

Announcements

SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May

Altar Committee: Cathy Petersen

Communion Committee: Doreen Corso and Anna Steinhilb

Sunday 7:45am Elder: Kent Franklin

Sunday 10:30am Elder: Philip Gehlbach

Wednesday 6:30pm Elder: Paul Kachelmeyer

LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Sunday, February 4 – 121 (7:45) 99 (10:30) Bible Class – 93

Wednesday, February 7 – 45

Thursday, February 8 – Communion Matins – 39 CBBC - 38

Last Week's Offering

General fund:	\$ 11,548.00
Sacred Appts. fund:	\$ 50.00
Mercy fund:	\$ 100.00
Capital Imp. fund:	\$ 100.00
	<u>\$ 11,798.00</u>

TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN FEBRUARY 2024:

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Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

Quinquagesima Sunday

(Nearly 50 days to Easter)

February 11, 2024

THEME: The Gospel Delivers Us from the Blindness of Unbelief

Jesus spoke clearly about His passion, death, and resurrection, yet “these things were hidden” from the disciples, so that they did not understand His words. It was necessary that the Son of Man suffer and die alone, for salvation from sin, death, and hell is entirely the work of our Lord. It must be received by us as a gift alone or it cannot be received at all. For their benefit the disciples were prevented from knowing these words, lest anyone of them boast in his superior knowledge or understanding. The mysteries of the faith are revealed to the blind by the Spirit of God, and so, Jesus has mercy upon blind Bartimaeus, opening his eyes, in token that the mysteries of salvation are revealed to us so that we might believe in the Lord and give all praise and glory to God.

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

REGISTER FOR THE AUCTION — MARCH 23RD

Make your reservation today to attend the auction.


www.plaauction.com

Individual Ticket: \$31

Table of 8: \$224 (\$28 per person);

Make checks payable to: Peace Lutheran Academy

Prices increase March 1st



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The Rev. Gary V. Gehlbach, Asst. Pastor — (262) 325-3032

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 — “*LORD, I have loved the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells*” (Psalm 26:8). 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** — Quinquagesima
Bible Class 9:15 — The Gift of Intimacy
- **Daily Chapel Monday to Thursday at 8:30**
- **Wednesday: Ash Wednesday Divine Service 8:00, 2:30 & 6:30**
- **Thursday: Matins with Communion at 8:30**
Coffee Break Bible Study at 9:30
- **No Daily Chapel on Friday**

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 *Jesus Forgives the Paralytic*. 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 marriage, family, the vocation of being single, and what it is to be human. This “retreat in the Word” is for everyone! Recordings will be made, and handouts will provide a resource for continued study and encouragement in the Word of God.

LENTEN MIDWEEK SERVICES: THE PASSION AND THE DIDACHE

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

Our Lenten midweek services turn our attention to the St. Mark Passion and how the Catechism’s comforting teaching on Confession and the Lord’s Supper are imbedded in the Passion of Our Lord.

- Ash Wed:** Confession and Absolution—Joel 2:12-19
- February 21:** Jesus Cleanses the Leper: Mark 1:35-45
- February 28:** Jesus Forgives the Paralytic: Mark 2:1-7
- March 6:** The Twelve Apostles: Mark 3:7-19
- March 13:** Jesus Institutes the Supper: Mark 14:12-31
- March 20:** Jesus’ Betrayal and Arrest: Mark 14:43-52
- March 27:** Jesus Faces the Sanhedrin: Mark 14:53-72

NEWS AND NOTES

Congregational Assembly meets tomorrow, February 12 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting agenda and minutes are available in the narthex.

Fish Fry Drive-thru will be weekly in Lent. The first one is this Friday, February 16 from 5:00-7:00. Please join us and help support the Academy. Anyone wishing to help, please speak with Sherry Prowatzke.

Board of Elders meets Tuesday, February 20 at 6:00 p.m.

Board of Properties meets Tuesday, February 20 at 7:00 p.m.

Board of Education meets Tuesday, February 20 at 7:15 p.m.

Parish Council meets Tuesday, February 27 at 7:00 p.m.

Peace Lutheran Academy Open House: On Sunday, March 3rd, from 2:00-4:00pm, the Academy is hosting an Open House. We would love to show you what we do on a regular basis: Lutheran catechesis and classical education. Please invite any friends or family to come visit with us!

Pastor Christiansen Spreading the Word about PLA: In the past few weeks, Pastor Christiansen has been visiting with other congregations to invite families to consider enrolling in Peace Lutheran Academy. Last Sunday, Pastor was at Christ the Life Lutheran in Waukesha. Today, he is preaching at Trinity Lutheran in West Allis and at Oklahoma Avenue Lutheran (both congregations are sponsors of Trinity Lutheran Classical High School). What a blessing that families hear the Word of God daily at Peace Lutheran Academy (PLA)!

“Raiders of the Lost Ark Academy Auction”— March 23, 2024!

The auction will be held on March 23rd from 4-8:30pm at Lake Country Lutheran High School. Plan to attend this exciting event.

Consider donating a basket to be auctioned. Simply get a basket, choose a theme, fill it with goodies, and submit your basket with its contents online at www.plaauction.com under “Donate Items”. Please drop the basket off in the church office by February 19th.

Thrivent Choice Dollars – A few weeks are left to choose. Log in to Thrivent and consider directing your funds to the Peace Lutheran Church or Academy.

“Meanwhile, back in Bradbury…” If you enjoyed Katie Schuermann’s “Anthems of Zion” series, check out the monthly stories in the 2022 *Lutheran Witness*. There’s a stack on the shelf in the hallway near Pastor’s study that we can share and laugh and cry over.

Weekly RaiseRight Report: Week of 2/4/2024

Number of families participating: 12 (in-person) + 5 (online)

Gross sales: \$2,865.00

Profit paid to Academy: \$48.53

Attendance: 260

Total profits paid this fiscal year: \$3,491.32

Sunday Order of Service

Quinquagesima Sunday

February 11, 2024

Divine Service Setting Five Lutheran Service Book p. 213

Setting 5 is Luther's setting of the Divine Service that utilizes hymns for the ordinary canticles of the Service (Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus, and Agnus Dei, and Nunc Dimittis). This order of service will be used for the three Sundays of near-Lent (Septuagesima, Sexagesima, and Quinquagesima).

Please follow the order of service printed in the hymnal beginning on page 213. The propers for the day (readings, hymns) are listed below.

Choral Hymn of Invocation

"Bridegroom of My Soul" – J. S. Bach

Confession and Absolution (Divine Service Setting Five) 213

Introit *sung by the soloist*

Antiphon (Ps. 31:2b-3)

Be Thou my strong Rock,
For an house of defense to save me.

Thou art my Rock and my Fortress;
therefore for Thy name's sake lead me and guide me.

Psalm (Ps. 31:1)

In Thee, O LORD, do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed;
deliver me in Thy righteousness.

Glory be to the Father and 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.)

Kyrie Hymn 942

"Kyrie! God, Father in Heav'n Above"

Gloria Hymn 948

"All Glory Be to God Alone"

Old Testament Reading

David Slays Goliath

1 Samuel 16:1-13

Gradual/Tract *sung by the soloist*

(Ps. 77:14-15; 100:1-3)

Thou art the God that doest wonders;
Thou hast declared Thy strength among the peoples.
Thou hast with Thine arm redeemed Thy people,
the sons of Jacob and Joseph.
Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands;
serve the LORD with gladness.
Enter into His gates with thanksgiving.
Know ye that the LORD, He is God.
It is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves;
we are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

Epistle

I Corinthians 13:1-13

Catechesis on the Love of God

Hymn of the Day 849

"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

Holy Gospel Luke 18:31-43

Jesus Predicts His Death; A Blind Man Recovers His Sight

Credal Hymn 954

"We All Believe in One True God"

Sanctus Hymn 960

"Isaiah, Mighty Seer in Days of Old"

Agnus Dei Hymn 962

"Lamb of God, You Take Away the Sin of the World"

Distribution Hymns

"Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice" 556

"Christ Be My Leader" 861

"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus" 685

Post-Communion 938

"In Peace and Joy I Now Depart"