

Announcements

SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May

Altar Committee: Polly Joubert

Communion Committee: Rosanne Fell, Robin Oehlert, Anna Steinhilb

Sunday 7:45am Elder: Mark Schneider

Sunday 10:30am Elder: Paul Kachelmeyer

Wednesday 6:30pm Elder: Lance Carus

LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Sunday, November 5– 129 (7:45) 79 (10:30) Bible Class – 74

Wednesday, November 8 – 28

Thursday, November 9 – Communion Matins – 45 Coffee Break - 42

Sanctuary Candle is given by the Koplings in memory of their sisters.

Last Week's Offering

General fund:	\$ 11,197.55
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Goehner Schlr. fund:	\$ 100.00
Sacred Appts. fund:	\$ 50.00
Mercy fund:	\$ 100.00
African Mission fund:	<u>\$ 300.00</u>
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Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

The Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity


November 12, 2023

THEME: Jesus Is Lord!

The Pharisees did not really care about morality or doing what was right in the eyes of God. They only cared about power and influence. The Pharisees were political animals, so they questioned Jesus about whether it was lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not. All their flattery of Jesus was nothing more than a ruse. They hated Him and they hated what He preached. Jesus out-dueled the rhetoric of the Pharisees. He perceived their wickedness. He asked to see the tax money and asked them about whose inscription appeared on the coin. It was the inscription of Caesar! All the boasting and coveting of the Pharisees for political power could not change the fact that the Romans ruled, and the Pharisees had no real power at all. How wonderful! Jesus' reply silenced them. They hoped to trap Him in a contradiction. Will He show loyalty to Rome or loyalty to the government? His answer carefully showed proper obedience to both: "Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's." Matthew records that even the Pharisees who hated Jesus marveled at His words. He silenced them. He gave all honor to God at the same time He acknowledged the proper place of the civil authority. In this Gospel, Jesus shows Himself to be superior to all political authority as He gives honor and glory to God without compromise and acknowledges that God works through the civil authorities to accomplish His purposes.

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



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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 — “*Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.*” (John 17:17). 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 23**
Bible Class 9:15 — The Body Is Spiritual
- **Daily Chapel** **Monday to Friday at 8:30**
- **Wednesday:** **Didache Divine Service 6:30 — The Resurrection**
- **Thursday:** **Matins with Communion at 8:30**
Coffee Break Bible Study at 9:30

Family Prayer Devotional Studies will be recorded by Pastor Bender and posted online weekly in preparation for each Family Prayer lesson. The lesson this week is *After the Flood*. Look for the Family Prayer lesson and podcast on the congregation website under the Family Prayer tab.

Family, Life, and Marriage Retreat During Sunday Bible Class

The study is meant to be encouraging to children, fathers and mothers, husbands and wives, and the calling of grandparents, widows, and those who are single. Topics will range from a Christian view of dating and courtship to the beauty and sanctity of the one flesh union. We will talk about the joys and opportunities of grandparents and the single Christian. This “retreat” is for everyone! Recordings will be made, and handouts will provide a resource for continued study and encouragement in the Word of God.

Responding to Arguments Against Christianity... When people challenge the truths of the Christian faith, do find yourself at a loss for answers? You can listen to the new audiobook, “Objections Overruled: Answering Arguments against Christianity,” at issuesetc.org/objectionsoverruled. This new audiobook is free and produced by Lutheran Public Radio based in Collinsville, IL. LPR produces radio talk shows, podcasts, and 24/7 sacred music and talk stations.

Thanksgiving Eve and Day Divine Services—November 22 and 23
The Festival Divine Services for the Day of National Thanksgiving will be at 6:30 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve and 9:30 a.m. Thanksgiving Day. This year, the service will feature the Children’s choirs on Thanksgiving Eve and the Senior Choir on Thanksgiving Day.

Advent Services—Wednesdays at 8:00 a.m. 2:30 & 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday Advent Midweek Services prepare us for the celebration of our Lord’s nativity, His Second Coming, and His daily coming in Word and Sacrament. There are three divine service opportunities each Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. as part of Chapel; 2:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

- December 6—**Jesus Heals the Demoniac – Mark 5:1-20**
- December 13—**Jesus Restores to Life – Mark 5:21-42**
- December 20—**Jesus Heals the Deaf Mute – Mark 7:31-37**

NEWS AND NOTES

Congregational Assembly meets Monday, November 13 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting packet is available in the narthex.

Board of Education meets Tuesday, November 14 at 7:15 p.m.

Board of Elders meets Tuesday, November 21 at 6:00 p.m.

Board of Properties meets Tuesday, November 21 at 7:00 p.m.

Parish Council meets Tuesday, November 28 at 7:00 p.m.

Box tops for Education – You can help the academy with the Box Tops program. Pick up a flyer to learn how it works at the RaiseRight counter. If you need help signing up contact Rosie Kopling at 414-690-4106.

Weekly RaiseRight Report: Week of 11-05-23

Number of families participating: 10 (in-person) + 4 (online)

Gross sales: \$2,105.00 Profit paid to Academy: \$66.31

Attendance: 291 Total profits paid this fiscal year: \$1,939.45

Please sign up to purchase RaiseRight online at www.RaiseRight.com, or get the RaiseRight app on your phone, for faster, easier, on the go shopping. For both, you will need **our enrollment code: 9L292E7881L5**.

Kohl's gift cards now earn 7% rebate, up from 4%!

Kohl's egift cards, purchased online or in app, can be ordered to your needs, from \$5-\$5000! Check it out!

Sunday Order of Service
The Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity
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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 **500**
“Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid”

Introit *sung responsively with the choir with Gloria Patri from DS 3*

Antiphon (Jer. 29:11a, 12)
I know the thoughts that I think toward you, | says the LORD, *
thoughts of peace and not of | evil.
Then you will call upon Me and go and | pray to Me, *
and I will lis-|ten to you.

Psalm (Ps.85:1, 7, 9, 11)

LORD, You have been favorable | to Your land; *
You have brought back the captivity of | Jacob.
Show us Your | mercy, LORD, *
and grant us Your sal-|vation.
Surely His salvation is near to those who | fear Him, *
that glory may dwell | in our land.
Truth shall spring out | of the earth, *
and righteousness shall look down from | heaven.

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 **Proverbs 8:11-22**
Wisdom comes from the Lord.

Gradual *sung by the choir*

You have saved us from our enemies,
and have put to shame those who hated us.
In God we boast all day long,
and praise Your name forever.

(Ps. 44:7-8)

Epistle **Philippians 3:17-21**
Our citizenship is in heaven.

Alleluia-Verse *sung by the choir*

Alleluia. You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD;
He is their help and their shield. Alleluia.

(Ps. 115:11)

Holy Gospel **Matthew 22:15-22**
Is it lawful to pay taxes?

Hymn of the Day **714**
“Who Trusts in God a Strong Abode”
choir sings stanza 2

Distribution Hymns
“God of Grace and God of Glory” **850**
“We Give Thee but Thine Own” **781**
“O Lord, We Praise Thee” **617**

Hymn to Depart **621**
“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”