

Announcements

SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May Altar Committee: Jeanine Walentoski
Communion Committee: Rosanne Fell, Robin Oehlert, Anna Steinhilb
Saturday 5:00 Elder: Mark Schneider
Sunday 7:45 Elder: Lance Carus
Sunday 10:30 Elder: Paul Kachelmeyer
Wednesday 6:45 Elder: Mark Goltermann

Sanctuary Candle is given for Dan & Shawneen Schmitt's anniversary.
Altar Flowers are given in memory of Wendy Brueck.

LAST WEEK AT PEACE

August 29, 30 and September 2— 5 services - 235 attendance
Bible Class – 76

OFFERINGS:

Last Week's Offering

General Fund:	\$5,065.65
(Loose Plate \$95.65; Gen. Env. \$4970)	
Mercy Fund:	50.00
Parking Lot:	\$1870.00
Children's Choir:	<u>\$100.00</u>
Last Week's Total:	<u>\$7,085.65</u>

TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN AUGUST:

General funds received in August:	\$30,293.70
Parking Lot funds received in August:	\$2,215.00
Goehner Schlr. Funds received in August:	\$85.00
Mercy funds received in August:	\$370.00
Misc. funds received in August:	\$100.00
Nigeria funds received in August:	<u>\$205.00</u>
	<u>\$33,268.70</u>

TOTAL PARKING LOT AFTER INITIAL EXPENSES: \$415,325.31



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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.

Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

September 5, 6, and 9, 2020

THEME: MERCY AND COMPASSION FOR THE DOWNTRODDEN

The Parable of the Good Samaritan illustrates what it is to love God with all one's heart and to love the neighbor as one's self. The self-righteousness of the priest and the Levite who believed they had kept the Law caused them to be curved in upon themselves and unconcerned about the wounded man in need. Though they were Jews and had the Law, they did not believe or practice what the Law demanded. The Samaritan who was viewed as the enemy of the Jew is the one who demonstrates what true love is. He cares not for himself, but spares no time, effort, or expense to help the wounded man, even though the wounded Jew would have considered him his enemy. What a wonderful illustration of what Jesus has done for us. He fulfills the Law by loving us more than He loved Himself. Though we rebelled against God and were left for dead on the side of the road, Jesus came to our rescue, bandaged our wounds, brought us to the inn of the Church, and paid all the expenses necessary to bring us back to health. In Jesus we see what love really is as described by God's Law.

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 and needs to have a visit from one of our pastors, please let us know right away. In Christ, Pastor Bender

Do Not Be Afraid! Remember the promises of the Lord: Jesus said, *"These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."* (John 16:33).

Care in the Distribution of the Lord's Body and Blood

We use silver and gold vessels and purificators soaked in alcohol, and we wash our hands immediately before handling and distributing the sacrament, not primarily because of the fear of spreading disease, but because it is the Lord's body and blood. When you come to the altar to receive, keep this singular focus in your mind and heart: This is the body and blood of Jesus for my salvation! We bow the knee in humble faith and in reverent practice because the Lord's body and to blood that bore our sicknesses, infirmities, and sin is given us to eat and drink for our salvation. It is nothing less than the medicine of immortality which strengthens our faith in Christ, our love for one another, and is the pledge of the resurrection of our bodies to eternal life with Christ.

WE GATHER TO HEAR GOD’S WORD—*“Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching an admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.” (Colossians 3:16).* Each week the faithful gather to receive the Word of their Lord.

THIS WEEK:

- **Saturday:** **Divine Service** 5:00—Trinity 13
- **Sunday:** **Divine Service** 7:45 and 10:30—Trinity 13
Bible Class 9:15—Cain Murders Abel
- **Monday:** **No Chapel on Labor Day**
Didache Divine Service 10:30 (begins 9/14)
- **Tuesday:** **Chapel** 8:00
Youth Didache 4:30 (begins 9/15)
- **Wednesday:** **Chapel** 8:00
Divine Service 6:45—Trinity 12
- **Thursday:** **Chapel Matins with Holy Communion** 8:00
Coffee Break Bible Study 9:00
- **Friday:** **Chapel** 8:00
- **Saturday:** **Divine Service** 5:00—Trinity 13

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.*

Sunday School at Home:

Utilizing the *Congregation at Prayer* and the *Sunday-School-at-Home Booklet* provided to each family of the congregation with school-aged children, parents are called to lead family prayer at home each week. This “lesson material” will take the place of Sunday School classes for the coming year and enhance parents’ involvement with their children at home. Parents’ instructional meetings held with pastor on the first Tuesday of the month will go over the material that parents can use with their families at home and demonstrate techniques and strategies for family prayer. Daily prayer with your family is a wonderful blessing, but for those for whom the habit has not been established a goal of two to three times a week would be a great place to start.

The Lutheran Day School: Its Theological Foundation and Practice:

Sunday morning Bible Class, September 13, 20, 27, and October 4.

Thursday Coffee Break Bible Study resumes this week at 9:00 a.m.

We will continue to walk through the Old Testament History of the Monarchy and Divided Kingdom. This year’s class will meet in the Nave.

Didache Divine Service (Adult Instruction in the Christian Faith) will be held on Monday mornings at 10:30, beginning September 14. This will be a special opportunity for retired members of the congregation and others to review the basics of the Christian faith according to the Small Catechism and also receive the Lord’s Supper at the conclusion of the catechesis. Please register your interest in attending so that we have sufficient materials on hand for the first service. No weekly sign up will be required.

NEWS AND NOTES

Ad Hoc Academy Governance Committee – 7:00 pm Sept. 14, 21, 28.

Board of Elders – 6:30 pm September 15.

Board of Education – 6:30 pm September 22.

Board of Properties – 7:00 pm September 22.

Parish Council – 7:00 pm September 29.

Sign up for Services – If you signed up for multiple services in August, please remember that you need to sign up again for services in September.

Installation of New Board Members during the Divine services this week. Newly elected board members include: Board of Elders - Lance Carus, Mike Ferguson, Mark Goltermann, Eric Krueger; Board of Education - Staci Anderson, Eric Kütemeier, Brett Rhode, Kim Stratil, Elton Volquardsen; Board of Properties - George Kaminski, Kevin Larson

Parking Lot is Open! 😊 Two days of temporary closure sometime soon!

The new parking lot is open for cars. There are three projects yet to be completed that will result in the temporary closure for a day: minor side walk and handicap parking construction, the second coat of paint on all the striping, and the planting of six trees in several of the islands. When the barrels are blocking the entryway, you will know to park on the street for that day. When the entry is not blocked by the barrels you are free to use the parking lot.

Academy Funding: Our academy relies heavily on fundraising to bridge the gap between tuition & expenses. The Scrip program comprises a large portion of that fundraising. As a result of the pandemic, the Academy is projected to receive 40% less from Scrip sales in 2020-21 than it did in 2019-20. PLEASE continue to support the Academy by purchasing Scrip. Besides before/after services, it can be purchased in the office or on-line. Please continue to support our God-centered education, which is critical especially during the current crisis.

Weekly Scrip Report: Week of 08/30/2020 (5 Families participating)

Gross sales \$720.00

Profit paid to Academy \$49.10

Attendance 220

Total profit this fiscal year \$547.29

Scrip is available for purchase before and after services. Please ask the elder on duty for assistance. \$100 cards of Kwik Trip and Walmart will not be available, however, they are still available in \$25 and \$50 denominations.

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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) listed below.

Hymn of Invocation 553

“O Christ, Our Hope, Our Hearts’ Desire”

Introit *Sung responsively*

Antiphon (Ps. 74:20a, 21a, 22a, 23a)

Have respect to the cove-|nant, [O LORD]; *
oh, do not let the oppressed re-|turn ashamed!
Arise, O God, plead Your | own cause; *
do not forget the voice of Your | enemies.

Psalm (Ps. 74:1-2, 19b, 21b)

O God, why have You cast us off for-|ever? *
Why does Your anger smoke against the sheep of Your | pasture?
Remember Your congre-|gation, *
which You have pur-|chased of old,
the tribe of Your inheritance, which You | have redeemed— *
this Mount Zion where | You have dwelt.
Do not forget the life of Your poor for-|ever. *
Let the poor and needy | praise Your name.

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.)

Old Testament Reading **II Chronicles 28:8-15**

Israel returns those captured in war

Gradual *Sung by the congregation* (Ps. 77:14-15)

You are the God who does | wonders; *
You have declared Your strength among the | peoples.
You have with Your arm redeemed Your | people, *
the sons of Jacob and | Joseph.

Epistle **Galatians 3:15-22**

The function of the Law to direct us to faith in Christ

Holy Gospel **Luke 10:23-37**

The Parable of the Good Samaritan

Hymn of the Day 683

“Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me

Pre-Communion Hymn 636

“Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness”
Stanzas 1-2

Distribution Hymn 636

“Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness”
Stanzas 3-8

Hymn to Depart 852

“O God of Mercy, God of Might”