

Announcements

SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May Altar Committee: Cheryl Piper
Communion Committee: Doreen Corso, Sharon Murphy
Sunday 7:45am Elder: Lance Carus
Sunday 10:30am Elder: Paul Kachelmeyer
Wednesday 6:45pm Elder: Lance Carus

LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Sunday, September 18 – 127 (7:45) 96 (10:30) Bible Class – 91
Wednesday, September 21 – 51
Thursday, September 22 – Communion Matins – 52 Coffee Break – 37

Sanctuary candle is given for Don and Roseanne Fell's wedding anniversary.

Altar flowers are given by Lee and Eunice Neujahr.

Last Week's Offering

General fund:	
(Loose Plate \$3,630.50; Gen. Env. \$5,927)	\$ 9,557.50
Capital Improvements fund:	\$ 50.00
Sacred Appts. fund:	\$ 100.00
Mercy fund:	\$ 255.00
Nigeria fund:	<u>\$ 125.00</u>
Last Week's Total:	\$ 10,087.50

TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN SEPTEMBER:

General funds received in September:	\$ 30,556.41
Capital Imp. funds received in September:	\$ 200.00
Goehner Schl. funds received in September:	\$ 50.00
Sacred Appts. funds received in September:	\$ 200.00
Mercy funds received in September:	\$ 305.00
Nigeria funds received in September:	<u>\$ 375.00</u>
Total Offerings received in September:	\$ 31,686.41

Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

September 25, 2022

THEME: We Are Baptized into Christ

In our Baptism we are placed IN CHRIST, so that all that He is and has done for us might be ours and so that we might live confidently and joyfully IN CHRIST. This Sunday's Gospel is a section of the Sermon on the Mount where Jesus catechizes us on the First Commandment: You shall have no other gods! According to the First Commandment, we are to depend upon God and trust in Him for everything without doubting. We cannot serve two masters. Worry does not give us the food to eat, the clothes to wear, or the protection we need. If God takes care of the birds of the air and the lilies of the field, then God will take care of us. How comforting it is to know and learn to believe that God's care for us is NOT dependent upon our strength of faith. The conclusion of this section invites us to "Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness" and we will be freed from all the anxiety of life. This final word directs us to Jesus. He ushers in God's kingdom. His suffering and death upon the cross for us is "the righteousness of God" that covers all our sin. The more our faith is fixed upon Him and all that He has done for us, the more the idolatry of worry and anxiety of life flees from us. It is in Jesus that we see the perfect man of faith. He fears, loves, and trusts in His Father above all things. Because He did this for us, we are clothed with a more glorious garment than the lilies of the field and we are fed with a food that is more nourishing than anything this creation has to offer. "Therefore, do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things."

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 – 6:30 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 15
Bible Class 9:15 The Close of the Commandments
- **Daily Chapel** **Monday through Friday at 8:30**
- **Wednesday: Divine Service** 6:30 - **St. Michael and All Angels** celebrated
- **Thursday: Holy Communion Matins at 8:30**
- **Thursday: Coffee Break Bible Study** 9:30 — Gospel of Matthew

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND FAMILY PRAYER AT HOME

This week’s lesson: God Gives the Ten Commandments

The Family Prayer schedule of lessons are posted on the website.

WEDNESDAY DIVINE SERVICE TIME CHANGE TO 6:30

The Wednesday evening Divine Service has moved to 6:30 p.m. A full schedule of Wednesday evening Services from September through May is posted online and available in the narthex.

ADULT INSTRUCTION—Didache Divine Service has begun

It is not too late to attend the Didache Divine Service (Adult Catechesis) on Wednesday nights. *Didache* means “teaching” and engages catechumens and members of the congregation in the foundational teachings of the Christian faith around the Catechism. Holy Communion is offered as part of every Wednesday night service. A schedule of Wednesday Didache Divine Services, together with the special festival celebrations/Advent and Lenten Services, is available in the narthex and posted online. Recordings of the services will also be posted online. Members are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity and to “sponsor” prospective members by inviting them to come and attending the services with them.

St. Michael and All Angels Divine Service This Wednesday, Sept. 28. Is there a supernatural spiritual realm that we do not see? Are there angels in the heavenly realm that we are not aware of, but who serve the Lord and protect us? The answer to these questions is a resounding YES! During this time of cultural and world uncertainty there is great comfort in understanding the ministry of God’s holy angels. **Join us this Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. for the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels.**

WHAT I WISH MY NON-LUTHERAN FAMILY KNEW ABOUT...

Are you looking for a way to explain Biblical Lutheran teachings like Baptism, Closed Communion, The Lord’s Supper, The End Times, Funerals and Worship to non-Lutherans? **Issues, Etc.**, a radio-talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL, interviewed Pastor Bryan Wolfmueller about these topics and more. You can listen to the entire series at your convenience at issuesetc.org/whatiwish/.

NEWS AND NOTES

High School/College Youth Group Resumes on Sunday, October 9

Youth group will resume on Sunday, October 9, for lunch, study, and prayer after the 10:30 Divine Service from Noon to 1:30. Bible Study and discussion will focus upon questions and contemporary challenges facing our youth.

Moms and Dads, encourage your children to participate in the Divine Service by learning by heart the liturgy and singing the hymns. Point out to them what their pastors are doing and what to look forward to in the service. Don’t hesitate to make use of the Gerhardt Room whenever children are inconsolable, but remember, we want our children hearing God’s Word and fully participating in the liturgy.

Caution in the Parking Lot for Children and the Handicapped

Everyone is encouraged to drive slowly through the parking lot. It is often difficult to see children as they walk to and from their cars to attend services and Sunday School. Parents, please be careful as you walk with your children. For their safety, keep them at your side. Don’t let them run ahead of you. They can be so hard to see. If anyone needs any assistance, don’t hesitate to ask for help. Aging members and those with physical limitations, our elders are more than happy to sponsor “valet parking” for you to make it easier for you to attend services. Let one of the pastors or Deaconess Sherry Prowatzke know if this would be helpful.

Greece: In the Footsteps of St. Paul — Join Alex and Jennifer Scheler for a 13-day group tour (up to 34 people) exploring the Greek Isles - June 11-23, 2023. Retrace St. Paul’s journeys and explore the history, culture, architecture, and cuisine of Greece. Brochures are available in the narthex or check out this link <https://bit.ly/GreeceTrip2023>. If interested, call Alex at 262.370.3196 or email him at alexscheler@hotmail.com. We hope you can join us!

Weekly RaiseRight Report (formerly Scrip):

No report for the week of 09-18-2022.

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Divine Service Setting Three Lutheran Service Book p. 184

“**And with thy spirit**” 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 184. The propers for the day (readings, hymns) are listed below.

Hymn of Invocation **726**
“Evening and Morning”

Introit *sung by the choir*

Antiphon *(Ps. 86:1a, 2b, 3)*

Bow down Thine ear, O Lord, hear me;
O Thou, my God, save Thy servant that trusteth in Thee.
Be merciful to me, O Lord,
For I cry unto Thee daily.

Psalm *(Ps.86:4)*

Rejoice the soul of Thy servant;
for unto Thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

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 **I Kings 17:8-16**
The Lord provides for the widow of Zarephath

Choral Response

“Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing” Gerhardt/Ebeling

Rejoice, my heart, be glad and sing, A cheerful trust maintain;
For God, the Source of ev’rything, Thy Portion shall remain.

He is thy Treasure, He thy Joy, Thy Life and Light and Lord,
Thy Counselor when doubts annoy, Thy Shield and Great Reward.

He ever will with patience chide, His rod falls gently down,
And all thy sins He casts aside And in the sea doth drown.

Upon thy lips, then, lay thy hand And trust His guiding love;
Then like a rock thy peace shall stand here and in heav’n above.

Epistle **Galatians 5:25-6:10**

Christians bear one another’s burdens out of love for Christ.

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

Oh come, let us sing to the Lord!
Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation.

(Ps. 95:1)

Holy Gospel **Matthew 6:24-34**

Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness.

Hymn of the Day **760**

“What God Ordains Is Always Good”

Farewell and Godspeed (7:45 Service before the Prayer of the Church)

Jim and Anne Schumacher moving to Idaho

Distribution Hymns

“The Will of God Is Always Best” **758**

“What Is This Bread?” **629**

“Through Jesus’ Blood and Merit” **746**

Hymn to Depart **738**

“Lord of All Hopefulness”