

Announcements

SERVING THIS WEEK

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

Sanctuary Candle is given by the Fells for their 32nd wedding anniversary.
Altar Flowers are given by the Christophersons for Debbie's, Angela's, and August's birthdays.

LAST WEEK AT PEACE

September 19-21, 23 and 24 — 6 services – 343 attendance
Sunday Bible Class –123 Coffee Break Bible Study – 50

OFFERINGS:

Last Week's Offering

General Fund:	\$6,704.88
(Loose Plate \$1298; Gen. Env. \$5406.88)	
Memorials:	\$200.00
Parking Lot:	\$2,851.00
Sacred Appointments Fund:	\$50.00
Mercy Fund	\$735.00
Choir gift:	<u>\$5.00</u>
Last Week's Total:	\$10,545.88

TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN SEPTEMBER:

General funds received in September:	\$21,041.88
Other funds received in September:	\$1,215.00
Parking Lot funds received in September:	\$4,061.00
Nigeria funds received in September:	<u>\$350.00</u>
	\$26,667.88

TOTAL PARKING LOT FUND AFTER INITIAL EXPENSES: \$419,386.31

Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

September 26, 27, and 30, 2020

THEME: JESUS TAKES OUR DEATH UPON HIMSELF TO RESTORE LIFE WITH GOD

A large funeral procession carrying the only son of a widow is confronted by another large procession, Jesus and His followers. Death and Life meet face to face at the gate of the city (Luke 7:11–17). Filled with compassion, Jesus comes into direct contact with our mortality in order to overcome it. He touches the coffin and speaks His creative words of life, “Young man, I say to you, arise.” Jesus does what is neither expected nor requested. For through Christ, God the Father “is able to do far more abundantly than all we ask or think” (Eph. 3:14–21). Jesus bore our death in His body that we may share in His resurrection. Even as Elijah stretched himself out three times over the Zarephath woman's son (2 Kings 17:17–24), God stretched Himself out over us in the threefold application of His name in the baptismal water, breathing new and everlasting life into us. “To Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.”

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

Adult Confirmation September 27 at the 10:30 service.

We give thanks to God that Kathy Federman will be confirmed today at the 10:30 service. We give thanks to God for Kathy's public confession of faith and pray for her to remain faithful all the days of her life as she continues to hear His Word and receive His Holy Supper.



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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—*"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 16
- **Sunday:** **Divine Service** 7:45 and 10:30—Trinity 16
Bible Class 9:15—Lutheran Day School Part 2
- **Monday:** **Chapel** 8:00
Didache Divine Service 10:30
- **Tuesday:** **Chapel** 8:00
Youth Didache 4:30
- **Wednesday:** **Chapel** 8:00
Divine Service 6:45—Trinity 16
- **Thursday:** **Chapel Matins with Holy Communion** 8:00
Coffee Break Bible Study 9:00
- **Friday:** **Chapel** 8:00
- **Saturday:** **Divine Service** 5:00—Trinity 17

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.*

The Lutheran Day School: Its Theological Foundation and Practice:
Sunday morning Bible Class, through October 4.

This Week's Sunday School at Home:

Jesus Takes the Place of the Guilty

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. The next Parents' instructional meeting is Tuesday, October 6 at 6:30. 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.

Didache Divine Service (Adult Instruction in the Christian Faith) is held on Monday mornings at 10:30. This is 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. No weekly sign up will be required.

Thursday Coffee Break Bible Study at 9:00 a.m. Walking through the Old Testament history of the monarchy and the divided kingdom.

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 blood that bore our sicknesses, infirmities and sin is given to 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.

NEWS AND NOTES

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

Parish Council – 7:00 pm, Tuesday, September 29.

Family Prayer Instruction –6:30 pm, Tuesday, October 6

Care During the Coronavirus

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, please respect one another during this time, as we provide many opportunities to receive the Word and Sacrament in somewhat reduced crowds. We continue to ask for your help in signing up for the services, so that we do not overcrowd our nave. We will offer some overflow seating in the narthex as well as the Gerhardt Room. We are attempting to hold the numbers in the nave to 80 or fewer. Remember, the Lord's Supper is offered also at the Didache Divine Service on Monday and at the Chapel Matins Service on Thursday.

Sign up for Services – If you signed up for multiple services in September, please remember that you need to sign up again for services in October. Your flexibility in choosing alternate service times when services are full has been greatly appreciated.

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 09/20/2020 (10 families participating)

Gross sales \$1,595.00

Profit paid to Academy \$54.00

Attendance 319

Total profit this fiscal year \$887.77

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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 **726**
“Evening and Morning”

Introit *Sung by the choir*

Antiphon *(Ps. 86:3, 5)*

Be gracious to me, O Lord,
for to you do I cry all the day.

**For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving,
abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you.**

Psalm *(Ps. 86:1, 7, 12-13)*

Incline your ear, O LORD, and answer me,
for I am poor and needy.

**In the day of my trouble I call upon you,
for you answer me.**

I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,
and I will glorify your name forever.

**For great is your steadfast love toward me;
you have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

(Antiphon is repeated.)

Old Testament Reading **I Kings 17:17-24**
The Raising of the Widow of Zarephath’s Son.

Choral Response

“Jesus, Refuge of the Weary”

Jesus, Refuge of the weary, blest Redeemer, whom we love,
Fountain in life’s desert dreary, Savior from the world above,
Oh, how oft Thine eyes, offended, gaze upon the sinner’s fall!
Yet upon the cross extended, Thou didst bear the pain to all.

Jesus, may our hearts be burning with more fervent love for Thee!
May our eyes be ever turning to Thy cross of agony
Till in glory, parted never from the blessed Savior’s side,
Graven in our hearts forever, dwell the cross, the Crucified!

Epistle **Ephesians 3:13-21**
The depth of the mystery of God’s love in Christ.

Verse *Sung by the choir* *(Ps. 115:11)*

Alleluia. Alleluia. You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD;
He is their help and their shield. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel **Luke 7:11-17**
The Raising of the Widow of Nain’s Son

Hymn of the Day **758**
“The Will of God Is Always Best”
Choir sings stanza 3

Rite of Confirmation *(After the Creed at the 10:30 Service only)*

Distribution Hymns
“O Christ, Who Shared Our Mortal Life” **552**
stanzas 1, 7-8, 4
“Be Still My Soul” **752**
“No Saint on Earth Lives Life to Self Alone” **747**

Hymn to Depart **742**
“For Me to Live is Jesus”