

## Announcements

### SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May Altar Committee: Polly Joubert  
Communion Committee: Becca & Gabrielle Ligrow, Joanne Smith  
Sunday 7:45am Elder: Mark Schneider  
Sunday 10:30am Elder: Mike Ferguson  
Wednesday 6:45pm Elder: Alex Scheler

### LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Sunday, August 15: Early – 113 Late – 82 Bible Class – 74  
Wednesday, August 18 – 35 Coffee Break Bible Study – 36

**Altar Flowers** are given in celebration of Mark and Pam Thoni's 24<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

### OFFERINGS:

Last Week's Offering

General fund:	\$ 5,765.00
(Loose Plate \$1510; Gen. Env. \$4255)	
Capital Improvements fund:	\$ 45.00
Goehner Schl. fund:	\$ 30.00
Mercy fund:	\$ 25.00
Nigeria fund:	\$ 100.00
Last Week's Total:	\$ 5,965.00

### TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN AUGUST:

General funds received in August:	\$ 18,455.00
Capital Improvement funds received in Aug.:	\$ 300.00
Other funds received in August:	\$ 200.00
Nigeria funds received in August:	\$ 100.00
	\$ 19,055.00

## Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

### The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

August 22, 2021

### THEME: THE HEALING OF THE DEAF MUTE

A man was brought to Jesus who was deaf and therefore also had an impediment in his speech (Mark 7:31–37). In the same way, all are by nature deaf toward God and therefore also unable to confess the faith rightly. For “faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God” (Rom 10:9–17). Jesus put His fingers into the man's ears, and He spat and touched his tongue. Even so in Holy Baptism, water sanctified by the words of Jesus' mouth is applied to us; and the finger of God, that is, the life-giving Holy Spirit (2 Cor 3:4–11) is put into our ears in the hearing of the baptismal Gospel. Jesus' sighing “Ephphatha” opened the man's ears, and his tongue was loosed to speak plainly as Isaiah prophesied of the Messiah, “In that day the deaf shall hear the words of the book” (Is 29:18–24). So also, He who sighed and breathed His last on the cross for us has given us to hear and believe in Him and has opened our lips that our mouths may declare His praise. (LSB hymnal notes)

**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

**Directory Updates:** The membership directories for the congregation are being updated. If your address, phone number and/or email addresses (if you want to be included) have been changed within the past two years, please contact the office with these updates.



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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 12  
**Bible Class** 9:15 — Manasseh and Josiah
- **Monday:** **Chapel** 8:00
- **Tuesday:** **Chapel** – 8:00  
**Youth Didache** 4:30
- **Wednesday:** **Chapel** – 8:00  
**Divine Service** 6:45 — Trinity 12
- **Thursday:** **Chapel Matins with Holy Communion** 8:00  
**Coffee Break Bible Study** 9:00 — O.T. History
- **Friday:** **Chapel Matins** – 8:00

**THIS WEEK’S FAMILY PRAYER AT HOME:** Jesus Heals the Deaf Mute

**Orientation Meeting with Parents on Tuesday, September 7 for Sunday School and Family Prayer**

At 6:30 on Tuesday, September 7, I would like to meet with parents of children from pregnancy through grade 8. I want to highlight the vision for Family Prayer, the Congregation at Prayer, Catechesis, and Sunday School in the years ahead. I want to support you as parents in your sacred calling to protect your children from harm from a godless society and to preserve them in the faith. I also want to get feedback from you on the challenges we face and how we can best support you as Christian parents. I understand that one parent may need to stay home to care for the children. We will record our discussion for those who cannot attend, but it is my hope that at least one parent with children in this age group will be able to join the discussion. The Lord bless and keep you and your children in the joy of His salvation! In Christ, Pastor Bender

**Upcoming Sunday Morning Bible Class Series: Starts October 3<sup>rd</sup> 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. Peter’s opening doxology serves as the foundation for living as Christian pilgrims: “Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ, whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, receiving the end of your faith—the salvation of your souls” (1 Peter 1:3-9).

**NEWS AND NOTES**

**Parish Council** – 7:00 pm Tuesday, August 24.

**Cantate and Seraph Choirs** meet September-May on Fridays after school. Seraphs are children from K5-grade 2. Cantate singers are grades 3-8, and unchanged voices are welcome beyond grade 8. If there are upcoming children who are interested in making a joyful noise with us, please speak to Mrs. May soon. Academy children who love to sing and would like to be involved beyond the school choirs are also welcome.

**Back to School** — Classes at Peace Lutheran Academy will be resuming on Monday, August 23. Academy families will gather on Sunday, August 22 for the annual opening luncheon and flag raising. Please keep the Academy faculty, students, and families in your prayers as they prepare for another year of instruction and learning.

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**Weekly Scrip Report:** Week of 8-15-2021 (12 families participating)

Gross sales \$2,920.00

Profit paid to Academy \$80.28

Attendance – 214

Total profit this fiscal year \$590.35

The first 6 weeks of this fiscal year show a rebound in sales! Thank you! **Keep up the good work!**

# The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

August 22, 2021

## Divine Service Setting Two Lutheran Service Book p. 167

*Please follow the order of service printed in the hymnal beginning on page 167. The prayers for the day (readings, hymns) are listed below.*

**Preservice Music**      “At the Name of Jesus”      William H. Bates  
   *At the Name of Jesus (st. 1)*  
   *At His voice creation sprang at one to sight (st. 2)*  
   *Humbled for a season (st. 3)*  
   *Bore it up triumphant (st. 4)*

**Hymn of Invocation**      “At the Name of Jesus”      **512**

**Introit** *Sung by the congregation*

*Antiphon*      (Ps. 70:1-2a)

Make haste, O God, to de-liver me! \*  
Make haste to help me, | O LORD!  
Let them be ashamed and con-founded \*  
who | seek my life.

*Psalm*      (Ps. 70:2b, 4a, 5b)

Let them be turned back | and confused \*  
who de-sire my hurt.  
Let all those who seek | You rejoice \*  
and be | glad in You.  
You are my help and my de-liverer; \*  
O LORD, do | not delay.

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**      **Isaiah 29:17-24**  
The deaf shall hear and the eyes of the blind shall be opened

**Gradual** *Sung by the congregation*

I will bless the LORD at | all times; \*  
His praise shall continually be | in my mouth.  
My soul shall make its boast | in the LORD; \*  
the humble shall hear of it | and be glad.

*(Ps. 34:1-2)*

**Epistle**      **Romans 10:9-16**  
The Word is in your heart and in your mouth

**Holy Gospel**      **Mark 7:31-37**  
The Healing of the Deaf Mute

**Hymn of the Day**      **545**  
“Word of God, Come Down on Earth”

**Distribution Hymns**  
“When to Our World the Savior Came”      **551**  
“Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide”      **585**  
“I Know My Faith Is Founded”      **587**

**Hymn to Depart**      **923**  
“Almighty Father, Bless the Word”

**Postlude**  
“At the Name of Jesus” by William H. Bates  
*In your hearts enthrone Him (st. 5)*