



# PeacePress

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The mission of Peace United Church of Christ is to reach our community for Christ, develop disciples, and empower all people for ministry.

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## PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

Tom Warren



With the beginning of August it suddenly feels like the summer that just began is now coming to an end. Sure, the days will remain hot and steamy for weeks to come, but school is just around the corner and a cooler evening breeze will inevitably begin to blow. Summertime, which once felt like an endless adventure, now seems to come and go in an instant.

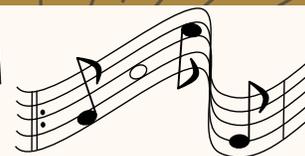
Fall, of course, will be beautiful and welcomed when it arrives. And with this new season will come a whole bunch of new happenings at Peace Church. An “End of Summer Splash Carnival” is planned for August 20th . A Bible study on the Book of Lammentations is scheduled for each Tuesday during August at 12:00 noon. Anne Badgett, our new Youth Director, has already begun her work with us. We also have Rally Day activities planned for Sunday, September 11th as well as our Brunswick Stew sale later on in October.

Newness, change, growth and struggle are always exciting realities in the life of a local church. They are also difficult. At a moment like we are in now, emerging as we are from the Covid-19 pandemic, what “was” is “no longer” and “what will be” is “yet to be revealed.” Yes, it is very much like the Kingdom of God: Here among us now, but not fully complete. We live our faith and do the work of faith in “in between times.” It’s exciting and, for some, creates feelings of anxiety.

I hope everyone enjoys the month of August and the summer fun that it still has to offer. May God’s peace and joy be with us all, now and into the glorious future which awaits just around the corner.

Blessings,  
Pastor Tom

## A NOTE FROM ELISABETH



Think for a moment about the ways life has changed since March, 2020. There are certainly changes in the church and how we have worshipped over the last about two and a half years. It is a learning process. We began the Facebook livestream, and that has brought new awareness to what and how we are doing things.

With the music, there still seem to be some questions about copyright. I know I have had plenty of questions and made several calls to the copyright license companies for clarifications. The church continues to maintain two copyright licenses – CCLI and OneLicense to which it was necessary to add streaming privileges when we began using Facebook. These together cover many publishers, composers, and artists – but certainly not all. Videoing a service is a form of copy, and it is sent out where anyone can see and hear it. We check to be sure our music is covered by at least one of the licenses (and sometimes it’s

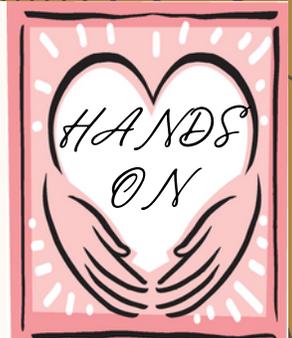
under both), as we want to be fair and legal to copyright holders and most importantly honest before God. As something is used, it is reported by week to OneLicense. CCLI periodically requests six months of reporting usage of their songs, and we recently finished a 6-month period. These reports are how the copyright owners – either individual or company – get paid for their work. Public domain music is free for anyone to use. Many of our older hymns fall into this category. Each year, certain works enter the public domain based on copyright year. According to online information, works from 1926 and earlier should be in the public domain in 2022. You can also see copyright information in our hymnal below the selections that are still covered –sometimes this is words and music, sometimes just words or just music, or sometimes it may be a descant or new harmony has been added and is copyrighted. There is also an index on page 798 in the hymnal listing the copyright owners from whom the hymnal publisher had to purchase the rights in order to use particular hymns. Be sure to check if you are using hymns or other songs as any form of copy requires permission to make. Our licenses are only good for our church worship – they cannot be transferred to anyone else or shared anywhere else. Anne or I research every week to be sure our music is covered. We are all affected – there are times Tom has had to change a hymn because it wasn't on the license, and I also have numerous books of organ and piano music I can no longer use when streaming because it is not on a license. In addition there are times a basic song may

be on a license, but a particular arrangement is not so it cannot be used. Please understand that we are doing our best to be fair and honest before God. The pandemic created many new ways of doing things, but we still have assurance from God:

**Though the mountains be shaken and the hills be removed, yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken nor my covenant of peace be removed,” says the LORD, who has compassion on you.**

**Isaiah 54:10 (NIV)**

Despite missing five regulars in July, we had a joyful time with 7 people. We were thrilled to have Femi's daughter, Carolyn, join us. Thanks to the addition of our at home work, we matched our total of 72 pillows delivered in June.



Applause to Dorothy Pauli, our only July stuffer. Way to go!

## FROM THEO

My family and I thank Peace Church members for their prayers and kind expressions of concern during my sister's illness. It is nice to have this support as we journey with LaVerne through her difficulties with Alzheimer's and other health issues.

In Christian Love,  
Theo

## Vision & Mission Statement Focus in August Worship Services

Each Sunday in August we will focus our worship services around our newly proposed Vision and Mission Statements. This will give us all a chance to think about these new statements and imagine what they might mean for our ministry going forward. Join us each Sunday in August!!

## Anne Badgett to be Youth Director

As part of our 2022 Annual Budget, Peace Church included funds for the hiring of a new Youth Director. The Consistory is pleased to announce that Anne Badgett, our current Office Manager, has accepted the offer to be our Director of Youth Ministries beginning on August 1st. This position will be 10 hours a week added to her current 20 hours per week in the church office. Anne comes from a family of Christian Missionaries, with her mother and father currently serving in South Africa, where Anne lived for 11 years growing up. We are very excited to have Anne on board to help us jump-start our youth ministries after the past Covid years when many ministries temporarily ceased.

## MISSION OF THE MONTH

The Greensboro Urban Ministry Food Pantry provides emergency groceries to community members struggling to access nutritious and adequate amounts of food necessary for a healthy diet. Please bring food donations to church throughout the month of August to be promptly delivered to GUM. We have set a goal of collecting a minimum of 500 pounds of food.

### Items Needed:

#### Canned Fruits and Vegetables:

Low Sodium & Low Sugar  
Sweet Peas  
Green Beans  
Spaghetti Sauce  
Fruit  
Mixed Beans  
Mixed Vegetables  
Corn  
Apple Sauce

#### Protein / Entree:

Canned Chicken  
Canned Soups, Stews  
Mac & Cheese  
Tuna  
Chili with Meat

#### Other Supplemental Products:

Rice/Pasta  
Dry Beans  
Peanut Butter 18 oz.  
Crackers  
Oatmeal  
Ramen Noodles  
Baby Formula/ Food/ Diapers

No glass or #10 cans, please

## GREENSBORO CROP WALK

On Sunday October 2, 2022 the 42nd Annual Greater Greensboro Crop Hunger Walk will take place at the Greensboro Coliseum. Material packets will be available to pick up in August so members can sign up to walk and order shirts. Shirt sizes are youth medium, adult small, medium, large, XL, 2XL, and 3XL;

Sign-up sheets will be available in the Narthex in the next few weeks so anyone who would be interested in walking or ordering shirts can do so (more to come on pricing).

Hopefully this will give everyone time to look at their schedule and plan to join the Peace Church team to walk on Oct, 2nd and give you an early start to collect pledges from your family, friends, and neighbors.

More to come,  
Russ Haver

## END OF SUMMER SPLASH!

Volunteers Needed for End-of- Summer Splash Event... Planning is ongoing for our End-of-Summer Splash event scheduled for Saturday, August 20th from 4:00-7:00pm. Volunteers are needed so please sign-up on the newsprint in the narthex.

## BROWN BAG BIBLE STUDY

Beginning on Tuesday, August 2nd we will be having a 5-week study of the Book of Lamentations. Each week we will gather at 12:00noon in the Preparation Room (ending at 1:00pm). We will discuss this unique biblical book with its common theme of the people's sadness, fear, and sense of loss; the apparent desertion of Jerusalem/Israel by God, and the hope that God will yet restore a humbled and repentant Israel. Many of the themes of this book speak directly to our current situation in America. Participants are encouraged to sign-up in the narthex and to bring a brown bag lunch to enjoy during the study (drinks will be provided). There are five chapters (poems) in Lamentations so we will consider one chapter each week during the month of August.



- August 3rd – John Dieterly
- 4th – Jennifer Killingsworth
- 6th – Michael Clapps
- 7th – Buddy Lippard
- 10th – Jocelyn Bowen & Glen Hutchinson
- 17th – Stan Dodd
- 19th – Daniel Whitfield
- 21st – Louise Hearn
- 23rd – Heather Owen & Izzie Smith
- 26th – Jamie Henegar
- 29th – Joan Dilworth
- 31st Brooklyn Hittepole

## Treasurer's Report as of June 2022 for General Fund

Account #	Account Name	Period Activity	YTD Balance	Annual Budget	Annual Budget Remaining
<b>Offerings</b>					
4001	Pledges	8,921.00	58,204.29	118,228.00	60,023.71
4003	Loose Offerings	40.25	691.78	500.00	(191.78)
4004	Initial offerings	0.00	0.00	00.00	00.00
4006	Non-Pledge Offerings	575.00	3,570.00	4000.00	430.00
4007	Sunday School	0.00	(29.98)	100.00	129.98
	<b>Total Offerings</b>	<b>\$9,536.25</b>	<b>\$62,436.09</b>	<b>\$122,828.00</b>	<b>\$60,391.91</b>

### Snapshot of Finances for June from the Treasurer's Report

	Period Activity	YTD Balance	Annual Budget	Annual Budget Rem.
<b>June 2022 Income Total</b>	<b>\$15,148.87</b>	<b>\$83,651.48</b>	<b>\$151,078.00</b>	<b>\$68,426.52</b>
<b>June Expenses Total</b>	<b>\$16,072.43</b>	<b>\$104,169.09</b>	<b>\$220,873.00</b>	<b>\$120,282.58</b>
<b>June Income-Expenses:</b>	<b>- \$923.56</b>	<b>- \$20,517.61</b>	<b>- \$69,795.00</b>	

Repairs to the portico were expected to commence at the end of July. We received a check from PMA Management on behalf of Guilford County to cover costs of the damage from the voting machine delivery truck in May.

As always, the financial records are displayed at the church on the bulletin board in the hallway. If you have any questions, feel free to email them to [peacefinance2417@gmail.com](mailto:peacefinance2417@gmail.com). I am usually in the office every Wednesday.