

The LCOP NEWSLETTER



Lutheran Church of Peace Platteville, WI

Happy New Year



Office Hours
Tuesday-Thursday
8 AM-3 PM

LCOP Worship Services
Saturday Evening at 6:00
Sunday Morning at 9:00

“To Know Christ and Make Christ known”



LUTHERAN CHURCH OF PEACE LIFE GROUPS

Adult Classes

- ♦ Adult Sunday School-Sundays, 10:25 AM in the Fellowship Hall
Contact Person Tim Zauche 608-330-3001, zauchet@yahoo.com
- ♦ Men's Fireside Chat- Third Thursday, 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall/Firepit
Contact Person, Tom Nall 608-778-7534, tomnallplatt@gmail.com
- ♦ Women of Peace-Tuesdays, 6:30 PM in the Adult Library
Contact Person, Emily Fredrickson 360-320-2300, emfred83@gmail.com
- ♦ Women's Circle-First Wednesday of the month, 1 PM in the Fellowship Hall-(Not in the summer) Contact Person, Sara Klinge: 608-778-7828, sarajklinge@gmail.com
- ♦ Tuesday Morning Quilters- First and third Tuesday of the month, 9 AM in the Fellowship Hall-Contact Person, Lois Radloff: 608-330-3334, lois.radloff45@gmail.com

Youth Classes September-May

- ♦ Children's Sunday School-Sundays 10:15 AM in the upstairs classrooms
- ♦ Confirmation Class (grades 6-8)-Wednesdays 6:30 PM

Committee Meetings

- ♦ Buildings & Grounds- Fourth Wednesday of the month at 5:15 PM in the Adult Library
- ♦ Council- Second Sunday of the month at 10:20 AM in the Adult Library
- ♦ Evangelism- Third Wednesday of the month at 4 PM in the Adult Library
- ♦ Finance- First Tuesday of the month, before council at 5:15 PM in the Adult Library
- ♦ Worship & Music-As needed in the Fellowship Hall
- ♦ Youth & Family- Second Tuesday at 6 PM in the Youth Library

Prayers

For those with Health Concerns: Bob Weier, Emily Fredrickson, John Burke, Mary Runde, Katarina Rood, Corey Cullen, Bob Demaree, Nick Demaree, Scott Rood, Edith Olthafer, Karen Niehaus, Tom Nall, Elijah Feuerbach, Pat Leahy, Ron Weigel, Charlie Bratton

For those serving in the Armed Forces: Ryan Sheldon and Maxine Austin

Pastor Jasmine Tesdahl

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January Announcements & Events

Poinsettias

If you sent a poinsettia to church for Christmas, we encourage you to take it home with you. We hate to see them thrown away.

Giving Statements

The 2025 giving statements will be available in the Narthex by January 11th. If you did not receive one and should have, please call the church office.

Offering Envelopes

If you would like your own offering envelopes, they will be available in the Narthex and in the office soon. Please make sure to write your name on each envelope you use.

Deborah Circle

Deborah Circle will NOT be meeting in January. The next Deborah Circle meeting will be on Wednesday, February 4th.

Annual Meeting

The 2025 Annual meeting will be on February 8th at 10:20 AM. The annual report will be available in the Narthex by January 25th. You can pick up a copy in the Narthex or in the information Center outside of the church office.

Confirmation Class

Confirmation classes will begin at First English Lutheran Church on January 7th at 6 p.m. Reminder that there will not be confirmation classes when the Platteville school district does not have school, it is cancelled or they have an early release.

Volunteers Needed

- ♦ Sunday morning hospitality- make coffee, brings snacks, serve, clean up. Sign up on the Connection Board.
- ♦ Offering Money Counter
- ♦ Record Sunday service-Talk to Tim Zauche zauchet@yahoo.com
- ♦ Altar Guild- Set up communion and change altar cloths with the seasons.

Thank you

The family of Carol Bertram are grateful to all our church family who offered their support with visits, cards, memorials, flowers, hugs and prayers. Thank you Pastor Jasmine Tesdahl for the beautiful celebration of life service with shared recollections, Hannah for all your helpful assistance, Terry Dillon and Ben Schemdtke for the beautiful music, to those of you in the church who helped in preparing for the luncheon and donating salads and desserts, and to all who shared their time and love with us in fellowship after the celebration. We know how much mom was loved and appreciated by her church family. She loved her church and all of you. She will be missed but she has finally been united again with dad.

~Jean, Marsha, Mike

Pastor and Hannah would like to say thank you to everyone that brought us Christmas cards, gifts and goodies. It was so kind and thoughtful!

LCOP wrapped 2025



**246 bowls of
soup served in
Lent**

*Everybody's
God Something
to Offer* was
your favorite
song to sing

**Countless
smiles
shared!!**

**We sewed 52
quilts and
made 125 kits
for people in
need**



**Most
communion
served at a
service: 115
(Easter)**



**We shared the
Body of Christ
3,950 times**

**You said "And
also with you."
192 times in
worship.**

GETTING TO KNOW OUR LCOP FAMILY

FEATURING Lisa and Erik Kuhls

WHEN DID YOUR FAMILY MOVE TO WI

Lisa's family were from Germany and England and moved to Appleton, Wisconsin. Erik's family was living on the farm in 1864.

WHY LUTHERAN CHURCH OF PEACE

They started coming because Erik's parents went here. Lisa was Catholic before they were married. They stayed because they enjoy the contemporary service and the people of the church. They also find the sermons relevant to current life.

CHURCH INVOLVEMENT

Lisa and Erik have enjoyed helping out over the years with Sunday School, serving on Council as well as trust fund and family Promise. Most recently, Erik enjoys visiting the shut-ins with Bryan Schwark.

HOW THEY MET

Lisa and Erik met at a wedding for some friends. They were married themselves in December 2000.

FAITH

They have had struggles with Erik surviving cancer and Ben being born with heart issues. They keep God a part of their lives to stay grounded and they find peace in the power of prayer.

WHAT DO YOU DO FOR WORK

Lisa has her master's degree and is a manager of provider relations, for Medical Associates in Dubuque.

Erik has been farming his entire life. Erik has also been driving school bus the last 21 years.





Give blood.

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**American
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American Red Cross Platteville Community Blood Drive

Lutheran Church of Peace

Fellowship Hall
1345 N Water St
Platteville, WI 53818

**1/30/2026
10:00 AM to 3:00 PM**

Sponsor Code: PlattevilleWI

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What's going on outside of LCOP?

Lutheran Bishop Yehiel Curry to speak on Martin Luther King Jr. Day

The Rev. Yehiel Curry, Presiding Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, will offer keynote remarks at Luther College's 2026 Martin Luther King Jr. Day lecture on Monday, Jan. 19, 2026, in the Center for Faith and Life Main Hall.

The theme of the day and Curry's talk is "Courage for the Common Good." Supported by the Williams Endowment Fund, the day begins with Curry's address at 10:30 a.m. Following an optional community lunch at noon for attendees, two sessions are planned for the afternoon at 1:15 p.m., a youth discussion with Curry, and a panel discussion with regional ELCA bishops for all others.

The event is open to the public, and admission to the morning program and the afternoon break-out sessions are free. Lunch tickets for adults are \$10, but free for youth who are registered for the youth session.

Along with the opportunity to uplift and celebrate messages related to King's legacy, the program is also one of the first opportunities for congregations across the region to hear Curry, who was elected on July 30, 2025, as the ELCA's presiding bishop. He was officially installed into the position on Oct. 4, 2025.

To reserve seats for the day, go to the Luther College Ticket Office at tickets.luther.edu.



Area Community News & Events

Jan 1: Bingo at Broske Center, Meal 5 pm - Bingo 6 pm

Jan 5: City Housing Planning Series, Common Council Chambers, 6 pm

Jan 9: Business & Education Summit, Southwest Tech

Jan 22: Good Morning Platteville, City Hall Auditorium, 8 am

Jan 23: Museum After Dark, Mining & Rollo Jamison Museums, 6-8 pm

Feb 2: City Housing Planning Series, Common Council Chambers, 6 pm

Feb 21: Miners Ball, Ullsvik Hall, 5 pm