

## Announcements

### SERVING IN THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May Altar Committee: Holly Schneider  
Communion Committee: Rosanne Fell and Mary Nitzsche

7:45 Elder: Lance Carus Ushers: Jack Christopherson,  
Acolyte: Elizabeth Vogt Michael Christopherson

10:30 Elder: Paul Kachelmeyer Ushers: Doug Westrich, Dave Steinhilb,  
Acolyte: Hannah Uttenreither Bob Rothe

6:45 Wednesday Elder: Mark Goltermann

Treats are given by the Petersen family.

Flowers are given by Randy and Pam Kirk in celebration of their 26<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

### LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Sunday, April 7 – 116 (7:45) 122 (10:30) Bible Class - 95

Wednesday, April 10 – 80 (2:30) 54 (6:45); Coffee Break Bible Study - 41

### OFFERINGS:

Last Week's Offering

**General Fund:** \$11,458.76  
(Loose Plate \$645.01; Gen. Env. \$10,813.75)

**Other:**

**Parking Lot Fund:** \$625.00

**Mortgage Fund:** \$25.00

**Mercy Fund:** \$25.00

**Last Week's Total:** \$12,133.76

### TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN APRIL:

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Parking Lot Funds Received in April: \$625.00

Mortgage Funds Received in April: \$25.00

Mercy Fund Received in April: \$25.00

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**TOTAL PARKING LOT FUND:** \$51,260.00 = \$102,520.00

## Peace Lutheran Church and Academy


### Palm Sunday

Sunday, April 14, 2019

### THEME: FATHER, FORGIVE THEM, FOR THEY KNOW NOT WHAT THEY DO

This year's Palm Sunday Passion reading is from St. Luke's Gospel. The Passion according to St. Luke records for us several sayings of Jesus which are found only in Luke's Passion. Each of these sayings highlights the brilliance of His saving work which was wrought for us by grace alone. When Jesus was nailed to the cross, He prayed: "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do" (Luke 23:34). He prayed for the soldiers who crucified Him, for the chief priests and elders of the people who delivered Him up to Pontius Pilate, for the crowds who hurled insults at Him as He hung from the cross, and He prayed for the world and for us. "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." None of us knows the full extent of our sins. If we did, we could not stand up under the weight of them all. His prayer reflects the undeserved grace of God in Christ who desires and has won salvation for all. To the penitent thief on the cross He declared, "Today you will be with Me in paradise" (Luke 23:43). The thief was a murderer and an insurrectionist. He had lived in wickedness and unbelief, and was now in the final moments of his life. He had no time to amend his life or make up for what he had done. He could only pray the prayer of faith: "Lord, remember me when you come into your kingdom" and Jesus spoke an absolution to him and promised him eternal life. And Jesus' final words were words of faith, "Father, 'into your hands I commend My spirit'" (Luke 23:46). They are actually the words of Psalm 31:5. He prayed the psalms while He suffered for us upon the cross. He had finished His work. He had done all for us. Now He offered His atoning sacrifice to God the Father on our behalf. Because of His work, we can pray the same prayer to our heavenly Father every day. Through faith in Christ we are prepared to commend ourselves to God with the full confidence of His salvation. Meditate upon these words in the Passion. They were spoken to strengthen your faith in His forgiveness and the all sufficiency of His work for your salvation.

**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**—“Your word I have hidden in my heart, that I might not sin against You. Blessed are You, O Lord! Teach me Your statutes.” (Ps 119:11-2) 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., Wednesdays during Lent from 1:45 to 2:15 and from 6:00 to 6:30, after chapel when school is in session, or by appointment — Call Pastor at 246-3200 or 262-370-1189.*

**Sunday Service 7:45 and 10:30: FATHER, FORGIVE THEM ...**

**Bible Class 9:15:** The Eighth Commandment

**Daily Chapel this week M, T, Th:** 8:00 to 8:30am

**Chapel on Wednesdays in Lent:** 8:00 to 8:15am

**Youth Catechesis Monday 4:30:** Lesson 29 – Solomon

**Wednesday Divine Service 6:45:** Worthy Is the Lamb – Rev. 5:1-14

**Thursday Coffee Break Bible Study** – 2 Samuel

**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.

**Private confession and absolution during Lent in the chancel —**

Before Wednesday midweek services, from 1:45 – 2:15 and 6:00 – 6:30.

**Midweek Lenten Services on Wednesday** at 2:30 and 6:45

*The Letters of Jesus to the Churches of Asia Minor*

Apr. 17: Worthy Is the Lamb – Rev. 5:1-14

**First Communion**—We give thanks to God that Mackenzie Dhein, Caleb Ligrow, Gabrielle Ligrow, Nathan Schneider, Abigail Vogt, Elizabeth Vogt, and Lauren Welch will be received at the Altar for their first communion at the Maundy Thursday Divine Service. First Communion is received by those children who have learned by heart the Six Chief Parts of the Small Catechism, who desire the Sacrament in repentant faith, and who have been examined and absolved by the pastor. We give thanks to God for their confession of faith and pray His blessing upon their continued catechesis.

**Private Prayer Vigil** The church will be open for prayer after the service on Maundy Thursday till 10:00 p.m. Good Friday. Devotional material and prayer books will be on hand in the narthex. *Sign up if you are interested in serving as a host or hostess during the vigil.*

**SS Instructional Meeting**— on Tuesday, April 30 at 7pm.

**Issues, Etc.** is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. Listen live or on-demand at [www.issuesetc.org](http://www.issuesetc.org) and on the LPR mobile app.

**UPCOMING HOLY WEEK AND EASTER WEEK SERVICES:**

**Holy Wednesday**, April 17, 2:30 and 6:45 final midweek Service  
**Maundy Thursday**, April 18, 7:00p.m. Service of Corporate Confession and Individual Absolution—The Stripping of the Altar  
**Good Friday Tenebrae**, April 19, 9:00 a.m. (no Communion)  
**Good Friday Divine Services**, April 19, 1:00 and 7:00  
**Holy Saturday Easter Vigil**, April 20, 7:00p.m., with reception of new members and confirmation of adults and youth  
**Easter Sunday**, April 21, 7:45 and 10:30 Festival Divine Services

**News and Notes**

**Sign up to help with Easter Breakfast**— Come join us on Sunday, April 21, after the 7:45 service for Easter breakfast. The sign-up sheets for staff help and food donations are in the hall on the bulletin board next to the church kitchen. Thank you for your help!

**Sign up for altar lilies**—\$11.00 each. The sign-up sheet is on the board next to the church kitchen. Make checks payable to Peace Lutheran Church.

**Joint board meetings** – Elders, Properties, and Education are scheduled to meet on Tues., April 23. **No Study this month;** business meetings at 7p.m.

**Family Fish Fry** - Because Good Friday is the third Friday of April, the fish fry has been moved to Friday, April 26 from 4:30-7:00pm.

**Parish Council meets** Tuesday, April 30 at 7pm.

**Volunteers needed** to help rake stones out of the grass on the west side of the parking lot on Saturday April 13th. We will start at 8:30 am. Bring your plastic rake. Call Larry Martin at 246-4572 if you can help. Thank you.

**Save the date – Church picnic will be August 3.** More details will be available as the date of the picnic approaches. If you have any questions please contact Michael Ferguson at [michael.ferguson@charter.net](mailto:michael.ferguson@charter.net).

**Sons of the Congregation News:** please check the Sons of the Congregation bulletin board to see the bulletin from Rev. Kyle Verage's recent rededication service, as well as copies of an article published in the January issue of *Logia* written by Rev. Eamonn Ferguson.

**Academy Thought of the Week:** Congratulations to our third quarter Honor Roll students! Oliva Hermanson and Margit Rhode, 7<sup>th</sup> graders, both attained a grade point average of 3.5 or better. Keep up the hard work!

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

Year-to-Date Profit: \$5,346.72

Last Week's Profit: \$108.01

Participating families last week: 17

## Palm Sunday

April 14, 2019

### 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.*

#### Choir Invocation

“Ride On, Eternal King” by Robert Leaf

#### Procession of Palms

*Stand and face the processional cross*

#### Invocation

**P:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**P:** Hosanna to the Son of David.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C: Hosanna in the highest.**

#### Psalm 118:26; 24:7-10 *sung by the choir*

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!

We bless You from the house of the LORD.

Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up...

#### Collect for Palm Sunday

**Gospel** Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem **John 12:20-43**

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 12<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

*After the reading of the Holy Gospel.*

**P:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

**P:** Hosanna to the Son of David.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C: Hosanna in the highest.**

**P:** Let us go forth in peace,

**C: in the name of the Lord.**

#### Processional Hymn

“Ride On, Ride On in Majesty”

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#### Confession and Absolution

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#### Salutation and Collect for the Passion

#### Old Testament

**Deuteronomy 32:36-39**

There is no God, except the Lord who both kills and makes alive.

#### Psalm 118:19-29 *sung by the choir*

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!

We bless You from the house of the LORD.

Open to me the gates of righteousness...

#### Epistle

**Philippians 2:5-11**

Christ humbled Himself to the death on the cross.

#### Hymn

“No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet”

*Choir sings stanza 2*

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#### The Passion According to St. Luke

#### Hymn of the Day *sung after the Passion Reading*

“Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle”

*The offering will be received during the singing of the hymn*

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#### Prayer of the Church

#### Service of the Sacrament

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#### Distribution Hymns

“O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken”

*Stanzas 1-5*

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“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

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“O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken”

*Stanzas 6-12*

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#### Hymn to Depart

“O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken”

*Stanzas 13-15*

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