

## Announcements

### SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May                      Altar Committee: Sherry Prowatzke  
Communion Committee: Doreen Corso and Sharon Murphy  
Saturday 5:00 Elder: Mark Goltermann  
Sunday 7:45 Elder: Mark Schneider  
Sunday 10:30 Elder: Mike Ferguson  
Wednesday 6:45 Elder: Erik Krueger

**Sanctuary Candle** is given for Dave and Anna Steinhilb's 29<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**Altar Flowers** are given for Mike and Angela Christopherson's 12<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

### LAST WEEK AT PEACE

October 10-12, 14, and 15 — 6 services – 289 attendance  
Sunday Bible Class – 86      Coffee Break Bible Study – N/A

### OFFERINGS:

Last Week's Offering

<b>General Fund:</b>	\$6,432.00
(Loose Plate \$2212; Gen. Env. \$4220)	
<b>Parking Lot fund:</b>	\$100.00
<b>Gohner Schl. fund:</b>	\$25.00
<b>Mercy fund:</b>	\$25.00
<b>Nigeria fund:</b>	<u>\$150.00</u>
<b>Last Week's Total:</b>	\$6,732.00

### TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN OCTOBER:

General funds received in October:	\$12,970.55
Other funds received in October:	\$300.00
Parking Lot funds received in October:	\$220.00
Nigeria funds received in October:	<u>\$300.00</u>
	\$13,790.55

**TOTAL PARKING LOT FUND AFTER INITIAL EXPENSES: \$419,606.31**

## Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

### The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity


October 17, 18, and 21, 2020

#### THEME: JESUS HAS THE AUTHORITY TO FORGIVE SINS

A paralyzed man is the perfect image of humanity who cannot save itself from the bondage and paralysis of sin. The paralytic had to be brought to Jesus. We have to be brought to Jesus. His greatest problem was not physical paralysis, but the problem of sin which was the cause of all his maladies. It is the same for us. Jesus' word addressed the real problem: "Son, be of good cheer; your sins are forgiven you." It is this word that the self-righteous scribes objected to. They accused Jesus of blasphemy: using the power of God that He had no right to use. They were wrong. Jesus had the authority to forgive sins because He came into the world to pay the ultimate price for sin. The scribes had no power to make a man walk or to take away a man's sin. It was impossible for them. It is impossible for us. But Jesus had the power to do both. To teach them that He had the power to forgive sins, He made the man to arise and walk. What none of us could do, Jesus did. He has now given the power to forgive sins to His Church, so that paralyzed and broken sinners might be set free and reconciled to God. "When the multitudes saw it, they marveled and glorified God, who had given such power to men." Thanks be to God that Jesus power and authority to forgive sins is found in the Church where His Gospel is preached and His sacraments are administered. In Christ's absolution, sinners are set free from bondage and reconciled to God.

**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



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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 and 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 19
- **Sunday:** **Divine Service** 7:45 and 10:30—Trinity 19  
**Bible Class** 9:15—O.T. The Story of Joseph
- **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 19
- **Thursday:** **Chapel Matins with Holy Communion** 8:00  
**Coffee Break Bible Study** 9:00
- **Friday:** **Chapel** 8:00
- **Saturday:** **Divine Service** 5:00—Reformation

**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 morning Bible Class - Old Testament Catechesis:**

Joseph Is Hated by His Brothers and Sold into Slavery

**THIS WEEK'S SUNDAY SCHOOL AT HOME:**

**The Fall of Man the First Promise of the Gospel – Genesis 3:1-15**

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, November 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

**NEWS AND NOTES**

**Fish Fry Relaunch. Drive-thru or carryout only. Friday, October 23,** open to the public, 5-7pm.

**Board of Education** – 6:30 pm, Tuesday, October 20

**Board of Properties** – 7:00 pm, Tuesday, October 20.

**Parish Council** – 7:00 pm Tuesday, October 27.

**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. Please remember that seating is in every other pew marked with blue tape. Overflow seating is available 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.

**2019-20 Annual Report and Membership Directory** is available in the narthex. Pick up your copy today.

**Amazon Smile for Academy Funding:** Smile sign-ups are finally in gear! You can go to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and search for Peace Lutheran Church in Sussex. If you elect Peace, 0.5% of your purchases at the Smile site will be donated to the Academy. You can also bookmark Peace's Smile page: [smile.amazon.com/ch/39-1092097](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/39-1092097). The only trick is learning to shop at the Smile.Amazon site instead of the regular Amazon site. Since we began the Smile program, the Academy has received \$1300 in donations. Remember too that you can double-dip with Amazon by using Scrip to make those purchases.

**Academy Funding through Scrip:** 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 10/11/2020 (13 families participating)

Gross sales \$1,920.00

Profit paid to Academy \$169.96

Attendance 281

Total profit this fiscal year \$1,163.44

# The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

October 17, 18, and 21, 2020

**On Sunday: Divine Service Setting Two**  
**Lutheran Service Book p. 167**

**On Saturday and Wednesday:**  
**Divine Service for Catechesis**

*Please follow the order of service printed in the hymnal beginning on page 167, or the Divine Service for Catechesis folder. The propers for the day (readings, hymns) listed below. The choir sings on Sunday only.*

**Hymn of Invocation** **708**  
“Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart”

**Introit** *sung by the congregation*

*Antiphon* (Ps. 35:3b; 34:17a, 6b; 48:14a)

Say to my soul, “I am your sal-|vation.” \*  
The righteous cry out, and the | LORD hears.  
[The LORD] saved him out of all his | troubles; \*  
for this is God, our God forever and | ever.

*Psalm* (Ps. 78: 1-3, 4b)

Give ear, O my people, | to my law; \*  
incline your ears to the words | of my mouth.  
I will open my mouth in a | parable; \*  
I will utter dark sayings | of old,  
which we have | heard and known, \*  
and our fathers have | told us,  
telling to the generation to come the praises | of the LORD, \*  
and His strength and His wonderful works that | He has done.

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** **Genesis 28:10-17**  
The Lord speaks to Jacob at Bethel

**Choral Response** (based on Psalm 84)

“How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place” – Donald Grantham

How lovely is Thy dwelling place, O Lord of hosts to me!  
My thirsty soul desires and longs within Thy courts to be;  
My very heart and flesh cry out, O living God, for Thee.

Beside Thine altars, gracious Lord, the swallows find a nest;  
How happy they who dwell with Thee and praise Thee without rest,  
And happy they whose hearts are set upon the pilgrim’s quest.

They who go through the desert vale will find it full of springs,  
And they shall climb from height to height  
till Zion’s temple rings with praise to Thee,  
in glory throned, in glory throned, Lord God, great King of Kings.

One day within Thy courts excels a thousand spent away;  
How happy they who keep Thy laws nor from Thy precepts stray,  
For Thou shalt surely bless all those who live the words they pray.

**Epistle** **Ephesians 4:22-28**

The Holy Spirit renews our faith through the Word of mercy.

**Verse** *sung by the choir*

Alleluia. Sing to the LORD a | new song! \*  
For He has done marvelous things. Alle- | luia. (Ps. 98:1a)

**Holy Gospel** **Matthew 9:1-8**

The Healing of the Paralytic

**Hymn of the Day** **614**

“As Surely as I Live,” God Said  
*Choir sings stanzas 1 and 6 – Sunday only*

**Distribution Hymns**

“O Gracious Lord, I Firmly Am Believing” **635**  
“Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus” **531**

**Hymn to Depart** **814**

“O Bless the Lord, My Soul”