

WHO WE ARE:

Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church is a confessional Lutheran Church. We

proclaim to a world dead in sin that salvation is a gift of God’s grace; that Jesus Christ paid the full sacrificial price—His very life—so that gift of salvation could be ours. If you are interested in learning more about our congregation, please speak with Pastor Bernthal

More Information and Audio Sermons at middletonlutheran.org



The CLC is a confessional Lutheran church body

which is dedicated to proclaiming the Good News of Christ crucified for sinners. It is represented by congregations throughout the United States and Canada, as well as in Africa and India. Our teachings and practices are as narrow and broad as the Scriptures themselves, since we bow only to the authority of our Lord’s inerrant Word. The salvation won for us through the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ is the driving force behind our efforts as a confessional Lutheran church.



All of the CLC member churches confess that the Bible is the inspired and unerring Word of God. They confess the creeds of the Lutheran Church without qualification, as they are found in the Book of Concord of 1580. Scripture itself is the source and foundation of Christian teaching and faith — The Lutheran confessions are a faithful setting forth of what Scripture teaches. The name of our church body is a witness to what we believe; it is a continual reminder of our responsibility to be truly Lutheran, and therefore Scriptural in our teaching and in our practice. This principle holds true among us: “If it is not Scripture; it is not Lutheran!”



Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church and School

Pastor: Mark H. Bernthal • School Teacher: Ms. Jennifer Ohlmann
Organist: Mrs. Karen Schaser
Church/Office (608) 233-2244 Parsonage (608) 442-9986
3232 WEST POINT RD. MIDDLETON, WISCONSIN 53562
middletonlutheran.org

Pre-service Preparation: Ps. 147
THE ORDER OF SERVICE
Worship Supplement, p. 12

Opening Hymn: 5
Before Sermon: 428
Offering Hymn: 568
After Prayers: 783
After Benediction: 528 Vs. 1, 3, 15
Antiphon: Ps. 23, P. 36 WS

Scripture Readings:

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

With the love of Christ in our hearts we will be moved to walk in love toward each other. This means 1) not lying to others, but speaking the truth; 2) not stealing from others, but working so that we can help others; 3) not cursing others, but speaking only words that edify and bring grace; 4) forgiving others as we have been forgiven. What rich applications to marriage and family life, personal and social relationship, as well as congregational relationships, as members one to another.

25 Therefore, putting away lying, "Let each one of you speak truth with his neighbor," for we are members of one another. 26 "Be angry, and do not sin": do not let the sun go down on your wrath, 27 nor give place to the devil. 28 Let him who stole steal no longer, but rather let him labor, working with his hands what is good, that he may have something to give him who has need. 29 Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers. 30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. 31 Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. 32 And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you. 5 Therefore be imitators of God as dear children. 2 And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma.

I Kings 18:20-40

This lesson is the high point of Elijah's ministry. The LORD proves His existence in dramatic fashion as the non-existent Baal fails to hear and respond to the pleas of his misled followers.

20 So Ahab sent for all the children of Israel, and gathered the prophets together on Mount Carmel. 21 And Elijah came to all the people, and said, "How long will you falter between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow Him; but if Baal, follow him." But the people answered him not a word. 22 Then Elijah said to the people, "I alone am left a prophet of the Lord; but Baal's prophets are four hundred and fifty men. 23 Therefore let them give us two bulls; and let them choose one bull for themselves, cut it in pieces, and lay it on the wood, but put no fire under it; and I will prepare the other bull, and lay it on the wood, but put no fire under it. 24 Then you call on

Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church & School • Announcements

PEACE THRU CHRIST LUTHERAN WELCOMES YOU! We rejoice that you are here worshiping with us today. We pray the Lord Jesus be your strength throughout your life as you experience His forgiving love in your life. We invite you to come and worship your Savior with us again. Also, please sign our guest register. If you are interested in learning more about your Savior-God or about our teaching concerning His Word, feel free to speak with Pastor Bernthal.

This Week:

Tuesday 10:30 a.m. Bible Class at Oak Park Place

Next Sunday 9:00 a.m. Family Worship/Communion

LAST WEEK:

Attendance 26
6/17 for Unified Budget: \$2,180
\$80 MDF

IN SERVICE TO OUR LORD:

Cleaners this week:
Church—Ehle

Counters today:
Randy Dreyer & Karl Gullerud

CONGRATULATIONS/LORD'S

BLESSINGS: to Chad & Leah Ehle who were blessed with the birth of a baby girl this past Friday.

VBS: Our VBS will be held July 30-August 3 from 9-11:45 a.m. Parents, please mark your calendars. If you would like to help out with teaching, arts & crafts or singing, please contact Pastor Bernthal. The VBS Flyer team will be coming July 15-17 to help distribute flyers.

MOWING HELP NEEDED: A new mowing schedule has been put up. We hope you will be able to volunteer to help mow during the spring, summer and fall months. Remember that this year we have two mowers to use. The riding one and the stand-up one. Any questions, please check with Randy Dreyer or Pastor Bernthal.

CLC NEWS: The CLC Mission Board has called Pastor Mike Roehl to be missionary to India replacing retiring Missionary Dave Koenig. Joshua Ohlmann has accepted the call to Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire WI, to fill the position of 3/7 teacher at its school. Holy Trinity, West Columbia, SC has called Mr. Jeff Karnitz to be their lower grade school teacher.

NEEDED: Used ink cartridges and old cell phones. Don't throw them away. Our school can get money or products by sending in used printer cartridges and cell phones. Please drop them off in the box by the copier. Ink jet & laser cartridges and cell phones are needed!

Sermon Text: **I Kings 19:1-8**

Sermon Theme:

LET THE LORD BE YOUR STRENGTH

I: REALIZE THAT DEPRESSION CAN AFFLICT US ALL.

**II: BE AWARE OF THE LORD'S FORGIVING
AND SUSTAINING PRESENCE.**

**III: DO WHATEVER THE LORD GIVES YOU
TO DO IN HIS STRENGTH.**

19 And Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, also how he had executed all the prophets with the sword. 2 Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by tomorrow about this time." 3 And when he saw that, he arose and ran for his life, and went to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there. 4 But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he prayed that he might die, and said, "It is enough! Now, Lord, take my life, for I am no better than my fathers!" 5 Then as he lay and slept under a broom tree, suddenly an angel touched him, and said to him, "Arise and eat." 6 Then he looked, and there by his head was a cake baked on coals, and a jar of water. So he ate and drank, and lay down again. 7 And the angel of the Lord came back the second time, and touched him, and said, "Arise and eat, because the journey is too great for you." 8 So he arose, and ate and drank; and he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights as far as Horeb, the mountain of God.



the name of your gods, and I will call on the name of the Lord; and the God who answers by fire, He is God." So all the people answered and said, "It is well spoken." 25 Now Elijah said to the prophets of Baal, "Choose one bull for yourselves and prepare it first, for you are many; and call on the name of your god, but put no fire under it." 26 So they took the bull which was given them, and they prepared it, and called on the name of Baal from morning even till noon, saying, "O Baal, hear us!" But there was no voice; no one answered. Then they leaped about the altar which they had made. 27 And so it was, at noon, that Elijah mocked them and said, "Cry aloud, for he is a god; either he is meditating, or he is busy, or he is on a journey, or perhaps he is sleeping and must be awakened." 28 So they cried aloud, and cut themselves, as was their custom, with knives and lances, until the blood gushed out on them. 29 And when midday was past, they prophesied until the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice. But there was no voice; no one answered, no one paid attention. 30 Then Elijah said to all the people, "Come near to me." So all the people came near to him. And he repaired the altar of the Lord that was broken down. 31 And Elijah took twelve stones, according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Jacob, to whom the word of the Lord had come, saying, "Israel shall be your name." 32 Then with the stones he built an altar in the name of the Lord; and he made a trench around the altar large enough to hold two seahs of seed. 33 And he put the wood in order, cut the bull in pieces, and laid it on the wood, and said, "Fill four waterpots with water, and pour it on the burnt sacrifice and on the wood." 34 Then he said, "Do it a second time," and they did it a second time; and he said, "Do it a third time," and they did it a third time. 35 So the water ran all around the altar; and he also filled the trench with water. 36 And it came to pass, at the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that Elijah the prophet came near and said, "Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, let it be known this day that You are God in Israel and I am Your servant, and that I have done all these things at Your word. 37 Hear me, O Lord, hear me, that this people may know that You are the Lord God, and that You have turned their hearts back to You again." 38 Then the fire of the Lord fell and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood and the stones and the dust, and it licked up the water that was in the trench. 39 Now when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces; and they said, "The Lord, He is God! The Lord, He is God!" 40 And Elijah said to them, "Seize the prophets of Baal! Do not let one of them escape!" So they seized them; and Elijah brought them down to the Brook Kishon and executed them there.