

Announcements

SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May Altar Committee: Rosie Kopling
Communion Committee: Rosanne Fell, Robin Oehlert, Jennifer Scheler
Sunday 7:45am Elder: Matthew Voss
Sunday 10:30am Elder: Paul Kachelmeyer
Wednesday 6:45pm Elder: Mark Goltermann

LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Sun, November 7: Early-157 Late-80 Bible Class-89
Wed, November 10: 19
Thurs, November 11: Communion Matins-46 Coffee Break-45

Sanctuary Candle is given in memory of Rosie Kopling's sisters.

Altar Flowers are given for the Gatchell's 39th wedding anniversary.

OFFERINGS:

Last Week's Offering

General fund:	\$ 11,072.00
(Loose Plate \$2322; Gen. Env. \$8750)	
Capital Improvements fund:	\$ 120.00
Mercy Fund:	\$ 200.00
Nigeria fund:	\$ 150.00
Last Week's Total:	\$ 11,542.00

TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN NOVEMBER:

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Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Trinity

November 14, 2021

THEME: Come, Inherit the Kingdom Prepared for You!

Jesus gives us a picture of the last judgment. When He returns in glory with all His holy angels, He will sit upon the throne of His glory, all nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate believers in Christ (the sheep) from unbelievers (the goats). Believers in Christ will hear the result of Christ's forgiveness that they have believed: "Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." Unbelievers, who have rejected Christ and despised His forgiveness, will hear: "Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and all His angels." In the picture Jesus paints, both the sheep and the goats are shocked that Jesus draws attention to what they have or have not done. Since Christians do not trust in their works for salvation, they are shocked when Jesus refers to them in the judgment. Since unbelievers DO trust in their works, they are shocked to hear that they have done nothing deserving of salvation. Works do not save us, but they do testify to the faith of our heart. The works that are truly "good works" are those done entirely out of faith in God's mercy in Christ. These works are not produced by our own goodness or moral strength; rather, they are the fruits of God's good work of love and forgiveness that we have received. Since they are the fruits of faith—a faith that is entirely fixed upon Jesus—the believer may not even be aware of these works because his faith is fixed upon Christ for salvation. This explains their reply to Jesus in the judgment: "Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink?" From this we learn that our faith must be always fixed upon Jesus who first fed us, clothed us, and came to our aid in His work of salvation, only then will the works of faith be manifest in us.

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, "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). 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 26
Bible Class 9:15 — The St. Peter Option
- **Monday:** **Chapel** — 8:00
- **Tuesday:** **Chapel** — 8:00
Youth Catechesis — 4:30
- **Wednesday:** **Chapel** — 8:00
Divine Service 6:45— Trinity 26
- **Thursday:** **Thursday Communion Chapel** 8:00
Coffee Break Bible Study 9:00 — Gospel of Matthew
Didache 7:00 — The Creed—Second Article
- **Friday:** **Chapel Matins** — 8:00

THIS WEEK'S SUNDAY SCHOOL AND FAMILY PRAYER AT HOME:

Jesus Teaches His Disciples to Pray—Luke 11:1-13

Parents are called to lead family prayer at home each week. Sunday School lessons cover the same material for the week and will reinforce family prayer at home. The next **Family Prayer instructional meeting for parents and Sunday School teachers is Tuesday, December 7 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.

Sunday Morning Bible Class Series:

The St. Peter Option—To Everyone an Answer

Sunday morning Bible Class 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.

Coffee Break Bible Study Begins a Study of Matthew!

After a long road through Old Testament passages and the history of the Monarchy and divided kingdom of Israel, Coffee Break Bible Study has turned to the New Testament and has begun a verse-by-verse study of the Gospel according to St. Matthew. This would be a perfect time to join the Thursday morning Bible Study of fun, edifying, and enjoyable conversation.

DIDACHE DIVINE SERVICE—Adult and Youth Catechesis 7-8:30 p.m.

This year's class will once again offer the Lord's Supper at the conclusion of the catechesis. **This week the class will be on Thursday, Nov. 18.**

Sunday School Christmas Program is Sunday, December 12

The program will involve *preschoolers through children in the 8th grade.* Preparation for the program will be held during Sunday School weekly until Dec 12. Children in **grades 3-8 should meet in the Academy (3rd-4th grade room) from 9:15-9:30 a.m.** Grades 5-8 will be excused at 9:30 to join their parents in Bible Class. Children **3 PK to grade 2 will rehearse in Loehe Hall from 9:30-9:45 a.m.** Final practice for the program will be Saturday, December 11 at 9:00 a.m.

NEWS AND NOTES

First Communion — We give thanks to God that Wyatt Thoni will be received at the Altar for his first communion today at the 10:30 Service. First Communion is received by those children who have learned by heart the Six Chief Parts of the Small Catechism, who desire the Sacrament in repentant faith, and who have been examined and absolved by the pastor. We give thanks to God for Wyatt's confession of faith and pray God's blessing upon his continued catechesis.

Memorial Maple Tree

In memory of Carl Duwe, husband of Del Duwe, a young Maple tree was planted just off of the patio in the front yard of the Church. We give thanks to God for faithful Christians, we remember the witnesses that have gone on before us, and we look forward to a blessed reunion with Christ in the resurrection on the last day.

All Boards meet Tuesday, November 16 at 6:30 p.m. 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, November 23 at 7:00 p.m.

Fish Fry Drive-thru — Friday, November 19, from 5:00-7:00.

Weekly Scrip Report: Week of 11-7-2021 (12 families participating)

Gross sales \$2,580.00

Profit paid to Academy \$144.69

Attendance — 347

Total profit this fiscal year \$1,680.78

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Divine Service Setting Three, LSB 184

Hymn of Invocation 355
"O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide"

Psalm 50 *sung responsively* Insert

Old Testament Reading Daniel 7:9-14
The judgment before the Ancient of Days and the Son of Man.

Choral Response "We Saw His Glory" by Mauersberger/Bunjers
We saw His glory, the glory of the only begotten Son of the Father,
full of grace, and truth. We saw His glory.
Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Thou, the true, the only Light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise, Triumph o'er the shades of night.
Dayspring from on high, be near; Daystar, in my heart appear.

Epistle 2 Peter 3:3-14
The Apostle Peter describes the very end times in which we live

Alleluia-Verse *Sung by the choir*

Alleluia. The ransomed of the LORD shall return,
and come to Zion with singing,
everlasting joy shall be upon their heads;
They shall obtain gladness and joy. Alleluia. (Is. 35:10a)

Holy Gospel Matthew 25:31-46
The Parable of the Sheep and the Goats

Hymn of the Day 508
"The Day Is Surely Drawing Near"
Stanzas 4-6 are sung by the choir

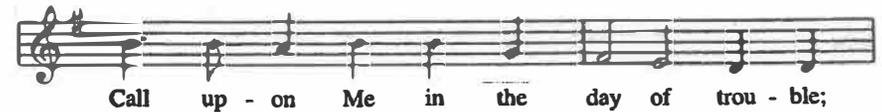
Rite of First Communion after the Offertory in the 10:30 service

Distribution Hymns
"The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns" 348
"I Leave All Things to God's Direction" 719
"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" 621

Hymn to Depart 673
"Jerusalem, My Happy Home"

Psalm 50:1-15 *Sung responsively.* Women and children sing normal type.
Men sing italics type. The refrain is sung twice at the beginning.

Refrain



The Mighty One, | God the LORD,
speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its | setting.
Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God | shines forth.

*Our God comes; he does not keep | silence;
before him is a devouring fire, around him a mighty | tempest.
He calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that he may judge his | people:*

"Gather to me my | faithful ones,
who made a covenant with me by | sacrifice!"
The heavens declare his righteousness, for God him- | self is judge!

*"Hear, O my people, and | I will speak;
O Israel, I will testify a- | gainst you.
I am | God, your God.*

Not for your sacrifices do I re- | buke you;
your burnt offerings are continually be- | fore me.
I will not accept a bull from your house or goats | from your folds.

Refrain

For every beast of the forest is mine, the cattle on a | thousand hills.
I know all the birds | of the hills,
and all that moves in the | field is mine.

*"If I were hungry, I would not | tell you,
for the world and its full- | ness are mine.
Do I eat the flesh of bulls or drink the | blood of goats?"*

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanks- | giving,
And perform your vows to the | Most High,
and call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you,
and you shall glo- | rify me."

**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. Refrain**