



Words of Peace



December 2025

Peace Lutheran Church

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ADVENT & CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

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| <i>Wednesday, December 3</i> | <i>6:15 p.m. Soup & Bread
7:00 p.m. Advent Vespers – Holden Evening Prayer</i> |
| <i>Sunday, December 7</i> | <i>9:00 a.m. - Advent Worship with Communion</i> |
| <i>Wednesday, December 10</i> | <i>6:15 p.m. Soup and Bread
7:00 p.m. Advent Vespers – Holden Evening Prayer</i> |
| <i>Sunday, December 14</i> | <i>9:00 a.m.-Advent Worship – Christmas Pageant
10 a.m. – Christmas Breakfast</i> |
| <i>Wednesday, December 17</i> | <i>6:15 p.m. – Soup & Bread
7:00 p.m. - Advent Vespers – Holden Evening Prayer</i> |
| <i>Sunday, December 21</i> | <i>9:00 a.m.-Advent Worship with Communion</i> |
| <i>Wednesday, December 24</i> | <i>5:30 p.m. – Barn Service at Intermountain
Vet. Clinic (formerly Sorensen’s)
8:00 p.m. – Candlelight & Carols Christmas Eve Worship
With Holy Communion</i> |
| <i>Sunday, December 28</i> | <i>9:00 a.m. – 1st Sunday after Christmas – Service of the Word</i> |





WEDNESDAYS in ADVENT - Soup & Bread supper at 6:15 p.m. followed by Advent evening worship services at 7 p.m. through December 17. Please come and join us or watch online at peace2you.org

Christmas Poinsettias



If you would like to honor a loved one or just “Praise His Birth” with a Christmas Poinsettia, please have them to the church by December 14 (with your name on the bottom). After the Christmas worship, you may take your poinsettia home.

RE-PIECERS CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Our talented Re-Piecers will once again be selling some of their handiwork. Shop for candy, cookies and a variety of handmade items. The funds collected will help them purchase supplies for their ongoing ministry.



CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST

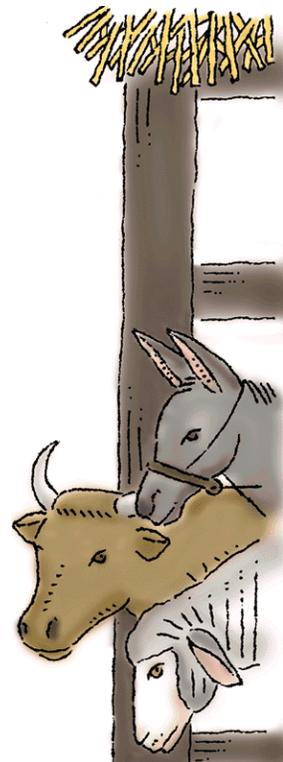
Join us following worship on December 14 for breakfast! The Youth will be preparing and serving a fantastic array of fruit, juice and egg dishes. Sounds like a wonderful meal! Come to church hungry!

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE BARN SERVICE – 5:30 p.m.

Peace Lutheran Church has a very special service on Christmas Eve. It is held at Intermountain Vet Hospital (formerly Sorensen’s) Clinic on Bolinger Road. From Peace Lutheran Church turn right on Jackrabbit Lane and right on Main Street/Frontage Road. Turn right on Bolinger, go past the NW Energy sub-station. **DO NOT** turn in the first approach (that goes to a vacation rental). Proceed to the second or third turn-in. If you turn at the mobile home, you’ve gone too far. If you have any questions, please call the church office.

CHRISTMAS EVE @ PEACE – 8:00 p.m. Worship with Communion
Seating will be available in the sanctuary and the Fellowship Hall.





Dear Peace Lutheran Family,

We've started the Advent season. Amazing! "Advent" means "coming". We gather, remember, worship, and serve the Lord Jesus Christ who took on flesh and made His dwelling with us to give the ultimate gift: Eternal life ... *"Even when we were dead in our trespasses (Ephesians 2:5)"*. But the "coming" doesn't stop there. With the hope of His Holy Spirit, we anticipate His coming again when He will restore a new heavenly and earthly kingdom ... *"Where the lion and lamb shall dwell together, (Isaiah 11:6)"* where the nations of God's redeemed will rejoice in the Savior, where "Every knee shall bow down and tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord (Philippians 2:11), and where there will be no pain, no corruption, no pollution, no wars or rumors of wars, and no death. This isn't wishful thinking. This is hope! The hope that Jesus promised and fulfilled with His very own blameless body and blood poured out for us, just as He preached, *"I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me shall live even when they die, and those who believe in me shall never die. Do you believe this (John 11:25-26)?"*

Join us this Advent season on the following Wednesday evenings for soup suppers, worship, and deepening our faith in His kingdom come, His will be one on earth as it is in heaven. Soup supper at 6:15, followed by Holden Evening Prayer Worship. The topic? What Would Joseph Do? What Would Mary Do? And most importantly, What Would Jesus Do? How Jesus' faith transforms the ordinary into trusting and doing the extraordinary.

For Christmas Eve this year, on Wednesday, December 24th, we will have two worship gatherings: The "Barn" service will take place at Skyline Veterinary Hospital (previously the Sorensen's) on Bolinger Road at 5:30 pm. The traditional worship service with candle lighting will take place at Peace Lutheran Church at 8:00 pm. Please join us and bring your loved ones and friends!

Thank you for being such gracious and generous people of faith.

God bless you.

Merry Christmas!

Pr. Andrew Young



*For Advent we light the candles on the advent wreath each week.
These candles represent: Hope, Peace, Joy and Love.
Our Christmas Pageant this year is all about the Peace that Jesus brings
to the world.
God's gifts and blessings are all around us.
I pray that you all feel God's Peace this Advent season.
Have a very Merry and Blessed Christmas!!*

Advent Devotionals

Devotionals are available in the Fellowship hall for all ages. Please use these to help guide you through the season and keep your eyes on Jesus.

Christian Education Hour: Sunday morning 10:45 to 11:45am

- Sunday School: Ages Pre-K to 7th grade. Our only class time is Dec 7th for pageant practice. We will perform on Dec. 14th (see details below). Classes will start again in Jan.
- Confirmation: Ages 8th to 11th grade. Look at the schedule from Pr. Andrew for dates. .
- Adult Forum: All adults welcome. The study is: Brave In Faith

A Place for Grace: Women's ministry

We meet on the second Friday of every month. December 12th our next meeting. We are doing a study on the book of Philippians. Join us for food, fellowship, and testimony. Bring a friend to join in the fun, open to all women.

Christmas Pageant/Breakfast

- Our Sunday School students will perform our Christmas Pageant on December 14th at the beginning of service. Please join us for this fun performance.
- Following service our Youth Group will be serving breakfast in the fellowship hall please join us for this fun day to celebrate the season together.



But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.

Luke 2:10-11



Welcome to December! I say this every year and every year I am even more surprised just how fast the entire year flies by. We have an amazing youth group and I am so very thankful that I get to be a part of it. We have covered so many difficult topics this year already and our teens have been amazing with their responses. And since we do cover such a vast range of topics, starting next fall our youth group age range will change from 6th-12th grade to 7th-12th grade.

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Operation Christmas Child boxes. You have all been so generous. I love that Peace Lutheran gets to share the Gospel with kids all around the world and let these little children know that GOD LOVES THEM. I do register the numbers on the boxes so we can track where they are shipped. I will keep you all updated once they have shipped.

THANK YOU and your generosity for all of the lefse supplies and all of your help on production day! What an amazing day. The youth group is so blessed to have all of this support from our congregation. It's just amazing!

On the 7th, we get the opportunity to have Kathy Davig come to our youth group and share her amazing artistic talents with us and as a result of that we will be making Christmas gifts for our families.

Sunday December 14th will be our Sunday school pageant and the youth Christmas breakfast so please come hungry. This breakfast gives the youth the opportunity to serve all of you and say thank you for your continued support throughout the year. Any and all of the goodwill donations the youth receives during this breakfast will be gifted to a charity of their choosing.

On the 21st, we will be sharing our experiences from our IMPACT Youth Retreat, watching the slideshow and hearing directly from some of the teens that attended. Feel free to ask questions.

We will have two services to celebrate Christmas Eve starting at the barn at 5:30 pm followed by the 8:00 pm candlelight service here at PLC. We look forward to seeing you all.

Our youth group will meet back up after the new year begins due to the school break.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas! May this season be a special time to gather with your families and loved ones. Christmas reminds us of the incredible gift God gave us—love, hope, and joy through the birth of His Son, Jesus. Though our circumstances may change from day to day or year to year, His message never changes. This good news is always worth celebrating!

Respectfully yours,
Joni Sando
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Ministry Teams

December 7 2nd Sunday in Advent	<i>Waiting & Watchful Advent</i>
Piano	<i>Lorrie Hansen</i>
Greeters	
Reader	<i>Rick Moler</i>
Refreshments	<i>Jackie Currey/Tracey Bolich</i>
December 14 3rd Sunday in Advent	<i>Waiting & Watchful Advent</i>
Piano	<i>Joe Sutton</i>
Greeters	
Refreshments	<i>Youth Breakfast</i>
Reader	<i>Joni Sando</i>
December 21 4th Sunday of Advent	<i>Waiting & Watchful Advent</i>
Piano	<i>Jinx Sorensen</i>
Greeters	
Refreshments	
Reader	<i>Darlene Idland</i>
December 24 Christmas Eve	<i>Barn Service @ 5:30 p.m.</i> <i>Intermountain Vet.</i> <i>(Formerly Sorensen's)</i> <i>Traditional</i> <i>Service - 8:00 p.m.</i> <i>@ Peace Lutheran</i>
December 28 1st Sunday of Christmas	<i>Service of the Word</i>
Piano	<i>Connie Holton</i>
Reader	<i>Heather Geiger</i>
Refreshments	<i>Bring your leftover Christmas Cookies</i>
Greet/Usher	<i>Monson Family</i> <i>Heather Geiger</i>
Council for December	<i>Tiina Smith/Adam Byrd</i> <i>Megan Paulson/Debbie Porter</i>
Altar Guild for December	<i>Amy Young/Kris Bell</i> <i>Heather Geiger/Kristy Rieger</i>



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 1:00 p.m. – Afternoon Bible Study	3 6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Peace Re-Piecers 6:15 p.m. Soup & Bread 7:00 p.m. Advent Worship	4	5	6 9:30 a.m. -2:30 p.m. 7 th Day Adventist
7 2nd Sunday of Advent 9:00 a.m. Worship – Waiting & Watchful 10:15 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship 10:30 a.m. – Christian Educ. 5:15 p.m. AA 3:00 p.m. – Youth Group	8 11:00 a.m. – <i>Worship Committee Mtg.</i>	9 1:00 p.m. – Afternoon Bible Study. <i>Newsletter & Annual Reports Due</i>	10 6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Peace Re-Piecers 6:15 p.m. Soup & Bread 7:00 p.m. Advent Worship	11 7:00 p.m. Council	12 9:00 p.m. A Place For Grace	13 9:30 – 2:30 p.m. 7 th Day Adventist
14 3rd Sunday of Advent 9:00 a.m. Worship – Waiting & Watchful Christmas Pageant 10:15 a.m. – Christmas Breakfast 5:15 p.m. AA 3:00 p.m. – Youth Group	15	16 1:00 p.m. – Afternoon Bible Study	17 6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Peace Re-Piecers 6:15 p.m. Soup & Bread 7:00 p.m. Advent Worship	18	19	20 9:30 a.m. -2:30 p.m. 7 th Day Adventist
21 4 th Sunday of Advent 9:00 a.m. – Waiting & Watchful 10:15 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship No Youth Group	22	23	24 5:30 – Barn Service @ Intermountain Vet. 8:00 p.m. – Candlelight & Carols	25 Merry Christmas 	26	27 9:30 a.m. -2:30 p.m. 7 th Day Adventist
28 1 st Sunday after Christmas 9:00 a.m. – Service of the Word 10:15 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship No Youth Group	29	30	31	1 	2	3 9:30 a.m. -2:30 p.m. 7 th Day Adventist



If you would like to show your thanks for something in the next newsletter, please fill out a “I give thanks to” sheet and place it in the Give Thanks boxes that are located on the counter in the back of the Sanctuary and on a table in the Fellowship Hall.

- ✚ Thanks to everyone who helped put up the Christmas Tree and decorate the sanctuary.
- ✚ Lefse suppliers, and everyone who helped prepare over 1500 rounds!
- ✚ From Mark & Linda Keehr.....thank you for the donations for the Personal Care Closet.



- 1 Cody Handsaker
- 2 Tiina Smith
- 3 Doree Lynn Watson
- 4 Tycee Wyman
- 6 Phil Davis
- 9 Kate Davis
- 11 Mark Salo
- 16 Megan Winchester
Aspen Waynes
- 18 Joe & Jodi Robbins
Layla Waynes
- 21 Dennis Bechtold
Gilean Murray
Sandy Speerstra
- 22 Kevin Mattson
- 26 Kristy Rieger
Julie Hanson
- 27 Claire Sorensen
- 28 Mark & Laurie Salo
Phillip & Megan Winchester
Al & Judith Arensmeyer
- 31 Fred & Kari Haas
Kathy Davig

ANNUAL REPORTS

**Reports are due soon
from:**

- Pastor
- Congregational Life
- Council President
- Education
- Mission & Outreach
- Re-Piecers
- Servants of Peace
- Worship Committee
- Youth & Family

2025 1st Communion Class



Grayson Jordan Maddy Lucy Tycee Charleigh



Thank you that together through your generous donations, we have been able to support Peace Lutheran Church's ministry locally and abroad. As 2025 comes to a close please consider including Peace Lutheran in your financial decisions that we may continue to shine Jesus's light to the world.

If you have any "in-kind" receipts from this past year that you would like noted, please submit them to the church office before the end of the year



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Scriptures for December

December 7 – 2nd Sunday in Advent

Isaiah 11:1-10
Romans 15:4-13

Psalm 72:1-7
Matthew 3:1-12

December 14 – 3rd Sunday in Advent

Isaiah 35:1-10
Romans James 5:7-11

Psalm 136
Matthew 11:2-15

December 21 – 4th Sunday in Advent

Isaiah 7:10-17
Romans 1:1-7

Psalm 24
Matthew 1:18-25

December 24 – Christmas Eve

Isaiah 7:10-14
1 John 4:7-16

Psalm 110:1-4
Matthew 1:18-25

December 28 – 1st Sunday after Christmas

Isaiah 63:7-14
Galatians 4:4-7

Psalm 111
Matthew 2:13-23

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