



# **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.**



## 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!**

# **Tenth Sunday After Pentecost**

## **July 29, 2018**

### **Introduction**

Today is the first of five Sundays with gospel readings from John 6, the first four of which focus on Jesus as bread of life. Today Jesus feeds thousands of people with five loaves and two fish. What we have, what we bring to Jesus' table, seems like it is not nearly enough to meet all the needs we see around us. But it is not the adequacy of our supplies or our skills that finally makes the difference: it is the power of Jesus working in the littlest and least to transform this world into the world God desires, a world where all the hungry are satisfied. Thank you for worshipping at Peace Lutheran Church today!

**Prayer Before Worship** - Holy One, we bow our hearts before you this day. Strengthen us in our innermost being and dwell in our hearts through faith. May we be rooted and grounded in Christ, whose love is beyond all knowledge. Help us comprehend even the smallest part of the beautiful mystery of your grace. Grant that we may experience the fullness of your presence with us. Amen. — Bill Hoppe, Ministry Matters Website

**Pre-Service Music** (A time for reflection)

**Ringling Of The Bell**

**Welcome**

**Call To Worship**

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love.

People: Amen.

Pastor: God looks from heaven upon the children of earth to see whether there are any wise enough to seek the fellowship of God.

**People: By faith, may Christ live within our hearts, that we may be rooted and grounded in love and filled with all the fullness of God.**

Pastor: When the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, the people of faith shall rejoice, and the whole church be glad.

**People: We bow down before the Father of Christ Jesus, from whom every family on earth is named.**

Pastor: To God be all the glory, in the church and in Christ Jesus

**People: throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen!** ~ written by Bruce Prewer, and posted on **Bruce Prewer's Home Page.**

## Entrance Hymn - Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun

(LBW #269, please remain standing)

1. Awake, my soul, and with the sun  
thy daily stage of duty run;  
shake off dull sloth, and joyful rise  
to pay thy morning sacrifice.

2. All praise to thee, who safe hast kept  
and hast refreshed me while I slept.  
Grant, Lord, when I from death shall wake,  
I may of endless light partake.

3. Lord, I my vows to thee renew.  
Disperse my sins as morning dew;  
guard my first springs of thought and will;  
and with thyself my spirit fill.

4. Direct, control, suggest, this day,  
all I design or do or say,  
that all my pow'rs, with all their might,  
in thy sole glory may unite.

5. Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heav'nly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711

## Psalm - Psalm 145:10-18 (Please remain standing)

Pastor: All your works shall praise you, O LORD, and your faithful ones shall bless you.

**People: They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power,**

Pastor: that all people may know of your power and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

**People: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages. You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.**

Pastor: The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up those who are bowed down.

**People: The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, and you give them their food in due season.**

Pastor: You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

**People: You are righteous in all your ways and loving in all your works.**

Pastor: You are near to all who call upon you, to all who call up- on you faithfully.

(Sharing the Peace)

## Hymn Of Praise - Wonderful Words Of Life (BH #338, please be seated)

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Wonderful Words of Life' (BH #338). The score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 6/8. The music is arranged in two systems. The first system contains the first three verses of the hymn, and the second system contains the last three verses. The lyrics are written below the vocal staves, and the piano accompaniment is written on the bottom staff of each system.

1. Sing them o - ver a - gain to me, Won - der - ful words of life.  
2. Christ, the bless - ed One, gives to all Won - der - ful words of life.  
3. Sweet - ly ech - o the gos - pel call, Won - der - ful words of life.

Let me more of their beau - ty see, Won - der - ful words of life.  
Sin - ner, list to the lov - ing call, Won - der - ful words of life.  
Of - fer par - don and peace to all, Won - der - ful words of life.

Words of life and beau-ty, Teach me faith and du-ty;  
 All so free-ly giv-en, Woo-ing us to heav-en-  
 Je-sus, on-ly Sav-ior, Sanc-ti-fy for-ev-er,

*Chorus*

Beau-ti-ful words, won-der-ful words, Won-der-ful words of life;  
 Beau-ti-ful words, won-der-ful words, Won-der-ful words of life.

Words & Music: Phillip P. Bliss, 1874. Public Domain

## First Reading - 2 Kings 4:42-44 (Please be seated)

Today's reading is part of a larger section of 2 Kings that describes the miracles of Elisha, the successor to Elijah. Here the prophet gives food to a hungry crowd. Though there is not enough food to go around, Elisha trusts God, who provides enough and even more to satisfy the need.

<sup>42</sup>A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to [Elisha,] the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." <sup>43</sup>But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" <sup>44</sup>He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

## **Second Reading - Ephesians 3:14-21** (Please remain seated)

We have been rooted and grounded in the love of Christ, which surpasses all human knowledge. Because Christ dwells in our hearts, our lives are continuously strengthened and empowered by the ongoing presence of the Spirit.

<sup>14</sup>For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, <sup>15</sup>from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. <sup>16</sup>I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, <sup>17</sup>and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. <sup>18</sup>I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, <sup>19</sup>and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. <sup>20</sup>Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, <sup>21</sup>to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

## **Gospel - John 6:1-21** (Please remain seated)

In John's gospel, the miracles of Jesus are called "signs," because they reveal the true character of God. As such, they remain within the mystery of God and cannot be brought under human control.

<sup>1</sup>Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. <sup>2</sup>A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. <sup>3</sup>Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. <sup>4</sup>Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. <sup>5</sup>When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" <sup>6</sup>He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. <sup>7</sup>Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." <sup>8</sup>One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, <sup>9</sup>"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" <sup>10</sup>Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. <sup>11</sup>Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. <sup>12</sup>When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." <sup>13</sup>So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. <sup>14</sup>When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." <sup>15</sup>When Jesus

realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. <sup>16</sup>When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, <sup>17</sup>got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. <sup>18</sup>The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. <sup>19</sup>When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. <sup>20</sup>But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." <sup>21</sup>Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

## Hymn - God Loved the World (Tune: LBW #352, please remain seated)

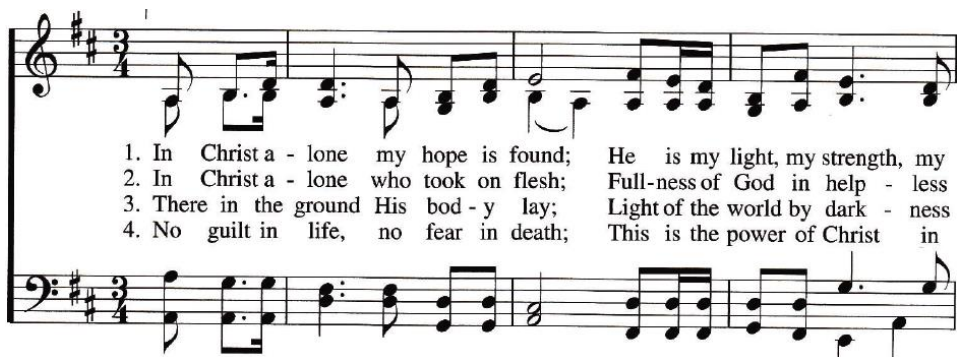
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| <p>1. God loved the world so that he gave<br/>his only Son, the lost to save,<br/>that all who would in him believe<br/>should everlasting life receive.</p>                     | <p>2. Christ Jesus is the ground of faith,<br/>who was made flesh and suffered death;<br/>all who confide in Christ alone<br/>are built on this chief cornerstone.</p> |
| <p>3. If you are sick, if death is near,<br/>this truth your troubled heart can cheer;<br/>Christ Jesus saves your soul from death;<br/>that is the firmest ground of faith.</p> | <p>4. Be of good cheer, for God's own Son<br/>forgives all sins which you have done,<br/>and justified by Jesus' blood,<br/>your baptism grants the highest good.</p>  |

Text: *Gesangbuch*, Bollhagen, 1791; tr. August Crull, 1846-1923, alt.

## Message

### Rooted And Grounded In Love Ephesians 3:14-21

## Hymn - In Christ Alone (BH #506, please remain seated)



1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my  
 2. In Christ a - lone who took on flesh; Full-ness of God in help - less  
 3. There in the ground His bod - y lay; Light of the world by dark - ness  
 4. No guilt in life, no fear in death; This is the power of Christ in



song; This Corn - er - stone, this sol - id ground, Firm through the  
 babe. This gift of love and right - eous - ness Scorned by the  
 slain. Then burst - ing forth in glo - rious day, Up from the  
 me. From life's first cry to fi - nal breath Je - sus com -

fier - est drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of  
 ones He came to save; 'Til on that cross as Je - sus  
 grave He rose a - gain! And as He stands in vic - to -  
 mands my des - ti - ny. No power of hell, no scheme of

peace When fears are stilled, when striv - ings cease; My Com - fort -  
 died The wrath of God was sat - is - fied; For ev - ery  
 ry Sin's curse has lost its grip on me; For I am  
 man Can ev - er pluck me from His hand; 'Til He re -

er, my All in All; Here in the love of Christ I stand.  
 sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.  
 His and He is mine, Bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ!  
 turns or calls me home, Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

## **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 Church around the world, all people in their various circumstances, and ourselves as we respond to God's Word.  
— silence for prayer - For the Church, wherever the faithful are suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** **Heavenly Father, grant them to be strengthened with power through Your Spirit.**

**Pastor:** For God's people as they find opportunities to spread the Gospel, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** **Christ, our Lord, dwell in their hearts through faith that they have strength to comprehend Your love and be filled with all the fullness of God.**

**Pastor:** For people in every land when faced with harm and danger from natural disasters, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** **Creator God, see the bow in the clouds and remember Your covenant with all living creatures. Use Your almighty power to protect us and all the descendants of Noah from flood—and from fire and wind, quake and drought—that we give You praise for this good earth.**

**Pastor:** For ourselves and those near and dear to us, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** Lord Jesus, open the eyes of all who are dealing with a sudden crisis or chronic ills in their lives or in those for whom they care. Open the eyes of all who call out to You that they recognize You in their midst. Cause caregivers to bring the sick into Your loving power; grant comfort and health as fits Your gracious plans for them.

**Pastor:** For nations and governments, armed forces and local police and first responders, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** Heavenly Father, You are able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think. Order the powers that be in all the nations of this world that all people are granted peace and dignity, justice and freedom. Guide all in authority, and protect all who work for peace, that here and everywhere praise and thanks come before Your gracious throne.

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 Christ Jesus, our Lord.

**People:** To You be glory in the Church throughout all generations, forever and ever. 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.**

## **Departing Hymn - Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer**

(LBW #343, please remain standing)

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| 1. Guide me ever, great Redeemer,<br>pilgrim through this barren land.<br>I am weak, but you are mighty;<br>hold me with your pow'rful hand.<br>Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,<br>feed me now and evermore,<br>feed me now and evermore.          | 2. Open now the crystal fountain<br>where the healing waters flow;<br>let the fire and cloudy pillar<br>lead me all my journey through.<br>Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer,<br>shield me with your mighty arm,<br>shield me with your mighty arm. |
| 3. When I tread the verge of Jordan,<br>bid my anxious fears subside;<br>death of death and hell's destruction,<br>land me safe on Canaan's side.<br>Songs and praises, songs and praises,<br>I will raise forevermore,<br>I will raise forevermore. |  |

Text: William Williams, 1717-1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722-1796, alt.

## Serving The Lord With Gladness

<b>Pastor:</b>	<b>Ricky Adams</b>
<b>Organist:</b>	<b>Janet Reese</b>
<b>Coffee Hour:</b>	<b>Nancy Adams</b>
<b>Counter:</b>	<b>Rick Kenney and Vicki McGowan</b>
<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>Jerry Locey</b>

### Activities This Week:

<b>Sunday – July 22</b>	<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Service of the Word</b>
<b>Tuesday – July 24</b>	9:30-12:30pm	Stage Door (PH)
<b>Wednesday – July 25</b>	6pm	Stage Door (PH)
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9:30-11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>German Story Time</b>
<b>Saturday – July 28</b>	8:30-9:30am 9:30a-12:30pm	Pilates (PH) Stage Door (PH)
<b>Sunday – July 29</b>	<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Service of the Word And Sacrament</b>

**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.

**Today - Annelisse Quitevis**

**Creekside Fridays** - Creekside Fridays are on Fridays at the Brown Cabin across the street. Peace Lutheran Church has its own table so come join us on Fridays until August 10, beginning at 6:00 p.m. On August 3, the band will be 'Lumanation'. 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](mailto: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 29, 2018 – August 4, 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 30**

Psalm 111  
Genesis 18:1-15  
Philippians 4:10-20

### **Tuesday – July 31**

Psalm 111  
Exodus 24:1-11  
Romans 15:22-33

### **Wednesday – August 1**

Psalm 111  
Isaiah 25:6-10a  
Mark 6:35-44

### **Thursday – August 2**

Psalm 78:23-29  
Exodus 12:33-42  
Colossians 1:9-14

**Friday – August 3**

Psalm 78:23-29

Exodus 12:43-13:2

1 Corinthians 11:27-34

**Saturday – August 4**

Psalm 78:23-29

Exodus 13:3-10

Matthew 16:5-12

**Scripture Readings For Next Sunday****Pentecost 11****Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15****Psalm 78:23-29****Ephesians 4:1-16****John 6:24-35****Commemorations**

**July 29 - Mary, Martha, and Lazarus of Bethany:** Friends of Jesus, Mary and Martha are remembered for the hospitality of their home that they offered him—Martha focused on serving their guest, and Mary on listening to him. Their brother Lazarus was raised from the dead as a sign of the greater resurrection to come. Copyright © 2018 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License #SAS009220.

**July 30 – Robert Barnes, Confessor and Martyr:** Robert Barnes was an Englishman and by conviction a Lutheran. He was born in 1495 in Norfolk and educated at Cambridge. In 1525, he preached a homily that historians regard as the first Reformation message publicly proclaimed from a pulpit in England. He was detained for this and charged with teaching heresy. Traditionalist forces in England that opposed Barnes's avowed Lutheran teaching and preaching resulted in Barnes being imprisoned and finally burned at the stake on July 30, 1540. Weedon, William. Celebrating the Saints. Concordia Publishing House. Kindle Edition.

**July 31 – Joseph Of Arimathea:** Joseph of Arimathea is mentioned by all of the evangelists: Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. He hailed from a small village called Arimathea in the Judean hills. An honored member of the Jewish Sanhedrin, he was wealthy and had for himself a tomb already prepared. He bravely came forward to Pilate and asked for permission to take the Savior's body to bury it in his own new tomb. Weedon, William. Celebrating the Saints. Concordia Publishing House. Kindle Edition.

**August 3 - Joanna, Mary, and Salome, Myrrhbearers:** Mary Magdalene and the three women commemorated today. Joanna was a wife of the steward of Herod's household. Mary was the mother of James. Salome was the mother of Zebedee's children, James and John. On the Sunday after Good Friday, these women made their way to Jesus's tomb to tend to Jesus' body only to discover he had risen from the dead. Weedon, William. Celebrating the Saints. Concordia Publishing House. Kindle Edition.