

## Announcements

### SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May Altar Committee: Sherry Prowatzke  
Communion Committee: Sharon Martin, Melody Ruhbusch, Anna Steinhilb  
Sunday 7:45am Elder: Mark Schneider  
Sunday 10:30am Elder: Erik Krueger  
Wednesday 6:45pm Elder: Mark Goltermann

**Sanctuary Candle** is given in memory of Bob and Judy Jones by Frank and Rosie Koplmg.

### LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Sunday, April 25: Early – 157 Late – 95 Bible Class – 122  
Monday, April 26, Didache Divine Service – 38  
Wednesday, April 28, – 36  
Thursday, April 29, Chapel Matins – 49 Coffee Break Bible Study – 43

### OFFERINGS:

Last Week's Offering  
General fund: \$ 4,478.00  
(Loose Plate \$403; Gen. Env. \$4075)  
Capital Improvements fund: \$ 1,975.00  
Last Week's Total: \$ 6,453.00

### TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN APRIL:

General funds received in April: \$ 33,587.42  
Capital Imp. funds received in April: \$ 2,420.00  
Parking Lot funds received in April: \$ 150.00  
Other funds received in April: \$ 1,265.00  
Nigeria funds received in April: \$ 897.00  
\$ 38,319.42

## Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

### The Fifth Sunday of Easter / Cantate

May 2, 2021


### THEME: THE MINISTRY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Jesus teaches concerning the ministry of the Holy Spirit. "Unless the Holy Spirit convicts us of sin through the preaching of repentance, we cannot be turned from unbelief to faith in Christ. Without the conviction of sin, the sinner has no use for Christ. The death of Christ for the sins of the world is the righteousness of God. Man is sinner. The proclamation of the Gospel creates faith in Christ and declares us righteous for Jesus' sake. The proclamation of the forgiveness of sins for Jesus' sake is the heart of the Spirit's work. The judgment of God that the sinner is righteous for Christ's sake sets man free from the judgment of the Law that the devil uses to condemn the world. Since God forgives us all sin and declares us righteous for Jesus' sake as a gift of His grace, the devil cannot accuse us of sin or damn us to eternal death." (from Lutheran Catechesis p. 127)

**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 5  
**Bible Class** 9:15 — Ruth
- **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 5
- **Thursday:** **Chapel Matins with Holy Communion** 8:00  
**Coffee Break Bible Study** 9:00 — O.T. History
- **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 to the Disciples on the Road to Emmaus. The next **parents' instructional meeting Monday, May 10 at 6:30** (added date not on schedule distributed last fall).

**Communion Registration** — Please clearly sign your name on the "communion register," located next to the guest register in the narthex.

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

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL — June 21-25 from 9–11 a.m.**

Mark your calendars! Vacation Bible School will be held for children ages 4-year-old preschool through grade 6 (middle-school and high-school-aged children are encouraged to volunteer as helpers). "Family Prayer with Pastor Bender and crafts for the Family Altar" will be featured this year.

**NEWS AND NOTES**

**Board of Elders** – 6:30 pm Tuesday, May 11

**Congregational Assembly** – 6:30 pm Monday, May 17 (agenda in narthex)

**Board of Education** – 6:30 pm Tuesday, May 18

**Board of Properties** – 7:00 pm Tuesday, May 18

**Parish Council** – 7:00 pm Tuesday, May 25

**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.

**Fish Fry Drive-thru** — Friday, May 7 and 28, from 5:00-7:00. Mark your calendars and come pick up dinner for the family. Tell your friends!

**Congregational Assembly: Budget and Elections Meeting is May 17.**

On Monday, May 17, at 6:30 p.m., the Congregational Assembly will meet to review and approve the 2021-2022 fiscal budget and elect officers and board members for the up coming year (terms of office begin September 1). Agendas for the meeting are available in the narthex.

**Register today for the Auction! Saturday, June 19**

Buy your tickets today to attend the Auction before prices increase on June 1st! Tickets cost \$25/person or \$170 (\$21.25/person) for a full table of 8. Each ticket includes dinner, 2 drink tickets, and an auction paddle. Visit [www.plaauction.com](http://www.plaauction.com) to register or call John at 262-247-5335.

**Calling an Ordained 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 Office of Headmaster/Associate Pastor. 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. 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.

**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!

**Weekly Scrip Report:** Week of 4/25/2021 (9 families participating)

Gross sales \$3,095.00

Profit paid to Academy \$45.31

Attendance – 329

Total profit this fiscal year \$3,957.09

**The Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
**Cantate**  
May 2, 2021  
**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** **528**  
“Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

**Introit** *sung responsively with the choir. The congregation sings the Gloria Patri from Setting 3.*

*Antiphon* (Ps. 98:1a, 2b)  
Oh, sing to the LORD a new song! Alle-|luia. \*  
for His righteousness He has revealed in the sight of the nations.  
Alle-|luia.

*Psalm* (Ps. 98:1b, 3-4)

**His right hand and His | holy arm \***  
**have gained Him the | victory.**

He has remembered His mercy and His faithfulness  
to the house of | Israel; \*  
all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation | of our God.

**Shout joyfully to the LORD, | all the earth; \***  
**break forth in song, rejoice, and sing | praises.**

**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** **Isaiah 12:1-6**  
The Song of Isaiah

**Choral Response** (Ps. 98: 1, 6-8)  
Cantate Domino (Sing to the Lord a New Song) - Michael Bedford

Cantate Domino, canticum novum!  
Sing to the Lord a new song, for God has done marvelous things.  
Shout with joy to the Lord, you lands;  
Lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.  
Cantate Domino, canticum novum!  
Sing to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.  
With the trumpet and sound of horn, oh, shout with joy before the Lord.  
Cantate Domino, canticum novum!

**Epistle** **James 1:16-21**  
Every good gift comes down from heaven.

**Alleluia-Verse** *sung by the choir*

Alleluia. The right hand of the LORD is ex-|alted; \*  
the right hand of the LORD does valiantly. Alle-|luia.  
Christ, having been raised from the dead, | dies no more. \*  
Death no longer has dominion over Him. Alle-|luia.  
(Ps. 118:16; Rom. 6:9)

**Holy Gospel** **John 16:5-15**  
Jesus foretells the ministry of the Holy Spirit

**Hymn of the Day** **556**  
“Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice”  
St. 1 – All St. 6 - All  
St. 2 – All St. 7 - Men  
St. 3 – Men St. 8 – Women & children  
St. 4 – Women & children St. 9 - All  
St. 5 – Choir St. 10 - All

**Offertory Hymn** **155**  
“This Is the Feast”

**Distribution Hymns**  
“Sing Praise to God the Highest Good” **819**  
“Make Songs of Joy” **484**  
“The Day of Resurrection” **478**

**Hymn to Depart** **488**  
“He Is Arisen! Glorious Word”