

## Valley of Peace Lutheran Church

Sunday, October 19, 2025 - Sunday, October 26, 2025

Sunday, October 19 NO Children's Faith Formation 9:00 am Adult Faith Formation

10:15 am Worship

Wednesday, October 22

5:45 pm Pray Without
Ceasing Service
6:30 pm Confirmation
7:00 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal

Thursday, October 23 10:00 am Text Study

Sunday, October 26

9:00 am Children's Faith Formation 9:00 am Adult Faith Formation 10:15 am Worship

#### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

Please consider sponsoring the altar flowers (\$30). The sign up sheets are on the bulletin board near the restrooms. Thanks!



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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### **ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

#### October 26th: PRISM

PRISM's Jason Wittak will update us on the state of PRISM and what we can do to help. Join us Sunday mornings at 9:00 in the Fireside Room...the coffee is always on!

## THANK YOU!!



The Auction/Raffle and Chili Cook-Off Committees are filled with gratitude! Our event was a huge success, all due to you! Thank you so much for your donations, participation and enthusiasm! One could feel the energy in the air, all for the kids!! While the final figure is not in yet, the committees feel confident reporting earnings of at least \$2500! Thank you for your generosity!

A big thank you to Lake Area Discovery Center for providing entertainment for the kids! They loved pumpkin decorating!

The chili selections were amazing! We have three people with bragging rights. All winners took home an empty crock pot and either a gold, silver or bronze ladle! First Place-Patty Holmstrom Second Place-Barb Mikelson Third Place-Andy Dybvig

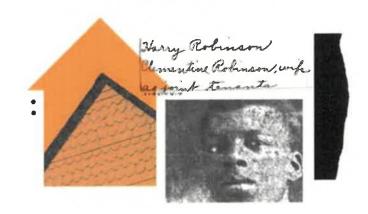
Again, many thanks to all! We asked and you were there for our kids!

# SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26

Members of Valley of Peace are invited to a special congregational meeting on Sunday, October 26, immediately following the 10:15 a.m. worship service. At this meeting, members will vote on bids for construction and equipment work in the kitchen, lower-level restroom, and fellowship hall. The Lower Level Task Force and Church Council have thoroughly reviewed multiple proposals and unanimously recommend the bids that will be presented at this meeting. Task Force member Dave Gilyard will share more details, and we will hear an update on the Rejoice & Renew Capital Campaign and funding strategies. Members should have received a mailing with more information. If you did not receive a mailing, please let Pastor Ashley know. You can attend this meeting in person in the sanctuary or online using Zoom. Zoom Meeting information can be found at <a href="https://www.valleyofpeace.org">www.valleyofpeace.org</a> under our calendar of activities.



### WILDFIRE TALKS: GHOST OF A CHANCE



Thursday, Oct. 23 • 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

## House of Hope Lutheran Church, 4800 Boone Ave N, New Hope MN 55428

Join Star Tribune reporter Eric Roper and producer Melissa Townsend for a conversation about Ghost of a Chance—the story of how researching a 113 -year-old Minneapolis home led to uncovering the lives of Harry and Clementine Robinson and a revelatory chapter in the city's racial history.

Why it matters: this Minneapolis story has metro-wide resonance—how our region's past is woven into the houses, streets, and systems that shaped today's suburbs, and how those histories inform ongoing conversations about belonging and equity in our community.

The evening includes an open Q&A and light refreshments.

You can listen to the podcast before or after the event. Visit <a href="https://www.startribune.com/ghost-of-a-chance/601197355">https://www.startribune.com/ghost-of-a-chance/601197355</a> to find episodes, discussion guides, and archival materials.

## VALLEY OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

#### MISSION STATEMENT

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

#### RECONCILING IN CHRIST STATEMENT

We recognize that each person is a unique creation of God and, by grace, is called a child of God, without exception and regardless of gender, race, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental ability, age, station in life, or political affiliation.

#### VALLEY OF PEACE LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge that we live and worship near waters and on land taken from the Wahpekute band of the Santee Dakota Nation, who were the original inhabitants of this area. We honor their wise stewardship of this place and the recognition that we are all part of the same creation. The injustice and trauma experienced by Native civilizations, with the arrival of the Europeans in America, have had a lasting impact on these nations. We are responsible to recognize and counter the historical and contemporary injustices that continue in our time. We honor with gratitude the spirit of the peoples from long ago, the spirit of the Native people who live among us today, and the spirit filled people of Valley of Peace, united in this place.

#### RACIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT

We believe we are all created in God's image and that we are called by Jesus, through the workings of the Holy Spirit for healing, justice, and peace, to reconciliation, service, and care for all of God's beloved community.

We confirm that, as a ministry of Jesus Christ, we envision a faith community that celebrates all people and strives for racial justice in all that we do.

We commit to racial justice in all aspects of our congregational life, in our community and in our global outreach efforts, and to actively participate in actions that address the inequities in our community.

# October Mission of the Month

You are invited to **donate** to our drive for **Winter**Clothing for the children at Noble Elementary
School!

Especially needed are:

Waterproof gloves - all children's sizes snow pants - sizes children's 5 up to adult small winter boots - all children's sizes

Or just give a monetary donation and we'll go shopping for you! You may contribute funds with checks made out to Valley of Peace, or give online to VoP. Just designate Noble School in the memo line.

Please place your clothing donations in the lower level entryway baskets!

Thank you for your support!

VoP Social Ministry Team

## PRISM REALLY NEEDS OUR HELP!



A downed power line left PRISM without electricity, forcing Shop for Change to close and causing them to lose 2,667 pounds of food—including milk, eggs, produce, and more. That's a \$7,500 setback, and it directly impacts the families who count on them every week.

They need our help to recover. Donations of food or funds will replace what was lost and ensure families continue to have access to fresh, healthy items. Together, we can turn this challenge into strength for our community.

Either donate here to help them continue service without interruption: <a href="https://prismmpls.org/donate/">https://prismmpls.org/donate/</a> or fill the grocery cart on the lower level here at church with non-perishable items. Thank you!!



#### Birthdays:

Marv Lofquist, 10/19; Stephanie Cook, 10/19; Evelyn Anderson, 10/21; Dan Broin, 10/22; Claire Brummel, 10/25; Ruth Larson, 10/25; Margaret Wallace, 10/26

#### **Anniversaries:**

Sarah and Dan Kempf, 10/24, their 33rd Stephanie and Brian Cook, 10/26, their 29th

## 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.

