

Announcements

SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May Altar Committee: Melinda Burger
Communion Committee: Becca Ligrow, Joanne Smith, Jennifer Scheler
Sunday 7:45am Elder: Mark Schneider
Sunday 10:30am Elder: Mike Ferguson
Wednesday 6:45pm Elder: Matthew Voss

LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Sunday, August 8 – 94 (7:45) 87 (10:30) Bible Class – 67
Wednesday, August 11 – 24 (6:45)
Thursday, August 12 - Coffee Break Bible Class – 34

Sanctuary Candle is given by Steve and Joanne LaSage in remembrance of their 34th wedding anniversary.

Last Week's Offering

General fund:	
(Loose Plate \$1,092; Gen. Env. \$5,735)	\$ 6,827.00
Memorials:	\$ 191.00
Capital Improvements:	\$ 159.00
Sacred Appointments Income:	\$ 100.00
Last Week's Total:	\$ 7,277.00

TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN AUGUST:

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Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

August 14, 2022

THEME: Make Friends with Unrighteous Mammon

“The master commended the unjust steward because he had dealt shrewdly” (Luke 16:1–9). The steward’s shrewdness is praiseworthy for two reasons. First, he knew the master would be merciful. He trusted that the master would honor the debts he forgave in the master’s name. In the same way, though we have squandered our heavenly Father’s possessions in selfishness and sin, Jesus is the Steward who has canceled our debt, knowing that His forgiveness will be honored by the Father because of the holy cross. Secondly, the steward was shrewd in using oil and wheat to provide for his earthly welfare. So also do these earthly elements aid us when pressed into heavenly use in the anointing of baptism and the wheat of the Lord’s Supper. Those who have the Sacraments will have an eternal home when the earthly fails. These are our escape in temptation (1 Cor. 10:6–13). For the Lord is our strength and a shield to all who trust in Him (2 Sam 22:26–34). —Excerpted from the LSB hymnal project

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 prayed, “Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it” (Luke 11:28).* 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 9
Bible Class 9:15 Sojourners of Light
- **Wednesday:** **Divine Service** 6:45 — Trinity 9
- **Thursday:** **Coffee Break Bible Study** 9:00 — Gospel of Matthew

Chapel time changes to 8:30 beginning Monday, August 22

Coffee Break Bible Study time changes to 9:30, beginning Thursday, August 25:

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND FAMILY PRAYER AT HOME

This week’s lesson: Jacob Wrestles with God

The Family Prayer schedule of lessons continues through the summer for use in the home. Lessons are posted on the website.

Everyone Is Invited to the Academy Opening Service

The Opening Service of Peace Lutheran Academy, together with the installation of new teachers will be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday, August 21. The Order of Vespers will be prayed and Pastor Christiansen will preach. An ice-cream social will follow the service.

NEWS AND NOTES

Senior Choir Resumes Rehearsals on Wednesday, August 31

Senior choir resumes its choir season with our first practice on Wednesday, August 31, at 7:45 p.m. following the Divine Service. Senior choir will sing on September 4. If you haven’t sung in the choir before and are interested in joining us, please talk to Pastor Bender.

Church Office Hours

August 1 – 19 — 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday to Friday.

Beginning August 22 — 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Church Address – in case you were not aware, church mail is delivered to our post office box at the Post Office and one of the staff picks it up. Thus, in addition to the street address, it is essential to include “P. O. Box 123” in the address. Thanks for your help.

Board of Elders — Tuesday, August 16 at 6:30 p.m.

Board of Properties — Tuesday, August 16 at 7:00 p.m.

Parish Council — Tuesday, August 23 at 7:00 p.m.

Congregational Assembly — Sunday, August 28 at 9:15 a.m. The agenda is available for pick up in the narthex.

Back to School - Peace Lutheran Academy resumes classes on **Monday, August 22nd**. Dates to take note of before classes begin:

- **Records Day:** On **Friday, August 19th from noon until 6pm**, each Academy family should plan on stopping-by the Academy for 15-30 minutes to drop-off school supplies, to greet their teacher, and to receive and complete any necessary paperwork for the year. Parents should come prepared to sign up for volunteer opportunities (like field-trip chaperoning) as well as to check and update any emergency contact information.
- **Opening Vespers:** On **Sunday, August 21st at 3pm**, all Academy families will attend the opening service for the school year, followed by a brief ice-cream social. The congregation is encouraged and welcomed to attend this service.
- **PLA Friday Newsletter:** Beginning in August, only those signed up for the Academy mailing-list will receive the PLA Friday Newsletter. You can subscribe yourself (<http://eepurl.com/dAqHIH>) or email/call Susan Gehlbach to check if you are already signed-up.

Please keep the Academy in your prayers: that God would bless Peace Lutheran with faithful men and women concerned with the raising-up of children in the fear and admonition of the Lord, and that Christian families would hear the Word and receive the hope laid up for them in heaven.

Academy Custodian – the Board of Properties is looking for someone to do custodial work in the Academy. The position has flexibility and would involve about 10-12 hours per week. If interested, please speak to Paul Schneider (phone: 262-894-2123; email: pschneider@peacesussex.org).

AmazonSmile - As the kids head back to school and books/supplies are being purchased, remember that Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the charitable organization of your choice. AmazonSmile has the same products, prices, and services as Amazon. So, begin shopping at **smile.amazon.com** and support your charitable organization at the same time. You may increase your gift further by using Amazon scrip (gift card) to pay for your purchases. Scrip may be purchased at the Scrip counter before/after services, in the church office during the week, or online through the Scrip app or website.

Weekly RaiseRight Report (formerly Scrip): Week of 08-07-2022

Number of families participating: in person-11 + online-3

Gross sales \$2,425.00

Profit paid to Academy \$206.06

Attendance 205

Total profit paid this fiscal year \$612.19

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“And also with you” is the response in this service to the salutation,
“The Lord be with you.”

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

Preservice Music Sonata No. 2 J. S. Bach
 “Jesus, Priceless Treasure” Jan Bender

Hymn of Invocation **743**
 “Jesus, Priceless Treasure”

Introit *Sung responsively with Pastor*

Antiphon (Ps. 54:4-5)

Behold, God is my | helper; *
the Lord is with those who up-| hold my life.
He will repay my enemies for their | evil. *
Cut them off | in Your truth.

Psalm (Ps. 54:1-3, 7)

Save me, O God, | by Your name, *
and vindicate me | by Your strength.
Hear my | prayer, O God; *
give ear to the words | of my mouth.
For strangers have risen up against me,
and oppressors have sought af-| ter my life; *
they have not set God be-| fore them.
He has delivered me out of all | trouble; *
and my eye has seen its desire upon my | enemies.

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 **2 Samuel 22:26-34**

Merciful with the merciful; Shrewd with the devious.

Gradual *Sung by the congregation* (Ps. 8:1)

O | LORD, our Lord, *
how excellent is Your name in | all the earth,
who have set Your | glory *
above the | heavens!

Second Reading **I Corinthians 10:6-13**

The call to repentance in Old Testament examples.

Holy Gospel **Luke 16:1-13**

Parable of the Unmerciful Servant

Hymn of the Day **536**

“One Thing’s Needful; Lord, This Treasure”

Distribution Hymns

Hymns during the distribution aid in meditation and reinforce both the themes of the day and what Christ gives us in the Sacrament of the Altar. You are encouraged to bring your hymnal with you to the communion rail so that you might sing the hymns as you wait to receive Christ’s body and blood.

“Oh, How Great Is Your Compassion” **559**

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer” **918**

“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me” **761**

Hymn to Depart **933**

“My Soul Rejoices”