

April 25th, 2025

PEACE CONNECTION

Friday April 25th
Pastor Charlie's Day Off
12:30 pm Young at Heart Lunch

Saturday April 26th
2:00 pm Organ Practice
6:30 pm Open Mic Night

Sunday April 27th
9 & 11 am In Person Worship
10:00 am Christian Education

Monday April 28th
10:00 am Staff Meeting
2:00 pm Organ Practice
7:00 pm SOAP Bible Study

Tuesday April 29th
1:30 pm Watercolor Class with Mel
6:15 pm CrossFire Rehearsal
7:00 pm Peace Pavilion Meeting

Wednesday April 30th
2:00 pm Book and Bible Study with
Pastor Charlie

Thursday May 1st
Sexton's Day Off
11:00 am FLOW
3:00 pm Organ Practice
7:30 pm Choir Practice

Friday May 2nd
Pastor Charlie's Day Off

Saturday May 3rd
NEOSW/ELCA Women's Event
1:00 pm Kids Book Bank Event
2:00 pm Organ Practice

Sunday May 4th
9:00 am Peace Pavilion Dedication!

Monday May 5th
10:00 am Staff Meeting
1:00 pm Comfort Quilters
2:00 pm Organ Practice
7:00 pm SOAP Bible Study

Tuesday May 6th
6:15 pm CrossFire Rehearsal

*Grow in Faith * Serve In Love *
Live In Peace*



Coffee House & Open Mic Night

Join us on Saturday April 26th at 6:30 pm for
our next Open Mic Night! All are welcome!



Bible Study

Bible Study will resume on April 30th at 2 p.m. with a focus on the gospel
lesson for the the week.

YOU'RE INVITED! Peace Pavilion Dedication



**MAY 4, 2025 AT 10:00 AM
CAKE RECEPTION TO FOLLOW!**

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WESTLAKE, OHIO 44145



PLEASE RSVP BY EMAIL

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Sleep In Heavenly Peace Update

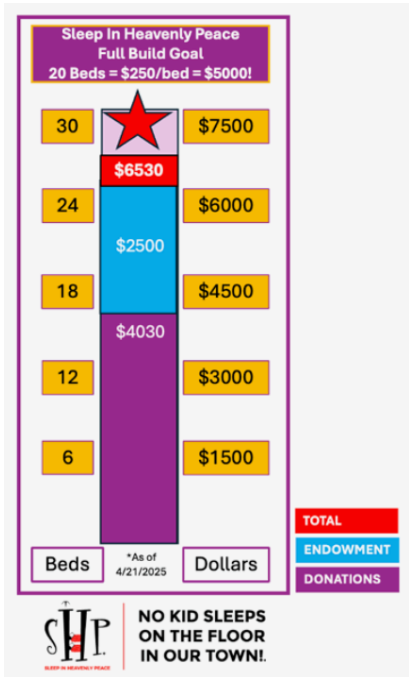
Thank you all for your generous donations in support of our Sleep In Heavenly Peace ministry fundraiser during Lent. We are happy to report that we have received \$4030 in donations to date! Combined with the generous contribution from the Endowment Committee matching up to \$2500, this brings our total to \$6530 which equals 26 beds to build for children in need and exceeds are goal!

This will be the LAST WEEK of accepting direct monetary donations for our upcoming build on June 7th so if you wish to donate please do so by Sunday, April 28th. Any overage funds will go towards additional beds, anticipating ~30 beds on build day. We will continue to collect in-kind donations up until the time of the build (see flyer). Remember, too, there is a key need for mattress protectors should you wish to donate!

SAVE THE DATE! Sleep In Heavenly Peace Build Date is Saturday, June 7th. We will need up to 50 volunteers for the build day.

SAVE THE DATE! Sleep In Heavenly Peace Delivery Date is Saturday, June 21st. Will need 16 adult or high school age volunteers for the delivery.

Sign up sheets are coming in early May—any questions, please see Diane Merhaut



SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE BEDDING DRIVE

To Benefit Kids in Western Cuyahoga County

WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR DONATIONS OF NEW TWIN SIZE

MATTRESS PROTECTORS
PILLOWS
COMFORTERS
BED IN A BAG SETS
SHEET SETS
QUILTS
BLANKETS
THROWS

SHP is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization that works with community volunteers to build and deliver beds to kids who don't have them.

T-48 Re-Shuffle

Tables for Eight (T48) was created to help build our church community one relationship at a time. Three times per year, we form groups of eight, keeping couples together (if they want). We encourage the groups to get together once a month so that everyone has an opportunity to host their group. Hosting could be a gathering at their house with everyone contributing something to the event. It could also be to do a group outing to plays or musicals, playing putt putt or shuffle board, going out to eat, or attending Open Mic night. We want everyone to have an opportunity to get to know each other without placing much burden on any one person or couple. If you have any questions, please ask Jan (jan.saunders.art@gmail.com) or Dave Saunders (david.w.saundersoh@gmail.com). The next re-shuffle will occur at the beginning of May. Any individuals already participating and continuing next session don't need to do anything. If they are participating now and unable to continue or if they want to join in the fun please contact Jan or I.

Women In Transition

We are accepting donations for women's toiletries, sanitary products, and umbrellas. The need is great! We have been asked to refrain from collecting women's clothing for them at this time. Please drop off your donations at the Donation Station. Questions, please contact Jan Filkill



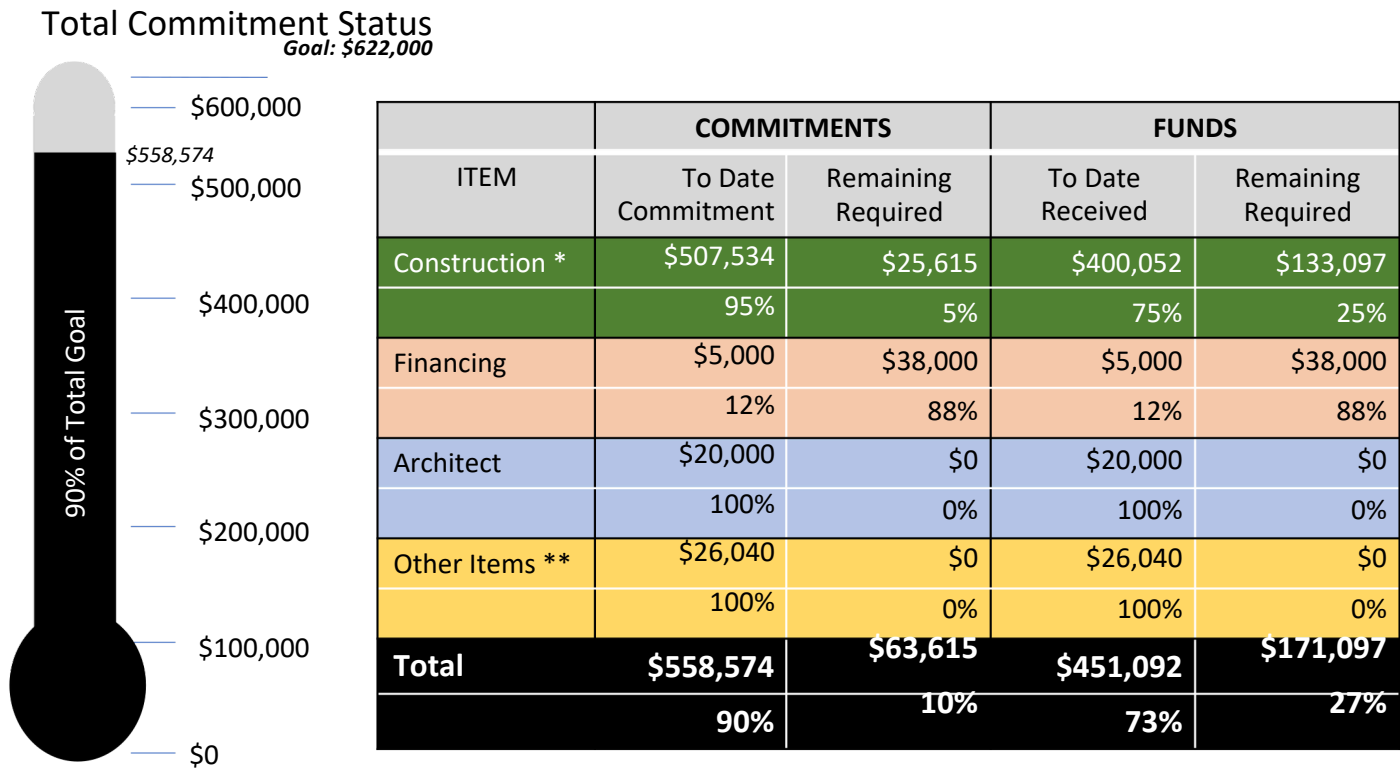
Peace Pavilion Capital Campaign Plus
Status as of March 25, 2025

Architect = \$20,000

Construction Cost* = \$533,149

Financing Cost = \$43,000

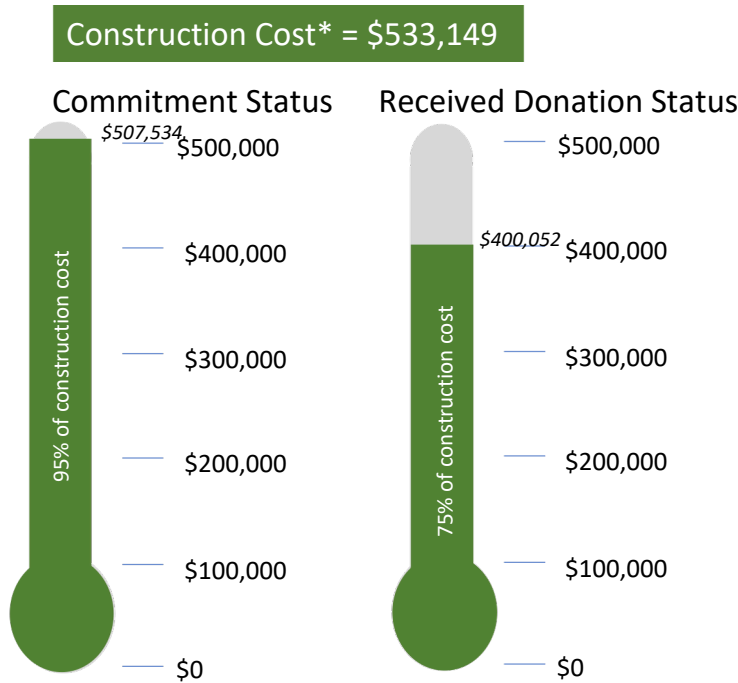
Other Items * = \$26,040



Note: Commitment Status includes "silent" commitments

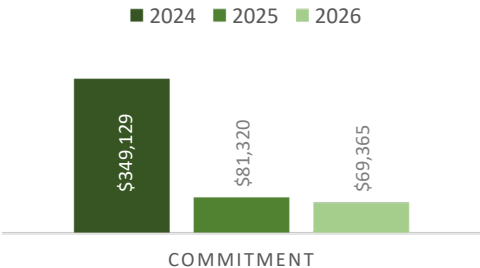
* Includes change orders.
** Other items include \$14,000 for Worship & Music (funding by W&M / Ilene Hardy Memorial Fund), \$8,800 for Benches ("fund a bench"), \$3,240 for Outdoor Altar (funded by Altar Guild). Additional landscaping option being developed and additional funding from base landscaping not included.

Peace Pavilion Capital Campaign – Construction Cost Only
Status as of March 25, 2025



Donor Level	3 Year Commitment	Number of Pledged Donors
Buckeye	\$50,000+	3
Oak	\$25,000 - \$50,000	4
Maple	\$10,000 - \$25,000	7
Rose	\$5,000 - \$10,000	11
Tulip	\$3,000 - \$5,000	8
Daisy	\$1,000 - \$3,000	26

COMMITMENT BY YEAR



Note: Commitment Status includes "silent" commitments

* Includes change orders.

KIDS BOOK BANK

**SATURDAY MAY 3RD
1-3PM
ALL MEMBERS WELCOME**

Volunteer to sort books that will be distributed to schools and communities to promote literacy. Welcoming donations of early readers, children's, and teen books, especially books featuring diverse populations and characters of color





John 21:1-14 (NRSV)

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. 2 Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. 3 Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. 4 Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. 5 Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." 6 He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. 7 That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. 8 But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. 9 When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. 10 Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." 11 So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. 12 Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. 13 Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. 14 This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

*Christ is Risen!
He is Risen, Indeed! Alleluia!*

This passage appears to be addendum to the Gospel of John. If you go back to the last verses of John 20, the chapter ends with a summary of the Gospel.

But there's one more story to share — breakfast on the shore.

The disciples go back to what is familiar — fishing.

Fishing was their profession before Jesus called them to a new fishing expedition — fishing for people.

Before the Pentecost Holy Spirit explosion happens, these temporarily furloughed followers of Jesus are looking for something to keep busy while they were sheltering in place, back in their home town of Capernaum. Simon Peter says he's going fishing. Others join in.

The fishing expedition is as productive as their last fishing for fish experience — nothing!

The shadowed figure on the beach tells them to cast the nets on the other side of the boat, and in doing so, the catch is more than they could imagine.

This all seemed too familiar.

Simon Peter wasn't going to wait till the boat got to shore — he jumped in the water and made his way to the shore to greet Jesus, risen from the dead!

I find this passage reassuring, that Jesus meets us where we are, in what is familiar, in the everyday activities that make up our days.

God doesn't need the extraordinary to be made known in our lives.

May we be open to seeing God in the ordinary. In the familiar. In the meals we share. In the chores we do. In the rising and sleeping. In the quiet and the chaos.

God is with us. God is with you.

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Christ is Risen. Risen Indeed — ALLELUIA and AMEN!

Let us pray:

Almighty God, open our eyes to your presence today even in the ordinary and familiar. Remind us that we are not alone. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Risen Savior. Amen.

Save the
Date!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June
16-20



Cokesbury Kids
ROAD TRIP
ON THE GO WITH GOD

AN ECUMENICAL VBS FOR CHILDREN K-GRADE 5

PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

28455 CENTER RIDGE ROAD, WESTLAKE

[Register Here!](#)



Sunday, April 25th, 2025

Prayer Request - Long Term

(All prayer requests made after Thursday at Noon will be posted the following week)

Patty Doran	Sister-in-law of Chuck Sieving
Dawn Higgins	Neighbor of Fran Molnar
Jayne Kramic	Friend of Kathy McCollum
Angela Missig	Daughter of Gloria Starr
Jenn Pitts	Daughter of Judy Kazak
Pam Rotella	
Bill Sweeny	Friend of Kathy McCollum
Robert Sieving	Brother of Chuck Sieving
Al Tielke	
Chris Sikora	
Kathy and Tim Needham	
Cynthia Flores	Jan Filkill's daughter
Monica Doptis	Dan and Barb Fronczak's grandchild
Beverly Newman	Friend of Jane and Lowell Dillon Deb
Laura K.	Gibbons' friend
Paula Collister	Sister in law of Liz Grider
Daniel Reisner	Friend of James and Lisa Arrigo
Terry Mackenzie	

Recent prayer requests received within the past 3 weeks:

April 13th	Sharon Reidinger
	George-Ryan Grimes
	Margie & Chuck Speerbrecher
	Paulson Family
	Schaaf family
	Shirley
	Samuelson family and their new addition, Abigail Diane Samuelson!
	Margie & Chuck Speerbrecher
April 20 th	Barb Pogachar
	Karl Petzinger
	Emily Saunders
April 25 th	Lynn Henry (sister of Jan Juhn)
	Gail and Jerry Bond (friends of Pat Sprague)

Happy Birthday

04/03 Benjamin Beard	04/18 Benjamin Fortuna
04/03 Luke Ventimiglia	04/18 Francine Molnar
04/03 Tracy Biller	04/19 Mackenzie Juntunen
04/04 Anita Bauknecht	04/19 Susan Stevens
04/04 Samuel Dickey	04/20 Mark Oster
04/05 Becky Rowe	04/20 Matthew Olah
04/05 Cindy Zinram	04/20 Norm Rehark
04/05 Diane Diekroger	04/21 Amy Babinski
04/05 Steve Zinram	04/23 Abbey Smylie
04/07 Haley Hackett	04/23 Carley Frey
04/07 Sarah Bruening	04/24 Laurie Vorobej
04/07 Mason Reisner	04/26 Aili MacKenzie
04/08 Charles Schmidt	04/26 Ellen Babinski
04/10 Jacob Arthur	04/27 Avianna Carimi
04/13 Eli Hallowell	04/28 Becky Kear
04/13 Mark Givens	04/28 Helga Susemihl
04/14 Tim Gibbons	
04/16 Mason Rowe	
04/17 Mark Wiedt	
04/17 Thomas Morton	

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

04/07 Grant & Beth Cornick
 04/11 Dave & Laurel Covell
 04/26 Susan & Paul Franz
 04/28 Susan & T.J. Worsencroft

Second Harvest

The requested items for April
 Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Olive Oil & Canned Fish

Giving Data

Operating Giving Report	YTD	AVG/Week
Total Giving as of Feb. 28th, 2025:	\$130,383	\$16,298
% of Annual 2025 Budget Received to Date:	27%	
Remaining Giving to meet 2025 budget	\$368,617	\$8,378
Total Expenses Incurred through 2/28/25:	\$84,499	\$10,562

Date	Online	In Person	Total
04/20/2025	58	287	345
04/13/2025	49	189	238
04/06/2025	37	171	208
03/30/2025	32	156	188

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Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 9-3

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Sunday Worship Services

9:00 am & 11:00 am in person.

Livestream

Christian Education - Sundays 10-10:50 am

Adult supervised child care for children 5 and under is
 offered for both services and during

the Christian Education hour between services.



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