



Dear Friends through Christ:

What would you do if given a second chance at life? What would you change or do different? Let's say your heart suddenly stopped beating and you could no longer breathe; by all practical purposes you have died, and it is time to meet your Maker. Yet, the doctors and nurses keep you alive. Painlessly they insert two tiny stints through your wrist, weaving this probe to the main arteries of the heart, allowing blood and breath to flow again! And just like that, by the grace of God, you are given a glimmer of hope for what is still an uncertain future, but right now, you are alive! What are you going to change or do different?

I thought long and hard about those questions. However, come to think about it, there is really only one thing I can do, only one place to turn. Baptism! That's right, our Baptism is our only chance at life, for all of us. The apostle Paul writes to the Romans in chapter 6, verse 3, "Do you not know that **all of us** who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore, we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life."

That's what am I going to change or do different! I am going to try my best and walk in that newness of life. Now more than ever I will try to put my baptism to use, daily. I am simply going to die to sin, daily. You see, my personality fits quite nicely with Adam and Eve. I, just like Adam and Eve have trouble trusting the promises of God. I always want more. I'm just like all those evil people from the days of Noah, where God teaches before and after the flood, "the inclination of the human heart is on evil, continually." That's me, without baptism!

Folks, if it takes a massive heart attack just to get me to quit smoking after 54 years, it is going to take a daily baptism, a daily drowning, a daily death, if I'm ever to come close to being freed from sin. Paul continues in Roman 6:10, "*The death Jesus died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God.* So, you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus." So what am I going to do different? I am going to try my best to walk in newness of life and every day try and consider myself alive to God in Christ Jesus, every day.

Sure, a couple of blocked arteries and tons of abuse has made my heart weak, and I must live with these consequences, but the waters of baptism will strengthen and restore my soul to wholeness. It's the only chance of achieving my goals, by using the gift of baptism, daily.

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Lori Search—Food Pantry Director
Mark Grice—Campus Maintenance
Steve Barnett—Campus Maintenance
Terry Zrutskie—Campus Maintenance
Christian LaPlante—Campus Maintenance

This coming Sunday, October 6, little **Emma Grace** will receive this precious gift of Baptism in our presence. If there is one Sunday to set aside earthly concerns, if there is one Sunday for you to consider what you would like to change or do different, this coming Sunday at 10AM would be a good place to start. Here, Emma will be named as a daughter of the Most High and Living God. Here she will be covered with the baptismal waters of God's grace and then sealed with those beautiful promises. Freedom from sin. Freedom from evil. Freedom from death. Notice Emma receives all these gifts, not by a single thing she has done, for Pete's sake she's a baby. All these gifts are free! Now all Emma has to do, all I have to do, all you have to do, is put this wonderful life-giving, wonderful life-saving gift of Baptism to use.

So, what would you do if given a second chance at life? See ya this Sunday!

In Christian Love,

Pastor David Trexler



Does it feel like Fall yet? Already October! Cooler, drier weather on the way....hopefully. The meteorological prognosticators, of which I once was one, remind us that there is still plenty of time and abundant warm tropical waters for another storm or two this year.

Snowbirds return. Such a joy to welcome them home. It's been a good summer for PLC. Hats off to our church staff—they truly serve above and beyond in performing the many tasks that keep us going. Cheers to our loyal congregation--without your faith and dedication, we'd be a sinking ship.

Challenges lie ahead for our erstwhile church council. We'll meet for a planning session in November to address the upcoming year and how we continue to move forward. Three of our members "term out", so we need church members to step up and replace them. Our treasurer will depart the council in March.

We'll celebrate **Reformation Sunday** on Oct 27, the date in church history that [Martin Luther](#) nailed his [Ninety-five Theses](#) on the door of the [All Saints' Church](#) in [Wittenberg](#), Germany and sent them to [Archbishop of Mainz](#)—the start of the Reformation. Since Johannes Gutenberg was busy inventing his printing press at about this time, mass/social media was born!

Join me in continuing our mission of being a lampstand—a place of peace and joy, reaching out to our community—spreading Christ's message of love and peace in a broken world.

Tom

Treasurer's Responsibilities

The TREASURER, an appointed, non-voting officer, will be the custodian of all monies of this Congregation and will disburse the monies as directed by the PLC Leadership. A current and accurate record of all transactions will be maintained on Power Church and presented to PLC Leadership on a monthly basis.

- Pay all recurring bills as directed by the Peace Lutheran Leadership.
- Negotiate Property, Liability Insurance and Workman's Compensation Annually.
- Ensure Power Church books are maintained properly and audit ready.
- Present monthly and annual reports to the council and congregation as required.
- Provide guidance on budget for ensuing year and present to the congregation at the annual meeting.
- Working knowledge of Excel is very helpful.
- Will need to learn the Power Church program.

(The Treasurer is not responsible for the recording of contributions, depositing monies, or other duties handled by the Financial Secretary.)

Extra! Extra!

MUSICAL OPPORTUNITIES



The Space Coast Flute Orchestra will be presenting our 40th Anniversary Fall Concert on Sunday, October 27 at 3 pm. It will be held at Suntime United Methodist Church on Wickham Road. We are a 30-40 piece orchestra with flutes ranging in size from piccolo to contra bass flute. This is a free concert. I'd love to see you there!

If you enjoy singing in the shower or along with the car radio, please consider coming to join the Chancel Choir at our rehearsals on Wednesday evenings at 7 pm! We love making a joyful noise unto the Lord, and we would love to welcome you into this fun fellowship. Give it a try and see if it's for you!

If you played an instrument in the past and read music, you might want to talk to Cindy about the handbell choir. We are always looking for new ringers to join us. It requires between 4 and 8 musicians to play our 2 octave set of handbells. If you are interested in any of these musical opportunities, let me know and I will be glad to fill you in on the details.

Thanks!

Cindy Wagman



Someone gave to our church online and this is what he said:

"Wish I could send more. I am disabled and live on a budget. I enjoy your sermons online. Much love and prayer to you and your family."

We would like to say ***"Thank You"*** for your giving and kind words. It is very much appreciated.



Treasurer's Report for August 2024

Greetings to all members, visitors, and friends of Peace Lutheran Church.

Our August contributions were low but because of our first quarter cushion the YTD income is above the YTD Budget. Our YTD expenses are less than the YTD Budget. I stay positive about our finances.

Please consider giving an extra offering (weekly or monthly) (on the same check as your tithe) to the Major Repair Fund for the roof replacement. Just mark it "Roof Repairs" and the extra amount you wish to give. The Major Roof Fund stands at \$14,887.71 at the end of August.

Leslie Leazer has decided not to take the Treasurer's position, and I have given my resignation as of March 1, 2025, to the Peace Lutheran Church Council. I have faith that God will provide someone with a willingness to serve God and the congregation and do this necessary position. Anyone interested should talk with Thomas Accola as soon as possible. A description of the Treasurer's position is on Page 2 of this newsletter.

Your sister in Christ,

Faye Schill, Treasurer
treasurer@peacelutheranpb.org

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| Treasurer's Report of General Fund for July (Corrected and August 2024) |
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| | <u>July (Corrected)</u> | <u>August</u> | <u>YTD</u> | <u>YTD Budget</u> |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Contributions | \$11,453.00 | \$6,795.00 | \$144,896.62 | \$125,411.36 |
| Loose Contributions & Other | \$653.00 | \$371.50 | \$6,202.10 | \$6,470.72 |
| Use of Facilities | \$2,855.00 | \$2,000.00 | \$30,976.11 | \$35,333.36 |
| Total Income | \$14,991.00 | \$9,165.50 | \$182,074.83 | \$167,215.44 |
| Expenses | \$22,242.20* | \$18,902.62 | \$157,651.05 | \$167,215.36 |

Corrected Excess Expenses for July 2024: **(\$7,251.20)** *I had to correct my insurance transfer from General Fund Expense to Savings.*

Excess Expenses for August 2024: **(\$9,736.12)**

The General Fund account is used for regular expenses (utilities, salaries, lawn care, insurance, mortgage, etc.)

The Building Maintenance Fund stands at \$8,574.95 for new Air Conditioners and other projects. During July and August, we have had to replace 1 ½ AC. You will notice/see some of that expense in the September and October reports.. Both of these units were in the Education Building.

Did you know? Instead of writing multiple checks for individual contributions like the Children's Hunger Project, the Food Pantry, etc., you only have to write one check. Simply designate the breakdown of your giving in the check's memo area or on the envelope itself. "FP" for Food Pantry, "CHP" for Children's Hunger Project, and so on.



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| BROMM, Karl & Helga (61) | 10/04 |
| CHADWICK, Ken & Donna (22) | 10/10 |
| MCKENY, Suzie & Dale (58) | 10/15 |
| WAGMAN, Cindy & Dan (38) | 10/18 |
| DUCOTE, Mitcheal & Ginger (6) | 10/20 |
| PRIBELL, Rick & Joyce (28) | 10/31 |



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| ARNDT, Luisa | 10/02 | BROMM, Helga | 10/13 |
| MCKENY, Suzie | 10/04 | THOMAS, Denise | 10/14 |
| WAINIKAINEN, Laura | 10/04 | BACHTEL, Harvey | 10/15 |
| PRIBELL, Rick | 10/06 | BICKFORD, William | 10/19 |
| LAPLANTE, Dina | 10/07 | WAINIKAINEN, Donna | 10/23 |
| PINKERTON, Wanda | 10/08 | WITTER, Betsy | 10/30 |
| POORAN, Steve | 10/10 | WAGMAN, Cindy | 10/31 |
| TREXLER, Sandra | 10/10 | | |

(numbers of years married)



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| George Robbins | Don Hoffman | Betty Sheller | Tonita Diaz | Theresa Bradley | Gary Gossett | Deb Moleski | June Trotter | Ariel Cook | David Flaherty |
| Lori Deaton | | | | | | | | | |
| Ryan Dasinger | | | | | | | | | |
| Rick Pellecchia | | | | | | | | | |
| Jacqueline Darby | | | | | | | | | |
| Debbie Parks | | | | | | | | | |
| Matt Parks | | | | | | | | | |
| Enid Rodriguez | | | | | | | | | |

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| Viola Forrester | David Pinkerton | Pastor David & Sandy Trexler | Gary Witter | Carolyn Tarkka | Helga Bromm | Phyllis Dale | Bill & Nancy Love | Christian LaPlante | Megan O'Neal |
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| Matt Parks | Betsy Witter | Karl Bromm | Paul Bickford | Sally Cook | Suzie McKeny | Lou Madden | David Schill | Michael Adams | Sylvia Elliott |
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| Denise Thomas & children/grands | Yvonne Burns | Marion Elliott | Mardelle Hansen | Kenneth Lipkins | Allan Thomas | Ginger Taylor | Sherry Anderson | Patty Clack | Emily, Rachael and family |
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OCTOBER 2024

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 29 8:45am Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch 3:00pm Iglesia de Cristo Ebenezer Church - FH | 30 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch | 1 9:00am FOOD PANTRY 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch 6:00pm CODA 7:00pm Men's Via de Cristo 7:00pm Women's Via de Cristo | 2 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch 7:00pm Chancel Choir | 3 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch 5:00pm Stamp Club FH | 4 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch 7:30pm Iglesia de Cristo Ebenezer Church - FH | 5 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch 5:00pm Saturday Night Casual Worship |
| 6 8:45am Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch 3:00pm Iglesia de Cristo Ebenezer Church - FH | 7 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch 6:00pm Turkey Creek Mtg - FH | 8 9:00am FOOD PANTRY 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch 6:00pm CODA 7:00pm Council Meeting 7:00pm Men's Via de Cristo 7:00pm Women's Via de Cristo | 9 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch 7:00pm Chancel Choir | 10 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch | 11 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch 7:30pm Iglesia de Cristo Ebenezer Church - FH | 12 12:00pm Brown Bag Bunch 5:00pm Saturday Night Casual Worship |
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Bits & Pieces

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Give us a LIKE and get updates, spiritual messages, events and any changes.

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Jesus says in Matthew 25, "For I was hungry and you gave me food... Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."

Where do you buy groceries, gas, prescriptions? What restaurants do you like? Where do you purchase clothing or things for around the house? A couple weeks ago, Peace began a program called Scrip. Simply and I mean simply, purchase the cards following worship or order whatever you want for the following week. That's it. 100% of the proceeds will go toward our food pantry in feeding the poor.

We are going to shop no matter what. We might as well serve the Lord in the process. I love the program because it helps me think more about God. I don't always do that when I use my debit or credit card. When I'm out having a meal with family or friends, shopping at the mall with my wife, doing some work around the house, and I go to pay the bill with my Scrip card, I find myself lifting up a word of thanksgiving for being able to enjoy the blessings given by my Creator.

Give it try. See how you feel.

Please help us keep our list of military personnel up-to-date!
Call or e-mail the office with any changes in status, rank, or location! Thank you!

E.J. Alcario, *Iraq*

John Bedford, *Iraq*

Kristen Hall AF, *Iraq*

Capt. Brian Nailing,
Ft. Cavazos, TX

Maj. AD Dennis Peoples,
Rock Island Arsenal, IL

Major Nathan Schill,
Pentagon, VA

USN FC3 Stephen Weaver,
USS Dewey

Navy Chief Sean Patrick Goguen,
Norfolk, VA

1st Lieut. Tanner Johnson—Army,
E. Africa



Our Food Pantry is always in need of donations of either food or financial donations to support this much needed ministry. Our community is flooded with people looking for help, and we are grateful that as a church, we can help meet the need, anyway we can. Your generous donations will

allow us to continue to help them and together, we can see our community get stronger!

Our pantry is open on: **Tuesday's—9:00AM-11:00AM**

Thank you to everyone who has been donating to the food pantry. It truly makes a difference in our community.



Saturday Night
**CASUAL
WORSHIP SERVICE**

EVERY SATURDAY 5:00PM

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Worship

5:00PM—Saturday Night Worship
8:30AM—Bible Study
10:00AM—Worship Service



We Serve

Altar Guild—Set up and prepare for communion each week, usually serving one month at a time; more people are needed.

Worship Servants—Sunday Worship Assistants and Communion Assistants are needed.

Office Helpers—Those who help with Newsletter mailings, etc. Please call Jacqui in church office (321)727-3131

Chancel Choir—Wednesday night rehearsals—7:00PM

Bell Choir—Call Cindy Wagman to learn more about our bell choirs 321-830-4207.

Money Counters—Teams of two people working for one month at a time. Call church office if interested.

In the Nursery—Nursery is available during worship.

Property/Grounds—There is always plenty of work to be done here. Please contact Steve Barnett.

Projectionists Needed—We need people who can use the remote for our Slide Presentations on Sunday morning . Please see Pastor David Trexler for details if you would like to volunteer.

Call and Caring—Our team visits people who are in the hospital, nursing homes, and who are homebound. See Terry Neumann for more information.

Please call the office to be a servant for the Lord by taking on one or more of these opportunities. (321)727-3131

