Announcements

SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Jordan Fischer

Altar Committee: Lynn Leider and Sherry Prowatzke Communion Committee: Rosanne Fell, Robin Oehlert,

Nicola Giordano, Joanne Smith Sunday 7:45am Elder: Mark Schneider Sunday 10:30am Elder: Kent Franklin

Wednesday 6:30pm Elder: Paul Kachelmeyer

LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Maundy Thursday – 47 (2:30) 117 (7:00)

Tenebrae – 70 Good Friday – 114 (3:00) 90 (7:00)

Easter Vigil – 134

Sunday, March 31 – 175 (7:45) 100 (10:30) Wednesday, April 23 – 24

Altar Flowers given in celebration for Mark and Holly Schneider's 50th wedding anniversary and Pat and Sharon Murphy's 55th wedding anniversary.

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Last Week's Offering



| Last week's Offering | | |
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| General fund: | \$ 14.735.00 | |
| Goehner Schlr. fund: | \$ | 50.00 |
| Mercy fund: | \$ | 10.00 |
| Capital Imp. fund: | \$ | 50.00 |
| Internation Mission fund: | \$ | 231.10 |
| | \$ 15 | 5,076.10 |

TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN APRIL 2025:

| General funds received in April: | \$ 3. | 3,060.00 |
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| Goehner Schlr. funds received in April: | \$ | 50.00 |
| Mercy funds received in April: | \$ | 10.00 |
| Capital Imp. funds received in April: | \$ | 100.00 |
| Memorials received in April: | \$ | 75.00 |
| International Mission funds received in April: | \$ | 231.10 |
| _ | \$ 3. | 3,526.10 |



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The Rev. Peter C. Bender, Senior Pastor — (262) 370-1189 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 Second Sunday of Easter / Quasimodo Geniti April 27, 2025

THEME: The Peace of Christ is the Fountain and Source of Life!

It is in Jesus' first resurrection appearance in the upper room that He ordained His disciples, "apostles" saying, "Peace to You! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." As Jesus spoke these words He said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." The promise of the Holy Spirit is given to every minister of the Gospel in so far as he is faithful to the Word of Christ. Wherever Jesus' Word is preached, there is the Spirit of God "working faith when and where He pleases," forgiving the sins of repentant sinners and withholding forgiveness from the unrepentant. The purpose of the Apostolic Word is defined by John in his Gospel: "these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name" (vs.31).

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.

Easter Greeting!

During Eastertide, the "Easter Greeting" is commonly exchanged among Christians as a confession of our faith and hope in the resurrection of Christ. The greeting is: "Alleluia! Christ is Risen!" or "Alleluia! The Lord is Risen!" The response is: "He is risen indeed! Alleluia!" The congregation is encouraged to use this greeting throughout the Easter season.

WE GATHER TO HEAR GOD'S WORD — "Put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts." (Rom. 13:14). 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, by calling Pastor Bender at 262-370-1189

• Sunday: Divine Service 7:45 & 10:30 — Easter 2

Bible Class 9:15 — Philippians 3

Daily Chapel: Monday through Friday at 8:30
Wednesday: Divine Service 6:30 — Easter 2

• Thursday: Matins with Holy 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 *Jesus Appears to the Disciples on the Road to Emmaus—Luke 24:13-35*. Look for the Family Prayer lesson and podcast on the congregation website under the Family Prayer tab.

Youth Group Moved to Sunday, May 18—Christians in Enemy Territory. Due to a prior commitment, Youth Group in May will be moved to Sunday, May 18. Our high school and college-aged youth will meet with Pastor Bender for lunch and study after the 10:30 service. Bring a sack lunch. May's topic will focus on how Christians are called to live out their faith in these difficult times. Our gathering will conclude by 1:30.

Book of Philemon 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 Philemon. You can listen at your convenience at thewordendures.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, the LPR mobile app and a podcast provider.

NEWS AND NOTES

A huge **THANK YOU** to the numerous people who volunteered and donated food to the Easter breakfast AND to those who came to eat.

— Kevin Larson and Cheri' La Fore

Online Giving: Peace now has an online-giving portal. One-time and recurring gifts may be made through our Vanco page. It can be found on our website, or by using the QR code near the offering basket and on the back of the bulletin. Those who sign up for online-giving may wish to consider that our fees are lower when people give by direct withdrawal from their bank account (instead of by card).

Parish Council meets Tuesday, April 29 at 7:00 p.m.

Board of Education meets Tuesday, May 13 at 7:00 p.m. **Board of Elders** meets Tuesday, May 13 at 6:00 p.m. **Board of Properties** meets Tuesday, May 13 at 7:00 p.m.

Fish Fry Drive-thru will be May 9 from 5:00-7:00. This is our last fish fry for the school year. Please join us and help support the Academy.

Weekly RaiseRight Report: Week of 4/20/2025

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

Attendance: 1,000

Gross sales: \$1,360 Profit earned this week \$26.76

Total profits earned this fiscal year: \$7,058.60

Profit paid to the Academy: \$6,483.73

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*. You will need our specific Enrollment Code: 9L292E7881L5.

Sunday Order of Service

The Second Sunday of Easter / Quasimodo Geniti April 27, 2025

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 466 "Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia" **Introit** pastor chants the antiphon, congregation the psalm Antiphon (1 Peter 2:2a) As newborn babes, Alle-|luia, * desire the pure milk of the word. Alle-|luia. Psalm (Ps.81:1, 7a, 10, 16b) Sing aloud to | God our strength; * make a joyful shout to the God of | Jacob. "You called in trouble, and I de-|livered you; * I answered you in the secret place of | thunder. I am the | LORD your God, * who brought you out of the land of | Egypt. Open your mouth wide, and I will | fill it; * and with honey from the rock I would have satis-| fied vou." 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 Ezekiel 37:1-14** The Valley of Dry Bones

He who believes the testimony of the Son has eternal life.

1 John 5:4-10

Epistle

Alleluia Verse sung by the congregation

Alleluia. He is risen | from the dead, *
and indeed He is going before you into Galilee. Alle-|luia.

After eight days, Jesus came and stood | in the midst, *
and said, "Peace to you!" Alle-|luia.

(Matthew 28:7b; John 20:26a, c)

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John 20:19-31

Jesus First Appearance Before the Apostles

Hymn of the Day

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"O Sons and Daughters of the King"

Proper Preface for Eastertide

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, and most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and arch angels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying: Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy...

Distribution Hymns

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| "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" | 469 |
| "Our Paschal Lamb, That Sets Us Free" | 473 |
| "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing" | 475 |
| "Christ Is Risen, Christ is Living" | 479 |
| Hymn to Depart | 478 |

"The Day of Resurrection"