

December 5, 2025

Panther Tales

Peace Lutheran School's Weekly Newsletter

Brrr it's been a cold week outside, but things have been heating up inside. We are excited to be working on finishing up our Christmas Program. This year, we have the privilege of having both the band and choir perform our preservice music. So this year, our preservice music section will begin at 6:00 with doors opening at 5:40 to allow everyone to find their seats.

I also want to give a small update on enrollment for next year. We are still working on finalizing details, but you can mark your calendars that we will open re enrollment in FACTS on Monday January 19, 2026. Everyone will receive an email from FACTS with instructions on how to re enroll for next year. We will also send out details regarding tuition and fees, once they are set for next year. Thank you again for choosing Peace.



Thank you to all of the volunteers, especially Kelly Wilks, for all the hard work that went into making this year's Christmas Shoppe a rousing success. It is because of the dedication of parents that we are able to offer these fun events.

I also want to thank you for your amazing response to Gifts for All God's Children this year. We were able to collect over 250 gifts for children who would not be able to afford these items. Your generosity is always appreciated and I thank God that He has put that on your hearts. Praise God for all that He is doing in our community.

We are also looking forward to PJs, Pancakes, and a Play on the morning of Friday, December 19. We have a great performance planned this year, as we spend one last time celebrating the birth of Jesus before we take our two-week break.

Important Upcoming Dates

December 7: Preschool 3s Sings at 10:30 am Church Service

December 10: Preschool Christmas Program at 6:30 pm

December 17: K-8 Christmas Program at **6 pm *NEW START TIME*** (Matinee at 10 am)

December 17: Preschool Christmas Break - Last Day for PK4s

December 18: 3rd & 4th Grade Field Trip to Shelby Lanes from 12:30 - 3 pm

December 18: Preschool Christmas Break - Last Day for PK3s & Young 5s

December 19: Pancake Breakfast with Christmas Chapel

December 19: 1/2 Day - 12 pm Dismissal
December 22 - January 2: K-8 Christmas Break

School Calendar

Church Calendar

Important Bus Dates

1/14/2026 - No AM & PM Buses

2/18/2026 - No AM & PM

2/19/2026 - No AM & PM Buses

2/20/2026 - No AM & PM Buses

2/21/2026 - No AM & PM Buses

2/22/2026 - No AM & PM Buses

6/5/2026 - No PM Buses



January lunch orders are due December 15th

Latchkey Hours

December 10th, 17th, & 19th.

No PM Latchkey

Changes have been made to the 12/8 (Day 10) and 12/10 (Day 8)

12 Days of Christmas

PEACE EDITION

DAYS MARKED WITH AN ** INDICATES DRESS CODE

**** THURSDAY, 12/4 (DAY 12): CHRISTMAS SOCKS**

Festive Feet following the Light of Christmas:

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. ~ Psalm 119:105

FRIDAY, 12/5 (DAY 11): WEAR BRIGHT COLORS

Shining Bright because Jesus Came!

The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. ~ John 1:9

**** MONDAY, 12/8 (DAY 10): CRAZY CHRISTMAS HAIR ****

Joy so big even our hair celebrates!

When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. ~ Matthew 2:10

TUESDAY 12/9 (DAY 9): FAVORITE HOLIDAY CHARACTER

I bring you good news of great joy that will be for ALL people. ~ Luke 2:10

**** WEDNESDAY, 12/10 (DAY 8): CHRISTMAS COLORS**

Shine with joy, the Lord is with you!

Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you. ~ Luke 1:38

THURSDAY, 12/11 (DAY 7): CHRISTMAS ACCESSORIES

Shining Bright because Jesus Came!

The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. ~ John 1:9

FRIDAY, 12/12 (DAY 6): WEAR FLANNEL

Shepherds watched their flocks at night. Luke 2:8

MONDAY 12/15 (DAY 5): DRESS LIKE A CANDY CANE

Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow. ~ Isaiah 1:18

TUESDAY, 12/16 (DAY 4): GLITTER, TINSEL, GOLD, SILVER

A great company of the heavenly host appeared... praising God. ~ Luke 2:13

WEDNESDAY, 12/17 (DAY 3): MAKE CARDS

MAKE A CHRISTMAS CARD FOR YOUR CHAPEL BUDDY AND ONE FOR LOCAL FIRST RESPONDERS

Rejoice! The Savior has Come! Luke 2:11

THURSDAY, 12/18 (DAY 2): UGLY SWEATER

People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart. ~ 1 Samuel 16:7

FRIDAY 12/19 (DAY 1): PAJAMA DAY

She wrapped Him in cloths and laid Him in a manger. Luke 2:7



PANCAKES & PEPPERMINT BREAKFAST

Saturday, December 6

Seatings begin at 9:00am*

Visit www.peaceshelby.org for tickets* and information

Proceeds benefit Peace Youth Group

Join us for a joyful morning of delicious pancakes with Santa, creative holiday crafts, and heartfelt fellowship, hosted by our youth group. As we celebrate the Christmas season, we gather not just to enjoy good food and fun, but to remember the true reason for our hope—God's gift of love through Jesus Christ.

Bring your family and friends and experience the warmth of community, the excitement of meeting Santa, and the joy of sharing God's love with one another. Let's come together in faith and celebration as we spread the light and joy of Christmas!

Special Guest: Santa Claus

Tickets are **\$5 per person**.

Seating:

- 9:00 am
- 9:30 am
- 10:00 am

[Sign Up Here](#)

All proceeds go directly to Peace's Youth Group.



Staff Favorites

Office Staff

Latchkey Staff

Lunch Staff

Office Assistants

Confirmation Teachers

Cleaning Crew

Preschool Staff

I was unable to secure a favorites list from one of the Preschool staff. Please follow up next week.

Panther Cubs

MWF PK3s

T/TH PK3s (Mrs. Schwark)

T/TH PK3s (Mrs. Johnson)

MWF PK4s (Mrs. Schwark)

MWF PK4s (Mrs. Quail)

Young 5s

Kindergarten - 8th Grade Staff

Kindergarten

1st Grade

2nd Grade

3rd Grade

4th Grade

5th Grade

6th Grade

7th Grade

8th Grade

Specials' Staff

I was unable to secure a favorites list from the art teacher and the band teacher. Please follow up next week.

Academic Support

Choir

Gym

LSEM

Music

Spanish

Technology / Library



4S & YOUNG 5S
CHRISTMAS PROGRAM



“TO BETHLEHEM”

WEDNESDAY
DECEMBER 10
6:30PM

Hot Cocoa Day!

Friday, December 12

\$2 Each

All proceeds go to:
Gifts for All God's Children

Wear your flannels and refresh
with a nice cup of cocoa!



A blue rectangular box with a thin white border, decorated with white snowflakes of various sizes. The text inside is white and bold.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

SUNDAY | DECEMBER 14 | 10:30AM

BRUNCH TO FOLLOW

****NO 8:30AM SERVICE****

NO KIDZONE OR NURSERY

Snuggle Up & Support Our 8th Graders!



SPIRIT BLANKET FUNDRAISER

\$25

Blankets are here!
It's the perfect Christmas Gift!

**PLEASE SUPPORT
8TH GRADE CLASS TRIP**



Available for purchase in the
office or from an 8th Grader!

*****NEW START TIME IS 6 PM*****

ARREST THESE MERRY GENTLEMAN



K-8 CHRISTMAS PROGRAM



WEDNESDAY | DECEMBER 17

MATINEE @ 10:00AM
EVENING @ 6:30PM

Pancake Breakfast

December 19th



Volunteers Needed

Volunteers Needed to
Make and Serve
Pancakes & Sausage

Volunteer Here

christmas break office hours

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 22 & TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23
MONDAY, DECEMBER 29 - WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31
8:00AM - 12:00PM**



**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24 - FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26
THURSDAY, JANUARY 1 & FRIDAY, JANUARY 2
OFFICE CLOSED**

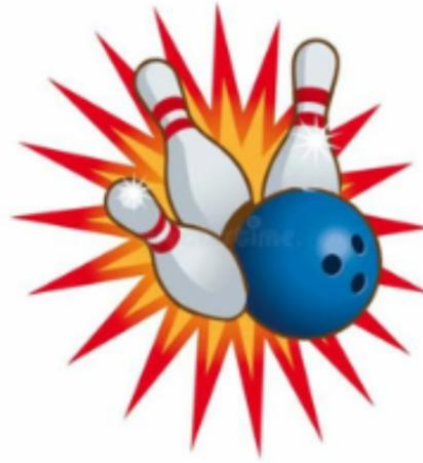
Christmas Eve Candlelight Services

WEDNESDAY | DECEMBER 24

**ONSITE @ 4PM & 6PM
LIVESTREAMED @ 4PM**



Trinity Bowling Club



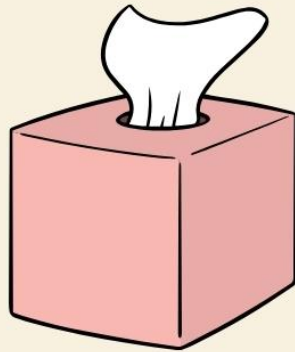
*****This is in collaboration with Peace Lutheran*****

- Ages: Young 5 - 8th Grade
Young 5s - 3rd Grade must have THEIR parent or grandparent with them (Other parents cannot substitute)
- Equipment - None needed, but you may bring your own
- Where - Shelby Lanes - 50721 Van Dyke
- When - Mondays 4:15 - 5:45 pm, January 5-March 23
- No club on January 19 or February 16
- Cost - \$100 per child for the 10-week session

Register Here

Questions? Contact Kelly Wilks
at kellywilks98@gmail.com

Please consider donation
the following:



Tissue for the
class specials
and the office

Clorox wipes
for the office,
art class, and
Spanish class



Stay warm and cozy with our plush 50"x 60" blankets—perfect for chilly nights, sporting events, or gifting! Every blanket sold helps fund the 8th Grade Class Trip.

Get yours today and wrap up in comfort while supporting our students' big adventure! Each blanket is \$25 and tentatively arrives in the first part of October. Limited quantity available. Thank you for your support! Questions, Contact Renee Gedeon at reneegedeon@gmail.com

Please click the link below to check out our new website for spirit wear. Show you Panther Spirit!



Peace Spirit Wear Website



**Interested in the
yearly theme shirt?**

**Purchase your
shirt at Peace's
Spirit Wear shop
today!**

SERVE PEACE

School Volunteer Opportunities



Scan the QR code to visit
the volunteer signup page
or call the office to volunteer.

Peace requires every Kindergarten - 8th grade family to contribute fifteen (15) volunteer hours for the school year. Please give serious thought and consideration to your volunteer hours and choose a place that you feel will be most beneficial to you and our school.

Volunteer hours must be completed. If you have done volunteer hours, please fill out the volunteer form and return it to the office. Please click the link listed below for the volunteer form. The volunteer form can also be retrieved from the office.

Volunteer opportunities are listed weekly and updated as opportunities arise. You can view the volunteer forms and opportunities at the links below.

Volunteer Opportunities

**Volunteer Background
Check Consent Form**

**Volunteer Hours Record
Form**

RaiseRight:

How it works:

- Buy gift cards at face value
- Earn up to 20% on every gift card you buy
- Use gift cards at full value for your everyday purchases
- 75% of the rebate goes back to your FACTS account (school quarterly) the other 25% supports Peace!

A few details about RaiseRight funds posting to your FastDirect account.

- **Deposits to FACTS:** RaiseRight rebate deposits will be added to your FACTS account 5 times a year, following each school quarter and end of summer.
- **75/25:** Peace has a 75/25 program. This means that 75% of the rebate goes back to the family FACTS account and 25% of the rebate goes back to Peace. So when it posts to your FACTS account, you'll see 75% of what is posted in your RaiseRight account.
- **How to use RaiseRight funds:** Once funds have been deposited to your FACTS account, the funds are available to use within FACTS (fees, general, tuition, lunch, etc). An email must be sent to Diane Evanson (ddawson@peaceshelby.org), Peace's Finance Manager, expressing the use of RaiseRight funds needed.



Get started:

Create an account on the [RaiseRight app](#) or at [RaiseRight.com](#) using our organization's enrollment code: 287EE72E15134

Seamlessly check out and receive eGift cards faster by securely paying online with a linked bank account or credit card.

Email [Holly Nelson](mailto:hnelson@peaceshelby.org) (hnelson@peaceshelby.org) with any questions that you may have.

Shop Here!

Prayer Requests

- We pray for safety for our athletes throughout the season.
- Pray for all those dealing with sickness or injury.
- Pray for healing for kidney cancer (This is for a 6-year-old child)
- Prayers for Wilf (5 years old), who just underwent brain surgery and will start chemo and radiation.

If you have any prayer requests for us to post, please email tredford@peaceshelby.org.

Lutheran High



Lutheran High Northwest
Upcoming Events
 Please visit their website.



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LHNW is now accepting **online applications for the 2026-2027 school year!** If you have an 8th grader and have already decided that Lutheran Northwest is the right fit for your family, please visit www.lutherannorthwest.com/apply to begin your child's journey to becoming a Crusader!

December 13th: High school Placement Test from 8:30 - 11:30 am

Find More Events Here!

Lutheran North Website



Lutheran NW Website

School and Church Office

Office Hours:
 Monday - Friday
 8:00 - 4:00 pm

Office Assistants:
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 Talayna Redford - tredford@peaceshelby.org
 Sarah Johnson - sjohnson@peaceshelby.org

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