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# *Peace With Christ Staff & Leadership*

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## **Church Staff**

David Magruder—Pastor  
Marilyn Lasich—Youth Coordinator  
Hannah Walters—Administrator of Education & Music  
Marcy Petago—Office Manager

## **Church Elders with telephone numbers**

Michael DuRant—Worship Elder, 223-3045  
Ray Kaiser, 223-0987  
Dan Krueckeberg—Head Elder, 988-1168  
Brian Lacey—Staff Elder, 481-1006  
Aaron Peterson, 988-1950  
Michael Rohlf, 821-6582

## **Church Council**

Paul Rubel—President  
Dan Prevedel—Vice President  
Karen Carlson—Secretary  
Sara Buchleiter—Interim Treasurer  
Kelley Pichel—Education Chairperson  
Dan Prevedel—Endowment Fund Committee  
Connie Jesser & Linda Siegfried—Fellowship Co-Chairpersons  
Rhonda Kaiser—Evangelism Chairperson  
Betty Keeney—Hands in Harmony Chairperson  
Mark Leising—Head Trustee  
Teri Frerichs—Missions & Ministry Chairperson  
Lori French—Youth Ministry Chairperson

## **Prayer Chain**

Cheryl Harsen—Coordinator – Phone #229-1459

## *From the Pastor's Desk*

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### **“Reading the Bible with Understanding”**

Dear Friends in Christ,

Do you find the Bible to be an impenetrable book? Do you read and re-read a passage and never make sense of it? Do you wonder what God intends with certain difficult passages in the Bible or do you dismiss certain passages because they seem irrelevant to life in the 21<sup>st</sup> century? Have you stayed away from Sunday morning Bible study because you felt inadequate in your basic understanding of the Word?

Starting on the first Sunday in September, we will begin a new Sunday morning Bible study titled “Reading the Bible with Understanding.” God has communicated His message through the Bible and wants us to understand both the facts and the purpose of His Word. Reading the Bible with understanding means learning the history of God’s people, enjoying the storyline of great literature, and grasping what God is saying to us.

Through the reading of many key Bible passages our study will introduce basic principles of biblical analysis to help you interpret Scripture and apply it to your life. We will also explore the literary categories (poetry, history, narrative) of the Bible, and learn details about how we received the Bible we now read. I hope that this topic will interest you and, if you’ve not attended the Sunday morning study in the past, draw you to the class. We meet in the fellowship hall from 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. See you in Bible Study!

Your servant for Jesus’ sake,  
Rev. David B Magruder

**What that crazy choir will be up to this year:**

In the Lutheran tradition of worship, the choir functions liturgically as a helper and servant to the congregation, enlivening and enriching the worship of the entire assembly. It does this in three ways.

1. The choir supports and enriches the congregational singing of hymns and of liturgy.
2. The choir bring richness and variety to congregational worship by singing the portions of the liturgy entrusted to it.
3. The choir enriches congregational worship by presenting attendant music as appropriate and possible.

By regularly devoting time in rehearsals to practicing the hymns to be sung in various services, the choir establishes a nucleus of singers who can confidently lead and help to enlarge the congregation's repertoire through learning new hymns of worth and introducing them appropriately to the congregation.

By helping the congregation, of which the choir is a part, sing the services it already knows more effectively and by introducing several musical settings of services the congregation can help note the changing moods of the church year.

Additionally, the choir can emphasize the varying rich selection of texts during the singing of the liturgy that may change week to week given the Sunday, festival, or season of the church year. The term "attendant music" refers to the entire spectrum of motets, anthems, Passions, cantatas, and other music planned for use in worship. Attendant music should always be liturgically appropriate to the season, appropriately placed in the liturgy and within the musical limitations of the choir.

The choir has a unique and significant place in Lutheran worship. It can fill that role with music ranging from the simplest to the most complex; but complexity is never a criterion of liturgical suitability. What is important and crucial is that the choir and congregation understand what the real function of the choir is in worship.

## *Marilyn's Memo*

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Dear PWC Family,

During July, I traveled with our Youth members to Lawrence, Kansas for the Higher Things Conference. There were 4 Adults and 20 Youth members traveling together from 4 congregations. We were blessed with good weather, safe travels and wonderful young adults. It was a fabulous trip and the Conference was amazing as usual. Singing hymns with over 1,000 other Lutherans is truly a blessing! The Word of God was spoken and taught and I believe all of those who attended grew in faith and understanding.

There was also growth and lessons to be learned throughout trip, here is a short list:

- 1) Don't block the air vent or the van gets really warm!
- 2) Sometimes we have to put the needs of others ahead of our own desires.
- 3) Not everyone shares the same opinion, but we can still get along!
- 4) Traveling and eating with 23 other people takes a bit longer than traveling by myself or with my family!

Just a few of the practical life lessons learned during our journey.

Below are a few of the Thank you notes from our Youth members, next month I will have more to share as well as thank you notes from those who attended Catechism Retreat.

Have a wonderful September!

Marilyn

Dear Congregation,

Thank you so much for helping send the youth to Higher Things. It was a great opportunity that taught me how to properly evangelize and approach atheism. It was fun to explore the KU campus and live in their dorms. Thank you,

Sincerely, Kai Olsen

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*Higher Things was an amazing experience for me. I wish I had gone before this year, but am grateful for the opportunity to go at least once. It was a trip I will never forget! I enjoyed every Breakaway Session I went to and wish I could have gone to more because I them very intriguing. I learned a lot about relationship with the people in my life and how God and my faith as a Lutheran fits into those relationships. Thank you to everyone who made it possible for me to go to Higher Things Sanctified!*  
**-Jill Jesser**

Thank you to the congregation for supporting and paying part of the cost to Higher Things! I learned about ministering the Word of God to others, and I enjoyed experiencing something new.

**Thank you! Toku**

*One thing that I learned at the Conference is God rejoices in any profession that you pick. I really enjoyed spending time with the other youth. Thank you all for helping us go to Higher Things! It was a blast!*

**Lauren Ivers**

The 2018 Higher Things Conference in Lawrence, Kansas, was my third year attending Higher Things. Once again, I had a lot of fun and was able to grow in both friendship and fellowship. Using the various breakout sessions provided to me, I learned about the origin of different denominations and how Christianity can relate to our soldiers. I was able to share this experience with my friends from PWC and with nearly 1,000 other Lutherans, which made it even more special. It is all thanks to the congregation at PWC and the support that they give their youth that makes trips like this possible. Thank you so much!

**-Sandra Vanatta**

Dear Congregation,

Thank you all so much for helping us go to Higher Things. It was a great experience, where we got to learn about Christianity with Christians from around the country. We got to learn about our responsibility to represent Lutherans by acting in a Christian manner. Also, about how to educate non-believers. I am very grateful for your helping pay part of the cost with our budget & fundraisers.

**From, Soren Olsen**

AT HIGHER THINGS, I ENJOYED LEARNING MORE ON MARRIAGE AND DATING AND HOW TO TREAT OUR NEIGHBORS WHO ARE SINNERS AS MUCH AS WE ARE. I REALLY ENJOYED THE FELLOWSHIP TIME, ENJOYING FRIENDS AND PEOPLE WHO SHARED THE SAME FAITH. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR FINANCIAL AND PRAYER SUPPORT.

**THANK YOU, EMMA MAGRUDER**

## *Youth Activities*

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Youth Parents – you are **NEEDED** at the Youth table to help with Scrip/Gift Card Sales. Sign up is posted on the Youth Bulletin Board.



Wednesday Evening Bible Study begins **September 12 at 6 pm.** We will be reviewing and studying the newest edition of Luther's Small Catechism. Plan to bring your Catechism and your Bible with you!

**September 28** – Youth Movie and Game Night! Meet here at 6 pm. Bring your favorite game, an appropriate movie and a snack to share! **PLEASE** eat **BEFORE** arriving! Sign-up.

### **Save the date:**

**October 14** - Middle School Youth and family Outing Bartels' Corn Maze. We will have a quick lunch together and then head to the maze.

**October 19** (tentative date) – High School Youth's Fritzier's Corn Maize trip!

## Church Council

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The Council Minutes *Minute* gives you the opportunity to see highlights of the Council Meetings several weeks before the approval of the actual Minutes.

These minutes reflect business conducted at the Council Meeting on August 20, 2018.

- Sara Buchleiter offered to complete the Treasurer's term (December 31, 2018). Sara has assisted with financial responsibilities in the past at PWC and Council approved the appointment. Thank you, Sara!
- Council has begun working on the 2019 Budget Process and received a recommendation from the Staff Care Committee to give the non-called Staff workers a 5% cost of living increase beginning on January 1, 2019, based on a 2% adjustment for 2018 and anticipated 3% for 2019. (*Non-called Staff workers and Pastor did not receive an increase during 2018*). Council approved the recommendation as presented by the Staff Care Committee for the cost of living increase. The Elders will be meeting in September to determine the recommendation for Pastor. Council acknowledged that this is a starting point for the 2019 Budget development and there may need to be additional discussion and possible revisions to this increase during the upcoming budget preparation. Council requested additional information on the 2019 Health Care costs to determine the percentage of employee contribution for 2019. This topic will be on the September 17 Council Agenda.
- Missions and Ministry will be supporting the Lutheran Family Services Oktoberfest on Friday, October 19 at the Big Red Barn in Windsor. This is a special event celebrating the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Lutheran Family Services. A representative from Lutheran Family Services will be asked to make a presentation at the September 16 Bible Study. Additional information on how the congregation can participate in the celebration will be coming soon.

- Trinity Lutheran Preschool in Greeley requested borrowing 20 chairs from the PWC Preschool Inventory for their Preschool/Day Care. Subsequently, they asked to purchase the 20 chairs. The PWC Preschool inventory includes 45 chairs, which is more than is needed for the current table inventory and potentially 15 students as allowed for a small school in the future. Council approved the purchase for a fair price to be determined. Trinity Preschool is also interested in purchasing some of the books, games and puzzle inventory. Additional discussion will take place on this request and the information brought back to Council.
- The decision on how to use the Preschool Office space was postponed until after the clean-up of the various storage areas has been completed. At that time, all of the storage and other areas will be studied to determine the best use of these areas.
- Council ratified an electronic vote that was taken between Council meetings to approve a donation of materials and labor to expand the parking lot with an additional 55' X 26' of recycled asphalt. The date to start this project is yet to be determined.
- Paul Rubel reported that it is anticipated that the Financial Review/Audit report has been completed and the report will be provided to him in the next couple of weeks.
- The Financial Reports are provided in the Council Broadcast article instead of the weekly Greensheet to give Council members the opportunity to review and approve the monthly Financial Reports prior to providing the information to PWC members.

Council noted that according to the July 31 Financial Reports, the overall year-to-date income and expenses are very close to the approved Budget.

*\*\*Please note that the 2018 budget was based on the 2017 average monthly giving of \$32,000\*\**

January 1 – July 31, 2018

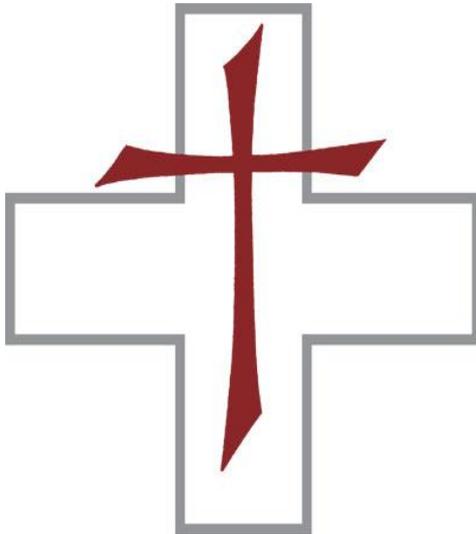
Income: \$249,308.66

Expenses: \$237,480.72

\$ 11,827.94 *(note that the 5% contribution of ~\$2100 to Synod has not been paid yet)*

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Carlson  
Council Secretary





## *Lutheran Women in Mission*

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***September Program-Monday, September 10th @ 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall We'll ease into the evening with some dessert and opportunity to visit! At 7pm, Hannah Walters will offer a presentation on Church Liturgy. If you've never tried LWML before, we invite you to join us for this informational program. Martha Pforr has devotions, Colleen Rohlf's and Martha hostess. ALL LADIES ARE WELCOME!***

- **Mites are Mighty!** LWML's mite box for World Missions will be in the Narthex Sunday, September 2nd. Your donations support National and District grant recipients at home and around the globe. For a comprehensive listing of all our missions visit [www.lwml.org](http://www.lwml.org) & [www.lwmlrmd.org](http://www.lwmlrmd.org).
- **August/September Mission: John and Jenn Wolf will be guest speakers at this month's LWML Zone Rally (see below). They currently serve as career missionaries through the LCMS in Kenya.** As the African region's project manager, John provides oversight and support for projects and grants. He trains the local people and church partners to develop, manage, and sustain projects that support Christian growth and congregational needs across Africa. Donations can be given to Colleen Rohlf's or placed in mailbox #14 by **Sunday, September 9th.**
- **LMWL's Fall Zone Rally, entitled "Oh! The Places We'll Go!", is at Zion Lutheran Church in Brighton on Saturday, September 15th.** Registration begins at 8:30am and the \$9 fee includes lunch. Speakers will present their experiences in sharing the Christian faith! Child care will be provided. A flyer is posted and RSVP date is Sunday, September 9th, so sign up on the LWML bulletin board if you plan to attend. Carpooling will be offered!
- **LWML's Holiday Craft Fair is November 10th!** This annual event appears different every year because it showcases our collective

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talents. Whatever your gift, your hobby, your passion... THAT is what we hope to offer our community! 100% of proceeds from the Craft Fair and Luncheon will support the educational pursuits of four future LCMS Pastors; Benjamin Vanderhyde, Paul Horstmeyer, Charles Ridley and Luke Elowsky & one future Lutheran Musician; Liam Harms.

• **LWML's Executive Board** meets Monday, September 24th at 6:30pm in the home of Colleen Rohlf. All ladies are welcome to attend this business meeting.

## *News and Announcements*

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### **Tuesday, September 4th at Noon–TAG (Tuesday Afternoon Group)**

Our 27th year begins with a potluck meal. Please bring a favorite dish to share. We will have a Bible study led by Pastor Magruder at 1:00 p.m. All are welcome to come and enjoy the fellowship.

### **Joy Circle**

Joy Circle will meet on Thursday, September 6 at 11:30 a.m. at church for a welcome back picnic.

### **Thank you for Volunteering**

Thanks to Sara Buchleiter for offering to serve as the PWC Treasurer to complete the current Term (Dec 31, 2018). Church Council approved the appointment at the August 20th business meeting.

### **2018 Rocky Lunch Information**

The Rocky lunch program will begin on Thursday, September 27th. We can always use additional volunteers to come for one, two, or three hours to help set up the tables and chairs, set up the drinks table, help prepare food, help serve food, visit with students, and clean up. You don't need to be there every week. Donations of

cookies, chips, and cash are always needed. If you have questions, call Kay Rubel at 472-9250.

### **Circuit Forum Sunday, September 16**

It is time to elect our circuit delegates to the 2019 Synod convention. There will be a circuit forum at 3pm on Sunday, September 16 at Mount Olive Lutheran in Loveland. At this time the circuit will elect one pastor & lay delegate, & alternates, to the 2019 Synod convention in Tampa, Florida, July 20-25. The slate of nominations consists of all pastors & lay members from our circuit who served at our recent district convention. Again, remember September 16.

### **Adult Choir**

If you have a speaking voice, you can sing! Skeptical? Come to PWC's first adult choir rehearsal on **Thursday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.** The adult choir serves this parish with its talents and by helping to lead the worship of the congregation. Don't know how to read music? No problem. Each rehearsal is led primarily by an *aural learning style* meaning you'll hear every note you have to sing. The adult choir serves an important function in the church – one of ministry and service. This year, we'll also be working through 5 simple minutes of music theory during each rehearsal. So, if you have the desire to be able to read from the hymnal, now is your chance to learn! Contact Hannah Walters with questions.

**[pwcfcparishassistant@gmail.com](mailto:pwcfcparishassistant@gmail.com)**

### **Adopt-A-Seminary Student Committee**

Our Adopt-A-Sem Student Committee received the nomination on July 19 of Charles E. Ridley for consideration of support. Charles was nominated by Harry Krueckeberg, all members concurring that we accept Charles for support as the 29th ministerial candidate in our history.

Charles is a second career student enrolled in his first year at Concordia Seminary St. Louis. He was employed as an Electrical Engineer for nearly 10 years before making his decision for the

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pastoral ministry. His very interesting story in making this change is told in his letter to our congregation posted on the Fellowship Hall bulletin board. He also tells of his trip to Israel as part of his preparatory classroom work at the seminary.

We continue to support Benjamin Vanderhyde, now leaving for his vicarage in Sri Lanka. Paul Horstmeyer is in his vicarage at Concordia Lutheran Church in San Antonio, Texas. Benjamin's vicarage will be two years and Paul's one year before returning to St. Louis and graduation.

We thank God for the commitment of these men who are preparing to answer our Lord's command to spread His Gospel both at home and away. We can also help from our station by praying for them and providing monetary support through our contributions during Advent and Lent.

### **Confessing the Faith in an Unbelieving World**

Is the Gospel true? Are the Gospels historically reliable? What is Christian apologetics and the apologetic task? How do Christians respond to modern skeptics? How do Christians confess the reason, a defense for the hope that they have (1 Peter 3:15). In an age of moral and religious apologetics is becoming increasingly vital for all Christians.

Dr. Adam Francisco, professor of history and chair of the History and Political Thought department at Concordia University, Irvine, CA, will lead a one-day conference on the basics of Christian apologetics, equipping those who attend to give sound and historically grounded reason for the hope they have in Jesus Christ. St. John's invites the congregation to this special event!

**When:** September 29, 8:15 a.m.-2:15 p.m.

**Where:** St. John's Lutheran Church, 305 E. Elizabeth St

**Cost:** Free (lunch available for \$10)

**Contact:** Tom Miles

**Phone:** 970-482-5316

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## **Adult Bible Study**

### ***New Sunday Morning Bible Study Topic: The Bible on Trial.***

How did we get the Bible? Did it all come in one instant or over many years? What role did the church have in shaping the Bible? In **The Bible On Trial: Beyond A Reasonable Doubt**, the case is made that the Scriptures are authentic, dependable, God-inspired and worthy-not only of our full attention but of our complete faith. In this video Bible study, attorney Craig Parton will lead us through relevant points that comprise this important discussion. He asks, "Is this book, the Bible, and its contents-reliable?" **The Bible On Trial: Beyond A Reasonable Doubt** addresses critical views of the Scripture, examines evidence from the ancient world, surveys how archaeology often corroborates the Biblical record and considers the word of those who were either Jesus' contemporaries or were closely connected to eyewitnesses who knew Jesus-and His remarkable life-well. When this video-based study is finished in mid-September, we will then move into the topic "**Reading the Bible with Understanding**". Please join us in the Fellowship Hall each Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

## **The Library/Sunshine hall**

### **Books, CD and Periodicals**

You may check out a book or music CD. The checkout sheet is on the counter next to monthly newspapers, assorted Lutheran magazines and Lutheran Witness. The newspapers or magazines including the Lutheran Witness do not have to be checked out; you can keep them!

### **Flower Chart**

Dates are still available to place flowers on the altar for September, October and November. Flowers can be placed for special occasion, memory of a loved one or the "Glory to God". Two families may sign up for the same Sunday. The sign-up chart is located next to the Hands in Harmony pink sheets.

### **Monthly Hands in Harmony Sign-up Sheets**

Check the pink Hands in Harmony sign-up sheets, you might see a Sunday you can help service. Ushers, Greeters, Guest Book, Nursery and Materials. Instructions for Hands in Harmony assistance are located on the counter across from the mailboxes.

### **St. John's Food and Clothing Bank**

Donations can be set under the tables along the wall. Please look for the posted information on the table. If you miss the delivery dates set by our church coordinators, donations can be dropped off directly to St. John's Lutheran Church, 305 E. Elizabeth.

\*\*\*In order for the sunshine hall to keep a "presentable" appearance, please only bring items the week before the delivery dates. Thank You!

### **LWML Cards**

You can purchase cards for many different occasions. The cards are sold by the box or individually. All are marked with the price and you can place your payment in an envelope provided to put in Colleen Rohlfs mailbox #14



PLEASE JOIN US  
*For a*  
***PWC Ladies Brunch Social***  
*And*  
***Baby Shower***  
***Honoring Amanda Kuhl***

Family & friends spread far and wide would love to be here by her side but since they can't – her PWC family is gathering to shower Amanda and new baby boy with our love.

**Saturday September 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
**at 10:00 a.m.**

*Help ensure we have ample food by signing up on the poster in the narthex if you plan to attend.*

**Registered at: [Babylist.com](http://Babylist.com)**  
**(Amanda Kuhl)**

Hosted by:  
Betty Keeney  
Lori French  
Linda Siegfried  
Joy & Emma Magruder



## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Randy & Lisa Bernhardt	September 3, 2004
Randy & Sandy Fiscus	September 5, 1981
Pastor & Joy Magruder	September 5, 1998
Ethan & Amanda Kuhl	September 19, 2015
Jason & Andi Lechman	September 24, 2005
Pete & Ida White	September 25, 1949



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Soren Olsen	September 1
Pastor Magruder	September 2
Shirley Farrier	September 3
Ethan Kuhl	September 6
Bev Russman	September 6
Richie Fiscus	September 15
Julie Frank	September 15
Bill Chevront	September 16
Maddox Lechman	September 16
John Huisjen	September 18
Wes Nierman	September 21
Angie Ahnstedt	September 23
Howard Walter	September 25
Kai Olsen	September 26
Ned Daugherty	September 27
Mari Peterson	September 27
Marcie Walter	September 28
Greg Beck	September 29

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