The Peace Bell

PEACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sundays at a Glance

November 5th 23rd Sunday after Pentecost All Saints Sunday Sermon by Rev. Charlotte Frantz 8:30 Worship with Holy Communion Remembrances of those Departed 9:30 Peace Church Changes Lives Coffee, breakfast treats and reflections on Peace Church 10:30 Child Care Available 10:30 Worship with Children's Church Remembrances of those Departed Holy Communion 11:30 Coffee hour

November 12th 24th Sunday after Pentecost Sermon by Rev. Kevin Brown 8:30 Worship with Holy Communion 9:30 Learn to be An Advocate! Reflections from Washington, D.C. 10:30 Child Care Available 10:30 Worship with Children's Church 11:30 Coffee Hour 1:00 Hillside Gospel Choir Rehearsal November 19th 25th Sunday after Pentecost Thanksgiving Sunday Sermon by Rev. Charlotte Frantz 8:30 Worship with Holy Communion 9:30 Forum: You and the Inflation Reduction Act, presented by Bret Pence 10:30 Child Care Available

10:30 Worship with Children's Church 11:30 Coffee Hour

November 26th Reign of Christ Sunday Sermon by Rev. Charlotte Frantz 8:30 Worship with Holy Communion 9:30 Coffee and Conversation 10:30 Child Care Available 10:30 Worship with Children's Church 11:30 Coffee Hour

Community Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

November 21st, 7:00pm

Peace will participate in the interfaith Thanksgiving Service to be held on Tuesday evening, November 21st at Pilgrim Congregational Church, 2310 E 4th Street, Duluth. Our choir will join other choirs in singing; Pastor Charlotte will participate in the worship leadership. Come and give thanks!

More About Forums

November 5th Peace Changes Lives

Come for coffee and breakfast treats and hear stories of how Peace Church has changed lives. Real stories from members of our community.

November 12th Become an Advocate!

Rev. Kevin Brown helped plan and accompanied 70 youth and adults to Washington, D. C. this past summer. Youth and adults learned how to become advocates, researched the Farm Bill and legislation regarding gun violence, and then met with Tina Smith, Amy Klobuchar and congressional representatives. Learn more about their trip and how to become an advocate.

November 19th You can Make a Difference!

The Inflation Reduction Act includes incentives to help homeowners and renters to make changes that can impact our changing climate. Brent Pence, regional director for Minnesota Interfaith Power and Light will present information to encourage your thinking about the changes you can make.

November 26th Coffee and Conversation Come to the Fireside Room for casual conversation between services.

Family Fun Event November 8th, 6:00pm

On Wednesday, November 8th, families will meet up at 6pm at the entrance to Bentleyville for the Red Kettle Karnival. Bring a non-perishable food item or new unwrapped toy and receive entry inside the Bentleyville 128-foot-tall tree! The bonfires will be lit and we're hoping for hot cocoa and smores, as in years past!

From the Moderator

This season of Autumn

From Pastor Charlotte Frantz

There is something sacred about this season of bright colored leaves and changing skies. With a final fling of beauty, the earth prepares for yet another change. The autumn season, is the season of finishing the work. It's a time for taking stock and reviewing where we are. So often we rush headlong into the next thing autumn reminds us to make time for this season of finishing and letting go.

Maybe we, as a congregation, are in an autumn season. We have been in transition for almost three full years. Some of the work has been hard and difficult and may not yet be done. Some important tasks have been completed, and we can be justifiably pleased. Letting go of the past in preparation for a still unknown future is a challenge. Look for beauty in the change; hold onto the good that has happened; take time to take stock.

One of my favorite autumn poems is by Edward Hays:

O sacred season of Autumn, be my teacher, for I wish to learn the virtue of contentment.

As I gaze upon your full-colored beauty, I sense all about you an at-homeness with your amber riches.

I live in a society that is ever-restless, always eager for more mountains to climb, seeking happiness through more and more possessions.

As a child of my culture, I am seldom truly at peace with what I have.

Teach me to take stock of what I have given and received,

may I know that it's enough,

May I know that like you I am rich beyond measure.

As you, O Autumn, take pleasure in your great bounty,

let me also take delight

in the abundance of the simple things in life which are the true source of joy.

With the golden glow of peaceful contentment

may I truly appreciate this autumn day.

Greetings!

Your coordinating council met at 6:30 on October 17th. Our next meeting will be on Monday, November 20th at 6:30 in the Fireside Room. Council meetings are open to all members - you are welcome to join us anytime!

In October we covered several items, including the following: finance update (our income is currently lower than budgeted, but since our expenses are also lower the budget remains balanced); reflections on our recent training on unconscious bias, trauma, and mental health (there is consensus that we would like to make more room for this kind of awareness-building and conversation for a broader audience); a vote to formally appoint the vice-moderator, moderator, and past-moderator to conduct regular performance feedback reviews with the pastor (based on a recommendation from the Pastoral Relations Committee); and a decision to set January 7th as the date to have a party celebrating Pastor Charlotte's time with us (stay tuned for more details)!

Peace, Jessica Lilja Olson



Why make a financial commitment to Peace Church?

There is a culture of generosity at Peace Church. And because of this, we are able to do amazing things together. As we move through this season of stewardship, we ask you to consider your own commitment to Peace. The ministry of our church takes place because of the spiritual and financial gifts our members and friends choose to share. These are the resources that fuel our mission. In fact, 95 percent of the work done at Peace Church is funded by Peace members and friends.

As we welcome our new settled pastor, Corinne Freedman Ellis in January, we invite you to consider a gift to Peace for the coming year. Formal financial commitments are key to the development of our annual budget. This year's goal is \$600,000, the amount that will allow us to fulfill our mission.

Peace Activities and Groups

Bible Study Wednesdays, 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, November 27th, 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 Wednesdays, 6:15pm

Come try out the choir! We would love to have new members. We rehearse 6:15 to 7:30 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.

Tea and Talk

Joins us for conversation and sharing the last Wednesday of the month from 3 - 4:30pm in the Fireside Room following the Peace Bell folding. Come and enjoy a light snack and the camaraderie with leader Gudrun Witrak. If you have questions, email Gudrun: <u>gwitak@gmail.com</u>

PALS

November 16th, 6:00pm

The November PALS gathering will be what has become an annual event - repackaging flour, sugar and coffee for the CHUM food shelf. We will gather Thursday, November 16th in the fellowship hall at 6:00pm. Please bring:

A one cup measure \$5 per person to pay for pizza Your own beverage At least one (2 is even better!) liquor store size box - no other size box works well

After finishing our "work" we will share a pizza supper. To know how much pizza to order, please let us know that you plan to attend by phoning us at 218-340-6246 or emailing us at <u>Irgoese@gmail.com</u> by Monday, November 13th. We have purchased 500lbs of flour, 500lbs of sugar and 100lbs of coffee in past years. This year these supplies will cost about \$950, nearly \$200 more than last time. Please help to defray this cost by putting a check in the offering or mailing it to the church office. Put PALS in the memo line. Donations need to be in the office by Monday, November 13th to be available to purchase supplies.

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, November 2nd, 16th and 30th.

Monday Book Group November 6th and 20th, 3:00pm

We Had a Little Real Estate Problem: The Unheralded Story of Native Americans & Comedy by Kliph Nesteroff is the book the group will be reading and discussing in November.

In *We Had a Little Real Estate Problem*, acclaimed comedy historian Kliph Nesteroff focuses on one of comedy's most significant and little-known stories: how, despite having been denied representation in the entertainment industry, Native Americans have influenced and advanced the art form.

The account begins in the late 1880s, when Native Americans were forced to tour in wild west shows as an alternative to prison. (One modern comedian said it was as "if a Guantanamo detainee suddenly had to appear on X-Factor.") This is followed by a detailed look at the life and work of seminal figures such as Cherokee humorist Will Rogers and Hill, who in the 1970s was the first Native American comedian to appear The Tonight Show. Also profiled are several contemporary comedians, including Jonny Roberts, a social worker from the Red Lake Nation who drives five hours to the closest comedy club to pursue his stand-up dreams, Kiowa-Apache comic Adrianne Chalepah, who formed the touring group the Native Ladies of Comedy; and the 1491s, a sketch troupe whose satire is smashing stereotypes to critical acclaim. As Ryan Red Corn, the Osage member of the 1491s, says: "The American narrative dictates that Indians are supposed to be sad. It's not really true and it's not indicative of the community experience itself...Laughter and joy is very much a part of Native culture."

We will meet in the Fireside Room and also by Zoom at 3:00 pm on November 6th and 20th. Email <u>pcragun@d.umn.edu</u> to be added to the group email. We welcome new members!

New Members!

Name: The Dingler family

Family members (including pets): Allison, Matt, Silas, Felix

What is your vocation? Both Allison and Matt are educators

What are your hobbies/ passions? Matt – fishing, camping, skiing (learning) Allison – reading, yoga, gardening What brought you to Peace? Open exploratory approach to faith. Inclusive, justice-oriented community.

What is an obscure thing about you that others might not know but enjoy? Matt – coffee enthusiast (someone says bordering on snobbery) Allison – likes going to bed early and getting up early.



Name: Birch/Sullivan Family members (including pets): Amy Birch (formerly Sullivan – widow of Bob Sullivan since March 2023, beloved husband and Dad) and my son Liam – almost 11 vears old. He is our later-in

-life miracle baby. 6 very spoiled cats

What is your vocation? Currently a stay-athome Mom. I am not ordained but have a Masters in Divinity degree and I have served in a variety of ministries. In the process of becoming an inspirational writer and speaker.

What are your hobbies/passions? Cats, coffee, gardening, reading mysteries.

What brought you to Peace? I call myself a Spiritual Progressive – I feel I fit in and belong in Peace Church, and the congregation has been so caring and accepting of my son Liam and his (higher functioning) autism.

What is an obscure thing about you that others might not know but enjoy? Our home these days consists of autism, puberty and menopause – not always in that order!



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Name: Bethel Anderson Family members (including pets): I live alone at Ecumen Lakeshore

What is your vocation? Retired R.N. after 38 years of bedside nursing

What are your hobbies/

passions? I love to read and do some quilting. I love to walk (with my walker)

What brought you to Peace? Mark and Jo Johnson have given me rides to Peace Church. I have been in Duluth 6 years and moved here from Cloquet after my husband passed away. What is an obscure thing about you that others might not know but enjoy? I have lived in many places in my life time beginning in New Castle, PA. I have lived in Kansas, Oklahoma, Minnesota and Berlin, Germany.



Name: The Eskuri family Family members (including pets): Adam. Kate, Miles & Summit (dog)

What is your vocation? Adam – nurse, Kate – nurse and college instructor

What are your hobbies/ passions? Running, being

outside, cooking, camping, walks along Lake Superior

What brought you to Peace? The openness, positive energy, welcoming community and family focused services

What is an obscure thing about you that others might not know but enjoy? Adam and Kate first met while playing tag at recess in first grade

Comments: After "church shopping" for quite some time, we are SO happy to have found our church "home"

Name: Ben Bittner

Family members (including pets): Joy, Chloe & Lucy and Tali

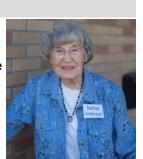
What is your vocation? Engineer

What are your hobbies/passions? Running, biking, triathlons

What brought you to Peace? My wife has been a life-long member, and when we moved back to Duluth we started attending as a family

What is an obscure thing about you that others might not know but enjoy? I've driven several laps around Talladega speedway 4





Children, Youth and Families

Hello Peace Families,

November has always seemed to me to be a month of transitions and reflection. The land moves from the final blooming and harvest of September and October to the slumber and rest of winter. The daylight grows shorter. We gradually pile on more layers to stay warm and prepare our hearts, minds and bodies to enter into winter. As a creative person, November has traditionally been the start of many of my creative projects. A stillness begins to fall in the atmosphere, a gathering in and bundling up, that facilitates a simmering stew of ideas – all creative and spiritual work needs time and stillness to mature.

October was a busy and fun month in Children and Youth Ministry: Confirmation classes, weekly Youth Group meetings, OWL, Children's Church, the Parents of Young Children Breakfast, Peace baby photos, working in the nursery, serving at the Stewardship dinner and Fall Fest!

In the middle of the fun and friendship I continue to be impressed with the deep emotional empathy of our young people. Whether talking about world conflicts, justice issues in our community, challenging situations with peers or medical issues of their older family members – they have deep hearts and are trying to figure out how to journey with compassion through this life.

One of our greatest charges as a church is to help and support our young people as they begin to define their values, mature spiritually and figure out how to navigate the stuff of life. The Christian faith gives us tools to use on that journey: community, prayer, scripture, traditions, ritual, and worship, to name a few. We will be using these tools this month to create moments of stillness and curiosity – to open up room for good conversations as we prepare the path to move into the joy of the Advent season. Wishing you Love in Action, Amanda Hunter

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. 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. Thanks!

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!

High School Confirmation Classes

Our Confirmation 1 class started on October 11th! Many thanks to my wonderful co-facilitator Libby Fena, who has also facilitated OWL workshops for a number of years. Confirmation 1 focuses on learning more about the Bible as a major resource of our faith. Confirmation 1 and 2 classes will journey together through April 2024, so please keep these young people in your prayers as they continue to learn about and grow in their understanding of their faith.

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

Youth group is every Wednesday at 6:00pm! In addition to building friendships and having fun, each month we will be engaging in a service opportunity. Last month we gathered supplies and packed them into kits to benefit the Bethany Crisis Shelter's Crisis Nursery. The Crisis Nursery helps support children and their families with short-term childcare by licensed providers.

This month our service event will be on November 8th and include the whole family as we meet up at the Red Kettle Karnival! (See page 1)

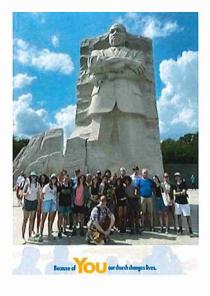
OWL (for 9th graders) Sundays, 6:00pm

OWL (Our Whole Lives) Sexuality Curriculum meets November 5th, 12th, and 19th this month. Meetings are at UUCD.

Christmas Pageant

We are co-creating an awesome new pageant with the Ministry Lab again this year! We've got space for younger kiddos and middle and high school youth! If you missed being a part of the initial writing we did on Oct 29th, get in contact with Amanda Hunter (<u>amanda@peaceucc.org</u>) for more information. The pageant practice will be on Saturday, Dec 9th from 9am-12pm and the actual pageant will take place at the 10:30 service on Sunday, Dec 10th.

Narrative Budget



Narrative Budget: The Story of Where Our Money Goes

"...and do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased." Hebrews 13:16

Jesus said: "Freely, you have received, freely give." Matthew 10:8

Thank you for being such a generous community that changes lives in so many ways!

A message from Rev. Charlotte Frantz, Bridge Minister

What does generosity mean to you? Here's my story. When I lived on the plains of Montana, I had a huge garden—a half a city lot. I grew most of the vegetables my household ate and had plenty leftover to give away. I thought I was generous because I gave away what we didn't need. My partner in that endeavor challenged me—"Giving away what you don't need is hardly generous. Sharing what you have—that's what generosity means." I've thought a lot about that in the years since. Generosity isn't about giving what I don't need; it's about sharing what I have.

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.

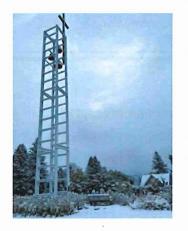
What does your financial support of Peace Church do? During this past year, many lives have been impacted by *your* contribution to Peace Church, a few of which are:

- **o** Vibrant worship services with outstanding and eclectic music
- Education programming for all ages, including Children's Church, confirmation, Adult Education and Bible Study
- Community outreach through volunteerism and financial support, including Damiano Community Kitchen, CHUM (Churches Hillside United Ministry) meals, and Loaves & Fishes meals
- Refugee support of a Venezuelan family and resettlement of four Afghan women
- ♦ Hosting a Peace Village day camp for 40 children
- ♦ Supporting Peace Church youth going to Washington D.C.
- **o** Growing over 200 pounds of vegetables in our Peace Garden for CHUM



Narrative Budget Continued...

- Supporting the work of local social justice organizations: AICHO, CHUM, Damiano Kitchen, Bob Tavani House, Gabriel Project, Loaves and Fishes, One Roof Housing, United Theological Seminary, St. Mark's partnership and various UCC offerings
- Supporting the Minnesota Conference of the UCC, which made the youth trip to DC possible
- Supporting the Minnesota Conference through which we received guidance and support throughout our pastoral search
- Providing pastoral care to members and friends during times of crisis



This support is made possible by having **amazing staff** and being able to offer them competitive market wages and benefits:

- ◊ Charlotte Frantz, Interim Bridge Pastor
- ♦ Jim Pospisil, Music Director
- ♦ Amanda Hunter, Children, Youth and Small Group Coordinator
- ♦ Rachel Obed, Business Manager
- ◊ Mali Lorenz, Bookkeeper
- ◊ Bri Dornbush, Office Coordinator
- Dan Shepard, Custodian
- ♦ Alex Nelson, Worship Technician
- ◊ Gudrun Witrak, Pastoral Care Chaplain

This support is also possible because of **our spiritual home, the Peace Church building**. It's not only used for our church worship and activities, but also by many wider community organizations for meetings and special events. Of course, there are expenses to maintain it, including larger expenses incurred this year of roof repair and parking lot resurfacing, but this is an investment in the longterm health of this place we all value.



To accomplish this important work, the 2023 budget was over \$650,000. Our budget was fulfilled through the financial commitments and special gifts of our members and friends. 95% of our income is provided by *us* the members and friends of Peace Church, through our annual financial commitments.

While there are many ways to support the congregation, our annual Stewardship Campaign provides a chance to think in a particular and prayerful way about the choices we make with our money in support of the church. Without your gifts, we would not be able to engage in the programs, projects, ministry, and worship experiences that define our community life. **How many more lives can be changed through your generosity?**

A Word for Justice

Our Christian Service Budget

Each year when Peace Church adopts a budget, the congregation includes several local organizations whose work is an extension of our ministry and aligns with our vision. This year much of the funding for these budget items has come through special offerings. If you missed an offering and would like to contribute, there is time - you can give through our online giving platform or write a check to Peace with the designation in the memo line. We would especially appreciate gifts designated for CHUM, One Roof Housing, and United Theological Seminary. Financial information is current as of October 18th.

AICHO (American Indian Community Housing Organization) Goal: \$500 Raised so far: \$1,315 Provides housing and supportive services to the Indigenous and Native American community and manages arts, cultural, workforce, economic development and food sovereignty initiatives. The adjacent Dr. Powless Cultural Center is an important gathering place in Duluth.

Bob Tavani House Goal: \$1000 Raised so far: \$1000 Provides post-hospitalization medical care for persons who would otherwise be in shelters or on the streets.

CHUM Goal: \$19,500 Raised so far: \$9,278 Largest ecumenical service organization in northern Minnesota; provides emergency shelter, permanent supportive housing, food shelf, drop-in center, street outreach, and some meals.

Damiano Community Kitchen Goal: \$1000 Raised so far: \$946.00 Provides 16 meals each week to persons regardless of income. Average number of servings/ meal: 125. Peace volunteers help with food prep and serving two days/month.

Loaves and Fishes Goal: \$1000 Raised so far: \$1000 Dorothy Day community provides hospitality for persons without shelter and volunteers for community service organizations including Bob Tavani House and the Warming Center.

One Roof Community Housing Goal: \$1000 Raised so far: \$730 Provides path to homeownership for persons with low incomes; builds, helps finance and manage permanently affordable Community Land Trust homes; helps build, rehabilitate and manage affordable multi-family housing; and provides training and other resources to assist both tenants and landlords to maintain their homes.

St. Mark AME Partnership Goal: \$850 Raised so far: \$750 Historical African heritage congregation in Duluth with whom Peace has had long-term relationship, including the annual Foy Scholarship awards; currently the home of Hillside Gospel Choir.

United Theological Seminary Goal: \$900 Raised so far: \$150 Trains clergy and lay persons for church leadership including congregational ministry, community organizing and social transformation.

Building Racial Consciousness

You are invited to be part of a conversation among Peace members and friends, facilitated by the Revs. Anthony Galloway and Jia Starr Brown of Dendros Group. This conversation will take place over four Saturday mornings, 8:30-12:30, and each conversation will be informed by previous conversations - so save these dates now!

November 4th - Our own racial autobiographies January 20th - Our racialized historical context March 2nd - Patterns that are embedded in our congregational life April 27th - What can we do to interrupt those patterns?

This series will help move Peace from its well-established role of support for BIPOC communities to becoming an ally in solidarity with St. Mark and other BIPOC communities in Duluth. Pastors Anthony and Jia have led other congregations through this process and we are fortunate to have them facilitating our conversation.



Youth Group helping pack bags of supplies for the Bethany Crisis Center

CHUM News



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

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

CHUM November 16th Delegate meeting First Lutheran Church

6:30pm Social Gathering 7:00pm Assembly meeting

November Special Offering: CHUM

Peace Church provides significant support each year to CHUM. A recent newsletter from CHUM explained some of the increased expense in their "Growing for Greater Service" budget. Providing food, shelter, housing, dignity, and hope is never easy, but it has become so much more challenging in the face of increasing homelessness rates and increased rates of substance use and mental health conditions. Chum is growing its programs and intends to expand its existing shelter building so that more can be served and saved.

Increased staff, with better pay and more training are necessary to build organizational strength and resiliency. CHUM now employs more than 70 staff members. A recent study resulted in upgrading staff salaries to provide a stable workforce whose compensation is on a par with similarly sized regional non profits.

"Good staff is seminal to this," says John Cole Executive Director of CHUM. "If we can make sure that they have a roof over their heads and can support their families, then they will give their best to the people we serve who are experiencing the lowest point in their lives. It's about compassion; this is justice work!"

Help Peace do its part by giving a special offering during November and designating it for CHUM.

Community Education Event November 2, 6:00-8:00pm at Peace "Helping Youth Thrive"

A panel of service providers and youth who have experienced homelessness will talk about the unique needs of youth and how our community can support their success. Speakers will include Gabe Mayfield, youth engagement coordinator at Life House and Colleen Kelly, program director for youth, children and family services at Lutheran Social Service. This event is open to Peace members, friends and neighbors.

Climate Corner

Peace Garden

When people think about what they can do about climate change, many think of gardening local food and helping others. Peace Garden started as an idea of the Peace Food, Energy & Environment team (which included a dog) in about 2011 to grow local veggies for CHUM to give away at the food shelf. Many church members pitched in, building garden beds, donating plants, creating pathways. Every year since 2011 Peace Garden has provided between 200-300 pounds of fresh local vegetables to CHUM. Some years, the gardeners have made stone soup as a fundraiser for the St. Mark Arthur Foy Scholarship with the "ugly but healthy" veggies. One year there was a Peace Garden Harvest Fest with jam-making, cider-pressing, cheesemaking and other demonstrations of how to preserve garden produce and other food. Garden beginnings include Earth Day celebrations, blessings of the seeds, Maypole dances, and kids helping with planting. Rhubarb goes to the Rhubarb Festival disquised as tasty treats.

Generally about 15 - 20 people help out in all the ways they can, sometimes coming on their own to water, weed or harvest, sometimes building garden beds or paths, sometimes as a friendly group planting or weeding in the spring.

Now, thanks to a small, but hardworking crew, the Peace Church veggie garden is tucked in for winter! We cleaned out the beds, weeded well, and got cardboard on almost all of them. We didn't cover where the garlic is planted, and left the cheery marigolds & still growing fennel in the ground for now. It never ceases to amaze us how much work gets done in an hour and a half.

With our final veggie delivery on Monday, October 9th the garden donations for this year are 215lbs!

🏂 GO PEACE CHURCH GARDEN 🌾

Join our merry band in the spring!



Time Change

It's not just the season that is changing! If you set your clocks manually, you'll want to set your clock <u>back</u> one hour before going to bed Saturday, November 4th. Enjoy the extra hour of sleep!

Volunteers

Looking For Adult Ed Volunteers

Much of the programming at Peace is done by volunteer teams - and our adult education team is in need of a few new members. If you have ideas about special events or forum discussions and presentations, or have gifts of discerning emerging issues and ideas, contact Molly Watson (<u>molly1962@charter.net</u>) or Pastor Charlotte (<u>charlotte@peaceucc.org</u>). We'd love to gather a few creative minds for about 90 minutes each month. In the past, this team has often used zoom. Time and dates of meetings to be determined by the team.

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 Janell Kohls and Loni Cran-Hovis.

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 office@peaceucc.org.

- November 5th Laurie Berner Judy Derauf Barb Hanka Janell Kohls
- **November 12th** Warren and Beth Post Cathy and Jerry Carlson Loni Cran-Hovis
- **November 19th** Gayle and Jack Kelly Aryn and Ilse Bergsven Loni Cran-Hovis
- November 26th Mike and Diane Swanoski Janell Kohls

Wednesday CHUM Breakfast

Volunteers make "breakfast bags" every other Wednesday morning to be distributed by the CHUM staff. Let the church office know if you'd like to be alerted when there is a need for food donations or volunteer help. Call 218-724-3637 or email <u>office@peaceucc.org</u>.

Donations of peanut butter, jelly and granola bars would be most welcome!

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."

November 6th - **Open** November 13th - **Open** November 20th - **Open** November 26th - **Open**

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>.

November's Head Usher is Cindy Macaulay. If you are interested in being an usher contact Bri at office@peaceucc.org or Cindy Macaulay at macaulay@cpinternet.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, November 12th

1:30 - 3:30pm - **3 Open Slots** 4:30 - 6:30pm - **3 Open Slots**

Saturday, November 25th

8:30 - 10:30am - 3 Open Slots

11:00 - 1:00pm - 3 Open Slots

1:30 - 3:30pm - 3 Open Slots

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

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 Bell articles for November are due Wednesday, November 22nd. Send articles to <u>bri@peaceucc.org</u>

Peace People

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, Sam Peterson and others.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Lyle Shannon and his family on the passing of his wife Terrie Shannon. Her Celebration of Life will be held at Peace Church on November 3rd at 3:00pm. Visitation at 2:00pm.

Our deep sympathy goes out to Jan Nugent on the passing of her father.

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.

POINSETTIA ORDER

Please fill out form and place in the offering plate or bring to the Peace Church office

by Friday, December 1st

Name

I wish to order ____ poinsettias at a cost of \$20.00 each, in memory of / in honor of the following person(s):

MEMORY	HONOR	NAME(S)

Please make checks payable to Peace Church with "poinsettia" in the memo.

Thank you's

- Thank you to Dick and Linda Goese for the yellow mums by the front entrance.
- Thank you to Lorraine Anderson for the rustcolored mums by the front bench given in memory of Lorraine's sister Donna Mae Swanson.
- Thank you to the Worship & Arts team for the bread on World Communion Sunday
- Thank you to the Property Committee and Boy Scout Troop #44 for taking down the tent on Monday, October 9th.

Thank you for all the help with the Stewardship Dinner



Serving dinner and cleaning up Cathy Wood Laura Seele Janell Kohls Louise Hawley

Youth helping serve <u>drinks</u> <u>and</u> <u>cleaning up</u> Simon Liddle

Aliya Flotten Scarlett Romberg Silvee Romberg Silvi Rockwell

Youth helping in the nursery

Koren Sjelin Lorelie Schwensohn Anya Holmstrom Helping plan and organize the Kick-off Dinner Cathy Ameel Diane & Mike Swanoski Geof Witrak Kelli Hallsten-Erickson Kirby Wood Julie Flotten Leanne Ventrella Marsha Hystead Rev. Charlotte Frantz

Being Table Hosts

Jessica Olson Sara Cedars Joan Peterson Jan Nugent Molly Watson Monica Liddle Melissa Boyle Susan Goltz Nathan Langer Tom Hystead Gudrun Witrak Stephen Dando Julie Flotten







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