



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. **We 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.

Holy Communion – At Peace Lutheran we celebrate Holy Communion on the second and fourth Sunday of each month. Holy Communion is a very special meal for the children of God in Christ. All who have been baptized and believe in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior and all those who hunger and thirst for Christ's forgiveness and God's strength for living, are invited to join in Holy Communion. **Grape juice** (instead of wine) is available in the individual glasses in the middle of the tray. The wine is red; the grape juice is white. Pastor blesses any of the children who are brought to the communion rail. Any adults who come to the rail and desire a blessing but not communion may cross their arms and pastor will bless them.

Please join us again next week!

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

July 22, 2018

As We Gather

We live in a divisive world. There are so many things out there that can divide us. In the Ephesians, Paul speaks of a dividing wall of hostility. We have many such walls. Yet in Christ, we are reconciled to God and to one another. The walls that divide us are toppled over, and Christ makes peace between nations and peoples by His own blood. We are now one Body, one Church, serving under one Lord. May God's peace reign in your life and break down any walls that divide you from God or from others. Thank you for worshipping at Peace Lutheran Church today!

Prayer Before Worship - Almighty God, You sent Your Son into our hostile world to make peace by His own blood. Lead us in paths of righteousness, that we seek justice, speak truth, and be peacemakers in this divisive world; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Pre-Service Music

Ringling Of The Bell

Welcome

Preparation (Please stand)

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen.

Pastor: The Lord is our righteous Shepherd.
People: He does not scatter us, but gathers us together.

Pastor: He makes us lie down in green pastures

People: and feeds us with the bread of life.

Pastor: He leads us in paths of righteousness

People: by breaking down our dividing walls of hostility.

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord, we have not lived a life worthy of our righteous Shepherd. We have all built dividing walls of hostility. Let us then confess our sins to God, our heavenly Father. - Silence for reflection. - Heavenly Father,

All: we confess that we have been divisive and have failed to live at peace with one another. At times, we have treated others as inferior because of differences of language and race, intelligence and appearance, gender and age. Forgive us for our prejudice, and break down the walls that divide us from one another and from You.

Pastor: You were once foreigners and strangers to God, but now you have been brought near by the blood of Christ. He Himself is our peace. Jesus Christ died and was raised for you so that you might be reconciled with God and with one another. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen. Through Christ we are no longer strangers, but we are members of the household of God.

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

Entrance Hymn – All People That On Earth Do Dwell

(LBW #245, please remain standing)

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| 1. All people that on earth do dwell,
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell;
come ye before him and rejoice. | 2. Know that the Lord is God indeed;
without our aid he did us make.
We are his folk, he doth us feed,
and for his sheep he doth us take. |
| 3. Oh, enter then his gates with praise;
approach with joy his courts unto;
praise, laud, and bless his name always,
for it is seemly so to do. | 4. For why? The Lord our God is good:
His mercy is forever sure;
his truth at all times firmly stood,
and shall from age to age endure. |

5. To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
the God whom heav'n and earth adore,
from us and from the angel host
be praise and glory evermore.

Text: William Kethe, d. c. 1594

Psalm – Psalm 23 (Please remain standing)

Pastor: The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

People: **He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;**

Pastor: he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

People: **Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff—they comfort me.**

Pastor: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

People: **Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.**

Canticle Of Praise (Please remain standing)



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.

2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.

3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:

Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;

Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

First Reading - Jeremiah 23:1-6 (Please be seated)

Jeremiah prophesied before the exile in 587 BCE. In this passage, he uses the metaphor of a shepherd to describe the bad kings who have scattered the “flock” of Israel. God promises to gather the flock and to raise up a new king from David's line to save Israel and Judah.

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. ⁵The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: “The LORD is our righteousness.”

Second Reading - Ephesians 2:11-22 (Please remain seated)

Paul is reminding his audience that originally they were not part of God's chosen people. Through Jesus' death, however, they are included in God's household of faith, whose cornerstone is Jesus Christ.

¹¹Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called “the uncircumcision” by those who are called “the circumcision”—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—¹²remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. ¹⁵He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²²in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

Gospel Acclamation (Please stand)

Pastor: Alleluia. My sheep hear my voice.

People: **I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia.** (John 10:27)

Gospel - Mark 6:30-34, 53-56 (Please remain standing)

When Jesus sent his disciples out to teach and heal, they ministered among large numbers of people. Their work was motivated by Christ's desire to be among those in need.

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, “Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now

many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. ⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

Hymn Of The Day - God, When Human Bonds Are Broken

(Tune: LBW #381, please be seated)

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| <p>1. God, when human bonds are broken
and we lack the love or skill
to restore the hope of healing,
give us grace and make us still.
Give us faith to be more faithful,
give us hope to be more true,
give us love to go on learning:
God, encourage and renew!</p> | <p>2. Through that stillness, with your Spirit
come into our world of stress,
for the sake of Christ forgiving
all the failures we confess.
Give us faith to be more faithful,
give us hope to be more true,
give us love to go on learning:
God, encourage and renew!</p> |
| <p>3. You in us are bruised and broken:
hear us as we seek release
from the pain of earlier living;
set us free and grant us peace.
Give us faith to be more faithful,
give us hope to be more true,
give us love to go on learning:
God, encourage and renew!</p> | <p>4. Send us, God of new beginnings,
humbly hopeful into life.
Use us as a means of blessing:
make us stronger, give us faith.
Give us faith to be more faithful,
give us hope to be more true,
give us love to go on learning:
God, encourage and renew!</p> |

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Message

We Are God's Poetry Ephesians 2:11-22

Creed – Apostles Creed (Please stand)

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 Intercession (Please remain standing)

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. – Silent prayer - For all families and family relationships, especially those that are strained by division, that God would break down the dividing walls of hostility and reconcile people to one another, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the nations of the world, that there be peace among all people, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For all immigrants and refugees, that they be welcomed to their new homes and not treated with hatred and hostility, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For all pastors who shepherd their congregations, that they not scatter their flock, but serve faithfully under our Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For those who mourn the death of loved ones, that they find hope in the resurrection and return of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For those who celebrate special occasions and answered prayers, that their joy be a witness to the goodness of God, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For those who are sick and recovering, that they rely on the peace of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Additional prayers

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your promises.

People: Amen.

Sharing Of God's Gifts (Please be seated as the offerings are received)

Offering Prayer (Please stand)

Lay Minister: Merciful God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord.

People: Amen

Communion Song - Come To The Table

(ELW #481. Played 3 times. **Sing the second time through.** Please remain seated)



Come to the ta - ble of mer - cy, pre - pared with the wine and the bread.



All who are hun - gry and thirst - y, come, and your souls will be fed.



Come at the Lord's in - vi - ta - tion; re - ceive from his nail - scarred hand.



Eat of the bread of sal - va - tion; drink of the blood of the Lamb.

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Order Of Holy Communion (Please stand)

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

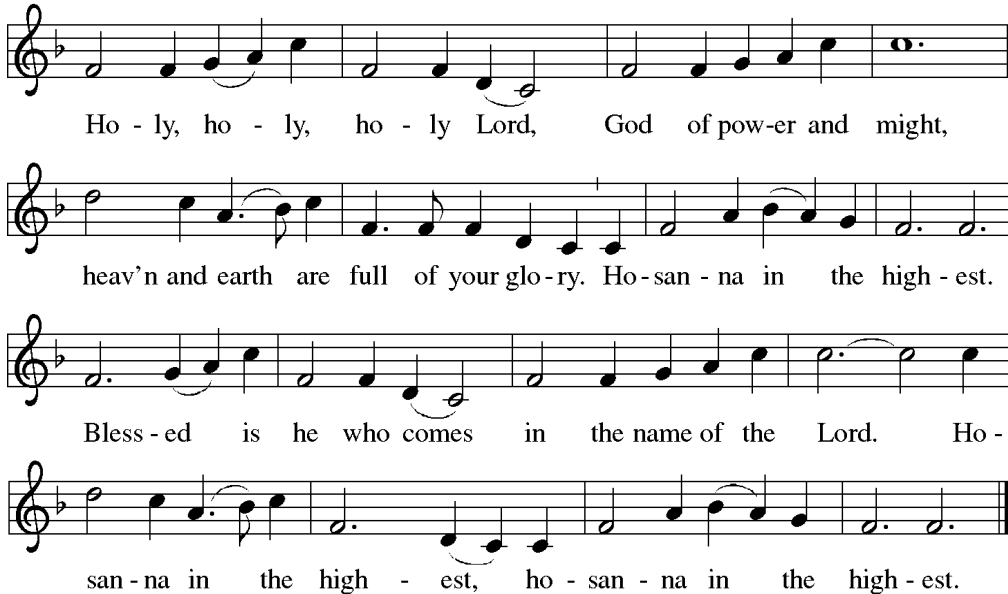
People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, for He Himself is our peace. He has made us one Body and has reconciled us to God by His cross and resurrection. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all

the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name,
evermore praising You and saying:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. 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.

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have made peace by sending Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the reconciliation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross, which has broken down the dividing wall of hostility. Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the

disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✕ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." ... In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✕ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." ... As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

People:



Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a - gain.

Pastor:

O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

People:

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.

Pastor:

Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

Distribution (Please be seated)

Approach the altar at the usher's direction. Communion is received kneeling—the bread in your outstretched open hands, the wine in a small cup. Place empty cups in the tray carried by the acolyte or lay minister. If you wish only a blessing, just fold your hands together over your heart.

Prayer before Communion (Prayed privately before going to the altar)

Merciful God, we do not presume to come to your table trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat and drink the body and blood of your dear Son, Jesus Christ, that we may live in him and he in us, now and forever. Amen.

Prayer After Communion (Prayed privately after returning to your seated)

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever. Amen.

Blessing (Please stand)

Prayer After Communion (Please remain standing)

Pastor: Let us pray. ... We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and 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)

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sending Song – We All Are One In Mission (Tune: LBW #389, please remain standing)

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| 1. We all are one in mission;
we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united
by Christ, the Lord of all.
A single great commission
compels us from above
to plan and work together
that all may know Christ's love. | 2. We all are called to service,
to witness in God's name.
Our ministries are diff'rent;
our purpose is the same:
to touch the lives of others
with God's surprising grace,
so ev'ry folk and nation
may feel God's warm embrace. |
| 3. Now let us be united,
and let our song be heard.
Now let us be a vessel
for God's redeeming Word.
We all are one in mission;
we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united
by Christ, the Lord of all. | |

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Announcements

Serving The Lord With Gladness

Pastor:	Ricky Adams
Organist:	Janet Reese
Lay Minister:	Bev Erbel
Altar Guild:	Vicki McGowan
Coffee Hour:	Vicki McGowan and Betty Erickson
Counter:	Vicki McGowan
Ushers:	Keith and Jackie Stoneking
Lay Reader:	Jerry Locey

Activities This Week:

Sunday – July 22	9:30am	Service of the Word And Sacrament
Tuesday – July 24	9:30-12:30pm	Stage Door (PH)
Wednesday – July 25	6pm	Stage Door (PH)
Saturday – July 28	8:30-9:30am 9:30a-12:30pm	Pilates (PH) Stage Door (PH)
Sunday – July 29	9:30am	Service of the Word

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.

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.

Thursday - Ulla Kerr
Thursday - Ingrid Carlson

Anniversaries – Blessings to those celebrating anniversaries this week.

Saturday - Eric & Sally Erickson

Creekside Fridays - Creekside Fridays are on Fridays at the Brown Cabin across the street. Peace Lutheran Church has it own table so come join us on Fridays until August 10, beginning at 6:00 p.m. On July 27th, the band will be 'Soul Ska'. Remember, this is a family friendly event with jumpees and face painting! So, bring your winter coats and join the fun!

Sunday Servers – We need people to help as servers during **August**. 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

July 22, 2018 – July 28, 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 – July 23

Psalm 100
Jeremiah 50:1-7
Hebrews 13:17-25

Tuesday – July 24

Psalm 100
Zechariah 9:14-10:2
Acts 20:17-38

Wednesday – July 25

Psalm 100
2 Samuel 5:1-12
Luke 15:1-7

Thursday – July 26

Psalm 145:10-18
1 Kings 19:19-21
Colossians 1:9-14

Friday – July 27

Psalm 145:10-18

2 Kings 3:4-20

Colossians 3:12-17

Saturday – July 28

Psalm 145:10-18

2 Kings 4:38-41

John 4:31-38

Scripture Readings For Next Sunday**Pentecost 10****2 Kings 4:42-44****Psalm 145:10-18****Ephesians 3:14-21****John 6:1-21****Commemorations**

July 22 - Mary Magdalene: Sometimes called "the apostle to the apostles" because she told them of her encounter with the risen Lord, Mary was a woman of Galilee who followed Jesus throughout his ministry. She was present at Jesus' crucifixion and his burial.

July 25 - James, Apostle: James and his brother John were the sons of Zebedee, fishermen by trade before their call from Jesus. He was the first of the twelve apostles to be martyred, and his death is the only one recorded in scripture (Acts 12:1-2).

July 28 - Johann Sebastian Bach, died 1750; Heinrich Schütz, died 1672; George Frederick Handel, died 1759; musicians: These three German-born musicians have done much to enrich the life of the church. Schütz was an early master who focused on settings of biblical texts. Bach wrote over 300 cantatas along with works for organ and instrumental pieces, and has been called the "fifth evangelist" for the way he proclaimed the gospel in music. Handel's great work, Messiah, is a setting of scriptural texts.

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