

Announcements

SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May

Altar Committee: Cathy Petersen

Communion Committee: Rosanne Fell and Shawneen Schmitt

7:45 Elder: Jim Verage

Ushers: Dale Stratil, Paul Schneider,

Acolyte: Joseph Schneider

Marc Schneider

10:30 Elder: Alex Scheler

Ushers: Ted Dhein, Ed Lemke,

Acolyte: Hannah Hardenbrook

Erich Greschner

6:45 Wednesday Elder: Mark Schneider

Flowers are given by Terry and Linda O'Neill in celebration of their 47th wedding anniversary.

Sanctuary Candle is given by Frank and Rosie Koplting in loving memory of Loraine Koplting.

Treats are given by the Martin and Murphy families

LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Sunday, January 10 – 84 (7:45) 100 (10:30) Bible Study – 70

Wednesday, January 13 – 41 (6:45)

Coffee Break Bible Study – 41

OFFERINGS:

Last Week's Offerings

General Fund: \$5,108.15

(Loose Plate: \$1,605.15; Gen. Env.: \$3,503.00)

Other Funds: \$391.00

(Seasonal: \$306.00; Mortgage: \$85.00)

Last Week's Total: \$5,499.15

TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN JAN.:

Reduce the Debt in January:

\$4,799.00

Other Received in January:

\$5,735.15

General Fund received in January:

\$10,534.15

Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

The Second Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday, January 17, 2016

TODAY'S THEME: JESUS MANIFESTS HIS GLORY

The first miracle that Jesus performed was turning water into wine. Many might think of this miracle as an insignificant event. Not so! John writes: "This beginning of signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory; and His disciples believed in Him." What did the disciples learn to believe about the Messiah from this "sign"? They learned that God had not abandoned the sinful human race, but had come to rescue it - as the heavenly bridegroom who had come for His bride the church. Just as sin came into the world within the institution of marriage by the transgression of the first man, Adam, and thereby infected the entire human race, so God "manifested His glory" through the second Adam, Jesus, who would reverse the effects of the fall and save mankind, marriage, and family from destruction. God had not abandoned the people He created or the institutions of marriage and family, but has come to redeem them. He is now the true Man and the true Bridegroom. In His body the Church He creates an eternal family of love in the forgiveness of sins.

Guests—Welcome to Our Divine Service! If we can assist you in any way with questions about our confession of faith, spiritual struggles, understanding our liturgical service, or any other need, please let us know. It is our prayer that the Gospel of Jesus Christ will strengthen and comfort you. Please sign our guest register in the narthex

Pastoral Care and Guests at the Lord's Supper We are concerned about the spiritual welfare of all who commune at the Lord's Table. If you are a guest and desire to commune, please speak to the pastor before the service. Our altar is open to those who confess oneness with us in doctrine, are members of our congregation or sister congregations of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and are not under church discipline in another congregation. In Christ, Pastor Bender

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Divine Service: Sunday – 7:45 and 10:30 a.m. and Wednesday – 6:45 p.m.

Bible Class and Sunday School: Sunday – 9:15 a.m.



WE GATHER TO HEAR GOD'S WORD—“*Hear, and your soul shall live*” (Isaiah 55:3b). Each week the faithful gather to receive the Word of their Lord. Ongoing catechesis—passing on the Lord's Word by which faith lives—is the way of life for all the baptized.

THIS WEEK:

Private Confession and Absolution: *Sundays from 6:30 to 7:00 a.m., after chapel when school is in session, or by appointment.*

Call pastor at 246-3200 or 262-370-1189

Sunday Divine Service 7:45/10:30: Sunday's Gospel

Sunday School and Bible Class at 9:15 a.m.

Daily Chapel Monday through Friday 8:00 to 8:30 a.m.

Monday N.T. Youth Catechesis Lesson 17

Monday: Didache at 7:00 p.m. **Lesson 15: The Lord's Prayer**

Thursday Coffee Break Bible Study Colossians

We Welcome Rev. Professor Jason Lane from Concordia University, Wisconsin as our guest preacher and Sunday Bible Class teacher this Sunday and next while Pastor Bender is on vacation. Professor Lane is a professor of theology at Concordia, teaching classes in Lutheran doctrine.

Coffee Break Bible Study: Christmas and Epiphany Gospels

Coffee Break Bible Study will explore the Gospel narratives chronicling the birth of our Savior and His epiphany to the nations. We will spend several weeks exploring the history of our Lord's nativity and how the Evangelists proclaim the Gospel for the comfort and strengthening of our faith in Christ.

Issues Etc. Lutheran Radio Broadcast on Contemporary Issues may be heard over the internet at www.issuesetc.org. This week's topics include: The Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard, Jesus Rejected at Nazareth, Things We See in Church, Martin Luther's "The Babylonian Captivity of the Church and more.

News and Notes

Altar Poinsettias—if you purchased a poinsettia for the altar please take them home today.

Parish Council— meets Tuesday, January 26 at 7:00pm.

Congregational Assembly— will be Sunday, January 31 at 9:15am.

Peace Lutheran Academy Potluck/Open House – January 24 at Noon

Everyone is invited to our annual Academy Potluck Open House on Sunday, January 24 at 12:00 p.m. The Open House will model a mini school day (not including preschool) and give an opportunity for our members and guests to visit classes and observe, first hand, the

wonderful students, teachers, and curriculum of our Academy in action. Bring a dish to pass and join us for the noon luncheon. There is a signup sheet located on the bulletin board next to the church kitchen. Students will be dismissed at 3:00pm. There **will be NO** school on Monday, January 25 for Preschool through eighth grade. This is a uniform event.

YOU ARE INVITED to a piano recital being held at Peace on Saturday, January 30, at 1:00pm. It will feature some of Mrs. May's piano students, most of whom are students from our Academy.

Christians Generously Give as a Confession of Their Faith in Christ

We give thanks to God for His generosity to us in the Gospel of His Son by confessing our faith in Christ in the offerings we give to support our local congregation. As you look forward to 2016, consider regular auto-withdrawals from your checking account. It's simple and helps our congregation meet its regular monthly expenses throughout the year. "Simply Giving" pamphlets are available in the track rack on the wall by the narthex doors. If you have questions, contact Randy Kirk, our financial secretary, 414-405-7475.

Upcoming Auction. Please mark your calendars for the upcoming Goods and Services Auction on Sunday, February 28, 2016. Please sign up to donate an item or service for the auction. Auction donation forms are located in the Narthex at the SCRIP counter. **The deadline for auction items is February 12, 2016.** Bringing guests and friends to bid on items is a tremendous benefit to the academy. To make reservations, please pick up a reservation form at the SCRIP counter in the Narthex or in the office. Thank you.

PLA Thought of the Week: Congratulations to Dane Petersen, 8th grade, the Academy Spelling Bee Champion and our three runners-up: Rachel Frerking, 8th grade, Hannah Hardenbrook, 7th grade, and Tim Frerking, 6th grade. These four students will represent Peace at the District Spelling Bee at Templeton Middle School on Thursday, January 21, 2016. Go Peace!

Scrip Update for the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year (beginning July 2015)

Year to Date Profit: \$5,224.54

Last Week's Profit: \$276.88

Participating families last week: 21

Sunday Order of Service

The Second Sunday after Epiphany
January 17, 2016

Divine Service Setting Two Lutheran Service Book p. 167

“And also with you” is the response in this service to the salutation, “The Lord be with you.”

Please follow the order of service printed in the hymnal beginning on page 167. The propers for the day (readings, hymns) are listed below.

Hymn of Invocation 408
“Come, Join in Cana’s Feast”

Introit *sung responsively with the choir*

Antiphon (Song 2:4)
[The Lord] brought me to the ban- | queting house,*
and his banner over | me was love.

Psalm (Ps. 36:5-9)
Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the | heavens,*
your faithfulness | to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the moun- | tains of God;*
your judgments are like the great deep;
man and beast you save, | O LORD.

How precious is your steadfast love, | O God!*
The children of mankind take refuge
in the shadow | of your wings.

They feast on the abundance | of your house,*
and you give them drink from the river of | your delights.

For with you is the foun- | tain of life;*
in your light do | we see light.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

(Antiphon is repeated.)

Old Testament Reading **Isaiah 62:1-5**
The Lord delights in His people.

Choral Response *Sung by the choir*

God, who has called you to glory,
will confirm, support and uphold you.
His favors will never end,
each morning they are renewed.
Our God is gen’rous and faithful.

Epistle **1 Corinthians 12:1-11**
The Holy Spirit creates the confession of faith in Christ.

Alleluia Verse *sung by the choir*

Alleluia!
This, the first of His signs, Jesus did in Cana in Galilee,
and manifested His glory. And His disciples believed in Him.
Alleluia!

Holy Gospel **John 2:1-11**
Jesus turns water into wine.

Hymn of the Day 402
“The Only Son From Heaven”

Distribution Hymn 631
“Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face”

Distribution Hymn 636
“Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness”

Hymn to Depart 538
“Praise Be to Christ”