The Peace Bell

PEACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sundays at a Glance September 3rd Pride Sunday

Text: Matthew 16:21-28 8:30 Worship with Holy Communion Sermon by Rev. Charlotte Frantz 10:30 Worship with Coffee Hour following Sermon by Rev. Charlotte Frantz Children's Church 12:00 Pride Parade in Superior

(Note that the Pride Breakfast and interfaith service will be held at Pilgrim Congregational Church. Gary Boelhower will represent Peace.)

September 10th Gathering Sunday

Text: Romans 13:8-14

8:30 Worship with Holy Communion Sermon by Rev. Charlotte Frantz

9:30 Ready, Set, Go! An Intergenerational Welcome Nursery Care Available

10:30 Worship with Holy Communion Presentation of Bibles Children's Church Nursery Care Available
11:30 Coffee Hour with Root Beer Floats!
1:00 Hillside Gospel Choir Rehearsal

September 17th Candidating Sunday

ONE SERVICE ONLY 10:30 Worship Sermon by Pastoral Candidate Children's Church Nursery Care 11:30 Congregational meeting 11:50 Coffee Hour

September 24th

8:30 Worship with Holy Communion Sermon by Rev. Charlotte Frantz Special offering: United Theological Seminary

9:30 Forum: Stepping on Up 10:30 Worship Sermon by Rev. Charlotte Frantz Special Offering: United Theological Seminary

11:30 Coffee Hour Orientation to Peace

Candidating Weekend September 16th and 17th

The Search Committee voted unanimously on August 5 to recommend calling a candidate for Lead Pastor of Peace Church. Our candidate is a gifted preacher who enjoys working collaboratively with fellow staff members and lay leaders to create meaningful worship services. She is also a gifted teacher with meaningful experiences in adult, youth, and intergenerational ministries. Her commitment to social justice and antiracism makes her not only an outstanding fit for Peace Church but also for our community.

Saturday, September 16th Meet and Greet Opportunities

Come, introduce yourself and your family to our candidate and chat with her informally

10:00am - 12:00pm - Meet and Greet for members and friends of Peace Church

1:00pm - 2:00pm - Meet and Greet for Council members

2:00-3:00pm - Meet and Greet for Committee and Team members

Sunday, September 17th

No 8:30 Service; 10:30 only

10:30am - One worship service with our pastoral candidate preaching

11:30am - Congregational Meeting immediately following the 10:30 service to vote on calling the candidate to be our Lead Pastor.

Please keep our candidate, her family, and our church family in your prayers

Youth Employment Opportunities Sound Techs and Nursery Attendants

Are you looking to help out on Sunday mornings (and get paid?) Alex Nelson is looking for sound techs and Amanda Hunter is looking for a few more nursery attendants. Contact Amanda (<u>Amanda@peaceucc.org</u>) for more information.

Getting Connected

September 10th 9:30 Ready, Set, Go!

Gathering Sunday (formerly Rally Sunday) is our kick-off for a great new program year at Peace! The 9:30 hour is a great time for adult households and families to come together for a variety of activities.

Help make a large welcome banner for the entryway, make cards or write letters to homebound folks, get pictures taken for the online directory, learn more about Peace Church, help with a service project, and just "catch up" with other members and friends of Peace.

Other events on September 10th include Holy Communion at both services, presentation of Bibles to kindergartners and 3rd graders at 10:30, Children's Church, and Nursery care (9:30 - 11:45) for the youngest in our community. Root beer floats after the 10:30 service!



Is your name tag here? Please wear it Sunday morning—it will help us get to know each other more quickly. If you need a new one, leave a note for Bri in the church office.

Peace Church Inquirers September 24th and October 1st 11:45-12:45

We welcome all who are interested in learning more about who Peace is, what we believe, how we interact in the community, and how we're structured, to join us for orientation sessions Sunday, September 24th and Sunday, October 1st after the 10:30 service. We'll provide child care and a light lunch.

We have gatherings like this 3 times a year – it's a wonderful opportunity to meet people and ask questions in a smaller setting. Folks are encouraged to attend both sessions, RSVP would be helpful. Let Bri in the church office know via email or phone. (Bri@peaceucc.org or 218-724-3637.) Just popping in is great too. Looking forward to meeting with you!

New members will be received into the church on October 15th. Save the date if you are interested in joining Peace.

Let's Update our Online Picture Directory!

While we eagerly await a new settled pastor, it's a great time to update our Online Picture Directory. This will be a helpful tool for the new pastor to learn



our names and faces. Whether you are a member or friend, if you participate in our life at Peace Church, we'd love to have you included.

If you are already in the directory and just need to update your photo:

Enter a picture you already have into your account,

Email a picture you already have to the office and it will be entered for you,

Leave a print of a photo you already have in the office and it will be scanned and entered for you.

If you are new to Peace or need to have a picture taken:

On September 10th, our photographer, John Ameel, will be taking photos at church between 9:30 - 10:30, and after the second service. No appointment needed. Just check in at the table in the Fellowship Hall or Narthex.

Don't have an account yet or can't remember?

Set up one up at <u>https://</u> members.instantchurchdirectory.com/ or get

help at the check-in table on September 10.

New to Peace or aren't in the directory yet?

Please email <u>office@peaceucc.org</u> and ask that your email be added to the directory. Once added you will be able to create an account and access the directory. Or leave your name and email address at the directory check-in table on September 10th.

Download the Instant Church Directory app on your phone and quickly access addresses and phone numbers of fellow members and friends.

Weekly E-mail Reminders

Do you receive our weekly emails? Bri sends them from the church office on Tuesdays and Fridays. They are an important way to receive the latest, most up-to-date information about life at Peace. Contact Bri (<u>Bri@peaceucc.org</u>) to be added to the distribution list.

Peace in Transition

Transitions and Then Some!

Rev. Charlotte Frantz Acting Bridge Minister

In 1998, Spencer Johnson wrote the book *Who Moved My Cheese?* The allegorical tale of mice and humans in a maze hunting for cheese analyzes change and our responses to it. Among the lessons to be learned are these:



Change happens (they moved the cheese). So best be prepared, monitor the situation, adapt, move with the cheese, enjoy the change, and lastly, "Be ready to change again. They keep moving the cheese."

After two and a half years of transition at Peace. this advice makes me laugh—it feels so true! We anticipated a change in pastoral leadership following Kathy's retirement. We didn't anticipate so many changes in staff positions and employees. Now I realize that we are also experiencing significant changes in the congregation. Whatever assumptions we hold about "how we do things" are being examined and re-tooled. You'll hear the Stewardship Committee talk about "financial commitments" rather than "pledges." Children's Church, begun as an experiment more than a year ago is a broadly graded community of children and youth and happens during the 10:30 service. We are continuing this. We occasionally use the 9:30 hour for Intergenerational, all church events when adult households and families with children can work. socialize, play and connect with each other. Come at 9:30 on September 10 for Ready, Set, Go!

Volunteer responsibilities are also changing coffee hour hosts and ushering look a little different these days. Bri is doing an awesome job updating processes and recruiting folks to offer Sunday morning hospitality.

Teams that plan for and often do the work of the church are also changing. People come and go, perceived needs and opportunities change, or the natural life cycle of a group comes to an end. Transitions mean letting go and starting up and includes a lot of re-sets.

I hope you'll find ways to continue to engage, or re-engage, in life at Peace. Be ready for change. Someone keep moving the cheese! (If you can't find the cheese where you last saw some, or new things just seem confusing, please give me call or text. If you have ideas where to find more cheese, please let me know!)

Thank you, Mariah!

Mariah Kiefer has been our Youth Associate this past year. In addition to Children's Church, she worked with the middle school youth group. Her work concluded with the Amnicon camping trip at



the end of August. She promised to be back as a volunteer this coming year. Thanks for all you've done, Mariah.

To all my friends at Peace Church,

Rev. Budd Friend-Jones Former Bridge Minister

A young friend once wrote to Gretchen and me, "I love you ten thousand apartment buildings!" That's a lot of love, but it's how I feel now as I sit on my lanai (porch) and write to you. Love,



gratitude, and respect flow together as I recall the brief time we had together. Your welcome was awesome and your hospitality, overwhelming. To paraphrase the Psalmist, they are more in number than... ten thousand apartment buildings! Thank you for the wonderful send-off at the end of July. The picnic was perfect. I am indebted to everyone who planned, set-up, brought food and cleaned up so we could enjoy informal time together. Ditto the gift certificate to Indigenous First (the AICHO gift shop and gallery on Second Street). It was the perfect gift, given my interests and our shared desire to support local and indigenous craftspersons. Our time together was fun, instructive, and creative for us all. Now as we go our separate ways, may we walk in dignity. May we find connections between our lives and the things around us. May we find peace within ourselves and in the world. May we see and hear things that bring beauty into our lives. May we see the good in those around us, and always cherish the blessings each day brings.

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Peace Activities and Groups

Bible Study Wednesdays at 5:00pm

Our Bible study is led by Tom Liddle and Bob Stevens. We meet in "Room and Zoom" in the Fireside Room each week. Watch the weekly emails for information on the text for the week.

Making Meaning Out Of Malignancy Monday, September 25^{th,} 5:00-6:00pm

If you or a loved one have had cancer (in the past or currently) and would like to connect with others, you are invited to join our Making Meaning out of Malignancy group. The group meets monthly in a "Room and Zoom" and in the Fireside Room. For more information, please contact Monica Liddle, <u>monimliddle@gmail.com</u>.

Choir Rehearsals Starting Wednesday September 6th at 6:15pm

No auditions, just a willingness to sing! Newcomers welcome!

Men's Breakfast Every other Thursday 8:00am

Join us for breakfast and conversation! We meet every other Thursday at 8:00am at The New London Cafe on East Superior Street. We will meet Thursday, September 7th and 21st.

PALS

What: (Re)Discovering a Duluth Treasure: The Beauty of Enger Tower Park; Once called Duluth's Grand View Mountain.

When: September 7, 2023, 4:00 pm

Where: Place: Enger Park

Please join us for the September PALS (Peace Adults Learning and Socializing) to learn about and explore Enger Park, which will include information on the Peace Bell and the lovely gardens.

Our Guest Speaker will be Nancy Nelson, Peace UCC's retired Office Coordinator. Nancy is the co-author of the book, *"Duluth's Historic Parks: Their First 160 Years"*. She will share with us the history, uniqueness and beauty of Enger Park.

Please bring a \$5.00 donation, per person, for Nancy's time and expertise. Nancy will be bringing some of her books for purchase.

You may want to bring a chair to sit on.

We will gather for dinner at Sammy's Pizza at 5:30 on Central Ave in West Duluth.

Contact Laurie Berner

<u>laurie.beth.berner@gmail.com</u> to RSVP or if you have any questions. All adults are welcome.

See you there! Laurie

Monday Book Group

After a summer break, the Monday Book Group will resume meeting this fall! Our first fall meeting will be on Monday September 18th at 3:00 pm at Peace UCC. Our first book will be

Onogamiising: Seasons of an Ojibwe Year by Linda LeGarde Grover. Linda is a professor of American Indian Studies at UMD and a member of the Bois Forte Band of Ojibwe.

Long before it came to be known as Duluth, the land at the western tip of Lake Superior was known to the Ojibwe as Onigamiising, "the place of the small portage." There the Ojibwe lived in keeping with the seasons, moving among different camps for hunting and fishing, for cultivating and gathering, for harvesting wild rice and maple sugar. In *Onigamiising* Linda LeGarde Grover accompanies us through this cycle of the seasons, one year in a lifelong journey on the path to Mino Bimaadiziwin, the living of a good life.

In fifty short essays, Grover reflects on the spiritual beliefs and everyday practices that carry the Ojibwe through the year and connect them to this northern land of rugged splendor. As the four seasons unfold—from Ziigwan (Spring) through Niibin and Dagwaagin to the silent, snowy promise of Biboon—the award-winning author writes eloquently of the landscape and the weather, work and play, ceremony and tradition and family ways, from the homey moments shared over meals to the celebrations that mark life's great events. Now a grandmother, a Nokomis, beginning the fourth season of her life, Grover draws on a wealth of stories and knowledge accumulated over the years to evoke the Ojibwe experience of Onigamiising, past and present, for all time.

We invite you to join us! For questions or to be added to the email list please contact Penny Cragun: pcragun@d.umn.edu or (218)310-8516

From the Moderator

Submitted by Jessica Olson

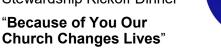
It's an exciting time at Peace Church. The coordinating council met on the 3rd Tuesday in August and received reports from our various teams and committees, including the terrific news from our Search Committee to call a settled pastor candidate! We look forward to hearing her preach on September 17th. Immediately following the 10:30 worship service that day we will hold a congregational meeting to vote on calling this individual as our new settled pastor. According to our by-laws, a two-thirds vote of voting members present at a duly constituted congregational meeting is required to call a Lead Pastor.

In addition to our regular monthly meeting in September, the council and members of the Human Resources committee will attend a training with Dr. Andrea Blanch titled "Unconscious Bias, Trauma, and Mental Health - How to Build Awareness and Create a Kinder Culture." We are grateful for the opportunity to learn more about this important topic and how we can help each other in our journeys.

SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, October 14th

Stewardship Kickoff Dinner



Inspiring, Engaging, Fun

Watch for your invite later this month.

September Special Offering

United Theological Seminary

United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities is a progressive, ecumenical seminary rooted in the liberal Protestant tradition and founded by the United Church of Christ (UCC).

Their mission is to prepare innovative and compassionate leaders for the equipping of churches, other faith communities, and society toward justice and peace. United is recognized as a progressive Christian seminary that engages its multifaith world respectfully to create a beloved community both within the seminary and beyond.

Human Resources Committee

Submitted by Joan Peterson

Thanks to Pastor Budd and Pastor Charlotte, all staff annual reviews were completed this summer with good results. Staff members have HR committee liaisons to whom they can go with problems or concerns. Peace is blessed that our HR committee members are volunteers who have experience and expertise with human resources. This has been particularly important during a year with so many transitions on our staff. Members are Joan Peterson, chair of the committee, Mike Swanoski– Council vice moderator, Leanne Ventrella, Susan Goltz, Shannon Studden and Mary Pat Renaud. The lead pastor also is part of the HR Committee.

Stepping On Up

The Rental Space Sub-committee continues to work with Stepping on Up. Plans to remodel the former daycare space into housing for 12 young adults experiencing homelessness are moving along.

In August, 40 people including about 10 Peace Church neighbors came to a community information session. Also in attendance were County Commissioner Annie Harala, Fire Chief Shawn Krizaj, Deputy Chief John Otis, and Duluth Police Department Community Officer Ethan Roe. Joel Kilgour of SOU and Dawn Shykes of LSS shared details and plans for the shelter. It was met with positive support by attendees.

In other good news, St. Louis County approved \$125,000 from the American Rescue Plan. This initial money will help secure additional funds to help with the remodeling phase.

https://www.duluthnewstribune.com/news/local/ st-louis-county-approves-american-rescue-planprojects

Architect John Erickson set up a required premeeting with City Planning and Construction Officials. No concerns were noted with the plans, and Dan Holm of Donald Holm Construction is preparing cost estimates.

Work also continues on the lease with pro bono work from Attorneys Dan Maddy and Caitlin Crowl of the Fryberger Firm. Peace Church can not thank them enough for their tireless work on this detailed and complicated lease.

Stay tuned for more updates including details about several counters, cupboards and other items used by the former daycare that will need new homes before construction begins.

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Children, Youth and Families

Hello Peace Families From Amanda McElray Hunter Interim Children and Youth Director

It's that time of year again! We are all preparing for a return to school with the cooler evenings blowing in off the lake in anticipation of fall weather. Children and Youth Ministries are also gearing up for a season of fun, friendshipbuilding and service to our community.

Please contact me at <u>amanda@peaceucc.org</u> if your child/youth member is interested in any of these opportunities or if you have any questions. In the coming weeks we will be reaching out to families in a variety of ways to get feedback, suggestions and new ideas about how to intentionally and joyfully enter into this new season, together.

Nursery Resumes Sunday, September 10th

Nursery Staff will be available in our nursery rooms (past our church office and back through the children's library) during the 10:30 service. On September 10th, the Nursery will also be available during our Gathering Sunday event happening at the 9:30 hour. Parents, please make sure to fill out the sign in/sign out sheet with your information before you drop off/pick up your children. Please let us know about any questions/concerns that you have as parents.

Children's Church this Fall

Come join us for Children's Church each Sunday during the 10:30 service. Kids stay in the service until Story for All Ages, leave for Children's Church for 20-30 min (where we sing, read stories, make art and have fun) and then come back with the adults for communion/ offering. All kids and youth (and parents!) are welcome to join us – it's always a sweet and lively time together!

Middle School Youth Group (Grades 6-8)

Wednesday night youth group will resume September 13th at 6:00 pm! Join us on the 13th in the Fellowship Hall for pizza, games and a chance to hang out and build some great friendships! Check weekly emails for more details.

9:30am Event Gathering Sunday

We are looking for youth volunteers to help out with activities at this Intergenerational event! We will be getting ready for the year and engaging in some service opportunities for our community; contact Amanda for more info!

OWL (for 9th graders)

If there are any incoming 9th graders out there who have not received information about the OWL (Our Whole Lives) Sexuality Curriculum, please let Amanda know so all our youth have an opportunity to be a part of the program. We look forward to another great year of OWL.

Second Year Confirmation Classes

Rev. Sara Olson Dean, UCC pastor and now chaplain at Essentia, will facilitate our second year confirmation class. Sara has co-facilitated with Nathan the past three years and is looking forward to continuing to lead our 11th graders in their faith exploration. Tres Commer will join her in facilitation and mentors from last year will continue as part of the class. First class session will be September 6th, 7:00-8:30pm (youth only).

First Year Confirmation Class (for 10th graders and older youth)

Plans are underway to begin the first year confirmation class for students in 10th grade and any interested older students. Watch for information in the weekly emails about a start date.

Youth 9th Grade and Older

We are looking for sound board operators and nursery attendants! Please contact Amanda (amanda@peeaceucc.org) if you'd like to receive training to operate the sound board during worship and special events or if you would like to work in the nursery.

Photos from our High School and Middle School Summer Youth Trips

Finally, take a gander at these great photos from our High School Youth Trip to Washington DC and our Middle School Youth Trip to Camp Amnicon. We are so proud of our young people and the many ways they are part of building equitable and life-giving community!





Senior High Youth Trip to Washington D.C. 2023



























Middle School Amnicon Trip 2023





CHUM News



CHUM is "People of faith working together to provide basic necessities, foster

stable lives, and organize for a just and compassionate community."

First of all, the Web address to get into opportunities at Chum is: https:// www.chumduluth.org/

Secondly, we have one nearly new (Louise Hawley) and one brand new (Laurie Berner) Chum representative for Peace Church. We want to extend our thanks to Annette Strom for reliably carrying most of the responsibility this last year as a representative and doing a lovely job. Thanks for all you did, Annette!

There are two Chum Opportunities that the Peace Church representatives have been asked to work on recently.

FOOD SHELF DONATIONS OF SPECIFIC ITEMS

Peace Church has always had a donation basket for items. Additionally, PALS buys flour, sugar, etc. in bulk and packages it for the Food Shelf. Chum has requested that congregations choose one class of the most commonly requested items to donate in quantity on a monthly basis. This does not mean that we should not continue to donate good stuff that we find on sale. It means that we will supplement it with things that they always need. One example is Temple Israel donates canned tuna fish. The list of items that they regularly need includes:

Canned Fruits and Vegetables Juice White or Brown rice Pasta Pasta Sauce Cereal Peanut Butter Canned Tuna and Chicken Macaroni and Cheese Canned Soups (not Creamed) **Canned Pasta**

Louise Hawley would like some feedback from folks in the next couple of weeks on how we can do this. She will get some more information from Chum to help us decide what is most needed. You can contact her at Lhawley2@gmail.com.

October Peace Bell articles are due Wednesday, September 20th. Send articles to bri@peaceucc.org

Community News

Expanding Horizons

This is a five-hour walking tour offered twice a week for groups of 8-20 to see the different services used by the homeless of Duluth. It generally costs \$50 per person as it is also a fundraiser for the services. (Chum schedules, leads the tours, and divides the proceeds between the agencies visited. This is intended to be an immersive experience to learn more about what people experiencing homelessness day-today in Duluth face. Chum is willing to give us a group rate. Please contact me at Lhawley2@gmail.com if you are interested. Sept is full so we will find what dates are open hopefully in October. You may invite non-Peace folks to also sign up with you. To see details, go to: https://www.chumduluth.org/ expandinghorizons.

Duluth Superior Pride Weekend

Thursday, August 31st

Mayors' Opening Reception 5pm-8pm Duluth Depot



Saturday, September 2nd

Pride Festival

11am-7pm Bayfront Festival Park

Sunday, September 3rd

Pride Church Service Breakfast at 9:30am, Worship at 10:30am **Pilgrim Congregational Church** Drag Me to The Pride Parade

12pm/Noon Tower Avenue, Superior

For a list of all events visit https:// www.duluthsuperiorpride.com/

Sacred Heart Music Center Organ and Brass September 10th, 3:00pm

To celebrate Dr. Charles Sundquist appointment as Sacred Heart's new Resident organist appointment, Dr. Sundquist will present a concert that explores powerful music written for organ and brass. Playing the historic Felgemaker pipe organ, Dr. Sundquist will be joined by the Twin Ports Brass Ensemble :Steve Siegel, trumpet; Charlie Leibfried, trumpet; Deborah Rausch, horn; Derek Bromme, trombone/tuba; and David Leslie, bass trombone/trombone. Tickets are available at the door for \$20.

Building Racial Consciousness An Important Opportunity for Peace Church

Peace Church is known in Duluth as a church sympathetic to BIPOC concerns and often willing to show up on behalf of racial and economic justice. Yet, there is something that holds us back from becoming the allies we would like to be. When covid made it difficult for us to be out in the community "showing up," our Dismantling Racism Team used the time to take an informal, internal audit of our church. The result of that study was a recommendation to engage in an intentional effort to build our capacity to move from support to allyship. The Coordinating Council approved a grant from the Jubiliee Fund to help us do the work necessary so that we can become better allies to BIPOC communities, especially St. Mark AME.

After several explorations of possible facilitators, we have chosen to work with Dendros, a Twin Cities group with Rev. Anthony Galloway as one of our facilitators. This gives us the opportunity to both do our internal work and strengthen our connection with Pastor Anthony.

A steering committee for this project is being formed and will work with Rev. Galloway and his colleague Dr. Jia Starr Brown to plan four events spread over the next 9-12 months.

They will be looking for Peace folks willing to participate in the four events and hope they represent a cross section of our congregation. Small teams will be asked to designate 2 or 3 individuals to participate and the Coordinating council to designate as many as 5 of its members.

The four events or modules will help us better understand who we are, how we have come to be who we are, what changes we need to make, and how we might begin to make some of those changes. These modules build upon each other and participants will develop trust among themselves as well as insights about steps to be taken.

Begin to think now about participating. You might be among those who help Peace move into a new kind of relationship with community groups in Duluth.

Climate Corner

Climate Stories

Call for participants! The UMD Motion + Media Across Disciplines Lab has received a grant on climate change story-telling and art. The more we talk about climate change, the more solutions we can find together. To share your stories and experiences about nature, the outdoors and climate change, please sign up here: <u>https://</u> forms.gle/D83eJm9J7icHfa1N6

To see some of the finished videos: <u>https://</u> <u>cahss.d.umn.edu/centers-facilities/mmad-lab-viz-</u> <u>lab/about/climate-storytelling-grant</u>

Climate Care

With kids back in school now is a good time to pick up new habits. Here are a few suggestions from "A Kid's Guide to Saving the Planet: It's not Hopeless and We're Not Helpless" by meteorologist Paul Douglas.

Cars are big producers of CO2. A short 1-mile car trip puts 1 pound of additional CO2 into the atmosphere. Why not walk, ride a bike or take the DTA bus for a longer trip? <u>https://www.duluthtransit.com/</u> You'll emit far less CO2 on your errand and --bonus--get exercise and maybe some fresh air too.

Keep lights turned off when possible. When you're doing homework or reading, take advantage of natural light. Even sit outside under a favorite tree. And, windows are marvelous inventions! Sit by them.

Rethink your laundry. Roughly 75% of total energy use and greenhouse gas emissions from laundry come from heating the water. Try washing in cold water. And while the weather is warm, air-dry your clothes. This can reduce the average home's carbon footprint by 2400 pounds per year.

Paul Douglas: Climate Presentation

September 30th, 10-11:30am, First United Methodist Church of Duluth (230 East Skyline)

MNIPL will sponsor a presentation by prominent meteorologist and climate science expert Paul Douglas. He is known for his engaging, thoughtful, down-to-earth, and well-informed presentations. He is the co-author of several books, including <u>Caring for Creation: The Evangelical's Guide to Climate Change and a Healthy Environment</u> For more information contact Bret Pence at Minnesota Interfaith Power and Light at <u>bretpence@mnipl.org</u>.

Volunteer Schedules

Coffee Hour Volunteers

Every Sunday our 11:30 Coffee Hour is brought to you by our Coffee Hour Volunteers. They are responsible for setting up, bringing treats (roughly 2-3 dozen cookies, bars, veggies, or fruit), serving, and cleaning up after. This month our Coordinators are Holly Bowen-Bailey and Kelli Hallsten-Erickson.

Self-Serve coffee is available at 9:30 in the Narthex. Coffee Hour Volunteers are not responsible for this hospitality.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please contact Bri in the office at <u>office@peaceucc.org</u>.

Monday Meals for Loaves and Fishes

Peace volunteers make and deliver meals for **Loaves and Fishes Dorothy Day House** on Monday evenings. Usually meals need to serve 10-15 persons. If you are interested in being part of this ministry, email <u>office@peaceucc.org</u> or access the schedule on our website under the menu "for volunteers."

Sept 4th - Tom and Christine Day

Sept 11th – Gayle and Jack Kelly

Sept 18th – Gary Boelhower

Sept 25th – Terese Tomanek

Ushers and Lay Readers

Sunday morning hospitality is an important ministry at Peace. Your welcoming presence and assistance during worship makes a huge difference. If interested in being a lay reader contact Bri at <u>office@peaceucc.org</u>.

September's Head Usher is Warren Post. If you are interested in being an usher contact Bri at <u>office@peaceucc.org</u> or Warren Post at <u>seadog0325@gmail.com</u>.

Harvesting Time!

With fall right around the corner we still have much to harvest out of our garden. Every Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday we harvest what we can from the garden and then water. Whatever we harvest goes to



CHUM. If you are interested in helping you can contact Kay and Bob Steves at <u>kay-bob-</u> 13@hotmail.com or Bri at office@peaceucc.org.

Prayer Shawls

These prayer shawls are a gift to our Peace members. When someone has surgery, or a new diagnosis, has lost a loved one, or seems lonely and in need of comfort, I will bring one to them along with a prayer. They are received gratefully!



If you are new to Peace Church and would like a pattern and yarn suggestions, contact me. With great thanks! Gudrun Witrak, Pastoral Care Chaplain

gwitrak@gmail.com

Damiano Community Kitchen

Peace volunteers help prepare and serve a meal at Damiano Community Kitchen twice a month. Each shift needs 2-3 volunteers, bring a friend or a child 16 and up! <u>Click here</u> to sign up.

Sunday, September 10th 1:30-3:30pm **3 Slots Open** 4:30-6:30pm **3 Slots Open** Saturday, September 23rd 8:30-10:30am **3 Slots Open** 11:00-1:00pm Pam Kramer **2 Slots Open** 1:30-3:30pm April Knight **2 Slots Open** 4:30-6:30pm April Knight **2 Slots Open**

Peace Church Work Day

Saturday, September 9th at 9am: The Property Committee is organizing a work day for small projects around the building and we would love your help! Minor water drainage projects include trenching, repairing gutters, and digging out a drain pipe. Building contractor expertise and advice would help us plan for future projects as well. Bring shovels, gloves, and workwear - lunch will be provided. RSVP not necessary, but would be appreciated email office@peaceucc.org or sign up online!

Peace People

Wedding Announcements

Danny & Julie O'Neill were married on July 27th here at Peace Church

Jim Pospisil and Angela Olson were married on August 12th at Enger Tower

Welcome to the World!

Iggy Alan Hamel, born July 26th to Ellen and Laura Hamel and big brother Owen.





Long time member Bill DeRoche has graciously donated his book, *Thoughts From The Journey Through.* They are located in the Narthex. Next time you come to Church make sure to grab one!

Baptism

Congratulations to the Eskuri Family on Miles's Baptism

Peace Prayer Chain

Please call the church office (218-724-3637) or Linda Goese (218-341-0918) with your prayer concerns. You can let us know whether or not to share your concern with the pastors for inclusion in Sunday morning prayers.

Peace Marketplace

Marge Anderson is looking for a new home for a Bi-Pap machine, If you or someone you know would be interested in this, please contact Marge Anderson.



Do you have an extra tent or tarp laying around?

Louise Guggisberg is always looking for tents and tarps to distribute to the homeless in Duluth. If you would like contact

her about other needs you can email her at <u>lguggisberg@gmail.com</u>.

Keep in Your Prayers

- All our members living in long-term care facilities: Joyce Riggle at Park Point; Mike Nugent at the Silver Bay Veterans Home; Steve Coll at St. Anne's; Amanda Cran at Bishop Woods and Sharon Kirtley at Viewcrest.
- All those undergoing treatment for cancer: Stephen Dando, Terrie Shannon, Mary Caine-Hafdahl, Kim Kruger, Sam Peterson and others.

In Sympathy

Our thoughts and prayer go out to Stan and Susan Goltz. Stan's brother, Thomas, passed away on July 29th in Montana.

Our sympathy is extended to Ava Hand-Johnson on the recent passing of her grandmother.

We send out our sympathy to Cathy and Kirby Wood on the recent passing of Cathy's mother and to Terese Tomanek on the passing of her brother.

Thank You's

- Thank you to all of the prayer shawl knitters and crocheters! Thanks to Kay Stevens, her niece Kris Thompson, AND Kay's daughterin-law's mother-in-law, Joann Karna! We have a few shawls for which we have no name of the makers, so if you have made one, please let Gudrun know!
- Cathy Wood and Christine Day for the flower arrangements for the worship center.
- Wendy Durrwatcher and Adam Sippola for designating the proceeds of their concert to Peace's support for CHUM.

Dear friends at Peace UCC,

A huge thank you to everyone who has been supporting me by providing food, help with odd jobs, rides, and words of encouragement following my recent bike accident. Your kindness has made a huge difference and will not be forgotten. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Nina Preheim



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