

Announcements

SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May

Altar Committee: Lynn Leider

Communion Committee: Rosanne Fell, Robin Oehlert, Nicola Giordano

Sunday 7:45am Elder: Mark Schneider

Sunday 10:30am Elder: Philip Gehlbach

Wednesday 6:30pm Elder: Mark Schneider

LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Sunday, October 12th – 118 (7:45) 79 (10:30) Bible Class – 88

Monday, October 13th – Didache – 19

Wednesday, October 15th – 34

Thursday, October 16th– Chapel Matins – 30 Coffee Break – 37

Altar Flowers: in celebration of Michael and Angela Christopherson's wedding anniversary

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Last Week's Offering

General fund:	\$ 9,110.00
Capital Improvement fund:	\$ 240.00
Sacred Appointments Fund	\$ 00.00
Goehner Scholarship fund:	\$ 00.00
International Mission fund:	\$ 00.00
Mercy fund:	\$ 00.00
	<u>\$ 9,350.00</u>

TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN OCTOBER 2025:

General funds received in October:	\$ 17,593.00
Capital Improvement funds received in October:	\$ 240.00
Sacred Appointments Fund received in October:	\$ 00.00
Goehner Scholarship funds received in October:	\$ 00.00
International Mission funds received in October:	\$ 00.00
Mercy funds received in October:	\$ 00.00
	<u>\$ 17,833.00</u>

Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

October 19, 2025

THEME: Jesus Is the Fulfillment of the Old Testament

Jesus was confronted by many who did not believe in Him. In this Gospel the Pharisees, who had heard He had silenced the Sadducees, took their turn to challenge Jesus about the Old Testament teaching on the Law. They asked Him, "What is the great commandment in the law?" Jesus answers reveals that, according to the Old Testament, love for God above all things is the greatest commandment and that love for the neighbor as oneself follows love for God. The Pharisees knew that Jesus answered correctly, but for them following God's law was about manipulating God into doing for them what they desired, rather than understanding that the law calls for a love for God and for the neighbor that we cannot fulfill. The Old Testament law and prophets hang on these two commandments because Jesus, the Son of God, and the Son of David, is the fulfillment of the law of love in his sacrifice for us upon the cross. His love for God and the neighbor does not move Him to look out for Himself but to serve us. By His service He shows Himself to be the greater Son of David and the promised Messiah. Because of Jesus' love for the Father and for us, the Father will place all enemies under Jesus' feet, and He will sit forever at the Father's right hand. For the Pharisees, the Law of God was about achieving what they wanted. For Jesus', God's Law was fulfilled in His self-denial for us.

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.

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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 — “*I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus accursed, and no one can say that Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit.*” (1 Cor. 12:3). 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 at 7:45 & 10:30 — Trinity 18**
Bible Class at 9:15 — The Dragnet
- **Mon-Fri:** **Daily Chapel at 8:00**
- **Monday:** **Didache-Compline 6:00**
- **Wednesday:** **Divine Service at 6:30 — Trinity 18**
- **Thursday:** **Matins with Communion at 8:00**
Coffee Break Bible Study at 9:00

Sunday Bible Study—The Parables of Jesus

Throughout the fall, we will be studying the parables of Jesus and how they teach us to meditate upon the grace of God in Christ.

Coffee Break Bible Study meets at 9:00 on Thursday mornings. Bring your coffee and join us as we continue our study of the Gospel of Luke.

Sunday School for children in preschool through 4th grade is at 9:15 a.m. Children in 5th grade and above should attend Bible Class with their parents in the nave.

Family Prayer Devotional Studies will continue to be recorded by Pastor Bender and posted online weekly. The lesson this week is ***The Fall of Man the First Promise of the Gospel—Genesis 3:1-15.*** Look for the Family Prayer lesson and podcast on the congregation website under the Family Prayer tab.

Didache Meets on Monday Evenings at 6:00

This week’s lesson is part three of The Ten Commandments—The Rich Young ruler – Mark 10:17-31. Come find renewal, comfort, and fellowship as we study God’s word in the Bible, Catechism, and Hymnal. We will end each class by praying Compline together. Come, even if you missed the first couple of weeks. The lessons are recorded and available on the church website (under “Additional Recordings”) and at your favorite podcast provider.

Many thanks to all those who called, texted, sent cards and sent entire meals following our recent auto accident. We will try to pass it along to those who find themselves in a similar situation. —Chuck and Jan.

Plan Now to Attend Reformation Divine Service at Historic Trinity.

Pastor Bender will be preaching, and our children’s choirs will be singing at Trinity this Reformation Day, Friday, October 31, at 6:30 p.m. Celebrate the Reformation in the beautiful sanctuary at Trinity, which continues to undergo restoration after a fire in 2018. The church is located at 1046 N. Ninth Street in Milwaukee.

NEWS AND NOTES

A Place of Refuge Ministries, which supports women facing crisis pregnancies, is looking for interim help in both their Administrative and Daytime House Parent positions. If you are able to step in to assist, please contact Pastor Don Hougard at pastor@benediction-lcms.org.

Board of Elders meets this Tuesday, October 21 at 6:00 p.m.

Board of Properties meets this Tuesday, October 21 at 7:00 p.m.

Board of Education meets this Tuesday, October 21 at 7:15 p.m.

Parish Council meets this Thursday October 23 at 7:00 p.m.

Senior Choir Rehearsal meets on Wednesdays at 7:45 p.m. New members are welcome and encouraged to join. If you are even remotely interested, please talk to Pastor Bender. He will be happy to answer your questions and give you guidance.

Weekly RaiseRight Report: Week of 10/12/2025

Number of families participating: 9 (in-person) + 6 (online)

Attendance: 222

Gross sales: \$1435.00 Profit earned this week \$556.94

Total profits earned this fiscal year: \$2495.42

Profit paid to the Academy: \$1870.23

\$10 and under gift cards are once again available for ordering. Find order slips at the Scrip Counter and in the office.

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 Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity
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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 **954**
“We All Believe in One True God”

Introit *sung by the choir*

Antiphon *(Liturgical Text)*
Reward them that wait for Thee, O Lord,
and let Thy prophets be found faithful.
Hear the prayer of Thy servants
and of Thy people Israel.

Psalm *(Ps. 122:1)*
I was glad when they said unto me:
Let us go into the house of the LORD.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

(Antiphon is repeated.)

Old Testament Reading **Deuteronomy 10:12-21**
The Law calls us to fear the Lord and walk in His ways.

Gradual *sung by the choir* *(Ps. 122:1, 7)*
I was glad when they said unto me:
Let us go into the house of the LORD.
Peace be within thy walls
and prosperity within thy palaces.

Epistle **1 Corinthians 1:(1-3) 4-9**
Paul gives thanks for God’s faithfulness to the Corinthians

Alleluia Verse *sung by the choir* *(Ps. 117:1)*

Alleluia. O praise the LORD, all ye nations:
praise Him, all ye people. Alleluia!

Holy Gospel **Matthew 22:34-46**
Jesus Catechizes the Scribes and Pharisees on the Old Testament

Nicene Creed *confessed after the Holy Gospel*

Hymn of the Day **694**
“Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower”
Choir sings stanza 3

Proper Preface

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, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying: Holy, Holy, Holy...

Distribution Hymns
“These Are the Holy Ten Commands” **581**
“The Law of God Is Good and Wise” **579**
“Renew Me, O Eternal Light” **704**

Hymn to Depart **794**
“The Lord, My God, Be Praised”