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Second Sunday Of Easter

"Do Not Doubt But Believe"

Whoever you are...

Wherever you are in your JOURNEY OF FAITH...

YOU are WELCOME here!

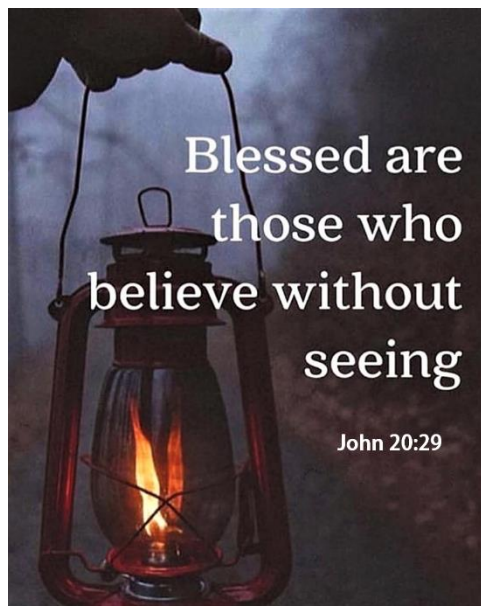
WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Welcome and Introduction of Today's Theme

Pastor: Locked doors didn't stop Jesus from appearing to His disciples. He showed them His wounds, breathed on them the Holy Spirit, and urged them to forgive one another as they had been forgiven. Jesus knew Thomas doubted, so He had Thomas feel his nail-scarred hands and wounded side. How wonderful it will be to see Jesus face to face one day! Although we cannot see Him, we can believe by faith in what our eyes do not see and be blessed.

Opening Prayer

Pastor: Father in Heaven and Lord of all the earth, we cast every care on You for You care for us. We give you the heavy burdens that we are carrying, trusting You to take them and handle them. We cannot see You, but we believe by faith that You are the Great God, the Wonderful Counselor, and the Prince of Peace. We ask that You would fill us with Your Spirit today. Breathe on us Your Holy Spirit, and sustain us until You return. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Spirit we pray, Amen.



WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

Pastor: Father, we read in the book of Colossians that we are to bear with one another and forgive as we've been forgiven by the blood of Jesus Christ. So often, we seek Your forgiveness for the sins we have committed without forgiving those who have sinned against us. We withhold from them the forgiveness You freely offered. We ask for Your forgiveness, Father. Give us the strength and love and grace to forgive those whom we are angry and those who have hurt us or the ones we love. Even the darkest evil, give us the strength to forgive.

Time of silence

Pastor: And Lord, we ask now that You would bring to our minds those wounds from long ago where forgiveness has been withheld. By the power of Your Holy Spirit, give us the strength to forgive them and to set them free from the bondage that has ruled over them and over us. We confess that we need Your power in forgiveness as we do not have the courage nor strength to do so on our own. Give us grace to extend grace. Give us mercy to extend mercy. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray, Amen.

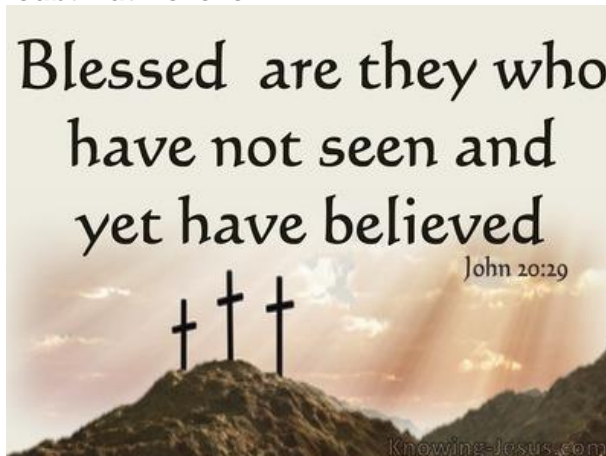
GOD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD

Gospel Reading: Matthew John 20:19-31

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

All: Praise to You, O Christ.

Message: "Do Not Doubt But Believe"



WE BRING OUR PRAISES, PRAYERS AND GIFTS

Pastor: Apostles' Creed –

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 to the dead.

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 the saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Pastor: The Prayers

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 forever and ever. Amen.

Benediction

Pastor: Those who believe and cannot see are considered blessed by God. For He gives strength to the weary, water to thirsty souls, and calls those who walk by faith and not by sight, the faithful. May the Lord open your spiritual eyes to see Him at work in your life and in those lives around you. May we walk by faith and not by sight. May you continue steadily on the path of the unseen and be called faithful in the end.

Pastor: Stay well – stay healthy-practice social distancing and shelter in place, but most importantly know that you are loved by God, always.

May the peace of Jesus come over you now. Go in His grace and love and hold nothing against anyone. Forgive freely as you've been forgiven freely. Love generously and serve with humility. Amen

Information About Peace Lutheran Church - If you desire to know more about Peace Lutheran Church such as teachings; affiliations, membership or other questions, please feel free to contact Pastor Adams.

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Wednesday - Jim Sides

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Weekly Devotional Helps

April 29 – April 25, 2020

Morning Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Evening Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Prayer For The Sick

By your power, great God, our Lord Jesus healed the sick and gave new hope to the hopeless. Though we cannot command or possess your power, we pray for those who want to be healed. Mend their wounds, soothe fevered brows, and make broken people whole again. Help us to welcome every healing as a sign that, though death is against us, you are for us, and have promised renewed and risen life in Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Scripture Readings Through The Week

Monday – April 20

Psalm 114
Judges 6:36-40
1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Tuesday – April 21

Psalm 114
Jonah 1:1-17
1 Corinthians 15:19-28

Wednesday – April 22

Psalm 114
Jonah 2:1-10
Matthew 12:38-42

Thursday – April 23

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19
Isaiah 25:1-5
1 Peter 1:8b-12

Friday – April 24

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

Isaiah 26:1-4

1 Peter 1:13-16

Saturday – April 25

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

Isaiah 25:6-9

Luke 14:12-14

Scripture Readings For Next Sunday**Third Sunday Of Easter**

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

1 Peter 1:17-23

Luke 24:13-35

Commemorations

April 21 - Anselm, Bishop of Canterbury, died 1109: This eleventh-century monk was one of the greatest theologians of the Middle Ages. He is remembered for emphasizing the maternal aspects of God, and for the theory that the Son of God became human in order to make the necessary payment for our sin.

April 23 - Toyohiko Kagawa, renewer of society, died 1960: Born in Kobe, Japan, Kagawa was orphaned as a young child. Later, when he became Christian, he was disowned by the rest of his family. Wishing to bring Christian principles into society, he worked among poor people, established schools and hospitals, and worked for peace.

April 25 - Mark, Evangelist: He was not numbered among the twelve apostles, yet Mark was probably a member of the early church community. The gospel that bears his name is the shortest and most direct, and many scholars think it was the first to be written.