



The Peace Bell

PEACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sundays at a Glance

February 4th

CHUM Sunday

Guest Preacher, John Cole

8:30am Worship with Holy Communion
 9:30am CHUM forum with John Cole
 9:30am Coffee in the Narthex
 10:30am Childcare Available in the Nursery
 10:30am Worship with Children's Church
 11:30am Coffee Hour in celebration of our ministry with CHUM
 11:30am New Member Orientation, Fireside Room
 6:00pm OWL

February 11th

Sermon by Rev. Corinne Freedman Ellis

8:30am Worship with Holy Communion
 9:30am Global Ministries
 10:30am Childcare Available in the Nursery
 10:30am Worship with Holy Communion Children's Church
 11:30am Coffee Hour
 11:30am New Member Orientation, Fireside Room
 6:00pm OWL

February 18th

First Sunday in Lent

Sermon by Rev. Corinne Freedman Ellis

8:30am Worship with Holy Communion
 9:30am Coffee in the Narthex
 9:30am Peace Matters facilitated by Rev. Corinne Freedman Ellis and Marilyn Mayry
 10:30am Childcare Available in the Nursery
 10:30am Worship with Children's Church
 11:30am Coffee Hour

February 25th

Second Sunday in Lent

Sermon by Rev. Corinne Freedman Ellis

8:30am Worship with Holy Communion
 9:30am Coffee in the Narthex
 9:30am Hidden Histories with Building Racial Consciousness participants
 10:30am Childcare Available in the Nursery
 10:30am Worship with Children's Church
 11:30am Coffee Hour and Family Fun Event
 6:00pm OWL

Forums in February

February 4th CHUM Sunday

February 4th is CHUM Sunday, when we celebrate 50 years of partnership and collaboration with CHUM. John Cole will be our presenter and will share history, displays and current happenings at CHUM. He will also provide updates on where volunteers are most needed and how we can continue to join together for a better Duluth.

February 11th Global Ministries

February 11th will feature highlights from our Global Ministries participants. The Liddles will provide an update on East Timor and we will hear from other congregation members about ministries across the world that are close to their hearts.

February 18th Peace Matters

This forum is titled Peace Matters, a new experiment arising out of the January 14th forum with Pastor Corinne. Corinne and Marilyn Mayry will facilitate connection and storytelling about what matters most to you and how we can come together around our shared interests and concerns.

February 25th Building Racial Consciousness

The Building Racial Consciousness group was tasked with researching a piece of "below the line" racial history: stories we didn't learn in school that offer deep insights into the way race functions in our society. Come to hear a series of short presentations on this history and see how you can be a racial historian as well.

Family Fun Event

Join us Sunday, February 25th in the fellowship hall following the 10:30am church service for a time of intergenerational fun and connection. Terrence Smith will be on hand to teach dancers steps and guide the dancing.

From the Moderator

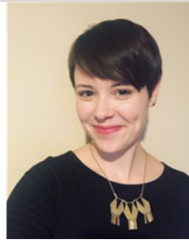
Greetings from the Coordinating Council! Our next meeting will be held February 20th at 6:30pm, and we welcome guests. Attending a council meeting is a great way to learn more about the nuts and bolts of our church. In a few short months we will begin the process of seeking new council candidates for the coming council year (July - June). Please consider if this might be right for you.

On January 16th, we welcomed Pastor Corinne to her first council meeting here at Peace. Melissa Boyle made soup, Joan Peterson brought chocolate, and some of us were able to come early and enjoy a meal together. The meeting included a review of our 2024 budget, including our 2023 finances, which ended with a small positive balance. **Thank you** all for your help in making that happen! On January 28th, the voting quorum representing the congregation approved our 2024 working budget of \$684,253 during the annual budget meeting. Our projected income is \$626,645 and we will be working with the stewardship team to close that gap throughout the coming year. Many thanks to those who have made financial commitments to support Peace in 2024! It's exciting to be a part of this work with you. If you would like to learn more about making a financial commitment for the coming year, it's not too late - please contact our bookkeeper Mali with any questions (218-724-3637).

In addition to reviewing the budget, we also received the reports from committees and teams and spent some time discussing the Stepping On Up project which is included on page 8. We hope to welcome unhoused young adults into a renovated space this fall.

Thanks so much for all you do, Jessica

From Rev. Corinne Freedman Ellis



A theme has been emerging in our first couple of weeks together: story. We wrestle with the amazing, enlightening, sometimes very weird scripture text on Sunday mornings in worship. We share a love of reading, and I am grateful for the bookstore gift cards that will keep me in the good stories found in literature for the foreseeable future (formal thank-you notes on their way!). Peace Church has a story, or really many intertwining stories, that have brought us here to this moment, discerning God's work for us in the world. Each one of you has a story that is part of Peace's story, and part of God's great story of grace and love.

I want to get to know your stories! I love the business of the church and can learn a lot from team and committee meetings. But it's the people who make the church, and I want to get to know *you* – nothing else on the agenda other than to hear your story and get to know what matters to you.

For ease of scheduling, I've set up a [SignUp Genius](#) for upcoming Tuesdays and Thursdays. I realize many of you work during these hours and won't be available, so I will work to create some evening and weekend options in the coming weeks. I look forward to seeing how our stories will intersect and how we can be part of God's great story together.



From Rev. Charlotte Frantz

Thank You, Peace Church.

Thank you so very much for the wonderful celebration and "send off" on January 7th. I felt your love and your appreciation for my ministry among you during the interim. The video messages from Nathan, Budd and Gudrun meant so much as did the basket full of cards, notes and gifts. I look forward to re-reading many of your kind words when I return home. I used some of your monetary gifts to buy a pair of small binoculars for my backpack and a gorgeous stole to wear at community events.

This trip to Arizona began with a three day Conference "Common Ground at the Border," an arts/music/immersion experience related to immigration and humanitarian work. I'm staying until the end of January in order to do some additional work in two areas: 1) Updating my understanding of immigration issues and 2) learning more about indigenous/settler histories in southeastern Arizona. These three weeks are a real gift because I have time to follow up on referrals and recommendations I receive. I have no idea where these explorations might lead - right now I am glad to follow my curiosity. Additionally - I'm catching up on sleep and thoroughly enjoying southwestern cuisine!

Thank you again for trusting my leadership, working together during so many transitions, keeping the faith, doing ministry and now welcoming Pastor Corinne into your midst.



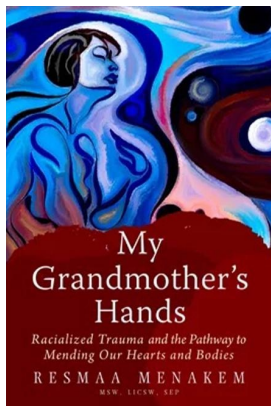
Lent 2024 - The Seed of Joy

Peace Church Lenten Book Study

Book Study of *My Grandmother's Hands*
Mondays, February 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th
at 6:00 – 7:30pm via Zoom

Facilitated by Rev. Kelly Gallagher, Associate Conference Minister, Minnesota Conference UCC

You are invited to join a book study of Resmaa Menakem's groundbreaking book about generational, embodied racism and white supremacy. Menakem examines the damage caused by racism in America from the perspective of trauma and body-centered psychology. The body is where our instincts reside and where we fight, flee, or freeze, and it endures the trauma inflicted by the ills that plague society. Menakem argues this destruction will continue until Americans learn to heal the generational anguish of white supremacy, which is deeply embedded in all our bodies.



To learn more and to register go to <https://www.uccmn.org/event/my-grandmothers-hands-book-study/>

Purchase *My Grandmother's Hands* at a discount thru:

Zenith Bookstore

318 N Central Ave, Duluth, MN 55807

(218) 606-1777

Customers can find the book online by searching directly from our website or by using the direct link zenithbookstore.com/mghpeace

When ordering online use the Promo Code **MGHPEACE** and the discount will be automatically applied. If you want to buy or special order in the store, let the bookseller know that this is for Peace Church and give them the Promo Code.

The offer will hold from now through the month of February.



Lent Schedule

In the heart of fear and pain, God plants the seed of our joy.



Lent can be a somber season of the church year. It begins with an ashen sign of mortality. Bright colors turn to deep purples and alleluias fall silent. Though the word Lent derives from an Old English word for *springtime*, spring still

seems far off here in Duluth. Easter, on the other hand, is obviously joyful. Bells ring, alleluias echo, white and gold shine brightly, and every single candle is lit. Jesus is risen, and so are the daffodils, hyacinths, and lilies. Joy clearly belongs to Easter.

But a joyful Lent is not an oxymoron. As it turns out, joy is right at home during a minor-key season like Lent – and if joy is there, perhaps there are other seasons of life that joy calls home, too. Joy is a beacon that points us toward God's unfailing presence, even in the heart of fear and pain.

This Lent, we will explore joy through the theme *Seeds of Joy*, using materials from Barn Geese Worship.

Ash Wednesday, February 14th, 7:00pm

Contemplative worship service including receiving ashes.

**Wednesday Evening Soup Suppers,
February 21st, 28th, March 6th, 13th, 20th,
5:00 - 6:00pm**

Connect over a meal with conversation prompts to encourage reflection on cultivating joy. Children are welcome to participate, and if you'd prefer childcare, please reach out to Amanda at amanda@peaceucc.org.

Peace Bell articles for March are due Wednesday, February 21st. Send articles to bri@peaceucc.org



Stewardship Campaign Update

Our 2024 Stewardship Campaign was a success! Financial commitments of just over \$507,000 will go toward the worship and work of Peace Church in 2024. If you've already made your financial commitment toward the worship and work of Peace, THANK YOU, and there is still time to make a financial commitment to Peace as we begin our journey with Pastor Corinne!

Pastor Charlotte said it well in our Narrative Budget - "Peace Church is an amazing place because people here don't limit giving to what they don't need for themselves; they share what they have. And because together we share what we have, lives at Peace and lives in our wider community are changed."

Stewardship at Peace will be moving to a year-round endeavor. Your Stewardship Committee isn't sure yet just what that will look like but you will be hearing from us more than just September to December this year!

Thank you for helping to change lives through your generosity!

Do you have a Peace Church library book?

Sharon Crosby, Peace Church librarian, has completed an inventory of the Adult Library. In doing so has found that some books have been kept far beyond the check out time and there are many books that are not on the shelf and are not checked out at all.

Sharon is asking people to check their book shelves carefully to see if you have Peace Church Library books. If you are finished with them, please return them. If they are not checked out and you are not finished with them, please sign the card that is in the book and drop it in the box on the book display in the narthex, so we know where the book is.

It is nice to see more people using the Library again. If you haven't visited it recently come in and take a look.

Orientation to Peace February 4th and 11th 11:45-12:45

We welcome all who are interested in learning more about Peace, what we believe, how we interact in the community, and how we're structured, to join us for orientation sessions Sunday, February 4th and 11th 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 February 25th. Save the date if you are interested in joining Peace.

A Message from Shared Ministry

Our team met on a cold snowy Thursday with all members present. Thank you to Pastor Corinne for joining us and for your input in the meeting. We reviewed the history and purpose of our team, and the exciting things we are planning for this new era at Peace Church.

Our member orientation sessions will take place next in February with the first meeting on the 4th and the second meeting on the 11th; both meetings starting at 11:45 and lasting about half an hour. Then, members will be welcomed into our congregation on the 25th. If you are interested in becoming a member at any time during the year, or just out of curiosity and want to learn more, please let our Peace Office Coordinator, Bri Dornbush know.

Finally, we are hoping to attract more committed volunteers to our Shared Ministry Team. We want to be a welcoming and inclusive place here at Peace UCC; and that requires many hands and minds working to accomplish the many tasks that make a church a good place to be. More volunteers are needed for tasks like coffee hour leaders and helpers, ushers, and lay readers. Consider finding your niche at Peace, by volunteering.

Peace Activities and Groups

Tea and Talk

Come for Tea and Talk on February 28th at 3:00pm after the Peace Bell folding. Enjoy each other's company and some tea and treats. Any questions please contact Gudrun Witrak at gwitrak@gmail.com

Men's Breakfast

Every other Thursday, 8:00am

Join us for breakfast and conversation! We meet every other Thursday at 8:00am at Perkins on London Rd. We will meet Thursday, February 8th and 22nd.

Making Meaning Out Of Malignancy

Monday, February 26th, 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, monimiddle@gmail.com.

Monday Book Group

Monday February 5th and 19th at 3:00pm

The book for February is *Disability Visibility: First -Person Stories From the Twenty-First Century*, edited by Alice Wong. It is the book chosen for the 2024 One Book project which has brought Northland communities together to celebrate reading.

In 2014 Alice Wong created the Disability Visibility Project to bring awareness to the over 61 million people living in the United States who live with some kind of disability. The aim was to collect oral stories of people in order to preserve their experience living in a world designed for able bodied people. In 2020 Wong put together the anthology *Disability Visibility: First Person Stories from the Twenty-First Century*. In it she includes congressional testimonies, blog posts, eulogies, and so much more. *Disability Visibility* is an incredibly important piece of history, and we invite you to read and discuss it with us.

We will meet on Monday February 5th and 19th at 3:00 in the Fireside Room and by Zoom. Email pccragun@d.umn.edu for questions or to be included in the group emails.

Welcome to

Wednesday night Bible study! Wednesdays, 6:00pm

Bible study is on the move in February! On the 7th we will finish discussing Acts, and plan where we will go next - Psalms? Lectionary texts? Women of the Bible? Heroes and villains? Join us to help chart future studies and be part of this great group.

Wednesdays at 5:00pm in the Fireside room or on Zoom.

Peace Church Yoga Class

We will not have the 9:00am class through February. Our first class back will be on March 4th. The MS class will still be meeting at 10:30am. Kathy Dodge will be the instructor. Her number is (218)491-0873 if you need to reach her.

Choir Rehearsals

Wednesdays, 6:15pm

Come try out the choir! We would love to have new members. We rehearse 6:15 - 7:30pm on Wednesdays in the sanctuary, and sing for the 10:30 Sunday services. Contact Jim Pospisil at jim@peaceucc.org if you have any more questions.

PALS

The PALS event for Thursday, February 22nd is a visit to the Karpeles Manuscript Library Museum at 2 p.m. This is one of those historical places you always tell yourself "I should visit."

Well, it is a gem in plain sight. Dr. Karpeles opened his vast collection of original manuscripts to the public, dating way back, free to all, but I suggest a modest donation. Bonus - Our Duluth location has a complete permanent collection of Duluth Yearbooks. See how y'all appeared in High school!

Afterward we will head to the Social House Cafe in Canal Park (old Famous Dave's location on Lake Ave) where we'll have a dining room to ourselves.

UPCOMING PALS EVENTS:

March 21st - Duck Pin Bowling

April 25th - visit to the Armory

Children, Youth and Families

Dear Families,

It's hard to believe how quickly this year is already moving along! We will soon enter the season of Lent and will be using a wonderful Lenten curriculum called *Seeds of Joy*, to inform that yearly journey to resurrection.

Here are just a couple of the highlights for the coming month. Our Family Fun Event this month will be an intergenerational opportunity to better welcome Pastor Corinne and her family all while learning the fine art of Folk Dancing from Terrence Smith, leader of the local Tamarack Dance Association. We have some fun activities coming up in Children's Church and the nursery continues to be available during the 10:30am service. Confirmation and OWL classes continue, please see meeting dates below.

We are continuing High School Youth meetings at 9:30am on Sunday mornings. Please encourage your High School Youth to be there, this time is meant to reconnect with friends, reset for the week and eat some donuts!

In one of our Middle School Youth meetings this month, we will have a visit from Lisa Fitzpatrick to hear about her faith journey and her work in environmental activism. We are so thankful to Joan Peterson, for visiting youth group last month to discuss her faith journey and her important work in the campaign to end gun violence.

Please reach out with any questions, feedback or ideas or if you want to become more involved with children and youth ministry! Wishing you Love in Action, Amanda

Nursery

Nursery Staff are available in our nursery rooms (past our church office and back through the children's library) during the 10:30 service. The Nursery will also be available during New Member Orientation classes on February 4th and 11th.

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, or if there are other times on Sunday mornings or at church events that it would be helpful for your child to have nursery services. Thanks!

Children's Church

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!

High School Confirmation Classes

Confirmation classes will meet only on February 14th this month. Mentors will join us during this class. Please continue to keep these young people in your prayers as they learn about and grow in their understanding of their faith.

High School Youth Group Sunday Mornings, 9:30 AM

Join us each Sunday morning for a short devotion, donuts, tea and a time to reconnect and hang out!

OWL (for 9th graders) Sundays, 6:00pm

OWL (Our Whole Lives) Sexuality Curriculum meets February 4th, 11th, and 25th this month.



Middle School (grades 6-8) Youth Group Wednesdays, 6:00pm

Youth group meets every Wednesday at 6:00 pm! However, this month, youth group will not meet on Wednesday the 21st due to winter break in Duluth schools. On Wednesday February 14th, we will have special guest, Terrence Smith visit youth group to teach the youth dance steps in advance of the Family Fun Folk Dancing Event. On Wednesday February 28th, Peace member, Lisa Fitzpatrick, will be joining us during youth group to discuss her faith journey, environmental activism and an upcoming ecological service opportunity.



CHUM is “People of faith working together to provide basic necessities, foster stable lives, and organize for a just and compassionate community.”

February 4th, 2024 CHUM Sunday at Peace UCC

On February 4th John Cole, executive director of CHUM, will be our guest preacher at the 8:30 and 10:30 services. He will also present at the Adult Forum. His sermon, titled *Meeting the Moment*, will be based on the Parable of the Good Samaritan and will invite us into practices of neighboring. John will share about the services that CHUM provides for in our community and will celebrate our long history of shared ministry.

This will be an opportunity for the congregation to learn more about CHUM and how the dollars we donate are used, the status and importance of the work being done to implement the Stepping On Up program, and how the variety of outreach activities we do, such as making lunches and donating food and other goods, make an impact as well.

If you have been part of our work with CHUM over the years, we invite you to be recognized in worship at the 8:30 and 10:30 services. We celebrate that the Peace UCC Cabaret raised over \$1,000 for CHUM's ministries.

If you have any questions, reach out to Laurie Berner and Louise Hawley, CHUM Delegates.



“What's with this weird weather?” - Anonymous UMD student

Yale University's Program on Climate Change Communication lays out five climate change basics:

- It's real.
- It's us.
- It's bad.
- Scientists agree.
- There's hope.

Faith communities are uniquely positioned to talk about societal issues - justice, nature, rights, love, connections...

So, let's talk climate! The more that talking about climate change becomes a normal thing, the more likely we can connect and create solutions. The secret to talking about climate change is to listen and learn from the other person. When the time is right, share your perspective starting with a story. Here are suggestions for 'talking climate' from Climate Generation and Interfaith Power and Light.

1. Ask permission.
 - Hey, can I talk with you about something?
 - Do you have a few minutes right now?
2. Ask an open-ended question about climate change.
 - How do you feel about climate change?
 - What's with this weird weather?
 - How has climate change affected your community? Your family?
3. Listen, don't interrupt. Ask curious questions.
 - Can you tell me more about that?
 - Compared to your childhood, are today's winters any different?
4. Repeat back to them what you hear.
 - This is what I heard you saying...is that right?
 - Like you said...
5. Share about changes you have noticed in places you care about. (shifting seasons, disappearing animals or appearing plants, nature)

Thank each other for talking climate!

(Weather refers to short term atmospheric conditions while climate is the weather of a specific region averaged over a long period of time. Climate change refers to long-term changes.)

Stepping On Up Update



The Rental Space Sub-committee continues to work with Stepping On Up, CHUM and Lutheran Social Services. Plans to remodel the former daycare space into housing for 12 young adults experiencing homelessness are moving along.

In funding news, the Minnesota Department of Health and Human Services awarded a \$1 million grant to CHUM for the construction phase of this project. In addition to this money, Joel Kilgour, SOU's Program Director has secured \$215,000 in private donations.

Stepping On Up architects John Erickson and Gabe Zaun, with DSGW, shared their nearly complete final architectural drawings at a January 18th meeting. In attendance were representatives from Peace, LSS, CHUM, Donald Holm Construction and A.G. O'Brien Plumbing and Heating.

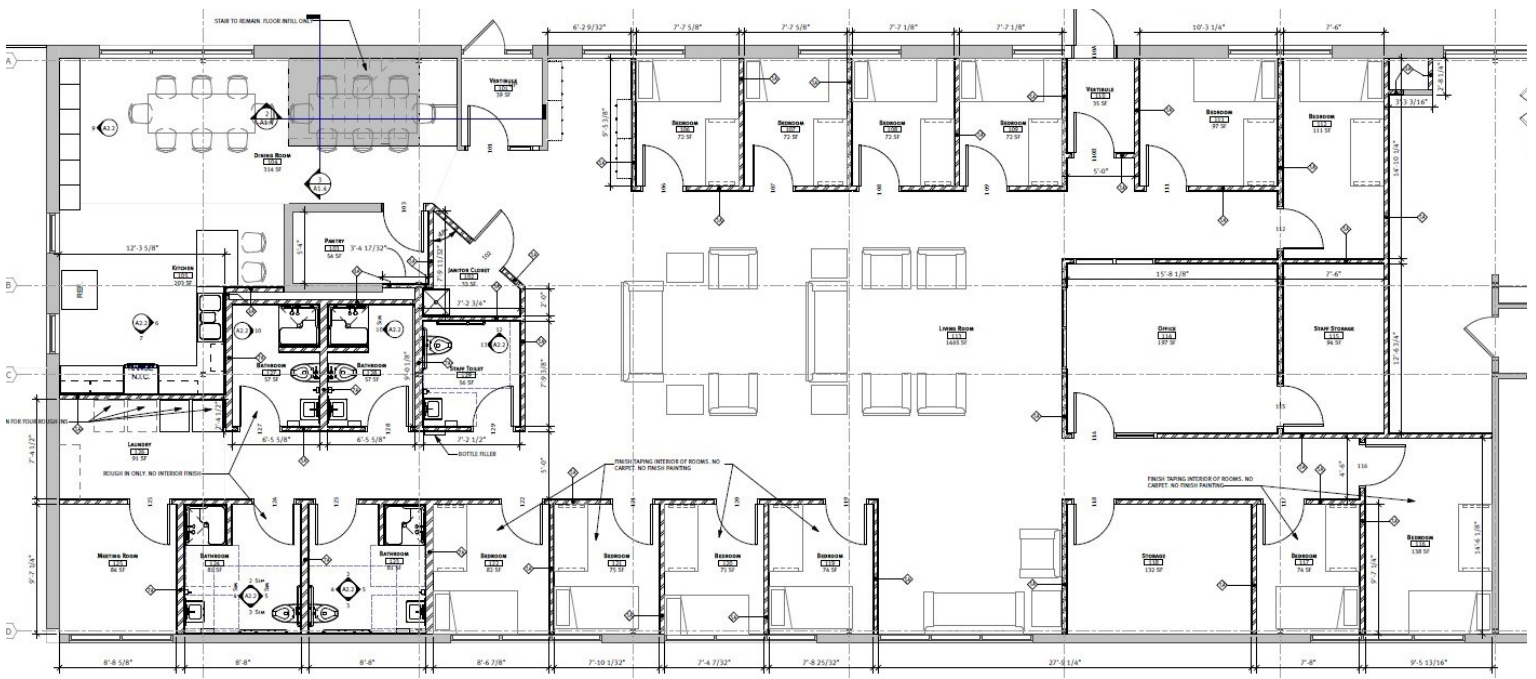
Work also continues on both a construction and operating lease agreement with pro bono legal assistance from attorneys Dan Maddy and Caitlin Crowl with the Fryberger Law Firm. Peace Church can not thank them enough for their tireless work on these detailed and complicated leases.

Demolition should begin in March with Peace member Danny O'Neil heading up a volunteer crew. Stay tuned for details about a work day and several counters, cupboards and other items used by the former daycare that will need new homes before construction begins.

In neighborhood relations news, Peace was awarded a \$2000 Re-Imagination grant from the MN UCC Conference to be used for future relationship building neighborhood gatherings. Thanks to Pastor Charlotte for bringing this grant to our attention and business manager Rachel Obed's work on the application. Also the City of Duluth Planning Commission granted our Special Use Permit that was later approved by the City Council.

Talks have also begun on a new location for both the children's library and nursery. Ideas can be shared with this committee or Amanda McElray Hunter - the Children, Youth, and Small Group Coordinator.

Committee members: Pastor Corinne, Rachel Obed, Jessica Olson, Dennis Isernhagen, Pam Kramer, Diane Swanoski, Danny O'Neil, Monica Liddle, Pat Nelson and Melissa Boyle.



A Word for Justice

Twin Ports Interfaith Fundraiser for Palestine



Our interfaith community is devastated by the magnitude of violence and destruction in Gaza. We know that people of all backgrounds in the Twin Ports share our concern for the people of Palestine. More than 1.9 million Palestinians have been displaced from their homes, and more than 24,000 killed. We affirm our commitment to a world of peace where all people live free from oppression.

We invite you to join us on February 18th for the Twin Ports Interfaith Fundraiser for Palestine. The fundraiser is organized by a coalition of Muslims, Jews, Christians, and other community members to spread awareness and raise money for the Palestinian Red Crescent. The Palestinian Red Crescent is part of the International Red Cross and is one of the few humanitarian organizations currently providing aid in Gaza.

The fundraiser will feature an informational gallery on the conflict, dinner, and a presentation by Mariam El-Khatib. Mariam El-Khatib is a Palestinian-American who was born and raised in Minnesota. She is a Product Manager at LaunchGood and a volunteer member of the Minnesota chapter of American Muslims for Palestine, where she was previously the chapter lead.

Please join us as we turn our hearts to the people of Palestine and call for peace. To attend the dinner -fundraiser featuring Palestinian food, please purchase dinner tickets for \$55 here: bit.ly/interfaith-twin-ports. There is limited capacity for the dinner, so register soon! At 6:00pm we will transition to the sanctuary for the presentation; people are welcome to only attend the presentation. There will be opportunities to donate at the event, and we encourage all to make a goodwill offering. For those who cannot attend but would still like to contribute, you can make a donation at the same link: bit.ly/interfaith-twin-ports.

Fundraiser organizers: Islamic Center of Twin Ports, anti-Zionist Jewish community members, First Lutheran Church, Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Duluth, Peace United Church of Christ, United Presbyterian Church - Superior, Trinity Episcopal Church

The sanctuary is wheelchair accessible and there will be vegetarian options for the dinner. First come first served, childcare will be provided for up to 15 children; please sign up for childcare via bit.ly/interfaith-twin-ports.

Event information:

First Lutheran Church
1100 E Superior St
Duluth, MN 55802
February 18, 2024
4:30pm: Doors Open
5:00 - 6:00pm: Dinner & Informational Gallery
6:15 - 7:00pm: Presentation and Q&A

Speak up for gun safety!!

POSTCARD writing event

Sunday, Feb. 4, 2024. 1:00 p.m.

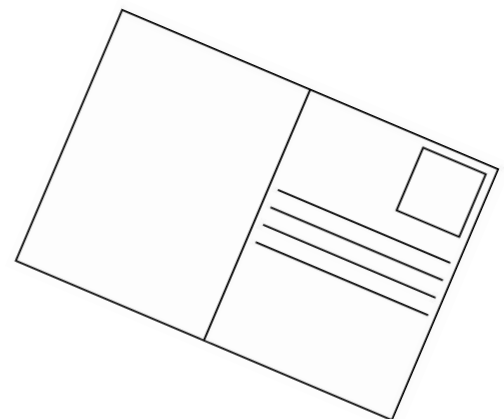
**First Lutheran Church in Duluth 1100 E. Superior St.
(Gathering Space - Superior St. entrance)**

Hosted by the Northland Brady Chapter/Protect Minnesota regional group

Come and hear Maggiy Emery, Executive Director of Protect Minnesota, talk about the upcoming legislative session and the priorities for gun safety reform.

We will write postcards to our legislators asking them to support a safe storage of firearms bill.

Contact Joan Peterson for more information. joan.peterson1@gmail.com



Volunteers

Coffee Hour Volunteers

Every Sunday our 11:30 Coffee Hour is brought to you by our Coffee Hour Volunteers. This month our Coordinators are Pat and Lynn Devlin and Tom and Marsha Hystead

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

February 4th

**Sara Dean
April Knight and Brad Davis
Tom and Marsha Hystead**

February 11th

**Heidi Severson
Veronica and Nathan Langer
Geof and Gudrun Witrak
Tom and Marsha Hystead**

February 18th

**Denise Perry
Sandy and Justin Liles
Melissa Boyle and Jen Stenerson
Pat and Lynn Devlin**

February 25th

**Rick and Karen Morgan
Matt and Allison Dingler
Pat & Lynn Devlin**

Ushers and Lay Readers

Sunday morning hospitality is an important ministry at Peace. If interested in being a lay reader contact Bri at office@peaceucc.org.

Head Usher is Phyllis Cook. If you are interested in being an usher contact Bri at office@peaceucc.org or Phyllis Cook at cookphyl1@gmail.com.



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 pastor for inclusion in Sunday morning prayers.

Many thanks to all our volunteers!

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 office@peaceucc.org or access the schedule on our website under the menu "for volunteers."

February 5th - **Tom and Christine Day**

February 12th - **Lisa Fitzpatrick**

February 19th - **Gayle Kelly**

February 26th - **Open**

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 youth, 16 and up! [Click here](#) to sign up.

Sunday, February 11th

1:30 - 3:30pm - **Mollie Stapleton-Clark**
1 Spot Open

4:30 - 6:30pm - **3 Spots Open**

Saturday, February 24th

8:30 - 10:30am - **Tom and Christine Day**
1 Spot Open

11:00 - 1:00pm - **Peggy Skylondz**
2 Spots Open

1:30 - 3:30pm - **3 Spots Open**

4:30 - 6:30pm - **3 Spots Open**

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, Mary Caine-Hafdahl, Kim Kruger, Pat Nelson, Sam Peterson and others.

Thank you's

- April Knight for cleaning and organizing the craft closet.
- Bob and Kay Stevens for bringing staff treats and goodies every week.
- Linda Goese for knitting a beautiful prayer shawl for our members.

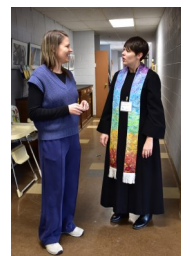
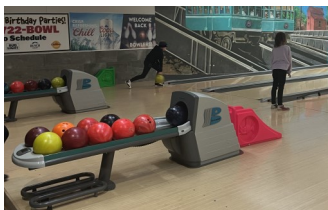
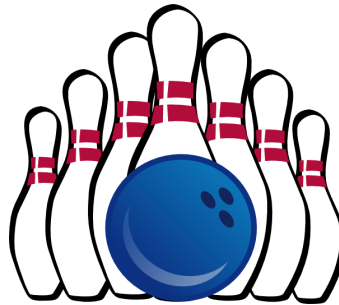
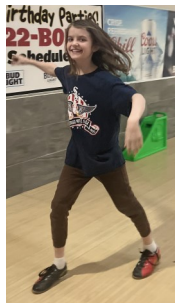
January Events



What a night for a cabaret! Thank you to all the performers who volunteered their time and talents for this fundraiser for CHUM. The various styles provided a wonderful concert for all who attended. I am honored to work with all of you. Thank you to the generous and appreciative audience. It is fun to perform for such engaged people. To the food and fellowship committee, wonderful treats!

I look forward to next year's Cabaret.

Jim Pospisil, music director



Goodbye
Charlotte
Hello
Corinne





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