

Announcements | June 15, 2025

Congregational Meeting

There will be a **congregational meeting** on **Sunday**, **June 22** at **10:35** to elect elders and deacons. <u>All Sunday School classes will end at 10:25 and children</u>, except for those in the nursery, need to be picked up and remain in their parent's care. The following men have completed officer training and have been approved to stand for election. Short bios and testimonies will be available next week. <u>For Ruling Elder</u>: **Michael Pendley (re-election)**, **Steve West (2nd term)**, and **Stan Ayers**. <u>For Deacon</u>: **Steve Grube (2nd term)**, **Kurt Rundle (2nd term)**, **Jonathan Schultheis (2nd term)**, **Ryan Swanson (2nd term)**, and **Hal Belk**.

Children's Ministries Assistant

We are pleased to announce that **Nicole Nichols** is starting as our **Children's Ministries Assistant**, effective June 16. Nicole has bachelor's and master's degrees in education and was most recently employed as a teacher at our Peace Preschool. She will continue serving as part of the Sunday evening Friendmakers leadership team in the fall.

We are greatly indebted to Rebecca Lucas, who served as our Interim CM Assistant over the past year, in addition to her responsibilities as Nursery Coordinator. Please join us in thanking her for so generously sharing her many talents in service to our Peace Kids and families!

Adopt A Mission / Ministries Challenge

Peace Church is launching a year-long "Adopt a Mission / Ministries Challenge". This is an effort to encourage and help ALL of our Peace families to connect with and get to know at least one of our Peace-supported global partners. Participation involves: committing to pray regularly for your mission/ministry, communicating with them once a quarter, and supporting them personally with at least \$5 per month. We hope that this will help our global partners and will help Peace families to feel more connected with these partners and in the process expand our own worldview. More information in the narthex. Questions? Contact Rick Paules or Darcie Innes.

Women's Summer Luke Bible Study - Wednesday Nights (6/11)

Join us for our **12-week Summer Bible study** on Wednesday nights at Gail Brown's home from **7:00-8:30pm**. We will be studying *Luke: That You May Have Certainty Concerning the Faith*, by Sarah Ivill.

The New Testament book of Luke gives us an orderly account of the life, ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ so that we might have certainty regarding our faith. In this twelve-lesson Bible study, Sarah Ivill provides vital encouragement from this gospel account, giving us a firm foundation we can cling to as we navigate seasons of doubt in a world full of uncertainty.

Sign-up on Church Center or at peacepca.org/women-bible.

Youth Camp Fundraiser

We have been blessed with considerable growth in our youth ministry - which means more students attending camp and other trips! Because of these increased numbers, we need your help to cover part of the cost of camp at Ridge Haven this July.

Our goal is to raise enough money to cover the cost of the charter bus we need to use for transportation, which is about \$3,400. If you would like to give directly, please note "Youth Summer Camp" on your offering check or select "Youth Ministry" as the fund when giving through Church Center. We are also hosting a youth camp fundraiser on Friday, June 20 from 11am to 8pm at the Cary location of City Barbeque (1305 Kildaire Farm Road). 20% of the proceeds from meals affiliated with Peace Church will go towards the youth summer camp. Please be sure to follow these instructions when ordering: dine-in and phone orders should specify that they are with "Peace Church Youth" to make sure that the proceeds go to our youth group. Orders placed on the City BBQ website/app should use the promo code "GIVE." Orders placed through third-party delivery apps are not eligible. Please contact Caroline, caroline@ peacepca.org, with any questions.

Men's Community Service Project

Join us for a meaningful opportunity to serve alongside Dorcas Ministries, one of Peace Church's valued ministry partner, on **Saturday**, **June 21st** (final headcount is needed, so <u>please register by June 11th</u>). Register TODAY at <u>peacepca.org/men</u>.

Morning Shift: 10am-12:30pm Afternoon Shift: 1:30-3pm

We will have lunch in between shifts.

Volunteers will help with tasks such as sorting donations, hanging clothes, and bagging purchases. Boys ages 14 and up are welcome to join! Let's come together to serve our community and honor God through our actions.

"For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:45

Men's Baseball & Brotherhood

Join the men **Saturday**, **June 28th** at **7pm** at **Baseball & Brotherhood** for a fun night of fellowship and baseball as we return to a Durham Bulls game! We'll be gathering in the **Kia Korner**—the same spot as last year—with plenty of room to hang out, enjoy some food, and take in the game together. This is a great event to include your sons.

Please note: The Kia Korner is only accessible via stairs. We have 6 handicap accessible seats reserved next to the Kia Korner.

This is a great opportunity to connect with other guys from church and invite a friend! 70 ticket limit, so register today on **Church Center** or **peacepca.org/men**!

MAGNIFIED VBS

We're getting ready for 224 children! Help us prepare:

- 1) **VBS worknights** on **Monday**, **June 16** and **Thursday**, **June 19**, **7-9pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your scissors and a smile! Required Youth Helper Training will also be held those evenings 6:30-7pm.
- 2) **PRAY!**
- 3) **SAVE THE DATE** for this year's VBS Missions Offering Fundraisers:

Monday, 6/23 at Chick-fil-A Stone Creek Village location
Thursday, 6/26 at Papa Murphy's Pizza - all Wake County locations

Women's Summer Bible Studies-Do you want to lead a group?

This summer, CDM is offering a brand-new study on *Colossians & Philemon* by Sarah Ivill—plus access to all Summer Bible Studies from the past four years! Each study includes weekly teaching videos and discussion

questions, and you can start at your convenience. The only cost is the book for the study you choose
These studies are perfect for personal growth or as an opportunity to invite Peace Church friends and neighbors to join you for a small group study*. If you've participated in a CDM Summer Study before, you'll recognize the familiar format. If not, this is a great way to stay grounded in God's Word throughout the summer.

Go to <u>women.pcacdm.org/resources</u> to view all six studies – scroll down to see the available summer studies. Expand any study for more details and a link to purchase the book.

*If you're interested in leading a group study and would like to open it up to others, please email Andrea so it can be shared with the women at Peace.

Women's Fall Retreat

The Women's Ministry is excited to announce the **2025 Fall Retreat!** Join us in making new connections, deepening old ones, and growing together in faith in our Lord Jesus, who is surrounded by His glory. We'll be heading to **Blowing Rock, NC**, right off the Blue Ridge Parkway, from **September 12 to 14** for a rich program led by Discipleship Leader and host of the "Something to Talk About" podcast, **Amber Barrett.**

We will be staying in an adorable town with loads of charm (the inspiration for Jan Karon's Mitford novels), numerous nearby hikes and historical sights, just 1 hour closer than recent retreats, at a higher elevation with earlier, cooler temperatures and vibrant colors, and with much better fees than the last couple of retreats!

There are double and single occupancy rooms available, some with limited space. See retreat cost below. If you need a scholarship, please let us know. Register at <u>peacepca.org/women</u> and save with the Early-Bird special.

Early-Bird (Register & Pay by July 18th)* Double Occupancy - \$187 Single Occupancy - \$282

Regular (After July 18th)*
Double Occupancy - \$200
Single Occupancy - \$300
*NO REFUNDS after August 22nd.

Meals: Friday night, women will need to provide their own dinner. Three meals are provided on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday.

Transportation: We are not organizing a carpool this year. Feel free to ride with your friends! If you are unable to drive yourself to the retreat, please do not hesitate to contact Terry Grube or a Women's Committee member. **Peace Preschool Spots and Spaces**

Did you know that one of the ways Peace Church fulfills our mission to "Love Cary" is through our weekday preschool? Peace Preschool ministers to approximately seventy children and their families per year by offering a loving environment to "Discover and Explore God's World." We serve a student population that is ethnically, culturally, and religiously diverse, including families who have no faith background. We are already busy preparing for our 2025-2026 school year and have open staff positions. If you are a professing Christian who would like a part-time job working with young children in a loving, fun, creative workplace, consider joining our team as an assistant or substitute teacher! This is a great job for a mom of young school children. If you or someone you know might be interested in working with us, please contact jennifer@peacepca.org.

We also have spaces available for our wonderful Two Year-old and Transition Kindergarten classes. You are

our best form of advertising, so please pass the word along! For more information, go to **peace-preschool.com**. To schedule a tour, email **preschool@peacepca.org**.

WAYS TO SERVE

Summer Youth Meals

The youth group will meet and need a dinner on **June 29**. Would you or your community group consider signing up to provide a meal on one of that Sunday? Sign up on **Church Center** or at <u>peacepca.org/youth!</u>

VBS Worknights

Join us for one or both worknights to prepare materials and our campus for 220+ children. **Monday, June 16** and **Thursday, June 19, 7-9pm**. Bring your scissors and a smile! Required Youth Helper Training will also be held those evenings 6:30-7pm.

Handyman Ministry

The Handyman Ministry, under the umbrella of Comfort & Care, is seeking additional volunteers. This ministry assists members and regular attenders with small repairs, moving, junk removal, and other occasional needs. If you're handy with tools, love problem-solving, or have a strong back, we need you! Please get in touch with **Steve Grube**.

Safety Committee

Peace Church's Safety Committee (formerly Emergency Response Team) assists our deacons with numerous areas of campus safety. We offer free CPR training, stock first-aid kits, and assist with campus preparedness and procedures. We meet quarterly to assess areas where the church might improve campus safety. If you are interested in joining us or would like more information, please don't hesitate to email **safety@peacepca.org**.

Medical Equipment "Lending Library"

Did you know that Comfort & Care oversees a shed unit full of medical equipment, such as wheelchairs, shower chairs, icing machines, walkers, etc...? These items are available to anyone in our congregation and community who needs them. Please reach out to Lou Paules, lmpaules@gmail.com or secretary@peacepca.org if you have a need. The shed is on our facility, so it's easy to pick up an item(s) while you are already here.

Helping after Helene

Discover some practical ways you can help with disaster relief efforts at peacepca.org/helene.

Church Center

Peace Church is now using Church Center for all our church needs including the directory. Please download it in your app store. If you have questions or issues contact andrea@peacepca.org

Adult Sunday School Classes, 9:45am

- Living Out the Great Commandments & the Great Commission
- The Bible Class, Romans

Find out more about the classes at peacepca.org/sunday-school-adults.

Sermon Series - Life in the Kingdom: Jesus' Parables in Luke

View or listen to this week's sermon at **peacepca.org/sermons**

Digital note-taking through YouVersion Bible App (bible.com) at bible.com/events/49449164.

Luke 13:1-9, "What Tragedies Show Us"

We want to Pray for YOU! Please let us know how we can pray for you. There are many diff.erent ways to send us your prayer requests. Fill out a Prayer Card at one of our services. Fill out the form on our website at peacepca.org/prayer
Email us at secretary@peacepca.org during regular business hours. Call or leave a message during regular business hours, 9am-5pm Tuesday - Friday at 919-467-5977 If you have a prayer request for the Prayerline during times that our offices are not open (evenings, weekends, Mondays) please send your request to cheryl6058@gmail.com .