

Announcements

SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May

Altar Committee: Carol Zick

Communion Committee: Doreen Corso and Sharon Murphy

7:45 Elder: Lance Carus
Acolyte: Bryce Damato

Ushers: Bob Piper, Jack Christopherson,
Mike Christopherson

10:30 Elder: Mike Ferguson
Acolyte: Charlie Dhein

Ushers: Doug Westrich, Dave Steinhilb,
Bob Rothe

6:45 Wednesday Elder: Jim Verage

Sanctuary Candle is given by Mark and Holly Schneider in celebration of their 41st wedding anniversary.

Treats are given by the Smith family.

LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Sunday, April 17 – 130 (7:45) 97 (10:30) Bible Study – 68

Wednesday, April 20 – 42 (6:45)

Coffee Break Bible Study – 22

OFFERINGS:

Last Week's Offerings

General Fund: \$5,666.75

(Loose Plate: \$551.75; Gen. Env.: \$5,115.00)

Other Funds: \$30.00

(Mortgage: \$10.00; 50/50 Fund: \$20.00)

Last Week's Total: \$5,696.75

TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN APRIL:

Reduce the Debt in April:

Other Received in April: \$11,962.51

General Fund received in April: \$11,914.25

\$23,876.76

Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, April 24, 2016

TODAY'S THEME: OUR SORROW WILL TURN TO JOY

In today's Gospel Jesus teaches His disciples about the comforting gift of the Holy Spirit that they would receive. The Holy Spirit is always the Spirit of Christ who testifies of Jesus and who bestows every good gift of salvation that Christ earned for us upon the cross. Therefore, Jesus says, "the Holy Spirit will take of what is mine and declare it to you." He spoke these words on the night He was betrayed and prepared them for what would be at the heart of their future ministry. The Holy Spirit would work with them and in them through and for the faithful preaching of the Gospel of Christ. When He suffered and died less than 24 hours after speaking these words they were filled with sorrow. But when the Holy Spirit was poured out upon them on Pentecost, their sorrow was turned to joy as the Holy Spirit comforted them with the blessed Gospel of their crucified Savior.

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

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

Easter Greeting!

During Eastertide, the "Easter Greeting" is commonly exchanged among Christians as a confession of our faith and hope in the resurrection of Christ. The greeting is: "**The Lord is Risen!**" or "**Christ is Risen!**" The response is: "**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**" The congregation is encouraged to use this greeting throughout the Easter season.



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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—*“These are the words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms concerning Me.” (Luke 24:44).* 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: Resurrection Gospels

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 28

Thursday Coffee Break Bible Study – Resurrection Gospels

Issues Etc. Lutheran Radio Broadcast on Contemporary Issues may be heard over the internet at www.issuesetc.org. This week's topics include: The American Prosperity Gospel, Christ's Descent into Hell, The Movie "The Jungle Book," Jesus Teaches Us to Pray and more.

2016 CCA Symposium—June 15-17, 2016

Keeping Our Children in the Faith:

This year's symposium tackles the fervent desire of the Church, her pastors, and her parents that our children, who have been brought into the kingdom of God through Holy Baptism, are kept in Christ in the true faith, willing to suffer all, even death, rather than to fall away from Him. Members may pick up registration forms in the Narthex or in the church office.

Vacation Bible School—July 25-29

“Our Life in Christ”—The Second Table of the Law

This year's Vacation Bible School will focus on the Second Table of the Law—the 4th through the 8th Commandments—with Bible Stories, Hymns and Crafts that can be used in personal and family devotions. Mark your calendars and sign your children up for VBS. 9-11am.

News and Notes

Today, Lutheran A Cappella Choir with our own 4th grader, Cole Petersen, as boy soprano soloist in Dan Forrest's "Requiem for the Living", presents their spring concert Sunday, April 24, at 3:00pm in Wauwatosa. Go to www.lutheranacappella.org and/or see the poster near

the church office for more information. Speak to Kathy May with questions.

Parish Council—meets Tuesday, April 26 at 7:00pm. Pick up your packets today.

Spring Cleaning—will be Saturday, May 14 starting at 8:30 a.m. Please sign up to help on the sheet next to the church kitchen.

Academy and Cherub Choir Concert—Friday, May 20 at 7:00pm.

Don't miss this night of your favorite old songs from classic musicals with our Academy and Cherub Choirs on Friday, May 20th after the Fish Fry. Bring your friends. The concert lasts an hour and you will not be disappointed.

We need volunteers to help take care of the flower gardens. Each person will take care of their own section. Please contact Larry Martin at 246-4572.

LCMS National Convention July 9-14 at the Wisconsin Center in downtown Milwaukee. Volunteer at swd.lcms.org and follow the link to "LCMS National Convention" on the home page. Questions? Call the District office at 414-464-8100.

PLA Thought of the Week: The Usborne Book Fair is coming to the Academy this Friday, April 29. The Fair will be held in Loehe Hall from 7:30a.m. - 4:00p.m. Come and shop!

In the past few years participation in Labels for Education has declined and as a result, Campbell has come to the very difficult decision to wind down the LFE program. The good news is nothing changes this program year. There will be changes for next year's program starting August 1, 2016. If you are saving labels, please bring them in as soon as possible. Thank you for your continued support of Peace Lutheran Academy.

JOB OPENING: Blessed Again Resale Shop, which helps support *A Place of Refuge*, is seeking a part time Assistant Manager, (20-25 hours/week). If interested, contact Sue Jaeckel at 262-255-2179 or sjaeckel@wi.rr.com.

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

Year to Date Profit: \$7,038.80

Last Week's Profit: \$215.26

Participating families last week: 17

Sunday Order of Service

The Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 24, 2016

Divine Service Setting Three, p. 184

Please follow the order of service printed in the hymnal beginning on page 184. The propers for the day (readings, hymns) are listed below.

Hymn of Invocation 768
“To God the Holy Spirit let Us Pray”

Introit *on the back of the insert*

First Reading Acts 11:1-18
Peter retells how he learned that the Gospel was also for the Gentiles.

Gradual *sung by the choir*

Christ has risen from the dead.
[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor,
He has given him dominion over the works | of his hands;
he has put all things under his feet.

Epistle Revelation 21:1-7
Christ makes all things new

Alleluia—Verse *sung by the choir* (Rom. 6:9; John 14:23)

Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. Alleluia.
If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word, and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make our home with him.

Holy Gospel John 16:12-22
Your sorrow will turn to joy

Hymn of the Day 633
“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing”
Choir sings stanzas 4 and 6

Distribution Hymns:
“The Gifts Christ Freely Gives” 602
“Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me” 756
“Water, Blood, and Spirit Crying” 597

Hymn to Depart 818
“In Thee Is Gladness”

Introit for the Day

Sung responsively with the choir. The congregation sings the antiphon the first time.

The congregation sings the Gloria Patri and joins the choir in the antiphon at all subsequent times.

Antiphon (Ps. 98:1)

Psalm (Ps. 98:2-6)

The LORD has made known His sal- | vation;*
He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the | nations.
He has remembered His steadfast love and faithfulness
to the house of | Israel.*

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation | of our God.

Antiphon is repeated

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, | all the earth;*
break forth into joyous song and sing | praises!
Sing praises to the LORD | with the lyre,*
with the lyre and the sound of | melody!
With trumpets and the sound | of the horn*
make a joyful noise before the | King, the LORD!

**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