CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 7, 2025

Sunday, December 7

2:30pm - BOAR'S HEAD FESTIVAL 6:00pm - BOAR'S HEAD FESTIVAL

Monday, December 8

9:00am - Couples Club Christmas Decorating

4:15pm - GPLS Basketball 6:00pm - Crossfire Volleyball

7:00pm - Bells of Peace Rehearsal

Tuesday, December 9

9:00am - Quilters

9:00am - Refit Exercise

6:00pm - Co-Ed Volleyball

7:00pm - BSA Eagle Board of Review

7:00pm - Christmas at Peace Rehearsal

Wednesday, December 10

11:15am - Preschool Chapel

4:00pm - Junior Confirmation

5:00pm - Advent Dinner

6:30pm - Midweek Advent Worship

Thursday, December 11

9:00am - Surviving Spouses Breakfast

9:00am - Mary Martha Bible Study

6:30pm - Preschool Christmas Program

7:00pm - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, December 13

8:00am - Children's Christmas Service Practice

5:00pm - High School Youth Christmas Party

6:00pm - Married Couples Club Christmas Party

Sunday, December 14

11:30am - Middle School Youth Christmas Party

2:30pm - German Christmas Service

6:00pm - Pickleball Open Play











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Peace Lutheran Church News and Notes

THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 7, 2025

NOVEMBER 29/30 ATTENDANCE

5:00 Service: 112 (95) 8:00 Service: 126 (106) 9:20 Service: 151 (134) 10:30 Service: 156 (130) **Total Attendance:** 545 (465) Sunday School: 69

Thanksgiving: 7:00 Service: 154 (147)

9:30 Service: 94 (79)

Total Thanksgiving Attendance: 248 (226)

Midweek Advent 1: 119 (105)

Brackets indicate Holy Communion

ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Flowers this weekend are from Jim and Carolyn Huettenmeyer in celebration of Carolyn's birthday on December 14; from Louise Mullen in loving memory of Mark Mullen, on the anniversary of his Heavenly entrance.

OUR SUPPORT

Budget: 21,545.51 Help Offset Fees: 16.30 Adult Bible Class: 12.00

Alaska: 253.50

Christmas Poinsettias: 180.00 German Service: 25.00

GP/LHSS Scholarship Fund: 195.09

Life Ministry: 100.00 NYG: 20.00

Quilters (Sale of Quilt): 130.00

RFNG: 270.00 Social Ministry: 20.00 St. Trinity Cemetery: 150.00

Thanksgiving: 1,393.00
In Loving Memory of:

Darlene Poenitske - 25 (Helping Hands)

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

Roman 15:13

BOAR'S HEAD FESTIVAL IS THIS WEEKENDDue to the Chancel set-up for the festival, we will remain standing for communion.

ADVENT SERVICES CONTINUE THIS WEEK Dinner of soup and salad will served beginning at 5:00 p.m. in the gym. Worship service is at 6:30 p.m.

JOB OPENING IN PEACE EARLY CHILDHOOD for an individual who loves children and wants to provide a nurturing and engaging learning environment. They are looking for a Teacher for their 2-Year-Old Classroom on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday AM & PM. Must be at least 18 years old. Interested candidates should email Sara Watson at earlychildhood@peacelutheranstl.org or call the office at (314)892-8844 for more information.

MEN'S CLUB CHRISTMAS TREE LOT IS OPEN!



Tree Lot hours are Monday-Friday 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.; Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.; Sunday Noon to 8:00 p.m. The lot will be selling trees through December 21, or until the trees are gone.

MEN'S CLUB HAS LEFTOVER UNCOOKED SAUSAGE available to purchase for \$5 per bag (approx. 1lb. each). If you would like to purchase, please contact John Hooss.

- PFAMILY ROLLER SKATING EVENT on Tuesday, December 30, 10 a.m. to Noon, at the Rock Roll-O-Rena in Arnold. Families, enjoy winter break with us and come roller skating! The rink is reserved and the skates are free! Please sign up using this QR Code.
- ▶ **REMINDER TO ALL CHILDREN** participating in the Children's Christmas Service, <u>practice will be held next Saturday</u>, December 13, 8:00 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

CHANGES TO THE PEACE LUTHERAN NEWSLETTER IN 2026 Beginning in January, 2026 our church newsletter, The Peace Lutheran, will no longer be placed in member's mailboxes. Instead, copies of the newsletter will be available on the Commons counter, to take if desired. Printing a limited number of copies each month will save time and money. If you have questions, please contact the church office.

OUR ANNUAL GERMAN SERVICE will be held next Sunday, December 14, 2:30 p.m. Rev. Dr. Robert Kolb will be preaching. Pre-service music will be provided by United German Choruses. A reception will follow the service in the gymnasium. The service will be recorded and re-broadcast on KFUO on Sunday, December 21, at 2:00 p.m.

PEACE MARRIED COUPLES' CLUB WILL BE DECORATING THE CHURCH tomorrow morning, Monday, December 8, 9:00 a.m. They welcome everyone's help to make our sanctuary beautiful for the Christmas season!

PEACE MARRIED COUPLES' CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY is Saturday, December 13, 6:00 p.m. in Sanctuary Hall. Cost is \$10 per couple. Please bring a snack or dessert to share, beverages will be provided. Also bring a wrapped "white elephant" gift to exchange. Prize will be awarded for Most Festive Hat! RSVP to Gina Werkmeister by December 11.

▶ 2026 OFFERING ENVELOPES will be available for pickup in your church mailboxes in mid-December. Please note that only envelope numbers will be reassigned for 2026. Please discard all previous envelopes and begin using new envelopes after January 1, 2026. If you have a six-digit giving number, those numbers will not change. Members who no longer use envelopes due to making online donations or due to making a limited number of check donations each year, can contact Denise Grant at or email at finance@peacelutheranstl.org to request a six-digit giving number.



CHRISTMAS AT PEACE - A CANDLELIGHT CONCERT will be held Sunday, December 21, 3:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. This beautiful concert will feature the Orchestra of Peace and the Bells of Peace.

KFUO SPONSORS NEEDED FOR 2026 We will once again have our 8:00 a.m. church service carried live on AM 850 KFUO in February, March, and April of next year. Each year we give our members the opportunity to sponsor the broadcasts in memory of a loved one, in honor of a special occasion, or just to the Glory of God. Sponsorships are \$150 per Sunday. Remaining available dates are March 1 and April 5. If you are interested in sponsoring a service, please contact Alan Hopfer, or fill out the form in the November or December newsletter.

wednesday evening bible study is on hiatus until Wednesday, January 7, at which time they will continue their study of the Book of Acts. Bible study is held on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in Sanctuary Hall.

- **LWML MITE COLLECTION** is next weekend at the Commons counter. Bring those pennies and extra change to the Welcome Center for LWML Mission Grants!
- ▶ LWML LADIES GUILD LAST MEETING for 2025 will be December 18, 11:00 a.m., for lunch at Rizzo's Restaurant, 4460 Lemay Ferry Road, 63129. Meet at church for carpooling if needed. RSVP to Julia.
- ▶ LADIES CLUB will not meet in December. We invite you to join us in 2026 for fun activities! Ladies Club is open to women 21 and older. We meet on the third Tuesday of every month for fellowship, fun, appetizers, and dessert. It is a great way to meet new friends. Annual dues are \$12. Watch January's newsletter and future News and Notes for details about our next meeting on Tuesday, January 20, at 7:00 p.m. in Sanctuary Hall. Enjoy your holidays and we look forward to seeing you!

- **SURVIVING SPOUSES BREAKFAST** is this Thursday, December 11, 9:00 a.m. at the Denny's on Lindbergh.
- Christmas trees, decorated with ornaments, near the front and back entrances at Peace. To participate, simply take an ornament from one of the trees, purchase the gift item noted on the ornament, and return the unwrapped gift to the tree nearest the church office by Sunday, December 14. The gifts will be distributed by Feed My People to families in need this Christmas season.
- ► HOMEBOUND ENCOURAGEMENT CARDS The Life Ministry Team invites the congregation to take part in the homebound encouragement card program again this Christmas season. The information will be on the Commons counter beginning next weekend, December 13/14. Please consider taking a card, writing a short note, and mailing it in the addressed, postage paid envelope to one of our homebound members. Contact Sandi Akers with any questions. Thank you for partnering with us as we stay connected with our homebound members.
- will be held at Peace on Saturday, December 20. Sponsored by the Oakville Elks, the Elks Hoop Shoot is a free throw contest for children age 8 to 13. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m., and the contest starts at 9:00 a.m. For more information, contact Jimmy Drew Hohmeier, or see the poster on the Commons bulletin board.
- ► ALASKA MISSION CHRISTMAS BASKETS are for sale in the Gym this weekend.



THERE WILL BE NO NEW YEAR'S EVE SERVICE.