



PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Some Scattered Thoughts on Thanksgiving

During this month of Thanksgiving we are reminded by our nation, the media, and the culture at large to give thanks. But as our world grows more and more secular, we aren't often told to whom we are to give thanks.

Psalm 106:1a, however, states it quite clearly. "Praise the LORD! Oh give thanks to the LORD." The second half of the verse continues, then, by stating why we give thanks to the Lord, "For he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!" Giving thanks and praise to God is a sentiment that is repeated in some form or another quite often in the psalms and other places in Scripture. Our Lord is good. He is steadfast in his love for us. It is to him that our thanks are due because it is our Lord who has given us so much. James 1:17 affirms this. "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change."

One of the beautiful features of the Psalms of Thanksgiving (like Psalm 106) is that they not only voice our thanks to the Lord, they also voice our continuing need of God's blessing with the hope and faith that God will meet that need. Psalms of Thanksgiving are psalms of faith and hope because whatever request brought before God is based on how God has already blessed us and provided for us in the past. Philippians 4:4-6 follows this by putting both thanksgiving and request (supplication) together. "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. *Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.*"

As you seek the Lord for all that you need, remember to give thanks for what God has already blessed you with. And as you give thanks to God for what he has given you, do not be shy in praying that God would continue to bless you. Pray that God would be as faithful now as he has been in the past. The Lord wants you to come to him with your thanks *and* your requests.

Pastor Sean



✝ **Memorials** ✝

Gifts were given in memory of Lorraine Tschritter to the Parsonage Fund from Bob & Linda Tschritter and from anonymous donors; in memory of Ruth Ryckman to the Parsonage Fund from miscellaneous donations; in memory of Walter Ohlhauser in honor of his 85th Birthday to the Parsonage Fund from Holly Johnson. ✝

The Church Council, Meeting of October 11, 2017:

- Pastor Sean made six visits with Communion; officiated at the funeral of Ethan Kocher at Myer's Funeral Home Oct 6; held Youth Group/Confirmation Class Sept 20th with 10 students attending; is putting out a weekly email for the church with updates and more – sign up via the 'resources' tab on our website, or the sign-up button on Facebook .
- Bibles were given to 2nd Graders.
- 3 students will be Confirmed Sunday, Oct. 29th, and a Pot Luck reception is being planned in honor of the Confirmands after worship.
- The sprinkler system has been winterized.
- Council is looking into snow removal.
- The new Sound Board is working great.
- 3 new members are needed on the council by the end of the year.

*If you have any questions or concerns please contact a church council member....Elwin Nieuwsma, Lyle Hanson, Edgar Ohlhauser, Jon Ptacek, Erin Huber, Julie Umber, Debbie Jahner, Aaron Stuckle, and Jason Rossow. ✝

Ushers and Acolytes for Nov.

Mike Schwab	Noah Nieuwsma
Jim Zahn	Elwin Nieuwsma

Laura Hovland & Madi Ohlhauser (Please arrange to have at least one for Thanksgiving Service)

Nov. Greeter Schedule

10:45 a.m. Worship Service

Nov. 5 – Please sign up!

Nov. 12 –

Nov. 19 – The Ptacek Family

Nov. 26 –

Dec. 3 – Duane & Janice Baer



*We need **Greeters & Readers in November & December!** The signup sheet is on the table in the narthex. Please prayerfully consider serving in this way. 😊

Sunday Scripture Reader's Schedule

Nov. 5 – Mary Maier

Nov. 12 – Evelyn Petrick

Nov. 19 – Debbie Jahner

Nov. 26 –

Dec. 3 – Janice Baer

✠ **NOVEMBER WORSHIP SCHEDULE** ✠

Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 9:30 a.m.

No Adult Bible Study or Sunday School on the 26th.

Confirmation Instruction on Wednesday Nov 1, 8, & 29, 7 p.m.

Youth Group/Confirmation Instruction Nov 15, 6:30 p.m.

Nov. 5 – Worship with Communion 10:45 a.m.

Nov. 12 - Celebrate worship 10:45 a.m.

Nov. 19 – Praise! Worship with Holy Communion 10:45 a.m.

ECMA Thanksgiving Service @ United Methodist Church 7:00 p.m.

Nov. 21 – Thanksgiving Worship 7 p.m.

Nov. 26 – Celebrate Worship 10:45 a.m.

🚗 ***Need a Ride??***

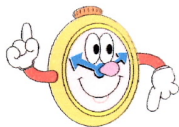
If you need a ride to church.....please call:

Elwin Nieuwsma.....254-0167



Emmons County Ministerial Thanksgiving Baskets

✠ Each year the Emmons County Ministerial Association, puts together Thanksgiving Baskets for those in Emmons County who could use a little help through the holiday season. Often included in the basket are many of the items necessary for a traditional Thanksgiving meal. Last year, enough money was raised through donations from organizations like the Salvation Army to include items like laundry detergent, toilet paper, and eggs. This year it is anticipated that even more money will be raised for the project with a matching grant of \$2500 from Modern Woodmen of America. ***If you or someone you know could use a basket like this, please let Pastor Sean (or any of the other pastors in town) know!*** The baskets will be assembled and available for pick-up on Friday, November 17th from 4-7 pm at the United Methodist Church. ✠



*It's time to "Fall Back"! Daylight Savings Time ends on
Sunday, November 5th @ 2:00 AM.*



† **Opportunities for Thanksgiving Worship** †

Nov. 19 – Community Thanksgiving Celebration **7:00 p.m.**
United Methodist Church

Nov. 21 – Peace Lutheran Thanksgiving Service **7:00 p.m.**

† The Emmons County Ministerial will be holding their **annual Thanksgiving Service/Celebration** at the United Methodist Church on Sunday, November 19th at 7 PM. Pastor Rich Cook from First Baptist Church will be speaking. †

Happy Thanksgiving!

O Infinite Father, I'm grateful to Thee
For the moon and the stars and deep rolling sea;
For beauties of nature, where e'er they may be...
For the handclasp of friends, so firm and so true;
For sunrise and sunset and glistening dew;
The fleecy white clouds and the Heavens, so blue;
For these wonderful gifts, dear Lord, I thank you!
~Gertrude T. Buckingham, "My Song of Thanksgiving"

*He who thanks but with the lips
Thanks but in part;
The full, the true Thanksgiving
Comes from the heart.
~J.A. Shedd*



*A thankful heart
is a happy heart.*



PLCW THANKOFFERING

Our annual Thank Offering Service will be held Sunday, Nov. 19th during morning worship, with the donations going to **"Lutheran Disaster Assistance – Hurricane Victims"**. We thank you for your generosity! Please use the enclosed envelope for your offering.



We received a thank you from our September "Mission of the Month", **Empowering Lives Together**. They are planning their next mission trip to Haiti in January. If anyone is interest in joining their team, their contact information is in their thank you note posted on the bulletin board in the church narthex.

In October, our "Mission" was **Youthworks** in Bismarck. As of Oct 22nd, we have taken in \$170.50 for them.

Our November "Mission" of the month is "**Great Plains Food Bank**". You will find information on this project later in this newsletter.



CARILLON "SPECIAL" MUSIC



Would you like to honor or remember someone or some event with a song played on the carillons? If so, let the church office know the date and song (if available) you would like played. It will be played on that date at 9:30 a.m. or 12:30 p.m. or 6:30 p.m. (your choice) and it will be acknowledged in the bulletin. Cost is a donation.✝

✧ Honor Someone With Chancel Flowers! ✧

The Flower Committee listed below along with the Linton Floral N' More has set up a system for members to provide flowers for Sunday worship services. For **\$30**, the Linton Floral N' More will provide 2 arrangements of flowers for the 2 vases behind the altar or a larger single arrangement for **\$25** for the top of the piano. This includes tax.

If you would like to supply flowers for a certain Sunday:

1) make sure that Sunday is not taken. 2) give your money to one of the ladies on the Flower Committee. 3) tell her the date you want. 4) let her know if it is for a special occasion. The ladies will make sure the flowers are there and the information will be listed in the bulletin on that Sunday. **We do ask that you pay the appropriate amount when making your request even if it is several weeks or months in advance.**

Flower Committee members are: Leola Dietz & Janice Baer.✝

*Thank
you*

Again, THANK YOU to all that donated, helped, and participated in every way possible in making the Harvest Festival a GIANT success. We cleared \$4,920!



Church Council

The Church Council is in need of three people for a three year term. Elwin Nieuwsma, Edgar Ohlhauser, and John Ptacek are the members going off the council in January. Please speak with anyone on the council or Pastor Sean if you will serve in this way.



Men's Bible Study meets Thursday, November 16th at 7:00 p.m.



~ PLCW News ~

- ☞ 55 health kits and 55 school kits were packed to be sent to Haiti, thanks to seven youth group members and 5 adults who packed the kits in two hours.
- ☞ The Bread Bake Sale brought in \$618.00 for the Church's General Fund.
- ☞ Since there were no bids for the quilts at Harvest Festival, it was decided to sell the quilts for a donation with a \$25.00 minimum.
- ☞ Thank offering will be Sunday November 19th. Donations will be given to Lutheran Disaster Response – Hurricane Relief.
- ☞ The Youth Group will be decorating Christmas cookies for the shut-ins at their November meeting. Ten dozen cookies are needed, a sign-up sheet will be posted in the narthex for volunteer bakers.
- ☞ A bake sale will be held after the Sunday School Christmas Program on December 10th. Proceeds going to the PLCW.
- ☞ Christmas decorating of the church will be after the service on Sunday, November 26th.

Women of Peace will meet for Bible Study at the church on **Wed., Nov. 15th at 7 p.m.**

Hostess: Violet Ohlhauser

Bible Study Leader: Janice Baer

All women of the church are welcome!



On November 26th we will be decorating the church for Christmas following our Sunday Service. We would appreciate anyone who can stay to help with the decorating!



Sunday, December 10th following the Christmas Program, we will be holding a **Christmas Bake Sale**. The PLCW Treasury has been depleted this year with the number of needs we have donated to. We still have several projects this year before our next annual fundraiser. Thank you for your donation, either by baking or purchasing.





Youth will meet Sunday, November 5th after morning worship to decorate cookies for shut-ins and others, which we will deliver in December.

On December 3 @ 6 pm – 9pm there is an event at the Bismarck Event Center called The Reason: A Family Christmas Experience. If there is interest in going please let me know as if we order tickets of 4 or more they are \$14.00. Depending on how many want to go we will possibly need drivers. The youth group will purchase the tickets for any youth going grades 7-12! If you have any questions let me know.

God Bless, *Lisa Ptacek*



SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Welcome back to fall! Sunday School is in full swing and going well. Please remember to sign up to bring snacks for Sunday School. The sign-up sheet is on the narthex bulletin board. Just a reminder, there will NOT be Sunday School on November 26th due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

We will start on Christmas music and program parts in November, and the Christmas Program will be December 10 during the church service. **Please let Lisa P or Lisa H know if you will not be there so we do not assign you a part.**

Wishing you all a Blessed Thanksgiving filled with food, family and friends,

Lisa H and Lisa P



Fun Weekly Emails!

If you have email then you know you get a lot of junk. But Pastor Sean has started putting out a weekly email that *isn't* junk. It is filled with quick hitting updates, devotional material, and links to interesting things found on the web. Sign up at <http://ndpeacelutheran.com/resources/email-sign-up/>

Thanksgiving dinners take eighteen hours to prepare. They are consumed in twelve minutes. Half-times take twelve minutes. This is not coincidence. ~Erma Bombeck

Thanksgiving Week Events

The week around Thanksgiving is a busy one! Here's the schedule:

Women's Thank-offering – during worship on Sunday, Nov. 19th.

ECMA Thanksgiving Service – Sunday, Nov. 19th @ 7:00 pm at the United Methodist Church.

Pastor Rich Cook from First Baptist will be preaching.

PLC Thanksgiving Service – Tuesday, Nov. 21st @ 7:00 pm.

Christmas Decorating – After worship on Sunday, Nov. 26th.



May your stuffing be tasty
May your turkey plump,
May your potatoes and gravy
Have nary a lump.
May your yams be delicious
And your pies take the prize,
And may your Thanksgiving dinner
Stay off your thighs!
~Grandpa Jones

The thing I'm most thankful for right now is elastic waistbands. ~Author Unknown

As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them. ~John Fitzgerald Kennedy



Looking Ahead...



*Sunday School Christmas Program will be December 10th during worship at 10:45 AM.

*There will be No Sunday School on December 17, 24, and 31.

*Sunday, December 24th - Christmas Eve Morning: **10:00 AM**

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service: **6:00 PM**

*Monday, December 25th - Christmas Day Service w/ Holy Communion: **10:00 AM**

*Sunday, December 31st – Traditional Worship w/ Holy Communion **10:00 AM**

* Worship on the 3rd, 10th, and 17th will be at 10:45 AM with Communion on the 3rd and 17th.

Peace Lutheran Church Mission of the Month, November 2017

Great Plains Food Bank

About GPFB: The Great Plains Food Bank's mission is to end hunger in North Dakota and western Minnesota through community partnerships. We are the largest hunger-relief organization in North Dakota and serve as its only food bank. Each year, we touch the lives of one in 9 individuals who seek emergency food assistance.

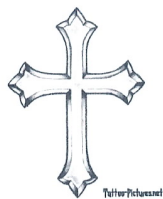


What GPFB Does: We strive to end hunger effectively and efficiently - where waste is unacceptable. This means working with a wide array of individuals and organizations on a daily basis, carefully guiding all donated surplus food and grocery products to our network of food pantries, soup kitchens, emergency shelters and other charitable feeding programs serving those who are hungry and homeless. As stewards of community support, we direct 96% of every charitable dollar received toward programs and services, ensuring food for three meals gets into the hands of those who are hungry.

How GPFB Does It: Community partners are imperative to our work in ending hunger. We work with hundreds of food industry donors and charitable feeding programs, and thousands of volunteers and financial supporters. Together we are creating hunger-free communities. Operations are based out of our 36,000 square foot statewide distribution facility and supported by a fleet of refrigerated trucks that travel half a million miles each year crisscrossing the state picking up and delivering shelf-stable and perishable food donations to those in need. Our team consists of 35 staff and more than 5,500 volunteers. We believe ending hunger is a shared responsibility, and the right thing to do. We invite you to join us.



Let us remember that, as much has been given us, much will be expected from us, and that true homage comes from the heart as well as from the lips, and shows itself in deeds. ~Theodore Roosevelt



November Baptismal Dates

Baptismal dates for **November** according to church records are:

1 – Edna Serr	16 – Bryce Weisser	24 – Erica Umber
6 – Ross Tesky	17 – Howard Garnaas	25 – Colton Grossman
7 – Kayla Hendrickson	19 – Ronald Maier	Paxton Randle
8 – Marvin Winterberg	21 – Michael Hochhalter	26 – Joy Lewis
9 – Rebecca Bosch	22 – Kelsey Larson	27 – Noah Alderin
10 – Tana Grenz	Brody Ptakec	Denise Martin
13 – Payton Rossow	23 – Ethan Bingham	Alison Randle
14 – Aaron Hoff-Wald	Sandra DeBoer	28 – Travis Plienies
15 – Mathew Masset	Brody Rindelaub	29 – Levi Roemmich
		30 – Lyle Hanson

If your baptismal date is missing and you know the date, please call the church office (254-5395) so it can be included.✝

These birthdates of our members are according to the church records. Some birthdates were not on record. If your birthdate is missed, or if there is a mistake, please inform the church office.



November birthdays are:

3 - Gracelyn Johnson	12 – Jerry Thornton	22 - Duane Ohlhauser
4 - Bailey Huber	14 - Shelby Kelsch	Gavin Ohlhauser
5 - Linda Hoff	15 - Kevin Krogstad	23 - Rico Caruso
6 - Lorraine Wagner	16 - Janice Baer	26 - Terry Hochhalter
7 - Vicki Schwab	20 - Madison Ptakec	Magdelana Masset
9 - Carmen Wessner	Jason Rossow	28 - Keith Petrick
11 - Rhonda Dockter	Jean Rudy	29 - Sarah Henkelmann
Garret Roemmich	21 - Sydney Blum	

May each of you have a very **Happy Birthday** and may we keep you in our prayers for the day of your birth, praying that you shall remain faithful followers of Jesus until He comes again!✝



Peace Lutheran Church Mission Statement

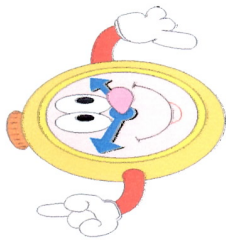
Welcome people in

Help them grow

Send them out to care

Welcome ~ Grow ~ Care












November 2017

USHERS: Mike Schwab, Jim Zahn, Noah Nieuwsma, & Elwin Nieuwsma
ACOLYTES: Laura Hovland & Madi Ohlhauser



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
The Youth will be decorating Christmas cookies after worship on Nov. 5	Nov. 19 ECMA Thanksgiving Service @ UMC 7:00 p.m.		1 All Saints' Day 2:30 p.m. PLCW Board 7:00 p.m. Confirmation Class	2	3	4
5 22nd Sunday after Pentecost Change your clocks back 9:30 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:45 a.m. Worship/Holy Communion	6 Quilting 9 a.m. 	7 Election Day	8 7:00 p.m. Church Council 7:00 p.m. Confirmation Class	9 ECMA 10 a.m.	10 Martin Luther's Birthday	11 
12 23rd Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:45 a.m. Celebrate Service	13 Quilting 9 a.m. 	14	15 6:30 p.m. Youth Group/Confirmation Class 7:00 p.m. Women of Peace	16 7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study	17 ECMA Thanksgiving Baskets at UMC 4:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.	18
19 24th Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:45 a.m. Praise Worship/Holy Communion PLCW ThankOffering	20 Quilting 9 a.m. 	21 7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Worship	22	23 	24	25 
26 Christ the King NO Sunday School or Adult Bible Study 10:45 a.m. Celebrate Worship Christmas Decorating after Worship	27 Quilting 9 a.m. 	28	29 7:00 p.m. Confirmation Class	30 Andrew, Apostle		