

**Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church & School • Announcements**

**GREAT LAKES' DELEGATE CONFERENCE:**

We will be hosting the Great Lakes' Delegate Conference, June 3-4. We are in need of housing. Please sign the sheet in the entry-way if you can house pastors and delegates.

**PLAYGROUND REPLACEMENT COMMITTEE:**

The voters have moved to create a committee whose purpose is to come up with options for how we can replace our existing playground equipment. This committee is open for all to join. Please see Chris Ude, Tim Schaser, or Caleb Meyer after church if you are interested in joining the committee or if you have any questions about the project.

**LAST SUNDAY SCHOOL/BIBLE CLASS:**

Today is our last Sunday School and Bible Class for the Spring. We thank our teachers Ruth Bernthal, Kathy Dreyer, Matt Schaser and Pam Schulz for the faithful service to their students and to their Lord.

**SUMMER SERVICE SCHEDULE:**

We begin our summer schedule with worship service at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 2nd.

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

If you are interested in learning more, please call Pastor Bernthal at **608-233-2244** or e-mail him at [mbern@juno.com](mailto:mbern@juno.com)

More Information and Audio Sermons at [middletonlutheran.org](http://middletonlutheran.org)



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**Fifth Sunday of Easter • May 19, 2019**

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**Pre-service Preparation: Psalm 126**

## THE ORDER OF SERVICE

**Worship Supplement, p. 12**

**Opening Hymn: . . . . . 756**

**Before Sermon: . . . . . 760**

**Offering Hymn: . . . . . 189**

**After Prayers: . . . . . 464**

**Closing Hymn: . . . . . 655**

**Antiphon Ps. 84 . . . . . Pg. 38 WS**

### Scripture Readings:

#### Acts 8:26-40

See how God is so concerned about the individual sinner. Philip is directed by God to leave Samaria, where the Gospel is being received by many, and to go to the desert road south of Jerusalem. Here he meets a Gentile, an Ethiopian. Philip speaks to him of the crucified and risen Savior Through the work of the Holy Spirit, the Ethiopian believes, confesses Christ and is baptized.

Now an angel of the Lord spoke to Philip, saying, "Arise and go toward the south along the road which goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is desert. 27 So he arose and went. And behold, a man of Ethiopia, a eunuch of great authority under Candace the queen of the Ethiopians, who had charge of all her treasury, and had come to Jerusalem to worship, 28 was returning. And sitting in his chariot, he was reading Isaiah the prophet. 29 Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go near and overtake this chariot." 30 So Philip ran to him, and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah, and said, "Do you understand what you are reading?" 31 And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he asked Philip to come up and sit with him. 32 The place in the Scripture which he read was this: "He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; And as a lamb before its shearer is silent, So He opened not His mouth. 33 In His humiliation His justice was taken away, And who will declare His generation? For His life is taken from the earth." 34 So the eunuch answered Philip and said, "I ask you, of whom does the prophet say this, of himself or of some other man?" 35 Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning at this Scripture, preached Jesus to him. 36 Now as they went down the road, they came to some water. And the eunuch said, "See, here is water. What hinders me from being baptized?" 37 Then Philip said, "If you believe with all your heart, you may." And he answered and said, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God." 38 So he commanded the chariot to stand still. And both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water, and he baptized him. 39 Now when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught Philip away, so that the eunuch saw him no more; and he went on his way rejoicing. 40 But Philip was found at Azotus. And passing through, he preached in all the cities till he came to Caesarea.

## John 15:1-8

God seeks fruits of faith in our lives. Such fruits are evidence of faith. Without faith in Jesus and abiding in Him and His Word no one can produce fruit that is pleasing to God. But abiding in Christ we will bring forth much fruit.

*"I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. 2 Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He takes away; and every branch that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit. 3 You are already clean because*

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- Pastor Mike Wilke, Gethsemane, Saginaw, MI has been called by Bethel, Morris, MN
- Holy Trinity of West Columbia, SC has called Teacher Dave Bernthal to be their principal and 4th-8th grade teacher.

**ARISE AND SHINE:** Registration is open! Our theme for this year is "Confidence!" In this post-truth age that we live in, so many have a hard time knowing what to believe. The Lord does not want us to have uncertainty but rather calls us to be confident in His Word and the salvation which He has won. If you are in your 20's or 30's and are looking for a relaxing getaway weekend of fun and fellowship, consider signing up for this retreat. The cost is \$140 per adult and \$100 per child. The retreat will be held June 13-16 in Pillager, MN. For more information, visit our website: <http://ariseandshineretreat.com>.

**TAKE SOME:** If you want to help get our church name out, we have more window clings for you to put on your car's windows for others to see and also church business cards for you to hand out to others when inviting them to come to church. They are on the mailbox table. Take some with you today and use them this week.

**HANNAH'S HELPING HANDS:** Tuesday, May 21st at 7:00 p.m.

**CHURCH BOWLING/POT-LUCK OUTING:** Meet at Dreyer's for pot-luck supper and then go to Waun-a-Bowl in Waunakee, Friday, May 24th Pot-luck begins @ 5:30, bowling at 7:00 p.m.

**EXAMINATION/CONFIRMATION:** The examination and Confirmation of Jonathan Brandle will take place on Sunday, May 26th. Examination is at 9 a.m. and Confirmation in our 10 a.m. service.

**ASCENSION DAY WORSHIP:** Ascension worship service will be held on Thursday, May 30th at 7:00 p.m.

**MOWING TRIM NEEDED:** With the AutoMower doing most of the mowing we only need to mow around the pine trees on the north of the parking lot, the entry-way and the median. We also need to weed whack around the black tires in the back and pick up branches. It should take less than an hour. If you would like to help, please sign the sheet in the entry-way.

## PEACE THRU CHRIST LUTHERAN WELCOMES YOU!

We thank the Lord for your being with us today. We pray that the love of our Savior-God fills your heart with the assurance of sins forgiven and everlasting life. We are ready to answer any questions you might have concerning our teachings on God's Word. Please speak with Pastor Bernthal. Jesus' love is UNLIMITED! We would love to share that love with you. Please come again and worship your Savior with us. Please also sign our guest book.



### This Week:

**Today** 9:00 a.m. Sunday School: Pool of Bethesda  
Bible Class: Galatians 6 • 10:00 a.m. Family Worship  
11:15 a.m. Choir

**Tuesday** 10:30 a.m. Bible Class at Artisan  
7:00 p.m. Hannah's Helping Hands

**Thursday** 10:45 a.m. Bible Class at Heritage

Next Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Examination  
10:00 a.m. Family Worship/Confirmation

### IN SERVICE TO OUR LORD:

Cleaners this week: A. Franson/Williams B. Bernthal  
Counters today: John Birkholz & Chris Ude

**LAST WEEK:** Worship 43 S.S.1 Bible Class 13

**OFFERINGS** 5/12 for Unified Budget: \$2,456.00

### CLC NEWS:

- Seminary graduate Samuel Naumann has accepted the call to Resurrection Lutheran Church, Corpus Christi, TX
- Education graduate Nathan Buck has accepted the call to Valley Bible Academy (St. John's) Clarkston, WA
- Pastor David Schaller has returned the call extended to him by Prince of Peace Lutheran, Loveland, CO

*of the word which I have spoken to you. 4 Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. 5 "I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing. 6 If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered; and they gather them and throw them into the fire, and they are burned. 7 If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you. 8 By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples.*

**The Sermon:** read/listen to sermons at [www.peacethruchrist.org](http://www.peacethruchrist.org)

Sermon: **1 John 3:16-24**

## LOVE HAS NO LIMIT!

**I: Love is Unlimited in Giving**

**II: Love is Unlimited in Acting**

**III: Love is Unlimited in Comforting**

**SO LIVE IN JESUS' LOVE**

**I: Trust it! II: Reflect it!**

*16 By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. And we also ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. 17 But whoever has this world's goods, and sees his brother in need, and shuts up his heart from him, how does the love of God abide in him? 18 My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth. 19 And by this we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before Him. 20 For if our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and knows all things. 21 Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence toward God. 22 And whatever we ask we receive from Him, because we keep His commandments and do those things that are pleasing in His sight. 23 And this is His commandment: that we should believe on the name of His Son Jesus Christ and love one another, as He gave us commandment. 24 Now he who keeps His commandments abides in Him, and He in him. And by this we know that He abides in us, by the Spirit whom He has given us.*