

Altar Paraments (Linens) change color with the various church holidays and special events. Today's paraments are Green for Pentecost.

Next Sunday's Scripture: Isaiah 56:1, 6 – 8 (738); Romans 11:1 – 2a, 13 – 15, 28 – 32 (1136); Matthew 15:21 – 28 (982); Sermon Title "One Bread, One Body"

SERVING	This Sunday	Wed, Aug 12	Next Sunday
Accompanist	JoAnn Deveny	JoAnn Deveny	Marla Erickson
Special Music	Praise Band	N/A	Praise Band
JAM Session	Colette Thorson	N/A	Pastor Jim VerBout
Reader	Karleen Boettner	N/A	Jake Bohler
Greeters	Beulkes	Nicklebys	Blairs
Ushers	D. Nelsons & Pews	T. Dressels	Rieckenbergs & Schroeders
Slide Presenter	RaKel Schroeder	Colette T	Edie Hanson
Sound System	Dayvin Schroeder	Jim G	Dayvin Schroeder
Recorder	Karver Schroeder	Victoria T	Edie Hanson
Peace Café	Vocas & Molitors	Walz Family	Wassers & Nesvolds
Altar Care	Dianne Mack and Doreen Seal		
Communion	N/A	Teri D	Julie M-K & Teri D

Ministry Board Serving Today: Julie Maas-Kusske and Teri Dressel

Family Room & Busy Bags – There is a Family/Calming area in the Preschool Room with activities for children. Busy bags are available at the sanctuary doors. Please place them in the basket after worship.

Assistive Listening – Williams Sound Assistive Listening System and T-Coil devices are available at the Tech Booth in the back of the sanctuary. Let us know how they sound, so we can adjust the system for the best sound.

Need to reach Pastor Jim VerBout? Contact him at (651) 440-8709 or pastor@come2peace.com.

Peace Offering: Wednesday, July 29 – Received: \$334 | Attendance: 40
Sunday, August 2 – Received: \$2,625 | Attendance: 139

July Benevolence: Welcome Neighbor Corn Feed \$3,000

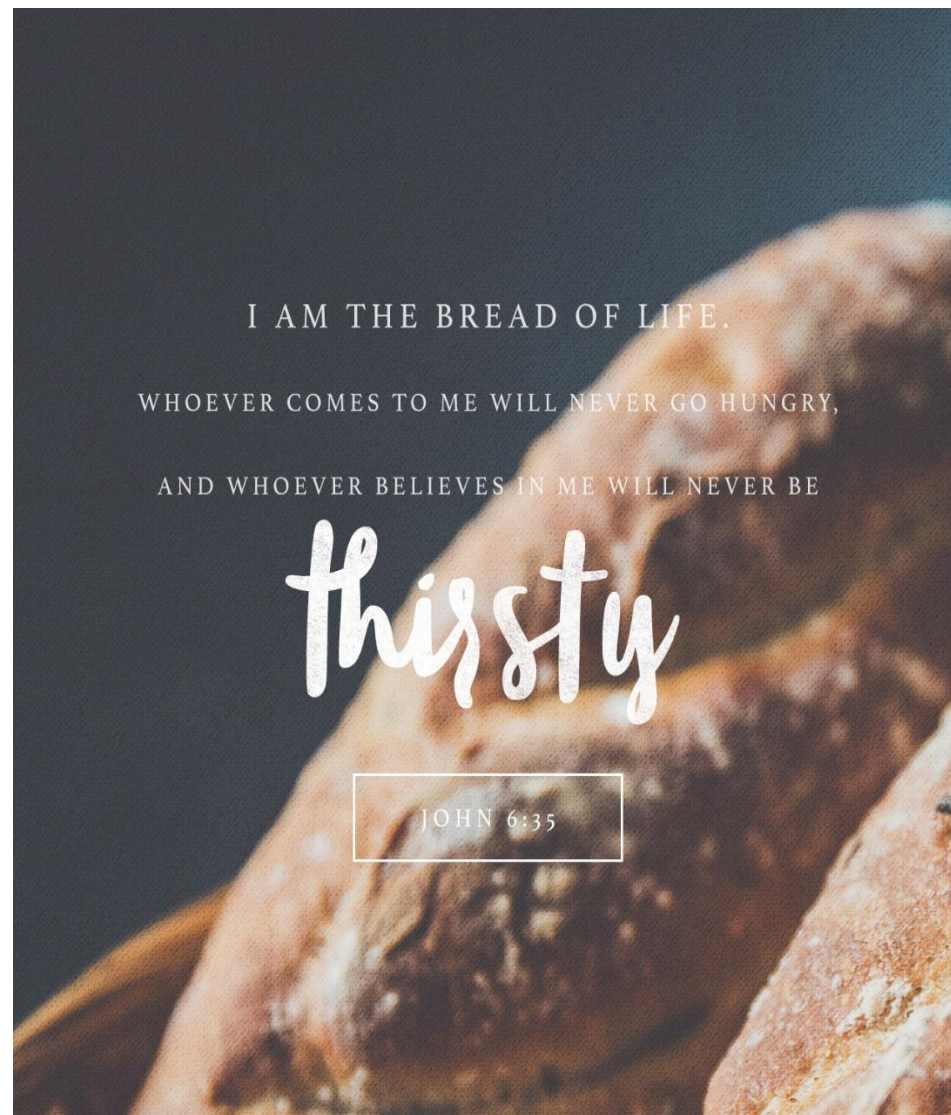
Capital Campaign Envelopes are available in chair backs or request a pack of them by contacting Sue at 763-442-1703 or Sue.Beulke@gmail.com

Ways to Give			
 IN-PERSON Offering gifts are received during worship	 ONLINE come2peace.com/giving 	 TEXT any amount to 952-900-7789	 MAIL Peace Lutheran Church PO Box 817 Watertown, MN 55388

*Thank you for your generous gifts to the ministry of this congregation;
your continued gifts allow us to see a positive and bright future.*



August 9, 2026
9:00 a.m.



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Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Praise Prelude	“10,000 Reasons”	Praise Band
Welcome		
Call to Worship	“Here I am to Worship”	
Worship Prayer/Sharing the Peace		
Confession and Forgiveness		
J.A.M. (Jesus and Me)		Colette Thorson
Scripture	Job 38:4-18 (531) Romans 10:5-17 (1135)	Karleen Boettner Karleen Boettner
Gospel	Matthew 14:22-33 (981) Pastor: The Gospel of Our Lord! People: Thanks be to God!	Pastor Jim VerBout
Sermon	“The Bread of Life”	Pastor Jim VerBout
Sermon Song	“I Am the Bread of Life”	
Apostle’s Creed		
Faith Sharing	“Yay God”	
Offering		
Special Music	“Voice of Truth”	Praise Band
Offering Response	“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”	LBW #565
Prayers of the Church		
The Lord’s Prayer		
Blessing and Benediction		
Closing Song	“How Great Thou Art”	LBW #532
August Birthdays and Anniversaries		
Sending	Pastor: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!! ALL: We will!!	
Praise Postlude	“How Great Thou Art (Until That Day)”	Praise Band

WELCOME GUESTS! May the Holy Spirit bless your worship, filling you with peace and hope as you go, ready to follow Jesus. You are always welcome here at Peace! Please leave your name in our guest book by the front door or share your contact information on the “Let’s Get Acquainted” card in the pew pocket. Blessings!



WE PRAY FOR COMFORT & HEALING FOR

Our church family: Bob & Jan Carlson; Robert Dean; Butch Essig; Jake & Judy Jacobson; Tom Mittelstaedt; Paul Nesvold; Carole Sundblad; Lillie Tesch; Roger Larson; Jen Voca; Sagstetter family

Our friends and family: Dan Bird (*Langner’s brother*); Sharon Cameron (*Cramb’s aunt*); Gary Diers (*Colette’s dad*); Kimmy Efta (*Nicole’s sister*); Emily (*Julie Potter’s friend*); Harlan (*Malone’s brother-in-law*); Phyllis Healy (*Marla’s stepmom*); Lauren Hopper (*Hoppers’ granddaughter*); Jackie (*Gosha’s cousin*); Gary Johnson (*Hansons’ friend*); Brian Junczewski (*Louie & Sandy’s son*); Nancy Krenzelok (*Weinzierl’s sister*); Chet Larson (*Larsons’ son*); Jeremy Laxen (*Charlotte’s son*); Beverly Leonhard (*Audrey’s sister*); Alan Panning (*Barfnechts’ friend*); Dawson Semolina (*Jobes’ nephew*); Wyatt (*Bahl’s friend*); Jesse (*Emily Ramirez’s uncle*); Steve Neddermeyer (*T. Dressel’s brother-in-law*); Jill Swing (*Cramb’s sister*); Bill Anderson (*Barfnecht’s brother-in-law*); Diane Johnsrud (*Andy’s mom*)

Our community: LCMC & Augustana District churches; Love INC; those serving in the military; law enforcement, first responders & frontline workers who serve and protect our community; and area churches’ ministries.

Each week we will pray for LCMC churches. Join us by continuing to pray for these churches during the week:

- Bethany Lutheran Church; Kelley, IA
- New Hope Lutheran Church; Circle, MT

Submit prayer requests using the “How Can We Pray for You?” card (back of “Let’s Get Acquainted”) or at www.come2peace.com/prayer.

Altar flowers – Information on how to provide flowers for the altar is located on the announcement board by the Connect Counter.

Ladies, you're invited to
Augustana District's WOW (Women of the Word)
Saturday, Sep 19 | 9 am–3 pm
Resurrection Lutheran in Mankato

The goal of the day is simple: to provide a time to recharge, reflect, connect, and leave refreshed in faith.
This year's theme will explore how Christ's resurrection shapes our identity, hope, relationships, and daily life through worship, God's Word, prayer, and fellowship.

Registration deadline is Sep 7.
Contact the church office office@come2peace.com for registration details.

PRAYER SHAWLS

Thanks to a generous Thrivent action card, we've stocked up on plenty of colorful yarn for our Prayer Shawls—part of our Threads of Love Ministry. Now all we need are some willing hands! If you knit or crochet, we'd love to have you join us in creating these comforting gifts. And if you've always wanted to learn, this is the perfect chance—our team is happy to teach you! You'll find yarn, needles, and hooks ready to go at the bottom of the Prayer Shawl display. If you have any questions, feel free to chat with anyone from the Threads of Love Team (part of the Prayer & Care Ministry). A huge thank-you to Thrivent—and to you for helping wrap others in God's love, one stitch at a time!



Community Events

Monthly Coffee with a Healthcare Provider
DEMENTIA 101
Wednesday, Aug 12 | 3 pm
Watertown Community Learning Center

This topic will provide an overview of Alzheimer's and dementia related disorders. Register: 952-955-0284 or <https://wm.ce.eleyo.com/>

GOLF FOR LOVE TOURNAMENT

Sept. 21 @ Albion Ridges
A day of friendly competition, community, and purpose. Event details at loveinheartland.org/event/golf-for-love-2026/



The famous question is asked for the first time.

weekly ANNOUNCEMENTS

August 9, 2026

Monday, August 10

6:30am – Men's Coffee
8:00am – Church Cleaning Crew

Tuesday, August 11

10:00am – Hospitality MT Mtg
6:00 pm – Finance MT Mtg

Wednesday, August 12

9:00am – Worship & Music MT Mtg
9:00am – Summer Story Time
6:00 pm – Worship & Fellowship

Thursday, August 13

6:30 pm – Executive Board Mtg

Friday, August 14

Saturday, August 15

Sunday, August 16

9:00am – Worship
10:15am – Fellowship

Activities @ Peace unless otherwise noted

Upcoming Events

Ministry Board Mtg – Aug 18 @ 6:30pm
Story Time – Aug 19 @ 9am
Prayer & Care Mtg – Aug 19 @ 10am
Pineapple Pick Up – Aug 21 @ 4pm
Pineapple Delivery Wknd–Aug 21-23
Food Donation Sunday – Aug 23
New Member Sunday – Aug 23

Email new & updated activities to office@come2peace.com

What a Wonderful Evening!



What an incredible night! Last Saturday, **more than 600 neighbors** joined us for a beautiful evening filled with delicious food, foot-stomping music, laughter, and fun for all ages. We loved spending time together and welcoming our community!

A heartfelt **THANK YOU** to all of our amazing volunteers who helped make this event possible. From planning and setup to serving, grilling, parking, games, cleanup, and everything in between—you made it happen! We couldn't have done it without you. **You are the best!**

And the generosity didn't stop there! Together, our community donated **\$247** and **345 pounds of food** to support the **Gather & Grow Food Shelf**. Thank you for helping us share God's love by caring for our neighbors in need.

We're already looking forward to next year!

NEW TO PEACE?

We'd love to meet you
Coffee, Cake & Conversation
TODAY following worship

Enjoy a slice of cake, a cup of coffee, and relaxed conversation as you learn about the history, mission, and ministries of Peace. It's also a great opportunity for us to get to know you and hear what you're looking for in a church family. No pressure—just good conversation and sweet treats!



New Member Sunday: August 23.

Go to come2peace.com/next for details and to complete the New Member Bio.



Slowing Down and Reading the Fine Print of the Lord's Prayer
Wednesdays, July 22-August 12
6:00 PM – Treats & Fellowship
6:30 PM – Worship

PINEAPPLE DELIVERY WKD

Pick-up: Fri, Aug 21 | 4-5:30 pm
Delivery Wkd - Aug 21-23

Help us spread smiles and warm welcomes throughout our community! Delivering pineapples is fun, easy, and a wonderful way to share God's love with our neighbors.



Even if you can only deliver a few, every delivery makes a difference!

Questions or ready to help? Contact Cathy at 612-819-0602 or cmriecken@yahoo.com.

Lift Your Voice ADULT CHOIR

Rehearsals: Wednesdays,
Sep 2 & 9 | 5:00 p.m.



Sing in Worship:
September 13, 20 • October 4, 11

Do you love to sing? Whether you're a seasoned choir member or you've always wanted to give it a try, we'd love to have you! No auditions—just joyful voices praising God together!

New voices are always welcome!

Questions? Contact Marla at (763) 331-2525.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

A new year of learning, laughter, friendships, and growing in God's love is almost here—and we can't wait!

Help us get ready by registering your child today. Your registration helps us plan classrooms, teachers, supplies, and all the fun that's in store.

Follow the QR code or go to come2peace.com/sundayschool to register.

We can't wait to learn, grow, and share God's love with your family this year!



Sunday, September 13

Kick off a new ministry year with worship, food, fun, and fellowship for all ages!



Backpack Blessing

Students, teachers, and school staff—bring your backpack (or work bag) to worship! We'll pray for a safe and successful school year and you'll receive a special backpack blessing tag to carry with you all year.



Potluck Lunch

Stay after worship for a delicious potluck! Bring your favorite dish to share and enjoy great food with your church family. *(Sign-up to help is coming soon!)*



Pie Auction

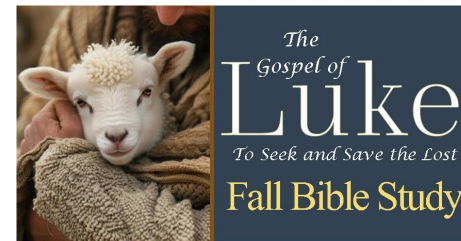
Calling all bakers! Dust off those favorite recipes and donate a pie for our annual Pie Auction. It's always a sweet and lively event! *(Pie sign-up coming soon.)*



Bounce Houses

Kids can jump, laugh, and play on our bounce houses while everyone enjoys a day of fellowship and celebration!

Mark your calendar and invite a friend—we can't wait to celebrate Rally Sunday with you!



Fall Adult Bible Study

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

Sundays starting Sep 20 | 6:00 pm
Thursdays starting Sep 24 | 9:00 am
Online (livestreamed Sundays to Facebook; posted to our website on Mondays come2peace.com/luke)

The Gospel of Luke introduces us to Jesus—the Spirit-filled Son of God whose compassion reaches the overlooked, the broken, the outsider, and the sinner. Through His teachings, miracles, parables, and journey to the cross, Luke reveals God's love for all people and the joy of His saving grace.

Join us as we explore Luke's Gospel together, discovering how Jesus' words and actions continue to shape our lives today. Come and discover the Savior who came seeking all people with grace, mercy, and hope.



Sign up in the Commons or follow the QR code.

Mission Opportunities

donations can be placed in the Missions' stack by the youth room

LOVE INC DONATION SUNDAY Sunday, August 9th

Through Love INC's Fresh Start Gap program, eligible clients can receive items quarterly. We need to restock personal care items, paper products, and hand, dish and laundry soaps.