faith

Kasey Hapner  
Upcoming 09/18/22

#### Release

Karen Bauer  
08/11/22



#### Death

Millicent (Millye) Hunter  
08/14/22

### Official Act

#### Baptism

Fredrick Vernon Rambo Torwelle,  
Son of Mr & Mrs. Kevin Torwelle and  
June Rambo  
08/14/22



### Giving & Attendance

June 26 through August 31, 2022 contribu-  
tions and attendance were as follows:

Jun 26/29	\$ 4,068.00	70/17
Jul 3/6	\$ 3,266.00	58/20
Jul 10/13	\$ 15,776.00	63/14
Jul 17/20	\$ 4,933.25	51/10
Jul 24/27	\$ 4,071.00	55/13
Jul 31/Aug 3	\$ 3,524.00	51/15
Aug 7/10	\$ 5,953.00	66/21
Aug 14/17	\$ 4,766.00	83/22
Aug 21/24	\$ 4,709.00	63/20
Aug 28/31	\$ 8,311.00	61/18

#### Budget

Yearly 2021-2022:  
\$333,897.96

Weekly 2021-2022:  
\$6,421.11



Community Rewards  
Quarterly Statement

20 households  
**\$46.37 Total  
Donations**

#### Directory Changes

*Please contact the church office  
with any changes of address,  
phone numbers and email  
addresses*

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- Most of all, pray! Pray for your own study of the Word. Also, pray for your family, friends, and others, that the Word may be an active part of their lives and God's purposes are achieved through His Word.

As we begin this school year and Sunday School and Bible Study begin again, let us pray for God's blessings on His Word: Lord God, bless Your Word wherever it is proclaimed. Make it a word of power and peace to convert those not yet Your own and to confirm those who have come to saving faith. May Your Word pass from the ear to the heart, from the heart to the lip, and from the lip to the life that, as You have promised, Your Word may achieve the purpose for which You send it; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen. ("For blessing on the Word" from inside cover of *Lutheran Service Book*, used by permission).

Your servant in Christ,

*Pastor Kevin Mann*



## CONCORDIA LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL



**Alumni Weekend 2022**  
**September 15-18, 2022**

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2022**

Concordia Lutheran High School  
Golf Invitational  
Chestnut Hills Golf Course  
[www.golf4cadets.com](http://www.golf4cadets.com)

10:30 am Registration & Lunch  
12:00 pm Shotgun Start

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2022**

Homecoming Festivities,  
Zollner Stadium 5:30 pm  
Food trucks, Chick-fil-A, & Spiritwear  
Homecoming Football Game, 7:00 pm  
Alumni After-Party, Turner's 8:00 pm  
Pizza, Wings, etc., Cash Bar

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2022**

Individual Class Reunions ~ [www.clhscadets.com/class-reunion](http://www.clhscadets.com/class-reunion)

Johnny Appleseed Festival  
Support JROTC & Band Booths

The Lutheran Schools Partnership, 3rd Annual VIP Event

Kruse Plaza, Auburn, 5:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Keynote Speaker: Mollie Ziegler Hemingway

More information is available at: [thelutheranschools.org/events](http://thelutheranschools.org/events)

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2022**

Alumni Worship  
Light Brunch 10:00 am  
Worship 10:30 am  
Tours available following Worship

Johnny Appleseed Festival  
Support JROTC & Band Booths



## LUTHERAN SOUTH UNITY SCHOOL

"Let the Children Come" annual fund-raising dinner is being held on Saturday, November 12th, at the Grand Wayne Center in the Anthony Wayne Ballroom.

The price of tickets for dinner and entertainment is \$60 per ticket. A cash bar will be at 5:30 PM and dinner will be served at 6:15 PM. You will need reservations for the dinner.

There will be a choice of either 'airline chicken with spinach, ricotta cheese, bacon, and Gorgonzola sauce' or 'hanger steak with Bordelaise sauce.' If gluten free meals are needed, you need to let us know so we can accommodate.

Invitations are being printed now. Put this on your calendar so that we can take your reservations. We hope to see many of you come to celebrate LSUS. More information to come.

LUTHERAN SOUTH UNITY SCHOOL

*Let the Children Come*

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**SAVE THE DATE**

November 12, 2022  
Drinks 5:30PM Dinner 6.15PM  
Grand Wayne Center  
120 W Jefferson BLVD Fort Wayne, IN



September 4	Congregational Officer Installation, Worship with Communion
September 11	Cross Trainers Resumes
September 30-Oct 1	WinGS Fall Rummage Sale
October 9	Pastor Appreciation Day (stay tuned for more information)
October 30	Reformation Sunday, Worship with Communion
October 30	Trunk or Treat

## INFORMATION FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

By Dick Rutkowski

### Warm & Dry Status

Our three-year “Warm & Dry” Improvement Fund Drive is scheduled to conclude at the end of December. Our progress has been steady and if we continue at the current pace, we will be able to pay off our previous expenditures and the loan used to cover them. As of 7/31/22, contributions total \$99,792. \$104,572 has been pledged for the campaign and that mark is expected to be met by the end of the original fund drive on 12/31/22. The ultimate goal is \$150,000 to provide full funding for previous repairs and for near-term additional repairs. How we will reach that goal is not clear. Please consider how you may be able to help us reach it. If you missed the beginning of the campaign that helps keep our congregation Warm & Dry, you can still pledge and contribute by just noting “Warm & Dry” on your gift, or using the “Warm & Dry” envelope in your boxed set of envelopes. Your Board of Directors will be considering future options as we approach the end of the original fund drive.

### Unified Budget Status

We reached the end of our church budget fiscal year on July 31. Total Unified Budget Contributions were \$ 320,000 vs. our Work Program Budget of \$ 333,000. That is a shortfall of about \$13,000 for the year. Deficits have been an on-going problem for our congregation. Your Board of Directors is carefully monitoring our financial situation. Please prayerfully consider your response to God’s blessings in your life and your financial commitment to supporting Peace.

### Tax Note - RMD & QCD reminder

If you are “of a certain age” with an IRA account, it is not too early (or too late) to plan how you will fulfill your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) for 2022. As we have discussed in the past, Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCD) to Peace are a great way to reduce your federal tax bill and to help Peace at the same time. For more information on this option, please contact your retirement fund administrator or tax advisor. You may also contact the Peace Financial Secretary, Dick Rutkowski, at (260) 760-8529.



### Celebrate the history and work of the LCMS

Considering a trip to St. Louis?

We invite you to join us April 27-29, 2023 for Lutheran Days STL, a celebration of the history and work of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

Explore St. Louis - a city rich in the history and present work of your church - and participate in activities and learning opportunities at area Lutheran sites and institutions, including the LCMS International Center. Designed for student groups, youth and adults, this event will have something for everyone! At the end of Lutheran Days STL, join fellow Lutherans in standing for life at the annual March to the Arch life march on Saturday, April 29, in St. Louis.

As plans are finalized, more information will be posted on the LCMS event page,

<https://calendar.lcms.org/event/lutheran-days-stl-2023/>

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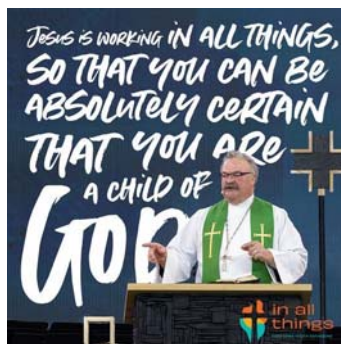


*Wings  
Mother/Daughter  
Brunch*



## 2022 National Youth Gathering—Houston, Texas “In All Things”

Peace was represented by  
Jacob Mann, Attendee; Hannah Koch, Young Adult Volunteer; and  
Pastor and Dawn Mann, Chaperones.







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*Return Service Requested*

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## *Mission*

Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church exists to reach the lost and to provide for spiritual growth and nurture of our family of believers through education and ministry of Word and Sacraments.

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## WinGS FALL RUMMAGE and BAKE SALE

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September 30, 9am—5pm  
and October 1, 8:30am—12noon.

Clean and sorted items are being accepted at this time. Please take your items to the Multi-Purpose Room #110 in the lower level leading to the Fellowship Hall.

***Volunteer Sign-Up sheets will be posted in the Narthex soon.  
Consider helping where needed.***

***Many hands make a lot less work!***







Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				<b>1</b> 6:00pm Cardio Tone	<b>2</b> NO Zumba 11:00am Chair Yoga	<b>3</b>
<b>4*</b> <b>Installation of Congregational Officers</b> 9:00am Worship with Communion 10:30am Education Hour	<b>5</b> <b>Labor Day</b> Church Office and Café are closed	<b>6</b> Bulletin Items Due 1:00pm Small Group Bible Study 3:30pm Board of Elders 6:00pm Youth Group 6:00pm Yoga	<b>7*</b> 6:30pm Worship with Communion	<b>8</b> 6:00pm Cardio Tone 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>9</b> NO Zumba 11:00am Chair Yoga	<b>10</b>
<b>11*</b> 9:00am Worship with Communion 10:30am Education Hour	<b>12</b> 11:00am Chair Yoga 1:00-3:00pm Cards in the Café 5pm Cardio Tone	<b>13</b> Bulletin Items Due 6:30pm Board of Directors NO Youth Group 6:00pm Yoga	<b>14*</b> 6:30pm Worship with Communion BP Screenings	<b>15</b> 6:00pm Cardio Tone 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>16</b> No Zumba 10:00-11:30am Parish Nurse Is In 11:00am Chair Yoga	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> <b>Choral Consecration Sunday</b> 9:00am Worship Service BP Screenings 7:00pm YAMz	<b>19</b> 11:00am Chair Yoga 5:00pm Cardio Tone	<b>20</b> Bulletin Items Due 6:00pm Youth Group 6:00pm Yoga	<b>21</b> 6:30pm Worship Service	<b>22</b> 6:00pm Cardio Tone 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>23</b> NO Zumba 11:00am Chair Yoga	<b>24</b> 9:00am Men at Peace
<b>25*</b> 9:00am Worship with Communion 10:30am Education Hour	<b>26</b> 11:00am Chair Yoga 1:00-3:00pm Cards in the Café 5:00pm Cardio Tone 7:00pm Board of Christian Ed	<b>27</b> Bulletin Items Due 3:30pm Board of Worship NO Youth Group 6:00pm Yoga	<b>28*</b> 6:30pm Worship with Communion	<b>29</b> 6:00pm Cardio Tone 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>30</b> Rummage Sale 9:00am-5:00pm NO Zumba 11:00am Chair Yoga	

\* = Communion Service SH = Sr. High JH = Jr. High YAMz = Young Adult Ministry on Zoom

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<b>30*</b> <b>Reformation Sunday</b> 9:00am Worship with Communion 10:30am Education Hour <b>Trunk or Treat</b>	<b>31</b> <b>Halloween</b> 11:00am Chair Yoga					
<b>SPECIAL MONTHLY VOLUNTEERS</b>			<b>Altar Servers:</b> Katrina Marcum, TBA <b>Cards to Shut-in Members:</b> Ruth Ann Schimmel <b>Pew Supplies:</b> Deb Lahrman, Sharon Weaver, Ben Meyer, Pam Flory			