

Announcements

SERVING IN THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May Altar Committee: Melinda Burger

Communion Committee: Del Duwe and Judi Smith

7:45 Elder: Alex Scheler Ushers: RJ Frerking, Chuck Finke,
Acolyte: Derek Larson Philip Gehlbach

10:30 Elder: Erik Krueger Ushers: Landon Carus, Tom Landry,
Acolyte: Micah Hardenbrook Brett Rhode

6:45 Wednesday Elder: Mark Goltermann

Altar Flowers are given by Mark and Julie Goltermann in celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary and Guenther and Luise Bollmeyer in celebration of their 63rd wedding anniversary.

Treats are given by the Gatchell family

Sanctuary Candle is given by Jim and Mary Nitzsche in memory of Paul Kiel and Albert Nitzsche.

LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Sunday, May 14 – 141 (7:45) 95 (10:30) Bible Class – 86

Wednesday, May 17 – 20 (6:45)

OFFERINGS:

Last Week's Offerings

General Fund:	\$6,188.35
(Loose Plate \$563.35; Gen. Env. \$5625)	
Other Funds: Mortgage \$280; Health Fund: \$100;	
Goehner Scholarship Fund: \$25	\$405.00
Last Week's Total:	\$6,593.35

TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN MAY:

Other Funds Received in May:	\$505.00
General Fund received in May:	\$12,847.20
	\$13,352.20

Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

The Sixth Sunday of Easter/ Rogate


Sunday, May 21, 2017

TODAY'S THEME: THE LIFE OF FAITH ABIDES IN PRAYER

“The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. James 5:16. Martin Luther wrote: “No man can conceive the power of prayer except one who has tried it and learned by experience. But it is a great thing that a man faced with a dire calamity may forthwith call upon the Lord. This I know. Whenever I have prayed earnestly about a matter which has concerned me very deeply, it has been richly answered and I have received more than I have asked. Sometimes God has been slow in coming, but He has always come. Lo, what a great thing is the fervent prayer of a true Christian! How it avails with God that a poor man should speak with His High Majesty in heaven and be not afraid of Him, but know that God smiles graciously on him for the sake of Jesus Christ His beloved Son, our Lord and Saviour! The heart and conscience need not turn back and run away. It need not be in doubt because of its unworthiness, and need not be afraid, but may believe with complete certainty that our prayers are always answered when we pray believing in Christ. Therefore, brethren, pray in your hearts, and at times with words, for (by the will of God) prayer upholds the world. Without it the world would be very different. At home I am not so brave and cheerful, though I am not content that it should be so, but in the Church with the multitude, prayer comes straight from the heart and prevails.”

Guests—Welcome to our Divine Service! We are pleased that you are with us. 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. Before you leave this morning, 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—“*Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures.*” (1 Cor. 15:3-4). 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 Service 7:45/10:30: Pray

Sunday School 9:15 Pentecost

Bible class 9:15 Prison Epistles of Paul: Ephesians

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

Monday Youth Catechesis 4:30 O.T. Catechesis

Wednesday Divine Service 6:45: Ascension of Our Lord

Thursday Coffee Break Bible Study at 9:00 – Life of Paul

The Ascension of Our Lord Celebrated this Wednesday

Wednesday, May 24 at the 6:45pm Divine Service we will celebrate our Lord’s Ascension into heaven 40 days after His resurrection. In the Ascension we focus upon the meaning of the words of the Creed: “He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty, from thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.” What do these words and our Lord’s ascension mean for the Church today? Join us Wednesday night, May 24.

Dear Friends of **Issues, Etc.**,

It's not too late to register for the **Issues, Etc. "Making the Case"**

Conference June 9 and 10 in Collinsville, IL, about 15 miles east of St. Louis. This year's teachings include: The Reformation's Relevancy, Depression, Raising Christian Children in an Age of Progressivism, Modern-Day Prophets & Apostles, Natural Law, Lutheran Piety and News Discernment

2017 CCA Symposium—June 14-16, 2017

Confessing Christ in a Hostile World

This year’s symposium topic is “Confessing Christ in a Hostile World: Catechesis under the Second Article of the Creed.” Also, we will be commemorating the release of “Christ for Us,” a festschrift of catechism sermons by Rev. Rolf D. Preus in celebration of his 60th birthday, collected and edited by his sons in the ministry. Members may pick up registration forms in the narthex or in the church office. Please sign up to bring finger foods for the reception on Wednesday, June 14 after the 6:45pm. Divine Service.

2017 VBS is July 17 through 21 Confessing Christ

This year’s vacation Bible School will focus upon the Apostles’ Creed: “I believe in God the Father Almighty...and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord...I believe in the Holy Spirit...” Plan ahead to send your children and invite your neighbors. This year’s Vacation Bible Class will focus upon the essentials of the Christian faith and what our gracious God has done for us.

News and Notes

Congregational Assembly— Today, Sunday, May 21 at 9:15a.m.

The 2017—2018 fiscal budget will be on the agenda for this meeting. Information packets can be picked up this Sunday to review before the meeting.

Parish Council meets Tuesday, May 23 at 7pm. Pick up your packets today.

Brat Fry, Saturday, May 27 at the Sussex Piggly Wiggly beginning at 9:00am.-3:00p.m. All proceeds go to support the Academy. Please join us for some good food and let friends and family know.

Graduation Vespers for the 2016/17 graduating class of Peace Lutheran Academy will be Wednesday, May 31, at 6:45pm. This year’s graduate is: Hannah Hardenbrook.

PLA Thought of the Week: Congratulations to our Academy graduate this year, Hannah Hardenbrook! We wish her God’s richest blessings as she continues her education at Lake Country Lutheran High School.

Scrip Update for the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year (beginning July 2016)

Year to Date Profit: \$7,345.85

Last Week’s Profit: \$168.82

Participating families last week: 13

Sunday Order of Service

The Sixth Sunday of Easter
Rogate
May 21, 2017

Divine Service Setting Two Lutheran Service Book p. 167

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 766

“Our Father, Who from Heaven Above”

<i>St. 1 – All</i>	<i>St. 6 – All</i>
<i>St. 2 – Women</i>	<i>St. 7 – Men</i>
<i>St. 3 – Men</i>	<i>St. 8 – Women</i>
<i>St. 4 – Women</i>	<i>St. 9 – All</i>
<i>St. 5 – Men</i>	

Introit *sung by the Choir*

Antiphon *(Is. 48:20b)*

With the voice of singing declare ye and tell this;
utter it even to the end of the earth. Alleluia!
The Lord hath redeemed His servant Jacob. Alleluia!

Psalm *(Ps. 66:1)*

Make a joyful noise unto God all ye lands:
sing forth the honor of His name;
make His praise glorious.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

(Antiphon is repeated.)

Old Testament Reading Numbers 21:4-9

The Bronze Serpent in the Wilderness Is a Type of Christ.

Epistle 1 Timothy 2:1-6

Paul exhorts the Church to pray for all people.

Verse *sung by the Choir*

(Liturgical Text; Jn. 16:28)

Alleluia. Christ, who hath redeemed us with His blood,
is risen and hath appeared unto us. Alleluia!
I came forth from the Father and am come into the world;
again, I leave the world and go to the Father. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel John 16:23-30 (31-33)

“Jesus Invites us to Pray in His Name.”

Hymn of the Day 773

“Hear Us, Father, When We Pray”

Choir sings stanza 3

Distribution Hymns

“I Leave All Things to God’s Direction” 719

“In Holy Conversation” 772

“If God Himself Be for Me” 724

Hymn to Depart 526

“You Are the Way; through You Alone”