

Announcements

SERVING IN THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May

Altar Committee: Shirley Weber

Communion Committee: Sherry Prowatzke and Joanne Smith

7:45 Elder: Lance Carus Ushers: Pat Handlos, Jim Mussomelli,
Acolyte: Jake Mussomelli John Trapp

10:30 Elder: Paul Kachelmeyer Ushers: Bob Corso, Erich Greschner,
Acolyte: Alia Fischer Ben Banasik

6:45 Wednesday Elder: Bryan Stoltenberg

Flowers are given by Kurt and Elsie Meyle in thanksgiving to God for 24 years of marriage.

Treats are given by Beth Boehringer and Joanne Smith.

LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Wednesday, November 21 – 189; Thursday, November 22 – 84

Sunday, November 25 – 151 (7:45) 108 (10:30) Bible Class N/A

Wednesday, November 28 – 24

Coffee Break Bible Study – 34

OFFERINGS:

Last Week's Offering

General Fund: \$8,945.40

(Loose Plate \$545.40; Gen. Env. \$6740)

Last Week's Total: \$8,945.40

TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN NOVEMBER:

Reduce the Debt Received in November : \$1,000.00

Other Funds Received in November: \$560.00

Nigeria Funds Received in November: 100.00

General Fund received in November: \$32,757.60

\$34,417.60

Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

The First Sunday in Advent

Sunday, December 2, 2018

THEME: BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD
The Passover Lamb. The Son of David. The Christ. The King. The Lord. The lowly servant who rides upon a donkey as a sign that He is the Savior of sinners. Jesus is all this for you! "Hosanna to the Son of David, blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!" proclaims Jesus to be everything that the Old Testament Church was looking forward to in the coming of their Messiah. The One whom they lauded and confessed as Savior when He entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday is the same Lord whose birth we prepare to celebrate, whose Word and Sacrament continue to nurture us, and whose Second Coming we look forward to with great joy and anticipation. This is Advent par excellence: penitential joy that looks forward to the gracious coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

Advent Responsive Prayer:

The Spirit and the Church cry out: **Come, Lord Jesus!**


All those who await His appearance pray: **Come, Lord Jesus!**

The whole creation pleads: **Come, Lord Jesus!**

28TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

- **Friday, December 21 at 7:00 p.m.** after the fish fry
- **Sunday, December 23 at 10:30 a.m.**

Flyers are available on the scrip counter for anyone to take and post for public viewing. Please help yourself. If more is needed, please let the office staff know.



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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—“Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, and they also who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End,” says the Lord, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.” (Rev. 1:7-8) Each week the faithful gather to receive the Word of their Lord.

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 a.m. Blessed Is He Who Comes

Bible Class 9:15: The Fourth Commandment (Part 3)

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

Youth Catechesis Monday 4:30: Old Testament Lesson 13

Didache Monday 7:00: Lesson 10 – Third Article of the Creed

Wednesday Advent Services 2:30 & 6:45: “To the Loveless Church”

Thursday Coffee Break Bible Study at 9:00 1 Samuel

ADVENT MIDWEEK SERVICES— E'en So Lord Jesus Quickly Come

Our Advent midweek services begin on Wednesday, December 5. This year's Advent and next year's Lenten services will focus on the Book of Revelation and the seven letters of Jesus to the Churches of Asia Minor. These letters are sober calls to repentance for the Church of Jesus Christ. They are just as relevant for our age as they were when they were first written. Prepare for our Lord's coming and for the celebration of His birth by attending Advent Midweek Divine Services on Wednesdays, December 5, 12, and 19 at 2:30 and 6:45

December 5: “To the Loveless Church”—Revelation 2:1-7

December 12: “To the Persecuted Church”—Revelation 2:8-11

December 19: “To the Compromising Church”—Revelation 2:12-17

“The Ministry of Angels” SS Christmas Program is Sun., December 9

The program will be held during the Sunday School hour next Sunday. The program will involve *preschoolers through children in the 8th grade.*

Preparation for the program will be held during the opening of Sunday School. **Joint practice for the program will be this Saturday,**

December 8, from 9:00 to 10:30 AM.

CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL SERVICE SCHEDULE:

- *Christmas Eve Divine Service at 4:00*
- *Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service at 8:00 p.m.*
- *Christmas Day Divine Service at 9:30 a.m.*
- *New Year's Eve Divine Service, December 31 at 6:30 p.m.*
- *New Year's Day Divine Service, January 1 at 9:30 a.m.*

News and Notes

\$200,000 Parking Lot Matching Fund Gift! Moved by the Gospel, an anonymous donor has pledged \$200,000 to be used in a “dollar for dollar” matching fund program for the Parking Lot Fund. This means that every dollar that is contributed to the Parking Lot Fund will be matched up to 200,000. This program will begin now in 2018 and continue through 2019, allowing the greatest opportunity for tax-deductible contributions over two tax years! We give thanks to God for this wonderful opportunity!

Annual Reports are in the narthex. Pick one up today.

Joint Board Meetings –Properties, and Education are scheduled to meet on Tuesday, December 18 at 7:00pm. **Elders will NOT meet in December.**

After 36 years of dedicated service, our custodians, George and Sue Kaminski, are retiring at the end of this school year. Anybody interested in the part-time position of Church/School Custodian, please see Paul Schneider or any of the Board of Property Trustees.

Family Fish Fry, Friday, December 21 from 4:30-7pm. Posters and flyers are available in the narthex on the scrip counter for anyone to take and post for public viewing. Please help yourself. If more are needed, please let the office staff know. Sign up next to the church kitchen to help with the fish fry

Academy Poinsettia and Wreath Fundraiser– Those of you who ordered poinsettias and wreaths can pick them up today.

Scrip Update for the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year (beginning July 2018)

Year-to-Date Profit: \$ 3,111.06

Last Week's Profit: \$110.01

Participating families last week: 14

Scrip Orders During the Holidays – The last date to place Scrip orders to be received in time for Christmas is December 17. The Scrip Center will be closed the week of December 23. Ordering will resume on January 7, 2019.

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Sunday Order of Service
The First Sunday in Advent
December 2, 2018
Divine Service Setting Three
Lutheran Service Book p. 184

“**And with thy spirit**” 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 184. The propers for the day (readings, hymns) are listed below.

Preservice Music “O Bride of Christ, Rejoice” Benjamin M. Culli
LSB 335 for meditation
“Prepare the Royal Highway” Jacob B. Weber
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Hymn of Invocation **343**
“Prepare the Royal Highway”
Men’s Choir sings st. 1 and 3

Introit *sung by the choir*

Antiphon (Ps. 25:1-3a)
Unto Thee, O LORD, do I lift up my soul;
O my God, I trust in Thee; let me not be ashamed;
Let not mine enemies triumph over me.
Yea, let none that wait on Thee be ashamed.

Psalm (Ps. 25:4-5, 21-22)
Show me Thy ways, O LORD;
teach me Thy paths.

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 **Jeremiah 23:5-8**
The LORD is our righteousness

Gradual *sung by the choir* (Ps. 25:3-4)

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Epistle **Romans 13:8-14**
Cast away the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.

Alleluia-Verse *sung by the choir*

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Show us your steadfast love, | O LORD,*
and grant us your sal- | vation. (Ps. 85:7)
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Holy Gospel **Matthew 21:1-9**
“Hosanna to the Son of David”

Hymn of the Day **335**
“O Bride of Christ, Rejoice”
Choir sings stanzas 1 and 3

Distribution Hymn **341**
“Lift Up Your Heads Ye Mighty Gates”

Distribution Hymn **334**
“O Lord, How Shall I Meet You”

Distribution Hymn **333**
“Once He Came in Blessing”

Hymn to Depart **331**
“The Advent of Our King”

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