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AUGUST SCRIPTURE READINGS

August 2: Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 55:1-5; Romans 9:1-13; Matthew 14:13-21

August 9: Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Job 38:4-18; Romans 10:5-17; Matthew 14:22-33

August 16: Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8; Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32; Matthew 15:21-28

August 23: Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 51:1-6; Romans 11:33-12:8; Matthew 16:13-20

August 30: Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 15:15-21; Romans 12:9-21; Matthew 21-28

EARLY CHILDHOOD RETIREMENT RECOGNITIONS

Congratulations to Mrs. Anita Behnke on her retirement from Peace Early Childhood! We thank her for 28 years of faithfully sharing the love of Jesus with our children. We are grateful for her many years of dedicated service!

Special recognition also goes to Judi Winker and Inga Duke, who retired from Peace Early Childhood this year. Thank you for your two years of loving care and dedication to our children. We wish you all the best in your retirement!

Peace Early Childhood is Hiring!

They are looking for caring, enthusiastic individuals. If you enjoy working in a fun, joy-filled, Christ-centered environment, they would love to hear from you! Various opportunities available!

Email earlychildhood@peacelutheranstl.org or call 314.892.8844 for more information



SUNDAY SCHOOL FAMILY ORIENTATION DAY Sunday, August 16 - 9:15-10:15am

A new year of Sunday School begins August 16, at 9:15am for children in Parent and Me through 5th grade. This is an opportunity to meet your child's new teacher, visit with other parents, and learn about our new year in Sunday School. Parents and children should meet in the gym at 9:15 for a welcome and introductions. Please watch your email for more details.

Details and registrations information will be provided in the upcoming weeks. We look forward to a wonderful year with your children.

Students in Middle School Youth (grades 6-8) will go to their normal classroom in the church basement, and High School Youth (grades 9-12) will be attending Adult Bible Class in Sanctuary Hall.

Rev. Dr. Jon Furgeson, Senior Pastor
314-601-1039
pastor.furgeson@peacelutheranstl.org

VOTERS' ASSEMBLY MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Please join us for our upcoming Voters' Assembly Meeting, Monday, September 14, 7:00pm, in Sanctuary Hall. All Peace members ages 18 and older are invited to attend.

At our June 28 Special Voters' Assembly, a resolution was approved to proceed with the Capital Campaign for Renovation for the Next Generation. Another resolution was approved to allow Church Council to choose a Professional Fundraising Company to manage our Capital Campaign. The company, Walsh & Associates, has been chosen and information has been shared with Walsh & Associates for our Feasibility Study. We look forward to hearing the results of this study and our next steps.

JR. CONFIRMATION CLASSES BEGIN WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Our 7th & 8th Grade Junior Confirmation classes will begin Wednesday, September 9, 4:00-5:15pm. Taught by Pastor Furgeson and Pastor Brown.

Parents and students are asked to attend an 8th Grade Confirmation Overview on Thursday, August 13, at 6:00pm in the Kitchen Meeting Room with Pastor Furgeson. If you are unable to attend this meeting, please contact the church office by Monday, August 10.

Pastor Brown will be reaching out to 7th grade parents and students to go over the 7th Grade Confirmation overview and expectations.

We will look forward to seeing you as we prepare for the 2026-2027 Confirmation year.

WELCOME!

NEW MEMBER CLASSES BEGIN SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

The next session of our New Member Classes will be offered beginning Sunday, September 13, from 11:45am to 1:30pm in Sanctuary Hall. A light lunch will be provided each week for those attending. Class covers a series of topics over a six-week period and is designed for those desiring communicant membership or any current members looking for a review of Lutheran teaching. To register, please sign up on our website, by Friday, September 11. For more information, please contact the church office. We look forward to you joining us.

HE WHO PROMISED IS
faithful
Hebrews 10:23b

Rev. Robert Brown, Associate Pastor
618-580-8817
pastor.brown@peacelutheranstl.org

BAPTISM CLASS

Sunday, September 13, 9:15 - 10:15am

Kitchen Meeting Room

Pastor Brown will lead the September Baptism Class covering the basic teachings and logistics of baptisms at Peace. This class is designed for all expectant parents, and anyone desiring baptism. To register, please see the "Baptism Class Signup" button on the homepage of our website. If you are unable to attend this class, but desire to have your child baptized prior to November 8, please call the Church Office at 314-892-5610.

2026 Future Class Date: November 8

BIBLE STUDY INFORMATION

Men's Morning Bible Study meets every other Thursday morning (with the exception of holidays) at 7:00am in Sanctuary Hall, led by Pastor Brown. The class will not meet during August. Classes will resume their study of the Large Catechism on September 10.

Upcoming class dates include September 10 and 24. Future Bible study dates can be found on our church website calendar, or watch the weekend News and Notes.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study will take a break during the month of August. Classes will resume on September 9, studying the Book of Isaiah.

Mary Martha Bible Class resumes on Thursday, September 10, at 9:00am in the Kitchen Meeting Room for fellowship, with Bible Study beginning at 9:30am.

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Our first group of Stephen Ministers will finish training at the start of October. We will begin pairing Care Receivers and Stephen Ministers soon! Care receivers are the recipients of Stephen Ministers' care - people from our church who are experiencing grief, loss of a job, divorce, loneliness, illness, or other life difficulties. Stephen Ministers meet with their care receivers once a week for about an hour for as long as the care receiver needs it. Prayerfully consider whether you or a loved one needs a Stephen Minister. Reach out to Pastor Brown (pastor.brown@peacelutheranstl.org) or Deaconess Abby Reynolds (deaconess@peacelutheranstl.org) with any questions.



CHILDREN DEVOTIONAL MATERIALS

Parents are the primary faith formators for their children and Peace is excited to partner with them, providing resources to help them raise their children in the faith. Our prayer is that these resources can help parents talk to their child about Jesus and guide them in their faith growth at home. These quarterly devotional magazines will be placed in families' mailboxes throughout the year. Preschool and Kindergarten children receive a copy of "Happy Times," First and Second grade children receive "Living with Jesus," and Third through Sixth Grade children receive "My Devotions." A few extra copies will be available on the book rack each quarter for others to share Jesus with children they know.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Greetings to all parishioners at Peace. I pray that everyone is enjoying their summer thus far.

All our Summer Sunday School classes have been going very well. The Parent's and Me class is doing great and the little ones are learning so much about our blessed Savior, Jesus Christ. The Preschool and Kindergarten classes are following Abraham, Noah, Moses, Joseph, Joshua, Daniel, and Jonah throughout the pages of Holy Scripture. The 1st -7th grade students have been studying the Apostle's Creed.

We are less than a month away from starting the Fall Sunday School semester. Sunday School Orientation Day is Sunday, August 16, starting at 9:15 am and will be held in the church gymnasium. We look forward to having you and your child/ren join us. Each Sunday School family will receive a detailed email with the activities for that day.

Please encourage your children to store God's Word in their hearts through the memorization of scripture. *"It is to one's honor to avoid strife, but every fool is quick to quarrel"* (Proverbs 20:3).

God's continued blessings on you and your loved ones.



Robert Wolff
Sunday School Superintendent
314-374-8044 (Cell)

MUSIC MINISTRY

Hello everyone! I am extremely excited to begin our music rehearsals again soon!

After a much deserved summer break, all rehearsals will resume this September. Not only are the Chancel Choir and Handbells returning to their regular times, but I am thrilled to begin a brand new Children's Chimes group!

The Chimes group is open to grades 4-6 (and potentially grade 3 with a true love for music, space permitting). They will practice on Wednesdays at 4:00pm.

Lately, I have been reaching out to connect with many of you and recruit new faces for each of our groups. If you or someone you know might be interested in music—even without any prior choir or bells experience—I encourage you to come give it a try. There is absolutely no pressure to continue if you find it isn't the right fit for you. You can email me at music@peacelutheranstl.org for more information, or you can always call me at the office if you are interested.

Our first rehearsals of the year will be:

Children's Chimes: Wednesday, September 9 at 4:00pm

Chancel Choir: Thursday, September 10 at 7:00pm

Handbells: Monday, September 14 at 6:30pm

(will end at 7:00pm for Voters Assembly)

My prayer is that every musician and singer finds their time enjoyable and uplifting as we prepare to make music to the Lord and lead His people in song.

"Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!" — Psalm 100:1-2



In Christ,
Justin Knabach
Director of Parish Music



Preschool Plus and Half Day Preschool
Helping the Church Grow by helping God's Children Grow

A fun-filled summer was enjoyed by all our Early Childhood students! As we say goodbye to those heading off to Kindergarten, we wish them God's blessings as they begin a new adventure.

We are gearing up for the 2026–2027 school year and are excited for all that God has in store! Please join us in welcoming Miss Becky Sandersfeld as our Preschool 3's teacher and we are delighted to have Mrs. Kristen Hammon returning to teach our Preschool 4's class. We look forward to a wonderful year of learning and growing in faith together.

Peace Early Childhood provides a loving, Christian environment where developmentally appropriate practices meet the needs and interests of each child. We believe in playing with a purpose, guiding learning in every area of development, including spiritual growth, social-emotional skills, creativity and art, language and literacy, math and science, and physical development.

The early years are filled with incredible growth and learning, and we are honored to partner with families during this important stage of life.

FREEZER MEAL MINISTRY

Our kitchen freezers are stocked with meals and we are excited to deliver them to families or individuals in need! Thank you to the team who volunteered in the kitchen during the Shine event. Please contact the Church Office if you would like to receive a meal. A gluten and dairy free option is available. Please contact Abby Reynolds in the church office, or email to deaconess@peacelutheranstl.org if we can bless you with a meal.

Qualifications for receiving a meal:

- Someone in your household in the hospital or undergoing surgery
- Birth of a baby
- Death of a family member
- Ongoing treatment or therapy (chemotherapy, etc.)
- Special circumstances

BIRTHDAY SUPPLY COLLECTION

LWML Ladies Guild Birthday Party Supply collection continues through the month of August, for our Concordia Seminary families. The boys and girls that will enjoy the party supplies are between the ages of 1-12 years.

Suggested donations include cake mixes, icing, sprinkles, cupcake liners, large and small birthday plates, napkins, cups, plastic utensils, candles, balloons, party supplies, party hats, streamers, tablecloths, gift bags, tissue paper—all things birthday! A collection box is located in the Commons.

Please note, all party donations should be NEW, unused and unopened items. All food items must be marked with an expiration date that has not yet passed.

Baptisms

June 27, 2026 - William David Decker
 June 27, 2026 - Margaret Hope Decker
 July 26, 2026 - Aubree Elizabeth Baur
 July 26, 2026 - Isla Brielle Baur
 July 26, 2026 - Isaac Timothy Baur

Adult Confirmations

July 19, 2026 - Bryan Devlin
 July 19, 2026 - Cassandra Devlin
 July 19, 2026 - Gabriella Devlin
 July 19, 2026 - Melanie Devlin
 July 19, 2026 - Samuel Merrick
 July 19, 2026 - Chloe Merrick
 July 19, 2026 - David Biggs

Weddings

June 20, 2026 - Anna Marie Manzelli and Cameron Vaughn Stinnett
 June 26, 2026 - Lisa Marie Rericker and Peter Joseph Renda

Funeral

June 27, 2026 - *Jan Marie Wildberger, 70 *non-member



VOLUNTEER AT FEED MY PEOPLE!

Volunteer opportunities are open at Feed My People again! Pastor Brown and/or Abby Reynolds will be volunteering one Saturday morning each month and can bring a small group. Join us to serve with our hands and feet to bring the love of Christ to those in our community. Our planned dates are August 15, September 19, October 10, and November 14.

Feed My People is a Christian organization right down the road from Peace that strives to show God's love and compassion to all people, particularly those in need. Feed My People offers several services to help those in need - whether homeless or low-income - including a food pantry, several thrift stores, and assistance with finding and interviewing for employment. Please consider joining us! Sign up through the Opportunities page on the church website.

SOCIAL MINISTRY COLLECTION

Social Ministry is sponsoring a feminine hygiene collection during the month of August. Donations will benefit Crisis Aid International, helping women, rescued from sex trafficking, have dignity and the personal care items they desperately need. Suggested items include pads, wipes, underwear, deodorant, and body wash. No tampons please. All items may be placed in the collection box located in the Commons.

NEW THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLAR PROCESS

A new Thrivent Choice Dollar experience is available now! The changes include upgrades so that more members receive Thrivent Choice Dollars—and the dollars can be directed to the charity of your choice throughout the year. The dollars become available at the beginning of the year and can be directed anytime through December 31. (No March 31 deadline.) Thrivent members, your Thrivent Choice dollars are available now! If you choose to direct your Thrivent Choice dollars to Peace, please complete one of the forms found on the Commons Counter to let us know where specifically to direct your dollars (Budget, RFNG, Boar's Head, Special Music, etc.) If you have any questions, contact our Thrivent Representative, Andy Reinitz, (314)578-7005.

PEACE MOVING TO HAVING COMMUNION EVERY SERVICE (NEARLY) EVERY WEEKEND

Starting with our observation of Reformation Day (October 26), Peace will offer the Lord's Supper every service, on every weekend, excepting a fifth Sunday weekend. Why?

The practice in the Bible suggests it. Jesus says to do this as often as you eat/drink it, "*in remembrance of Me*" when He makes the Supper before His crucifixion. We have very few explicit insights into the early church liturgy, but when they do get together every week we find them "*breaking bread*" in the context of the church service, which is the Lord's Supper (Acts 2:42–47). Paul also admonishes the church in Corinth that every time they get together they practice the Lord's Supper, (as they should), but then make it a sin by acting as if it is a competition and a party (1 Cor 11:20–29).

The Lutheran Confessions suggest it as the proper practice. In the Augsburg Confession we find: "Because the Mass [the Divine Service] is for the purpose of giving the Sacrament, we have Communion every holy day and, if anyone desires the Sacrament, we also offer it on other days, when it is given to all who ask for it" (AC 24.34). The Defense (Apology) of the Augsburg Confession also notes, "*At the outset, we must again make this preliminary statement: we do not abolish the Mass but religiously keep and defend it. Masses are celebrated among us every Lord's Day and on the other festivals*" (Ap 24.1).

My understanding is that after the Reformation era, many Lutheran churches drifted away from the practice in order to emphasize Private Confession & Absolution. In reaction to other Protestant movements related to living pure lives, Lutheran churches began to require each person undergo individual confession & absolution with the pastor before Communion would be given. Depending on the church size, this might be every other week or once a month to as infrequent as once per quarter.

As that movement dwindled, many churches went to every other week to aid members observation of the Supper as a special gift of God. In general, that has been the practice of Peace for at least half of its existence, if not all of its history.

Finally, a notable number of young families (and many older families) express the desire to have the Supper every week. After talking about it in Bible classes, and in conversation with our Altar Guild, our Board of Elders, the Church Council, and an announcement and conversation at Voters, this appears to be the time to make this move.

Regarding service structure, the Divine Service we already have every other week will become every week, though we will still change the Creed each week between the Apostles' and Nicene, since both are our heritage. On fifth Sundays, we will use the order of Matins to reacquaint us with this common morning liturgy (and to give an occasional respite to our Altar Guild). May God bless our time around Word and Sacrament each week as we go forward together in faith!

--Pastor Jon Furgeson

EMERALD CROSSING 2026 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Our Emerald Crossing Vacation Bible School was wonderful! It was great to share the love of Jesus with over 150 children from our congregation and community. A huge note of thanks and gratitude to our 60+ volunteers who shared their gifts and love for Jesus with our children each day.

Our VBS led students on an Irish Adventure through Psalm 23. *Day One - Lost to Found; Day Two - Wrong path to Right Path; Day Three - Fearful to Peaceful; Day Four - Grumbling to Grateful and Day Five - Shaky to Sure.*

Our daily canned good offering benefited St. Trinity Food Pantry, and our monetary offerings were shared with Children's Food Network.

We are grateful to all of our Peace families for their continued prayers, and to everyone who donated food for our snacks and closing picnic.

Mark your calendars for VBS at Peace - June 14-18, 2027



St. Trinity CEMETERY



Kyle Rieger
Superintendent

Non-Sectarian – Endowed Care
Owned and Operated by Peace Lutheran Church

2160 Lemay Ferry Road
(Lemay Ferry at Reavis Barracks)
St. Louis, MO 63125
314-892-3662

www.sttrinitycemetery.com
Monday – Friday 7:30 – 4:00
Saturday by Appointment Only

NEW AND IMPROVED WEBSITE

The website for St. Trinity Cemetery (sttrinitycemetery.com) has been updated and now features more photos and information. Tracey Roesch worked tirelessly to put together the new website. The goal of the Cemetery Board is to have a website that is functional and useful for people looking for assistance, especially in their time of need. When you have a chance, we invite you to look at the website and see the updates. St. Trinity Cemetery has been owned and operated by Peace Lutheran Church since 2011.

SHOUT OUT TO STEPHEN KIENSTRA

The board of St. Trinity Cemetery gives a huge THANK YOU to Stephen Kienstra. He volunteers extensively at the cemetery, helping to keep the grounds and buildings looking great. We thank him immensely for all of his hard work!



BACK TO SCHOOL MOMS EVENT

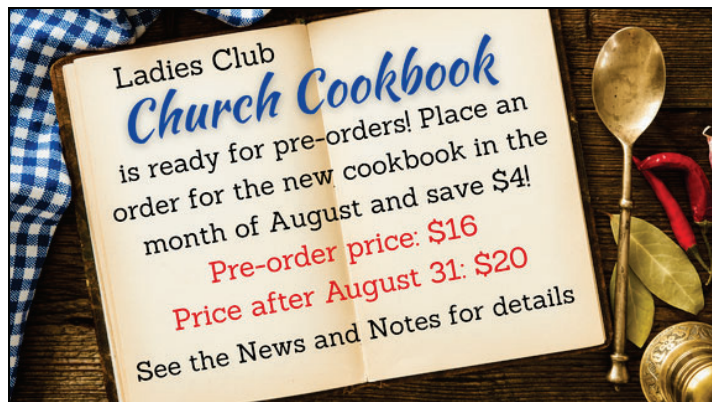
Join us for fellowship and connection with other mamas at our church as we get ready to send the kids back to school. We will have a chance to talk about what excites us and makes us nervous during this back-to-school season, share our favorite easy recipes for our families, and enjoy rest together before the beautiful chaos of the school year begins. Saturday, August 15, 7:00pm, in Sanctuary Hall. Charcuterie and beverages will be provided. Please bring your favorite recipe for a crockpot or freezer meal! Feel free to bring babies under one year old, and email Abby Reynolds at deaconess@peacelutheranstl.org if you need childcare for older kiddos to be able to attend. See the flyer on the back of the newsletter for more information.

PART-TIME MAINTENANCE POSITION

Salem Lutheran Church and School, 8343 Gravois Road in Affton, MO seeks a part-time handyman-type person who will be responsible for routine maintenance at both the church and school buildings, Monday through Friday (for approximately) 20 hours per week.

If you or someone you know may be interested can contact any one of these three gentlemen to schedule an interview:

Bruce Burgdorf at bburgdorf@charter.net
Rich Miller at stlhusker@sbcglobal.net
Todd Wolfram at tewolfram1@gmail.com



Aloha Nights
Trivia Night & Silent Auction
Saturday August 22
Peace Lutheran Church In the Gym
Doors Open at 6:00pm - Trivia Begins at 6:30pm
\$20/per person Tables of 8-10
Bring your own snacks & beverages
Questions: Contact Gina - 314.638.8268 or Barb - 314.541.5898
ginarose828@sbcglobal.net shuntersandme@sbcglobal.net
Sponsored by Peace Married Couples Club

Monarch Jewelry and Gift Boutique
PURCHASE WITH A PURPOSE
Thursday, September 24
5:00 – 7:30pm
In the Gym
Jewelry donations welcome!
Enjoy sweet treats and drinks while you shop Monarch's selection of handmade jewelry, home decor, gifts and more!

You're Invited!
CAREERS FOR CHRIST

SATURDAY–MONDAY, OCT. 10-12

Join us for an inspiring weekend at Concordia University Chicago, designed for high school students exploring LCMS professional church careers. Discover your vocation and **STAND TALL** in your faith journey.

EVENT DETAILS:

Check-in begins at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 10, and the event concludes in the afternoon on Monday, Oct. 12. This event is completely **FREE!**

WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- Opportunity to connect with current CUC students and faculty.
- Free housing and meals provided throughout the weekend.
- Explore CUC's safe and scenic campus and surrounding neighborhood.
- Experience CUC's worship life.
- A "Careers for Christ" T-shirt.

Following the welcome reception for parents, students and adult leaders, the Saturday and Sunday activities are exclusively for students. Parents and adult leaders are encouraged to attend Monday's visit day activities, which are part of the broader Careers for Christ experience.



REGISTER NOW!

DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS FREE OPPORTUNITY!

- Scan the QR code or complete the online registration at CUCChicago.edu/C4C
- Complete the electronic permission form sent through email.
- Register by Sept. 30.

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LIFE MINISTRY – LIFE, LIBERTY AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS

Our nation has been celebrating its 250th birthday this year. We remember the people who originally came here risking their lives to cross the Atlantic Ocean and settle in a wilderness with unknown dangers. Their strong Christian faith gave them the courage and perseverance to keep on going.

In the 1700's, the average lifespan of an American was thirty-five years and remained under forty years for over a century. Nearly 40% of children in the United States died before reaching adulthood. If you could survive the first five years, you had a chance to live much longer, even into your sixties or seventies. Family size was close to six people, which is nearly double today's average household size. In 1790, fertility rates had dropped to eight children per woman. High maternal mortality rates, fifty times higher than today, meant that women averaged shorter lifespans than their male counterparts. The lifetime chance of dying in childbirth was as high as 1 in 8 for women who typically bore five to eight children. Grandparents were relatively scarce.

When our nation was founded, John Adams said: Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other." In the Declaration of Independence, Thomas Jefferson stated that God is the author of "certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." Both Jefferson and Adams recognized that the success of our nation depends upon people who are moral and worship their Creator. Sadly, we can no longer claim to be such a moral and religious nation. For many, the pursuit of happiness is materialism and liberty is the lack of personal responsibility. Life is also something to be taken for granted. Many people are either apathetic or even hostile to Christianity.

Today, two major issues concern life: abortion and assisted suicide. While these practices have existed for centuries, they were not legal in this nation until recent times. They reflect the values of a people who have rejected Christianity. Nearly 64 million lives have been taken through abortion and in recent years, there have been one million abortions annually. Assisted suicide is either legal or under consideration in a majority of our states. Nations such as Canada and the Netherlands show that this practice becomes more common over time as new categories of people qualify for "assistance in dying."

However, there is hope in all of this. Increasing numbers of young people are coming to church. Many people are realizing that our country desperately needs to return to the traditional Christian values upon which it was founded.

In 2 Chronicles 7:14 God tells us: "If my people who are called by my name humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land." Let's make America's 250th year a one of returning to God for His healing.

"Through the love of Jesus Christ the Life Ministry Team exists to equip Peace Lutheran Church to sanctify life at all stages"

—Peace Life Ministry Team

CONCORDIA SEMINARY GUILD

Join us for the Concordia Seminary Guild Luncheon Friday, September 11, at 11:30am with registration in Koburg Hall, on the campus of Concordia Seminary. The luncheon fee is \$22 per person, and reservations are required to help plan the event. Yearly dues are \$15 for individuals and \$25 for organizations. Dues may be paid with your luncheon reservation. The Seminary Guild supports our future pastors, missionaries and deaconesses, and their families with prayers and gifts. The yearly projects are based on the generous donations received. Project donations can be made at any time of the year. Did you know that Peace has six members that currently serve on the Seminary Guild Board? Ellyn Petrovic, Treasurer; Julia Petrovic, Assistant to the Treasurer; Donna Werner, Bylaws; Eileen Smith, Hospitality; Alice Kastens, Projects; and Judi Winker, Historian. Our Peace officers will be hosting their September meeting on Friday, September 11. If you would like more information on the Seminary Guild and how you can be involved, please ask one of the wonderful ladies listed above! Registration forms are available in the church office if you would like to attend.



"LET THE WORD OF CHRIST
DWELL IN YOU RICHLY."
(Col. 3:16 ESV)

Luncheon reservation: csl.edu/sem-guild-luncheon

Date: Sept. 11, 2026 **Registration:** \$22 per person

Deadline: Aug. 28, 2026

Menu: Upscale baked potato bar with assorted toppings, garden salad with balsamic and French dressings on the side, angel food cake with strawberry purée

List special dietary restrictions:

Please reserve _____ seat(s) at \$22 per person \$_____

Names of those attending:

Total amount enclosed: \$_____

Seminary Guild membership

☐ \$15/individual ☐ \$25/organization

Dues cover the period July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Congregation affiliation _____

I would like to donate to the 2026-27 projects:

☐ \$100 ☐ \$50 ☐ \$25 ☐ Other \$_____

Register by mailing this form with your check(s) made payable to Concordia Seminary Guild to:
Ellyn Petrovic, 3375 Dana Drive, Arnold, MO 63010-4255, or online by scanning the QR code ➡



HOLY COMMUNION WEEKENDS

Holy Communion is offered on the first and third Sundays of the month. August dates include the weekends of August 1/2, August 15/16, and August 29/30.

ALTAR COMMITTEE

Altar Committee will have two meetings in August to go over changes that are occurring within the services. *Meetings will be held on Sunday, August 23, at 11:45am and again on Thursday evening, August 27, at 6:30pm.* If you would like to join Altar Committee or are already a member, please plan to attend one of the August meetings. Look forward to seeing you there!

FELLOWSHIP HOUR - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Help is always needed with the coffee and donut set-up on Saturday evening, and clean-up on Sunday morning. If you would like to help, please contact Ralph or Grace Truemper at 314-544-0233.

MARRIED COUPLES CLUB

Join us on *Saturday, August 22*, for our Aloha Nights, Trivia and Silent Auction. Doors open at 6:00pm, with Trivia beginning at 6:30pm. Cost is \$20 per person, tables of 8-10. Bring your own snacks and drinks. Tickets are on sale now before and after all church services Round sponsors still welcome and appreciated.

MEN'S CLUB

Please join us for our summer dates, Tuesday, August 25, at 6:00pm for our monthly meetings. Come and enjoy a great meal and fellowship time! Men's Club is open to all men of Peace, age 21 and up! Questions? Contact John Hooss at 314-913-3072.

LADIES CLUB

Ladies, join us on Tuesday, August 18, 7:00pm in Sanctuary Hall for Christmas in Summer! Bring a \$15-\$20 gift for a fun gift exchange. Snacks and desserts, as usual, will be provided. Our September activity will be the Monarch Jewelry Sale on Thursday, September 24, 5:00 to 7:30pm. Watch the News and Notes for details about that event. (Note: Ladies Club will NOT meet on Tuesday, September 15.) Ladies Club is open to all women of Peace, age 21 or older.

PLASTIC MAT MAKING

Our group meets on the first and third Tuesdays each month, from 9:00am to noon in Sanctuary Hall. We would love to have more helpers. If you don't crochet, you can help fold, cut or loop the plastic bags. They kindly ask that you hold onto your bags at this time. Please watch the Newsletter and News and Notes for when they can take bags again and when they decide on the new plarn cutting process. Can't make it on Tuesdays? We can show you how to work from home! For more information, please contact Anita Thomas at 314-200-6753.

LWML LADIES GUILD

LWML Ladies Guild will not meet in August. We look forward to seeing everyone on Thursday, September 17, at 10:45am in Sanctuary Hall. Many thanks to all who have supported our birthday supply collection benefitting Concordia Seminary families.

ADULT CO-ED VOLLEYBALL AT PEACE

Co-Ed volleyball will take a break for the months of July-August. Play will resume in September on Tuesday evenings from 6:00-8:00pm in the gymnasium. Co-Ed volleyball is open to anyone 18 years and older. For more information please contact Cameron Stinnett at 314-413-3412 or camstinn16@gmail.com.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar Flower orders are received through the Church Office. Arrangements are \$25 each. Please contact the church office at least two weeks in advance.

PICKLEBALL OPEN PLAY

Adult co-ed Pickleball plays on Sunday evenings, 6:00-8:00pm in the gymnasium. The group is open to all levels of experience, ages 17 and older, with equipment and training provided. Please watch the church calendar for event conflicts to make sure we are playing. For more information please contact Jack Jeffcott at liporccarman@gmail.com or 314-856-5379.

SURVIVING SPOUSES BREAKFAST

Join us Thursday, August 13, 9:00am at the Denny's on South Lindbergh. Our group meets on the second Thursday of each month. For more information, please contact Joyce Schutte at 314-267-7051.

QUILTERS CORNER

Please join us on Tuesdays and Thursdays this summer from 9:00am to 2:00pm in Sanctuary Hall. Bring a sack lunch, we'll provide the fellowship and dessert! Please call Cheryl at 314-223-0744 if you have any questions.

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MISSIONARY NEWS

The current newsletter from Pastor Jensen serving in Germany can be found on our church bulletin board, or on our website, under Resources/Missionary News. If you would like to support the missionary efforts of Pastor Jensen, please direct your contributions to "Synodical Missionary Support" at Peace, or directly through the LCMS website.

SUNDAY SERVICE ON KFUD

Peace's Sunday service is rebroadcast on KFUD AM 850 every Saturday, from 4:00-5:00pm. Please share this information with your neighbors, friends, family, and especially our homebound members.

LUTHERAN HOUR - DAILY DEVOTIONS

Does your morning coffee need a friend? Lutheran Hour Ministries offers the following ways to receive Daily Devotions.

- Read or listen online: lhm.org/dailydevotions
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ALASKA MISSIONS

The Alaska Mission Team collects items year-round to prepare for their summer mission trip. If you would like to help, please see the list of suggested items located on the Commons counter. All donations can be placed in the Alaska Mission Box in the Commons.

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REGISTRATION OPEN FOR THE 2026 GREEN PARK LUTHERAN SCHOOL GOLF SCRAMBLE!

We are excited to announce that registration for the 2026 Green Park Lutheran School Golf Scramble is now open!

Registration will remain open through September 6

Scramble Date: Sunday, September 20

Location: The Acorns Golf Links

Reserve your team's spot today!

Visit: www.greenparklutherschool.org/2026golf,

or scan the QR code on the attached brochure.

Green Park Lutheran School is truly blessed by your continued support and participation. As we "drive" into our 12th Annual Golf Scramble, we look forward to another memorable day of fellowship, fun, and friendly competition while supporting Christian education. If you have any questions or would like to explore additional sponsorship opportunities, please contact Heather.Prewitt@greenparklutherschool.org, 314-544-4248. Thank you for your support, and we look forward to seeing you on the course in September!



Lutheran South was named a Top Workplace for the seventh year in a row! LuSo was the only private high school to receive the recognition awarded by the St. Louis Post-Dispatch!

From whitewater rafting to hiking an active volcano, LuSo students had the adventure of a lifetime in Costa Rica! As part of their eco and sustainability tour, they toured a farm, milked cows, made soap, cooked empanadas, crushed sugarcane and swam with sea turtles.

The boys volleyball team brought home second place at State after an incredible season full of big wins and hard work. Additionally, junior Sam Dicken broke the state record for most attempts and kills in a state match.

All five Lutheran South music ensembles earned the MSHSAA Scholastic Achievement Award for the 2025-2026 school year! The Wind Symphony, Jazz Band, String Ensemble, and Concert Choir were recognized as "Outstanding" for achieving an average GPA of 3.5 or higher. The Concert Band earned "Distinguished" recognition for a GPA average above a 3.0.

From baking macarons in Paris to running through the Sound of Music fields in Austria, 40 students had a great time exploring history this summer in Europe.

We are excited to host the LuSo Open at Pevely Farms Golf Club this year! Make plans to join us Monday, October 19, at 11:00am in Eureka to support Lutheran South athletics. Visit the school's website for sponsorships and more information.



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Back to School Moms Event Saturday, August 15 7:00PM

Sanctuary Hall

Enjoy some time with other moms before
sending the kids back to school!

Charcuterie and beverages provided.
Bring a favorite crockpot or freezer meal recipe to share!

