

# **Peace Lutheran Church**

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#### **Mission Statement**

To help all people know, believe and follow Jesus Christ

**Sunday Worship** 9:30 a.m.

# **Welcome to Peace Lutheran Church!**

Whether you're a first time visitor or a long-time member, we welcome you to worship this morning! If you are visiting, we look forward to meeting you and hope you will join us again, soon. <u>We</u> would appreciate your signing our guestbook before you leave.

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# **Some Helpful Information**

Please Feel Free To Sit At Anytime During The Worship Service: During the worship services at Peace Lutheran there are many times when the people stand. Sometimes the standing can be quite lengthy. We do not want to place any undue burden on anyone worshipping with us. Therefore, please feel free to sit whenever you desire. Thank you and Christ's blessings.

**Restrooms** – A restroom is located to the right just as you leave the sanctuary and enter the entrance hall. Restrooms for men and women are also located at the top of the stairs in the Parish Hall. Go into the lounge, turn right and continue up the stairs.

**Fellowship and Refreshments** – Immediately following worship, coffee and other refreshments and treats are served in Luther Lounge (the lounge just off the entrance hall). Come relax with us and enjoy the company as we will certainly enjoy your company.

# Please join us again next week!

# Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost August 5, 2018

#### Introduction

The Second Reading provides the focus for our worship today. There Paul proclaims the content of our faith: in one Lord, who created us all; one faith, in Jesus, our Savior; and in the Holy Spirit, who uses the one Baptism to bring us into the one Church. It is within the Church that we recognize the gifts of God—all He provides for this body and life, and all the people, gifted to work together with us, which build up the Body of Christ in love. By His grace, we are able to speak the truth in love to one another and to equip one another, proclaiming the knowledge of the Son of God in a unity of faith. Thank you for worshipping at Peace Lutheran Church today!

**Prayer Before Worship** - Mighty God, you spoke to your people in the pillar of cloud as they walked together in the wilderness. Speak to us through your Word today, that we may hear you calling us out of the wilderness places in our lives and into new places you have promised to show us. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen. ~ written by Amy Loving, and posted on The Worship Closet.

Pre-Service Music (A time for reflection)

**Ringing Of The Bell** 

Welcome

#### Call To Worship (Please stand)

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, full of compassion and mercy,

abounding in steadfast love.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

People: How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable His

ways!

Pastor: For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.

People: To Him be glory forever. Amen.

## Entrance Hymn - O One with God the Father (LBW #77, please remain standing)

- 1. O one with God the Father in majesty and might, the brightness of his glory, eternal Light of light: to gloomy haunts of darkness your rays are streaming down; the shadows flee before you, the world's true light has come.
- Yet, Lord, we see but dimly,
   O heav'nly Light, arise;
   dispel these mists that shroud us and hide you from our eyes.
   We long to track the footprints where you yourself have trod; we long to see the pathway that leads to you, our God.
- O Jesus, shine around us with radiance of your grace;
   O Jesus, turn upon us the brightness of your face.
   We need no star to guide us, as on our way we press, if you will light our pathway,
   O Sun of righteousness.

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897, alt.

## Psalm - Psalm 145:10-21 (Please remain standing)

People: The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season. You open your hand, satisfying the desire of every

living thing.

People: All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD, and all your faithful shall bless you. They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and

tell of your power, to make known to all people your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom. Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations. The LORD is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds. The LORD upholds all who are falling, and raises up all

who are bowed down.

People: The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due

season. You open your hand, satisfying the desire of every

living thing.

Pastor: The LORD is just in all his ways, and kind in all his doings. The LORD

is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. He fulfills the desire of all who fear him; he also hears their cry, and saves them. The LORD watches over all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy. My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD, and all flesh

will bless his holy name forever and ever.

People: The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due

season. You open your hand, satisfying the desire of every

living thing.

(We share the peace of the Lord with one another)

#### **Hymn Of Unity –** Blest Be The Tie That Binds (Tune: LBW #368, please be seated)

- Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the unity of heart and mind is like to that above.
- 3. We share our mutual woes, our mutual burdens bear, and often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.
- Text: John Fawcett, 1740-1817, alt.

- 2. Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers; our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.
- 4. From sorrow, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free; and perfect love and friendship reign through all eternity.

#### First Reading - Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15 (Please remain seated)

A food crisis becomes a faith crisis for the Israelites in the wilderness. The hungry people forget God's saving work in the exodus, and they wish for the food they had in Egypt. Nevertheless, God miraculously meets their needs, with manna for bread and quail for meat.

<sup>2</sup>The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. <sup>3</sup>The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with

hunger." <sup>4</sup>Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not."

<sup>9</sup>Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.'" <sup>10</sup>And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. <sup>11</sup>The LORD spoke to Moses and said, <sup>12</sup>"I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'" <sup>13</sup>In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. <sup>14</sup>When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. <sup>15</sup>When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat."

# Second Reading - Ephesians 4:1-16 (Please remain seated)

Christians share fundamental unity and diversity. Our unity consists in the one body, one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God. Our diversity is expressed in various forms of ministry, whose goal is equipping the saints and building up Christ's one body.

<sup>1</sup>I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup>with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup>making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. <sup>4</sup>There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, 5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism, 6 one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. <sup>7</sup>But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. 8Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." <sup>9</sup>(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? <sup>10</sup>He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) <sup>11</sup>The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup>to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, 13 until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. <sup>14</sup>We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. <sup>15</sup>But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him

who is the head, into Christ, <sup>16</sup>from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

#### Gospel - John 6:24-35 (Please remain seated)

Many of the five thousand people Jesus fed in the wilderness continued to follow him throughout the countryside. Jesus challenges them to consider the real nature of their quest.

<sup>24</sup>When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. <sup>25</sup>When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" <sup>26</sup>Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. <sup>27</sup>Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." <sup>28</sup>Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" <sup>29</sup>Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." 30So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? <sup>31</sup>Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat." 32Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. <sup>33</sup>For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." <sup>34</sup>They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." <sup>35</sup>Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

## **Theme Hymn –** In Christ There Is No East Or West

(Tune: LBW #320, please remain seated)

- In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north, but one community of love throughout the whole wide earth.
- Join hands, disciples of the faith, whate'er your race may be.
   All children of the loving God are surely kin to me.
- In Christ shall true hearts ev'rywhere their high communion find; his service is the golden cord close binding humankind.
- 4. In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north; all Christly souls are one in him throughout the whole wide earth.

Text: John Oxenham, 1852-1941

# Message

# One In Christ Ephesians 4:1-16

## Responsive Hymn - By Grace We Have Been Saved (WP #25, please remain seated)



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## Sharing The Gifts Of God (Please remain seated as the offerings are received)

### Confession Of Faith - Apostles Creed (Please stand and confess together)

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

#### Prayer Of The Church (Please remain standing)

Pastor: Let us pray for the Holy Christian Church here and everywhere, for

all people in their various circumstances, both our neighbors and those among the nations around the world. — Silence for personal prayer - Paul writes in today's Epistle that Christ gave to the Church "the

apostles, the prophets, the evangelists."

People: Strengthen them, heavenly Father, to go where they are sent, to

teach the truth in love, and to call all people to the Gospel of

Your Son.

Pastor: Christ also gave "the shepherds and teachers."

People: Guide all pastors and lay leaders, Lord Jesus, to nurture Your

people, young and old, strong and weak, in faith and love.

Pastor: Christ gave these gifts so that we may each function as part of the

Body of Christ as it builds itself up in love.

People: Help us, O Holy Spirit, to use all our gifts to build one another

up in love here and, through our mission efforts, around the

world.

Pastor: God rescued His people from slavery in Egypt, destroying the forces

of the nation of Egypt and providing for the Israelites, wandering in

the desert.

People: Raise up leaders in the governments of the nations, Lord, that

freedom and justice abound within their borders and peace break out between neighboring peoples. Give protection and courage to refugees and resources and strength to those who care for them. Grant wisdom and courage to all who provide protection within communities and to all who defend our nation

and others around the world.

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus offered much more than physical food—He gave

Himself, the bread of life, to the disciples and all His followers in their

need.

People: Hear the prayers of all who call out to You, O Lord, in their

distress from ills of body or soul, problems of house or home, employment and finances, dignity and food, especially those near and dear to us, whom we name in our hearts before You.

Additional prayers

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy...

People: Hear our prayer

Pastor: These and any other things You would have us ask of You, heavenly

Father, grant to us for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

#### Lord's Prayer (Prayed together. Please remain standing)

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.

#### Collect For Peace (Please remain standing)

Pastor: O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all

just works: Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God

forever.

People: Amen

# **Blessing** (Please remain standing)

Pastor: May God, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we

can ask or imagine, grant you the gifts of faith and hope. Almighty

God, Father, № Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

People: Amen.

**Dismissal** (Please remain standing)

Pastor: Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.

People: Thanks be to God.

## Closing Hymn - On What Has Now Been Sown (LBW #261, please remain standing)

- On what has now been sown your blessing, Lord, bestow; the pow'r is yours alone to make it sprout and grow.
   O Lord, in grace the harvest raise, and yours alone shall be the praise!
- 2 .To you our wants are known, from you are all our pow'rs; accept what is your own and pardon what is ours. Our praises, Lord, and prayers receive and to your word a blessing give.
- 3. Oh, grant that each of us, now met before you here, may meet together thus when you and yours appear, and follow you to heav'n, our home. E'en so, Amen! Lord Jesus, come!

Text: John Newton, 1725-1807, alt.

# **Serving The Lord With Gladness**

Pastor: Ricky Adams
Organist: Janet Reese
Coffee Hour: Nancy Adams

Counter: Rick Kenney and Vicki McGowan

Ushers: Jerry Locey

# **Activities This Week:**

Sunday - August 5	9:30am	Service of the Word
Tuesday – August 7	9:30-12:30pm <b>5:00 pm</b>	Stage Door (PH) National Night Out Fireside
Wednesday – August 8	6pm	Stage Door (PH)
Saturday – August 11	8:30-9:30am 9:30a-12:30pm	Pilates (PH) Stage Door (PH)
Sunday – August 12	9:30am	Service of the Word And Sacrament

**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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**Flowers –** Flowers today are given to the glory of God.

**Refreshments -** will be served in Luther Lounge and surrounding areas following worship today. Guests and members stay and meet one another again or for the first time.

**Birthdays** – Blessings to those celebrating birthdays this week.

Monday - Sharon Sides Monday - Calvin Rosevear Saturday - Elizabeth Erickson

**Anniversaries** – Blessings to those celebrating Anniversaries this week.

Tuesday - Jim & Sharon Sides Tuesday - Brad & Jeannie Sides Friday - Eric & Elizabeth Risberg

**National Night Out –** This Tuesday is National Night Out. Please join us at the Fireside has we help with the BBQ and other events. We need to be there about 5:00 p.m.

**Creekside Fridays** – Join us for the last Creekside Friday of the year at the Brown Cabin across the street. Peace Lutheran Church has it own table so come join us! The band will be the "Fog City Swampers". Remember, this is a family friendly event with jumpees and face painting! So, bring your winter coats and join the fun!

**Calendars –** Calendars for August are available today.

**Sunday Servers –** We need people to help as servers during **August and September**. Please sign up to help! The sheet is in the church entrance.

**Flowers** – If you would like to donate flowers for worship in memory of a person or observing a personal event, please contact pastor via email at pastor@plcmarin.org

**Sunday Bulletins -** for Peace Lutheran church are available online for use during the worship service. The link is http://bulletin.plcmarin.org

# Weekly Devotional Helps August 5 – August 11, 2018

#### **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 – August 6

Psalm 107:1-3, 33-43 Number 11:16-23, 31-32 Ephesians 4:17-24

#### Wednesday - August 8

Psalm 107:1-3, 33-43 Isaiah 55:1-9 Mark 8:1-10

#### Tuesday - August 7

Psalm 107:1-3, 33-43 Deuteronomy 8:1-20 1 Corinthians 12:27-31

#### Thursday - August 9

Psalm 34:1-8 1 Samuel 28:20-25 Romans 15:1-6 Friday – August 10

Psalm 34:1-8 2 Samuel 17:15-29 Galatians 6:1-10 Saturday - August 11

Psalm 34:1-8 1 Kings 2:1-9 Matthew 7:7-11

# **Scripture Readings For Next Sunday**

Pentecost 12

1 Kings 19:4-8 Psalm 34:1-8 Ephesians 4:25--5:2 John 6:35, 41-51

#### **Commemorations**

August 8 - Dominic, founder of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), died 1221: Dominic was a Spanish priest who saw the wealth of the clergy as a stumbling block for the church, so he formed a movement, the Order of Preachers (commonly called Dominicans) devoted to itinerant preaching and living in poverty.

**August 10 - Lawrence, deacon, martyr, died 258:** As one of the seven deacons of the church at Rome, Lawrence was responsible for the church's financial matters and for the care of the poor. Asked by the emperor to gather the church's treasure, he presented a collection of orphans, lepers, and the like. The enraged emperor had him put to death.

**August 11 - Clare, Abbess of San Damiano, died 1253:** A contemporary of Francis of Assisi, Clare and a growing number of companions established a women's Franciscan community, called the Order of Poor Ladies, or Poor Clares. She inspired other women to pursue spiritual goals.

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