



# The Peace Bell

PEACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

## Sundays at a Glance

### November 3<sup>rd</sup> All Saints Sunday

**Sermon by Rev. Corinne Freedman Ellis**  
**Special Music by Sara Thomsen**

**8:30am** Worship with Holy Communion

**9:30am** Self-Serve Coffee

**9:30am** Forum: All Saints Community Art

**10:30am** Childcare Available

**10:30am** Worship with Holy Communion

**11:30am** Coffee Hour

### November 10<sup>th</sup> New Members Joining

**Sermon by Rev. Corinne Freedman Ellis**  
**Special Music by Eclectic Collective**

**8:30am** Worship with Holy Communion

**9:30am** Self-Serve Coffee

**9:30am** Forum: Tamarack Water Alliance

**10:30am** Childcare Available

**10:30am** Worship with Children's Church

**11:30am** Coffee Hour

**11:30am** Stewardship Celebration Lunch

**11:30am** New Member Lunch

### November 17<sup>th</sup>

**Sermon by Rev. Corinne Freedman Ellis**  
**Special Music by Ron Deters and Ian Connell**

**8:30am** Worship with Holy Communion

**9:30am** Self-Serve Coffee

**9:30am** Forum: For the Love of Triumph

**10:30am** Childcare Available

**10:30am** Worship with Children's Church

**11:30am** Congregational Covenant Discussion & Lunch

### November 24<sup>th</sup> Coffee Hour Coordinator Appreciation Sunday

**Sermon by Rev. Corinne Freedman Ellis**  
**Special Music by the Tent Show Band**

**8:30am** Worship with Holy Communion

**9:30am** Self-Serve Coffee

**9:30am** Forum: Volunteer Highlights & Invitations

**10:30am** Childcare Available

**10:30am** Worship with Children's Church

**11:30am** Coffee Hour

## November Forums

### Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> - All Saints Community Art & Reflection

We had originally scheduled artist Janet McKenzie, but due to illness, she will need to reschedule. Instead, we are looking forward to creating a community art project that honors our loved ones who have died, brings hope into an uncertain time, and connects us to one another. All are welcome, kids included! Amanda & Corinne will be facilitating this forum.

### Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup> - Tamarack Water Alliance

Tamarack Water Alliance's goal is to educate the public about the risks of sulfide mining and the importance of protecting clean water. They write, "A proposal for a high sulfide nickel mining operation near the town of Tamarack in Aitkin County threatens the health of our community. Mining here is also a threat to environmental justice and the long-term economic security of nearby Native and rural communities." Join in conversation to learn and be called to action.

### Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup> - For the Love of Triumph - Pastor Corinne wrote a book!

Join for a conversation and reading from *For the Love of Triumph*, the novel Pastor Corinne wrote with her friend, Rev. Brittany Kooi. This is the second book in the Triumph County series and follows *Welcome to Triumph* (see p.3). Corinne has a limited number of free author copies to give away and the church library has copies to loan. If you're interested in purchasing a copy, Chalice Press is your best option as we work on local bookstores.

### Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup> - Volunteer Highlights & Invitations

It takes a whole lot of volunteer energy to make church happen, both within these four walls and out in the community! Come to this forum to hear from ushers, lay readers, coffee hour coordinators, Wednesday night meal helpers, and folks who volunteer at Damiano and Loves & Fishes through our church. You're invited to hear their stories of transformation and get involved!

## From Rev. Corinne Freedman Ellis

Dear Peace Church,

How is it possible that it's already November? We're nearing the one-year mark in our shared ministry, and I am filled with gratitude, in this month when we often give thanks.

Thank you to:

- Our Coordinating Council, who carries out the big decisions in our life together and have fun doing it. Bonus thanks to the moderators: Joan Peterson (completed her 3-year term in June), Jessica Olson, Mike Swanoski, and Mike Schrage.
- Our fabulous staff, who are gifted and energetic and always ready to problem-solve.
- The many unsung heroes of this church whose work often goes unseen. Do you know who usually sets up weekly communion at the 8:30 service, brings meals to Loaves and Fishes once a month, coordinates multiple coffee hour months, or runs the dishwasher multiple times after every event? There are some superheroes in our midst!
- Most of all, I am grateful for the ways God moves in our shared life together, and I am so, so grateful to be your pastor. This month will bring a contentious election, but it will also bring:
  - All Saints Sunday, including a celebration of our financial commitments and music by Sara Thomsen
  - A Congregational Covenant session where we are all invited into the countercultural practice of conflict management grounded in love
  - Hosting a satellite site for the Overcoming Racism conference
  - The interfaith Thanksgiving worship service, hosted this year at Glen Avon Presbyterian Church

We can respond to God's invitation to gratitude and find so much in this community and our wider community to lift up. I pray that we can all enter this season with love and joy.

Peace, Pastor Corinne

## From the Moderator

Dear members and friends of Peace Church,

The following is an update from the coordinating council which met on October 15<sup>th</sup>.

The Coordinating Council met on Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. We received, reviewed, and approved reports from committees and Pastor Corinne. Geof Witrak reported on behalf of the Stewardship Committee that around 90 people attended the stewardship dinner on October 6 and that it was well received. Thank you to all the members of the Stewardship Committee and others who planned and carried out this important event. Highlights from the Property Committee report from Jessica Olson included a large thank you to all our members and friends who continue to volunteer for work days in and around the church. Melissa Boyle noted in her report from the Food and Fellowship committee that they will be utilizing a post event report card which will include the number of people served, budget, and menu. The Christian Service update from Monica Liddle reported that Peace Church hosted a "Vigil for Peace" on October 7<sup>th</sup> and that it was widely attended by the interfaith community. The Council discussed and approved the installation of three security cameras and two door access controls which will improve our security procedures for the safety of our staff and congregation. Last but certainly not least, the Council continues to discuss and consider measures that will reduce the size of our current budget deficit.

The Council welcomes and appreciates any feedback you may have for us and appreciate you keeping us in your prayers.

Mike Swanoski, Moderator, Coordinating Council

## Peace News!

2025 Stewardship Campaign

# Imagine Together

“You pray for the hungry. Then you feed them. That's how prayer works.”  
Pope Francis

We are in the midst of our 2025 Stewardship Campaign, a time when we ask all members and friends to make a financial commitment to assure that Peace Church is strong and able to fulfill our mission of “praising God, living the way of Jesus, and building the beloved community.”

An important part of our annual budget is our tithe to non-profit organizations throughout our community. We are proud to say we will fulfill this commitment by the end of this calendar year. This commitment will once again be possible when we are able to meet our goal of \$600,000. Take a few minutes to study our Narrative Budget included in this Peace Bell. It is a living example of what we have been able to accomplish from the generosity of our members and friends this last year.

Our mission and vision is what makes Peace Church an important asset to our community and to all of us. Please consider making a financial commitment in the next few weeks. If you did not receive a mailing, let Bri know at [office@peaceucc.org](mailto:office@peaceucc.org). Please turn in your financial commitment card to the office, or fill out the form online at <https://tinyurl.com/peacegives2024>.

### Kids Can Share Their Gifts, Too!

On Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, when we celebrate our commitments to sharing our gifts, we invite kids to make promises as well. Kids can commit to creating bulletin art and sharing it with the church to use on Sunday mornings. Kids promise cards and art books will be available in worship on November 10<sup>th</sup> and in the office by request. We are grateful for your creativity and generosity!

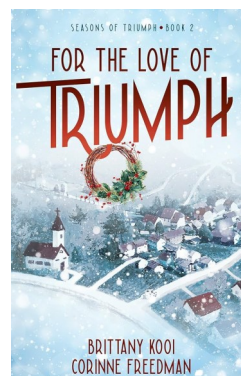
### Save the Date: Upcoming Events at Peace this Fall

- Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>** - All Saints Sunday
- Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>** - Joining Sunday for New Members; Stewardship Campaign Celebration
- Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup>** - Congregational Covenant Community Conversation
- Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>** - MN Conference UCC Covenant Days
- Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>** - Pageant Sunday
- Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>** - Cantata Sunday

### Congregational Covenant Community Conversation and Lunch Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 11:45am-12:45pm

Join the Congregational Covenant team to see what ideas we gathered this summer and help shape the covenant document we create through small-group conversations and large-group processing. Our congregational covenant will be a set of promises we make to one another and to God, outlining ways for us to engage one another in community, especially when we disagree or find it difficult to understand each other. We hope to bring a covenant to our Annual Meeting in January 2025 for a congregational vote. Lunch will be provided at this session.

### November 17<sup>th</sup> Forum *For the Love of Triumph* by Brittany Kooi and Corinne Freedman Ellis



A brief description reads: “It's almost Christmas in Triumph County, and pastors Birdie, Ara Grace, and Nel are leading their communities through the four traditional Advent pillars of hope, peace, joy, and love. But between the first-ever all-Triumph kid's Christmas program and each woman's personal lives, these traits are elusive. Families are demanding, marriages are in crisis, and the true meaning of

Christmas is at stake. Meanwhile, teenagers Sarah, Laela, and Johnny Tae are joined by newly sober buddy Morgan as they navigate identity, belonging, and their futures.”

## Peace News

### Property Team Updates

Isn't it wonderful to have a smooth parking lot again?! Due to the hazardous potholes, our parking lot repair project went substantially over budget. Thank you so much to the anonymous donor who contributed \$1000 specifically for this overrun!

The property team is in search of donations of plywood and other supplies to make a protective barrier around the peace bell lights before winter and snow plowing starts.

We have a new property team meeting time: the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm. Come join us anytime or look for announcements about the next work day!

### Coffee Hour Coordinator Appreciation



Each month, coffee hour coordinators work with our members to bring refreshments and hospitality on Sundays after worship. Their work happens behind the scenes, but we're going to bring them into the spotlight on Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup> in worship! If you're a coffee hour coordinator, plan to attend 10:30am worship and stay afterwards to connect with each other and share best practices. And consider this your invitation, congregation: if you've ever thought of being a coordinator, talk with a coordinator on the 24<sup>th</sup> to learn more about what they do and how meaningful it is!

# Thank you

### All Saints Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>

Members and friends of Peace are invited to submit pictures of loved ones who died since All Saints (November 1<sup>st</sup>) last year. Send a picture to Bri along with your name, the name of your loved one, the way you'd like your relationship named (sister, grandmother, friend, etc.), and their dates of birth and death. Bri can also scan prints. Contact Bri at [office@peaceucc.org](mailto:office@peaceucc.org).

Peace Bell articles for November are due Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup>. Send articles to [bri@peaceucc.org](mailto:bri@peaceucc.org)

### Stepping On Up Update



Autumn can be a remarkable time of change and a reminder to make ready for the coming cold season. Similarly, construction for our youth shelter has undergone brilliant

changes in color, and the heavy sounds of construction have been stilled by the progress of the softer touches of the rental wing's progression. Soon the new HVAC units and lighting units will be turned on, warming and illuminating our project in its final weeks of construction. With careful consideration and decision-making from LSS, the furnishings order has been placed. By the second week of December, we hope to have all of the beds, sofas, chairs, tables, and desks in place and ready to be put to use by the New Year!

Peace Church, Lutheran Social Service, and Stepping On Up have continued to work in harmony to complete the task on time and on schedule. PUC and LSS are exploring opportunities for trauma-informed training for interested volunteers. Please stay alert for upcoming training dates. Save the dates! Kindly mark your calendars for Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> for an evening discussion and tour of the construction space. Lastly, on December 15<sup>th</sup> we will have a final tour opportunity before handing over the space to LSS for their programming!

### Community Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

**November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 7:00pm**

Peace will participate in the interfaith Thanksgiving Service to be held on Tuesday evening, November 23<sup>rd</sup> at Glen Avon Presbyterian Church, 2105 Woodland Ave, Duluth. Our choir will join other choirs in singing. Come and give thanks!



## Peace Activities and Groups

### Making Meaning Out Of Malignancy

Monday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm

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, [monimliddle@gmail.com](mailto:monimliddle@gmail.com).

### Welcome to Wednesday Night Bible study! Wednesdays, 5:45pm

Did you know that Peace Church has an ongoing Bible study every Wednesday evening, and we welcome anyone who is interested to join us? We welcome a wide variety of questions and comments. The group decides what we will study each week, and cover a variety of both Old and New Testament readings. Please, come join us in the Fireside room or on Zoom.

### PALS

The PALS group will once again be gathering on Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, to repackage flour, sugar and coffee for distribution at the CHUM Food shelf. Last year we raised enough money to purchase 500 pounds of flour, 500 pounds of sugar and 90 pounds of coffee. We were also able to contribute nearly \$1,000 in cash to the Food shelf.

This year the supplies will cost \$120 more than last year. Please consider donating towards the support of this project by either mailing a check to church or putting it in the offering. Indicate PALS in the memo line. The dead line for a contribution is Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. This is necessary so we can assure that adequate funds are available.

Then join the group at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall on the 14<sup>th</sup> of November to do the repackaging. Pizza is on the menu for dinner after the work is done. Further details will be in a mailing to the PALS group. If you haven't signed up to receive a PALS email, please contact the church office.



### Choir Rehearsals

Choir is back! Please join us on Wednesday evenings at 6:15pm in the Sanctuary. Every skill level is welcome! If you have any questions please contact our Music Director, Jim Pospisil, at [jim@peaceucc.org](mailto:jim@peaceucc.org).

### 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, November 14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>.

### Tea and Talk

November 27<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm

Tea & Talk will be back on at 3:00pm in the Fireside Room. Join Pastor Corinne for conversation and reflection. If you have any questions please email Pastor Corinne at [corinne@peaceucc.org](mailto:corinne@peaceucc.org).



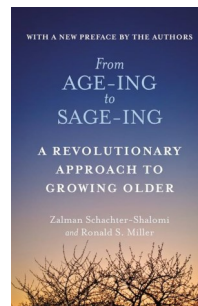
### SomaYoga is back!

Monday Mornings at 9:00am

Yoga us held at 9:00am on Monday mornings in the Fireside Room.

If you have any questions or concerns, please let Robin Davidson know [roblee91@msn.com](mailto:roblee91@msn.com).

### Monday Book Group



The Monday Book Group will meet on November 4<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm in the Fireside room and by zoom. The book selected is *From Ageing to Sageing: A Revolutionary Approach to Growing Older* by Zalman Schachter-Sageing.

In this inspiring and informative guide, Reb Zalman shares his wisdom and experience with readers. He shows readers how to create an aging process for themselves that is full of adventure, passion, mystery, and fulfillment, rather than anxiety. Using scientific research-both neurological and psychological- Reb Zalman offers techniques that will expand horizons beyond the narrow view of "the present" into a grand and enduring eternity. By harnessing the power of the spirit, as well as explaining exactly how to become a sage in their own community, he gives readers a helpful and moving way to use their own experiences to nurture, heal, and perhaps even save a younger generation from the prison of how we typically regard aging.

All are welcome! To receive the zoom link email [pccragun@d.umn.edu](mailto:pccragun@d.umn.edu).

## Children, Youth and Families

Hello Peace Families,

I think I am still recovering from our Fall Fest extravaganza, lol! What a blast that day was! It is so important in our life together to just get *together* and have fun! These times together build memories of community, joy and resilience in our young people. And these times together build joy and resilience in our grown-up people too.

November can be a complicated month. Anxiety around elections, the cognitive dissonance of holidays that remind us to both: be thankful for the blessings we have in our lives and remember the harm that has been perpetuated by many of our ancestors due to settler colonialism. There's a gradual ramp up to Christmas activities, celebrations, and obligations – with all the emotions those celebrations carry.

We end up holding all these things at once – the excitement, the joy, the sadness, the stress – and so perhaps it is also a month to pause and remember to breathe. To set intentions for how we want to journey together through the end of the year. To acknowledge what is good and to ask ourselves how we will walk in the ways of Jesus through the rest of this year.

As I have been cultivating a spiritual practice of deep gratitude in my own life, I have noticed how easy it is to hold on to my breath at those moments when I should be letting it go. We practice breathing a lot in our children and youth programs. Here's a simple practice you can try at home:

As you take a deep breathe in through your nose think of a person or thing for which you are grateful. As you breathe out fully, through your mouth imagine a prayer for that person or a person connected to the thing you thought about. Whatever comes to your heart. Do this 10 times, praying for 10 different people.

It might go like this:

Breathe in, "I'm thinking of my child."

Breathe out, "May they know how much I love them and not be too self-critical."

Or like this:

Breathe in, "I'm thinking of a warm cup of coffee."

Breathe out, "May the person who picked these coffee beans be blessed with joy, good wages and rest."

Throughout my days at Peace, I also practice breathing. Often my prayer of thanks is for the children and their families that we have the privilege of accompanying in this place.

We are always happy to see you whenever you can be here!

Many opportunities for fun, fellowship and growth are coming up in the next month, please read below for those details. As always, I encourage you to reach out to me at [amanda@peaceucc.org](mailto:amanda@peaceucc.org) with any questions, feedback, or ideas.

Wishing you Love in Action, Amanda

### **Children's Church on Sunday mornings during the 10:30am service.**

After the "Story for All Ages," children pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome to join us for Children's Church in the Fireside Room. Middle Schoolers and High Schoolers who want to help during Children's Church are always welcome too!

If your child would prefer to remain with you in worship, we have self-guided activities available to you and your children in our Pray-Ground spaces, located in the Sanctuary and just outside of the Sanctuary near the Fireside Room. These spaces offer quiet activities where parents and kiddos can engage in play and creativity while still participating in worship.

### **Nursery News for Babies through Children Aged 5**

Childcare is available in the nursery on Sunday mornings during the 10:30am service. We are also offering childcare in the nursery on Wednesday nights from 5:30 - 6:30pm.

The Nursery is now located downstairs in the Sun Room, by the elevator.



**OWL Classes meet from 5 - 6:30pm at  
UUCD.**

Questions about Our Whole Lives? Reach out to Amanda!

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### **Wednesday Night Programming! Let us cook dinner for your family!**

**There will be no programming on November 27<sup>th</sup>.**

All other Wednesdays, please join us for a simple supper at 5pm.

#### **Hungry Hippos Kids' Club (grades K- 2) and the Garfield's Lasagna Kids' Club (grades 3-5)**

meet from 5:30 - 6:15pm in the East Timor Room.



Our Fall theme in Kids Club continues to be exploring stories through Creative Movement!

### **Confirmation Classes**

**Confirmation 1 (10<sup>th</sup> grade) and Confirmation 2 (11<sup>th</sup> grade)** classes will meet this month on **November 6<sup>th</sup> (with mentors) and November 20<sup>th</sup>.**

### **Acolyte training, email Amanda to set up a time!**

We trained several acolytes in October. Any kiddo in 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade can be trained to be an acolyte! This is a great way for your kiddo to have a role with some responsibility within the service. Please let Amanda know if your child is interested in being a part of this meaningful tradition within the larger history of the church!

### **A Look Ahead – Advent Wreath Making Workshop,**

**Sunday December 1<sup>st</sup>, during the 9:30am hour.**



Join us in the Fellowship Hall to make Advent wreaths, Christmas cards, tree ornaments and other seasonal crafts. Pick up Devotional booklets and Advent calendars. For all ages.

### **Middle School Youth (grades 6-8)**

Meets from 6-7pm Wednesday Nights

We will be having a weekly rotation of activities that will include game nights, visits from Peace members sharing their Faith Journeys, service projects and a continuation of the *Manna and Mercy* Bible study we began last Spring. Even if it is your youth member's first time attending, don't worry, they will be able to jump right in!

### **High School Youth Group meets on November 13<sup>th</sup>.**

The focus of High School Youth Group will be time to hang out, reconnect with church friends and discuss topics that are important to youth. We will be using some books as a starting point for these discussions beginning with "*How to Be a (Young) Antiracist*" by Ibram X. Kendi and Nic Stone. There will be no required reading outside of the group – all you have to do is show up!

### **Youth Trips 2025 – Parents, look for emails!**

Youth will meet on November 6<sup>th</sup> to discuss options for Summer 2025 Youth Trips – youth will be helping to plan trips, and emails will be coming soon with more information!

### **Christmas Pageant – December 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am.**

**Pageant rehearsals: Wednesday evenings at 5:30pm on December 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> dress rehearsal: Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup> 10am-12pm.**

This year we are creating an in-house version of our Christmas Pageant. During the last half of November, children and youth will be part of the writing process during Children's Church on Sunday mornings and Wednesday night programming. We've got space for younger kiddos, middle and high school youth to participate! Check your emails for more details to come.



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

## Chum’s Fall Assembly: What to do about unsheltered homelessness in Duluth?

**Dan Gregory** from the **Minnesota Interagency Council on Homelessness** will join us to address this question at **6:30pm on Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at Lakeside Presbyterian Church.**

In July the City of Duluth proposed options intended to address the needs of our unsheltered neighbors. While the City was divided on making camping a misdemeanor, the majority of those testifying were in agreement that we shouldn’t criminalize poverty when our unsheltered neighbors lack alternative options. But we *all* agree that living in a tent or a vehicle is not providing a safe and dignified option for our neighbors who are homeless. We are a city that cares, so what is already in the works in Duluth? How are others addressing unsheltered homelessness? Come to listen, share, and learn. Together, we can make Duluth a place where *everyone* can feel safe and be treated with dignity and respect.

All are welcome.

Register today: <https://www.tfaforms.com/5147141>

Help Us Drive Change:  
Support **Wheels for O’Neil** and help buy a van for the Steve O’Neil Apartments




Thanks to you, we have raised \$48K of toward our goal of \$60K for Wheels for O’Neil!



## Muffin Bake for Warming Center

Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup> from 9am-12pm at Asbury United Methodist Church. Please sign up for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday event if

you can come help - <https://www.tfaforms.com/5151018>. The muffins will be frozen and packed into brown bag breakfasts following the 6pm Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service on Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome!

## Overcoming Racism, Reparations in Action

Livestream event at Peace  
November 8<sup>th</sup>, 8am - 1pm

You are invited to participate in the 2024 Overcoming Racism Conference, an annual event planned by the Facilitating Racial Equity Collaborative of Minnesota. Keynote speakers are Jim Bear Jacobs and Pamela Ngunjiri, Co-Directors of Racial Justice, Minnesota Council of Churches. The morning session of the conference, including both keynote speakers, will be livestreamed to Peace United Church of Christ, 1111 N. 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue E. Following the presentations, participants will engage in conversation around the lunch table. [Register here](#) prior to November 5<sup>th</sup>. Registrations can also be made through Peace Church’s office, [office@peaceucc.org](mailto:office@peaceucc.org). There is no charge for this local gathering.

Jim Bear Jacobs is a member of the Stockbridge -Munsee Mohican Nation. He has degrees in Pastoral Studies and Christian Theology and is parish associate at Church of All Nations Presbyterian Church. He is a cultural facilitator in the Twin Cities and works to raise the public’s awareness of American Indian causes and injustices. Additionally he is the creator and director of “Healing Minnesota Stories,” a program of the Minnesota Council of Churches dedicated to ensuring that the Native American voice is heard in areas where it has long been ignored.

Pamela Ngunjiri is currently completing the requirements for her Doctorate of Ministry in Global and Contextual Leadership degree at Bethel University. She received her Master of Theological Studies degree from Perkins School of Theology, Dallas, Texas and her Master of Social Work degree from The University of Texas at Arlington. In addition to serving as co-director of racial justice, Pamela is the current pastor of St. James AME Church in St. Paul, MN.

## Weekly E-mail Reminders

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

## Volunteer Opportunities

### 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](mailto:office@peaceucc.org) or access the schedule on our website under the menu "for volunteers."

**November 4<sup>th</sup> - Open**

**November 11<sup>th</sup> - April Knight**

**November 18<sup>th</sup> - Open**

**November 25<sup>th</sup> - 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! To sign up email the office at [office@peaceucc.org](mailto:office@peaceucc.org).

**Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>**

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

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

**Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>**

8:30-10:30am - **3 Spots Open**

11:00-1:00pm - Laurie Berner  
Peggy Skylondz  
**1 Spot open**

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

4:30-6:30pm - Susan Ranfranz  
**1 Spot open**

**Many thanks to all our  
volunteers!**

### Coffee Hour Volunteers

We ask every member of Peace to volunteer to help with coffee hour at least once during the calendar year. We're happy to have you choose the month in which you'd be willing to help out!

On that one Sunday, we ask you to bring treats (2-3 dozen), set up coffee hour items, serve and clean up.

Coffee Hour is a vital part of Sunday Morning Hospitality. If you are not assigned to a month you can contact Bri at [office@peaceucc.org](mailto:office@peaceucc.org).

### Ushers, Greeters 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](mailto:office@peaceucc.org).

#### 8:30 Service

**November 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Ushers - Gayle Kelly  
Jack Kelly  
Lay Reader - **Open**

**November 17<sup>th</sup>**

Ushers - Cyndi Brown  
Deb McLeod  
Lay Reader - **Open**

**November 10<sup>th</sup>**

Ushers - Cyndi Brown  
Kate Nicoletti  
Lay Reader - **Open**

**November 24<sup>th</sup>**

Ushers - Pat Devlin  
Lynn Devlin  
Lay Reader - **Open**

#### 10:30 Service

**November 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Greeters - Georgia Lane  
**1 Spot open**  
Ushers - **3 Spots open**  
Lay Reader - Phyllis Cook  
Head Usher - Cindy Macaulay

**November 17<sup>th</sup>**

Greeters - **2 Spots open**  
Ushers - **3 Spots open**  
Lay Reader - **1 Spot open**  
Head Usher - Cindy Macaulay

**November 10<sup>th</sup>**

Greeters - **2 Spots open**  
Ushers - **3 Spots open**  
Lay Reader - **1 Spot Open**  
Head Usher - Cindy Macaulay

**November 24<sup>th</sup>**

Greeters - **2 Spots open**  
Ushers - **3 Spots open**  
Lay Reader - **1 Spot open**  
Head Usher - Cindy Macaulay

### Coffee Hour Volunteers

Every Sunday our 11:30 Coffee Hour is brought to you by our Coffee Hour Volunteers

**November 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Jack & Gayle Kelly, Judy Derauf  
**1 Spot open**  
Coordinator - Loni Cran-Hovis

**November 10<sup>th</sup>**

Laurie Berner, Mary Wergeland and Barb Hanka  
Coordinator - Janell Kohls

**November 17<sup>th</sup>**

Beth & Warren Post  
**1 Spot open**  
Coordinator - Loni Cran-Hovis

**November 24<sup>th</sup>**

Aryn Bergsven, Cathy & Jerry Carlson  
Coordinator - Janell Kohls

## 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.

Would you like to participate in our Prayer Chain? Contact Lynn Devlin or Linda Goese!

### 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, Sharon Kirtley at Viewcrest, and Marlis Cran at Aftenro.
- All those undergoing treatment for cancer: Stephen Dando, Mary Caine-Hafdahl, Kim Kruger, and others.

### Thank You's

- Thank you to Cindy McLean for the winter greens in front of the church.
- Thank you to Linda & Dick Goese for planting the winter greens and making them look great.
- Thank you to Kirby & Cathy Wood for their dedication to watering the plants inside the church every week!

*Congratulations*

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Alex Nelson! They got married on Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>.



Congratulations to Rachel Obed and Devan Burnett on their engagement!

## 2025 Stewardship Campaign

# Imagine Together

### Stewardship Dinner Thank You's

- Kieran Hunter, Forest Fena, Simon Liddle, and Scarlett and Silvee Romberg for volunteering at the dinner with serving drinks, cleaning up, and working with the kids in the nursery.
- Thank you to Valentini's for the delicious meal they made and served.
- Thank you to all our wonderful servers from the Food & Fellowship Team and the Stewardship Committee.



# October Events



**Our Second Annual Chili Cook-Off Winners Amy and Tavis Westbrook!**





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Lead Pastor: Rev. Corinne Freedman Ellis  
 Music Director: Jim Pospisil  
 Children, Youth and Small Group Coordinator: Amanda Hunter

Office Coordinator: Bri Dornbush  
 Business Manager: Rachel Obed  
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 Custodian: Dan Shepard  
 Pianist: Wendy Durrwachter  
 Worship Tech: Alex Nelson  
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