

OLIVE BRANCH MONTHLY

PEACE  CHURCH

August 2023

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OUR VISION WORK BEGINS!

Wow! What can we say.... Our weekend with John Pavlovitz was amazing and life-changing for Peace! Ideas are buzzing! New energy is realized! Hope is brimming! John has lifted up that we have so much to be thankful for in the ministry we are currently doing... but more importantly what we will be doing.

John will continue working with us over the upcoming year to help us examine, realize, and more deeply explore the magnitude of our ministries. Mark your calendars for John's next visit here in Rochester – Saturday, November 18 – Sunday, November 19. John will continue providing guidance and direction as we engage in our visioning process and finding ways to embrace our bold message. John will be with us two other times in the spring as well.

Between now and November, our Vision Team and Council leadership will be working with our Ministry Teams to begin implementing a more focused, integrative approach to all that we do. As we develop our ministries for the future, we will be designing ways in which we can share and invite those in our wider community to participate with us! As John said, "Peace has so much to offer, so much going on to transform lives, but is the best kept secret." We will be creative in our approach to get the word out and share that there is a transformational community who embodies God's message of love and peace for all people.

I lift up thanks for all who participated this last weekend and will be engaging in forming our future. Special thanks to the staff, Vision Team members, and our Church Council for providing such great leadership.

If you would like to learn more about this past weekend, or what is to come, please feel free to contact me.

Peace

Pastor Paul



CALENDAR

August Events

TUESDAY 1: Men's Fellowship, 7a, F-Hall; Knitters Group 10a, Peace Room; Beverage and Bible 5p, Tavern 22

THURSDAY 3: Women's Fellowship, 8a, Narthex

SUNDAY 6: Traditional Service with Communion 10a; ONEVOICE Rehearsal 11:15a Sanctuary; Christway Full Gospel Ministry, 1p; La Senda Antigua Church, 3p

MONDAY 7: Social Action 6p, Narthex

TUESDAY 8: Men's Fellowship, 7a, F-Hall; Knitters Group 10a, Peace Room; Beverage and Bible 5p, Tavern 22

THURSDAY 10: Women's Fellowship, 8a, Peace Room;

SUNDAY 13: Outdoor Worship, 10a; Confirmation Follow Up 11:30a, F-Hall; Christway Full Gospel Ministry, 1p; La Senda Antigua Church, 3p

TUESDAY 15: Men's Fellowship, 7a, F-Hall; Knitters Group 10a, Peace Room; Beverage and Bible 5p, Tavern 22

WEDNESDAY 16: Church Council 7p, Peace Rm

THURSDAY 17: Women's Fellowship, 8a, Peace Rm; Card Sharks 6:30p, Narthex

SATURDAY 19: Listos Preschool Butterfly Festival 12-3p, Listos parking lot

SUNDAY 20: Contemporary Service, 10a; Faith Formation, 11:15a, F-Hall; Christway Full Gospel, 1p; La Senda Antigua Church, 3p

TUESDAY 22: Men's Fellowship, 7a, F-Hall; Knitters Group 10a, Peace Room; Beverage and Bible 5p, Tavern 22

THURSDAY 24: Women's Fellowship, 8a, Narthex

SATURDAY 26: Dueling Pianos 7p, F-Hall)

SUNDAY 27: Traditional Service, 10a; Faith Formation, 11:15a, F-Hall; Christway Full Gospel, 1p; La Senda Antigua Church, 3p

TUESDAY 29: Men's Fellowship, 7a, F-Hall; Knitters Group 10a, Peace Room; Beverage and Bible 5p, Tavern 22

THURSDAY 31: Women's Fellowship, 8a, Peace Rm

LOOKING AHEAD

SEPTEMBER:

Hawthorne Helps Dental Fundraiser

10: Rally Day

23: NAMI Walk

23: Confirmation Retreat

OCTOBER

28: Drag Queen Bingo

NOVEMBER

16-19 John Pavlovitz weekend

19: Thanksgiving Meal



2023



Saturday, Sept. 23

NAMI Walk Sponsor

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23— Peace Church Social Action team is very excited to be a sponsor at the NAMI Walks MN event this year. Our group will provide coolers full of water and people to greet walkers along their route. If you are interesting in donating bottled water, or have a cooler that we could use, please reach out to Clare at the Welcome Desk (aoffice@peacechurchucc.org).

If you are interested in participating in the walk, please follow the link: bit.ly/44UMyCW



Sunday, July 23



FEATURED EVENTS



SATURDAY, AUGUST 26 AT 7P

DUELING *Pianos*

DRINKS · APPETIZERS · MUSIC · FRIENDS

AT PEACE CHURCH

Dueling Pianos

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26: 7p— You won't want to miss this exciting performance of best friends Dylan Starr and Kyle Meerkins as they bring their hilarious dueling piano show to Peace Church. Featuring your favorite songs including Hey Jude, I Love Rock & Roll, Bohemian Rhapsody, ...Baby One More Time, and more!

Tickets: \$20 per person or \$150 for a table of 8

Tickets include a charcuterie appetizer. Cash bar will be available from Glynner's Pub.

Ticket Sales end on Wednesday, August 19

Purchase tickets [here](#) or at the Welcome desk!



Outdoor Service/ Blessing of the Animals

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13— Celebrate summer with worship on the Peace's front lawn! Bring a chair and bring a pet! During this service we will celebrate the pets in our lives with a special blessing.

Ensure that your pet is accustomed to crowds and other people. If you have a special pet who is no longer with us, bring a picture or favorite toy that we can bless. Please bring a lawn chair. In case of inclement weather, our service and the blessing of the animals will take place in the Fellowship Hall.

Questions? Contact Clare.

Butterfly Festival

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19— Family-friendly cultural festival featuring the Monarch butterfly's beautiful connection between Minnesota and Mexico. Free children's activities, performances, art and food vendors and a community information fair. The event will be held outside on the grounds around Listos's classrooms at Peace Church. In the case of rain the event will be held inside the building.



Butterfly Fest

AUGUST 19, 2023
12 - 3 PM
LISTOS
1503 2ND AVE NE

Family-friendly festival celebrating the connections and cultures brought together by the monarch butterfly

Listos
Preschool
& Childcare

www.ListosKids.org

Spotlight News



The Incredible Pastor Paul has a Milestone birthday on August 14th!

Help us send him some extra love this year and mail greetings to his home, or the church.

Paul Bauch
13870 Gulf Breeze Ct.
Apple Valley, MN 55124

Pastor Paul Bauch
1503 2nd Ave NE
Rochester, MN 55906



The Grand Drag Legacy of SE MN: Joseph Alexander

Joseph Alexander is the recipient of a 2023 Southeastern Minnesota Arts Council Individual Artist Grant to fund his upcoming series of portraits entitled The Grand Drag Legacy of Southeastern Minnesota. This project entails portraits of established drag performers who have advanced representation of the LGBTQIA+ community in Minnesota's Driftless Area.

The portraits and associated works will comprise a show opening on Sunday, August 13, 2023 at Threshold Arts in Rochester, Minnesota. Joseph is a portrait and still life artist, and is the founder of Driftless Art Academy in Rochester.

The Queens themselves (**including our very own Drag Queen Bingo Host Anita Tiara**) will be present to unveil their portraits at 7p.

Cash bar and snacks provided by Threshold Arts

This activity is made possible through a grant from the Southeastern Minnesota Arts Council thanks to a legislative appropriation from the arts & cultural heritage fund.

Register for the free opening here: <https://bit.ly/3ONb0R7>



The Grand Drag Legacy of Southeastern Minnesota runs August 13 to November 5, 2023

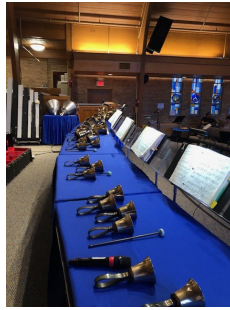


Shakespeare's Twelfth Night: Rochester Civic Theater

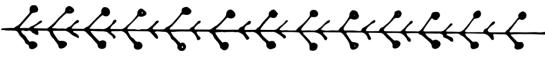
Our very own, **Melissa Kloempken (Peace Church song leader and council member)** will be performing in the Rochester Shakespeare Theater's production of "Twelfth Night". Twelfth Night is a tale of unrequited love – hilarious and heartbreaking. Twins are separated in a shipwreck, and forced to fend for themselves in a strange land. The first twin, Viola, falls in love with Orsino, who dotes on Olivia, who falls for Viola but is idolized by Malvolio. Enter Sebastian, who is the spitting image of his twin sister...

For tickets, visit: <https://bit.ly/3rZ11lb>

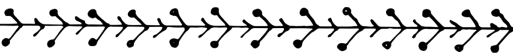
Performances
August 17-19: 7p
August 20: 2p



Strikepoint Bell Ensemble, July 31 (left and above)
Channel One team August (below)



Godfather's Pizza Booth (below)



Outdoor Worship at Chester Woods:
July 16, 2023 (below and right)



RALLY DAY 2023



PATHWAYS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

10a Worship

11:15a Pathways

12-2p Rally Day Celebration

Pathways is a weekly K-Adult program designed to promote kindness, compassion and peace within the community.

"Rally Day" is an annual kick off to a brand new year of learning and leading in our Pathways Program.

Join the fun at 12p and enjoy pizza, a bounce house, activities, and great company!!

Lessons on being a good human



SUNDAYS, 11:15a

John Pavlovitz Weekend #1
July 28, 29, 30



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FINANCIAL UPDATE

	MAY 2023	YEAR-TO-DATE	MAY 2022
Pledges budgeted	\$32,500	\$162,500	\$35,167
Pledges received	\$25,457	\$139,299	\$62,380
Difference	-\$ 7,043	-\$ 23,201	\$27,213

The pledges received for May were down from budget by **-\$7,043**. We are also down from last year May by **-\$23,201**. YTD we are down by **-\$23,202** from budget and are down from last YTD by **-\$39,493**. Non-pledge dollars are still ahead of budget by \$260 and ahead of last year by approximately \$1,700

Total income was down **-\$5,090** from budget and YTD down by **-\$23,784**; \$10,000 of that is from non-payment of Listos but we will be receiving those funds in July.

May expenses were under budget by \$2,739 and under the year by \$15,711.

In comparison to last year's expenses, we are over by \$6,719 but still under last year day to day by \$10,080.

Bottom line, our May budget was over by \$2,350 and over YTD by \$8,071. Compared to last May, we are down by \$38,828 for the month and down YTD last May by \$21,842.

Please contact Tom DeYoung (LTDEYOUNG@msn.com) if you have any questions.

August

Birthdays

We celebrate with those in our church family who have birthdays in:

AUGUST

- 01 Jody Morbeck
- 02 Cheryl Dirksmeyer
- 03 Deb Arneson
- 06 Nash Swenson
- 07 Jacob Trachsel, Robert Werner
- 08 Anne Lilleskov
- 09 Kari Siewert, Lacey Strauss, Amanda Theuer
- 10 Melinda Basballe
- 11 Zach Nevala
- 12 Renee Bjork
- 14 Paul Bauch
- 15 Amy Kuth
- 18 Erland Karlstad, Grant Kesselring, Will Sadler
- 19 Michele Hanenberger, Terry Miller
- 20 Glenn Eichhorn
- 21 Nadine Christie, Lilly Poterucha, Joanne Roeber
- 22 Anika Labinski, Rosalie Poterucha, MariJane Sunnock
- 23 Tamryn Hall, Laurie Klein
- 24 Shawn Davis
- 25 Buck Lenz
- 26 DeAnn Hines, Michelle Jerabek, Gloria Liebenow
- 27 Winston Pfeifer, Emily Schmitt
- 28 Marcella Swan
- 30 Dianne Barker, Maxine Pfeifer, Nicole Ramaker

SAVE THE DATE
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28
HALLOWEEN DRAG QUEEN BINGO
CASH PRIZES
COSTUME CONTEST
 TWO PERFORMANCES
4P & 7P
 TICKETS SALES 9.10.23 - 10.28.23
 OR UNTIL SOLD OUT