#### Announcements

#### **SERVING THIS WEEK**

Organist: Jordan Fischer

Altar Committee: Melinda Burger

Communion Committee: Rosanne Fell, Robin Oehlert

Sunday 7:45am Elder: Matthew Voss Sunday 10:30am Elder: Kent Franklin

Wednesday 6:30pm Elder: Michael Ferguson

#### LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Sunday, July 21 – 95 (7:45) 101 (10:30) Bible Class – 80

Wednesday, July 24 - 31

Altar flowers by Lee and Eunice Neujahr

# Last Week's Offering:

General fund:	\$ 4,863.00
Mercy fund:	\$ 40.00
Memorials:	\$ 200.00
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#### **TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN JULY 2024:**

General funds received in July:	\$ 34,234.56
Capital Imp. funds received in July:	\$ 50.00
Goehner Schlr. funds received in July:	\$ 20.00
Mercy funds received in July:	\$ 40.00
Memorials received in July:	\$ 200.00
African Mission funds received in July:	\$ 200.00
	\$ 34,744.56



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The Rev. Peter C. Bender, Senior Pastor — (262) 370-1189 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.

# Peace Lutheran Church and Academy The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

July 28, 2024

### **THEME: Parable of the Unjust Steward**

"The master commended the unjust steward because he had dealt shrewdly" (Luke 16:1–9). The steward's shrewdness is praiseworthy for two reasons. First, he knew the master would be merciful. He trusted that the master would honor the debts he forgave in the master's name. In the same way, though we have squandered our heavenly Father's possessions in selfishness and sin, Jesus is the Steward who has canceled our debt, knowing that His forgiveness will be honored by the Father because of the holy cross. Secondly, the steward was shrewd in using oil and wheat to provide for his earthly welfare. So also do these earthly elements aid us when pressed into heavenly use in the anointing of baptism and the wheat of the Lord's Supper. Those who have the Sacraments will have an eternal home when the earthly fails. These are our escape in temptation (1 Cor. 10:6–13). For the Lord is our strength and a shield to all who trust in Him (2 Sam 22:26–34). —Excerpted from the LSB hymnal project

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,

The Pastors at Peace Lutheran Church

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 Gehlbach at 262-246-3200 or 262-325-3032.

• Sunday: Divine Service 7:45 & 10:30 —Trinity 9

Bible Class 9:15 — Today's Readings

• Wednesday: Divine Service 6:30 – Trinity 9

Family Prayer Devotional Studies This summer we will be going through the stories in the book of Acts. The lesson this week is *The Prophet Agabus Foretells Paul's Arrest in Jerusalem*. Material from New Testament Catechesis is posted online. This material provides a general introduction to the Church in Acts and St. Paul's missionary journeys. It should be used as a resource throughout the summer. Look for it under the Family Prayer tab.

Unanswered Bible Questions ... Issues, Etc., a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio, will have Pastors Bryan Wolfmueller and Brian Kachelmeier respond to your unanswered Bible questions. You can submit your question via email: talkback@issuesetc.org, Facebook: <a href="mailto:facebook.com/issuesetc">facebook.com/issuesetc</a>, or the Issues, Etc. Comment Line: (618) 223-8382. You can listen to the interview at your convenience at <a href="mailto:issuesetc.org">issuesetc.org</a>, the LPR mobile app or a podcast provider.

# **NEWS AND NOTES**

# Pastoral Care and Emergencies During Pastor Bender's Sabbatical (July 24-August 24)

If you or a loved one is hospitalized or has spiritual care needs this summer, please call the church office (262-246-3200) to let us know so that Pastors Christiansen and Gehlbach can minister to you while Pastor Bender is on sabbatical.

**Academy Registration paperwork** – the start of the 2024-25 academic year is only a month away. If you have not done so already, please turn registration paperwork into the office ASAP. It is be most appreciated.

Road Closure on Main Street through Lannon today, Sunday, July 28<sup>th</sup>. Main Street will be closed to all through-traffic, for the car show. The road will be closed from the BP gas station to Lannon Rd. (Cty Y). We suggest that anyone coming from the east use Good Hope Rd. to Main St. or Hwy Q to Lannon Rd. to Main Street, as you will be able to turn right only on to Main St (towards Sussex) at that intersection. The road will be closed from approximately 5:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Goehner Scholarship Fund provides financial support for sons and daughters of our congregation to help defray the cost of becoming an ordained or commissioned minister in the LCMS. Rev. Eamonn Ferguson is the current recipient of the scholarship. See the latest update on his ministry and family posted in the narthex. Please prayerfully consider contributing to the Goehner Scholarship fund.

Thank you so much! ... My dear friends at Peace,

I am overwhelmed by the love and concern you have shown to me throughout my hospitalization and rehab. Thank you so much for all the cards and prayers. I've been making good progress. My highest goal is to be back in church with you very soon. Love you, bunches, Carol Bender

Weekly RaiseRight Report: Week of 7/21/2024

Number of families participating: 9 (in-person) + 5 (online) Gross sales: \$2,725.00 Profit paid to Academy: \$0.00

Attendance: 220 Total profits earned this fiscal year: \$149.53

\$100 Pick and Save is now available!

**Sign up for the RaiseRight App** to use on your phone while shopping. The app is available from the App Store or Google Play as RaiseRight Fundraising.

For an online account or to sign up for the app, you will need our specific Enrollment Code: 9L292E7881L5

# **Sunday Order of Service**

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity July 28, 2024

# Divine Service Setting Two Lutheran Service Book p. 167

Please follow the order of service printed in the hymnal beginning on page 167. The propers for the day (readings, hymns) are listed below.

# **Hymn of Invocation**"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

**Introit** sung responsively with the pastor.

Antiphon (Ps. 54:4-5) Behold, God is my | helper; \*

the Lord is with those who up-|hold my life.

He will repay my enemies for their | evil. \* Cut them off | in Your truth.

Psalm (Ps.54:1-3, 7)

Save me, O God, | by Your name, \*
and vindicate me | by Your strength.
Hear my | prayer, O God; \*

give ear to the words | of my mouth.

For strangers have risen up against me,

and oppressors have sought af-|ter my life; \*

they have not set  $God\ be-|fore\ them.$ 

He has delivered me out of all | trouble; \* and my eye has seen its desire upon my | enemies.

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**

2 Samuel 22:26-34

David's last words teach us about God's ways.

# O | LORD, our Lord, \* how excellent is Your name in | all the earth, who have set Your | glory \* above the | heavens! **Epistle** I Corinthians 10:6-13 Paul uses the example of Israel to warn against impenitence. **Holy Gospel** Luke 16:1-9 The Parable of the Shrewd Steward Hymn of the Day 730 "What Is the World to Me" **Distribution Hymns** "How Firm a Foundation" 728 "Who Trusts in God a Strong Abode" 714 "Lord of All Good" 786

"With the Lord Begin Your Task"

(Ps. 8:1)

869

**Gradual** sung by the congregation

**Hymn to Depart**