

The LCOP News Letter June 2026



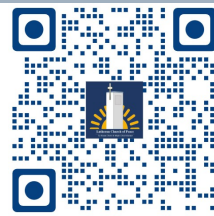
Lutheran Church of Peace Platteville, WI



Office Hours
Tuesday-Thursday
8 AM-3 PM

LCOP Worship Service
Sunday 9:00 AM

“To Know Christ and Make Christ known”

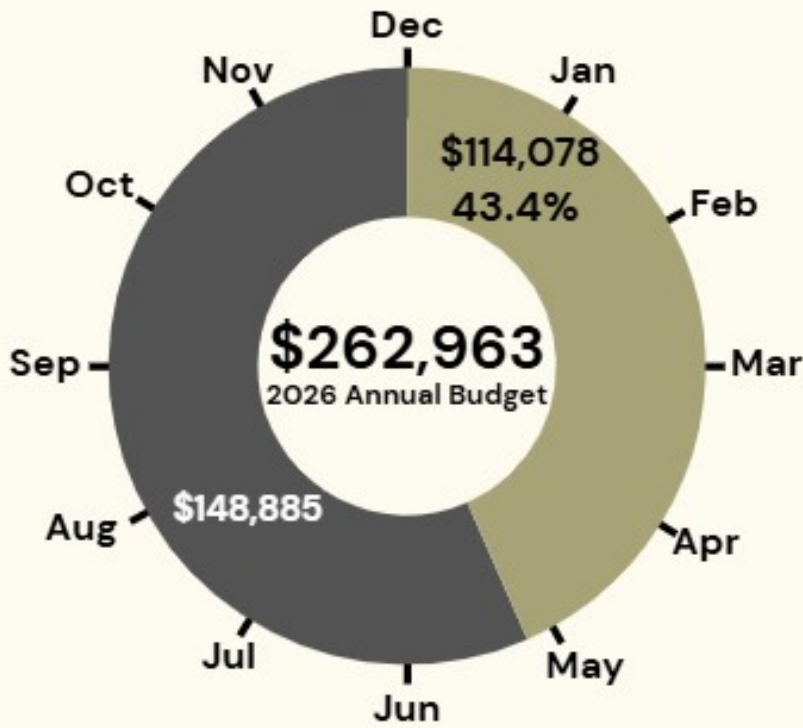




2026 Council Members

Back Row: Richard Cline, Treasurer-Kim Woodworth, VP- Emily Fredrickson, President- Jeffrey Strange, Rob Snyder. Front Row: Craig Reed, Juli McGuire, Pastor Jasmine

Offering Progress Towards Annual Budget



● Actual Offerings & Misc. Giving year-to-date as of 5/26/26
 ● Remaining to Meet Annual Budget

Target Giving Timeline

Month markers show the target giving progress throughout the year. Each month indicates the giving level needed to stay on track for the annual budget.



Scan with a smartphone to give online to LCOP

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June Announcements & Events

Deborah Circle

The Deborah Circle women's group, will meet on Wednesday, June 3rd at 1 PM in the Fellowship Hall. All women are welcome to join.

Organ Recital

Ben Drefcinski will be having an organ recital at church to Celebrate *Make Music Day*. We hope to see you here on June 21st at 4 PM to support Ben!

New Paraments

Thanks to a generous donation in memory of John Hirsch, new, green "Celebration of Creation" paraments will be blessed on June 14th. Please join us as we give thanks to God for this gift.

Men's Fireside Chat

The LCOP men's group meets on Thursday, June 18th at 6:30 PM. This group has men's devotions and enjoys fellowship with other men. The group meets in the Fellowship Hall by the fireplace. For more information please contact Tom 608-778-7534

Father's Day

We will have treats for our awesome fathers on June 21st.

Faith on the Fourth Fest

Save the date! We will be having our LCOP Fourth of July gathering on Saturday, July 4th.

Thank You

Thanks to the generosity of the congregation, over \$425 was raised through the freewill offering collected for the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation. The Snyder Family thanks everyone who provided support. The Take Steps event for the CCF is in Madison on June 6.

Pastor's Continuing Education

Have you heard? Pastor Jasmine was awarded a fellowship at Princeton Theological Seminary for the Engle's Preaching Institute! This year, she is honored, through a generous grant, to be able to spend the majority of her Continuing Education with scholars and other preaching professionals from across North America at Princeton from June 6 – June 11. Through hands-on workshops, seminars, tutorials, and conversations, Engle fellows are supported and challenged to seek excellence in their preaching vocations. She is grateful for this opportunity and is excited to come back and share what she learns!

Prayers

For those with Health Concerns Bob Weier, Emily Fredrickson, John Burke, Mary Runde, Corey Cullen, Bob Demaree, Nick Demaree, Edith Olthafer, Karen Niehaus, Tom Nall, Pat Leahy, Ron Weigel, William & Adelia Campbell, Mary Leix, Linda Schmidt, Josh Steinback, Margie Masbruch, Tim Zauche

A Little Something From Pastor Jasmine

Dear Church,

Right now, (May 28th), our Fellowship Hall is abuzz with community engagement. Lots of folks, sorting, folding, and hanging clothing donated for a Community Clothing Swap. A local group, The Driftless Neighbors Network, saw an issue and a need: children are constantly growing, clothes are expensive, and everyone wears clothes. They also recognized assets and invited others: lots of people have clothes that they aren't using, that they would like to get rid of. Would Lutheran Church of Peace like to be part of this?

Clothing is a human necessity. We all need clothing. Why not swap it? People who have clothes can get rid of them. People who want clothes can come and get some. It's as simple as that. No money. No fundraising. Just clothes and community. Also, swapping clothes benefits our earth by keeping material out of landfills. It feels like something Jesus would have encouraged.

This clothing swap is not "benefitting" Lutheran Church of Peace in any tangible way. The people sorting the clothing mostly aren't members of Lutheran Church of Peace. They're mostly not even Lutherans. Some have never come here before. But our engagement in this endeavor sends a message far and wide: We love our neighbors. God has gifted us with space, and we want to share! Come and be clothed.

This isn't charity: people with plenty giving to people with want. This is community engagement: folks and organizations at every level, working together to solve issues and make our community better. That's what Jesus did as he preached, and fed, and healed, and taught, and that's what we, his disciples, are called to do in his name. We are called to see the needs, share our skills, make a difference to our neighbors. "...for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me..." Matthew 25:35-36

There are lessons to be learned from our neighbors and from this clothing swap. It is making something out of nothing: engaging community by seeing an issue and working to solve it. It is radical hospitality: all are welcome because all wear clothes! No one is left out. And it is an important reminder that we are each a neighbor to someone. Jesus' welcome, Jesus' engagement, Jesus' love, Jesus' clothing of people is not just for "those people"...it's for every person. IT'S FOR YOU.

Thank you to everyone who donated their clothing or their time to organize. Thank you to everyone who will come to get clothing and be clothed! Thank you to the Driftless Neighbor's Network for inviting Lutheran Church of Peace to be a part of this important community engagement.

Be well, you are loved,

Pastor Jasmine

GETTING TO KNOW OUR LCOP FAMILY

FEATURING RACHELLE WACKERSHAUSER

WHERE IS YOUR FAMILY FROM?

Rachelle's Family has been in the Platteville area for at least five generations. They originally came from Germany.

WHEN DID YOU COME TO LCOP?

She has been coming since birth. There is a picture of her grandmother's confirmation in the LCOP history hallway.

What keeps you at Lutheran Church of Peace?

Simply put: this is her Church Family.

Church Involvement

Rachelle likes attending soup suppers, the women's Bible study, the 4th of July party, and worship.

FAMILY

*Rachelle's sister Stacey, lives in town and another sister lives in Michigan.

*She has two daughters. Abby and Hailee currently live in Cuba City .

*They have a dog named Cooper

HOW DO YOU KEEP GOD PART OF YOUR LIFE?

The women's Bible study helped her get out of a dark time in her life. God has helped her a number of times to get through the Valley of Evil.

Community Activities

Rachelle enjoys going to the movies, the public pool, and Dairy Days



Congratulations to our 2026 LCOP High School Graduate Maggie Grabandt
We can't wait to see where the Lord leads you!

Commit to the Lord
whatever you do,
and he will
establish your
plans.

Proverbs 16:3



LCOP Scholarships
Congratulations to our LCOP
scholarship winners: Maggie
Grabant and Reese Coder.



What's going on outside of LCOP?

Explorers: Onsite Day Camp

Entering Grades K-5 Cost: \$35/day or \$85/week

Offered: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

Come as an individual, a church group, or with friends! Ministry leaders and adults can join the fun, too! Adults attending with their campers will be asked to pay \$10 at check-in to cover the costs of the noon meal, snack, materials and facility use.

1 pastor or youth leader may attend for free per group.

3 day options: June 15-17, June 29-July 1, July 6-8, July 20-22, August 3-5

1 day options: June 15, 16, 17, 29, 30, July 1, 6, 7, 8, 20, 21, 22, August 3, 4, 5



The KIDS FROM WISCONSIN are performing at Platteville High School Saturday, July 25 at 7:00pm! This energetic troupe of singers, dancers, and instrumentalists puts on an incredible show. They also offer a free workshop for kids ages 7-14, held at 4:00pm on Sat. July 25.

We need your help to host their 37 members from Sat. evening July 25 through Sun. morning July 26. We would be grateful to those families willing to host 2-4 singers overnight. Please go to https://docs.google.com/document/d/1_XibM1t9cPuqEZ4OqqaIFhzwaTHd0L1gqnTyMobOCmc/edit?tab=t.0/ [KIDS from Wisconsin at Platteville High School 07/25/26 - Google Docs](#) for the information Flyer, and register to be a Homestay Host by June 4.

Optimist Club NOW Event The Platteville Optimist Club will be hosting their NOW (New Optimist Welcome) Event on Saturday, June 6 from 9:30-11:00 am. If you or anyone you know is interested in joining the Optimist Club, contact Terri Ellis at ellis60@yahoo.com for details.

Area Community News & Events

June 4: Living with Uncertainty Support Workshop, Southwest Health

June 5: Chamber's Annual Golf Outing

June 6: Platteville Optimist NOW Event, 9:30-11:00 am

June 13: Dairy Breakfast, UW-P Pioneer Farm

June 16: Farmer Appreciation Lunch, Chamber Porch, 11 am - 2 pm

June 21: 11th Annual Make Music Platteville, 1-8 pm

July 17-18 Southwest Music Fest

July 17-26: Hometown Festival Week

July 25: Hometown Fest Art & Craft Fair, City Park, 8 am-2 pm

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