



**Peace Lutheran Church**  
 Established in 1962  
 Cincinnati, Ohio

**PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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**The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**September 23, 2018**



**PRAY FOR** We remember in our prayers this morning and ask for God's continued comfort, strength and healing: Jackie Dubois, Barb Fuhr, Janet Hill, Donna Huber, Dorothy Keller, Ulla Nystrom, Cathy Ongpin, Wanda Rosenzweig, Marian Schuk, Carol Sullivan.

In our prayers we remember Eric Shuck who has recently had a report of lung cancer. He will be undergoing radiation treatment. May our Lord grant him strength, comfort and healing according to God's good and gracious will.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God by Eric and Marian Schuk in loving remembrance of Marian's parents, William & Belle Epperson.

Sunday September 30<sup>th</sup> and October 21<sup>st</sup> are still available for flower donations.

Check in the office.

**SPECIAL CELEBRATIONS** We rejoice with those who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries. Please remember our "Peace Family" and send a card or give a call to wish them blessings on their special day.

Sep 27 Janet Dotterman

Oct 3 Ramona Vallandingham

Sep 29 Brooke Koelling

Oct 5 Jason & Chrissy Kallay

Oct 3 Christine Crowthers

Oct 5 Karen Schmidtgoessling

Oct 3 Doug Guenther

Psalm 92:1 A song. For the Sabbath day.

"It is good to praise the LORD and make music to your name, O Most High,"

**Choir Season: each Wednesday at 7:00 PM. Come, Join Us!**



**Yard Sale**

PEACE LUTHERAN RUMMAGE AND BAKE SALE – October 6<sup>th</sup> 9:00 – 12:00



The Federation of Lutheran Churches presents **Don Wharton in Concert** Sunday, September 30, 2018 @ 4:00 pm Christ Lutheran Church

***Tickets are required due to limited seating.*** Register at <https://don-wharton-in-cincinnati.eventbrite.com> or call Linda Schuster at 513-221-3187. Leave your name and phone number. Linda will contact you as soon as she is able for your order information.

**MARK YOU CALENDARS** and join St. Paul Lutheran Church, Madisonville in Celebrating 150 years of God's Faithfulness on Saturday, October 13 from 1:00 – 3:00.



September 18, 2018  
Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

Hurricane Florence struck the southeastern coast this past weekend, affecting thousands. The rainfall amount is catastrophic, causing extensive flooding and damaging property, homes and businesses.

In times of need, we are called to help and serve our brothers and sisters, and there are opportunities for you to give through your volunteer efforts, monetary gifts and prayers.

**Helping Appalachian Rural People (H.A.R.P.)** a RSO of the LCMS, is one of the Ohio District partners coordinating donations, volunteers and spiritual Christian Care for Hurricane Florence response.

Flood buckets, health kits, school kits, Bibles, gift cards and other emergency supplies are being collected by HARP. Hosanna Lutheran Church in Columbia Station, OH is a collection point (see [Ohio District website](#)) or you can deliver or mail your donations to HARP at 810 Main Street, Caldwell, OH 43724. Contact Mary Bates at: [mary@harpmission.org](mailto:mary@harpmission.org) to coordinate a pickup or call (740) 509-1132 with questions. Items for the kits can be found on the HARP website: [www.harpcaldwell.org](http://www.harpcaldwell.org).

**LSS Disaster Services:** Lutheran Services Carolinas leads relief and long-term recovery efforts in times of major disasters in North and South Carolina and works with local and national partners to ensure people and communities are able to rebuild. Here are ways you can help:

- Make a Gift to **Lutheran Services Carolinas'** disaster recovery efforts to assist those affected by the storm across the Carolinas. [Give LSC](#)
- **LCMS Disaster Response** will be coordinating with the Southeastern and Florida-Georgia District to develop and sustain relief efforts in the disaster zone. [Give LCMS-DR](#)
- Partner with local churches or other organizations to provide basic resources where needed.
- Do not send material goods (i.e. clothing, food, water, supplies).
- Do not self-deploy. Volunteer with local disaster service agencies where ever help is needed most.

LSS Network of Hope Contact: John Pyron, Ohio Statewide Director of Disaster Services, [jpyron@lssnetworkofhope.org](mailto:jpyron@lssnetworkofhope.org) or (937) 540-2507.

Please prayerfully consider a gift to help those who are hurting and need your support. Thank you for your generosity. The Lord bless and keep.

Rev. Dr. Kevin Wilson, ACC  
President – Ohio District, LCMS

## Becoming Workers in the Harvest



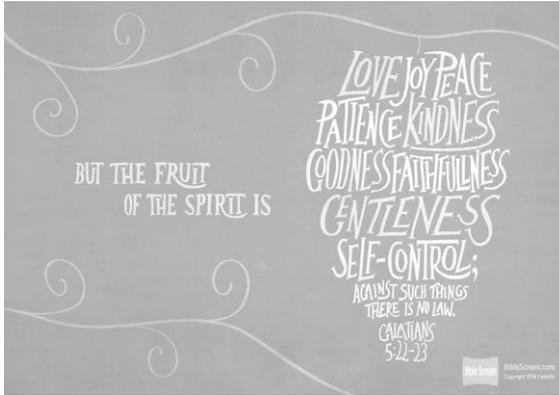
*“Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, ‘The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field’” (Matthew 9:35-38).*

Jesus knew that the people needed a shepherd. He was determined to rescue as many as possible. Jesus said to his disciples, as he speaks to us, *“Ask the Lord of harvest . . . to send out workers into his harvest field.”* It is God’s will that all people come to salvation (2 Peter 3:9). The harvest field belongs to the Lord, and God will see that the people needed for the harvest will be available.

God invites all of us to be his workers in the harvest field. He doesn’t need us, but he gives us the privilege to be involved in this very important work. In his sovereignty, God has called and chosen to work through us. What we can offer is our time and our talents. In Christ, we can do work that will be blessed into eternity. We begin this all-important work by asking or praying for a successful harvest with many workers being sent into the harvest field. Because of our prayers, he will provide the workers who are needed.

As we pray for God’s work to be accomplished through workers in the field, we are, in essence, allowing him to make us the answers to our own prayers. God will find ways to use our gifts in ways that will touch others. We are encouraged to pray for God’s work to be done, and to be involved in doing this work personally. God will give us the strength to overcome the excuses that often plague us such as I don’t have the time or I’m not equipped. As Paul wrote, *“I can do everything through him who gives me strength”* (Philippians 4:13).

# ***Fruit that's Always in Season***



Hebrews 12:2-3 (NIV)

<sup>2</sup> Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. <sup>3</sup> Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

## SERMON NOTES – ***Joy & Peace***

How is joy different from happiness?

Explain: By allowing himself to be mounted on the cross, the Son of God turned that instrument of torture into a giant sewing needle.

Explain: If we can find God on the gallows, then we can find him everywhere—even where everything is painful and makes no sense.

A believer can “baptize” his troubles to handle them better. What does that mean?

We lose our joy when we don't fix our eyes on Jesus. What will you do THIS week to better fix your eyes on Jesus?

How does selfishness kill joy?

What's one thought from today's sermon that you can share with a friend?