

The Good News Of Peace

To live as God's family gathering around His Word and promises
to effectively share
The Good News of God's love in Christ with our neighbors.

Peace Lutheran Church

Chehalis, Washington

June 2026



**Lutheran
Women's**

Missionary League

The LWML will not meet during the summer. The next meeting will be the 2nd Tuesday in September, September 8th at 1:00pm.

They will be collecting deodorant through the summer months for the Seafarer boxes.

If you have not stopped by the LWML table in the Narthex, please take a moment and do so. There is an abundance of information on what the LWML is all about and doing as well as small mite boxes you can take home and return. There is also a large mite box if you would like to make a single donation or several throughout the year at your convenience.



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The will of God never takes you to where the grace
of God will not protect you.
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Position Filled

The elders have filled the office secretary position. Jodie DeTray will be the new office secretary. Welcome aboard Jodie!

New Directory Coming Soon!

The new 2026-2027 Church directory will be distributed sometime in June. Your new directory will be placed in each member's mailbox in the Narthex.

Please let us know of any changes to your address, phone number, or email as soon as possible.



Births

Pastor Freeman and Dawn are proud to announce the birth of their newest grandson Levi Ezekiel Rueter, son of Josh and Abigail (Freeman) Rueter was born Saturday May 16th, at 1:20pm. He was 8lbs, 0oz and 20.5" at birth. Mother and baby are doing well. Thanks be to God who does all things well.

Board of Education

HIGHER THINGS CONFERENCE

We have two youth (Landon and Weston) and Pastor registered to go to this year's Higher Things Conference, 'Dying Church Rising Hope'. They will be going to the conference, July 14th – 17th, at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, CO.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

We had a Family Fun Night on Tuesday, May 19th. We tried something a little different for this one with having a Baked Potato Bar for dinner that seemed to go well (even with a few requests for us to do it again). We had around 25 people in attendance. A majority of the playtime for the younger people was spent outside on the playground enjoying the nice weather, but there were also games being played inside. I think I am safe in saying that a good time was had by all.

A big THANK YOU to Jesse Hardy for leading us in worship to start the evening off.

The next Family Fun Night will be on August 5th; more information will be coming soon.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

We make the switch to Summer Sunday School on June 28th. Please consider teaching a Sunday or two and spend some special time with the young people of our congregation. The lessons are provided as well as student leaflets to go with the lesson. You get to choose how to present the lesson and what activities you would like to do along with the lesson. (There are 12 Sundays during Summer Sunday School. PLEASE consider stepping up and taking a Sunday. It is an excellent chance to see if you might want to step up and volunteer to be a Sunday School teacher.) If interested at all in teaching a Sunday, please feel free to talk with Michelle Schaefer. She would be glad to help you out and get you the materials.

VBS

With Summer just around the corner, we not only look at the beginning of Summer Sunday school but also start looking at the coming of VBS. Vacation Bible School this year will be June 29th – July 3rd. If interested in helping out or just would like more information please talk to Dawn

Freeman or Michelle Schaefer. There will be more information coming soon.

LUTHER CLASSICAL COLLEGE (LCC) UPDATE

Luther Classical College will be hosting the Christian Culture Conference, The Ordered House: Oeconomia and the Shape of Christian Society, June 2nd and 3rd. Check the website lutherclassical.org for more information on this conference as well as registration information.

From the Church Office

DEADLINES:

If you have a phone number, address or email address change, please let the office know as soon as possible. Thanks!

Sunday Bulletin: All information needs to be in by 11:30am the Wednesday before.

Newsletter: Articles to be included need to be in by the 3rd Sunday of each month.

Any Missing Information?

Did we not list your birthday or anniversary on the calendar? If so, please let us know right away so we can add it or correct it!

Alternate Address?

Do you have a student away at college, or perhaps a spouse that must be away for a few months and would like to receive a copy of our newsletter while gone? Please contact Jodie DeTray with an alternate address, so we can keep them in touch.

Elders:

Who are these guys, and what are they supposed to do?

We all know that we have a board of elders. We all know that we elect them. But do we understand why we elect them?

Our bylaws tell us the function of our board of elders: "The Board of Elders, as assistants to the pastor, shall concern itself with the spiritual life of the congregation..." In the Lutheran church, the board of elders exists to help the pastor in his task of caring for the spiritual health and welfare of the

congregation. While elders are *not assistant pastors*, it is their job to *assist* the pastor in carrying out his office. As our Good Shepherd, Jesus, calls undershepherds (pastors) to extend the reach of His loving arms, similarly elders function as an extension of the undershepherds' loving arms as he cares for the flock the Good Shepherd has entrusted to him.

In his book, The Caring Elder, Victor Constien, lists as some of the chief functions of the board of elders, to "encourage spiritual growth through regular church attendance, study of the Word, frequent reception of the Lord's Supper, a more active prayer life, and increased involvement in the mission of the church;" to "make a strong effort to get to know every member of the elder group, to try to become aware of temporal needs, sickness and death in the family, and other special situations in which the congregation can be of help, both in prayer and in other action;" and to "engage in member conservation. [i.e.] Review Communion and church attendance of all members. Make calls on delinquents and follow up on all newborn children in the congregation until they are baptized." All these things point to the fact that the board of elders is designed to assist the pastor in caring for the spiritual health and welfare of the congregation.

To this end, the membership roster of our congregation has been divided into four groups, and each elder has been given a group (and each group has been given an elder). In addition, the chairman of the board of elders is an elder for all groups. Therefore you have "your elder" (really two elders) who have been assigned to you. Please take opportunity to get to know your elders and to allow your elder to get to know you. If there arises a time when you are in need of spiritual care but are unable to reach the pastor, please consider contacting your elder as a valuable option. Also, if you have ideas, questions, or concerns about matters of worship and member care, consider your elders as sounding boards.

Your elders are so much more than a group of men who take care of the business of the congregation. They are the men you have appointed to assist the pastor in his care for your spiritual health and welfare. Please put them to work.

June Anniversaries

1. Bruce & Mary McHenry 1968
2. Clarence & Sandy Lupo 1984
9. Jim & Carol Kuhlman 1968
19. Mike & Sara Ackerson 1993
25. John & Jordan Byron 2022
26. Dick & Marti Piesch 1965
27. Kevin & Melinda McHenry 2003
Steven & Sherry Hirsch 2016
28. Rev. Robert & Sharon Harris 2003
29. Lyle & Carol Heimbigner 1974
30. Phillip & Becky Royer 2012



June Birthdays

5. Sharon Kilbourn
6. Mike Ackerson
7. Mark Fritz
Bob Landsidel
Brenton Liseth
10. Jonah Freeman
13. Kailyn Sipp
16. Linda Follett
18. Crystal Sipp
19. Abigail Reuter
23. Katie Foss
Ben Hughes
Alfred Mitzel
24. Kim Ervin
25. Ashley Millam
26. Frank DeVaul
Judy DeVaul
Katy Hughes
27. Paisley McAllister
Wyatt McAllister
29. Anna Lupo
Doc Larsen
30. Dick Reuther
Linda

June Elder: Peter Lahmann						
DATE	USHERS	ACOLYTE	ALTAR GUILD	COFFEE HOUR	COUNTERS	FLOWERS
7	Rick Bryant & Eren Millam	Ronan Lupo	Karen Howsden & Cheri Hill	*Muriel Tosh/Amelia Helman/ Jodie DeTray(c)	Doench	OPEN
14	Jesse Hardy & Matthew Hardy	Jonah Freeman	Mary McHenry	*Katie Foss/Chris Pfaff/Gitti Burger(c)	Farrell & Falb	OPEN
21	Tom DeTray & Steven Hirsch	Jehan Shea	Jodie DeTray & Rita Nay	*Ashley Millam/Shelly Stocker/ Mary McHenry(c)	Hepola	OPEN
28	Tom Howsden 7 George Schaefer	Jack Millam	Chris Pfaff & Teri Bryant	*Sharon Harris/Dick Pieschy/ Linda Huyck(c)	Bryant	OPEN

June 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 10:00am – Quilters	3 10:00am – Bible Study	4	5	6
7 8:30am Matins 9:00am Divine Service 10:45 Sunday School Adult Bible Study	8	9 10:00am – Quilters 6:30pm – Lutheran Confessions @ Olympia	10 10:00am – Bible Study	11 7:00pm - Council	12	13
14 9:00am Divine Service 10:45 Sunday School Adult Bible Study	15	16 10:00am – Quilters	17 10:00am – Bible Study	18 7:00pm Board of Properties	19	20 9:00am - Men's Bible Study/Breakfast
21 9:00am Divine Service 10:45 Sunday School Adult Bible Study	22	23 10:00am – Quilters 6:30pm – Lutheran Confessions @ Peace	24 10:00am – Bible Study	25 7:00pm - Elders	26	27
28 9:00am Divine Service 10:45 Sunday School Adult Bible Study	29 9:00am-Noon VBS	30 9:00am-Noon VBS 10:00am – Quilters				

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Sunday Worship at 9:00 am
First Sunday of Month, Matins at 8:30 am with Divine Service at 9:00 am
Sunday School – all ages – 10:45 am

We are located four miles south of Chehalis on the corner of Jackson Highway and Bishop Road