

Valley of Peace Lutheran Church

Sunday, July 13, 2025 – Sunday, July 20, 2025

Sunday, July 13 9:30 am Worship *Pastor Chris joins us! 11:30 am Council Retreat 6:45 pm PJ Storytime with Pace

> Wednesday, July 16 5:30 pm Pray Without Ceasing Service

Thursday, July 17 10:00 am Text Study

Saturday, July 19 4:30 pm Question or Two: Fulton Brewery MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR HABITAT

The Valley of Peace Habitat team project will be in September this year: Wednesday to Friday, 9/17 - 9/19, 2025 - we will be working on a home remodel in Roseville. All are welcome to participate! If you have questions, direct them to Craig Franz or to me.

Paul Mikelson VoP Habitat Co-coordinator

Sunday, July 20 9:30 am Worship 6:45 pm PJ Storytime with Pace

Our Mission Living in God's love and compassion, we are called and sent by God to be disciples of Jesus Christ, as the Holy Spirit works through us for healing, justice, and peace.



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"WE MAKE THE ROAD BY WALKING" BY BRIAN D. MCLAREN

In Worship on July 20, we will be referencing Chapter 46.

CONTRUCTION CORNER

Things continue to be busy at Valley of Peace for construction. The sheet rock continues in the daycare bathroom, the rooms are starting to be painted in the daycare as well. The boiler is in place and work is ongoing to get it up and running. There will be several Sundays that we may have to have services in Fellowship Hall due to no air conditioning. Stay tuned. Progress on the lower level! The fourth week in July, the drawings and specifications will be sent out to the contractors for bidding.

We will be on hiatus for a couple of Sundays.

Christine and Dan Weatherman, Co-project Coordinators

WEED OR WHEAT??

Even though God will determine who is a weed and who is wheat, it's up to us to determine which is a weed and which is not in our own VoP gardens. A number of weeds will soon be tall enough that there will be no question which is which! That being the case, you are cordially invited to come outdoors on **Saturday, July 12** from 8-12 to pull, yank or otherwise obliterate the weeds at Valley of Peace. A group effort is always more enjoyable, so we look forward to seeing you then! There may be a mid-morning treat if the weeds aren't tempting enough. If you are interested in tending your favorite garden bed at VoP on a more regular basis, please let Dan Weatherman know at (612)849-3228. The weeds, unfortunately, grow all summer and we don't' want to be the flock that doesn't tend its own garden.

PRAY WITHOUT CEASING INVITATION

Consider joining us in "Pray Without Ceasing" Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. Come when you can, come as you are, to hold the cares of the world in meditation and community.

Laurie Eaton and Pastor Ashley will rotate leading us in this 30-minute informal and non-partisan service of prayer, song, scripture, and community.

JULY MISSION OF THE MONTH: HUNGER INSECURITIES

This was supposed to be the first time that AGCLC was the Mission of the Month but we have decided to wait until next year when they are more settled and can better determine how VoP can serve them.

So, with the economy the way it is, we have decided to focus on charities that help address hunger insecurity, specifically PRISM and Loaves and Fishes. You are welcome to specify which of these two you would like your donation to go to or to increase your normal food donations. Let's fill the red grocery cart to over-flowing! (btw, PRISM is no longer accepting egg cartons) All unspecified donations will be pooled and split between the two.

God's Peace,

Dee Kendall, Social Ministries Chair

RESPOND TO FLOODING IN TEXAS

You've likely seen the devastating news about the catastrophic flash floods in South Central Texas. Our hearts break as we learn of the damage, loss of life, and ongoing search for survivors.

We join Bishop Sue Briner's call to "pray, pray, pray for those who are still lost as well as the families of those who are lost, who have died, or who have experienced loss of home or property." As ever and with your support, our church stands ready to walk with our neighbors in the Texas hill country as the floodwaters recede and rebuilding begins.

You can help support recovery responses by giving through <u>Lutheran Disaster Response</u>. They will accompany communities throughout the recovery process, and walk with them for as long as it takes.



Birthdays: Emerson Pierson, 7/17; Oliver Pierson, 7/17; Ken Schneider, 7/17; Melanie Froyum, 7/18; Sandy Resick, 7/19

Anniversaries:

Emilie & Adrian Moravec, 7/14, their 18th; Melanie & Dustin Froyum, 7/14, their 17th; Ann & Andy Dybvig, 7/15, their 25th; Ann & Pat McGraw, 7/18, their 32nd; Gina Privratsky & Lisa Thanghe, 7/18, their 10th; Mary King-Broin & Daniel Broin, 7/17, their 22nd

We invite you to take the announcements home with you and remember in prayer:

The Lutheran Church of Christ in Nigeria/our Congregation partner -LCCN, St. Luke Cathedral, Mayo-Gwoi, Jalingo, Nigeria and Pastor Talmon Yakaba

The children and youth of Valley of Peace and the members of the congregation who pray for them daily.

The congregation of Valley of Peace, that we extend an open welcome to all people and model in our community the reconciling ministry of Jesus Christ.

Those who have health concerns or are receiving treatment.

Prayer requests are listed with permission. If you would like to be included in the prayers please contact the church office. Names will be included for 4 weeks unless otherwise asked for. Confidential prayer support is also available.

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Valley of Peace is committed to Racial Justice & is a Reconciling in Christ Church.

