

Tidings of Peace

November 2017 Newsletter of

Peace Lutheran Church, Deshler, Nebraska

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"Give thanks, with a grateful heart"

At Peace Lutheran Church, we are blessed.

The greatest joy is noticing each small blessing – and giving thanks. This season, bring your family and join us for a time of thanksgiving. Rediscover the contentment that only comes through a grateful heart.

Come really experience the season this year.

"...in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."

~ 1 Thess. 5:18

November Highlights...

**Beginning
SUN. NOV. 5
&
WED. NOV. 8**

Children's Christmas Program

Practice

See the full schedule for the different grades/ages on page 8. If your child wants to participate in the program on Sunday, December 10, they need to make every effort to be at all the practices.



**WED.
NOV. 8**

Operation Christmas Child Box Assembly/6:00-7:00 PM

Each Sunday School child is invited to fill one or more shoe boxes to be sent to a child in another country. Anyone wanting to help with set-up for packing the boxes please come to the Fellowship Hall on Nov. 8 at 2:30 p.m. It costs \$7/box shipping, as well as donations to cover the items purchased, so if you'd like to make a monetary donation, please put it in the offering plate marked with OCC and it will get where it needs to go. Dedication of the boxes will be on Sunday, November 12. Without your generous donations and prayers this project wouldn't be possible. God Bless!!!

**SUNDAY
NOV. 19**

Congregational Meeting

- **11:00 A.M.** Annual Elections Meeting. *The ballot was not finished in time for the newsletter, but sample ballots will be in your mailboxes and available at the church prior to election Sunday.*

**WED.
NOV. 22
THURS.
NOV. 23**

Thanksgiving Worship Services

- **7:00 PM** Wednesday Evening

- **10:00 AM** Thanksgiving Day



14th Annual Thanksgiving Day Feast -12:00 Noon

Join friends at a meal in the Peace Lutheran Parish Hall on Thanksgiving Day, Nov.23. Details are on page 3.

Worship, Education & Stewardship from October 2017



Worship Attendance (Compared to 2016)

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| Oct. 1 | 144 + 3 = 147 | 115 |
| Oct. 8 | 122 + 4 = 126 | 162 + 6 = 168 |
| Oct. 15 | 138 + 9 = 147 | 138 |
| Oct. 22 | 136 + 18 = 154 | 167 |

Stewardship - Oct. Mission Share to Lutheran Family Services

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|---------|-----------|--|
| Oct. 1 | \$4468.66 | (+\$35 Missions / +\$200 OCC / +\$120 Bldg. Fund) |
| Oct. 8 | \$3886.40 | (+\$20 Missions/ +\$200 Hurricane) |
| Oct. 15 | \$3673.75 | (+\$1263 Missions / +\$200 OCC / +\$100 Bldg. Fund /+ \$105 OCC Shipping / +\$290 Hurricane) |
| Oct. 22 | \$1986.13 | (+\$120 Hurricane /+ \$75 Mission) |

TREASURER'S BALANCE
9-30-17: -\$13, 154.46

Education

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|---------|----|---------|
| Oct. 1 | 58 | \$84.43 |
| Oct. 8 | 45 | \$51.00 |
| Oct. 15 | 44 | \$55.75 |
| Oct. 22 | 44 | \$31.50 |

Address Changes...

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|----------------|------------------|
| Kinzy Mohrmann | Hailey Gehle |
| 113 State Ave | 202 E Pearl Ave |
| Ames IA 50014 | PO Box 234 |
| | Deshler NE 68340 |

November Offering Designations:

September thru November Sunday School:

Operation Christmas Child

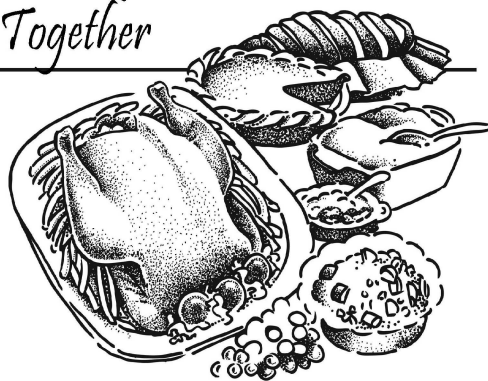
Congregational Mission Offering for November:

*Lutheran World Relief - plus our monthly support
to our missionary, Lindsey Mueller*

**Thanksgiving Eve & Day Offering will be designated
at the November Church Council meeting.**

THANKSGIVING FEAST...

*We Gather
Together*



It's been 14 years since Peace Lutheran Church hosted their 1st Thanksgiving Day dinner for those who don't have plans for the holiday and would enjoy the fellowship and joy that comes from dining with friends and family in a festive setting. Many people in our community, and even surrounding communities, have expressed their gratitude and heartfelt thanks for this opportunity to share in a Thanksgiving Day meal with others.

Special thanks to Arlis Hohl who agreed to cook the turkey and help us coordinate the dinner again this year. If you know at this time that you'd like to come, please RSVP to the church office at #402-365-7746, or sign-up on the sheet that will be forthcoming on the church bulletin board. If you'd be able to help with potatoes, stuffing, salad, dessert, vegetables, or rolls please indicate that when you sign-up or call. RSVP is appreciated, but not required. We need volunteers for set-up, decorating and clean-up, so please consider calling the church office and offering a little help with that. *We are blessed to be a blessing.....to one another!!!*

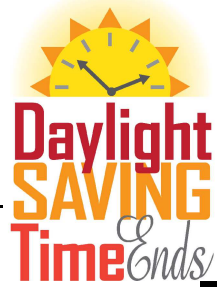
THANK YOU RECEIVED...

Dear Peace Lutheran Church,

Russ and I just want to thank everyone for making my 98th birthday so special on October 1st when I was able to attend services at Peace. People were so kind and it was so good to see so many familiar faces again. And thank you so much to the Worship Team for the nice song, "Give Me Jesus". Both my son and I were touched with emotion and gratitude for our Peace family and our Lord and Savior. Each day in itself is a gift.....and you certainly made my birthday a gift to cherish.

~ Lucille Hofts

November Worship Schedule..



WORSHIP TIMES

6:30 PM Saturday

10:00 AM Sunday

*Sunday School for All
Classes begin*

@ 9:00 AM

*Nursery-Grade 8
Program Practice
begins November 5 at
8:45 AM*

Thanks
be to God
for his
incredible
gift!
2 Corinthians 9:15

November 5 - All Saints Sunday

Sermon: "This is My Body: This is My Blood!"
Luke 22:14-22

Holy Communion & First Communion for 5th graders

Remembrance of Members: Nov. 2016- Nov. 2017

Daylight Savings Time Ends Saturday - Fall back 1 hour

November 12 - Pentecost 23

Sermon: "Ready or Not, Here I Come" Matthew 25:1-13

Peace Choir Sings

Dedication of Operation Christmas Child Boxes w/

Free Will Offering to help defray postage for OCC

November 19 - Pentecost 24

Sermon: "Sealed with a Promise! Ephesians 1:7-18

Holy Communion

Dedication of LWR projects - Thank-offering Sunday w/

Free Will Offering to help defray postage for LWR

Congregational Elections following worship



November 23 - Thanksgiving Eve

November 24 - Thanksgiving Day

November 26 - Christ the King Sunday

Sermon: "Sheep or Goat? Heaven or Hell?"

Matthew 25:31-46

Holy Communion

Thanks Be to God for the Confirmands of 2017

On Reformation Sunday, October 29, we gathered together for this celebration of the Affirmation of Faith of five young members of our congregation. We pray that our church and their lives may always be open to the movement of the Holy Spirit. Confirmed in Christ were:

Meghan Marie Brandt, daughter of Nate and Karina Brandt

Mariah Ann Motto, daughter of Manuel and Michelle Motto

Autumn Nichole Reinke, daughter of Amy and John Flint and Brad Reinke

Dylan Richard Reinke, son of Stuart and Diana Reinke

Trinity Ann Schardt, daughter of Brendan and Michelle Schardt



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Peace Happenings...



Happy November Birthday to...

Happy Special Birthday to Marilyn Cook who will be 80 on November 14, Al Effenbeck who will be 80 on November 28, and Darlene Hess who will be 85 on November 29. Have a blessed birthday!! Please let Marla know if a birthday/anniversary date is incorrect or missing. It helps insure that the church records are accurate. Thanks!!

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| Nov. 1 | Doyle Horwart II | Nov. 10 | Eric Isernhagen | Nov. 22 | Jim Pederson |
| | Tait Robinson | Nov. 11 | Norma Hillman | Nov. 23 | Tiffany Nutsch |
| Nov. 4 | George Kruse | | Joan Prokop | Nov. 24 | Lorena Pohlmann |
| | Linda Fangmeyer | Nov. 12 | Braeden Fayle | Nov. 25 | Pat Wharton |
| | Cody Cahill | Nov. 13 | Mason O'Neal | Nov. 28 | Helen Lunzmann |
| Nov. 5 | Kate Bolivar | Nov. 14 | Marilyn Cook | | Alfred Effenbeck |
| Nov. 6 | Britany Renz | Nov. 15 | Taneal Robinson | Nov. 29 | Darlene Hess |
| | Ashley Taylor | Nov. 15 | Bob Fayle | | Miranda Isernhagen |
| Nov. 9 | Jennifer Reinke | Nov. 17 | Emily Salvo | | Merlin Degner |
| | Misty Shaw | Nov. 18 | Paiton Nash | Nov. 30 | JoAnn Fangmeyer |
| Nov. 10 | Rio Mohrmann | Nov. 19 | Amanda Schultz | | |
| | Trevor Meyer | | Yvonne Hoops | | |
| | Melissa Weber | | | | |

(Special note will be made of these birthday milestones - 75, 80, 85, 90 and over.)



Those celebrating NOVEMBER Anniversaries...

Happy 65th Anniversary to LeRoy and Earlene Othling on November 12 and Happy 45th Anniversary to LeRoy and Linda Fangmeyer on November 18!!!! God's blessings!!

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|---------------|---------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|
| Nov. 1, 1986 | Luke & Rose Johnson | Nov. 16, 1985 | Monte & Rita Gehle |
| Nov. 5, 2016 | Raegan & Sean Bartholomew | Nov. 18, 1972 | LeRoy & Linda Fangmeyer |
| Nov. 6, 1971 | Howard & Marlys Reinke | Nov. 22, 1997 | Nate & Karina Brandt |
| Nov. 7, 1980 | Bill & Becky Mize | Nov. 24, 1960 | Richard & Jeanette Mohrmann |
| Nov. 12, 1952 | LeRoy & Earlene Othling | Nov. 24, 2012 | Joshua & Jerra Gumaer |
| Nov. 12, 2016 | Danielle & Jacob Cathey | Nov. 27, 1983 | Wayne & Cindy Mueller |

Welcomed into the Family of God, on Saturday, October 21, 2016, through the sacrament of Holy Baptism, was Markayla Noel Mason, infant daughter of Zach and Megan (Pohlmann) Mason of Colony, Kansas. Markayla was born on August 17, 2017 at Chanute, Kansas. Her sponsors were Jared Pohlmann and Eli Brillhart.

Congratulations and God's Blessings to...

...James Krotz and Haileigh Lakin who were united in marriage on Saturday, October 21, 2017, at Bloomington, Indiana.
 ...Terri Olsen and Randy Williams who were united in marriage on 10-10-17 at the Excalibur Chapel in Las Vegas, Nevada.



AA weekly meeting...

The Davenport Hope Group holds an open AA meeting every Tuesday night at 8:00 p.m. in the Davenport Methodist Church basement, located at 307 N. Maple Ave., Davenport NE.

Sunday School Perfect Attendance for September

| <u>PRE K-KIND.</u> | <u>1ST & 2ND</u> | <u>3RD & 4TH</u> | <u>6TH, 7TH, & 8TH</u> |
|--------------------|--|--|---|
| Jaden Beam | Jackson Beam | Danessa Buckles | Gavin Fangmeyer |
| Drew Buckles | Sadie Isernhagen | Danica Buckles | Colton Isernhagen |
| Beckett Fangmeyer | | Chloe Fangmeyer | Jayden Isernhagen |
| Kendra Hart | | Danica O'Neal | Tiana Schaf |
| Clate Isernhagen | | Tasia Schardt | Tierra Schardt |

Winter Weather Closing Policy

Because of the high priority we place on gathering for worship and ministry activities each week, Peace Lutheran Church has rarely closed due to hazardous weather. However, if we do have a heavy snowfall, ice, or other severe winter weather conditions, we observe the following practices:



For Peace Lutheran Weather Closings:

Peace Lutheran Church Office
(announcement on answering
machine)-(402) 365-7746

On the air:

KOLN/KGIN TV, Lincoln -
Grand Island

KSNB TV, Hastings

KUTT – 99.5 Fairbury

KRFS - 103.9 Superior

KREP – 92.1 Belleville, KS

On the Peace Website:

www.peacedeshler.info

- **On Weekdays:** If the Deshler Schools either cancel classes or dismiss early for inclement weather, then all daytime, afternoon and evening activities at Peace Lutheran Church will be cancelled, too. The office may be opened if it is safe for staff to venture out. Exception: If there is a funeral on the day of a weather closing day, any decisions about postponement will be made in consultation with the church office, family, and the funeral home. The answering machine will carry any announcements concerning closing, and notices will be posted on the Peace Lutheran website and on TV stations listed on this page.

For any cancellations related to Peace Preschool: Parents of students are advised to consult their handbook for the standing policies related to weather closings.

- **On Weekends and Church Holidays:** If there is a winter storm warning or other hazardous weather on these days, any schedule changes will be determined by the Pastor and Council President by 7 AM on Sundays and announced as soon as possible on the church answering machine, website and TV stations listed on this page. It may not be possible to get announcements to all media about Saturday evening changes, but if a Saturday evening service is cancelled we will at least try to put an announcement on the Peace answering machine.

Reminder: Local weather and driving conditions can vary widely throughout the towns and countryside served by Peace Lutheran Church. Regardless of where you live, please make good, safe decisions about traveling to church in winter weather. Let common sense and safety be your guide. Even if services continue for those who can make it, others may find it safer to stay off the roads and worship at home when severe storms are in progress.

Adopted: March 10, 2015

Children's Christmas Program Rehearsal Schedule:

Our program for this year "*Manger Tales*" is scheduled for Sunday, December 10, during the 10:00 worship hour. Thank you Connie Eitzmann and Cindy Mueller for once again volunteering to direct the children!!

SUNDAYS

EVERY SUNDAY BEGINNING

NOVEMBER 5 ...8:45 - 9:15 AM Grades 1-8 practice (Please be prompt)

SUNDAY, DEC. 10 ...8:30 - 9:45 AM All Grades Dress Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

...10:00 AM Christmas Program

...11:00 AM Traveling Program to PVH w/soup & sandwiches following

...1:00 PM Congregational & Youth Caroling Party

WEDNESDAYS

WED. NOV. 8 & 15 ...4:00 - 5:00 PM 7 & 8 Grade Practice

...5:00 - 6:00 PM 6th Grade Practice

WED. NOV. 22 ...NO Practice, NO PACE

WED. NOV. 29 & DEC 6 ...3:45 - 5:45 PM 1st thru 8th grade Program Practice (*Dec. 6 Dress Rehearsal*)

The first two Wednesday rehearsals involve just the upper PACE grades 5-8. Then the last two Wednesday rehearsals will involve grades 1-8. Preschool and Kindergarten - and ALL grades - will practice the first 30 minutes of the Sunday School hour beginning in November. So it would be so beneficial, for students and directors, if you could make every effort to be on time and at Sunday School and all Wednesday practices.

If anyone has a donkey, cow, sheep or camel costume for Jr. High age that we could borrow for the program please let us know. Cindy will also post updates and last minute schedule changes on Facebook, so send her a friend request to keep updated. You may contact Cindy Mueller @ Waynemueller1@gmail.com and Connie Eitzmann @ eitzmann@superiorinet.net with any questions. If school is dismissed for inclement weather there will be no practice.

SNACKS - There will be a sign-up sheet posted for the last 2 Wednesday practices. *Please check it out!*

Women's News...

Women of the Word (WOW) Minutes – October 16, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President, Lois Nelson with 11 members present, 5 absent. Devotions were given by Julia Pohlmann on How to carve a duck vs How God carves us.

Secretary's report was read and approved. Treasurer reported a balance of \$2579.38.

Mission Action – Louisa reminded everyone of the Treat & Tie on Monday, October 30 from 4 – 9 p.m. She reported that there were 55 layettes, 184 school kits (some of which will be held back for Royals Kids Camp next year), 149 soap, plus health kits. She suggested the Board sponsored the Baby Bottle project for the Hope Pregnancy Center. It was decided to do this as a project for next year. Louisa noted that Thankoffering would be the Sunday prior to Thanksgiving.

Mission Community – The confirmation flowers were being ordered by the office.

Mission Growth – No report.

Old Business – Those attending the Women's Retreat in Hastings on September 30th in Hastings were Lois Nelson, Leah Nelson, Fairy Peters, Joan Kirchhoff, Julia Pohlmann, and Deb Folkerts. Events of that day were shared.

VOLUNTEERS are welcome to be on the Women's Board for this upcoming year (please read the re-structuring explanation in these minutes). You may contact Connie Meyer #402-365-7776 if you are interesting in serving with the women of the church in this way.

New Business – After discussion, a motion was made, seconded and approved to restructure the WOW Board. It would be a 15 member board, with a term of 3 years. To maintain continuity it would be structured to have 5 members off and 5 members on each year rather than doing an election every 2 years. New members would be asked or could volunteer to be on the Board. A motion was made, seconded and approved to reimburse Connie Meyer \$200 for fabric she had purchased for blankets. A motion was made, seconded and approved to send \$150 to the Orphan Grain Train. This money would be used to ship meals to feed approximately 5000 people in starving countries. Due to the flow problems of the upstairs coffee pot, a motion was made, seconded and approved to purchase another one. Jami O'Neil was in charge of purchasing such from Wayfair.com. It was decided to do the WOW Advent Appreciation Sunday on December 3rd with coffee and cookies.

Jami O'Neil brought up to the Board if anyone knew what had happened to the 4 missing CD players from the Sunday School rooms. She had purchased the players with the memorial money from their son, Joshua, and would like to know where they went. A motion was made, seconded and approved that the Board purchase players to replace those as they are a valuable teaching tool in the Sunday School classrooms.

The next meeting would be November 20th. The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.
Respectfully submitted, Joan Kirchhoff, Secretary



Women of Peace - Thankoffering Sunday has been set for November 19. There will be a basket in the overflow for your thankoffering donations. You can put your donation in an envelope in the basket if you'd like to keep your thankoffering boxes. Anyone is welcome to donate, as this special offering helps pay for the shipping of all the Lutheran World Relief items the women have made (checks payable to "Women of Peace"). The basket will be brought up during the offering so it works best to donate before worship or add to the basket in front immediately after church.