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Peace Lutheran Church

Summer, 2022



Growing a community that nurtures a deeper relationship
with Jesus Christ.

The Grandeur of God

Summer is not a church season but it does coincide with the beginning of a long period in the church calendar often called *Ordinary Time* or the *Time after Pentecost*.



And one insight of the Christian faith is that the ordinary and the everyday—the baby born in Bethlehem, a piece of bread and a cup of wine, the image of God in one another—are, in fact, *extraordinary*. We are invited

during this ordinary time to consider the everyday, the simple. They are, in the words of the British poet, Gerard Manley Hopkins, "*charged with the grandeur of God.*"

In our life together at Peace this summer, we will be on the lookout for the "*extra*" in the "*ordinary*" as we worship, learn, serve and fellowship together. Be it a sermon series in worship or in June's Vacation Bible School; be it

in Bible study or a the youth mission trip to Chicago; the Summer Singers or welcoming children into the family of God in Christ in baptism; or going to the Twins' game and singing the national anthem; collecting food for the hungry or coffee and donuts following worship—my hope and prayer is that our hearts, our souls and our minds will be filled with the "*grandeur of God.*"

Join us!
—Pastor Mark Nelson

Summer Sermon Series Announced

"Called to Freedom: Gospel Freedom According to Galatians"

We live in a culture which defines freedom the way the Bible defines sin: complete independence.

So what does true freedom look like? Paul's Letter to the Galatians proclaims what it means to receive God's grace, to experience the freedom of the Gospel, and to respond in gratitude to the reality of hope found in Jesus Christ.

Join us on Sundays: June 12, June 19, June 26 and July 3.

"The Questions God Asks"

Often we are encouraged to question faith and question God.

But in this sermon series, rather than ask and wrestle with questions about God, we will take look at some of the moments in the Bible when God asks questions of us. Questions such as, "Where are you?", "Why are you laughing?", "Do you have a right to be angry?" and "Do you want to be made well?"

We'll explore what the answers to God's questions tell us about our lives.

Join us on Sundays: July 10, July 17, July 24, and July 31.

"Stories Jesus Told About Himself"

Karl Barth, one of the great theologians of the 20th century, argued that Jesus himself is the subject of the stories that we call parables.

Jesus, for example, is the Father's son who goes into the far country. The parables are stories Jesus tells about himself, and the Kingdom he came to establish.

Join us on Sundays: August 7, August 14, August 21, August 28 and September 4.

Seasonal Worship Guide

June

5	12	19	26
Day of Pentecost, 9:30am	First Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30am	Second Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30am	Third Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30am
Preacher: Pastor Mark Nelson	Preacher: Pastor Mark Nelson	Preacher: Pastor Mark Nelson	Preacher: Pastor Mark Nelson
	Sermon Series: Called to Freedom	Sermon Series: Called to Freedom	Sermon Series: Called to Freedom
Holy Communion; Peace Choir	Holy Communion	Holy Communion	Holy Communion; Peace Choir
Fellowship after worship; Special End of School Year Celebration	Fellowship after worship	Fellowship after worship	Fellowship after worship

July

3	10	17	24	31
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30am	Fifth Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30am	Sixth Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30am	Seventh Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30am	Eighth Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30am
Preacher: Pastor Mark Nelson	Preacher: Pastor Joe Orner	Preacher: Pastor Mark Nelson	Preacher: Pastor Mark Nelson	Preacher: Pastor Joe Orner
Sermon Series: Called to Freedom	Sermon Series: The Questions God Asks	Sermon Series: The Questions God Asks	Sermon Series: The Questions God Asks	Sermon Series: The Questions God Asks
Holy Communion	Holy Communion	Holy Communion; Peace Choir	Holy Communion	Holy Communion; Peace Choir
Fellowship after worship	Fellowship after worship	Fellowship after worship; Peace Choir to Sing National Anthem at Minnesota Twins Game	Fellowship after worship	Fellowship after worship

August

7	14	21	28
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30am	Tenth Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30am	Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30am	Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30am
Preacher: Pastor Mark Nelson	Preacher: Pastor Mark Nelson	Preacher: Pastor Mark Nelson	Preacher: Pastor Joe Orner
Sermon Series: Stories Jesus Told About Himself	Sermon Series: Stories Jesus Told About Himself	Sermon Series: Stories Jesus Told About Himself	Sermon Series: Stories Jesus Told About Himself
Holy Communion	Holy Communion	Holy Communion	Holy Communion
Fellowship after worship	Fellowship after worship	Fellowship after worship	Fellowship after worship

September

4
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30am
Preacher: Pastor Joe Orner
Sermon Series: Stories Jesus Told About Himself
Holy Communion
Fellowship after worship

Save the Date!
**Gathering Sunday will be
 Sunday, September 11.**

Children, Youth and Family Summer News

The end of the school year. The beginning of summer. What a magical time to be living in Minnesota!

As the season comes into bloom, it's a great reminder of both what has been and what will be. Having made it through a very long winter (spring in Minnesota is one of the best days of the year though!), we know very well all that we've made it through. But we also know all that there is to celebrate from this reflection.

This last year we saw over 30 kids in our Sunday School classrooms, and they got to sing in worship again for the first time in over two years—both on Palm Sunday and



Mother's Day. Our Confirmation students enjoyed service projects and retreats, including our trip to Gustavus in February. Our high school students enjoyed bi-monthly discussion nights, and even a broomball tournament against other local churches. In September we began a ministry for adults in their 20s-30s that has been meeting monthly for growth in faith and in community. Together we've enjoyed breweries, bowling, and more. And we have a vibrant family ministry as well; throughout the year families have enjoyed movie nights, game nights, and community

events like the Trunk or Treat and Easter Egg Hunt.

And while we rejoice in all that God has blessed us with throughout this last school year, we have so much to look forward to as well—summer trips and service opportunities, time at Camp Wapo, Vacation Bible School, and so much more!

It's going to be a great summer, and I'm grateful for each of you and for all the ways that we are "growing a community that nurtures a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ" together.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Joe Orner

VBS: June 20-23

How great is God's love? It's **Monumental!** This summer we will once again be working together with Community of the Cross Lutheran Church for Vacation Bible School, where we will be "Celebrating God's Greatness!" and adventuring together through the great southwest. Through fun games, engaging Bible stories following the story of Joseph and his family,



captivating music, and more, kids will come away with new friends and a Monumental experience of God's love.

Day 1: God loves you no matter what (Genesis 37)

Day 2: God is with you everywhere (Genesis 39-40)

Day 3: God is in charge (Genesis 41)

Day 4: God is surprising (Genesis 42-45)

VBS is perfect for children ages 3 1/2 through those entering 5th Grade in the fall. The cost is \$20/child with a \$50 cap/family. Adults, Middle and High School Youth are welcome and needed as volunteers! Our registration link can be used to register a child or a volunteer. Find the link in Pastor Joe's Thursday CYF Blast or on Peace's website.

—*Pastor Joe Orner*

Sunday School Wrap Up

This year of Sunday School was filled with great memories and even better kids.

We were so thankful to be able to put on a Christmas program, help with Harvest Pack, experiment with Sidewalk Sunday School, do a Palm Sunday Processional, sing in worship again, and return to our classrooms this year after being online for 2020-2021. It was a

year filled with Bible stories, crafts, games, fun, and fantastic experiences.

There are a great number of leaders to thank for their time, dedication, and faithfulness to God and God's people: Gavin Churchill, Emily Hanson, Bianca Gehant, Robin Kennedy, Katie Loeffler, Aaron Stender, Kara Stender, Elena Stockinger, Evie Stockinger, Michelle Stockinger,

Ben Davis, Trish Davis, Kim Gehant, Parker Kennedy, Harrison Oxford, Adam Rich, Kari Rogers, Muneeza Saifie, Emily Sidhom, Daina Sivanich, Lauren Toppin, Matt Toppin, and Bonnie Weseli.

Thank you all for a wonderful year!

—*Pastor Joe Orner*

End of School Year: Families Celebrate Card Packs, Pentecost Post-Worship Celebration

Join Us Sunday, June 5

The school year is ending, and summer is beginning! With this change of seasons comes much to acclaim.

We hope you might join us on Sunday, June 5, for a celebration with Sunday Sundae's to mark the end of the year and to rejoice with all of our students.

We know that summer brings different schedules, so we will also be sending you with "Families Celebrate" summer card packs. Each card has a

prayer or faith formational activity for your family to do together. We pray that wherever you are, you are growing in faith and nurturing a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ!

—*Pastor Joe Orner*



Confirmation: Wrap Up, Confirmands, Fall Preview and Invite

This summer we celebrate the end of a great year of Confirmation studying the New Testament and the diversity of ways the Church exists in the world. We got to study Jesus, the Gospels, and Paul's letters; we did service projects like Feed My Starving Children and sent care packages to college students; and we got to enjoy retreat time at Gustavus and worship with other local churches too. It was a wonderful year!

In April we also got to celebrate Jonah Gehant, Elsa Oman, and Avery Rich as they affirmed their baptisms. We are so grateful for them and the gift they are to this congregation

and God's world!

In the fall we will begin a new year of Confirmation with a focus on the catechism and some of the essentials for Christian living. We'll discuss things like communion, baptism, the Lord's Prayer, the Ten Commandments, and more. Registration is open to all. If you are in grades 6-8 and know someone who would like to join our group, please extend an invitation and let me know. Sign ups will be available near summer's end.

—Pastor Joe Orner



High School Graduate Recognition

Congratulations to Peace member, Ian Gibbs, who is graduating from Bloomington Jefferson High School. While at Jefferson, Ian has played football and loves to play video games. Next year in the fall, Ian will be taking his first year of college courses through Chippewa Valley Technical College while living on the UW Eau Claire campus. Join us in celebrating Ian, and wishing him well into this next chapter!



Chicago Youth Trip Preview

This summer our 8th-12th grade students will be traveling to serve our neighbors in Chicago. Throughout the week we will be serving alongside local organizations, with an emphasis on hunger ministries and homelessness.

Our days will begin with a Bible study time before spending the day at our service sites. In the evenings we will enjoy group dinners, go on evening excursions to places like Millennium Park and Navy Pier to get to know the city better, and worship together. Please keep us in your prayers, and follow Peace's Instagram and Facebook pages for updates throughout our trip.

—Pastor Joe Orner



Ongoing Offering Collection for Afghan and Ukrainian Refugees

Recently 250 Afghan families and individuals arrived in Minnesota. Having to quickly leave their home country, they came to the U.S. with very little and were in transition for months.

As we all know, on February 24, Russian forces invaded Ukraine, launching land, sea and air attacks. As a result, The UN estimates that 12 million people inside Ukraine will need relief and protection, while more than 4 million Ukrainian refugees may need protection and assistance in neighboring countries in the coming months.

During Lent, Peace joined the efforts of Lutheran Social

Services of Minnesota and Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services in helping to provide basic necessities; food, clothing, medical care, and housing for Afghan and Ukrainian refugees.

On Easter Sunday, Pastor Mark announced the total of the Lenten offering on behalf of Ukrainian refugees and the resettlement of Afghan families in Minnesota. The total was \$16,072.27!

We thank you for your compassion and your generosity toward immigrants and refugees.

ELCA Thanks Peace

On May 23, 2022, Peace received a letter of thanks from the ELCA for our gift of \$8,095.00 to Lutheran Disaster Response designated for the Eastern European Crisis Response.

“I am so grateful for the care you offered for people in great need. Thousands of people will be impacted. Bless you and thank you!”

—*Pastor Mark Nelson*

VEAP Collection Continues



We have an ongoing donation box in the Narthex beside the information kiosk for collecting “most wanted items” namely shampoo, liquid hand soap, laundry detergent, toothpaste and toothbrushes, baby wipes, personal care items, and dog and cat food. These items are always in short supply at VEAP.

Items are brought to VEAP as soon as the bin is filled and they are grateful for every item they receive.

Bring your donations to Peace on Sunday morning or drop them off during the work week between 9:00am-3:00pm.

Queen Louise Home for Children 2022 Spring Mission Trip Recap

This past March 27th, 14 Peace members (five families) traveled to St. Croix and Queen Louise Home for Children to serve alongside the staff of Lutheran Social Services in the U.S. Virgin Islands. This was the sixth group of adults and youth from Peace who have volunteered their time and effort on behalf of this ministry to neglected children. The Director of the Home, Uklyn Hendricks, said that “our (good!) reputation preceded us” and we were the first church group to be allowed in since the pandemic began.

And, in spite of COVID constraints and heat, the group was very productive during our five days of work. We painted walls, curbs, and picnic tables, restored fencing, reinstalled a barrier, and built pallet gardens in two children’s playgrounds.

Our thanks to Sue Larson and Andrea Larson; Nick, Emmy, Trevor and Ben Budz; Jason, Holly, Adam and Avery

Rich; Tom Tisthammer and Michelle Johnson; and Marcie Horner for their service and sacrifice on behalf of Queen Louise. And there is this: they were a whole lot of fun! I would go anywhere and do anything with this terrific group of people! Thanks be to God for each and every one of them and for the support of the Service and Mission Committee and the whole Peace congregation!

—Pastor Mark Nelson



Music Notes with Patti Arntz

Greetings! It is such a pleasure to be a part of the Peace Lutheran Church community. Music is so vital to church life and I am grateful for all who participate, whether in the congregation, in the choir, in Sunday School and also for our fabulous organist, Bruce Hudson.

The Sunday School Singers were busy making music this spring. They sang for Palm Sunday and on Mother's Day. Their energy is amazing and I look forward to singing with them again in the fall. Check out the flyer in the narthex about the upcoming "Voice Academy" to be held at Peace for ages 6-14. Please contact me if you would like more information.

You might have noticed that we brought the handbells out of the closet for Easter. We hope to include handbells in our services starting in the fall. Be sure to reach out to me if you are interested in playing!

The Peace Choir has been rehearsing since February. Our singers faithfully join together in

song to carry the message of Jesus Christ to our congregation. On May 22, we had a Peace Choir Sing-a-long after church followed by a brunch. We previewed some of the anthems the Peace Choir will be singing this summer and worked on the National Anthem for the upcoming Twins game. We were 20 voices strong and are always looking for more singers to join us, on Sundays, for the Twins, or BOTH!!

—Patti Arntz, Director of Music

Email me at
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Fall Music at Peace

Plans are in the works for the choir, handbells and a children's choir for the fall of 2022. Look for more information later in the summer.

All are welcome to make music with us this summer and next fall. Questions? Please contact Patti Arntz.

Peace Lutheran Choir Sings the National Anthem for the Twins, 1:10pm



On Sunday, July 17th, the Peace Choir plus friends will be on the field to sing the National Anthem for the Minnesota Twins as they battle the Chicago White Sox. Tickets to come and support us on can be purchased in the Peace Church Office. The cost is \$27/ticket; there is no limit to how many you can buy. We will be sitting together on the top level with a home plate view (section 313). All tickets must be purchased by June 22, 2022.

If you are interested in joining us to sing the National Anthem and have not already signed up, please contact the church office.

Upcoming rehearsals:

- Sunday, June 5, 10:45-11:15am
- Sunday, June 29, 10:45-11:15am
- Saturday, July 16, 10:00-11:00am (mandatory)

We hope you can join us either on the field to sing or in the stands to watch the game!

Summer Fellowship

For Everyone

Date/Time	Event	Description
Thursdays, 6:30pm	Pickleball	Join us at Westwood Park (3416 West 108th Street) every Thursday this summer for pickleball! All skill levels welcome!
Thursday, June 16, 12:45pm	"Girls in the Band" Performance	We'll head out for a matinee performance at the Bloomington Center for the Arts. Girls in the Band is an original jazz production about the history of women in jazz. Tickets are \$22/seniors; \$30 for adults. Sign up at the information kiosk.
Sunday, July 10, 1:00pm	Peace in the Park	We'll gather at Reynolds Park (7201 West 83rd Street) to spend time outdoors catching up!
Wednesday, July 13, 6:00pm	BBQ and Trivia Night at Peace	Join us for a barbeque at Peace followed by trivia night! Peace will supply the entrée. Last names beginning with the letters below, please bring: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A-H—chips or an appetizer • I-P—dessert • Q-Z—salad or a side dish
Sunday, July 17, 1:10pm	Minnesota Twins Game	Take me out to the ball game! Peace has seats reserved in section 313 at Target Field to watch the Minnesota Twins play the Chicago White Sox. The Peace Choir will be singing the national anthem before the game! Tickets are \$27 and need to be ordered by June 22. See the Friday e-note or Sunday bulletin for the ticket order form.

For 20 & 30 Somethings

Date/Time	Event	Description
Wednesday, June 1, 6:30pm	Trivia Night	20 & 30 Somethings, join us at Wooden Hill Brewing Company (7421 Bush Lake Rd, Edina) for Trivia Night! RSVP to Pastor Joe.
Sunday, July 10, 4:00pm	Happy Hour	Join us as we gather for conversation and laughs while we check out the brews at Unmapped Brewing (14625 Excelsior Blvd, Minnetonka). RSVP to Pastor Joe.
Thursday, August 18, 7:00pm	St. Paul Saints Game	We'll meet at CHS Field to watch the St. Paul Saints take on the Scranton Wilkes-Barre RailRiders. Tickets are free, but there is a limited quantity. Please RSVP to Pastor Joe.

Summer Fellowship, continued

For Families and Young Children

Date/Time	Event	Description
Sunday, June 12, 10:45-11:15am	Parents of Littles Gathering	Parents of children under the age of 3, we invite you to a special time of fellowship! Bring your babies and littles to Peace's lower level. We'll tour the classrooms, spend time in the nursery, have a short story with Cheerios, play a little, and sing a little! Sign up at the information kiosk or on Sign Up Genius.
Monday-Thursday, June 20-23, 9:00am-12:00pm	Vacation Bible School	This "Monumental" week of VBS will be held in partnership with Community of the Cross Lutheran Church (10701 Bloomington Ferry Road). Please visit Peace's website for sign up information.
Wednesday, June 22, 6:30pm	Magic and Cookies!	Families, come to Community of the Cross Lutheran Church (10701 Bloomington Ferry Road, Bloomington) for a VBS mid-week gathering! Tony Ducklow will present his magic show, "Duck, Duck, Magic" at 6:30pm. Following the show there will be cookies and lemonade. No need to RSVP—all are welcome!
Friday, July 29-Sunday, July 31	Camp Wapogasset Seeds Weekend	Overnight camp for children completing grades 1-3.
Friday, August 12-Sunday, August 14	Family Camp	Families with children and youth of all ages will head to Camp Wapogasset for a weekend of family camp.
Sunday, August 21, 2:00pm	Family Mini-Golf and Ice Cream	Come to The Links at Dred Scott for a fun afternoon! Try to keep your ball out of the nine water hazards! The cost is \$10/adults; \$8/children under age 12 (cash or check). After golfing, we'll walk over to Scoops to cool off with a scoop or two (families pay for golf and their individual treats). RSVP at the information kiosk.
Sunday, August 28, 10:45am	Sunday School Mixer	Families with children age 4 and younger, come try out a Sunday School lesson. You'll see your classroom, have a mini-lesson, hear a Bible story, and sing a little—just like we do on Sundays during the school year. RSVP at the information kiosk.

Summer Fellowship, continued

For Youth (Middle and High School Youth)

Date/Time	Event	Description
Monday, June 13, 2:00pm	Disc Golf Outing	Join us at Hyland Hills Chalet for 18-holes of fun disc golf! The cost is \$6/person. Please sign up at the information kiosk or send Pastor Joe an email..
Monday, July 11, 2:00pm	Mini-Golf and Ice Cream	Come to The Links at Dred Scott for a fun afternoon! Try to keep your ball out of the nine water hazards! The cost is \$10 (cash or check). After golfing, we'll walk over to Scoops to cool off with a scoop or two (individuals pay for their own golf and treats). RSVP at the information kiosk or send Pastor Joe an email..
Saturday, July 23-Friday, July 29	Youth Mission Trip to Serve in Chicago	Peace's Middle and High School Youth will be heading to Chicago to serve at various sites and explore the city together.
Monday, August 1- Friday, August 5	Camp Wapogasset Youth Camp	For youth completing grades 4-8.
Thursday, August 18, afternoon (time to be announced)	Catch a Summer Flick	We'll meet to take in a summer blockbuster movie! Movie, theater location, and time to be announced, but definitely save the date for this one!

For more details and specific sign up information, check the Thursday CYF Blast, Friday e-Note, Sunday bulletin, website or information kiosk.

An Interview with Your New Council Members

On Sunday, May 1 we installed newly elected Church Council members, Jason Rich, Kara Stender, and Adam Tschida. Read on to get to know each of them a little better.

What is one of your favorite things about Peace?

Jason Rich: One of the aspects I really appreciate about Peace is how open and welcoming the congregation is. We have an environment where it's incredibly easy, natural even, to start up a conversation with one of our members, even those you may not know well.

Kara Stender: I love that everyone is so friendly. I have made some wonderful lifelong friends since joining this church.

Adam Tschida: I really appreciate how Peace has made my family feel like part of the church's family. From the first service Angela and I attended many years ago, it seemed like such a natural fit. We very quickly developed a sense of belonging. That has carried through with our two kids, Addison and Wyatt - they have a place in the church. It is a great comfort to be part of something good and I think that is what continues to pull me towards Peace.

What would you tell a prospective visitor or member about Peace?

JR: It's a community where you can step away from the distractions and negativity we often encounter in

daily life, and reconnect with something bigger and share that connection with some incredible people.

KS: Peace is a warm and welcoming environment to worship for all. It is also a wonderful community to help us teach our children about God's love.

AT: Peace is an accepting congregation that values fellowship, service, and families. If you are looking for a super-church where you can be a face in the crowd, keep looking. Our sanctuary seats a couple hundred, the pastor gives a fantastic sermon, and the coffee is pretty darn good. Services are Sundays at 9:30 - see you there.

How have you grown as a result of being a member of Peace?

JR: Being involved with Peace has helped me grow as a parent. Having the opportunity to connect with my kids through their confirmation education has provided a terrific vehicle to better understand their point of view on faith, and how we can shape that faith experience together.

KS: For the past several years I have been a Sunday School teacher. This has allowed me to grow my religious knowledge and my own faith and to strengthen my relationships with our youth.

AT: My wife and I were both hired as police officers right out of



Jason Rich



Kara Stender



Adam Tschida

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college. Early in our career, we did not belong to a church. We spent a lot of our time at work dealing with some of the very worst parts of society. It became difficult for us to see good things in our community because we were exposed to so much of the bad. When we started going to Peace, we were surrounded by good people doing good things. It shifted our perspective and was a defining moment for both of us.

If Peace were an animal, what kind of animal would it be?

JR: An owl, as it represents patience and wisdom.

KS: Peace is like a butterfly. To me butterflies symbolize transformation. My faith has transformed since joining Peace.

AT: A honey bee. Peace is small, community is very important, and the church's hard work produces sweet results.

What is one of your favorite hymns or piece of church music?

JR: *"Ode to Joy"* - this has to be one of the most uplifting pieces of music, ever.

KS: *"Silent Night"*

AT: *"Here I am Lord"*

What is your favorite donut?

JR: Some days, an apple fritter, others anything with chocolate!

KS: Blueberry old fashioned.

AT: My favorite donut is the last bite of whatever my kids leave on their napkin when they run downstairs for Sunday school!

—*Daina Sivanich*

Did You Know...

Did you know...that there is a first aid kit in the kitchen above the handwashing sink? There also is one in the staff office and in the orange classroom in the lower level.

Did you know...that Peace has an AED device. It's hung on the hallway wall near the front meeting rooms and the Peace staff are regularly trained how to use it.

Did you know...that the Peace nursery has resumed? We are grateful to Bianca Gehant who will be in the nursery Sunday's, 9:15-10:45am taking care of children under the age of 5. We'll ask you to sign your child in and out. Pagers are available should we need to reach you during worship.

Did you know...that Scott Moe was elected President of the Church Council for 2022/2023? Connor Myhre will serve as Vice President, Gayle Haugen, Treasurer; and Mark Pladson as Secretary. Please congratulate them on their roles serving Peace.

Church Life

Births

- **Fritz Allen Rezac Crunstedt** born on August 20, 2021 to Keith Vernon Rezac and Ashley Joy Crunstedt. Fritz is also welcomed by Bob and Colleen Crunstedt.
- **Kaibigan Hawkins del Rosario Thomson** born on February 20, 2022 to Jimmy Thomson and Arielle del Rosario. Kai is also welcomed by grandparents, Jim and Lori Thomson and aunt, Emma Thomson.
- **Ally Mae Rogers** born on February 22, 2022 to Logan and Kari Rogers. Ally is also welcomed by siblings Asher, Ayla, and Anja and grandmother, Beth Maland.
- **Ingrid Alida Hanson** born on March 22, 2022 to Tyler Moe-Slepica and Laura Hanson. Ingrid is also welcomed by sister, Solveig and grandparents, Marc Hanson and Leslie Pratt.
- **Thomas James Platt** born on April 24, 2022 to Erik and Katie Platt. Also welcoming Thomas are grandparents, Jim and Anita Platt.
- **Wesley Fritz Wallace** born on May 12, 2022 to David and Jennifer Wallace. Also welcoming Wesley is grandmother, Linda Wallace.

Baptisms

- **Sylvia Hastings Garborg** baptized on May 1, 2022. Sylvia is the daughter of Sean and Maggie Garborg. Sylvia's sponsors are Douglas and Marianne McDonald.
- **Ally Mae Rogers** baptized on May 1, 2022. Ally is the daughter of Logan and Kari Rogers. Ally's sponsors are Micah and Sophie Maland.
- **Isla Elisabeth Winkelman** baptized on May 15, 2022. Isla is the daughter of Trevor and Ashley Winkelman. Isla's sponsors are Tyler Winkelman and Austin Younger.
- **Lila Fay Cross** baptized on May 21, 2022. Lila is the daughter of Spencer Cross and Kristina Cotter Cross. Lila's sponsors are Andrew Cross and Katelyn Cotter.

Grieving

- **Sam and Emily Sidhom** upon the death of Emily's grandmother, Millie Shonts.
- **Scott and Carrie Moe** upon the death of Carrie's mother, Marleen Degernes.
- **Bob and Colleen Petroff** upon the death of Colleen's mother, Patricia Putnam.
- **The Cahoon family** on the death of Peggy Cahoon.
- **Mark Jacobson and Jill Conda** on the death of Jill's father, John Conda.
- **Evan Hansen** on the death of his father, Howard Hansen.
- **Steve and Sue Larson** upon the death of their son, Brad Larson.
- **Morli McNally** upon the death of her husband, Bill McNally.

In Memoriam

Peggy Cahoon

November 8, 1925-
May 2, 2022



Peggy Katherine Cahoon was the first of seven children born to Claudius and Laura Layng

Billman in Bruno, MN.

Peggy married Kenneth Cahoon in 1947; three years later, their only child, Jane was born. In 1954, Peggy returned to teaching and her undergraduate studies, graduating in 1960 with a degree in elementary education from UMD, Duluth. Peggy received her Masters in Elementary Education in 1968 and served as Principal of elementary schools in Sandstone and Hinckley.

In 1998, Peggy and Ken moved to Friendship Village. In addition to playing the piano and organ at services, Peggy served as Council President and chaired the Health Committee.

Peggy loved music and had an insatiable desire to expand her horizons—culinary, travel, books, politics, etc.

Peggy and Ken enjoyed travel, spending time on the lake, and hosting family get togethers.

Theirs was a true partnership filled with mutual respect, shared faith, tenderness, and laughter.

Peggy was preceded in death by Ken. She is survived by daughter Jane McNaught, granddaughter Heather Gilpin and her husband Brian Gilpin, two great grandchildren, siblings Gary Billman and Mary Nault.

Peggy will be greatly missed by the countless people whose lives she touched.

Bill McNally

January 5, 1947-May 14,
2022



William Donald McNally died on May 14 from Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease.

After graduating from Chokio High School, Bill attended the College of St. Thomas and joined the Air Force after graduation. Bill married Connie Gleason in 1969, with whom he had three sons. He remained by Connie's side until her death in April 2001. Bill found a second love in life and married Morli Weldon in March 2002, with whom he shared 20 years. Bill lived a life

of service: 26 years in the US Air Force and 133rd Airlift Wing of the Minnesota Air National Guard; work in disaster services and emergency response with American Red Cross, MN Homeland Security & Emergency Management, and FEMA.

In retirement, Bill was active in church and volunteer activities. Bill delighted in playing cards and cribbage with children/grandchildren and his weekly cribbage partner. He loved old-time radio shows, astronomy, history, pickleball, and the arts. Bill was a dedicated husband, father, grandfather, brother, cousin, colleague and friend.

Bill was preceded in death by parents Joseph "Bud" and Joan McNally and wife Connie McNally. Survived by loving wife Morli, sons Shaun (Brandy), Ryan (Sarah), and Liam (Devee) McNally; step-children Jess (Tammy) Berge, Kara (Rob) Tyler, and Jared (Heather) Berge; siblings Dan McNally and Kay (Chuck) Grossman; and many adoring grandchildren.

Bill's huge heart left the greatest mark on us all.

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Thank you for your faithful support of Peace!

—Lori Thomson

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Devotion: *Rest for All*

You know this commandment: *“Six days you shall do your work, but on the seventh day you shall rest...(Exodus 23:12).”* But do you know the one that precedes it? *“For six years you shall sow your land and gather in its yield; but the seventh you shall let it rest.....(23:10-11).”* God commands rest and renewal for *both* us and the land!

We get the importance of rest for ourselves. After another school year along with a long winter and lengthy pandemic, it's life-giving to pause and give rest to our bodies and to remember whose we are—we belong to God, the maker of heaven and earth.

But do we remember the importance of the land? If not, we are being tapped on the shoulder often these days with regular news of the earth's distress: weather warming up and water levels going down; air getting dirtier and land that can't withstand the mistreatment. However you look at what is going on around us, I think it's fair to say that we are tempted to think of the land as something lifeless.

But according to Moses, God sees things differently. The trees clean the air for us to breathe and the land gives us water to drink. God has given them a place and they have their own God-given duties to perform, if only we will let them.

Yes, when the Sabbath comes, it comes for all God's creatures, calling us humans to recognize that we cannot separate ourselves from all of God's gifts, including the one we're living on and the one God sent His Son to renew.

It's summer. If you're able, take a walk and just look around you. Jesus did you know. *“Look! The birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly father feeds them.”* The birds, the air, the fields—siblings to us all. St. Francis knew. *“Brother Sun. Sister Moon”* he called them. All of us—*together—part of the family of God.*

—Pastor Mark Nelson



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Growing a community that
nurtures a deeper relationship
with Jesus Christ.

We have many fellowship opportunities planned throughout the summer! There's something for everyone!

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