

If you were here last Sunday, you left worship with only the Advent wreath showing signs of Christmas in the building. What a refreshing look to see the worship center and lobby adorned with the radiance of the season! Thanks to all who helped with the decorations.

We look back to the Advent wreath and now see TWO candles lit. The candle last week was the candle of HOPE also known as the Prophecy Candle. This week we see the candle representing PEACE or the Bethlehem Candle.

Take a moment to look online for the significance of the Advent wreath, its colors, and scriptural connection.

May your Advent be filled with the HOPE and PEACE that can only come from our Heavenly Father through the Christ-child!

Celebrating the Season!

David Robinson, Principal  
Peace With Christ Christian School

## WAYS TO GIVE

### Give Online:

- **Simply Giving:** Set up recurring electronic giving by scanning the QR code.
- **Venmo:** Give your offerings and tithes through the Venmo app. Search for @PWC-Lutheran and add "general fund" to the note.



### Give In-Person:

- **Cash or Check:** Place your offering in the collection plate.
- **Mail:** Mail your check to Peace With Christ, 3290 S. Tower Rd., Aurora, CO 80013

## PRAYER

- **Prayer Wall:** Write your prayer on a card and place it in the wall located in the church lobby. You can also scan the QR code to submit electronically.
- **Prayer Chain:** Email your prayer request to Sandy Peterson at pray4pwc@pwclc.org.
- **Private Requests:** For confidential prayer requests for Pastor Josh only, email him directly at joshkrepel@pwclc.org.



## STAY CONNECTED

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# PEACE WITH CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pastor Josh Krepel

December 7, 2025

## PREPARE THE WAY

John the Baptist came to prepare the way for Jesus—not with comfort, but with challenge. His message still rings true today: repent, be baptized, and live ready for the Lord.

### Readings:

Isaiah 40:3–5  
Luke 3:1–18

### Traditional Hymns:

#341 Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates  
#357 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel  
#344 On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry  
#376 Once in Royal David's City  
#387 Joy to the World

### Divine Service I V (p203)

### Modern Songs:

Prepare Ye the Way  
Light of the World  
Once and for All  
King's Arrival  
Come Lord Jesus (Even So Come)

## SUNDAY WORSHIP IN PERSON & ONLINE ON FACEBOOK & YOUTUBE

8 AM/TRADITIONAL LITURGY, HYMNS & ORGAN

9:15 AM/SUNDAY MORNING CONNECT EDUCATION HOUR

10:15 AM/MODERN SERVICE, MODERN MUSIC/BAND

# WELCOME!

We hope you find Peace With Christ to be a blessing. We invite you and your family to return and worship with us again soon!

Join our community! Scan the QR code to sign up and receive a welcome message from Pastor Josh.



Kids are welcome! Join us for a family-friendly worship experience. We offer "busy bags" and children's Bibles to keep little ones entertained.



We invite you to join us for fellowship before and after each service. Enjoy complimentary coffee, tea, baked goods, and fruit.



Join us at 9:15 AM for our Bible study classes ("Sunday Classes" section). All are welcome! You can also join any of our ongoing small groups/studies ("Ongoing Small Groups/Studies" section) throughout the week.

## STARTING POINT

### DISCOVER PEACE AND BECOME A PART OF OUR FAITH FAMILY

**DISCOVER:** New to Peace? Join us for Discover! Meet our staff, enjoy a meal, connect with others, and find your place at Peace. **Next date: January 11, 2026**

**FOUNDATIONS:** Thinking about joining Peace? Join Foundations, a 2-week class with Pastor Josh, to learn more about the Lutheran faith. Open to all ages. **Next class begins January 18, 2025**

**CONNECT:** New with our church? Join Pastor Josh for Connect, a 4-week class exploring our values, goals, and ministry gifts as we live a Jesus-Centric life together. All ages welcome! **Next class begins February 1, 2026.**

Simply scan the QR code for further class information and to register.



**CONNECTION CIRCLE:** A 5-week Small Group experience at Peace With Christ. Apply faith to daily life, build relationships, pray together, and experience what small groups are about. **Next Connection Circle begins February 25, 2026.**



### CHRISTMAS WORSHIP INVITATION!

We invite you to join us indoors to celebrate Christmas! Our Christmas Eve services will be held on Wednesday, December 24th at 3:00 PM and 5:00 PM. On Christmas Day, Thursday, December 25th, we will worship at 10:00 AM, and this service will include Communion. We look forward to celebrating the birth of Christ with you.

### HELP US FINISH 2025 STRONG & PREPARE FOR 2026!

Because of Jesus, we give! Your year-end generosity is fueling life-changing ministry—helping people know Jesus and grow in faith. We're praying for \$50,000 in additional gifts this November and December to finish strong and prepare for even greater ministry in 2026. Give today at [peacewithchrist.org/give](https://peacewithchrist.org/give).



## SUNDAY CLASSES

ALL CLASSES START AT 9:15 AM  
UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

- **ADULT EDUCATION BIBLE STUDY**/Room 22
- **SUNDAY SCHOOL (pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade)**/Chapel
- **MS CONFIRMATION**/Room 10
- **HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP @4PM**

## ONGOING SMALL GROUPS / STUDIES

- **Men's Breakfast & Bible Study:** 1st & 3rd Saturdays @ 7 am (Lobby)
- **Women's Bible Study:** Every Friday @ 9 am (Youth Room)
- **Grandmas' Prayer Group:** 1st Sunday of the Month @ 8:15 am (Room 20)
- **The MOMCo** (Moms of Preschoolers): 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 6-8 pm (Chapel). *All moms from pregnancy to high school graduation are welcome!*
- **Peace in Prayer Meeting:** Every Tuesday @ 6 pm (Youth Room)
- **The Table: Young Professionals Ministry:** Every Thursday @ 6:30 pm. Contact Thomas 303-501-0504 or Courtney 720-724-6710 for more info.
- **Refuge Nights (Middle School Youth Group):** Every other Friday @ 6-7:30pm

## IN THE NEWS

### GIFT CARD DRIVE FOR CHRISTMAS FOOD BOXES

Our Food Bank is collecting \$25 gift cards from King Soopers, Safeway, Walmart, or Target to provide a little extra help and cheer for families receiving Christmas food boxes, giving them the dignity and flexibility to purchase fresh ingredients or special holiday items. Please bring your donated gift cards to the church office during business hours (Tuesday-Friday, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM) or place them in the offering plate on Sunday in an envelope marked "Food Bank Gift Cards." The deadline for donations is Friday, December 19th. Thank you for supporting this vital ministry!

### COMMUNITY PRAYER FOCUS

Join us in praying weekly for our community. This week, our prayers are specifically for Summit Elementary School, National Martial Arts, Great Clips, Next Care Urgent Care, AT&T Store, Calvary Church, and the residents of S. Ouray Way, S. Zeno Court, and S. Naples Way.

### HALLWAY ART SHOWCASE - SUBMIT YOUR WORK!

We're highlighting inspiring artists and photographers from our community.

- Submit a few samples/links for panel review
- Selected works displayed for one month
- All ages & mediums welcome (family-friendly)

Questions or submissions: Donna Patton – [Donna.Patton@pwcl.org](mailto:Donna.Patton@pwcl.org)

### LET'S FILL OUR TREE WITH FAMILIAR FACES!

Share your family's joy this season by adding your Christmas photo or holiday card to our special tree in the lobby. It's a beautiful way to celebrate our community! If you don't have a card, don't worry—a camera will be available at the church for you to take a quick picture to hang up.

### THIS WEEK ON JESUS-CENTRIC LIFE PODCAST:

**Episode 87** - Fighting Lies with Truth: The Temptation of Jesus  
Join us today as we take a deep dive into Matthew 4 and Luke 4, where Jesus faced temptation in the wilderness. Satan's lies attacked His identity and purpose, but Jesus countered every one with God's Word. Together, we'll ask: What lies are you believing in your own life? We'll explore how memorizing Scripture helps us recognize deception, replace it with truth, and stand firm in our identity in Christ. **Listen on your favorite podcast platform.**



### DECEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup> HYMN SING

Please note: On Sunday, December 28th, we will have one combined worship service at 10:15 AM. This will be a special Hymn Sing. We look forward to worshipping with you!