



*Peace Lutheran Church  
Linton, ND*

### Pastor's Article

Romans 10:17 says, "So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ." With this verse, Paul sums up a thought about the necessity of the preached Word of God: How can a person call on the name of the Lord and be saved if there isn't a preacher to deliver this word into their ears?

**Hearing** the **preached** Word of God is incredibly important to Lutheran theology and practice. In fact, the way hearing God's word preached is described in the Lutheran Confessions describes the preached Word almost like a sacrament. In a document called the Formula of Concord, Lutheran reformers commented on Romans 10:17 saying, "It is God's will that His Word should be heard and that a person's ears should not be closed... with this Word the Holy Spirit is present and opens hearts..." (FC, Ep II 5). Luther, in the Large Catechism (LC V 31) writes, "Although the work is done and the forgiveness of sins is secured by the cross (John 19:30), it cannot come to us in any other way than through the Word. How would we know about it otherwise, that such a thing was accomplished or was to be given to us, unless it were presented by preaching or the oral Word."

God's Word, when faithfully preached, is powerful – not because of the preacher, but because of the Word itself. God's Word isn't just statically informative; it is actively forming. Through the preached Word, faith is born, fostered, nourished, and encouraged.

The church council has decided it is time to update our sound system in the sanctuary, primarily the speakers. I admit, Romans 10:17 didn't come into our conversation regarding the system, but our hearing sure did. The reality is, if a better sound system helps to bring God's Word – whether preached in sermons or proclaimed in song – more easily and effectively from mouth to ear, then I think it's a worthy pursuit. If you would like to give towards this project, please do, but could you also pray? Pray that God would help me to continue to be a mindful and faithful preacher and communicator of God's Holy and Precious Word. Our ears need it.

In peace,  
Pastor Sean

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## **Church Council Minutes Summary for June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025, Meeting**

Council members in attendance: Wayde Bauman, Mark Heidrich, Kevin Hendrickson, Erica Hoff-Wald, Jason Rossow, Shelley Serr, and Jennifer Vetter. Members absent from the meeting: Gunnar Hanson.

The Council approved the April and May minutes as well as the April and May Treasurer's Report. Wayde Bauman made a motion to approve the April Treasurer's Report.

Pastor's report: Youth Group was held on May 14 with 25 kids attending. Held a baptism on May 18, delivered quilts to Bismarck, mailed the June newsletter; made two hospital visits and two home visits. Vacation Bible School was held May 27-29 with 35 kids in attendance. The prayer service and funeral for Tim Dockter was held June 8 and 9 respectively.

Property Committee: Mark Heidrich will contact a Jamestown company to discuss repairs to the parking lot.

Evangelism Committee: The Committee plans to do a school supply drive in July.

Old Business: The council discussed the parking lot concrete project and four bids received all with six inch pours and one included a four inch pour option. The council discussed the project and parking needs for the church parking lot. The council decided to table the concrete project for one month; remove the light pole in the parking lot, reconfigure lighting, and closely evaluate parking lot and drive through space.

New Business: The council asked Pr. Barnhart to seek an updated bid for updates to the sound system. Jason Rossow made a motion to begin the process to have two debit cards for the church. Shelley Serr seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

The next meeting is Wednesday, July 9, 2025, at 7pm.

### **8:10 Devotions**

Add a little Scripture to your daily routine! Join Pastor Sean each morning via Facebook or YouTube at 8:10 am Monday through Friday for a quick devotion! Watch it live or later on at your convenience.





## ***Daily Scripture Readings***

*“Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.”*

*Psalms 119:105*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>July 1<sup>st</sup></b> 1 Cor. 7:25-31	1 Cor. 7:32-35	1 Cor. 7:36-40	1 Cor. 8:1-13	1 Cor. 9:1-7
<b>July 6<sup>th</sup></b> 1 Cor. 9:8-14	1 Cor. 9:15-18	1 Cor. 9:19-23	1 Cor. 9:24-27	1 Cor. 10:1-5	1 Cor. 10:6-13	1 Cor. 10:14-22
<b>July 13<sup>th</sup></b> 1 Cor. 10:23-30	1 Cor. 10:31-11:1	1 Cor. 11:2-16	1 Cor. 11:17-22	1 Cor. 11:23-26	1 Cor. 11:27-34	1 Cor. 12:1-3
<b>July 20<sup>th</sup></b> 1 Cor. 12:4-11	1 Cor. 12:12-20	1 Cor. 12:21-26	1 Cor. 12:27-31	1 Cor. 13:1-3	1 Cor. 13:4-7	1 Cor. 13:8-13
<b>July 27<sup>th</sup></b> 1 Cor. 14:1-5	1 Cor. 14:6-12	1 Cor. 14:13-19	1 Cor. 14:20-25	1 Cor. 14:26-40		



### **Online Bible Study**

Join Pastor Sean with Online Bible Study on our YouTube channel posted on Thursday evenings at 8:00 PM at [Youtube.com/@peacelutheran1357](https://www.youtube.com/@peacelutheran1357)



### **The Chosen: Season 4**

Join us on Mondays at 7:00 PM to watch season four of “The Chosen”!

*Snacks are welcome.*



## Thrivent Choice Dollars

If you are an eligible Thrivent Financial member and have Choice Dollars® available to direct, please consider directing them to your church. For more info or to direct Choice Dollars, call 800-847-4836 and say “Thrivent Choice” or log go to [thrivent.com/thriventchoice](https://thrivent.com/thriventchoice).

## Online Giving Made Easy!

Tithe.ly makes it easy to give either with their app or by clicking the green “Give” button on our church website ([ndpeacelutheran.com](https://ndpeacelutheran.com)). Give using your credit card or 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.



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



## Find Peace Wherever You Go!

Follow Peace Lutheran on all our socials. Keep up with the most current announcements, be fed by God’s Word through 8:10 Devotions and Online Bible Study, and never miss a worship service!

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**YouTube:** [youtube.com/@peacelutheran1357](https://youtube.com/@peacelutheran1357)

**Instagram:** [4lutheran4.com/peace.lutheran](https://4lutheran4.com/peace.lutheran)

Our fall **Harvest Festival** date has been set! On Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, our church will gather together to for our biggest fundraiser of the year! If you are not available please let Lisa Ptacek, Deb Jahner, Lori Bechtold, or Delores Ohlhauser know **before July 1<sup>st</sup>**. The plan is to have the donation and work list out by **August 1<sup>st</sup>**. If your name has been removed and you would like to contribute or help work we are more than happy to put your name back on the list. Also, if you want to change your current donation or job assignment, let the committee know and they’ll work with you. Thank you to everyone who helps in any way! Our church is blessed with great people.





## 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 you would like played (if available). It will be played on that date, and you may choose the time either: 9:30 a.m. or 12:30 p.m. or 6:30 p.m. The song and donor will be acknowledged in the bulletin. The cost for Special Music is a donation.



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. Sign up for a whole month or just a

Sunday. Volunteers are needed each Sunday.



### ***Need a Ride?***

If you need a ride to worship?  
Please call  
**Elwin Nieuwsma: 254-0167**



### **HONOR SOMEONE WITH FLOWERS**

The Flower Committee: Janice Baer and Evelyn Petrick, along with Linton Floral N' More, has set up a system for members to provide flowers for Sunday Worship Services. For **\$40**, Linton Floral N' More will provide two arrangements of flowers to be placed in the two vases behind the altar or for \$30, a larger single arrangement displayed at the front of the sanctuary.

If you would like to supply flowers for a certain Sunday: Give your money to one of the ladies on the Flower Committee. Specify the date you would like flowers displayed let them know the special occasion and how that info should be listed in the bulletin.

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. The deadline for the newsletter is the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month! Please get your news and upcoming information to the church office by that date!

## **Peace Lutheran Church Mission Statement**

***WELCOME*** people in  
Help them ***GROW***  
Send them out to ***CARE***

***Welcome ~ Grow ~ Care***

## June Missions Spotlight

### Mission of the Month: Convoy of Hope



Convoy of Hope was founded in 1994 by Hal Donaldson. His inspiration for starting the organization can be traced back to the many people who helped his family after his father was killed by a drunk driver in 1969.

It is Convoy of Hope's privilege to work with churches, businesses, government agencies, and other nonprofits to provide help to the impoverished, hungry, and hurting.

Convoy of Hope is a faith-based, nonprofit organization with a driving passion to feed the world through children's feeding initiatives, community outreaches, and disaster response.

When you link arms with Convoy of Hope to provide disaster relief, hurting people receive the help and hope they need to get back on their feet. Convoy of Hope is committed to helping as much as possible for as long as possible by:

- Distributing essential emergency supplies such as food, clean water, hygiene items, and more.
- Providing long-term assistance, when possible, to help people rebuild and recover.

### Mission of the Month

In May, our congregation sent \$335 to The Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch!  
Thank you for your faithful giving.



### Memorials received as of June 22<sup>nd</sup>:

- To the Endowment Fund from Keith and Evelyn Petrick in memory of Tim Dockter
- To the Sound System from Jon and Lisa Ptacek in memory of Tim Dockter
- To the Sound System from Linda Tschritter in memory of Tim Dockter
- To the Youth Group Meals from Lavonne and Dave Erickson in memory of Tim Dockter

## Country of the Month: India



In Matthew 28:19, our Lord Jesus said, “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations.” Though it has become much more difficult and more expensive for churches to **go** to other nations, it is still our responsibility and good pleasure to **pray** for the nations around the world. After all, most nations around the world have people of faith living in them. Let us join together to pray for those around the world!

In 2023, India surpassed China as the world’s most populous nation. India is therefore also the world’s largest democracy. Political, economic, and social challenges all place a heavy burden on the government. Pray that the government will choose to build on the progress of recent decades, especially to preserve and protect human dignity, rights, and freedoms. The current government has been operating on a Hindutva (Hindu nationalist) platform. This has brought about intensifying persecution of other religions, increasing re-Hinduization/reconversion of Dalit and tribal groups, and the introduction of many barriers of foreign Christian mission in India. The government’s aggressive stance to defend Hinduism – and persecute other faiths – has emboldened religious violence by radical Hindu groups.

### School Supply Drive!

This month, we are having a school supply drive! It takes a lot to keep a school going and for a classroom to smoothly function. Supplies are always appreciated when they are readily available for students to learn and teachers to teach. Supplies that seem to always be needed include:

- **Headphones (not earbuds)**
- **Crayons (24 count)**
- **Colored pencils (24 count)**
- **Basic markers (8 count)**
- **Glue bottles and glue sticks**
- **Highlighters**
- **Dry erase markers**
- **Zip lock bags**
- **Wet wipes**
- **General art supplies**





### **July Baptismal Celebrations**

- 1 Isabell Rudy
- 2 Tyler Humann
- 3 Ernest Wohl  
Paisley Grossman
- 4 Ryan Ohlhauser
- 5 Stanely Naumann  
Jarell Ketterling
- 7 Jason Rossow
- 8 Tina Masset
- 9 Bowdy Roemmich
- 12 Shelby Jochim  
Laura Hovland
- 15 Sydney Blum  
Janell Ness
- 16 Shelley Serr
- 19 Jesse Haas  
Edgar Ohlhauser  
Westin Grossman
- 20 Trish Bauman
- 22 Lyle Wohl
- 28 Jarod Conroy  
Jace Ferderer  
Debra Hochhalter  
Jennifer LeFrancois  
James Lauinger
- 30 Lisa Ptacek
- 31 Arlene Grenze  
Jamie Huber

### **July Birthdays**

- 1 Kyle Masset  
Edgar Ohlhauser  
Sylvia Weisser  
Teagan VanderWal
- 3 Arlene Grenze
- 5 Lyle Hanson
- 7 Ashlee Bodvig  
Cassie Werlinger
- 9 Elwin Nieuwsma
- 13 Avis Mickelson
- 14 Lisa Hendrickson
- 15 Parker Masset  
Sydney Ferderer
- 21 Lyle Vander Vorste  
Donavin Grenze  
Phoebe Savage
- 22 Amanda Grossman
- 24 Lillian Kunz
- 26 Dylan Hendrickson
- 29 Angela Sayler
- 30 Magdalena Bender  
Heather Rossow  
Howard Garnaas
- 31 JoAnn Humann  
Jesse Renschler  
Ashton Rudy

*"For you formed my  
inward parts; you knitted  
me together in my  
mother's womb. I praise  
you, for I am fearfully  
and wonderfully made."*

*Psalms 139:13-14*