

## Announcements

### SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May

Altar Committee: Lynn Leider and Sherry Prowatzke

Communion Committee: Sharon Martin, Mary Nitzsche, Melody Ruhbusch

Sunday 7:45am Elder: Mark Schneider

Sunday 10:30am Elder: Philip Gehlbach

Wednesday 6:30pm Elder: Paul Kachelmeyer

### LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Sunday, April 14 – 141 (7:45) 89 (10:30) Bible Class – 90

Wednesday, April 17 – 37

Thursday, April 18 – Communion Matins – 49

**Altar flowers** given in memory of Marlene Schaefer.

**Sanctuary Candle** is given for Pat and Sharon Murphy's 54<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

### Last Week's Offering

General fund:	\$ 8,413.00
Capital Imp. fund:	\$ 50.00
Goehner Schl. fund:	\$ 100.00
Mercy fund:	\$ 20.00
Nigeria fund:	<u>\$ 200.00</u>
	\$ 8,783.00

### TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN APRIL 2024:

General funds received in April:	\$ 19,911.00
Capital Imp. funds received in April:	\$ 150.00
Goehner Schl. funds received in April:	\$ 100.00
Sacred Appt. funds received in April:	\$ 5.00
Mercy funds received in April:	\$ 120.00
Nigeria funds received in April:	<u>\$ 200.00</u>
	\$ 20,486.00

## Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

### The Fourth Sunday of Easter / Jubilate


April 21, 2024

### THEME: Your Sorrow Will Be Turned to Joy

Jesus describes His suffering and death as "a little while." During this "little while" He goes to the Father to offer His lifeblood into death for our sins. This "little while" was filled with great grief for the disciples, but their sorrow was turned to joy in His resurrection from the dead. From this "little while" we learn what is characteristic for us and the Church in this world. The "little while" of Christ's suffering and the lamentation of the disciples corresponds to the "little while" of the Church's and every individual Christian's suffering because of sin and persecution. Nevertheless, this "little while" is short-lived. Our Lord is not only risen from the dead, but He comes to us with His grace and forgiveness to turn our sorrow into joy. There is joy in the Christian life now. We do not have to wait for it until the resurrection on the last day. It is a joy in the midst of the cross of affliction.

**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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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—Easter 4**  
**Bible Class 9:15** — Teach Your Children:  
How Our Marriages and Families Catechize
- **Daily Chapel Monday to Friday at 8:30**
- **Wednesday: Divine Service 6:30** — Your Sorrow Will Turn to Joy
- **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 *Breakfast by the Sea of Galilee*. 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.

**Youth Group in May Meets Sunday, May 5, at noon.**

In May the Youth Group will meet on the usual first Sunday of the month, May 5, and will begin with a choir reunion rehearsal with all former Academy and Cantate Choir members.

**Defending the Faith, Teaching the Truth... 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 subjects include: Biblical Christianity vs. Progressive Christianity, The Movie “Ghostbusters: Frozen Empire,” Polygamy in the Bible, Responding to Roman Catholic Proof Texts and more. You can listen at your convenience at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org), the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

**NEWS AND NOTES**

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

**Christ and Culture: Catechesis on the Apostles Creed**

The Concordia Catechetical Academy will host its annual CCA Symposium at Peace on June 19-21. This symposium is for laity and pastors. It is offered at no charge to members of Peace. Speakers will be Rev. Dr. Jon Bruss and Rev. Dr. Geoffrey Boyle from Concordia Theological Seminary-Fort Wayne; Rev. Dr. Alfonso Espinosa, Chairman of the Board for National Mission; Rev. Dr. Karl Fabrizio and Rev. Bender of the CCA. Register your attendance with the forms located in the narthex.

**Fish Fry Drive-thru. The next one is Friday, April 26,** from 5:00-7:00. Please join us and help support the Academy.

**Tour the Holy Land in Lent of 2025!** There is something special about meditating on the Scriptures in the very places where the events occurred. Pastor Aaron Koch of Mt. Zion Lutheran Church in Greenfield will be leading a tour back to the Holy Land next March. Destinations include Bethlehem, Nazareth, Capernaum, the Mount of Beatitudes, Mt. Carmel, Caesarea Philippi, Qumran, Masada, and of course the temple mount, Gethsemane, and the places of Jesus' trial, death, and resurrection in Jerusalem. PLUS there is an optional trip extension to Egypt to ascend the Mountain of Moses in Sinai, and see the Sphinx and the Great Pyramids of Egypt. It only takes a \$500 registration to hold your spot for this tour. Spaces are limited, so you are encouraged to sign up soon. (There are discounts if you register before May 17th.) Just go to [registernow.ittworld.com](http://registernow.ittworld.com) and put in the tour code Koch25 to get a downloadable brochure with all the information you need. If you have any questions, feel free to call Pastor Koch at 414-795-9005. We hope you'll be able to take part in this great experience!

**Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne (CTSFW)**, is excited to host the second **Christ Academy Family Institute (CAFI)** June 13–16, 2024, right before our Christ Academy High School program begins. At the heart of CAFI’s mission is a belief that strong families are the foundation of a healthy and thriving church. A key to building strong families is recognizing the essential role of parents in the spiritual development of their children. CAFI programs aim to equip parents with the tools they need to lead their families in the faith. **Registration for this event is NOW OPEN.** For more information visit [ctsfw.edu/cafi](http://ctsfw.edu/cafi).

**Weekly RaiseRight Report:** Week of 4/14/2024

Number of families participating: 11 (in-person) + 4 (online)

Gross sales: \$2,470.00      Profit paid to Academy: \$44.50

Attendance: 234              Total profits paid this fiscal year: \$4,799.82

\$5 and \$10 cards are now available for some brands. An order form for these is available at the RR counter.

**Sunday Order of Service**  
The Fourth Sunday of Easter / Jubilate  
April 21, 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.*

**Hymn of Invocation** **818**

“In Thee Is Gladness”

**Introit** *sung by the choir*

*Antiphon* (Ps.66:1-2)

Shout for joy, shout to God, all the earth; Alleluia!  
Sing the glory of His name;  
give to Him glorious praise! Alleluia!

*Psalm* (Ps. 66:3, 5, 8-9)

Say to God, “How awesome are Your deeds!  
So great is Your power  
that Your enemies come cringing to You.”  
Come and see what God has done:  
He is awesome in His deeds toward the children of man.  
Bless our God, O peoples;  
let the sound of His praise be heard.  
Who has kept our soul among the living  
and has not let our feet slip.

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** **Lamentations 3:22-33**

Through the Lord’s mercy we are not consumed.

**Choral Response**

“What God Ordains Is Always Good” – Johann Pachelbel

What God ordains is always good. His will abideth holy.  
As He directs my life for me, I follow meek and lowly.  
My God indeed in ev’ry need doth well know how to shield me;  
To Him, then, I will yield me.

What God ordains is always good. He is my Friend and Father;  
He suffers naught to do me harm, though many storms may gather.  
Now I may know both joy and woe, someday I shall see clearly  
That He hath loved me dearly.

What God ordains is always good. This truth remains unshaken.  
Though sorrow, need, or death be mine, I shall not be forsaken.  
I fear no harm, for with His arm He shall embrace and shield me;  
So to my God I yield me.

**Epistle** **1 Peter 2:11-20**

The call of Christian vocation

**Alleluia Verse** *sung by the choir*

Alleluia! He sent redemption to His people. Alleluia!  
Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things  
and enter into His glory? Alleluia!

*(Ps. 111:9a; Luke 24:26)*

**Holy Gospel** **John 16:16-22**

Your sorrow will be turned to joy.

**Hymn of the Day** **483**

“With High Delight Let Us Unite”  
*Choir sings stanza 2*

**Distribution Hymns**

“Christ Is Risen, Christ Is Living” **479**  
“Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me” **756**  
“Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing” **737**

**Hymn to Depart** **481**

“Scatter the Darkness, Break the Gloom”