

Announcements

SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May

Altar Committee: Gayle Cardo

Communion Committee: Joanne Smith, Nicola Giordano

Sunday 7:45am Elder: Joseph Schneider

Sunday 10:30am Elder: Philip Gehlbach

Wednesday 6:30pm Elder: Matthew Voss

LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Sunday, April 28– 154 (7:45) 94 (10:30) Bible Class – 80

Wednesday, May 1 – 34

Thursday, May 2 – Communion Matins – 40 CBBS - 40

Altar flowers given in thanksgiving to God by Pastor Gehlbach.

Sanctuary Candle given for Doug and Pam Pom's 54th wedding anniversary.

Last Week's Offering

General fund:	\$ 7,603.20
Mercy fund:	\$ 50.00
Nigeria fund:	<u>\$ 750.00</u>
	\$ 8,403.20

TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN APRIL 2024:

General funds received in April:	\$ 31,147.20
Capital Imp. funds received in April:	\$ 170.00
Goehner Schl. funds received in April:	\$ 100.00
Sacred Appt. funds received in April:	\$ 5.00
Mercy funds received in April:	\$ 170.00
Nigeria funds received in April:	<u>\$ 950.00</u>
	\$ 32,542.20

Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

The Sixth Sunday of Easter / Rogate


May 5, 2024

THEME: Pray Without Ceasing

Prayer is central to the Church, her ministry, and the Christian's own faith and life. "Prayer in Jesus' name" is prayer that asks for the gifts and help that Jesus promises in the Gospel. If the Church is troubled by persecution and suffering, she is to pray for strength. If she is tempted to be unfaithful, she is to pray for faithfulness. If you have sinned, pray for forgiveness. If you are tempted by the devil, pray for deliverance. If you are weak in fulfilling the responsibilities of your calling, pray for strength. We have Jesus' sure and certain promise: "Whatever you ask the Father in My name He will give you." Our prayers are heard, and they are absolutely answered when they are anchored in God's Word. Like the disciples before us, our faith, too, often wanes. They scattered and fled from Him, yet they were able to be restored because of His promise of grace to them in the Gospel. The same is true for us. "These things I have spoken to you," Jesus said, "that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

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 — “*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 6 Bible Class 9:15** — Divorce and Remarriage in the Church
- **Daily Chapel Monday to Friday at 8:30**
- **Wednesday: Divine Service 6:30 — Ascension**
- **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 Ascension of Our Lord*. 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 Today at Noon.

The Youth Group meets 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.

Quality, Quantity, Qualified... 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 Movie “Civil War,” Brokenness Theology, Pascal’s Wager, The Hymn “O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth” and more. You can listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod or your favorite podcast provider.

NEWS AND NOTES

Fish Fry Drive-thru. is this Friday, May 10, from 5:00-7:00. This is the last Fish Fry until the fall. Please join us and help support the Academy.

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.

Moving Forward — Open Budget Forum on Sunday, May 19

As we look to the future and put in place plans for the growth of our Academy, we give thanks for the many blessings we have enjoyed in the past and look forward to a bright future. Come to the Budget Open Forum on Sunday, May 19, at 9:15 a.m. We want the congregation to listen to a presentation on the proposed budget, ask questions, and offer feedback to the Parish Council and Board of Education in advance of approving a final budget for the next fiscal year. The Congregational Assembly to approve a budget will be Sunday, June 2, at 9:15.

Spring Children’s Choir Concert — Light of the World! and Fine Arts Festival, Friday, May 24.

The open house begins at 6pm followed by the concert at 7pm.

Mark your calendars for the annual spring concert. Come and enjoy secular and sacred music centering on the theme of light. This year previous choir graduates will join the children’s choirs for their grand finale, “Light of the World”. Come and celebrate the wonderful gift of singing that is so much a part of our congregation!

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.

Weekly RaiseRight Report: Week of 4/28/2024

Number of families participating: 8 (in-person) + 4 (online)

Gross sales: \$2,250.00 Profit paid to Academy: \$52.46

Attendance: 278 Total profits paid this fiscal year: \$4,943.45

\$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 Sixth Sunday of Easter / Rogate
May 5, 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 772
“In Holy Conversation”

Introit *sung responsively with the choir*

Antiphon (Is. 48:20b)

With a voice of singing, declare, proclaim this,
utter it to the end of the earth. Alle-|luia. *

“The LORD has redeemed His servant Jacob!” Alle-|luia.

Psalm (Ps. 66:1-2, 17, 19-20)

Make a joyful shout to God, | all the earth! *

Sing out the honor | of His name.

I cried to Him | with my mouth, *

and He was extolled | with my tongue.

Certainly God has | heard me; *

He has attended to the voice | of my prayer.

Blessèd be God, who has not turned a-| way my prayer, *

nor His mer-| cy from me!

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.

(Antiphon is repeated.)

Old Testament Reading **Numbers 21:4-9**
The Bronze Serpent

Choral Response

“I Leave All Things to God’s Direction”

I leave all things to God’s direction; He loves me both in joy and woe.
His will is good, sure His affection; His tender love is true, I know.
My fortress and my rock is He: What pleases God, that pleases me.

My God has all things in His keeping; He is the ever faithful friend.
He gives me laughter after weeping, And all His ways in blessings end.
His love endures eternally: What pleases God, that pleases me.

Epistle **1 Timothy 2:1-6**
Paul’s catechesis on prayer

Alleluia Verse *sung by the choir*

Alleluia. Christ, who has redeemed us with His blood,
is risen and has appeared unto us. Alleluia.

I came forth from the Father and have come into the world.

Again, I leave the world and go to the Father. Alleluia.

(Liturgical Text; John 16:28c)

Holy Gospel **John 16:23-33**
“Whatever you ask the Father in My name He will give you!”

Hymn of the Day 766
“Our Father, Who from Heav’n Above”

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| 1. Choir | 6. Women and Children |
| 2. All | 7. Men |
| 3. Choir | 8. All |
| 4. All | 9. All |
| 5. All | |

Distribution Hymns

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today” 469

“Evening and Morning” 726

“I Trust, O Lord, Your Holy Name” 734

Hymn to Depart 729
“I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus”