

## WORSHIP, CLASSES, EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

**Patrick and Jackie Bencke are coming to Word of Peace on Monday, August 20** to share interesting stories of their work as missionaries in Kumamoto, Japan. Come for a potluck supper at 5:30 PM followed by a short presentation, and then worship with Patrick and Jackie at 6:30. Please bring a dish to share.

**Join us for a youth-led worship on Sunday, Aug. 26 and Monday, Aug. 27.** Come hear stories and experiences from the youth who attended the ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston in June, and listen to music from Rachel Kurtz at all services.

**Blessing of the Backpacks**—Students and teachers of all grade levels are invited to bring their backpacks, briefcases, and book bags to worship on August 27/28 and receive a blessing to begin the new academic year.

**Mark your calendars for Peace Fest, Sunday September 9**—We invite you to celebrate the return to our fall worship schedule with games and activities, inflatables, food trucks and pie, along with a book fair and church school and confirmation open house. Please bring a pie to share and invite your neighbors!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Flowers on the altar** have been given by Judy Adams in memory of husband, father and grandfather, Joe Adams.

**Have you gotten rid of your land line phone?** Please give us your mobile number so we have a way to reach you. Contact Susen in the church office at [skay@wordofpeace.org](mailto:skay@wordofpeace.org) or (763) 496-2400.

## OPPORTUNITIES TO GIVE AND SERVE

**Word of Peace is hosting its second gala, "An Evening in Venice," on Saturday, October 13.** We would greatly appreciate donations of products or services for the silent auction. Please pick up a donation form at the Information Desk and return it and your donation to the church office by September 30. And save the date for the gala; we are looking forward to a wonderful evening!

**A fundraiser for Word of Peace member Pat Backhaus is being held on Saturday, August 18** at the Villa Bar & Grill in Albertville. Pat underwent a heart transplant in October 2017 and the fund-

raiser is to help the family with their medical expenses for his life-long recovery. Villa will donate 10% of your food and drink purchases to the Backhaus family from 3 PM to close. Silent auction, games, raffle, and entertainment from 4-7 PM. See the flyer on the Community bulletin board outside the church office for more details.

**Dayton Mobile Hope** is now scheduling tutors for the 2018/2019 school year. If you can spare 2 hours a week on Tuesdays or Thursdays from 4-6 PM to help kids in the Dayton Mobile Home Park with their homework, please attend an orientation session on Tuesday, August 21 or Thursday, September 6 from 4-6 PM at 19020 County Road 81 in Osseo. You will be surprised and gratified by how much fun you will have with these kids as you encourage them in their school work. Please RSVP to Cathy Walter, [zahler1023@gmail.com](mailto:zahler1023@gmail.com) or (612) 306-6943.

**CROSS Food Shelf Needs in August:** Spaghetti sauce, canned tomatoes, sauce and paste, paper & plastic grocery bags. Donations may be dropped off at the CROSS Corner in the North Gathering Area.

## CHILDREN, YOUTH, & FAMILY

**Please register for church school and confirmation soon!** Registration forms can be found at [wordofpeace.org](http://wordofpeace.org) or outside the Children's Ministry and Youth Ministry offices. Classes are filling up fast!

**All confirmation families should plan to attend Confirmation Orientation** on Wednesday, September 5. NEW STUDENTS, come from 5:45-8 PM; RETURNING STUDENTS come from 7:30-8:30 PM. At least one parent should also attend. Questions? Contact Megan Moen at [mmoen@wordofpeace.org](mailto:mmoen@wordofpeace.org).

**Kids of Peace Preschool still has several openings available for classes that begin this fall.** For more information, visit [wordofpeace.org/kidsofpeace](http://wordofpeace.org/kidsofpeace) or contact Julie Picconatto, Preschool Director, at [jpicconatto@wordofpeace.org](mailto:jpicconatto@wordofpeace.org) or (763) 496-2419.

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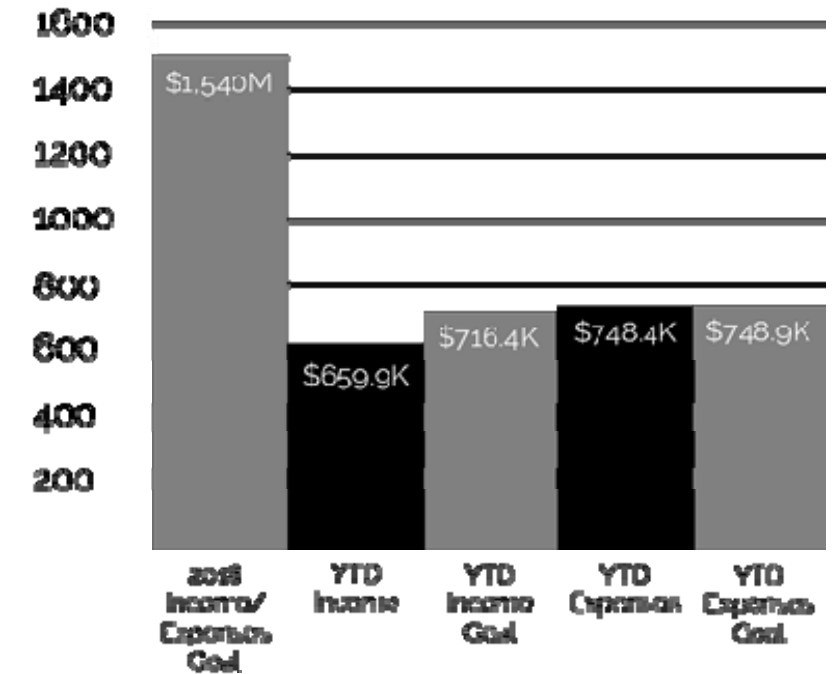
## FINANCIAL UPDATE

**Word of Peace is solely funded by the financial gifts from church members, guests, and attendees like you.** If you are currently giving to Word of Peace, THANK YOU! Your continued giving is vital to support the 2018 operations and the ministry that Word of Peace provides to the congregation and community.

**Please consider a recurring gift** to ensure that you are continuing to support Word of Peace even when you are unable to get to church. More information at [wordofpeace.org/give](http://wordofpeace.org/give).

**Questions?** Contact Linda Thomas, Director of Administration, at (763) 496-2407 or [lthomas@wordofpeace.org](mailto:lthomas@wordofpeace.org).

## JUNE 2018



Total Loans: \$75,000

**To qualify your donation to the matching gift this summer, be sure to include "Double the Impact" as your giving type or write it in the memo of your check.**

### Convenient Ways to Give:

- Text "wopl" to 77977
- Online: [wordofpeace.org/give](http://wordofpeace.org/give)
- Pushpay app
- Card reader at the Information Desk
- Cash or Check

## WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

### Sunday, August 12

Worship at 8:30 & 10 AM

### Monday, August 13

1 PM Youth Gaga Ball

4:30 PM Gala Committee

6:30 PM Worship

7:15 PM Sundaes on Mondays

### Tuesday, August 14

9 AM Women's Friendship Circle

6:30 PM Grief Support Group

6:30 PM Executive Team

### Thursday, August 16

6:30 PM Spirit Wind

7 PM AA

### Sunday, August 19

Worship at 8:30 & 10 AM

### Monday, August 20

5:30 PM Patrick & Jackie Bencke Potluck  
& Presentation

6:30 PM Worship

7:15 PM Sundaes on Mondays

## IN OUR PRAYERS

Prayer concerns are listed in the worship bulletin for one week unless otherwise requested, or it is an on-going difficulty for a church member. Prayers of the Church that are spoken during worship will include new prayer concerns and updates. Thank you for understanding as we meet the many prayer requests and needs of the Word of Peace congregation and community.

**Ill or Hurt**-Steve Herzog, Ron Jacobsen, Hazel Norris, Lowell Peickert, Lou Oberdeck

**Battling Cancer**-Tanner Hoover, Rose Gilbert, Sue Rawlings, Donna Kuhn, Bob Anderson, John Holland, Steve Bianchi, Neal Stahl, Kevin, Andrea Weston, Elaine, Vicki Holts, Cheryl Ganara, Jamie Harff, Kari, Mary, Evonne Schultz, Nathalie, Lori Carlson, Beth Haney, Linda Sauer, Shane Burton, Charlie Schoen, Darlene Personius, Maury, Pastor Cyndi Ganzkow, Tonya Lucas, Craig, Heather Brown, Xander Wold, Rob Lundeed, Janis Teichler, Chelsi Terwey, Tyler Guimont, Wesley Graves, Hailey O'Malley, Joan Ring, Steve Bianchi, Jeanne Olsen, Darin, Karen Nikko, Tim, Ken Hebert, Diane Childs, Karla Teasley, Sharon B., Kevin Kleist, Debra Donohue, Mike Childs, Jacob Nardini, LeRoy Slater

**Thanksgiving**-The baptisms of Joseph Cain and Amaya Devine.

**Mourning**-Dick and Judy Nelson and family mourning the death of their brother in-law, Doug Cedarstrand. Dennis Satterlee and Carol Larson and family mourning the death of Dennis' wife and Carol's mother, Marlys Satterlee. Harold and Eric Trombley and family mourning the death of Harold's wife and Eric's mother, Jeanne Trombley. Cory and Kelly Biller and their family mourning Cory's mother, Karen Biller. Glenn and Caren Nemec and family mourning the death of Caren's mother, Elaine Tesdahl.

**Other**-For people who experience physical, emotional, and spiritual hunger and homelessness; For people around the world living in war, violence, hate, prejudice, or terrorism; For children and families experiencing conflict, for people living with infertility; and for all people who are living with mental health issues, feelings of hopelessness, and addiction.

**Those known by our congregation in military service**-Sage Clift, Joseph Farrow, Stephanie Westrum, Jenny Rose, Austin Lucas, David Hellerude, Chase Schmidt, Bryce Balfanz, Cody Messner, Nick Jones, Tyeler Schmidt, Michelle Werness, Gabe Vicioso, Eric Ouellette, Eric Leiter, Trevor Young, Shawn Alderman, Jacob Kerkow, Matthew Halvorson, Brian Hornbaker, Adam Schutte, Ryan Broyles, Daniel Reichert, James Miller, Pamela Burns, Bill Cole, PJ Holland, Richard Kiphuth, Erin (Schoephoerster) Kukay, Chris Kukay, Michael Scott, Wendy May, Greg Bowers, Brad Kunz, John Vargas, Scott, Chad and Tad Wellsted.

### **REQUEST A PRAYER**

**Prayer Box:** Please use the prayer cards provided next to the church office window and place your prayer request in the Prayer Box.

**Call or Email:** Contact Pastor Kristin Skare at [kskare@wordofpeace.org](mailto:kskare@wordofpeace.org) or (763) 496-2404.

**Online:** Go to [wordofpeace.org/pray](http://wordofpeace.org/pray) and use the online form to submit your prayer request.

Prayers will be prayed for during the following week, and the church staff prays for all prayer concerns in the Word of Peace Community each Tuesday.



August 12 & 13, 2018

**Welcome to Word of Peace!** If you are a guest, please fill out a Connection Card so we can become better acquainted. Cards are available outside the Sanctuary doors and at the Information Desk; or complete the online card at [wordofpeace.org/connect](http://wordofpeace.org/connect).

**Children are always welcome!** There are a number of spaces and activities designed for children to experience worship in a variety of ways:

- **The nursery** (birth to age 3) is staffed with paid child care assistants. It is located just off the S. Gathering Area across from the kitchen.
- **Busy Bags** (18 mos. to grade 5) filled with quiet activities are available on the rack in the Gathering Area
- **The PrayGround** (birth to age 3) are quiet play spaces in the Sanctuary.

Please help clean up the Busy Bags and PrayGround so that they are ready for the next family to enjoy. For more information, please request a copy of the *Children in Worship* handout from an usher or visit [wordofpeace.org/children-in-worship](http://wordofpeace.org/children-in-worship).

**Hearing Assisted Devices** are available upon request at the sound & media desk in the back of the Sanctuary.

**Join us for social time following worship.** Free coffee and \$1 donuts are served in the South Gathering Area on Sunday. Stay awhile and get to know one another!

**Looking for more information?** Visit [wordofpeace.org](http://wordofpeace.org) to find out about upcoming events, learn more about our church programs and ministries, listen to the weekly message, subscribe to our mailing list, make a donation, and more. Or, stop by the Information Desk in the North Gathering Area with any questions.

### Our Vision and Mission Statement

Our vision is to be a community where everyone knows Christ's Love and shares Christ's Love with all people.

Christ works through us as we welcome all people to grow in faith, love, and devotion, share Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

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**Pastoral Staff**

Rick Skare, Lead Pastor  
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Tyler Strom, Pastor of Faith in Action

### Office Hours

Mon-Thurs 8:00 AM-4:30 PM  
Fri 8:00 AM-12:30 PM

