

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 14: Early-122 Late-82 Bible Class-97
Wed, November 17: 39
Thurs, November 18: Communion Matins-48 Coffee Break-40

Sanctuary Candle is given by Dave and Anne Steinhilb.

Altar Flowers are given by Carol Bender.

OFFERINGS:

Last Week's Offering

General fund:	\$ 8,495.22
(Loose Plate \$6465; Gen. Env. \$2030.22)	
LCEF fund:	\$ 1,197.06
Capital Improvements fund:	\$ 60.00
Goehner Schl. fund:	\$ 125.00
Mercy Fund:	\$ 50.00
Nigeria fund:	\$ 175.00
Last Week's Total:	\$ 10,102.28

TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN NOVEMBER:

General funds received in November:	\$ 19,567.22
LCEF funds received in November:	\$ 1,197.06
Capital Improvements funds received in Nov.:	\$ 180.00
Goehner Schl. funds received in Nov.:	\$ 125.00
Mercy funds received in November:	\$ 250.00
Nigeria funds received in November:	\$ 325.00
	\$ 21,644.28

Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

The Last Sunday of the Church Year

November 21, 2021

THEME: WAKE! AWAKE, FOR NIGHT IS FLYING!

Faith in Christ alone makes one wise to salvation. Foolish is the one who casts aside the Gospel of Christ. The parable of the wise and foolish virgins is a parable about faith and unbelief. To believe in Christ is to love Him and long for His coming again in glory, like a faithful bride and her bridesmaids who await the coming of the Bridegroom. Those who do not believe in Christ have no particular yearning or anticipation for the Bridegroom's coming. We go to the Sacrament each week, confessing our sins that we might "learn to believe that no creature could make satisfaction for our sins...so we may find joy and comfort in Christ alone, and through faith in Him be saved." (Small Catechism) To "watch, [that is] pray" is to cry out to our Bridegroom, as His faithful bride, according to the loving promises of His Gospel and the gracious Words of His testament: "take eat, this is My body ... drink of it all of you, this is My blood."


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

Day of National Thanksgiving Services

Our Thanksgiving Services will be held this Wednesday evening at 6:45 p.m. and Thanksgiving Day at 9:30a.m.

Holy Baptism: Hazel Elizabeth Gierach, daughter of Keith and Hannah Gierach, was born on Thursday, November 11. We rejoice that she will be born again this morning through the waters of Holy Baptism and be received into the kingdom of God. "Be baptized...for the forgiveness of sins and the gift of the Holy Spirit...the promise is to you and your children" (Acts 2:38-39). Hazel's sponsors are John and Samantha 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 — Last Sunday in Trinity
Bible Class 9:15 — The St. Peter Option
- **Monday:** **Chapel** – 8:00
Didache 7:00 — The Creed—Second Article
- **Tuesday:** **Chapel** – 8:00
Youth Catechesis – 4:30
- **Wednesday:** **Chapel** – 8:00
Divine Service 6:45— Last Sunday in Trinity
- **Thursday:** **Thanksgiving Divine Service** —9:30
No Chapel Matins on Thanksgiving
No Coffee Break Bible Study on Thanksgiving
- **Friday:** **No Chapel Matins**

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND FAMILY PRAYER AT HOME THIS WEEK:

Pray the Lord of the Harvest to Send Laborers—Matt. 9:35-39

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 - 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

This year's class will once again offer the Lord's Supper at the conclusion of the catechesis. **This week's class will be on Monday, Nov. 22 at 7 p.m..**

ADVENT MIDWEEK DIVINE SERVICES—THE GIFT OF PRAYER

Wednesdays in Advent at 8:00 a.m. 2:30 p.m. and 6:45 p.m.

As we prepare to celebrate our Lord's birth, our Advent midweek services will focus upon the gift of prayer. Communion will be offered at all three of the Advent Services.

December 1: "My House Is a House of Prayer" Mark 11:12-26

December 8: "Watch and Pray for His Coming" Matt. 24:4-14, 36-44

December 15: "Pray for those Who Persecute You" Matt. 5:43-48

December 22: "Prayer for God's Final Judgment" 2 Thess. 1:3-12

Sunday School Christmas Program is Sunday, December 12

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

NEWS AND NOTES

The Annual Report and Membership Directory is available for pick up in the narthex.

Parish Council meets Tuesday, November 23 at 7:00 p.m.

The office will be closed Thursday and Friday November 25 and 26 in observance of Thanksgiving.

Fish Fry Drive-thru — Friday, December 3, from 5:00-7:00.

Save the date for the Academy Auction—March 19, 2022!

The Academy Auction will be held on March 19th from 4-8:30pm at Lake Country Lutheran High School. Save the date on your calendar and plan to attend this exciting event.

Weekly Scrip Report: Week of 11-14-2021 (11 families participating)

Gross sales \$2,425.00	Profit paid to Academy \$79.69
Attendance – 256	Total profit this fiscal year \$1,760.47

Any Scrip orders you wish to have by 12/24, need to be placed by 12/12/2021. Orders placed after that cannot be guaranteed to arrive by 12/24. This also applies to ordering hard cards online and ship to home.

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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 822

“Alleluia! Let Praises Ring”
choir sings stanza 3

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism (7:45 service) 268 Hazel Elizabeth Gierach

Introit *sung responsively with the choir.*

Antiphon *(Is. 35:10)*

The ransomed of the LORD shall return,
and come to Zion with | singing, *
with everlasting joy | on their heads.
They shall obtain joy and | gladness, *
and sorrow and sighing shall | flee away.

Psalm *(Ps. 39:4-5, 7-8)*

**LORD, make me to know my end,
and what is the measure | of my days, *
that I may know how | frail I am.
Indeed, You have made my days as handbreadths,
and my age is as nothing be-| fore You; *
certainly every man at his best state is but | vapor.**

And now, Lord, what do I | wait for? *
My hope | is in You.
Deliver me from all my trans-| gressions; *
do not make me the reproach of the | foolish.

**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 65:17-25**
The Glorious New Creation

Choral Response

“Zion, at Thy Shining Gates” by Bohm Bruder/George Guest

Zion, at thy shining gates lo, the King of Glory waits,
Haste thy monarch’s pomp to greet, strew thy palms before His feet.

Christ, for thee their triple light, faith and hope and love unite;
This the beacon we display to proclaim Thine advent day.

Come and give us peace within, loose us from the bands of sin,
Take away the galling weight laid on us by Satan’s hate.

Give us grace Thy yoke to wear, give us strength Thy cross to bear,
Make us Thine in deed and word, Thine in heart and life, O Lord.

So, when Thou shalt come again, Judge of angels and of men.
We with all Thy saints shall sing alleluias to our King.

Epistle I Thessalonians 5:1-11

The Day of the Lord

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

I saw the holy city, New Jerusalem,
coming down out of heav-| en from God, *
prepared as a bride adorned for her | husband.

(Rev. 21:2)

Holy Gospel Matthew 25:1-13

The Parable of the Wise and Foolish Virgins

Athanasian Creed 319

Hymn of the Day 516

“Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying”
choir sings stanza 2

Distribution Hymns

“The Night Will Soon Be Ending” 337
“The Bridegroom Soon Will Call Us” 514
“Jerusalem, O City Fair and High” 674

Hymn to Depart 515

“Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers”