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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!

# Fourth Sunday After Pentecost July 7, 2019

#### Introduction

We reflect upon our status as children of God. God has made us His children by Baptism as He placed His trinitarian name upon us. Being adopted as God's children is excellent news because our heavenly Father cares for us. Yet, sometimes we lose our way as God's children. We struggle with sin and sin's ultimate consequence: death. Yet God has shown His extraordinary care for us in sending His Son, Jesus, to deal with sin and death for us. God provides for us now and into the everlasting future because He cares for us. Thank you for worshipping at Peace Lutheran Church today!

**Prayer Before Worship -** O God of cleansing waters, center our hearts on healing. Messenger of peace, instruct us in your ways. Spirit of gentleness, make of us a new creation. Amen. - By Hans Holznagel, Ministry Matters Website

Pre-Service Music (A time for reflection)

**Ringing Of The Bell** 

Welcome

### Opening Sentences (Please stand)

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

People: Amen.

Pastor: With those very words, we became God's children;

People: He placed His name on us in Baptism.

Pastor: God cares for all of His children; **People:** we rejoice in His provision.

Pastor: He has given us food and drink, house and home;

People: He has given us clothing and shoes, spouse and children.

Pastor: He has given us land, animals, and all that we have;

People: He gives us all we need to support this body and life.

Pastor: Come and see what the Lord has done!

People: His works for His children are awesome and glorious.

### Opening Song - All Who Believe and Are Baptized (LBW #194, please remain standing)

- 1 All who believe and are baptized shall see the Lord's salvation; baptized into the death of Christ, they are a new creation; through Christ's redemption they will stand among the glorious heav'nly band of ev'ry tribe and nation.
- With one accord, O God, we pray, grant us your Holy Spirit; help us in our infirmity through Jesus' blood and merit; grant us to grow in grace each day by holy baptism, that we may eternal life inherit.

Text: Thomas H. Kingo, 1634-1703; tr. George T. Rygh, 1860-1943, alt.

#### Psalm - Psalm 66:1-9 (Please remain standing)

Pastor: Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

People: sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!

Pastor: Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! So great is your power

that your enemies come cringing to you.

People: All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing

praises to your name."

Pastor: Come and see what God has done: he is awesome in his deeds

toward the children of man.

People: He turned the sea into dry land; they passed through the river

on foot. There did we rejoice in him,

Pastor: who rules by his might forever, whose eyes keep watch on the

nations—let not the rebellious exalt themselves.

People: Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of his praise be heard,

Pastor: who has kept our soul among the living and has not let our feet slip.

We greet each other with the Peace of the Lord

## **Song Of Praise –** For the Fruit of All Creation (Tune: LBW #281, please be seated)

1 For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God. For his gifts to ev'ry nation, thanks be to God. For the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping, future needs in earth's safekeeping, thanks be to God.

2 In the just reward of labor, God's will is done. In the help we give our neighbor, God's will is done. In our worldwide task of caring for the hungry and despairing, in the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.

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3 For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God. For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God. For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us, most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

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## First Reading - 2 Kings 5:1-14 (Please remain seated)

Naaman, a Syrian general, suffers from leprosy. In this passage Elisha miraculously cures his illness, but only after Naaman realizes, with the help of his servants, that his real problem lies in his pride.

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master and in high favor, because by him the LORD had given victory to Syria. He was a mighty man of valor, but he was a leper. <sup>2</sup> Now the Syrians on one of their raids had carried off a little girl from the land of Israel, and she worked in the service of Naaman's wife. 3 She said to her mistress, "Would that my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." 4 So Naaman went in and told his lord, "Thus and so spoke the girl from the land of Israel." 5 And the king of Syria said, "Go now, and I will send a letter to the king of Israel." So he went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten changes of clothing. <sup>6</sup> And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you Naaman my servant, that you may cure him of his leprosy." <sup>7</sup> And when the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Only consider, and see how he is seeking a guarrel with me." 8 But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent to the king, saying, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come now to me, that he may know that there is a prophet in Israel." 9 So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and stood at the door of Elisha's house. 10 And Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." <sup>11</sup> But Naaman was angry and went away, saying, "Behold, I thought that he would surely come out to me and stand and call upon the name of the LORD his God, and wave his hand over the place and cure the leper. <sup>12</sup> Are not Abana and Pharpar,

the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" So he turned and went away in a rage.<sup>13</sup> But his servants came near and said to him, "My father, it is a great word the prophet has spoken to you; will you not do it? Has he actually said to you, 'Wash, and be clean'?" <sup>14</sup> So he went down and dipped himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God, and his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.

# Second Reading - Galatians 6:1-16 (Please remain seated)

In the close of his letter to the Galatians, Paul encourages them to live as people made right with God through faith in Jesus Christ. Here Paul offers practical advice about how believers exercise common concern for one other in "the family of faith."

Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. <sup>2</sup> Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. <sup>3</sup> For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. 4 But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. 5 For each will have to bear his own load. 6 Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches. 7 Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. 8 For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. 9 And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. 10 So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith. <sup>11</sup> See with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. 12 It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh who would force you to be circumcised, and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. 13 For even those who are circumcised do not themselves keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may boast in your flesh. <sup>14</sup> But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. 15 For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. <sup>16</sup> And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.

## Gospel - Luke 10:1-11, 16-20 (Please remain seated)

Jesus commissions harvesters and laborers to go where he would go and do what he would do. Risking hardship and danger in exchange for the experience of great joy, they offer peace and healing as signs that the reign of God is near.

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. <sup>2</sup> And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. <sup>3</sup> Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. 4 Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. 5 Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!' And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house.8 Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. 9 Heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' 10 But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say, 11 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.' 16 "The one who hears you hears me, and the one who rejects you rejects me, and the one who rejects me rejects him who sent me." . . . <sup>17</sup> The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" 18 And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. <sup>19</sup> Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. <sup>20</sup> Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

# Song Of The Day - In Christ Called to Baptize (Tune: LBW #526. Please remain seated)

In Christ called to baptize, we witness to grace and gather a people from each land and race. In deep, flowing waters, we share in Christ's death, then, rising to new life, give thanks with each breath.

- In Christ called to banquet, one table we share, a haven of welcome, a circle of care.
   Although we are many, we share in one bread.
   One cup of thanksgiving proclaims Christ, our head.
- 3 In Christ called to witness, by grace we will preach the life-giving gospel; God's love we will teach. By grace may our living give proof to our praise in costly compassion reflecting Christ's ways.
- 4 Unite us, anoint us, O Spirit of love, for you are within us, around us, above. Equip us for service with gifts you bestow. In Christ is our calling. In Christ may we grow.

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## Message

The Fruit Of The Spirit - Expanded Galatians 6:1-16

### Song Of Response - Children of the Heavenly Father

(LBW #474, please remain seated)

- 1 Children of the heav'nly Father safely in his bosom gather; nestling bird nor star in heaven such a refuge e'er was given.
- 2 God his own doth tend and nourish, in his holy courts they flourish. From all evil things he spares them, in his mighty arms he bears them.
- 3 Neither life nor death shall ever from the Lord his children sever; unto them his grace he showeth, and their sorrows all he knoweth.
- 4 Though he giveth or he taketh, God his children ne'er forsaketh; his the loving purpose solely to preserve them pure and holy.

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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 Christian 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 whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all

people according to their needs. – Silence for prayers - Dear heavenly Father, send out messengers and missionaries to every corner of the earth, that people from every tribe, nation, and language would hear the saving message of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Lord, help Your Church throughout the whole world to bear one

another's burdens. Humble those who need humbling and strengthen those who need strengthening. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Lord, walk with all those who are grieving in the shadow of death.

Comfort them with the hope of the resurrection to eternal life. Lord,

in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Lord, we rejoice in many things in this world. Thank You for providing

so many blessings and reasons for us to rejoice. Help us not to lose sight of our main reason for rejoicing: we are Your children, and our

names are written in heaven. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Lord, look with favor upon all children, especially those who are

orphans and in foster care. Lead them all to families that will love them and care for them as You love and care for all Your children.

Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Look, look with favor upon all who are sick, injured, and recovering.

Have mercy upon them and heal them according to Your will. Lord,

in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Lord, extend Your peace upon the whole earth, that the nations and

kingdoms of the world stop their warring madness and live together

under You in peace and righteousness. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

**Additional Prayers** 

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy, **People: hear our prayer.** 

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

in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

### The Lord's Prayer (We pray 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.

#### The Prayer For Peace (Please remain standing)

Pastor: Let us pray. . . O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good

counsels, and all just works,

People: 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;

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with

You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

#### **Benediction** (Please remain standing)

Pastor: Go out into the world in peace; have courage; hold to what is good;

return no one evil for evil; strengthen the faint-hearted; support the weak; help the suffering; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. And may God, the Father,

the Son and the Holy Spirit Bless each of you.

People: Amen

## **Dismissal** (Please remain standing)

Pastor: Go in peace. Live in love as Christ loved us.

People: Thanks be to God.

### Closing Song - We All Are One in Mission (Tune: LBW #389. Please remain standing)

- 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.
- 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.

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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**

#### Recessional

# **Serving The Lord With Gladness**

Pastor: Ricky Adams
Pianist: Janet Reese
Coffee: Vicki McGowan

Counter: Jim Sides

Ushers: Don and Beverly Erbel

Lay Reader: Janet Reese

#### **Activities This Week:**

Sunday – July 7	9:30 am	Service of the Word
Tuesday – July 9	9:30am -12: 30 pm 10:30 a.m. 5:30-6:30 p.m. 6:30-8:30 p.m. 6:30-8:30 p.m.	Stage Door (PH) Brown Bag (LL) Nancy Feehan (N) Nancy Feehan (LL) Women Bible Class (PH)
Wednesday – July 10	6:00 pm	Stage Door (PH)
Friday – July 12	6:00-8:00 pm	Creekside Fridays
Saturday – July 13	8:30-9:30am 9:30a-12:30pm	Pilates (PH) Stage Door (PH)
Sunday – July 14	9:30 am	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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**Happy Birthday –** Blessings to those celebrating birthdays this week:

Monday - Deborah Stephenson

**Happy Anniversary –** Blessings to those celebrating anniversaries this week:

Monday - Kirk & Annelisse Quitevis Friday - Ted & Janice Hellman

Flowers - Flowers today are given to the glory of God

**Servers** – Every Sunday there are several people that help serve during the worship service and coffee hour. Peace Lutheran needs your help. We need people to prepare Coffee hour and serve during that time. We need Ushers. We need lay readers who read the second lesson during worship. Please consider these needs and sign up to serve in the way you choose. Thank you.

**Creekside Friday –** Creekside Fridays begins this Friday at 6:00 at the Brown Cabin. Peace Lutheran has their own table. The band this week is VibraSON.

**Fireside Brown Bag** – Remember Brown Bag Dinners on Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. Hope to see you there!

**Women's Bible Class –** Women's Bible Class meets Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in Peace Hall. Please come join us!

**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

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# Weekly Devotional Helps July 7, 2019 – July 13, 2019

#### **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 8

Psalm 119:73-80 Jeremiah 6:10-19

Acts 19:21-27

Wednesday - July 3

Psalm 119:73-80 Joshua 23:1-16 Luke 10:13-16 Tuesday - July 9

Psalm 119:73-80 Jeremiah 8:4-13 Acts 19:28-41

Thursday - July 4

Psalm 25:1-10 Genesis 41:14-36 James 2:14-26 Friday – July 10
Psalm 25:1-10
Genesis 41:37-49

Acts 7:9-16

Saturday – July 11

Psalm 25:1-10 Leviticus 19:1-4, 32-37 John 3:16-21

# **Scripture Readings For Next Sunday**

# **5th Sunday After Pentecost**

Deuteronomy 30:9-14 Psalm 25:1-10 Colossians 1:1-14 Luke 10:25-37

#### **Commemorations**

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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