

## Announcements

### SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May Altar Committee: Melinda Burger  
Communion Committee: Becca/Hannah Ligrow, Joanne Smith  
Sunday 7:45am Elder: Lance Carus  
Sunday 10:30am Elder: Mike Ferguson  
Wednesday 6:45pm Elder: Mark Goltermann

**Sanctuary Candle** given for Jim and Gayle Cardo's 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

### LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Maundy Thursday – 189  
Tenebrae – 37 Good Friday – 83 (1:00) 46 (3:00) 74 (7:00)  
Easter Vigil – 85 Sunday, April 4 – 93 (7:15) 123 (9:00) 81 (10:45)  
Wednesday April 7 – 17

### OFFERINGS:

Last Week's Offering

General fund:	\$ 14,197.01
(Loose Plate \$992.01; Gen. Env. \$13,205)	
Goehner Schl. fund:	\$ 100.00
Sacred Appts. fund:	\$ 100.00
Mercy fund:	\$ 400.00
Parking Lot fund:	\$ 100.00
Capital Improvements fund:	\$ 200.00
Nigeria fund:	\$ 210.00
Last Week's Total:	\$ 15,307.01

### TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN APRIL:

General funds received in April:	\$ 14,197.01
Capital Imp. funds received in April:	\$ 200.00
Parking Lot funds received in April:	\$ 100.00
Other funds received in April:	\$ 600.00
Nigeria funds received in April:	\$ 210.00
	\$ 15,307.01

## Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

### The Second Sunday of Easter / Quasimodo Geniti

April 11, 2021

### THEME: PEACE BE WITH YOU! THE VICTORY IS YOURS!

It is in Jesus' first resurrection appearance in the upper room that He ordained His disciple's "apostles" saying, "Peace to You! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." As Jesus spoke these words He said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." The promise of the Holy Spirit is given to every minister of the Gospel in so far as he is faithful to the Word of Christ. Wherever Jesus' Word is preached, there is the Spirit of God "working faith when and where He pleases," forgiving the sins of repentant sinners and withholding forgiveness from the unrepentant. The purpose of the Apostolic Word is defined by John in his Gospel: "these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name" (vs.31).

**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

**The Blood of Christ** is distributed from the common cup at all Divine Services of the congregation. Individual cups will also be available at all services for those who have requested them. Communicants receiving from the individual cups are asked to fold their hands on their chest during the distribution. After the distribution from the common cup, the individual cups will then be distributed. At any time, you have special needs or concerns about receiving the Lord's Supper, please speak with 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**—*Jesus said, “Most assuredly, I say to you, if anyone keeps My Word he shall never see death.” (John 8:51).* Each week the faithful gather to receive the Word of their Lord.

**THIS WEEK:**

- **Sunday:** **Divine Service** 7:45 & 10:30 — Easter 2  
**Bible Class** 9:15 — Open Forum
- **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 — Easter 2
- **Thursday:** **Chapel Matins with Holy Communion** 8:00  
**Coffee Break Bible Study** 9:00 — Open Forum
- **Friday:** **Chapel** – 8:00

**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.*

**THIS WEEK’S SUNDAY SCHOOL AT HOME:** Jesus Appears in the Upper Room. The next **parents’ instructional meeting** Monday, April 12 at 6:30.

**Signing up for Services Is No Longer Requested**

Throughout the spring, communion will continue to be offered at the Didache Divine Service on Monday mornings at 10:30 and on Thursday mornings as part of Chapel at 8:00. As was done in the past, please indicate your attendance at the Lord’s table by clearly signing your name on the “communion register”, located next to the guest register in the narthex. Thank you.

**Issues, Etc.** You can listen on-demand at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org), the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

**NEWS AND NOTES**

**Board of Elders** – 6:30 pm Tuesday, April 13

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

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

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

**OPEN FORUM Should We Call an Ordained Headmaster?**

The Board of Education and Board of Elders, in concurrence with the Parish Council, have endorsed the concept of calling an ordained Headmaster for the Academy. In these challenging cultural times, the Academy would benefit from sound theological leadership, coupled with knowledge and expertise in classical education, to lead the Academy in curriculum and faculty development, to spearhead the certification and accreditation of our

school, to promote the Academy in the community, and to work with current and prospective families. An Open Forum to discuss the topic will be held on Sunday, April 11, during the Bible Class hour at 9:15 a.m. and Thursday, April 15, in conjunction with Coffee Break Bible Study at 9:00 a.m. Please try to attend one of these forums. Congregational input is vital.

**Capital Improvements Fund**

For years our congregation has not been in a financial position to “save for future expenses.” Thanks be to God we are in that position now. What happens when the HVAC needs replacement, or we need a new roof? How do we pay for these expenses without a special fund drive? Since the retirement of the primary mortgage and with the concurrence of the Congregational Assembly, the Parish Council has established the “Capital Improvements Fund” to help us meet those needs as they occur. We currently have approximately \$50,000 in the Capital Improvements Fund. As you are able, we would encourage you to give to that fund rather than to the parking lot. Mark contributions: Capital Improvements. In this way, money will be available when major repairs need to be made. The Academy HVAC installed in 1999 is in significant need of replacement and is the highest priority in the immediate future. Thanks for your support!

**Goods and Services Auction Is Coming in June!**

Saturday, June 19, is the date of the 2021 Goods and Services Auction in support of Peace Lutheran Academy. More details will follow in the weeks ahead. Due to the busy schedule, difficulty securing a venue, and other conflicts, the **CCA Symposium** will not be held this year.

**Academy Teaching Staff:** The Board of Education will be researching Mr. Hahn’s replacement in the coming weeks. Options may include a teaching headmaster who may also be an ordained pastor, another full-time teacher, or part-time teachers. Members of the Academy family and congregation are welcome to offer perspective, ask questions, or offer input to the board, Mrs. Ferguson, or Pastor Bender as the process moves forward. An open forum is scheduled for April 11 and April 15. Above all, please keep the process in your prayers.

**Preschool in 2021-22** - After some discussion about the future direction of Peace Lutheran Academy, the Board of Education made the decision not to offer Preschool for the 2021-22 academic year. Once a permanent headmaster is in place, he and the Board of Education will work together to determine what will work best for the Academy for the long term.

**Fish Fry Drive-thru** on Friday, April 23, from 5:00-7:00. Mark your calendars and come pick up dinner for the family. Tell your friends!

**Baking Volunteers Needed for Fish Fry**

Each fish fry event we offer a signature homemade “dessert of the week” like cookies or brownies. If you are willing to bake for a fish fry, text or call John Bender at 262-247-5335.

**The Second Sunday of Easter**  
**Quasimodo Geniti**  
April 11, 2021  
**Divine Service Setting Three**  
**Lutheran Service Book, p. 184**

“**And with thy spirit**” is the response in this service to the salutation,  
“The Lord be with you.”

*Please follow the order of service printed in the hymnal beginning on page 184. The propers for the day (readings, hymns) are listed below.*

**Preservice Music**

“Water, Blood, and Spirit Crying” Setting by Jeffrey Blersch

**Hymn of Invocation**

**597**

“Water, Blood, and Spirit Crying”

**Introit** *sung by the congregation; the Gloria is sung from Setting 3*

*Antiphon*

*(1 Peter 2:2a)*

As newborn babes, Alle-|luia, \*  
desire the pure milk of the word. Alle-|luia.

*Psalm*

*(Ps.81:1, 7a, 10, 16b)*

Sing aloud to | God our strength; \*  
make a joyful shout to the God of | Jacob.  
“You called in trouble, and I de-|livered you; \*  
I answered you in the secret place of | thunder.  
I am the | LORD your God, \*  
who brought you out of the land of | Egypt.  
Open your mouth wide, and I will | fill it; \*  
and with honey from the rock I would have satis-|fied you.”

Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.

*(Antiphon is repeated.)*

**Old Testament Reading**

**Ezekiel 37:1-14**

The Valley of Dry Bones

**Epistle**

**1 John 5:4-10**

Faith in Christ Is Our Victory!

**Alleluia-Verse** *Sung by the congregation*

Alleluia. He is risen | from the dead, \*  
and indeed He is going before you into Galilee. Alle-|luia.  
After eight days, Jesus came and stood | in the midst, \*  
and said, “Peace to you!” Alle-|luia.

*(Matthew 28:7b; John 20:26a, c)*

**Holy Gospel**

**John 20:19-31**

Jesus appears to His disciples in the upper room

**Hymn of the Day**

**471**

“O Sons and Daughters of the King”

*Stanza 1: All*

*Stanza 6: Women & Children*

*Stanza 2: Women & Children*

*Stanza 7: Men*

*Stanza 3: Men*

*Stanza 8: Women & Children*

*Stanza 4: Women & Children*

*Stanza 9: All*

*Stanza 5: Men*

**Offertory Hymn**

**155**

This is the Feast

**Distribution Hymns**

“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing”

**475**

“Our Paschal Lamb, That Sets Us Free”

**473**

“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing”

**633**

**Hymn to Depart**

**477**

“Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven”