

Peace Lutheran Church St. Joseph MI

Worship with Communion
Sunday, July 25, 2021 - 10:15 a.m.
Ninth 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.



Peace Lutheran is striving to conduct as "normal" a worship service as possible while taking into account the need for health measures within the larger community.

***Bold Print:** Congregation's responses*

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ORDER FOR CONFESSION *(please stand as you are able)*

Called, gathered, enlightened and sanctified by the Holy Spirit of God, we worship in the name of God the Father, Son + and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Let us come humbly before God and our brothers and sisters in the faith, confessing our sins, known and unknown, trusting in God's gracious word of forgiveness.

(Silence for self-reflection and examination)

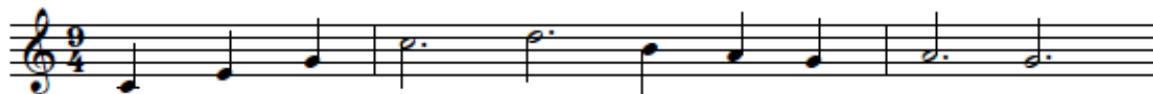
Holy God who brings life out of death and transforms the whole creation with a Word, forgive our disobedience and breathe on us the Spirit of your righteousness.

Free us from the power of sin, death, and the devil in our lives; renew us with your loving Spirit as you bring us from death to sin to life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Make us your instruments of peace and love in the world and free us from all that seeks to enslave us, trusting that your will for us is that we would be free to live fully into your mercy and grace. Amen.

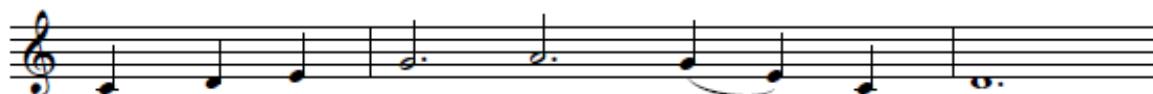
By the command and authority of Christ, I declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son +, and of the Holy Spirit. For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. (Galatians 5:1) **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

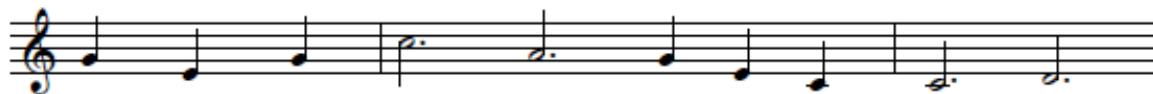
Baptized in Water



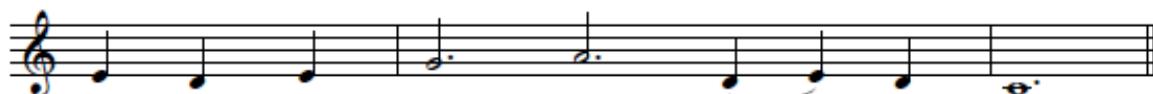
1. Bap - tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it,
2. Bap - tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it,
3. Bap - tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it,



Cleansed by the blood of Christ our King:
Dead in the tomb with Christ our King:
Marked with the sign of Christ our King:



Heirs of sal - va - tion, Trust - ing his prom - ise,
One with his ris - ing, Freed and for - giv - en,
Born of one Fa - ther, We are his chil - dren,



Faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
Thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
Joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

Text: Michael Seward, b.1932, © 1982, Hope Publishing Co.
Tune: BUNESSAN, 5 5 8 D; Gaelic melody; acc. by Robert J. Batastini, b.1942

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ who grants us life eternal, the glory of the Father who created us in love, and the power of the Holy Spirit who forgives and renews our life, be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE

Lord, Have Mercy

[A] Lord, have mer - cy. [C] Lord, have mer - cy.

[A] Christ, have mer - cy. [C] Christ, have mer - cy.

[C] Lord, have mer - cy.



The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray ...

Almighty God, pour out upon us your Holy Spirit that we might will, think, and do that which is pleasing to you and live in holy obedience to your gracious will; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

(please be seated)

THE FIRST LESSON: Genesis 9:8-17

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, “Behold, I establish my covenant with you and your offspring after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the livestock, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark; it is for every beast of the earth. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” And God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 136:1-9

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever.

Give thanks to the God of gods, for his mercy endures forever.

Give thanks to the Lord of lords, for his mercy endures forever.

Who only does great wonders, for his mercy endures forever;

Who by wisdom made the heavens, for his mercy endures forever;

Who spread out the earth upon the waters, for his mercy endures forever;

Who created great lights, for his mercy endures forever;

The sun to rule the day, for his mercy endures forever;

The moon and the stars to govern the night, for his mercy endures forever.

THE SECOND LESSON: Ephesians 3:14-21

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith — that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*please stand as you are able*)

Lord to Whom Shall We Go

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a fermata over the first measure, followed by a '2' above the staff. The lyrics are: 'Lord, to whom shall we go?'. The second staff contains the lyrics: 'You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le -'. The third staff contains the lyrics: 'lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' The music is written in a simple, accessible style suitable for congregational singing.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: MARK 6:45-56 *(please stand as you are able)*

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth Chapter

Glory be to you O Lord.

Immediately [Jesus] made his disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. And after he had taken leave of them, he went up on the mountain to pray. And when evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land. And he saw that they were making headway painfully, for the wind was against them. And about the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. He meant to pass by them, but when they saw him walking on the sea they thought it was a ghost, and cried out, for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." And he got into the boat with them, and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded, for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened. When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored to the shore. And when they got out of the boat, the people immediately recognized him and ran about the whole region and began to bring the sick people on their beds to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he came, in villages, cities, or countryside, they laid the sick in the marketplaces and implored him that they might touch even the fringe of his garment. And as many as touched it were made well.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to You, O Christ. *(please be seated)*

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus



- 1 'Tis so sweet to trust in Je - sus, just to take him at his word,
- 2 O how sweet to trust in Je - sus, just to trust his cleans-ing blood,
- 3 Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Je - sus, just from sin and self to cease,
- 4 I'm so glad I learned to trust you, pre-cious Je - sus, Sav - ior, Friend,



just to rest up - on his prom-ise, just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."
just in sim - ple faith to plunge me 'neath the heal - ing, cleans-ing flood!
just from Je - sus sim- ply tak - ing life and rest, and joy and peace.
and I know that you are with me, will be with me to the end.



Je - sus, Je - sus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er!



Je - sus, Je - sus, pre - cious Je - sus! O for grace to trust him more!

WORDS: Louisa M. R. Stead (1850-1917)
MUSIC: William J. Kirkpatrick (1838-1921)

TRUST IN JESUS
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THE APOSTLE'S 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.

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

(please be seated)

OFFERTORY

Create in Me

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The lyrics are: "Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with - in me. Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take not your".

22 Ho-ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the

27 joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free

31 Spir-it. Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -

37 new a right spir-it with - in me. Cre - ate in me a clean

43 heart, O God, and re - new a right spir-it with - in me.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Benevolent God, you have granted us in abundance with all the good things that life has to offer. May we be truly grateful for our daily bread, even as we return a portion of what you have first given us as a sign of our humility and thanksgiving for your bounteous gifts. Let the treasures we have received from you be used to serve the world you love.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, and salutary... we praise your Name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
 heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san-na in the high - est, ho - san-na in the high - est.
 Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Ho - san-na in the high - est, ho - san-na in the high - est.

EUCHARISTIC 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. *(please be seated)*

DISTRIBUTION

(When directed by the usher, please come forward to receive Holy Communion. All who are baptized and commune in their home church are welcome at the Lords' Table. Children are welcome to come forward for a blessing.)

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE *(please stand as you are able)*

Thank the Lord

Thank the Lord; sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what
he has done. Let all who seek the Lord re-joyce and
bear Christ's ho-ly name. Thank the Lord; sing his praise;
tell ev-'ry-one what he has done. Send us with your prom-is-es, Lord;
lead your peo-ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks - giv-ing.
Thank the Lord; sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done. Al-le-
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le lu - ia.

The musical score is written on seven staves of music. It begins with a treble clef, a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat), and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics printed below the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make his face to shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

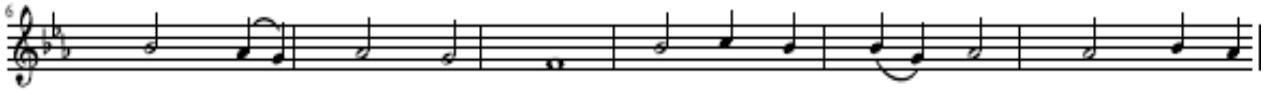
Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Beautiful Savior



Beau-ti-ful Sav-ior, King of cre-a-tion, Son of
Fair are the mead-ows, Fair are the wood-lands, Robed in
Beau-ti-ful Sav-ior, Lord of the na-tions, Son of



God and Son of Man! Tru-ly I'd love thee, Tru-ly I'd
flow'rs of bloom-ing spring; Je-sus is fair-er, Je-sus is
God and Son of Man! Glo-ry and hon-or, Praise, ad-o-



serve thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
pur-er, He makes our sor-rowing spir-it sing.
ra-tion, Now and for-ev-er-more be thine!

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

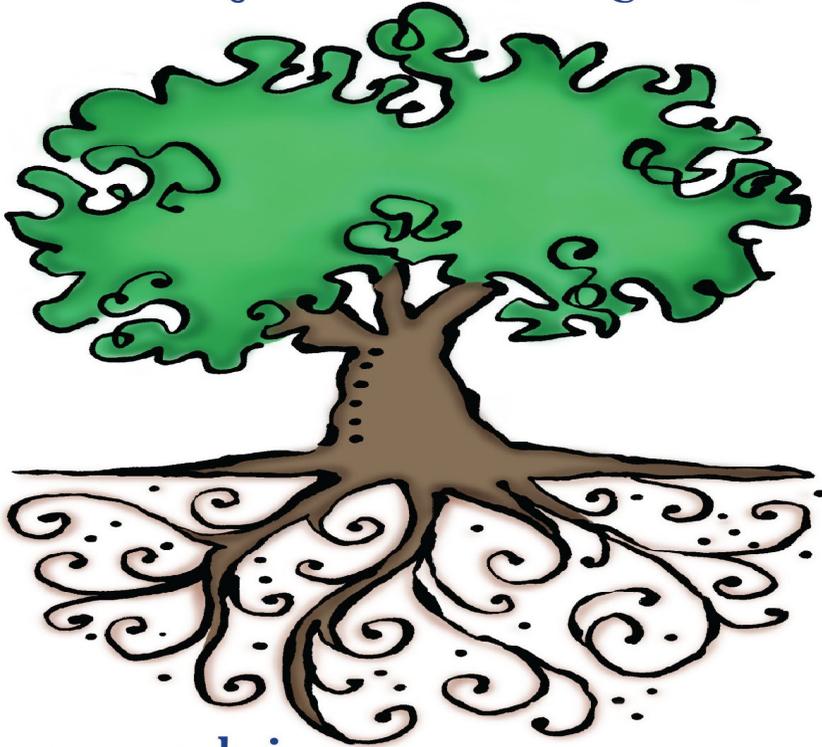
(You are invited to remain seated until the ushers dismiss your row.)

POSTLUDE

Next Week's Readings:

Exodus 16:2-15; Psalm 145:10-21; Ephesians 4:1-16; John 6:22-35

I pray that ... Christ may dwell in
your hearts through faith,



as you are being
rooted and grounded in love.

Ephesians 3:16-17, NRSV

Summary Worship Attendance & Giving

Attendance Total this Week: 45

Facebook views: 21 YouTube Views: 3

Sunday: \$3,301 Simply Giving: \$277 **Total Giving: \$3,578**

Major Repairs and Maintenance: \$525 Memorials: \$690 Soup Kitchen: \$0

Special Offering for NALS: \$688 Super Book Sales: \$436

Total Operating Fund Giving: \$1,675 Weekly Budget need: \$3,938

Over/(Under) Budget: (\$2,263)

What does Psalm 136 tell us about God?

Match the pictures in the box with the ones below.
Then, write the correct word above each picture!

 = endures	 = good
 = steadfast	 = Give
 = Lord	 = forever
 = thanks	 = love

“   to the ,

for he is , for his

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”

(Psalm 136:1).

**Assisting with
Worship**

Liturgist: Pastor Ron Schmidt
Preacher: Pastor Steve Hartten
Organist: Maria Tallman
Choir Director: Debbie Kroening
Audio: Josh Lochner, Mark Carpenter
Video: Bryan Sorensen, Jacob Tallman
Usher: Wayne Schuermann
Altar Guild: Mark Carpenter
Communion: Marty Tallman
Welcome Center: Chris Bennett
Lector: Virgil Bennett

Prayer Requests

July Birthdays

28 Denise Emery

August Birthdays

2 Ginger Kunst

3 Rich Carpenter

7 Betty McKee

9 Herb Kroening

10 Elaine Chartrand

20 Tiffany King

21 Rob Harbin

22 April Lochner

23 Ray Dalrymple

25 Karen Coffey

28 Christian Nitz

29 Beverly So

August Anniversaries

14 Rob & Holly Harbin

16 Shawn & Amy Cahill

19 Herb & Debbie Kroening

19 Bryan & Heidi Sorensen

20 Bill & Judy Konar

Military

Chad Knipschild

The shut - ins

Ruth Retzke

Elaine Sirk

Prayer Requests

Les Collins

(heart & lung issues)

Grace DeBest

(leukemia)

Penny Lagergren

(recovery after near drowning)

Darlene McLaughlin

(kidney failure)

Ron Momany

(Parkinson's, stage 4 cancer)

Juli Nurbhai

(broken hip)

Shirley Oates

(back injury)

Connie Oliver

(home hospice)

Rev Eric & Ruth Rauch

(TIA)

Eleanor Rinas

(Fractured pelvis)

Joyce White

(spinal cancer)



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Worship Times: Sunday: 10:15 a.m.

Christian Education and Prayer Opportunities:

Tuesday: 7 p.m. - Prayer Meeting via Zoom

Comfort Room

We love children in Worship! If you have a child who becomes restless, it's okay. If you feel the need, you may step behind the glass wall at the back of the church, or use Classroom C, (the third classroom), which is set up with comfy couches and rocking chairs to provide a calm environment. Live video is provided so you won't miss any of the service. Ask an usher if you need assistance.

Communion

All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with and under the forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. White grape juice is available.

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