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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!

Third Sunday After Pentecost June 30, 2019

Introduction

We have no good apart from God. That makes our Lord's call to follow him an invitation to freedom. This is freedom to revel in the Spirit's fruits: love, joy, peace, patience, and the like. This is the path of life. Thank you for worshipping at Peace Lutheran Church today!

Prayer Before Worship - Holy One, we come before you today: full of hope, full of desire, full of promise. Help us take up the mantle of faith you have laid before us, that we may use our own gifts of the Spirit to face the challenges before us. Help us face the turmoil within and around us, that we may face the future unafraid. Show us your way, your truth, and your life. Amen. - Sara Dunning Lambert, 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: God makes known to us the path of life;

People: in His presence, there is fullness of joy.

Pastor: My heart is glad;

People: my whole being rejoices.

Pastor: For freedom, Christ has set us free.

People: So we stand firm, using our freedom to love one another.

Opening Song - Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (LBW #315, please remain standing)

- 1 Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heav'n, to earth come down! Fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation, enter ev'ry trembling heart.
- 2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy loving Spirit into ev'ry troubled breast; let us all in thee inherit; let us find thy promised rest. Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be; end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.
- 3 Come, Almighty, to deliver; let us all thy life receive; suddenly return, and never, nevermore thy temples leave.
 Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.
- 4 Finish then thy new creation, pure and spotless let us be; let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee!
 Changed from glory into glory, till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

Psalm – Psalm 16 (Please remain standing)

Pastor: Protect me, O God; I trust in you for safety.

People: I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord; all the good things I have

come from you."

Pastor: How excellent are the LORD's faithful people! My greatest pleasure is

to be with them.

People: Those who rush to other gods bring many troubles on

themselves. I will not take part in their sacrifices; I will not

worship their gods.

Pastor: You, LORD, are all I have, and you give me all I need; my future is in

your hands.

People: How wonderful are your gifts to me; how good they are!

Pastor: I praise the LORD, because he guides me, and in the night my

conscience warns me.

People: I am always aware of the Lord's presence; he is near, and

nothing can shake me.

Pastor: And so I am thankful and glad, and I feel completely secure,

People: because you protect me from the power of death. I have served

you faithfully, and you will not abandon me to the world of the

dead.

Pastor: You will show me the path that leads to life; your presence fills me

with joy and brings me pleasure forever.

We greet each other with the Peace of the Lord

Song Of Praise - By Grace We Have Been Saved (WP #25, please be seated)



Text: Rusty Edwards, stanzas; Frederick Whitfield, refrain. Music: OH, HOW I LOVE JESUS. North American traditional. Text © 1997 Selah Publishing Company., Inc. All rights reserved.

First Reading - 1 Kings 19:9b-21 (Please remain seated)

In the story preceding today's reading, the prophet Elijah flees for his life to the security of God's mountain. There the Lord reveals to Elijah that there are still other faithful people in Israel and commissions him to anoint new leaders, including his own successor, Elisha.

And behold, the word of the LORD came to him, and he said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁰ He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of

hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." 11 And he said, "Go out and stand on the mount before the LORD." And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. 12 And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. ¹³ And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" 14 He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." 15 And the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. 16 And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. 17 And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. ¹⁸ Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him." 19 So he departed from there and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen in front of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and cast his cloak upon him. ²⁰ And he left the oxen and ran after Elijah and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." And he said to him, "Go back again, for what have I done to you?" ²¹ And he returned from following him and took the yoke of oxen and sacrificed them and boiled their flesh with the vokes of the oxen and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and went after Elijah and assisted him.

Second Reading - Galatians 5:1, 13-25 (Please remain seated)

For Paul, the freedom Christ gives is not permission to do whatever we want. It is the invitation to be what we could not be otherwise. The power and guidance of Christ's Holy Spirit produce a different kind of life, one marked by the fruit of this Holy Spirit.

For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. . . . ¹³ For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one

another. ¹⁴ For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁵ But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another. ¹⁶ But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷ For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. ¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, ²¹ envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. ²⁴ And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit.

Gospel - Luke 9:51-62 (Please remain seated)

Jesus is unwavering in his commitment to his mission in Jerusalem and will not be swayed by pettiness. In a series of striking cases in point, he calls his disciples to a similar single-mindedness.

⁵¹ When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵² And he sent messengers ahead of him, who went and entered a village of the Samaritans, to make preparations for him. ⁵³ But the people did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴ And when his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to tell fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" ⁵⁵ But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶ And they went on to another village. ⁵⁷ As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." ⁵⁸ And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." ⁵⁹ To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, let me first go and bury my father." ⁶⁰ And Jesus said to him, "Leave the dead to bury their own dead. But as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." ⁶¹ Yet another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home." ⁶² Jesus said to him, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

Song Of The Day - O God of Love, O King of Peace

(Tune: LBW #230. Please remain seated)

- O God of love, O King of peace, make wars throughout the world to cease; our greed and sinful wrath restrain. Give peace, O God, give peace again.
- 2 Remember, Lord, your works of old, the wonders that our elders told; remember not our sins' dark stain. Give peace, O God, give peace again.
- Whom shall we trust but you, O Lord? Where rest but on your faithful Word? None ever called on you in vain. Give peace, O God, give peace again.
- 4 Where saints and angels dwell above all hearts are knit in holy love; oh, bind us in that heav'nly chain. Give peace, O God, give peace again.

Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821-1877

Message

Works Of The Flesh Fruit Of The Spirit Galatians 5:13-25

Song Of Response - Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

(LBW #423, please remain seated)

1 Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need, who upon the cross, forsaken, worked your mercy's perfect deed: we, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart; consecrating to your purpose ev'ry gift which you impart.

- 2 Still your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread; still the captives long for freedom; still in grief we mourn our dead. As you, Lord, in deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul, by your Spirit send your power to our world to make it whole.
- 3 As we worship, grant us vision, till your love's revealing light in its height and depth and greatness dawns upon our quickened sight, making known the needs and burdens your compassion bids us bear, stirring us to ardent service, your abundant life to share.

Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901-1984. Text © 1961 Oxford University Press.

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: Joining our voices with God's people around the world, let us offer

our prayers for those in need. – Silent prayer - For all followers of Christ; for the church and its ministers; and for the mission of the

gospel, that all will know the gifts of the Holy Spirit, let us pray.

People: Have mercy, O God.

Pastor: For the wilderness and deserts; for the rain forests and tundra; for

native lands and farmland; and for all who tend the land, that God's

mighty work be seen in all creation, let us pray.

People: Have mercy, O God.

Pastor: For those who govern in Canada and the United States: for those

responsible for peace among people and nations; and for those who strive for freedom, that all are guided by Christ's commandment to

love our neighbors as ourselves, let us pray.

People: Have mercy, O God.

Pastor: For refugees in need of protection; for the homeless in need of

shelter; for those who work in the summer's heat; for those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit (especially), that God provide compassionate advocates and skilled medical professionals to aid

them, let us pray.

People: Have mercy, O God.

Pastor: For those who travel this summer; for those celebrating significant

events in their lives; and for this community of faith, that the love of

Christ be present in our joy and pleasure, let us pray.

People: Have mercy, O God.

Additional prayers:

Pastor: let us pray.

People: Have mercy, O God.

Pastor: In thanksgiving for those who now rest in the hope of the

resurrection, that with them we receive assurance that God does not

abandon us in any time or place, let us pray.

People: Have mercy, O God.

Pastor: Merciful God, you hear the prayers of your people even before they

are spoken. We commend these and all our prayers to you, trusting in your abundant mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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 - Eternal Father, Strong to Save (LBW #467. Please remain standing)

- 1 Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm has bound the restless wave, who bade the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep: oh, hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.
- 2 O Savior, whose almighty word the winds and waves submissive heard, who walked upon the foaming deep, and calm amid the storm didst sleep: oh, hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.
- 3 O Holy Spirit, who didst brood upon the chaos dark and rude, and bid its angry tumult cease, and give, for wild confusion, peace: oh, hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.
- 4 O Trinity of love and pow'r, all trav'lers guard in danger's hour from rock and tempest, fire and foe, protect them wheresoe'er they go; thus evermore shall rise to thee glad hymns and praise from land and sea.

Text: William Whiting, 1825-1878, alt.

Serving The Lord With Gladness

Pastor: Ricky Adams
Pianist: Janet Reese

Coffee: Elizabeth and Eric Risberg

Counter: Beverly Erbel
Ushers: Mary Ann Griller
Lay Reader: Rick Kenney

Activities This Week:

Sunday – June 30	9:30 am	Service of the Word
Tuesday – July 2	9:30-12: 30 pm	Stage Door (PH)
Wednesday – July 3	6:00 pm	Stage Door (PH)
Friday – July 5	9:30 – 11:00 am 6:00-8:00 pm	German Story Time (N) Creekside Fridays
Saturday – July 6	8:30-9:30am 9:30a-12:30pm	Pilates (PH) Stage Door (PH)
Sunday – July 7	9:30 am	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.

Office Phone – (415) 388-2065 Home Phone – (415) 388-7190 Email – pastor@plcmarin.org **Happy Birthday** – Blessings to those celebrating birthdays this week:

Monday - Brian Miller Nancy deVillers Tuesday - Beth Huber Saturday - Gene Overway

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.

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

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Weekly Devotional Helps June 30, 2019 – July 6, 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 1

Psalm 140 Genesis 24:34-41; 50-67 1 John 2:7-11

Wednesday - July 3

Psalm 140 Jeremiah 23:16-22 Matthew 10:16-25

Tuesday - July 2

Psalm 140 Jeremiah 3:15-18 Ephesians 5:6-20

Thursday - July 4

Psalm 66:1-9 2 Kings 21:1-15 Romans 7:14-25 Friday – July 5
Psalm 66:1-9
Jeremiah 51:47-58
2 Corinthians 8:1-7

Saturday – July 6 Psalm 66:1-9 Zechariah 14:10-21 Luke 9:1-6

Scripture Readings For Next Sunday

4th Sunday After Pentecost

Isaiah 66:10-14 Psalm 66:1-9 Galatians 6: 1-16 Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

Commemorations

July 1 - Catherine Winkworth, died 1878; John Mason Neale, died 1866; hymn translators: Neale was an English priest who specialized in the translation of Latin and Greek hymns into English. Winkworth lived in Manchester, England, and devoted herself to translating German hymns. Almost all English-speaking hymnals include many of their translations.

July 3 - Thomas, Apostle: Though frequently remembered as "doubting Thomas," this apostle also demonstrated a willingness to suffer and die with Jesus (John 11:16), and finally claimed the risen Christ as "my Lord and my God!" By tradition, he later worked as a missionary in India. Long commemorated on December 21, Thomas's celebration is moved to July 3 in agreement with ecumenical calendars.

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.

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