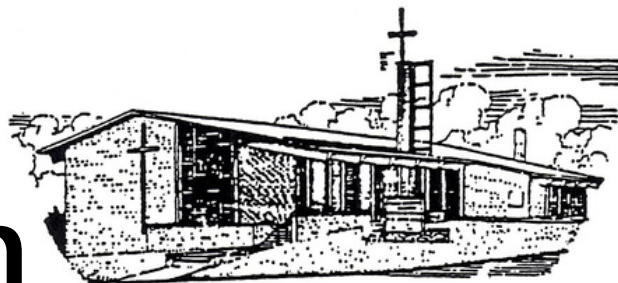


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LCMC Annual Gathering

By Pastor Sean Barnhart

In October, I attended LCMC's Annual Gathering in West Des Moines, Iowa. The Gathering's theme was "Unleashed," based on LCMC's first core value, "Free in Christ." The guiding verse for this core value and for the Gathering was Galatians 5:1, "It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery."

The keynote speakers and the LCMC staff spoke consistently about living as people free in Christ. We are free from our bondage to sin by the blood of Christ, but as speaker Tara Beth Leach noted, "free people, free people." We are free in Christ and have been called to proclaim freedom to those still bound by their sin.

During lunch on the first day, I led a meet and greet for people around the Northern Plains District. This set the stage for lots of networking with people from around the LCMC and our district.

I also attended three breakout sessions focusing on worship, digital communications, and theology. The Gathering also included a short business session to approve LCMC's budget and to vote in two new to the Board of Trustees.

New this year was a Global Missions Supper featuring many representatives from global mission partners and congregations throughout the world. LCMC truly is a global association and it was a joy to meet pastors from Brazil, Africa, Ukraine, and Asia.

If you would like to view a copy of Gathering book, there is one available in the Narthex. LCMC will also make video recordings of keynote and staff presentations available at subsplash.com/lcmc/media.

Mission Statement

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

Welcome ~ Grow ~ Care

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Worship Together

November 1: 10:45 AM
November 8: 10:45 AM
November 15: 10:45 AM
November 22: 10:45 AM
November 29: 10:45 AM



Northern Plains
District of the LCMC



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Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ

Church Council Summary October 14th, 2026

Council members in attendance: Kevin Heer, Shelly Serr, Mark Heidrich, Jason Rossow, Lisa Hendrickson, Deb Jahner. Absent was Jen Vetter, Wayde Bauman and Gunnar Hanson.

September's meeting minutes and treasurer's report were approved.

Pastor's report included:

- Sunday School installation and bibles were held
- 38 total at MAP on the 16th of Sept. over half were non-member children
- Youth group hosted on Sept. 30th
- Bosch wedding on Oct. 3
- LCMC gathering Oct 4-7 in Iowa.
- Visited with multiple home bound parishioners over the course of the month.

Property Committee:

- Kevin Hendrickson and Kevin Heer installed a new hot water heater in the parsonage.
- Elevator technician discovered the accordion door is broken. The technician will search for a part. In the meantime, we will probably need someone to assist users with the open/closing of the door as it is difficult to maneuver.
- Door seals have been installed in the door to prevent any mice.
- There is a dent in one of the candelabra, it does not affect the function, just the look.
- Kevin will talk to Hulms for winter snow removal for the parking lot and talk to Jen about the sidewalks and steps.

- Church roof- there is a leak on the south roof. We are waiting on someone to come inspect it and determine what we can do if it needs sealant or new screws. Kevin will reach back out to the ones on his list.

Stewardship and Education: No report.

Worship Committee: Communion on Sunday Oct. 18th, Oct 25th with confirmation, and the first Sunday in November.

Evangelism: Cards have been sent to various members.

No Old Business.

New Business: Membership transfer for Frank and Barbara Litt from Christ Lutheran in Ft. Worth, Texas.

Peace Lutheran Online



Text Study

An in-depth study of the upcoming sermon text
Thursday @ 8:00 PM



ABS Recap

A recap of Sunday morning's Adult Bible Study
Tuesdays @ 7:00 PM



8:10 Devotions

Begin your weekdays with a brief devotion
Mon-Fri @ 8:10 AM

YouTube: youtube.com/@peacelutheran1357

Facebook: facebook.com/peacelutheranlinton



On Wednesday, November 18th, all 7th-12th Graders are invited to the church for Youth Group. We'll enjoy supper together, study God's Word, and play some games. Supper is served at 6:30 PM and youth need not be members of PLC to attend.

All Linton Public School students are welcome to attend MAP on November 18th. A free breakfast will be provided along with a VBS-style Bible lesson, songs, games, and crafts. Afterwards, we'll walk the kids to school!



Honor a Loved One with Flowers

A donation of \$40 will provide two arrangements of flowers to be placed on the pedestals behind the altar. Or for \$30 or more, a larger single arrangement could be displayed elsewhere in the sanctuary.

If you would like to supply flowers for a certain Sunday, call the office or speak to Evelyn Petrick. Specify the date you would like flowers displayed, the special occasion for the flowers, and how that info should be listed in the bulletin.



***Thrivent Choice Dollars***

All Thrivent members are eligible to receive Choice Dollars and direct them to registered nonprofits such as Peace Lutheran! Choice Dollars are now fully available at the start of the year rather than accruing over time AND members can direct their dollars anytime through December 31st.

To direct your Choice Dollars, visit
thrivent.com/thriventchoice or call 800-847-4836.



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September 2026

Mission Giving Report



In September, our congregation was blessed to give \$625 to the Adult Abused Resource Center! The mission of the Abused Adult Resource Center is to assist victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, dating violence and human trafficking by establishing and maintaining a program which will provide temporary shelter, crisis intervention, prevention, education, support and hope as a vision to eliminate violence.



Country of the Month: Kenya



Once a British colony, Kenya received its independence in 1963. Under moderate leadership, Kenya has formed one of the better economies of East Africa, but in more recent years, corruption and political changes have tested the nation's stability. A large part of Kenya's population lives in rural areas where they rely on agriculture, and many of Kenya's 60 million people face poverty. The government has started to create positive reforms through social welfare and its Vision 2030 plan.

Still, much needs to be improved for Kenyans. Environmental problems, high birth rates, corruption, unemployment, and HIV/AIDS continue to hinder development.

Fifty percent of Kenyans are evangelical Christians, and their churches send many missionaries to other countries. The nation has also become a strategic hub for mission groups working across Africa. Christians from all denominations are also planting new churches and seeing the Church grow. Today, about 80 percent of Kenyans are Christian, while the rest of the population mostly practices Islam or traditional tribal religions. Yet even with this progress, churches face many challenges. Inactive faith, the mixing of spirit worship with biblical teaching, and a lack of trained leaders hurt the health of many congregations.

Prayer Warriors Are Needed *Join the Prayer Chain!*

Would you consider participating in our prayer chain? As a member of the prayer chain you'll receive a call with some info, commit to praying for that person for a week while also passing the request on to the next person on the list. Sign up for the prayer chain on the bulletin board in the narthex.

“Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him” James 5:13-14

This month, a delegation from LCMC will be providing ministry training in Nairobi, Kenya. During these meetings, foundations will be laid for an African District of LCMC. Pray for this meeting and that Pastor Mawien from South Sudan will be able to attend!



An Update on Pastor Mawien and the Churches of South Sudan

The following is a summary of two emails received from Pastor Mawien regarding his congregations in South Sudan:

Since May of this year, the two congregations of St. Paul and St. John have been in the crossfire of interclan fighting. Looters removed iron sheets from one of the church's roofs and stole all church furniture including benches, altar tables, chairs, and doors.

In July, South Sudan military forces intervened, but on August 19th the crisis escalated and a mass killing took place. As a result the entire village has been vacated. So the two congregations of St. Paul and St. John are currently displaced to the neighboring village.



Interclan fighting joined by Nuer mercenaries caused the death of about 150 men from both parties with 100 wounded and about 4,000 head of cattle destroyed.

The last word from Pastor Mawien was that the South Sudan Government hadn't yet become involved to restore peace and no one knows when the government will do so.

November 2026 Mission of the Month: Institute of Lutheran Theology (ILT)



Every Christian denomination is experiencing a shortage of pastors. ILT has made theological training more accessible and more affordable for those answering the call to pastoral ministry. Centered in the Word of God and the Cross of Christ, ILT students will be grounded in the Bible, rooted in the classical Christian tradition, understand the contemporary cultural horizon, and think critically in the proclamation and advancement of the Gospel... and many of them can do so while working full-time in ministry or elsewhere.

Daily Readings from the Narrative Lectionary

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Nov. 1st 1 Kings 3:4-28	1 Kings 4:20-28	1 Kings 4:29-34	Psalms 72:1-14	Psalms 20:1-9	1 Kings 11:1-13	1 Kings 12:1-24
Nov. 8th 2 Kings 5:1-15a	2 Kings 6:1-7	2 Kings 16:1-20	Isaiah 7:1-17	Psalms 46:1-11	Isaiah 11:1-9	Isaiah 11:10-16
Nov. 15th Micah 5:2-5a	Amos 2:6-16	Amos 5:4-13	Amos 5:14-24	Zechariah 7:8-10	Isaiah 1:12-17	Isaiah 6:1-13
Nov. 22nd Isaiah 2:1-4	Isaiah 38:1-8	2 Kings 21:1-16	2 Kings 22:1-13	2 Kings 22:14-20	2 Kings 23:1-14	2 Kings 23:21-30
Nov. 29th Habakkuk 1:1-7	Psalms 137:1-6					

Peace Lutheran Livestream



Sunday Worship | 10:45 AM
 Sunday School and Adult Bible Study | 9:30 AM

If you can't make it to the pew
 then tune in from wherever you are!

YouTube: youtube.com/@peacelutheran1357
Facebook: facebook.com/peacelutheranlinton



A memorial was given in memory of Jeffrey Erickson
 from Janice Stowman to the PLC Youth Meals.

Dear Peace Lutheran Women,

In past years, the women of our church have deepened our relationships by hosting a “Thanksgiving offering” and selecting an organization that we feel could use the extra support. For the year 2026, the women choose **Linton Fire Department** in our October meeting.

We hope that you are willing to make a meaningful charitable donation to impact the chosen organization so they too can see the difference that can be made by caring for people in our community.

The enclosed envelope is to be used for your donation and can be dropped in the collection plate any time prior to **November 22, 2026**, or you can mail with the envelope provided.

Thank you for your kindness! Lisa Ptacek

November Baptisms

2	Graham Kramer	15	Matthew Masset	25	Paxton Randle
6	Ross Tesky	16	Bryce Weisser		Blayne Huber
7	Kayla Hendrickson	17	Howard Garnaas	26	Joy Lewis
	Jacob Vander Vorste	19	Ronald Maier		Denise Martin
	Cooper Mastel	21	Michael Hochhalter	27	Alison Randle
8	Marvin Winterberg	22	Kelsey Larson	28	Noah Alderin
9	Rebecca Bosch		Brody Ptacek	29	Travis Pleinis
	Evelyn Nieuwsma	23	Ethan Bingham		Levi Roemmich
13	Justin Martin		Sandra DeBoer		Logan Ferderer
	Payton Rossow		Brody Rindelaub		Savanna Kramer
14	Aaron Hoff-Wald	24	Erica Umber	30	Bonnie Ohlhauser
		25	Colton Grossman		Lyle Hanson

November Birthdays

2	Kambree Mastel	15	Kevin Krogstad	23	Rico Caruso
3	Gracelynn Johnson		Jacob Vander Vorste		Danlyn VanderWal
4	Bailey Huber	16	Janice Baer	24	Keaton Peterson
5	Linda Hoff		Abby Ketterling		Jay Vetter
6	Lorraine Wagner	20	Madison Ptacek	25	Megan Ohlhauser
7	Vicki Schwab		Jason Rossow	26	Terry Hochhalter
			Jean Rudy		Magdalena Masset
11	Rhonda Dockter	21	Sydney Blum	28	Keith Petrick
	Garret Roemmich	22	Duane Ohlhauser	30	Britt Bauman
12	Jerry Thornton		Gavin Ohlhauser		
14	Shelby Jochim		Jody Ketterling		
	Todd Vossler				

“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.”
 Psalm 139:13-14