

Announcements

SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May Altar Committee: Cathy Petersen
Communion Committee: Sharon Martin, Melody Ruhbusch, Anna Steinhilb
Sunday 7:45am Elder: Lance Carus
Sunday 10:30am Elder: Paul Kachelmeyer
Wednesday 6:45pm Elder: Mark Goltermann

LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Sun, September 12: Early-136 Late-78
Wed, September 15: 22
Thurs, September 16: Communion Matins-22 Coffee Break-39

Altar Flowers are given in memory of Christian and Gary Schmidt.

Sanctuary Candle is given from the Koplings in memory of Clara Schiellack.

OFFERINGS:

Last Week's Offering

General fund:	\$ 9,056.00
(Loose Plate \$181; Gen. Env. \$8875)	
LCEF additional payments:	\$ 1,197.06
Capital Improvements fund:	\$ 550.00
Mercy fund:	\$ 120.00
Nigeria fund:	\$ 75.00
Last Week's Total:	\$ 10,998.06

TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN SEPTEMBER:

General funds received in September:	\$ 18,908.00
Other funds received in September:	\$ 170.00
LCEF additional received in September:	\$ 1,197.06
Capital Improvements funds received in Sept.:	\$ 550.00
Nigeria funds received in September:	\$ 75.00
	\$ 20,900.06

Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity


September 19, 2021

THEME: Jesus Restores Our Communion with God

Jesus is the resurrection and the life, but the life He gives is not merely the resuscitation of a dead individual, but the restoration of life with God and one another in a wonderful fellowship with the Triune God of love in whose image we were created. Loneliness and separation from loved ones are what sin and its resulting death brings into our lives. When Jesus raised the widow of Nain's son, he arrested the funeral procession, touched the open coffin, and spoke the word that raised the dead. It is a wonderful picture of what Jesus' death, resurrection, and preaching accomplishes. He has touched our sin and death and made it His own. He took away the cause of death when He atoned for the sin which separated us from God and one another. And in His resurrection, He proclaims a Word of forgiveness and new life which raises the dead and restores our fellowship with God and one another. That Jesus presented the raised son to his mother is a wonderful picture of the blessed reunion which is yet to come. From this miracle the people rightly confessed, "A great prophet has risen up among us" and "God has visited His people."

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—*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:

- **Private Confession and Absolution:** *Sundays 6:30 to 7:00 a.m. or by appointment — Call Pastor at 262-246-3200 or 262-370-1189.*
- **Sunday:** **Divine Service** 7:45 & 10:30 — Trinity 16
Bible Class 9:15 — The Rich Young Ruler
- **Monday:** **Chapel** – 8:00
- **Tuesday:** **Chapel** – 8:00
Youth Catechesis – 4:30
- **Wednesday:** **Chapel** – 8:00
Divine Service 6:45 — Trinity 16
- **Thursday:** **Thursday Communion Chapel** 8:00
Coffee Break Bible Study 9:00 — Jeremiah
- **Friday:** **Chapel Matins** – 8:00

THIS WEEK’S FAMILY PRAYER AT HOME: The Rich Young Ruler

**Upcoming Sunday Morning Bible Class Series: Starts October 3rd
The St. Peter Option—To Everyone an Answer**

What troubles you as a Christian these days? What causes you to fear for the future? What is our response to LGBTQ theology, transgenderism, the WOKE movement, cancel culture, global climate change, progressivism, totalitarianism, the loss of freedom, Christian persecution, and a host of other threats? Beginning October 3 and throughout this academic year during Sunday morning Bible Class, we will engage in a comprehensive study of 1 and 2 Peter, and how we are called to live joyfully and without fear as Christian pilgrims in a world of darkness and hostility toward the things we believe. Peter says, “Sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear” (1 Peter 3:15) **“The St. Peter Option”** will explore how we are called to live in this vale of tears. Peter emphasizes that our calling in this world, even as we learn His Word deeply so that we might give a defense of our faith, is always to trust in Christ and to sing the praises of our God without fear or despair.

Didache Divine Service—Adult and Youth Catechesis begins Thursday, October 7, at 7:00 p.m. This class is for adults seeking communicant membership in the congregation and our members who would like to be refreshed in the Christian faith and life. This year’s class will once again offer the Lord’s Supper at the conclusion of the catechesis. The entire evening will run from 7:00 to 8:30.

Theology of Worship—Pastor's current presentations on *Issues Etc* are on the topic of worship. A list of links is available at <http://lutherancatechesis.org/links/worship/>

NEWS AND NOTES

Would You Like to Sing?

Senior Choir has begun a new season of leading the congregation in song. If you ever thought of singing in the choir, we would love to have you. Please talk to Pastor Bender if you are interested.

All Boards meet Tuesday, September 21st at 6:30 p.m. All Boards will meet the third Tuesday of the month. The meeting will begin jointly with a study led by Pastor on educational themes from Martin Luther and the Lutheran Confessions. This 30-minute study is open to anyone in the congregation. Each board will then divide and begin the business portion of their board meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Parish Council meets Tuesday, September 28th at 7:00 p.m.

Fish Fry Drive-thru — Friday, September 24, from 5:00-7:00. Tell your friends!

Garden Cleanup will be on Friday, Oct 1st, from 9:00am to 12:00pm. Students from LCL will be assisting this year. If you can help, too, please contact Beth Boehringer at 920-285-8626. Plan to bring gloves, clippers, and rakes.

Submitting Names for Calling an Associate Pastor and Headmaster

—Anyone in the congregation may submit names to Pastor Bender for possible consideration of the Office of Associate Pastor and Headmaster. Under the provisions of our Constitution, the Board of Elders and the Board of Education work jointly as a call committee to screen potential candidates for the position. The Congregational Assembly is the calling body of our congregation. After candidates have been screened, and the Board of Elders, Board of Education, and Pastor Bender are prepared to make a recommendation to the congregation, a special meeting of the Congregational Assembly will be convened to consider extending a divine call. Updates on the process and candidates submitted for possible consideration will be posted each week on the narthex bulletin board.

Weekly Scrip Report: Week of 9-12-2021 (11 families participating)

Gross sales \$2,050.00	Profit paid to Academy \$65.51
Attendance – 233	Total profit this fiscal year \$870.49

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Divine Service Setting Three Lutheran Service Book p. 184

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

Hymn of Invocation

741

“Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense”

Stanzas 1-6

Introit *Sung by the congregation with the Gloria Patri from Setting 3.*

Antiphon

(Ps. 86:3, 5)

Be merciful to | me, O Lord, *

for I cry to you | all day long.

For You, Lord, are good, and ready | to forgive, *

and abundant in mercy to all those who call up- | on You.

Psalm

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

Bow down Your ear, O LORD, | hear me; *

for I am poor and | needy.

In the day of trouble I will call up- | on you, *

for You will | answer me.

I will praise You, O Lord my God, with | all my heart, *

and I will glorify Your name for- | ever more.

For great is Your mercy | toward me, *

and You have delivered my soul from the depths | of Sheol.

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

I Kings 17:17-24

The raising of the widow of Zarephath's son.

Gradual *Sung by the congregation*

(Ps. 102:15-16)

The nations shall fear the name | of the LORD, *

and all the kings of the earth Your | glory.

For the LORD shall build up | Zion; *

He shall appear in His | glory.

Epistle

Ephesians 3:13-21

The depth of the mystery of God's love in Christ.

Alleluia-Verse *The congregation sings the triple Alleluia before and after the verse of the Day. The pastor sings the appointed verse.*

You who fear the LORD, trust | in the LORD; *

He is their help | and their shield.

(Ps. 115:11)

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”

Distribution Hymns

“In the Very Midst of Life”

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“Lord, It Belongs Not to My Care”

757

“Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death”

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Hymn to Depart

741

“Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense”

Stanzas 7-8