Peace Lutheran Church 2084 County Road N Baldwin, WI 54002

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February 2025

Tidings of Peace Newsletter

PEACE WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

- 1. In-person at 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. on Sundays
- 2. On Facebook (streamed live at 8:00 a.m. and then posted following the service)
- 3. On Cable Channel 6 at 7:00 p.m. Tuesdays and 9:00 a.m. Wednesdays
- 4. On YouTube anytime (search for Peace Lutheran Church Baldwin)

Christian Magnell, Pastor Peace Lutheran Church (a place of welcome...) Church Office 715-684-2770 welcometopeace.org office@welcometopeace.org Join us Sunday mornings!

Worship at 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School & Bible Study at 9:15 a.m.

(September to April)

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...our pastor

As I write this, we are in the midst of our Ephesians sermon series. Laura came up with the idea of having members create paintings related to the theme and verses for the week. I have been amazed at the beauty of what each person is creating.

Almost weekly we mention using "time, talents, and treasure" in service of the kingdom. This is exactly what I'm talking about. People are using both time and talent in this case to create art which expresses the Word of God. I am not artistic myself, so it is so impressive to see how our artists translate the Bible verse into a visual representation!

What about you? How can you use the talents God has given you to further His Kingdom? You may be unable to paint (like me!), but God has gifted you in a way which is needed in the church.

I'd encourage you to do two things. First, pray about how you can serve. Second, make the suggestion. Just because we're not doing something yet doesn't mean we can't! In fact, you may have an idea for reaching our community that others wouldn't have thought of. Be bold to suggest how God might be moving in our midst!

Blessings, **Pastor Chris**



BOARD of TRUSTEES December 15, 2024

Call to order: Wes called the meeting

to order at 9:18 a.m. Those attending were Wes, Chris, Scott, Cole, Jared, Cristy, and Pastor Cristian.

Secretary's Report: Minutes from the November meeting were emailed to all in attendance, hard copies were available. Jared made a motion to approve the minutes and Scott seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Cristy presented the Treasurer's report. Cristy informed us that the last couple of accounts were moved to Pillar Bank. There were no changes to the accounts but should make it easier to have them all at the same bank. Cristy was working on finalizing the information for Laura's retirement account. There was one item that needed to be clarified on the report, how was the labor for additional carpet replacement being paid for. This should be clarified by the next meeting. Cole made a motion to approve the report and Chris seconded. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- Peace Child Care Jared reported that the PCC board is looking for more board members, they would like to get some younger members that preferably have young kids to that they might have more relatable input for the program.
 - a. They are also looking at adding signage for PCC. They discussed possibly getting electronic signage. We discussed that this could be a great asset but depending on

what they are looking for could be fairly expensive.

- 2. Budget After the Council meeting last month Amy updated the schedule to reflect the update to Laura's info. We approved the reallocation to the benevolence line items while still giving the same overall percentages. Wes made a motion to accept the final version of the budget to present to council and Jared seconded. The motion carried.
- 3. New Trustee is still needed next year at the end of Dick's current term.

New Business:

- 1. Christian requested that we add a 5/10/15 vision team to the Jan. agenda.
- 2. Scott looking into options for ice machines.
 - a. Women of Peace said that they would donate funds to help purchase it.
- 3. Cole looking into alternate grab bars options for the non ADA stalls.
- 4. Wes is going to look into options for adding solar panels to the church.
 - a. We discussed that a member had brought this up and discussed different pros and cons of setting them on the roof or using green space as well as costs for the panels.

Next meeting date: January 19th @ 9:15

Next council representative: Cole

Review of books: This month: Cole and Chris / next

month: Jared and Wes.

Adjournment: Motion by Chris and seconded by Cole to adjourn at 10:18 am and we closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Cole Tobin

BOARD of TRUSTEES January 19, 2025

Call to order: Wes called the meeting to order at 9:16 a.m. Those attending were Wes, Chris, Scott, Cole, Jared, Amy, and Pastor Cristian. Cristy called in for the meeting. Secretary's Report: Minutes from the November meeting were emailed to all in attendance, hard copies were available. Chris made a motion to approve the minutes and Jared seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Cristy presented the Treasurer's report. Cristy informed us that a member is paying for the cost of the flooring replacement for PCC that we had questions about last month. Giving for the month of December was substantially higher than typical, even compared to past Decembers. Due to the large giving, the church was able to finish the year in the positive. Cole

made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report and Jared seconded. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- 4. Peace Child Care Jared reported that with the closing of other daycares enrollment has been going up at PCC and that there have been more visits scheduled. Current enrollment is close to staffing capacity without having to add more staff. PCC is looking at adding a sink to one of the classrooms downstairs so that they can have kids younger than 2 yrs old. Amy let us know that work comp went up this year and that it was \$2500 for the PCC staff alone.
- 5. New Trustee Kevin is going to take Dick's position on the board. Cristy let us all know that she would be stepping down as treasurer. Amy had talked to a couple of people about (cont.)

filling the position but no one had committed to fill the position. Wes volunteered to take over as treasurer instead of serving another term as trustee. This leaves us with one open position, there were a couple people that might be interested in joining the board. Jared discussed roles and responsibilities with Joel Afdahl before the meeting as he is one of the possible people.

- 6. 5/10/15 vision team No update.
- 7. Ice Machine We received one proposal so far but the price was too high so that it was a non-starter. We decided that we need to figure out people's needs better before we make a purchase (is water distribution needed, production capacity, storage capacity). Jared was going to talk to PCC to see what their needs were.
- **8.** Grab Bars- No update.
- 9. Solar Panels No update.

New Business:

5. Snowblower – Jared brought up that Kevin would like to get an electric snowblower. Currently we have a gas one that has to be stored in the shed. This is not very useful when they need to use it since it is across a snow filled parking lot. With an electric one, we could store it in the church so that it is more accessible for anyone to use, we don't

- have to worry about fumes, and maintenance should be less. There were three size options at Gregerson's, and the trustees recommended that we get the largest one so that we did not need to worry about having enough power to clear the length of the sidewalk in front of the church.
- 6. Simplex Calling Tree Amy brought up that John was still on the calling tree. We approved updating the calling tree with Christian, Kevin, and Wes on it.
- 7. Back-up Signer We discussed who should be the back-up signer so that Amy did not have to change the paperwork every year. We decided that if Cristy was willing to, we could keep her on the accounts as a back-up signer or our policy would be that one of the incoming trustees would be the signer so that it only needed to get changed every three years.

Next meeting date: Feb. 9th @ 9:15. Next council representative: Cole

Review of books: Next Month - Jared and Wes.

Adjournment: Motion by Chris and seconded by Jared to adjourn at 10:30 am, and we closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Cole Tobin



WOMEN of PEACE January 9, 2025

The Women of Peace met on January 9th for a Bible study on the Samaritan Woman [at the well], led by Nancy.

The business meeting started at 2:45p with the following members present: Marie I, Vi R, Nancy L, Mary Ellen B, and Bonnie B. The secretary's report was read by Bonnie. Motion to accept was made by Marie and seconded by Mary Ellen. Motion carried. The treasurer's report was read by Marie. Motion to accept was made by

Mary Ellen and seconded by Nancy. Motion carried. There was no old business.

New Business: Read correspondence [thank yous], verified that annual activity and financial reports are complete and turned into the office, reviewed the upcoming calendar for 2025, and discussed the annual audit of the financial records (must be completed by March). Will ask Shirley at the next meeting if she would be willing to do the audit. The meeting concluded with snacks and fellowship.

Respectfully submitted, Bonnie Braymen



BOARD of DEACONS January 12, 2025

Present: Jeanette and Sharon. During services today, deacons

presented a short skit regarding openings on the board and also info on what the deacons do or are responsible for. It was noted that the deacons are in need of four new members for the next year. Between services, Gary and Cheri Rott volunteered to fill the two (2) 3-year positions.

Two people are still needed for the following: one to complete a 1-year position and one for a 2-year position.

A list for the new deacons will be drafted for next meeting containing items to be aware of such as keeping track of communion supplies and whose job it is to order items, etc.; setting up for communion and clean-up 8:00 versus 10:30 services; possibly increasing the communion volunteers from 3 to 4 (in addition to the deacon) for each service; positions within the Board of Deacons (chair, secretary, council rep.); maintaining of volunteer (cont.)

lists, etc.

January council meeting is 1-21-25.

Next deacon meeting will be Sunday, February 9, at 9:15 a.m.

Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Sharon Hauschild, secretary



BOARD of EDUCATION January 13, 2025

The Board of Education held their regular meeting on January 13th. Missi will represent the BoE at the January 21st Council meeting, and Nicole will attend the February 18th meeting.

The Sunday School Director reported that the Christmas program was a success, though ensuring everyone who wanted to participate had a role was the most challenging aspect. The Sunday School Director is exploring the SOLA curriculum for next year due to its lower cost and digital download options. VBS curriculum has arrived including teaching DVDs to support teachers. The last day of Sunday School will feature a VBS activity and serve as an opportunity to advertise for the upcoming VBS, which will be held June 9-12 from 5-7 PM. 3-year-old bibles will be distributed to children on February 2nd at both services.

The Director of Sunday School and BoE will plan a Sunday School Teacher Appreciation Day in the coming months. Confirmation and Sunday School classes are progressing well, and the importance of timely communication regarding teacher absences was emphasized.

January's mission focus is the Baldwin Food Pantry followed by California Wildfire relief efforts in February. A BoE member will be assigned to create signs or advertising for each month's mission. The Pancake Breakfasts in 2024 and 2025 were deemed "unsuccessful," and strategies to improve future breakfasts include securing a Thrivent Grant, increased advertising efforts, and providing a designated break for Sunday School children to eat before singing. The Valentine's Day Dance has been canceled this year.

Nicole will assume agenda duties and be responsible for contacting Family Ministries to inquire about ongoing needs.

Respectfully submitted, Nicole McKone



CHURCH COUNCIL January 21, 2025

Call to order: Peder Parizek at 6:01 p.m.

Attendance: Peder Parizek, Ken Rimer, Brenda Cronk, Melissa McLaren, Cristy Peavey, Laura Bryngelson, Jeanette Dahl, Becky Anderosn, Pauline Wangen, Cole Tobin, and Bonnie Braymen. Missi Blegen joined via phone.

Adoption of the Agenda: Moved by Jeanette Dahl and seconded by Becky Anderson. Carried.

Next Meeting: February 18th at 6:00. Brenda

Cronk/devotions.

Secretary's Report: As printed in the newsletter. Moved by Peder Parizek and seconded by Ken Rimer. Carried. Treasurer's Report: Submitted with agenda. Moved by Jeanette Dahl and seconded by Peder Parizek. Carried. Reports: Pastor Christian Magnell - No report. Board of Trustees - Weston Arndt will become the new treasurer on the executive committee and will be leaving the Board of Trustees. Looking at getting a new snowblower. They are still working on getting a new ice machine. Updated the calling tree for the fire department. Board of Stewardship - No representative. Board of Deacons -

Two volunteers stepped up to join the board. Director of Family Ministries - February 23rd is family ski at Trollhaugen. Sign up by February 16th. February 17th is Bible study for Bad Girls of the Bible and can join in person or via Zoom on Monday evenings. February 21st is craft night. Over 55 Group will be making valentines for widows and table decorations for senior center tables. LOGOS - 2nd semester has started and have 2-3 potential new students joining. Kitchen help is needed for meal prep from 3:30-5:30 on Wednesdays. Child Care - Have several new children starting and still have openings for 2-4-year-olds. They are fully staffed and looking into TEACH scholarships for staff. Board of Education/DOSS - Looking at differences between two curriculums for next year. VBS curriculum has arrived and it will be June 9-12 from 5-7:00. Sunday School teacher appreciation is coming up. Donations for Baldwin Food Pantry this month and California Fire Relief next month. Valentine dance is canceled for this year. Worship Director - Working on a drama for Good Friday and writing Lenten services. Looking into Vespers type of worship service once a month. Women of Peace - Annual reports are done and preparing for audit of books. Youth on Fire - Fountain of Youth on Fire Coffee Shop

will be running on February 2nd. They may include a soup

fundraiser for the annual meeting. **Old Business:** None to report.

New Business: Annual meeting will be February 2nd following the 10:30 service. Remind board members to attend. Announcements on the slides prior to services are

getting missed. We talked about other options.

Adjourn: 7:16 p.m. Moved by Ken Rimer and seconded

by Jeanette Dahl. Carried. Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Brenda Cronk

FEBRUARY SCRIP ORDERS

The next deadline for ordering Scrip is Sunday, **February 2.** Orders will be ready for pick up February 9. To place an order, simply complete an order form (blank forms at the Scrip station in the narthex) and place it in an envelope along with your **cash**, **check or credit card slip**. Place your envelope in the "scrip box" in the middle office or either of the church drop boxes. If you have questions regarding the Scrip program and how easy it is to use, please contact Sharon Hauschild 715-307-2531 Thank you!

CANS - We collect aluminum cans as a fundraiser for the Building Fund. Cans can be thrown in the trailer at the north end of the farthest parking lot (**PLEASE THROW THEM IN LOOSE** – **NO BAGS**). *Please note we no longer take ink cartridges*.



Please remember the **Food Pantry**. The "Lord's Cupboard" is at the north end of the Fellowship Hall. Food may be dropped off anytime the church is open.

Gifts and Memorials

Gifts were received in in memory of Douglas Berg Norvold.



YOUTH on FIRE is a group of young adults who gather in Jesus' name and enjoy expanding their spirituality through music, prayer, fellowship, friendship, and service. YOF is open to kids in grades 8 through 12.

For information about YOF, please contact Sarah Tyler-Peterson at 715-928-0069.

COMING UP: February 2 - YOF Coffee Shop / Soup Lunch following Annual Meeting



Scan the QR code and you will be directed to the Band App, which is a social media platform similar to Facebook, only for groups!

This is a great way to stay updated on the most current YOF information.



Pauline Wangen is the Director of Family Ministries (pauline.wangen@gmail.com or 651-210-5106).



Monday Night Bible Study - Bad Girls of the Bible - February 17-April 21, Mondays, 6:30pm

In person or on zoom. This is the signature book that launched Higgs's unique brand of "girlfriend theology" now updated with a contemporary look and with study guide included. In looking at what we can learn from biblical women gone bad through her "novel approach to Bible study," Liz brings to life ancient stories and unforgettably reveals how timeless truths of the Bible apply to today's woman.

Over 55 Event - Games and Tray Favors for Seniors - Thursday, February 20, 10:00-1:00pm

Join us as we make tray favors and play games. Pauline will bring soup for lunch. Bring a side or dessert.

Piecing It Together Craft Night - Friday, February 21, 6:00-9:00pm

Do you have crafts you love to do but don't have the time or space to do it at home? Here's the answer! Bring your pictures, paper, quilting, crocheting, beads, tools, stamps, ideas, and inspiration to share! Pizza, snacks and beverages will be available for a freewill donation.

Family Skiing and Snowboarding at Trollhaugen - Sunday, February 23, 12:30pm

This is a family event, and everyone is invited to attend. The bus will leave church at 12:30 pm. (you can also drive yourself). We will ski from 2:00-6:00 pm. and the bus will leave Trollhaugen at 6:30 pm. These are group rates, so if we have less than 20 the cost will be higher. Cost: \$26.00 lift ticket, \$25 rental, donation for bus. Free beginner ski/snowboard lessons available. *Let Pauline know by February 14th if you would like lessons. Sign up and payment is due by Sunday, February 16th.*Contact Pauline at pauline.wangen@gmail.com to reserve your spot. Please put payment in the mailbox by the church office and indicate it is for skiing.

Gather 25 - Saturday, March 1st at Peace

Join us from 10:00am – 1:00pm or 5:00-8:00pm. Bring a snack to share and your own beverage. Gather25 is an unprecedented and free 25-hour global broadcast event telling the story and mission of the global Church by the global Church. Through live-streaming technology, the global Church will connect for prayer, worship, repentance and commissioning. Each continent will host a portion of the 25 hours. There will be stories told of what God is doing on each continent.

ONGOING Weekly Ministries at Peace

Rise & (Son)Shine – Join us Thursday mornings from 7-8:45am at church for exercise (7:00) and Bible study (7:45). Contact Cheri Rott for more information (cherigary@gmail.com). You can join us for one or both parts.

TOPS Club (Take Off Pounds Sensibly). Meetings are weekly on Thursdays from 5:15-6:00pm. For more information, check out www.tops.org or contact Liz Rust (erust@digitalsilk.net).

Bible Study – Saturdays at 9:00am in person or on Zoom. Contact Pauline for login.

Bible Study – Sundays at 9:00am in the lounge (across from the offices).

ANNUAL MEETING – The Annual Meeting of Peace Lutheran Church is this Sunday, February 2, starting with worship at 10:30 a.m. followed by the business portion at 11:30 a.m. Annual Reports will be available at the meeting.

* * * BULLETIN BOARD * * *

TUESDAY COMMUNITY SUPPER - First Reformed Church will be serving the TCS from 5pm - 6pm on **February 4** in the Fellowship Hall at Gethsemane. The TCS is served the first Tuesday of the month at Gethsemane Lutheran Church, 1350 Florence Street, Baldwin, Wisconsin. This is a free meal open to anyone in the community. Area churches, businesses and organizations take turns preparing and serving good nutritious food. Please join us!

NEW MEMBER CLASSES – If you are interested in becoming a member of Peace or would just like more information about us, please join us between services on **February 9 and 16** to see what we're all about. We will meet at the south end of the fellowship hall.

TACOS and BINGO – Join the Guatemala team on Saturday, **February 22**, for their famous Tacos and Bingo night. Tacos will be served at 5:00 with bingo starting at 6:00. This is a night of fun for the whole family with prizes for all ages, so come support the Guatemala Team while having lots of fun!

CONFIRMATION RETREAT – Friday, **February 28** to Sunday, March 2 at Inspiration Point in Vining, MN. <u>Sign up in the narthex by February 12</u>. Cost is \$25 per student. Adults – we need chaperones! Please think about joining us.

HOW DO I GET SOMETHING IN THE ANNOUNCEMENTS? Please have all items for the announcement slides and sheets to us by Wednesday mornings to give us enough time to get them included. Items should be sent to Pastor Christian, Laura, and Amy at announcements@welcometopeace.org. Thanks!



- 1 Brenda Cronk/Amy Roemhild/Brody Tobin
- 2 Rachel Fussy/Eva Freese
- 3 Eric Brown, Jr./Reggie Bignell
- 6 Mollie Burns
- 7 Laura Bryngelson/Clint Schumacher
- 8 Chris Grinde
- 9 Joy Ulrich/Scott Mathison
- 10 Mason Gedatus
- 11 Christopher Wangen
- 12 Craig Rasmussen/Ana Krueger/Delilah
- Graese/Nolan Graese
- 13 Stacy Goossens/Brant Peavey

- 14 Ross Roemhild/Eva Polk
- 15 Norma Wold/Carol Zevenbergen/Mitch Thompson/Ashley Walton/McKenna Newton/ Brexley Schumacher
- 16 Ken Freeman/Maddi Monicken
- 17 Keegan Ofstie
- 18 -Karter Dykhouse/Kolin Dykhouse/Izzy Stevens
- 19 Cleo Kitchner
- 21 Melissa Lunde/Brian Bergseng
- 22 Chris Corrigan/Noah Delano/Kingston Arndt
- 23 Kinsley Arndt
- 24 Wayne Miller/Carrie Weinandt/Kinslea Wallace
- 26 Dean Bergseng/Miley Smith
- 27 Alex Greenfield/Jaidyn Lardahl/Gavin Munson
- 28 Olivia Dumond/Madi Krueger/Robert Serier
- 29 Renee Dykhouse

Kenya Mission Trip in May 2025

We are asking for donations of medicines to take with us to Kenya in May. While there we will sponsor a Free Medical Clinic thanks to Peace Lutheran's monthly benevolence gift, and during that clinic we will need Tylenol, Ibprophen, muscle creams, Children's Tylenol or ibuprofen, electrolyte powder packs, Vicks vapor rub, and medical ointments. We could use vitamins as well but NO GUMMIES ACCEPTED (they are often mistaken for candy). We can use chewable vitamins and any for adult or pediatric patients. Please leave them in the box marked "KENYA" in the back of the church.

If you have any other medication you are wondering about, just contact Nancy Rowe by text at 715.531.8784 for clarification. We will collect for the next six weeks. Thanks so much for being such a blessing to our friends in Kenya. ASANTE SANA/Thank you! Nancy Rowe

Love Word Search

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

Find the hidden words.





Is PATIENT

Is KIND

Is Not JEALOUS

Does Not BRAG

Is Not ARROGANT

Does Not Act UNBECOMINGLY

Does Not Seek Its OWN

Is Not PROVOKED

Does Not Take Into Account A Wrong SUFFERED

Does Not Rejoice In UNRIGHTEOUSNESS

REJOICES With The Truth

BEARS All Things

BELIEVES All Things

HOPES All Things

ENDURES All Things

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
February 2025						
						1 9:00 Bible Study
2 8:00 Worship YOF Coffee Shop 9:15 SS/Bible Study 10:30 Worship w/Annual Meeting following Soup Lunch Scrip orders due	3 6:30 Bible Study	4 6:30 Guatemala Team	LOGOS 6:30 Confirmation 6:30 Celebration Singers 7:30 Youth Praise Band	6 7:00 Rise/Shine 5:15 TOPS	7	8 9:00 Bible Study
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