

## Announcements

### SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May  
Altar Committee: Polly Joubert  
Communion Committee: Rosanne Fell, Robin Oehlert and Jennifer Scheler  
Sunday 7:45am Elder: Matthew Voss  
Sunday 10:30am Elder: Paul Kachelmeyer  
Wednesday 6:30pm Elder: Philip Gehlbach

### LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Sunday, March 10 – 119 (7:45) 111 (10:30) Bible Class – 79  
Wednesday, March 13 – 145  
Thursday, March 14 – Communion Matins – 37 CBBS - 37

**Altar Flowers** are given for Michael Christopherson's 40<sup>th</sup> birthday.

### Last Week's Offering

General fund:	\$ 12,264.00
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### TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN MARCH 2024:

General funds received in March:	\$ 26,642.00
Music funds received in March:	\$ 50.00
Memorials received in March:	\$ 50.00
Capital Imp. funds received in March:	\$ 100.00
Goehner Schl. funds received in March:	\$ 50.00
Mercy funds received in March:	\$ 150.00
African Mission funds received in March:	\$ 200.00
	\$ 27,242.00

## Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

### The Fifth Sunday in Lent / Judica Sunday

March 17, 2024

### THEME: Jesus is the Great I AM


Jesus teaches us that Abraham longed to see the fulfillment of God's promise in the sending forth of God's eternal Son. In this Gospel, Jesus clearly confesses that He is the eternal Son of the Father by applying the divine name given at the burning bush to Himself: "Before Abraham was I AM." This is why the Jews took up stones to stone Him. They believed He was committing blasphemy by applying the divine name to Himself. By this action they showed that they did not love God or His Son whom the Father had sent. Jesus said, "He who is of God, hears God's words ... if anyone keeps My word, he shall never see death."

**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

### HOLY WEEK AND EASTER WEEK SERVICES

**Palm Sunday**, March 24 at 7:45 and 10:30 Festival Divine Services  
**Holy Wednesday**, March 27 at 8:00, 2:30 and 6:30 Final Midweek Service  
**Maunder Thursday**, March 28 at 2:30 and 7:00p.m. Service of Corporate Confession and Individual Absolution—The Stripping of the Altar  
**Good Friday Tenebrae**, March 29 at 9:00 a.m. (No Communion)  
**Good Friday Divine Services**, March 29 at 1:00 and 7:00p.m.  
**Holy Saturday Easter Vigil**, March 30 at 7:00p.m., with reception of new members.  
**Easter Sunday**, March 31 at 7:45 and 10:30 Festival Divine Services



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The Rev. Brennick T. Christiansen, Assoc. Pastor — (262) 236-6104  
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 — Lent 5**  
**Bible Class 9:15** — The Problem of Mental and Physical Illness and the Care of the Family
- **Daily Chapel Monday to Friday at 8:30**
- **Wednesday: Lenten Divine Service 8:00, 2:30 & 6:30**
- **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 *The Raising of Lazarus*. 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.

**Galatians Bible Study... The Word of the Lord Endures Forever** is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon begins a study this week on the Book of Galatians. You can listen at your convenience at [thewordendures.org](http://thewordendures.org), Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, the LPR mobile app or your favorite podcast provider.

**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.

- March 20:** Jesus’ Betrayal and Arrest: Mark 14:43-52
- March 27:** Jesus Faces the Sanhedrin: Mark 14:53-72

## NEWS AND NOTES

### “Raiders of the Lost Ark Academy Auction”

Don’t forget!

**The auction is happening this coming Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>,**

from 4-8:30pm at Lake Country Lutheran High School.

We hope to see you at this fun event!

**Bake Sale Items Needed for the Auction!** The annual Goods and Services Auction is this Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. We will be holding a bake sale at the event and need donated baked goods delivered to the Gerhardt Room by noon on Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please package baked goods in ready to sell portions.

**Parish Council** meets Tuesday, March 19 at 7:00 p.m.

**Easter Breakfast News!!!** Please join us for Easter breakfast on Sunday March 31, after the 7:45 Divine Service. To help us plan, sign up on the clipboards next to the church kitchen. We also have opportunities to assist in setup, serving and cleanup. Food, supplies, and monetary donations are welcome. For questions or other inquires: Cheri’ La Fore, 262-370-6711 (text or voice) Email: ladyhawk4969@gmail.com

**Thank you to the many volunteers who have been involved in baking, prepping for and serving at the weekly Fish Fries during Lent.** Your faithful service is very much appreciated. Three more Fish Fries remain, April 12 & 26 and May 10, before the summer break. Mark your calendars. Plan to attend and invite your friends to join us.

**Locks** – To increase security in the Academy, narthex doors are now locked most of the time during the school day, except during service times and Bible class. If the doors are locked, please ring the doorbell to contact the office and we will buzz you in. Give us a moment to answer your call. Those who have a key may still use it to unlock the door. Remember, you are all welcome and encouraged to stop by church anytime.

**Weekly RaiseRight Report:** Week of 3/10/2024

Number of families participating: 7 (in-person) + 7 (online)

Gross sales: \$1,400.00

Profit paid to Academy: \$42.26

Attendance: 373

Total profits paid this fiscal year: \$4,113.74

**Sunday Order of Service**  
**The Fifth Sunday in Lent / Judica Sunday**  
March 17, 2024

**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.*

**Preservice Music**

“Tranquillo” by Tomaso Albinoni  
“A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth” by Kevin Hildebrand

**Hymn of Invocation**

“A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth”

**438**

**Introit** *sung responsively with the pastor.*

*Antiphon* (Ps. 43:1-2a)

Vindicate | me, O God, \*  
and plead my cause against an ungodly | nation;  
oh, deliver me from the deceitful and | unjust man! \*  
For You are the God | of my strength.

*Psalm* (Ps. 43:3-5)

**Oh, send out Your light and Your truth! Let them | lead me; \***  
**let them bring me to Your holy hill and to Your taber-|nacle.**  
**Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my ex-|ceeding joy; \***  
**and on the harp I will praise You, O | God, my God.**  
**Why are you cast down, | O my soul? \***  
**And why are you disquieted with-|in me?**  
**Hope in God; for I shall yet | praise Him, \***  
**the help of my countenance | and my God.**

*(Antiphon is repeated.)*

**Old Testament Reading**

The Sacrifice of Isaac

**Genesis 22:1-14**

**Gradual** *sung by the congregation*

(Ps. 143:9a, 10a, 18:48a, c)

Deliver me, O LORD, from my | enemies. \*  
Teach me to do Your will, for You | are my God.  
[You] deliver me from my | enemies. \*  
You have delivered me from the | violent man.

**Epistle**

**Hebrews 9:11-15**

The Heavenly Sanctuary

**Tract** *sung by the congregation*

(Ps. 129:1-4)

“Many a time they have afflicted me | from my youth,” \*  
let Isra-|el now say—  
“Many a time they have afflicted me | from my youth; \*  
yet they have not prevailed a-|gainst me.  
The plowers plowed | on my back; \*  
they made their | furrows long.”  
The LORD is | righteous; \*  
He has cut in pieces the cords of the | wicked.

**Holy Gospel**

**John 8:42-59**

Jesus is the great I AM

**Hymn of the Day**

**430**

“My Song Is Love Unknown”

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| 1. All | 5. Women and Children |
| 2. All | 6. All                |
| 3. All | 7. All                |
| 4. Men |                       |

**Distribution Hymns**

“Before the Throne of God Above” **574**  
“Cross of Jesus, Cross of Sorrow” **428**  
“The God of Abraham Praise” **798**

**Hymn to Depart**

**718**

“Jesus, Lead Thou On”