

## October 2021 Newsletter

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### **Message from Pastor Sean...**

The book, "Oh, The Places You'll Go" by Dr. Seuss, is a popular and fitting gift for graduates as it begins with, "Congratulations! Today is your day. You're off to Great Places! You're off and away!"

The beginning of the book is full of hype for someone who may be starting an exciting new phase in life. But Dr. Seuss also injects some reality into his book. He tells his readers that along with the good there will also be "bang-ups and hang-ups." You'll get in a "prickle-ly perch" and will be "left in a Lurch." You'll go through phases when life will be confusing and the path won't be very well laid out. "You'll start in to race... toward a most useless place. The Waiting Place..."

This, Seuss says, is a place for "people just waiting. Waiting for a train to go or a bus to come, or a plane to go or the mail to come..." People just waiting "around for a Yes or No... a pair of pants or Another Chance." But "NO!" says Seuss, "That's not for you! Somehow you'll escape all that waiting and staying."

But waiting isn't such a bad thing. Waiting is a tool of the Lord's. In fact, there are times when the Lord may force waiting upon us. Psalm 130 reflects this. "Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD! O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my plea for mercy!" (Vs. 1-2).

Clearly, the psalmist is in dire straits. He describes where he is as "the depths." This word gives the sense of being flooded and overwhelmed with waves crashing overhead. He is in a place from which he cannot escape and he knows it. He knows he needs the Lord with whom "there is steadfast love" and "plentiful redemption" (vs. 7).

So instead, the psalmist does what he must. He waits. But he doesn't wait for a "fish to bite" or for "wind to fly a kite" or for "Uncle Jake" or a "Better Break." He waits for the Lord and in the word of the Lord, he hopes (vs. 5). Only in the Lord is there hope and redemption.

Waiting periods aren't so bad. God can use them to expose our weaknesses and exhibit his strength. God can use them to slow us down and turn our eyes from ourselves to him. Waiting periods draw us into worship and prayer; towards dependence on the Dependable One.

Times of waiting may not be fun, rather they can be exhausting and painful. But know that God uses them. He claims them and turns them into good. Don't fear the Waiting Place.

In peace,  
Pastor Sean



**Daily Readings for**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<b>Oct. 1<sup>st</sup></b> Genesis 47:1-12; 50:22-26	Exodus 1:8-14; 2:1-25
<b>Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup></b> Exodus 2:23-25; 3:1-15; 4:10-17	Exodus 5:1-13	Exodus 7:14-8:15	Exodus 8:16-9:12	Exodus 9:13-10:29	Exodus 12:1-32	Exodus 13:17- 14:25
<b>Oct. 10<sup>th</sup></b> Exodus 16:1-18	Numbers 21:4-9	Deut. 5:1-22; 6:1-9	Joshua 1:1-9	Joshua 24:2-25	Judges 5:1-31	1 Samuel 1:20-2:11
<b>Oct. 17<sup>th</sup></b> 1 Samuel 3:1-21	1 Samuel 7:3-17	1 Samuel 8:1-22	1 Samuel 10:17-27	1 Samuel 12:1-25	1 Samuel 13:1-15	1 Samuel 15:1-35
<b>Oct. 24<sup>th</sup></b> 1 Samuel 16:1-13	2 Samuel 1:1-27	2 Samuel 5:1-5; 6:1-5	2 Samuel 7:1-29	2 Samuel 12:1-24	1 Kings 1:28-40	1 Kings 3:3-28
<b>Oct. 31<sup>st</sup></b> 1 Kings 5:1-5; 8:1-13						

**The Church Council, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

- Pastor’s Report: Had 2 services at Strasburg Care Center; Baptism for daughter of Brad & Ashley Praus; Helped with the walking taco fundraiser for the Youth; Having premarital classes with one couple; Confirmation classes have started.
- Property: All the latches that needed replacing in the kitchen have been replaced; spraying around the church has been done for crickets; grass has been planted under trees where there were bare spots. Discussion was had on the flashing that needs to be replaced on the south side of the building, soffit on the NW side needs to be replace or repaired.
- Stewardship: \$1,241.83 will be transferred from the Thrivent Mutual Funds Money Market account to the PLC Community Help Fund, and the money used to pay for breakfasts for Mornings At Peace and \$500 for the Ministerial Thanksgiving Baskets. There will be a letter sent with the next newsletter asking for donations in lieu of the Harvest Festival meal.
- Worship: Discussions are being had planning the Celebrate Services.
- Education: 15 kids were at MAP, next one scheduled October 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Evangelism: Delivery of care packages to the hospital was done, as well as the delivery of goodies to the local Social Services office for our appreciation of all the extra work through COVID care.
- New Business: **Council is looking for snow removal bids for the 21-22 winter season.**

\*If you have any questions or concerns please contact a church council member....Wade Huber, Denise Martin, Edgar Ohlhauser, Mark Heidrich, Lisa Hendrickson, Rachal Peterson, Heather Rossow, Terry Serr, and Lyle Wohl. ☪ 2



Please think about serving on the Church Council. Three will go off the council the end of 2021 after their 3 - year terms, and we need to be thinking about finding replacements. Many of you have talents and great ideas that would be of wonderful service to God and our church! Please consider serving or encouraging others to serve. If you are interested, please speak with Pastor Sean or one of the Council Members.



**The church is seeking bids for snow removal. If interested, please submit your bid to the church office or a church council member.**



**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.✝



If you or anyone you know would like a weekly church bulletin or a monthly newsletter mailed to them, please let the church office know.



**✝ Memorials ✝**

During September gifts were given in memory of Leslie Beck to the Mission of the Month, St Jude Children's Hospital, from Terry & Shirlene Serr.



**✝ 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 and Janice Baer.✝



**Thank you** to those who helped decorate the church for Fall!



*Thank You*...to Jean Rudy, Avis Mickelson, and Rhonda Dockter for the help in folding and stuffing the newsletters! It is very much appreciated!



Download the Tithe.ly app from the Apple or Google Play Stores or give online at [ndpeacelutheran.com](http://ndpeacelutheran.com)

**Give using Tithe.ly**

Tithe.ly makes it easy to give either with their app or by clicking the green “Give” button on our church website ([ndpeacelutheran.com](http://ndpeacelutheran.com)). You can give using your credit/debit card or you can give directly from your bank account. You can choose to give a onetime gift (“I forgot my checkbook!”) or set your gift up to be recurring (“I never want to carry my checkbook again!”) You can even designate which fund your gift will go to and leave a memo to indicate an honorarium or memorial.



We received \$6 from a **Thrivent Grant** in August.

Thank you to those who direct their Thrivent Choice \$ to our congregation!

If you’re an eligible Thrivent Financial member and have Choice Dollars® available to direct, please keep Peace Lutheran Church in mind. For more info or to direct Choice Dollars, call **800-847-4836** and say “**Thrivent Choice**” or log on to <https://www.thrivent.com/making-a-difference/living-generously/thrivent-choice/>

 **Deadline for the November Newsletter is October 20<sup>th</sup>.** 

**Please Volunteer**

Please take a moment to check the white board set up in the narthex and see which Sunday works for you to be an Usher, Reader, Greeter, or Acolyte. You can sign up for a whole month or just a Sunday. 😊

**✝ OCTOBER WORSHIP SCHEDULE ✝**

Sunday School the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, & 31<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 a.m.

No Sunday School the 24<sup>th</sup>

Adult Bible Study the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, & 31<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 a.m.

Confirmation Class Wednesday the 6<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.

Youth Group/Confirmation Class meet Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

Oct. 3 – Traditional Worship/Holy Communion 10:45 a.m.

Oct. 10 – Celebrate Worship 10:45 a.m.

Oct. 17 – Praise! Worship with Holy Communion 10:45 a.m.

Oct. 24 – Celebrate Worship 10:45 a.m.

Oct. 31 – Worship with Confirmation 10:45 a.m.

 **Need a Ride??**

If you need a ride to church.....please call:  
Elwin Nieuwsma.....254-0167

*Please remember that these schedules are dependent on where we are with the Covid Pandemic in our county. Social distancing in the Sanctuary is encouraged. If you would like to wear a mask, please do.*



**Watch Via Facebook Live!**

**Can't make it to in-person worship?** Join us live each

Sunday via Facebook from wherever you are. If you can't tune in live, you can find past recordings on Facebook simply by scrolling through our Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/peacelutheranlinton/>. Or you can visit our website at <http://ndpeacelutheran.com/> and find all the links you need there.



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## Pray Often...

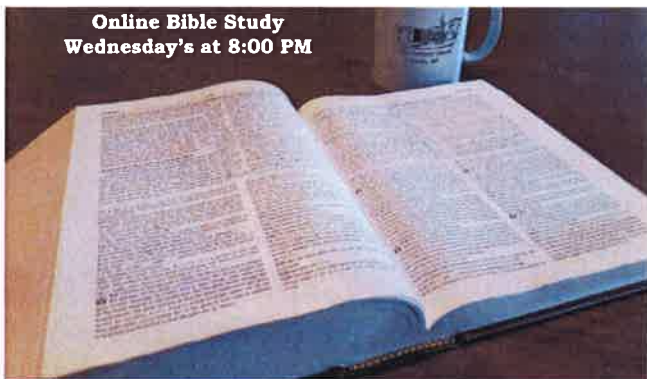
“For Prayer is  
A shield to the soul  
A sacrifice to God,  
And a scourge to Satan.”  
~John Bunyan~

**He Cares**  
**He Heals**  
**He Restores**  
**He Redeems**

\*A global pandemic does not lessen the  
power of prayer!\*



Students receiving Bibles during Worship on  
September 19<sup>th</sup> were 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders  
Elsie Barnhart, Tristan Grossman, Megan  
Ohlhauser, Jacob Rossow, Ella Vetter;  
and 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders  
Colton Grossman and Teagen Vander Wal



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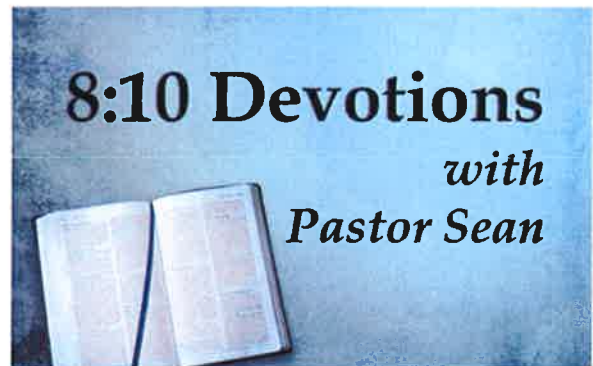
### Online Bible Study

Each Wednesday night at 8:00 PM, join Pastor Sean on Facebook Live for a “deep dive” Bible Study on the preaching passage for the upcoming Sunday.



## LCMC Annual Gathering

Each year the Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC), the association to which our church belongs, hosts an annual gathering. The gathering is a time filled with keynote speakers hitting topics designed to edify the church. The gathering also includes worship, devotions, Bible study, and a little bit of business. It is also a time when staff from the LCMC give information not only on what they do within the association, but give updates on the LCMC as it relates to their position. Since COVID, the LCMC has made the gathering available through livestream via their website <https://www.lcmc.net/annual-gathering>. The gathering takes place October 3-6. Join the livestream and learn more about the LCMC!



### 8:10 Devotions

Join Pastor Sean each morning at 8:10 Monday through Friday for a five-minute devotion to start your day!



Our August “Mission of the Month” was Great Plains Food Bank, and a check was sent to them for \$550.00. In the month of **September**, offering designated “**Missions**” on your offering envelopes went to **St Jude Children’s Hospital**. Our September offerings totaled \$343. for them. ☺

## Peace Lutheran Church “Mission of the Month” for October is Lutheran Disaster Assistance Relief Fund.

The Lutheran Disaster Assistance Fund is used to help support the needs of victims of catastrophic natural disasters including tornadoes, hurricanes, earthquakes, ice storms, wildfires, flooding caused by excessive rains, and similar natural disasters.

**Vision:** To support the needs of victims of catastrophic natural disasters with a spirit of sharing God's love.

**Mission:** To demonstrate the love of Christ as we respond to natural disasters through local congregations.

Natural catastrophes in the U.S. have skyrocketed in our country in the last 20 years.

**Core Value:** To carry out our work with the servant attitude of Jesus who said, "I did not come to be served, but to serve" (Mathew 20:28), and "As the Father sent Me, so I send you." (John 20:21) During the LCMC's October 2012 Annual Conference, the LCMC Board of Directors approved the establishment of a Lutheran Disaster Assistance Fund to provide emergency relief assistance to victims of natural disasters. **St. Mark's Lutheran Church** in Marion, Iowa, will administer the Lutheran Disaster Assistance Fund (LDA Fund). Grants of up to \$10,000 will be available for relief aid in the wake of tornadoes, hurricanes, earthquakes, ice storms, wildfires, flooding caused by excessive rains, and similar natural disasters.

- 100% of all contributions to the LDA Fund will go toward disaster relief grants
- The goal of the Fund is to reach out to those impacted by disaster who otherwise would not have resources.
- Grant decisions will be made by a committee made up of representatives from 5 contributing churches (one representative per congregation).
- Grants will be limited to 50% of monies available at any given time, so as to not totally deplete the Fund in response to a single disaster.



### MAP (Mornings At Pease)

On **Wednesday, October 20<sup>th</sup>**, Peace Lutheran Church is excited to provide children with a nutritious breakfast and an opportunity to grow in their faith through music, crafts, lessons, prayer, and fellowship. All school age children are welcome to attend. **MAP is FREE and open to any child regardless of their faith background.** All older school age children are also welcome and may participate or serve as volunteers and helpers for younger children. Anyone interested in helping or in having their children attend are welcome to talk to Pastor Sean, Anne Barnhart, Jenn Vetter, or Heather Rossow.



Have  
Only  
Positive  
Expectations  
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As you know, our Harvest Festival was canceled again this year due to Covid. Please read the letter from the Co-Chairs at the end of this newsletter regarding this fundraiser. *Thank you* to those who have already donated!



## PLCW News

- ♥ Donations were sent to Samaritan's Purse and Empowering Lives Together.
- ♥ 5 second graders and 2 third graders received Bibles on Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup>.
- ♥ The Women's Thank Offering Service is being planned for November.

**Women of Peace** meet on the first Wednesday of each month at 1:30 p.m.

All confirmed ladies of Peace Lutheran are more than welcome to attend!

The next meeting will be **October 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m.**

Hostess: Rosie Ferderer; Bible Study: Marilyn Malmedal



**Quilting will resume on October 4<sup>th</sup>, and will be meeting on Mondays each week.** Please remember the CDC guidelines, and if you aren't feeling well, please stay home.



## LYO News

Once a month, Pastor Sean and Anne invite youth 7<sup>th</sup> grade to 12<sup>th</sup> grade to their house for supper and Bible study. Supper is served at 6:30 PM and is followed by a short Bible study and some games. The night usually ends around 8:00 PM. Confirmation students are required to attend since it takes the place of class for that evening. Youth are invited to join us on **Wednesday, October 27<sup>th</sup>.**

Please check Facebook and our church website for information and updates.

### **CONFIRMATION STUDENTS**

Confirmand Meeting in October TBD .

**We will have class on October 6<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.**

**We will have Youth/Confirmation class October 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.**

**Confirmation Sunday is October 31<sup>st</sup>!**



**Bear David Bauman**, son of Wayde and Trish Bauman, will be baptized on October 17<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations and Blessings to his parents, grandpa's and grandma's! Bear is about to start on an incredible spiritual journey, and we hope this day brings you and your family much love, joy, and peace. ✝



## SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Sunday School started on Sept 12th. It was great to have the rooms filled with kids again!

The plan is to have the kids sing in church mid-October. More details will be announced closer to the date.

There will be no SS on Oct 24th.

Looking ahead, the Christmas program will be Dec 19. If you know that your family will be gone that weekend- please let us know.

Thank you to those you have donated snacks/money for snacks. Please consider helping the SS in this way if you haven't yet. Thank you.

God's Blessings,  
Anne & Jen



*Sunday October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021, which is Reformation*

*Day, Six students will be Confirmed during our 10:45 Worship Service.*

*They are ...*

*Noah Alderin  
Kaylyn Hendrickson  
Mackenzie Hendrickson  
Blake Ketterling  
Jarell Ketterling  
Payton Rossow*

"Confirmation marks the completion of the congregation's program of confirmation ministry, a period of instruction in the Christian faith as confessed in the teachings of the Lutheran Church. Those who have completed this program were made members of the Church in baptism. Confirmation includes a public profession of the faith into which the candidates were baptized, *thus underscoring God's action* in the Baptism."

**Please remember to pray for these young people as they prepare for their special day and their commitment to Jesus!**







## **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. Included in the basket are many of the items necessary for a traditional Thanksgiving meal. If enough money is raised, the baskets can also include items like laundry detergent, toilet paper, and eggs.

If you or someone you know could use an ECMA Thanksgiving Basket, please let Pastor Sean, Jacki Schneider at the Food Pantry, or any of the other pastors in town know! The baskets will be assembled and available for pick-up on **Friday, November 19<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-6:00 pm** at the United Methodist Church. *Baskets will not be delivered. There will also be opportunities for people to volunteer on November 19<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers will be needed to help assemble baskets and to help carry them to people's cars.*



## *Reformation Sunday is October 31<sup>st</sup>*

Quotes from Martin Luther

**"To be a Christian without prayer is no more possible than to be alive without breathing."**

**"A Christian is never in a state of completion but always in a process of becoming."**

**"God writes the Gospel not in the Bible alone, but also on the trees, and in the flowers and clouds and stars."**



***The Gospel Alphabet – Study God's Word!***

Scripture of the Month – An excellent one to study!

**"But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you."**

John 14:26 NIV





## October Baptismal Dates

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

2 – Heidi Nieuwsma	13 – Matthew Ferderer	22 – Carol Huber
3 – Paul A. Ferderer	14 – Kelani Larson	26 – Marley Click
Julie Umber	16 – Michael Haas	Eric Grenz
8 – Trinity Bodvig	18 – Dustin Kurtz	Justin Grenz
9 – Tyson Bodvig	Heather Rossow	Bailey Schilling
Kay Janecek	Sydney Ferderer	27 – Jacob Rossow
10 – Wyatt Schwab	19 – Donavin Grenz	28 – Stacy Bingham
11 – Erin Schmidt	Lucas Schrantz	30 – Bryan Rudy
12 – Kyle Masset		31 – Lelyn Will
Angela Saylor		
Joshua Schlosser		

If your baptism 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.



**October** birthdays are:

1 – Joy Lewis	14 – Chad Dockter	25 – Alison Randle
4 – William Wahl	16 – Kay Janecek	27 – Darren Tveito
5 – James Streytle	Travis Plienis	28 – Ramona Humann
6 – Brent Bodvig	Brody Ptacek	29 – Richard Backhaus
Kaidra Larson	18 – Ross Tesky	Brandon Rossow
10 – Eliza Fisher	Bryce Weisser	30 – LaVonne Erickson
Margie Vossler	19 – LaDean Schafer	31 – Bernice Kautz
11 – Boston Bodvig	20 – Becky Caruso	
12 – Ava Marie Fiebiger	23 – John DeBoer	
13 – Nicole Nieuwsma	James Weisser	

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

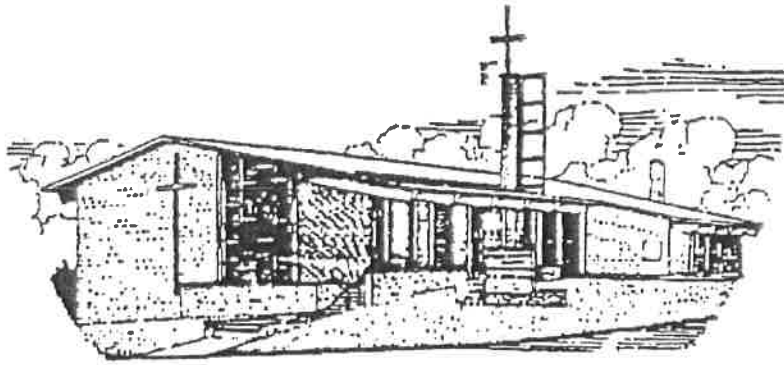
Welcome people in

Help them grow

Send them out to care

Welcome ~ Grow ~ Care





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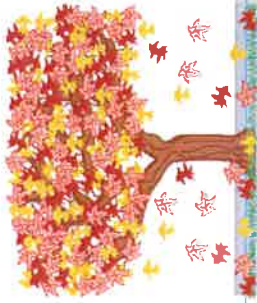
Dear Families of Peace Lutheran Church,

After a lengthy discussion between the two of us and the Council, the decision has been made to cancel this year's Harvest Festival. We assure you the decision was not made lightly or easily. Each year our Harvest Festival has been an opportunity to work together to provide a day of enjoyment, with good food, fellowship and an opportunity for many of our members to work together for the good of our church and our community. The risk of infections is just too great, and the restrictions placed upon us by the CDC have forced us to take measures that will not work for an adequate work force to have a successful festival. Hopefully this will make next year's festival more enjoyable.

As you know, the Harvest Festival is our annual fund raiser for the church and this year, because of its suspension, our hope of a successful fund raiser may fall flat for our church. Therefore, we would like to ask for any donations for the church you are able to make for us to meet our budgetary demands we have each year. A special envelope is provided with this mailing for such a donation. If at least you could manage the cost of the meal or more, that would help us tremendously. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Delores Ohlhauser  
Evelyn Petrick



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Reader:



<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
<b>3 19th Sunday after Pentecost</b> 9:30 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:45 am Worship with Holy Communion	<b>4</b> <b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 1:30 pm Women of Peace 7 pm Confirmation Class 8 pm Online Bible Study	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>10 20th Sunday after Pentecost</b> 9:30 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:45 am Celebrate Worship	<b>11 Columbus Day</b> <b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 7 pm Church Council 7 pm Confirmation Class 8 pm Online Bible Study	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>17 21st Sunday after Pentecost</b> 9:30 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:45 am Praise! Worship/Holy Communion	<b>18</b> <b>19</b>	<b>20 MAP 8-10 AM</b> Pop-Up Perishables 1 pm No Confirmation 8 pm Online Bible Study	<b>21 ECMA 10:30 am</b> <b>TEACHER'S CONVENTION</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>24 22nd Sunday after Pentecost</b> 9:30 am Adult Bible Study NO Sunday School 10:45 am Celebrate Worship	<b>25</b> <b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Youth Group/Confirmation 6:30 pm 8 pm Online Bible Study	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>31 Reformation Day</b> 9:30 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 9:30 am Adult Bible Study 10:45 am Worship with Confirmation				