

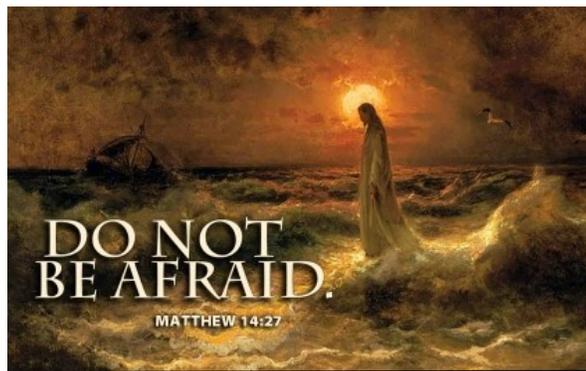
Peace Lutheran Church St. Joseph MI

Worship

Sunday, August 9, 2020 - 10:15 a.m.

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

The purpose of Peace Lutheran Church is to express by Word and Deed the Love of God revealed in Jesus Christ to those within and to those outside its fellowship.



Welcome to Peace Lutheran Church, we are so glad to worship with you! During this unusual time, we ask that you follow some safety guidelines to maintain the health of our members. As we learn to live with the COVID-19 virus, please wear a mask to prevent the spread of infection. Please maintain six feet of distance while seated unless you are members of a nuclear family. At the conclusion of worship, please socialize outside in the parking lot or the front lawn while observing social distancing. These temporary measures will be relaxed as government regulations permit. If you have not already done so, please fill out an attendance form at the Welcome Center in case contact tracing is necessary.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:8-9)

Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart, we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us, forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. (2 Cor. 13:14)

And also with you.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Let us pray ...

Almighty God, in the midst of the storms of life, Christ's presence brings eternal peace and calms our fears. Grant us peace through scripture, and through the bread and wine of Holy Communion. Then send us forth to be signs of Christ's peace in the world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON: Job 38:4–18

“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone, when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy? “Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb, when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band, and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors, and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stayed’? “Have you commanded the morning since your days began, and caused the dawn to know its place, that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth, and the wicked be shaken out of it? It is changed like clay under the seal, and its features stand out like a garment. From the wicked their flight is withheld, and their uplifted arm is broken. “Have you entered into the springs of the sea, or walked in the recesses of the deep? Have the gates of death been revealed to you, or have you seen the gates of deep darkness? Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth? Declare, if you know all this.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 18:1-16

I love you, O Lord, my strength.

**The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,
my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,
my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.**

I call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised,
and I am saved from my enemies.

The cords of death encompassed me; the torrents of destruction assailed me;
the cords of Sheol entangled me; the snares of death confronted me.

In my distress I called upon the Lord; to my God I cried for help.

From his temple he heard my voice, and my cry to him reached his ears.

Then the earth reeled and rocked;

the foundations also of the mountains trembled

and quaked, because he was angry.

Smoke went up from his nostrils, and devouring fire from his mouth;

glowing coals flamed forth from him.

He bowed the heavens and came down; thick darkness was under his feet.

He rode on a cherub and flew; he came swiftly on the wings of the wind.

He made darkness his covering,

his canopy around him, thick clouds dark with water.

Out of the brightness before him hailstones and coals of fire broke through his clouds.

The Lord also thundered in the heavens,

and the Most High uttered his voice, hailstones and coals of fire.

And he sent out his arrows and scattered them;

he flashed forth lightnings and routed them.

Then the channels of the sea were seen,

and the foundations of the world were laid bare at your rebuke, O Lord,

at the blast of the breath of your nostrils.

He sent from on high, he took me; he drew me out of many waters.

THE SECOND LESSON: Romans 10:5–17

For Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. But the righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who

will ascend into heaven?’ ” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’ ” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. (John 6:68)

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 14:22–33

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the Fourteenth Chapter

Glory be to you O Lord.

Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, “It is a ghost!” and they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, “Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.” And Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, “Lord, save me.” Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, “O you of little faith, why did you doubt?” And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

Praise be to You, O Christ.

(please be seated)

SERMON

MUSIC

THE APOSTLES’ CREED *(please stand as you are able)*

I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray ...

Each petition concludes: Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven; hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

The LORD bless you and keep you. The LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you. The LORD lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. (Numbers 6: 24-26)

Amen.

ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP:

Worship Leader: Pastor Ron Schmidt

Organist: Bev So

Choir Director: Debbie Kroening

Audio: Josh Lochner , Mark Carpenter

Livestream: Bryan Sorensen

Lector: Nan Hacker

Welcome Center: Barb Berry

Prayer Requests

Birthdays

9 Herb Kroening Jr.

10 Elaine Chartrand

20 Tiffany King

22 April Lochner

23 Ray Dalrymple

24 Leon Miller

25 Karen Coffey

28 Christian Nitz

29 Beverly So

Anniversaries

16 Shawn & Amy Cahill

19 Herb & Debbie Kroening Jr.

19 Bryan & Heidi Sorensen

20 Bill & Judy Konar

Those in the

military

Chad Knipschild

The shut - in

Marian Hogue

Ruth Retzke

Betty Robbins

Elaine Sirk

Mildred Wantz

Prayer Requests

Grace DeBest

(leukemia)

Delores Gaul

(health concerns)

Frank Gaul

(on-going health concerns)

Brett Genovese

(cancer)

Tom Hildebrand

(shingles and bowel infection)

Carrie Kutchie

(breast cancer)

Penny Lagergren

(recovery after near drowning)

Sandy Landis

(cancer surgery)

Mary McGee

(recovery following house fire)

Darlene McLaughlin

(kidney failure)

Juli Nurbhai

(brain tumor)

Ben Peters

(bone marrow transplant)

Jerry Pliley

(recovery following surgery)

Betty Robbins

(hospice)

Jerry Schlutt

(stroke)

Roger Shanahan

(stroke/cerebral hemorrhage)

Nick and Sue Youdell

(health concerns)

Eddie Zajac

(leg amputation)

Carrie Zellers

(liver cancer)

The family of Arlene Dinges, Jim

Damaske's sister

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