

## Announcements

### SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May                      Altar Committee: Holly Schneider  
Communion Committee: Rosanne Fell, Robin Oehlert, Anna Steinhilb

7:45 Elder: Lance Carus

10:30 Elder: Paul Kachelmeyer

**No treats or coffee** until further notice.

### LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Sat/Sunday, April 4-5 – 7 services, 122 attendance  
Mon-Wed., April 6-8 – 8 services, 99 attendance

### OFFERINGS:

Last Week's Offering

<b>General fund:</b>	\$8,670.00
(Loose Plate \$865; Gen. Env. \$7805)	
<b>Mercy fund:</b>	\$200.00
<b>Parking Lot fund:</b>	\$3,630.00
<b>Nigeria fund:</b>	<u>\$1,550.00</u>
<b>Last Week's Total:</b>	\$14,050.00

### TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN APRIL:

General fund received in April:	\$8,670.00
JEML fund received in April:	\$50.00
Mercy funds received in April:	\$200.00
Nigeria funds received in April:	\$1,500.00
Parking Lot funds received in April:	<u>\$3,630.00</u>
	\$14,050.00

**TOTAL PARKING LOT AFTER EXPENSES: \$365,811.31**

## Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

### Easter Sunday

Sunday and Monday, April 12-13, 2020

### THEME: BE GLAD AND REJOICE IN HIS SALVATION

The account of the resurrection of our Lord from the Evangelist St. John emphasizes the intimate details that surrounded that first Easter. The disciples loved their Lord because of the love that they had received from Him. Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early on Sunday morning to weep and complete the preparations of the body for a proper burial. When she found that the tomb was empty, she ran to tell Peter and John, believing that someone had stolen Jesus' body. Peter and John's hurried visit to the tomb found it just as Mary had said, but they did not find Jesus' body. Finally, as Mary stood in bewildered grief in the cemetery garden, Jesus Himself, risen from the dead, spoke to her and called her by name. Overwhelmed with joy and love for Him she held onto His body with all her might. He was alive! He was risen from the dead, body and soul! She held on to her Jesus! What Mary did was not wrong. She did what true faith always does: it clings to Jesus' Word; it holds on to Him! In our grief and sorrows, we are strengthened by Jesus' comforting Word of forgiveness and grace; and we partake of His true body and blood in the blessed and sure hope that we will rise with Him bodily on the last day.

### Helping Your Neighbor in Need during the Coronavirus Pandemic

During this time of heightened anxiety over the Coronavirus, members of the congregation are encouraged to direct their family, neighbors, co-workers, and friends to our website for recordings of Divine Services and other information. If we can assist you or them in any way, please let us know. The Congregation at Prayer is a good resource to use from home and to share with others.

**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 know of anyone who is in need of the Sacrament but needs to have a visit from one of our pastors, please let us know right away. In Christ, Pastor Bender

### General Giving During the Coronavirus Outbreak

We know that our members confess their faith by the offerings that they give to support the ministry of the Gospel of our dear Lord Jesus Christ. It is important for us to provide for the work of our local congregation, so that the ministry of Christ is not hindered, and we continue to offer the peace and comfort that only Christ can give. Offerings may be given at any service of the congregation. Those unable to attend services may send their offering by mail to the church. If you would like to arrange for direct-deposit giving, please contact the church office for assistance.



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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**— *“My flesh and my heart fail; But God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.” (Psalm 73:26).*  
Each week the faithful gather to receive the Word of their Lord.

**THIS WEEK:**

**Private Confession and Absolution:** *Sundays 6:30 to 7:00 a.m., after chapel, or by appointment — Call Pastor at 262-246-3200 or 262-370-1189.*

Reserve your spot for the Divine Service by calling 262-246-3200.

- Easter Divine Services** Sunday 7:45, 9:15, 10:30, 11:45 and Monday 8:00, 11:00, 12:00, 6:30
- Daily Chapel Tuesday through Friday at 8:00**
  - o Using the Congregation at Prayer and a homily
  - o Communion will be offered at the conclusion of these services for those desiring to receive.
  - o Currently there is no need to sign up for daily chapel.
- Wednesday midweek 6:45pm** with individual cups
- Weekend Divine Services (common cup):**
  - o 3:30 Saturday                                7:45 Sunday
  - o **4:30 Saturday (live stream)**    9:15 Sunday
  - o 5:30 Saturday                                **10:30 Sunday (live stream)**
  - o 6:30 Saturday                                11:45 Sunday
- In-home communion for shut-ins and those who request it.**
  - o Call the church office to request a visit
- Make use of the Congregation at Prayer at Home**
  - o When you are at home, set aside time to regularly and faithfully pray and read the Scriptures utilizing the Congregation at Prayer. Know that while you are doing this in your homes with your families, the rest of the congregation is united with you in faith and prayer.

Those without online access may call the church office and we will provide you with a printed copy or CD of services that you were unable to attend.

**NOTE: WEDNESDAY NIGHT DIVINE SERVICES at 6:45 p.m. resume on April 15, offering communion through individual cups. Sign-up is required for all Divine Services.**

**Sunday School lessons** will be provided for parents to use at home with their children.

**TALK RADIO & PODCASTS FOR THE EASTER SEASON...** This week's topics include: Apparent Contradictions in the Bible on the Resurrection, The Easter Hymn “O Sons and Daughters of the King,” Bad Easter Sermons, Answering Arguments against Christ’s Bodily Resurrection

and more. You can listen live or at your convenience at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org) and on the LPR mobile app.

**News and Notes**

**Office hours this week** are 8am-12pm, Monday through Friday.

**April Board Meetings** – April 21 is the scheduled date on the calendar for board meetings. Due to the Coronavirus meeting restrictions, each board chairman will arrange online or in person meetings with the respective boards to accomplish their business. Packets will be available on our website later in the week.

**\$550,000 Maximum Cost for the Parking Lot**

The bids are in and the maximum cost of the parking lot is \$550,000. The “maximum amount” considers possible contingencies. The final cost could be less. Our costs will be at their lowest when contractors are needing work during the economic slowdown caused by the Covid-19 outbreak. Pending Village approval of the plan and congregational approval for a low interest \$150,000 loan from the Lutheran Church Extension Fund, we are approximately \$34,000 away from being able to begin the project this spring. We are very grateful to God at how our congregation is responding to the parking lot appeal. The gifts continue to grow toward our goal. Please prayerfully consider a gift and/or pledge of gifts to the parking lot fund. Listed below are all available funds and cost projections for the project:

**\$365,811.31 Total Net to date in the Parking Lot Fund**

\$150,000.00 (Potential low interest LCEF Loan)

**\$515,811.31 (Total Available after Loan Approval)**

-\$550,000.00 (Maximum Cost of the Project)

**\$34,188.69 DONATIONS STILL NEEDED TO BEGIN THE PROJECT**

**Weekly Scrip Report**

Week of 04/05/2020

Attendance 0

Number of families participating 7

Gross sales \$2,310.00

Profit paid to Academy \$0.00

Total profit paid this fiscal year \$4,144.38

**Amazon Smile** is working for new sign-ups again. Please register at [Smile.Amazon.com](http://Smile.Amazon.com) so that corporate donations come to Peace Lutheran Church when you make online purchases from Amazon.

## The Lord's Prayer

### The Words of Institution

#### The Peace and Agnus Dei

**P:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C:** Amen.

**P:** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,

**C:** have mercy upon us.

**P:** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,

**C:** have mercy upon us.

**P:** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,

**C:** grant us Thy peace. Amen.

#### Post-Communion Hymn

461

“I Know that My Redeemer Lives”

*Stanzas 5-8*

**P:** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

**C:** and His mercy endures forever.

#### Collect of Thanksgiving

**P:** Alleluia, Christ is risen!

**C:** He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

**P:** Let us bless the Lord.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.

#### Hymn to Depart

548

“Thanks to Thee, O Christ, Victorious”

## The Resurrection of Our Lord—Easter

April 12-13, 2020

### Hymn of Invocation

457

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

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

**C:** Amen.

### Confession of Sin

**P:** Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C:** O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**P:** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

**C:** Amen.

### Introit *prayed responsively*

*Antiphon*

*(Ps. 139:18b, 5b, 6)*

When I awake, I am still with You. Alle-|luia. \*

[You have] laid Your hand upon me. Alle-|luia.

**Such knowledge is too wonder-|ful for me; \***

**it is high, I cannot at-|tain it.**

*Psalm*

*(Ps. 139:1-2a, 8, 10)*

O LORD, You have searched me and | known me. \*

You know my sitting down and my | rising up;

**If I ascend into heaven, | You are there; \***

**if I make my bed in hell, behold, | You are there.**

Even there Your hand shall | lead me, \*

and Your right hand shall | hold me.

**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.)*

**The Kyrie**

**P:** In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

*Each petition is followed by “Lord, have mercy.”*

*The final petition concludes with “Amen.”*

**P:** Help, save, comfort, and defend us gracious Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**The Hymn of Praise**

**155**

This Is the Feast

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

**P:** Let us pray.

Almighty God, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. We humbly pray that we may live before You in righteousness and purity forever; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Old Testament Reading**

**Isaiah 25:6-9**

He will swallow up death forever.

**Gradual** *prayed responsively*

*(Ps. 118:24, 1)*

This is the day the | LORD has made; \*  
we will rejoice and be | glad in it.

**Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for | He is good! \*  
For His mercy endures for-|ever.**

**Epistle**

**1 Corinthians 15:12-25**

If Christ is not raised, our faith is in vain.

**Verse** *sung by the pastor*

*(1 Cor. 5:7b-8a, c)*

Alleluia. Christ, our Passover, was sacri-|ficed for us. \*  
Therefore let us keep the feast  
with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alle-|luia.

**Gospel**

**John 20:1-18**

Jesus appears to Mary Magdalene

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20<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.**

**Nicene Creed** *printed on the inside back cover of the hymnal*

**Hymn of the Day**

**467**

“Awake, My Heart, with Gladness”

**Sermon**

**Prayer of the Church**

**Hymn**

**461**

“I Know that My Redeemer Lives”

*Stanzas 1-4*

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

**P:** Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

**P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

**P:** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life.

Therefore, with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;**

**P:** Heav’n and earth are full of Thy glory.

**C: Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**P:** Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

**C: Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**