

Announcements

SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May Altar Committee: Sherry Prowatzke/Angela Volquardsen
Communion Committee: Doreen Corso and Sharon Murphy
Sunday 7:45am Elder: Joseph Schneider
Sunday 10:30am Elder: Philip Gehlbach
Wednesday 6:30pm Elder: Lance Carus

LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Sunday, April 30 – 144 (7:45) 73 (10:30) Bible Class – 75
Wednesday May 3 – 46
Thursday, May 4 – Communion Matins – 43 Coffee Break – 32

Sanctuary Candle given for Doug and Pat Pom's 53rd wedding anniversary.

Last Week's Offering

General fund:	\$ 6,140.00
Capital Imp. fund:	\$ 200.00
Goehner Schl. fund:	\$ 25.00
Sacred Appt. fund:	\$ 40.00
Nigeria fund:	<u>\$ 100.00</u>
	\$ 6,505.00

TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN APRIL 2023:

General funds received in April:	\$ 44,150.28
Capital Imp. funds received in April:	\$ 550.00
Goehner Schl. funds received in April:	\$ 425.00
Sacred Appt. funds received in April:	\$ 590.00
Mercy funds received in April:	\$ 425.00
Nigeria funds received in April:	<u>\$ 730.00</u>
	\$ 46,870.28

Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

The Fifth Sunday of Easter / Cantate

May 7, 2023


THEME: The Holy Spirit Calls Us to Faith and Comforts Us.

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 LCMS and are not under church discipline in another congregation. In Christ, Pastor Bender

Invitation to the Congregation: James Kirk received a call to serve as associate pastor at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Crystal Lake, IL. His ordination and installation will take place Sunday, July 9th at 3:00 p.m. at Immanuel.



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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 — “*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—Easter 5**
Bible Class 9:15 - Genesis
- **Daily Chapel** **Monday through Friday at 8:30**
- **Wednesday:** **Youth Catechesis at 4:30**
Didache Divine Service 6:30—Session 25 –
The Lord’s Prayer (Part 3)
- **Thursday:** **Holy Communion Matins at 8:30**
Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30 — Gospel of Matthew

Family Prayer/Sunday School Devotional Studies will be recorded by Pastor Bender and posted online weekly in preparation for each Family Prayer/Sunday School lesson. The lesson this week is *Breakfast by the Sea of Galilee*. Look for the Family Prayer lesson and its accompanying podcast on the congregation website under the Family Prayer tab.

ADULT INSTRUCTION—Didache Divine Service

Holy Communion is offered as part of every Wednesday night service. This week’s lesson: **The Lord’s Prayer (Part 3)**. Recordings of the services will be posted online.

Truth, Goodness, and Beauty... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week’s topics include: The Vocation of Elder; The U.S. Constitution & Natural Law; C.F.W. Walther’s Law & Gospel Theses; The Marks of the Church and more. You can listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

NEWS AND NOTES

Board of Elders meets Tuesday, May 16 at 6:00 p.m.

Board of Properties meets Tuesday, May 16 at 7:00 p.m.

Board of Education meets Tuesday, May 16 at 7:15 p.m.

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

Congregational Assembly meets today, Sunday, May 7 between services. On the agenda is the 2023-24 budget and the election of officers and board members. If you are a new voting member, please sign the constitution. Everyone in attendance should sign the attendance sheet. Complete packets are available.

Prayer of Thanksgiving – This morning we give thanks that our loan with LCEF for the parking lot project has been retired. Thanks be to God! Our congregation is debt free. All our special funds are fully funded, and we have a substantial surplus on hand in the General Fund to assist us in the months ahead and as we evaluate important maintenance and capital improvement needs. We give thanks that God’s people at Peace have confessed their faith by their generous contributions to the Lord’s work in this place.

Peace Lutheran Academy Teachers: Peace Lutheran Academy has been notified that three teachers have resigned from their positions as Academy teachers: Katherine Laubenstein, Laura Laubenstein, and Rebecca Boehlke. Although Mrs. Boehlke is unable to return in her same capacity, she might be able to serve the Peace Lutheran community in some alternate way. Thank you, ladies, for your years of service! We pray that God would guide you as you find a new path, and that you would remain steadfast in the reception of God’s Word and Christ’s Body and Blood! Please contact Pastor Christiansen if you know of someone who may be interested in serving as a teacher in our Academy.

Water of Life! Baptismal Water! Rivers, Lakes, & Oceans of Water
Spring Children’s Choir Concert is Friday, May 19, at 7pm

Mark your calendars for the annual spring concert. Secular and sacred music will be enjoyed. This year the Senior Choir will join the children’s choirs in two wonderful pieces, a reprise of “Blessed Are They” and “Jesus Savior, Pilot Me!” Come on out and celebrate the wonderful gift of singing that is so much a part of our congregation.

Theater Camp: Peace Lutheran Academy will run a Shakespearean Summer Camp June 12-17, from 9:00am-12:00pm. It is geared toward children in grades 4-9. A live performance is planned on Saturday June 17th. This event is free to members. Your friends are welcome to join us. Please speak with Pastor Christiansen if interested. **Theater Pre-camp 2 will be on Sunday, May 21, 12:30-3:00pm.** Lunch will be provided.

Weekly RaiseRight Report: Week of 4-30-23

Number of families participating: 8 (in-person) + 5 (online)

Gross sales: \$1,875.00

Profit paid to Academy: \$84.28

Attendance: 264

Total profits paid this fiscal year: \$4,998.03

\$5 and \$10 gift cards are now available. Brands can be found online, and can be ordered online, in app, and at the RaiseRight counter.

Sunday Order of Service
The Fifth Sunday of Easter / Cantate
May 7, 2023

Divine Service Setting Two—LSB p. 167

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

Hymn of Invocation

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“Holy Spirit, the Dove Sent from Heaven”

Choir sings stanza 1

Introit *sung by the choir and soloist.*

Antiphon

(Ps. 98: 1a, 2b)

Sing to the LORD a new song, Alleluia,
for He has revealed his righteousness
in the sight of the nations. Alleluia.

Psalm

(Ps. 98:1b, 3–4)

His right hand and his holy arm
have worked salvation for him.
He has remembered his steadfast love
and faithfulness to the house of Israel.
All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.
Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;
break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

(Antiphon is repeated.)

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 12:1-6

The Lord is my strength and my song.

Psalm 66:1-8 *sung responsively with the choir*

Psalm 66:1-8

Stephen P. Johnson

REFRAIN (*sung by choir*): Come and see what God has done:
He is awesome in His deeds toward the children of man.



Shout for joy to God, | all the earth;*
sing the glory of His name; give to Him | glorious praise!
Say to God, "How awesome | are Your deeds!*"
So great is Your power that Your enemies come cringing | to You.
All the earth worships You and sings prais- | es to You;*
they sing praises | to Your name."
Come and see what | God has done:*
He is awesome in His deeds toward the chil- | dren of man.
REFRAIN (*choir*)

He turned the sea into | dry land;*
they passed through the riv- | er on foot.
There did we rejoice in Him, who rules by His might forever,
whose eyes keep watch on the | na - tions—*
let not the rebellious ex- | alt themselves.
Bless our God, O | peoples;*
let the sound of His | praise be heard.
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.
REFRAIN (*choir*)

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Epistle

James 1:16-21

We were brought forth through the Word of truth.

Alleluia Verse *sung by the choir*

Alleluia! Christ being raised from the dead will die no more;
death has no more dominion over him.
The right hand of the Lord is exalted;
The right hand of the Lord does valiantly. Alleluia!

Holy Gospel

John 16:5-15

The Holy Spirit's work of faith

Hymn of the Day

556

"Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice"

Stanza 1: All

Stanza 6: Women & Children

Stanza 2: Men

Stanza 7: All

Stanza 3: Women & Children

Stanza 8: Men

Stanza 4: All

Stanza 9: Women & Children

Stanza 5: Men

Stanza 10: All

Distribution Hymns

"O Splendor of God's Glory Bright"

874

"Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ"

565

"Lord, 'Tis Not That I Did Choose Thee"

573

Hymn to Depart

693

"O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace"