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NEWCOMER GUIDE

We are honoured by your presence today!

It takes courage to come to a new place, to step into this community of faith in search of spiritual refreshment. Anyone who is a part of this congregation now was once where you are at this moment. Essentially we **are** a spiritual community always being reshaped by newcomers. We come to know God and our calling as Christians in the world today when we open our hearts to your story, your gifts and your dreams. So thanks for coming! We hope you have come to stay!

We have a vision and a dream that inspires and guides us as a community. We have put them in words in these two statements of faith:

As children of God we respond to God's saving grace: by reaching out to one another and to the community with the selfless love of Christ, and by equipping, nurturing and strengthening all to live a Christ filled life.

As God's chosen people, empowered by the Holy Spirit, the members of Peace Lutheran Church seek to strengthen and extend the ministry of worship, witness, education and service through the proclamation of the Gospel and the administration of the Sacraments to our own congregation, as well as reaching out with the love of Jesus Christ to our community and into the world.



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The shape of this vision and dream is visible through our current ministries:

Peace Lutheran Women's Group
Peace Golden Friendship Group
Quilter's Group

Steps to Connecting With Us More:

1. Fill out the welcome card found in pews or sign our guestbook.
2. Our Pastor will reach out to you!
3. You will be invited to a Newcomer's Luncheon held three times a year.
4. Fill out a Contact Information form and we will add you to our directory.
5. Check out one of our ministries and begin to plug in to the community.
6. Consider stewardship of your gifts. Contact our administrative assistant for ways to give financially.
7. Choose to become a member. This is done when you feel the time is right! You become a member through baptism or a reaffirmation of faith in a Sunday morning worship service. If you are a member of another Lutheran Church then you would also transfer your membership to Peace.

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