

Announcements

SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Jordan Fischer

Altar Committee: Polly Joubert

Communion Committee: Doreen Corso, Sharon Murphy, Anna Steinhilb

Sunday 7:45am Elder: Matthew Voss

Sunday 10:30am Elder: Elton Volquardsen

Wednesday 6:30pm Elder: Keith Gierach

LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Sunday, November 2nd – 160 (7:45) 64 (10:30) Bible Class – 97

Monday, November 3rd – Didache – 19

Wednesday, November 5th – 35

Thursday, November 6th – Chapel Matins – 31 Coffee Break – 41

Altar Flowers: given by Olivia Volquardsen in celebration of her parents' wedding anniversary.

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Last Week's Offering

General fund:	\$ 9,405.00
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Sacred Appointments Fund	\$ 00.00
Goehner Scholarship fund:	\$ 00.00
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Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

The Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity

November 9, 2025

THEME: The Word of God Gives Life and Salvation

The miracle of the healing of the nobleman's son teaches us that the Lord Jesus is present wherever His Word is faithfully preached and that His Word delivers to us His salvation. Human reason wants to rely upon signs, but even when signs are given, still the sinful flesh does not want to believe. Only the Word can create faith. Only the Word can deliver the blessings of Christ's salvation. When the nobleman came to Jesus, he was desperate. His son lay at the point of death. He wanted Jesus to come into his home and save him. Jesus did exactly that by the Word He spoke: "Go your way; your son lives." That Word was true and delivered life to his son, even though he was not at home "to see" the results. The father later learned that his son was alive and that he was healed at the very moment that Jesus spoke the Word. This is what we are called to believe throughout our lives. Not only is the Word of Christ alone the source of our salvation and the object of our faith; but the Word of Christ alone gives certainty, takes away doubt, and comforts the soul of the Christian.

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. 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.

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 21**
Bible Class at 9:15 — The Unmerciful Servant
- **Mon-Fri:** **Daily Chapel at 8:00**
- **Monday:** **Didache-Compline 6:00**
- **Wednesday:** **Divine Service at 6:30 — Trinity 21**
- **Thursday:** **Matins with Communion at 8:00**

Parable of the Unmerciful Servant will be covered in Bible Class this morning in our ongoing study of the Parables. The Lutheran Day School and the Three Estates will be postponed to Bible Class in December.

Sunday Bible Class—The Lutheran Day School and the Three Estates

Our strategic plan for Peace Lutheran Academy entails a significant catechetical study for the whole congregation on the Three Estates: Church, Home, and State. This study is postponed to December. This study builds upon the theological foundation of a Lutheran Day School, published in 1994, by addressing how the Academy is the major mercy ministry of our congregation. Our Academy not only supports our own families but also serves the welfare of our community and other Christian families who share in our values. During these troubled times, schools like our Academy are needed now more than ever. The Academy Mission Statement is key to all the efforts of our strategic plan: *Peace Lutheran Academy partners with parents in Christian education for a life of faith in Christ and service to others.*

NO Coffee Break Bible Study this week! Bible Study resumes on Thursday, November 20 at 9:00.

Sunday School Christmas Program is Sunday, December 14

3-yr-olds through 8th graders are preparing for the program – The Christmas Story – during the Sunday School hour. Children in **Grades 2-8** meet in the 5th grade classroom from 9:15-9:30. Grades 5-8 are excused at 9:30 to join their parents in Bible Class. Children **3K to 1st grade** rehearse in Loehe Hall from 9:30-9:45. Final practice for the program will be at 9 a.m. on Saturday, December 13. Parents, please mark your calendars.

Family Prayer Devotional Studies will continue to be recorded by Pastor Bender and posted online weekly. The lesson this week is ***After the Flood—Genesis 8:1-22; 9:1-17.*** 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 The Second Article of the Creed—The Incarnation of the Son of God - Luke 1:26-38. 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.

NEWS AND NOTES

Congregational Assembly this Tuesday, Nov 11 at 7:00 pm.

Agendas available in the narthex.

Fish Fry is this Friday, November 14 from 5-7 p.m. Come get a delicious dinner and support the Academy!

Board of Elders: Tuesday, November 18 at 6:00 p.m.

Board of Education: Tuesday, November 18 at 7:15 p.m.

Parish Council: Tuesday, November 25 at 7:00 p.m.

We will be having The Giving Tree again this holiday season as a special way to thank our teachers and staff. If you would like to participate, please purchase RaiseRight gift cards to be distributed evenly to the teachers and staff. The gifts will be anonymous. You can use the special Giving Tree order form, and if you also order cards for yourself, you can still pay with a single check or with cash. Your gifts will not only be a nice surprise for our teachers and staff but will also increase the RR profit, which benefits the Academy. Thank you!

Weekly RaiseRight Report: Week of 11/02/2025

Number of families participating: 11 (in-person) + 9 (online)

Attendance: 259

Gross sales: \$2520.00 Profit earned this week \$77.80

Total profits earned this fiscal year: \$2688.24

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.

Sunday Order of Service
The Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity
November 9, 2025

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 **578**

“Thy Strong Word”
Soloist sings stanza 3

Introit *sung by the soloist*

Antiphon (Liturgical Text)

The whole world is in Thy power,
O Lord, King Almighty; there is no man that can gainsay Thee.
For Thou hast made heav’n and earth
and all the wondrous things under the heav’n;
Thou art Lord of all.

Psalm (Ps. 119:1)

Blessèd are the undefiled in the way:
who walk in the law 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 **Genesis 1:1—2:3**

God created and ordered all things by His Word.

Choral Response *see LSB 665 for text*

“Be Strong in the Lord”

Be strong in the Lord in armor of light,
With helmet and sword, with shield for the fight;
On prayer be dependent, be belted and shod,
In breastplate resplendent: The armor of God.

Though Satan presume to test you and try,
In helmet and plume your head shall be high;
Beset by temptation be true to your Lord,
Your helmet salvation and Scripture your sword.

So wield well your blade, rejoice in its pow’rs,
Fight on undismayed for Jesus is ours!
Then in Him victorious your armor lay down,
To praise, ever glorious, His cross and His crown.

Epistle **Ephesians 6:10-17**

The Lord provides armor for the Christian.

Alleluia - Verse *sung by the soloist*

Alleluia! They that trust in the LORD shall be as Mount Zion:
which cannot be removed, but abideth forever. Alleluia!

(Ps. 125:1)

Holy Gospel **John 4:46-54**

The Nobleman’s Son Is Healed

Nicene Creed *confessed after the Holy Gospel*

Hymn of the Day **607**

“From Depths of Woe”
Soloist sings stanza 4

Proper Preface

It is truly meet, 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

“Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure Eternal” **533**
“The Gifts Christ Freely Gives” **602**
“At the Name of Jesus” **512**

Hymn to Depart **603**

“We Know that Christ is Raised”