

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 29, 2026

Sunday, March 29

PALM SUNDAY

9:15am - Family Sunday School-Easter Egg Hunt
10:30am - New Member Welcome
1:00pm - Jr. Confirmation Reception
2:30pm - Jr. Confirmation Service
6:00pm - Pickleball Open Play

Monday, March 30

6:00pm - Crossfire Volleyball

Tuesday, March 31

9:00am - Quilters
9:00am - Refit Exercise
6:00pm - Co-Ed Volleyball

Wednesday, April 1

9:30am - Banner Committee
6:30pm - Chancel Choir Rehearsal
7:45pm - Orchestra at Peace Rehearsal

Thursday, April 2

MAUNDY THURSDAY

10:00am - Preschool Grandparents' Day
11:30am - Worship Service
7:00pm - Living Last Supper

Friday, April 3

GOOD FRIDAY

11:30am - Tenebrae Service
7:00pm - Tenebrae Service

Saturday, April 4

5:00pm - Easter Worship

Sunday, April 5

EASTER DAY

6:30am - Easter Worship
7:30am - Easter Breakfast
8:00am - Easter Worship
9:20am - Easter Worship
10:30am - Easter Worship

Monday, April 6

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED



Holy Week Schedule

Maundy Thursday
11:30am & 7:00pm (Living Last Supper)

Good Friday
11:30am & 7:00pm

Easter Weekend
Saturday - 5:00pm

Easter Breakfast - Sunday 7:30 - 10:00am
Sunday - 6:30am, 8:00am, 9:20am, 10:30am



Living Last Supper

Maundy Thursday, April 2 ~ 7:00PM



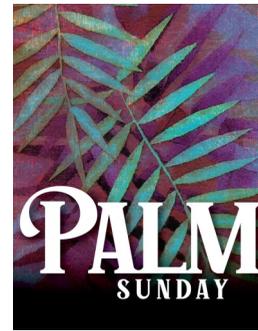
Easter Breakfast
Sunday, April 5
7:30 to 10:00
in the gym
Sponsored by the Men's Club



Married Couples Club
"MAKE YOUR OWN PIZZA"
CONTEST
Saturday, April 18
6:00PM
in the gym

Prize awarded for the "Best Pizza!"

Teams of four (two couples) will make their best pizza. More details in the News and Notes. Cost is \$10 per couple.



Peace Lutheran Church
News and Notes

THE WEEK OF MARCH 29, 2026

NEW MEMBER WELCOME THIS WEEKEND
This Sunday at the 10:30 service, we will be welcoming new members to Peace through Adult Confirmation, Profession of Faith, and Transfer. Photos, names, and family information are in this week's News and Notes. Take time to meet our new members and offer them a warm welcome to Peace!

MARCH 21/22 ATTENDANCE

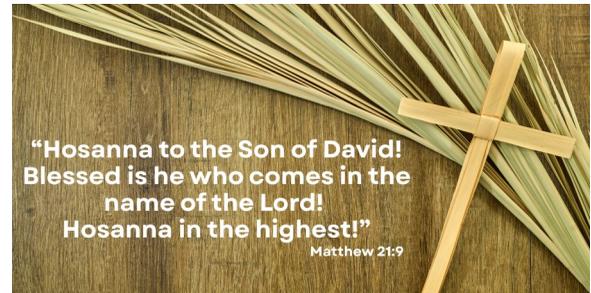
5:00 Service: 147
8:00 Service: 139
9:20 Service: 146
10:30 Service: 207
Total Attendance: 639
Sunday School: 78

Lenten Midweek 5: 11:30 Service: 47
6:30 Service: 112
Total Midweek Attendance: 159

ALTAR FLOWERS
The Altar Flowers this weekend are in celebration of the 2026 Junior Confirmation Class; and from the Eaton Family in celebration of Ellie's baptism today.

OUR SUPPORT THIS WEEK WENT TO:

Budget
Help Offset Fees
Adult Bible Class:
Alaska
GP/LHSS Scholarship Fund
KFUO Broadcast Ministry
LWML Ladies Guild
Mary/Martha
Quilters
RFNG
Social Ministry
Special Music
St. Trinity Cemetery
Sunday School Offerings
VBS Donations
In Loving Memory of:
Louise Oster - Alaska, Budget,
GP & LHSS Scholarship Fund, RFNG,
Youth Servant Events;
Lucy McElroy - RFNG



The Rev. Dr. Jon Furgeson - 314.601.1039 | Rev. Robert Brown - 618.580.8817
Peace Lutheran Church | 737 Barracksview Road | 314.892.5610



NEWS

► **WE CELEBRATE HOLY WEEK** with services this week on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter weekend. Please see the Holy Week schedule found on the back of the News and Notes or on the Commons Counter.

► **FAITH & LIFE SURVEY** is now available online. This survey will provide direction and prioritization for future ministry and faith formation at Peace and in your own home. The survey is anonymous and takes about 30 minutes to complete. Anyone age 17+ can take it. Scan this QR code or go to this link: <https://surveygoldcloud.com/s/AFE3628EF7F34EED/126.htm>



► **THE APRIL NEWSLETTER** is on the Commons Counter. Please take one so you can read all about what is happening at Peace.

FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION IS OPEN NOW! We hope your children can join us for "Emerald Crossing" this summer, June 15-19, 9:00 a.m. to noon each day. The link to register children is on the Peace website. We will be in need of volunteers. If you can help with VBS, you can sign up through the same link on the website!

► **FORTE PRESENTS RESONANCE A HANDBELL CONCERT** to be held here at Peace on Wednesday, April 8, 7:00 p.m. **This is a four person group playing a complete set of handbells!** Resonance describes a sound that is deep, full, and lingering. In presenting this concert, Forté invites you to slow down, listen, and share in the range of emotions offered by this music. We hope that what you hear will echo in your heart long after the final note fades. This concert is free to attend (a free-will offering will be collected).

EASTER BREAKFAST will be held on Easter morning from 7:30 to 10:00 a.m. in the gym, hosted by the Men's Club.



► **LIVING LAST SUPPER** This Thursday, April 2, 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday is the beginning of Jesus' sacred three-day journey to assure our salvation. Join us and bring your family and friends for this unique drama to learn more about our Savior and His disciples. The service culminates with the celebration of Holy Communion. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. A staffed Nursery will be available.

► **MARRIED COUPLES CLUB** will be having a "Make Your Own Pizza" contest on Saturday, April 18, 6:00 p.m. in the gym. Teams of four (two couples) will make their best pizza. Couples Club will supply the sauce, dough, beverages and salad. Attendees supply their favorite pizza toppings. Cost is \$10 per couple. A prize will be given for the "Best Pizza"!

5TH ANNUAL TIP-OFF BASKETBALL CAMP will be offered May 26-29, 9:00 a.m. to noon for boys age 7-10, May 26-29, 6:30-8:30 p.m. for middle school girls, and July 6-10, 9:00 a.m. to noon for boys age 11-14. This camp is led by Peace member, Jacob Stackle, and friend Brady Susic. A registration link is on the Peace website on the Opportunities page. More information can be found on the flyer on the Commons bulletin board.

LADIES CLUB IS MAKING A NEW CHURCH COOKBOOK and we hope you can contribute some of your favorite recipes! A collection box is on the Commons counter, along with forms for submitting recipes. Please fill out the form, or attach a copy of your recipe to the form. Don't forget to include your name! More details can be found in the April newsletter.

► **BRING YOUR FLOWERS NEXT WEEK FOR OUR LIVING EASTER CROSS** in the Commons. We hope to make it full and beautiful!

Garrett Wagner Received by Adult Confirmation

Received March 29, 2026

Elder: Alan Hopfer

Welcome to Peace, Garrett! Garrett was born in Washington State and grew up in Arkansas. He faithfully served our Country in the United States Marine Corps for a little over nine years, retiring as an SSGT (E6). He enjoys hiking, biking, snowboarding, drawing, gaming, cards, and cooking. Garrett's favorite service times are 9:20 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. We are thankful God led Garrett to Peace, and are excited to have him in our congregation.



Eric Wellen Received by Adult Confirmation

Received March 29, 2026

Elder: Alan Hopfer



Eric and his son, Henry, have been longtime friends at Peace, worshipping with us for a few years at the 10:30 a.m. service. Eric grew up in Smithton, Illinois and currently works for Friendship Village as a Chef. Henry was baptized at Peace in November, 2025, and is in the sixth grade. Eric enjoys cooking, playing guitar, painting, basketball, and spending time with Henry. Welcome to Peace, Eric and Henry!

We welcome everyone to our Peace family!

Heather Schickedanz
Received by Adult Confirmation

Received March 29, 2026
Elder: John Hooss

Heather has been attending Peace with her husband, Dane, and children Lenna, Dashiell and Corinne since 2023, and you will most likely find their family attending the 8:00 a.m. service. We are thrilled to have her as an official member of our congregation. Heather grew up in the St. Louis County area, where her family currently resides. She works as a Regional Sales Manager for Virginia Tile, and enjoys family time, cooking, organizing, and interior design. We are thrilled to have you as a member of Peace!



Nicholas and Chelsea Brawley
Daughters: Hailey, Hannah, and Charlotte
Received by Adult Confirmation

Received March 29, 2026
Elder: Mark Maloy



Nick and Chelsea have attended Boar's Head and worship at Peace over the last few years, along with their daughters, twins, Hailey and Hannah (freshman at Lutheran South), and Chelsea (3rd Grade at Green Park). They became involved with Peace when their oldest daughters went through Peace's Junior Confirmation program, and Chelsea began attending GPLS. With their busy family, you will find Brawley's attending Saturday, 5:00 p.m., or Sunday, 10:30 a.m. services at Peace. Nick and Chelsea grew up in Granite City, Illinois,

and both enjoy spending time outdoors, hiking, hunting fishing, and camping. Nick enjoys diving into Theology, while Chelsea loves singing and a good book. They look forward to getting involved in some of our ministries here at Peace. Nick works as a wastewater operator for the City of Collinsville and Chelsea works in admin management for Pride of Illinois Gym and Cheer. We extend a warm welcome to the Brawley family and welcome them to our Peace family!

► **LWML ST. LOUIS SOUTH ZONE RALLY** will be Saturday, April 18, 8:00 a.m. at Gethsemane Lutheran Church. Refreshments at 9:00 a.m. and Rally at 9:30 a.m. with speaker Deaconess Jessica Thompson from Redeeming Life Ministries. More details are on the poster on the Commons bulletin board.

► **LUTHERAN DAY AT BUSCH STADIUM** Join us for the Cardinals vs. the Mariners on Sunday, April 26 at 1:15 p.m. for Lutheran Day at the Ballpark. Tickets are \$28 (\$47 face value) in the Lower Left Field Box and include a free hot dog and soft drink. Add a \$10 raffle ticket to your purchase for the chance to throw out the first pitch before the game! Get your tickets at <https://www.slancers.org/events>

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

PEACE LUTHERAN EARLY CHILDHOOD is looking to hire an individual who loves children and wants to provide a nurturing and engaging learning environment. They are currently looking to fill the following position:

Full-time Preschool Teacher
Beginning August, 2026

Please email Sara Watson at earlychildhood@peacelutheranstl.org or call the office at (314)892-8844 for more information.

► **GREEN PARK LUTHERAN SCHOOL IS HIRING** for Child Care staff in their after-school program working with JK-8th grade students. This is a perfect opportunity for a high school or college student or someone looking for a part-time job in an after school environment. Qualifications include a loving and caring personality and willingness to share Christ with students. Candidates should email April Baese, Director of Childcare, at april.baese@greenparklutherschool.org.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

► **THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS** **This week is the deadline to direct your Thrivent dollars.** If you would like to direct them to Peace, **please do so by March 31.** You can contact our Thrivent representative, Peace member **Andy Reinitz**, at **(314)578-7005**, or go online at thrivent.com/thriventchoice. After directing your Thrivent dollars, please call the church office (or complete the form found on the Commons counter) to tell us where to designate your dollars (Budget, Special Music, Boar's Head, St. Trinity Cemetery, etc.) so we can correctly apply the funds once received. Thank you!

► **MISSOURI DISTRICT SHINE EVENT** at Peace is Saturday, April 11, 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. We will meet at the church at 8:30 a.m. Lunch will be served following the volunteer work. Volunteer opportunities include: Feed My People, VBS Decorations, Dinners for Peace Members, Beautifying the Church, and Tie Blankets for Children's Hospital. You can learn more and register to join us by visiting the Opportunities page on our Church website, or by using this QR code. Thank you in advance for volunteering to let your light shine!



► **DUE TO A MAILING ISSUE** we ended up with many extra copies of the Portals of Prayer for April - June. They are on the Commons Counter. Please take some to share with others!

HOW DO I SIGN UP?

For service and fellowship opportunities, please go to the "Opportunities" tab on the Peace website.

MEET OUR NEWEST MEMBERS OF PEACE! We invite you to get to know them, say hello when you see them, and invite them to be a part of activities here at Peace. Let's make them feel welcome!

Wayne and Carol Hawthorne
Received by Transfer from Prince of Peace, Crestwood

Received - November 19, 2025
Elder: John Rastorfer



Wayne and Carol transferred their membership from Prince of Peace in Crestwood to be with family! Carol grew up in Jefferson County and is the sister of Roger Volk and Janice McCreary! Wayne grew up in the South City area. They attend the 5:00 p.m. Saturday service at Peace. They both enjoy bowling, hiking, puzzles, and reading. Welcome, Wayne and Carol! We are thrilled to have you in our Peace family!

Wayne and Susan Hargrave
Received by Transfer from Immanuel, Waterloo

Received - November 26, 2025
Elder: John Rastorfer

Before officially transferring to Peace, Wayne and Susan were faithful visitors for over two years. They are dear friends of Peace member Taryn Niemeyer. Wayne and Susan are both retired and enjoy spending time with their children and grandchildren. They both grew up in Cahokia, Illinois and enjoy yardwork, golfing, bowling, reading, and puzzles. Wayne and Susan participated in our Boar's Head Festival this December and have been involved in both the Ladies and Men's Clubs at Peace. Welcome, Wayne and Susan! We are blessed to have you in our ministry here at Peace!



Gerald and Marlys Iverson
Received by Profession of Faith

Received - January 7, 2026
Elder: Jeff Akers

Gerald and Marlys were former members of Peace and returned to us by Profession of Faith. They grew up in Minnesota and currently reside in Oakville. You will typically find them attending the 10:30 a.m. service. Gerald and Marlys are both retired and enjoy spending time with their children and grandchildren. They enjoy puzzles, playing solitaire, reading, walking, and playing the piano. Welcome home to Peace, Gerald and Marlys!



Dean and Lorna Larson
Received by Transfer from Hope Lutheran

Received - January 23, 2026
Elder: Steve Kienstra



Dean and Lorna are former members of Peace and recently transferred their membership back to Peace from Hope Lutheran. Dean served in the United States Marine Corps for two years. Lorna works as a computer programmer for Tripleview Technologies. They typically attend the Saturday 5:00 p.m. service or Sunday at 8:00 a.m. We welcome Dean and Lorna back home to our Peace congregation!