

Announcements

SERVING THIS WEEK

Organist: Kathy May

Altar Committee: Lynn Leider

Communion Committee: Sharon Martin, Mary Nitzsche, Melody Ruhbusch,
Nicola Giordano

Sunday 7:45am Elder: Lance Carus

Sunday 10:30am Elder: Philip Gehlbach

Wednesday 6:30pm Elder: Matthew Voss

LAST WEEK AT PEACE

Sunday, May 17th – 128 (7:45); 88 (10:30); 79 (Bible Class)

Wednesday, May 20th – 20

Thursday, May 21st – Chapel Matins – 28 Coffee Break – 31

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Last Week's Offering

General fund:	\$ 6,894.00
Capital Improvement fund:	\$ 00.00
Sacred Appointments Fund	\$ 00.00
Goehner Scholarship Fund:	\$ 00.00
International Mission Fund:	\$ 00.00
Mercy fund:	\$ 00.00
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	\$ 6,894.00

TOTAL OFFERINGS GIVEN IN MAY 2026:

General funds received in May:	\$ 22,128.00
Capital Improvement funds received in May:	\$ 00.00
Sacred Appointments Fund received in May:	\$ 00.00
Goehner Scholarship funds received in May:	\$ 845.00
International Mission funds received in May:	\$ 150.00
Mercy funds received in May:	\$ 80.00
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	\$ 23,203.00

Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

The Feast of Pentecost

May 24, 2026


THEME: The Spirit Flows Forth from Our Savior Jesus

Jesus' words in today's Gospel come at the conclusion of "the Feast of Tabernacles" or "the feast of Booths" which commemorated the long period of time in which the children of Israel lived in tents in their wilderness wandering. This feast came at the end of the harvest and celebrated the ingathering of grain and the fellowship they shared together in the faith. During their wilderness wandering the Lord gave them to drink from the Rock that followed them. St. Paul says, "that Rock was Christ" (1 Corinthians 10:4). At the conclusion of this great feast, Jesus declares, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water." John tells us that when Jesus spoke these words, He was speaking about the gift of the Holy Spirit who would be poured out on the day of Pentecost and in the age to follow wherever His Gospel was preached. "To come to Jesus" involves chiefly the hearing of His Word through which the Spirit is given and by which we are restored from the ravages of sin and made alive.

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.

Holy Baptism: We rejoice with Erik and Jennifer Krueger as their son Daniel Jordan is received into the kingdom of God through the waters of Holy Baptism at the 10:30 service this morning. "Be baptized ... for the forgiveness of sins and the gift of the Holy Spirit ... the promise is to you and your children" (Acts 2:38-39). Daniel's sponsors are Ken and Monica Jung.



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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 — “*Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it*” (Luke 11:28). 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 or texting Pastor Bender at 262-370-1189*
- **Sunday: Divine Service at 7:45 & 10:30**
Bible Class at 9:15 — Propers for Pentecost
- **Tues & Wed: Chapel at 8:00 am**
- **Wednesday: Divine Service at 6:30 — Pentecost**

The final Chapel service of the school year is Wednesday, May 27. The Academy will be on summer break until August 24, when daily chapel will resume.

Sunday School is on break until fall. Parents, please have your children sit with you in Bible Class today and throughout the summer as we take a deeper look at each week’s scripture readings. Also, please continue to use the online Sunday School lessons under the Family Prayer tab on our website with your family at home over the summer hiatus.

Sunday School is for the whole family! Lessons are posted under the Family Prayer tab on our website for your family to meditate upon during the week. There are printable lessons with related artwork as well as recordings by Pastor Bender to help guide the study. The lesson this week is ***Pentecost: The Holy Spirit Is Poured Out — Acts 2:1-17a, 22-24, 36-39.***

Coffee Break Bible Study Summer Schedule

June: Every Thursday; July: Thursdays through July 16.

The 2026 Issues, Etc. “Making the Case” Conference includes a Lutheran singles event. The conference is Friday, June 12 and Saturday, June 13, at Concordia University Chicago. The singles event begins Friday evening after our evening prayer service.

NEWS AND NOTES

There is no school and the office is closed this Monday, May 25, due to Memorial Day.

Summer office hours, 8:00 a.m. to noon, will begin on June 1. Regular hours will resume in August.

Congregational Budget Forum will be held next Sunday, May 31 at 9:15 a.m. This will give us the opportunity to preview and discuss the budget to be formally approved by the congregation on June 7. Packets are available in the narthex.

Congregational Assembly will be held on Sunday, June 7 at 9:15 a.m. for the approval of the 2026-2027 fiscal budget and the election of members of the board of elders, the board of education, and the board of properties.

Youth Group Fryer-Cleaning Day. Once again, we are asking for high school and college-age volunteers to help clean the church fryers over the summer. Please contact Lily Ficken or the church office with your June availability. Many hands make light work!

Try out our new mower!

We’re looking for several volunteers to keep our grounds looking great. If you are willing to help mow, please speak to Paul Schneider or call the church office. Thank you!



Walkers and non-walkers! You are invited to the annual A Place of Refuge Life Walk at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Mequon, on September 12, 2026. Invite your friends and family to sponsor your walk or bid on a silent auction item. All are Welcome. Scan the QR code for more information and to register. APlaceOfRefuge.org/life-walk-registration.

No Board of Elders meeting in May

Weekly RaiseRight Report: Week of 5/17/2026

Number of families participating: 5 (in-person) + 7 (online)
Attendance: 296
Gross sales: \$1,426.00 Profit earned this week \$39.44
Total profits earned this fiscal year: \$7,516.19
Profit paid to the Academy: \$6,325.73

If you would like to sign up on the RaiseRight app, please contact Julie Goltermann or the church office to get the enrollment code.

Spring Gift Guide is available online, with ideas for special spring gifting opportunities. Any brand that offers a physical card can be written on the long form and ordered at the Scrip Counter, or you can order online.

\$5 and \$10 cards are back just in time for summer gifting! Please see the \$5 and \$10 order form at the Scrip counter or look/shop online.

Sunday Order of Service

The Feast of Pentecost

May 24, 2026

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

503

“O Day Full of Grace”
choir sings stanza 2

Sacrament of Holy Baptism *(in the 10:30 service)*

Daniel Jordan Krueger

Introit *sung by the choir*

Antiphon

Liturgical Text

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,
and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Alleluia.

Psalm

104:24, 27–28, 30

O LORD, how manifold are Your works!
In wisdom have You made them all;
the earth is full of Your creatures.
These all look to You,
to give them their food in due season.
When You give it to them, they gather it up;
when You open Your hand, they are filled with good things.
When You send forth Your Spirit, they are created,
and You renew the face of the ground.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

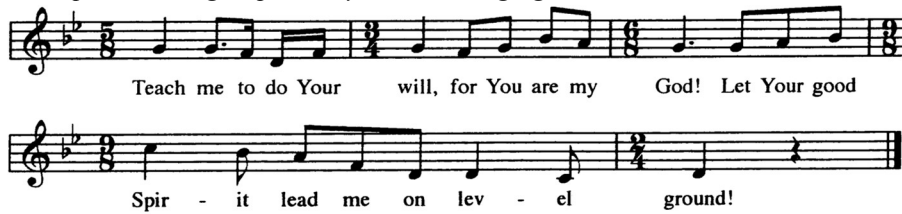
Antiphon is repeated

Old Testament Reading

Numbers 11:24-30

The Holy Spirit was poured out upon the 70 elders of Israel.

Psalm 143 *The choir sings the Refrain the first time, repeated immediately by the congregation. Thereafter the congregation sings the Refrain. The psalm is sung responsively with the congregation.*



Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for | mercy!
In Your faithfulness answer me, in Your | righteousness!
Enter not into judgment with Your servant,
for no one living is righteous be- | fore You.

**For the enemy has pur- | sued my soul;
he has crushed my life | to the ground;
he has made me sit in darkness like | those long dead.**

Therefore my spirit faints within me; my heart within me | is appalled.
I remember the days of old; I meditate on all that | You have done;
I ponder the work | of Your hands.

**I stretch out my hands to You;
my soul thirsts for You like a | parched land.**

**Answer me quickly, O LORD! My | spirit fails!
Hide not Your face from me,
lest I be like those who go down | to the pit. Refrain**

Let me hear in the morning of Your steadfast love, for in | You I trust.
Make me know the way I should go, for to You I lift | up my soul.
Deliver me from my enemies, O LORD!
I have fled to You for | refuge!

**Teach me to do Your will, for You | are my God!
Let Your good Spirit lead me on | level ground!
For Your name's sake, O LORD, pre- | serve my life!**

In Your righteousness bring my soul out of | trouble!
And in your steadfast love You will cut off my | enemies,
and You will destroy all the adversaries of my soul,
for I am Your | servant.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, | is now,
and will be forever. | Amen. Refrain**

Second Reading

Acts 2:1-21

St. Luke records the events of Pentecost.

Alleluia Verse *sung by the choir*

Alleluia.
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,
and kindle in them the fire of Your love.
Alleluia. *(Liturgical Text)*

Holy Gospel

John 7:37-39

The Feast of Pentecost

Nicene Creed *confessed after the Holy Gospel*

Hymn of the Day

497

“Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord”
Choir sings stanza 2

Farewell and Godspeed to Seminarian John Franklin *(in the 10:30 service)*

Proper Preface for the Feast of Pentecost

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 ascended above the heavens and, sitting at Your right hand, poured out on this day the promised Holy Spirit on His chosen disciples. For all this the whole earth rejoices with exceeding joy. 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

“I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say” **699**
“To God the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray” **768**
“Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest” **498**

Hymn to Depart

922

“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”