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5th Sunday After Pentecost

"I Will Give You Rest"

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

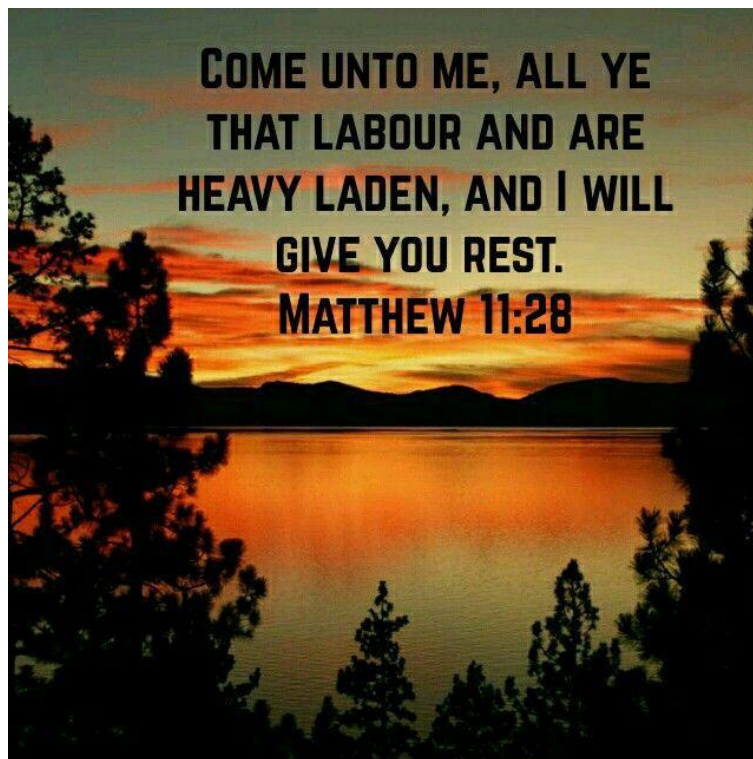
Pastor: The crowds and religious leaders rejected John and Jesus because they did not conform to their regulations and expectations. The pressure put on them by the Pharisees was like the yoke that joined two oxen pulling a heavy load. But Jesus, who offered to take the yokes of the weary upon Himself in exchange for His light and easy yoke, extended the invitation for deep rest. Will you accept Jesus' personal invitation and come to Him today?

Opening Prayer

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty God in Heaven, we stand in awe of Your wonderful power displayed in all Creation. We offer thanks to You and worship You alone. Be near us today, O Lord. We invite You to lead us, awaken us, and do Your Holy Spirit's transformative work in us today. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit we pray,

People: **Amen.**

Song – Eternal Father Strong To Save



We Are Renewed In God's Grace

Pastor: God of grace, mercy, and forgiveness, our sins are too heavy for us to bear. The burdens we carry are too much for us. We are yoked to sin and must repent of our ways. We repent of what our hearts can no longer bear. We have wronged You in so many ways, and we are sorry. Forgive us, Lord.

Time of silence

Pastor: Hear the Good News! God forgives us and set us free from the pasts we can no longer change. Grant us grace to walk into a future with You that where we are new. It's through Jesus Christ that we no longer carry this burden of sin. We take up the easy yoke of Jesus and His burden and accept His forgiveness, rest, and peace. In Jesus' name we pray,

People: **Amen.**

God Speaks Through His Word

Epistle Reading - Romans 7:14-25a

Life captive to sin is a catch-22 existence in which we know good but do not do it and do things we know to be wrong. Through Jesus Christ, God has set us free from such a futile existence.

Pastor: ¹⁴For we know that the law is spiritual; but I am of the flesh, sold into slavery under sin. ¹⁵I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. ²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ²¹So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, ²³but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? ^{25a}Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! This is God's Word

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Reading - Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Jesus chides people who find fault with both his ministry and that of John the Baptist. He thanks God that wisdom and intelligence are not needed to receive what God has to offer.

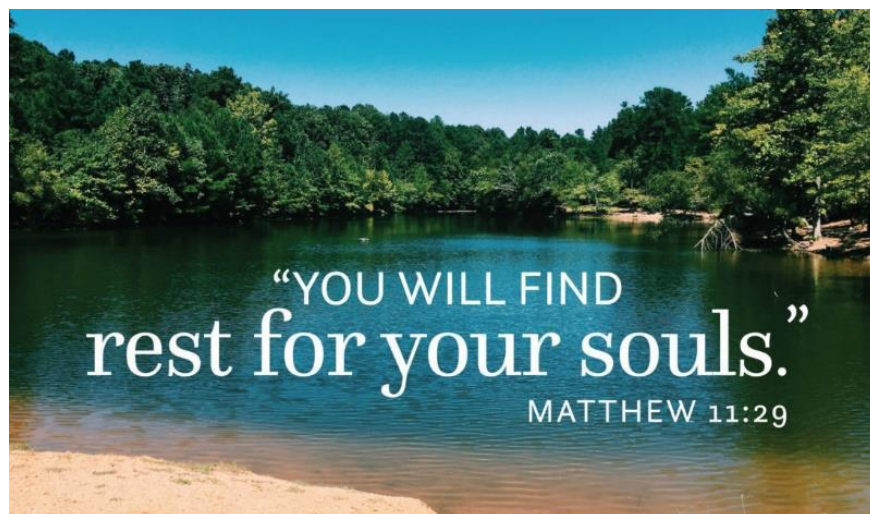
Pastor: [Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] ¹⁶“To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, ¹⁷‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’ ¹⁸For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; ¹⁹the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.” ²⁵At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.” This is the Gospel of our Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Message Song – Chief Of Sinners Though I Be

Message

"I Will Give You Rest"
Romans 7:14-25a



We Bring Our Praises, Prayers And Gifts

Song – God Of Our Fathers

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.

The Prayers

Pastor: Let us pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ and everyone in their circumstances. Silent Prayer - Zechariah promised that the coming One would "speak peace to the nations." Lord over all, move the leaders of the world's nations to seek and find common ground so that peace breaks out across borders and displaced persons are able to return to their homes. Protect and guide armed forces deployed abroad and all who keep the peace within their nations and communities. We bring our petition to You, gracious Lord,

People: **and there find rest for our souls.**

Pastor: The psalm proclaims that "Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom," O God, but we also give You thanks for this temporal nation and the blessings You have so graciously bestowed on us through it. Here we have found prosperity and peace; here we may respond to Your love and offer You our thanks and praise. In Your mercy, continue to use the powers that be in this world to give us the freedom we enjoy. We bring our petition to You, gracious Lord,

People: **and there find rest for our souls.**

Pastor: David looked for the day when "one generation shall commend Your works to another, and shall declare Your mighty acts." Guide, protect, and direct the Church's leaders, heavenly Father, so that many people hear of Your ancient promises, the deliverance of Your people from Egypt, Your Son's entry into history as one of us, and His sacrifice for our sins and victorious resurrection, opening heaven to all who call on You in faith. We bring our petition to You, gracious Lord,

People: **and there find rest for our souls.**

Pastor: Paul confessed, "I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate." O Holy Spirit, hear the cries of those trapped in their various addictions, burdened with criminal records, and mired in societies of fear and terror. Surround them with faith-based organizations and compassionate counselors so that they find strength and opportunity to turn their lives around, praising You for gracious deliverance. We bring our petition to You, gracious Lord,
People: **and there find rest for our souls.**

Additional Petitions

Pastor: We bring our petition to You, gracious Lord,
People: **and there find rest for our souls.**

Pastor: Jesus invited, "Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Listen to the prayers of those near and dear to us with problems of health or finances or mourning loved ones or failed relationships. Use medical professionals, trained advisers, and loving neighbors, so that they look forward to the blessings You have in mind for them in Your wisdom and mercy. We bring our petition to You, gracious Lord,
People: **and there find rest for our souls.**

Pastor: Into Your hands we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
People: **Amen.**

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: Now may the God of peace who brought Jesus up from the dead equip you with everything good that you may do His will. Glory to God in the highest! Amen. ... Stay well – stay healthy-practice social distancing and shelter in place, Wear your mask and most importantly know that you are loved by God, always. ... May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. May the Lord look on you with His favor and grant you His everlasting peace.
People: **Amen**

Announcements

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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Birthdays – Blessings to those celebrating birthdays this week.

July 1 - Brian Miller
July 1 - Nancy deVillers
July 2 - Beth Huber
July 8 - Deborah Stephenson

Anniversaries – Blessings to those celebrating anniversaries this week.

July 8 - Kirk & Annelisse Quitevis

Worship Services – Until further notice, all worship services will be streamed at:

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(available beginning 7:00 a.m. Sunday Morning)

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Just go to the front page, scroll to the bottom, and click on the video. It is that easy!

Portals Of Prayers – The new Portals of Prayers Devotional books are available in the entryway. Email me at **pastor@plcmarin.org** and I will unlock the side door for you.

Communion – If you would like Communion, you can set a time with me at the church. Feel free to call me at 510-909-6798. It will take 15-20 minutes. It will be very sanitized and healthy. As of now, evenings (after 4:00 p.m.) and weekends are available.

Weekly Devotional Helps

July 5 – July 11, 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 – July 6

Psalm 131
Jeremiah 27:1-11, 16-22
Romans 1:18-25

Tuesday – July 7

Psalm 131
Jeremiah 28:10-17
Romans 3:1-8

Wednesday – July 8

Psalm 131
Jeremiah 13:1-11
John 13:1-17

Thursday – July 9

Psalm 65: 9-13
Isaiah 48:1-5
Romans 2:12-16

Friday – July 10

Psalm 65: 9-13
Isaiah 48:6-11
Romans 15:14-21

Saturday – June 11

Psalm 65: 9-13
Isaiah 52:1-6
John 12:44-50

Scripture Readings For Next Sunday

Pentecost 6

Isaiah 55:10-13

Psalm 65: 9-13

Romans 8:1-11

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Commemorations

July 6 - Jan Hus, martyr, died 1415: Hus was a Bohemian (present-day Czech Republic) priest who spoke against abuses in the church, and was seen by Martin Luther as his predecessor in the reforming movement. He was found guilty of heresy by a council of the church, and burned at the stake.

July 11 - Benedict of Nursia, Abbot of Monte Cassino, died around 540: Benedict is known as the father of the Western monastic movement. Educated in Rome, he went to live as a hermit, and eventually gathered a community of monks around him. He wrote a rule for living in monasteries that is used by Benedictines and adapted by others.

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