



**Peace United Church of Christ**  
Rev. Eric Kirkegaard  
September 25, 2022  
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

*Our mission: Love like Jesus...*

Welcome all, love all, grow in faith together, and seek justice for all.  
*“Just as I have loved you, you should love each other.” – John 13:34*

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We, the members of Peace United Church of Christ, believe that we are called to be a congregation of grace and welcome to all of God’s children:

- to celebrate every person as a child of God, created in God’s image.
- to love all as God has first loved us.
- to acknowledge the presence of, and offer healing to the wounds of oppression, injustice, prejudice, and hate, and to stand with those who are left out.

Following Christ’s example, we welcome and include everyone in all aspects of life, leadership, and ministry of the church. We affirm persons of all races, nationalities, sexual orientations, gender identities, family structures, physical or mental abilities, political stances, faith backgrounds and socio-economic status.

In the way of Jesus, we stand against acts of hate and violence in all their forms.

Therefore, we declare ourselves to be an Open and Affirming Congregation, where an extravagant welcome and grace are extended to all, and each person’s gifts are celebrated, welcomed, nurtured, and blessed, that all may be one. Amen.

Approved by Peace Church 10/20/2019

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*Our vision: “Peace Church exists to feed souls,  
grow in God's extravagant love and  
together serve all of God's children and creation.”*

***Welcome visitors! Please take a moment to complete a Guest Information card in the pew racks in front of you. Please place the completed card in the offering plate.***

***Prayer Requests - As we gather together as one family in Jesus Christ, we covenant to hold one another’s joys and concerns. Please share your prayers with us by writing them on the “Prayer Request” slip found in the pew in front of you and return them to the usher or place them in the offering plate. Thank you.***

**\* Stand if you are able**

**PRELUDE**

“Pachelbel’s Canon in D”

arr. Wolff

**GREETINGS - ANNOUNCEMENTS – PRAYER REQUESTS**

**\*HYMN 438**

“On Eagle’s Wings”

**Turning to God – Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16**

One: May the peace and grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

One: You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the LORD,

**All: “My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust.”**

One: For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence; he will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.

**All: We will not fear the terror of the night, or the arrow that flies by day, or the pestilence that stalks in darkness, or the destruction that wastes at noonday.**

One: For God proclaims: Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name. When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble,

**All: God will rescue us and honor us. With long life God will satisfy us, and show us God's salvation.**

***Confessing and Receiving Forgiveness***

One: We open our hearts as we confess our sin.

**All: God, you promise us new hope; but we’re not sure we’re strong enough for your hope. You assure us of contentment; but the struggles and uncertainties of our lives work to shatter our resolve. How, in the midst of the trials, do we find our comfort in you?**

**When we find it hard to trust you completely, forgive us. When we fail to place our love for you ahead of our fears and apprehensions, grant us strength.**

**Beloved Lord, forgive us for all that we do and for all that we fail to do. Forgive us the frailty of our thoughts and actions. Walk with us and guide us that we might once again find our way with you. Amen**

One: The Lord hears our prayers. God journeys with us in grace at all times, in all places. Through God's love and Christ's sacrifice we are invited to be made new. Embrace God's mercy as we pray:

***“Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.”***

**↑A Response of Halleluja** “Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le, lu-ja”

**↑The Passing of the Peace**

Peace be with you

**And also with you**

**Lesson** [Deuteronomy 6:4-7](#) (Page 136)

**The Children’s Time-** As the children come forward, we sing ♪ “Jesus Loves Me, This I Know” vs. 1 (*Sunday school students are dismissed at 10:45, parents are invited to gather in fellowship hall after church to learn more about our new program.*)

**Hymn 357** [“Knowing You”](#)

**Lesson** [1 Timothy 6:6-19](#) (Page 905)

**Gospel** [Luke 16:19-31](#) (Page 800)

**Sermon** “They Dearly Loved Their Money...”

**Special Music** “Morning Has Broken” arr. Lorie Line

**↑Prayer of Dedication**

**God of abundant blessings, remind us again that everything that is, is yours. Through our gifts refocus our hearts so that we may become proclaimers of your Good News to all of creation. Amen.**

**Pastoral Prayer – Silent Prayer**

**Benediction**

**One:** Go in peace, serve the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God! Alleluia and Amen.

**\*Hymn** “Go Make Disciples”

**Go, make disciples, baptizing them, teaching them.  
Go, make disciples, for I am with you ‘til the end of time.  
Go, be the salt of the earth. Go, be the light of the world.  
Go, be a city on a hill so all can see that you’re serving me. Go, make disciples.**

**Postlude**

**Lectionary for October 2:** Lamentations 1:1-6 and Lamentations 3:19-26 or Psalm 137 • Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4 and Psalm 37:1-9 • 2 Timothy 1:1-14• Luke 17:5-10

**Serving Today:** Musicians: Sherry McElhatton, Mia Dornacker  
Litanist: Jerry O'Connor Audio: Josh Spaits Video: Katelyn Scannell

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## ***BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES***

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### **Happy Birthday September 25 – October 1**

Sept 27 JoAnn Butzlaff, Jake Lemke  
Sept 28 Jonathon Gill, John Lemke, Bret Rauch  
Sept 29 Cal Rauch  
Sept 30 Jean Reigle  
Oct 1 Adam Rahmer, Kelly Staffin

### **Happy Anniversary September 25 – October 1**

Sept 29 Nicholas & Brittany Luther (10)  
Oct 1 Jim & Joyce Meinberg (67)

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## ***NEWS & NOTES***

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### **Calendar for the Week of September 25**

9/25 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation starts 4-5:30 pm  
Scholarship Cookie Sale  
9/27 Lectionary 10 am, Men's choir practice 6 pm, Chancel 6:30 pm  
9/28 Care & Connection (Lay Ministry) meeting 1 pm  
9/22 Grief Group 1 pm

**9<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Class** – 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Class has been changed to Sundays from 4-5:30p.m. in the Youth Room starting on Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Neighbors In Need** – Please join us in supporting the 2022 Neighbors In Need Special Mission offering on October 2, 2022. Special envelopes will available today in the pews.

**Prayer Shawl Group** – will meet the first Thursday of every month. The next meeting will be on October 6<sup>th</sup>. The group will meet at 1:00 p.m. in the library.

**Stained Glass Windows Available:** Our church has some old stained-glass windows from the narthex doors that were replaced several years ago. Would anyone have any interest in them? If so, please contact Karen Kletti 262-224-2212

**Art Sale:** Take a look at the tables near both entrances at church to find hand crafted items for sale! Items will change monthly, and proceeds will go towards a designated fund at church. If you are interested in being one of the 'vendors', talk to Karla Spaits, Nancy Stoffel, or Sandi Radeztsky.

**Band Together for Banned Books** – Peace Church will be starting a monthly “Banned Book Club” in January of 2023. Once a month we will meet to discuss classic and contemporary titles that have been banned by various school districts around the country. Titles such as “To Kill a Mockingbird”, “The Outsiders”, “The Hate U Give”, “Maus”, and many more. Dates and time TBD. If you have an interest in joining, please contact either Chris Rode at [rustypeaches1966@gmail.com](mailto:rustypeaches1966@gmail.com) or the church office at [office@peace-ucc.org](mailto:office@peace-ucc.org). Watch the upcoming Tidings and bulletins for more information.



**Annual Congregational Meeting October 23, 2022** – Our annual meeting will take place immediately following the 9:30 service.



**Spotlight Productions Presents** *Beauty & the Beast* on October 6, 7, 8, & 9– Thursday, Friday & Saturday 7:30 p.m./Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Show performed at the Silver Linings Art Center (WB High School). To reserve tickets: [wbspotlight.com](http://wbspotlight.com). Those from Peace UCC involved in the production are Pastor Eric and Sherry McElhatton.

**Mitten Ministry News:** We are collecting mittens for those in need on October 23rd. We will have the dedication/blessing on October 30, and plan to distribute to the schools and pantries the first week of November. If you are taking part in this ministry, I would love to hear from you. If you would like to learn how to knit, I would love to hear from you too - the more the merrier!! You can reach me (Heidi Rodenkirch) at 920-602-1184.

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## ***PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK***

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*Current prayers will be listed for one week unless otherwise indicated. Requests may be emailed to [office@peace-ucc.org](mailto:office@peace-ucc.org) or by calling the office at 262-626-4011. You may also share your prayer requests by writing them on the “Prayer Request” slip found in the pew in front of you and return them to the usher or place them in the offering plate.*

### **Prayers of Healing**

To Jim German, friend of Harvey Brodzeller, who has been diagnosed with prostate cancer

### **Prayers for Comfort:**

For Jinny Michaels as she continues her long journey with hospice

## Contact Peace Church

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Peace Church Prayer Chain - [office@peace-ucc.org](mailto:office@peace-ucc.org)

On the web @ [www.peace-ucc.org](http://www.peace-ucc.org), Peace on [Facebook](#), YouTube at:  
[Peace UCC Kewaskum](#)



## **INTRODUCING ORTHODOX JUDAISM**

*Featuring Rabbi Wesley Kalmar and Dr. Jessica Kalmar*

**Thursday, Oct. 6**

**6:30-8 p.m.**

Event Space, Younger Family Campus Center

Lakeland University's Ulrich Center for Faith, Ethics & Justice invites you to join us for an evening of conversation with Rabbi Wesley Kalmar and Dr. Jessica Kalmar about the rich tradition of Orthodox Judaism. The Kalmars will begin with an introductory overview of Orthodox Judaism, and then respond to questions and comments from participants.

Rabbi Wesley Kalmar serves at Anshe Sfard Kehillat Torah (ASKT), an Orthodox synagogue in Glendale, Wisconsin. Dr. Jessica Kalmar is married to Rabbi Kalmar, and is Associate Professor of Psychology at Lakeland University.



Register for this **FREE** event at [Lakeland.edu/LUforREAL](http://Lakeland.edu/LUforREAL) or by contacting Bonnie Ziegler at [Zieglerbl@lakeland.edu](mailto:Zieglerbl@lakeland.edu) or 920-565-1021, ext. 2151.



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## October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

### Domestic Violence

Is a pattern of behaviors used by one partner to maintain power and control over another partner in an intimate manner.

#### Types of Domestic Violence:

- **Verbal / Emotional:** name calling, threats, yelling, intimidation, isolation, and silent treatment.
- **Financial:** direct or indirect domination of finances.
- **Physical:** restraint, slapping, pushing, forcing consumption of or withholding medication, aggravated assault, and intentional damage to property.
- **Sexual:** forced sexual activity, demeaning sexual names, grabbing, threats of infidelity, and coerced sexual contact.
- **Technological:** can be used in all forms of abuse

### The Cycle of Abuse

There is one constant in abusive relationships: the Cycle of Abuse. Phases of the cycle vary in length of time and severity but continue to follow the same pattern. These phases include:

- the calm phase
- building tension through yelling or criticizing
- exploding with attacks (physical, emotional, or sexual)
- the honeymoon phase (apologizing, buying gifts, etc.).

*Start by  
Believing!*



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