



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!

All Saints' Sunday

November 3, 2019

Introduction

In holy baptism God makes saints out of sinners. In holy communion God forgives the sins of all the saints. In the assembly today we give thanks for all the saints “who from their labors rest,” who have fought the good fight, who have gained the crown. In the same breath we petition our God for the strength to hear and to heed the admonitions of the Lord Jesus in today’s gospel. Recalling that we have been sealed by the Spirit and sustained by the Savior’s body and blood, we keep on keeping on as God gives us breath, to the praise of God’s glory.

Thank you for worshipping at Peace Lutheran Church today!

Prayer Before Worship - O Living God of past and future, we praise you for this present moment. Fill us with your joy and empower us with your Holy Spirit, that our strength may be renewed to sing a new song of your glory in a world which longs for your justice and peace. All this we ask in the name of Jesus, in whom we become your new creation. - from *All Things New*, written by Rev. Susan A. Blain and Rev. Scott Ressman. Posted on the **United Church of Christ** website.

Pre-Service Music (A time for reflection)

Ringling Of The Bell

Welcome

Opening Sentences (Please stand)

Pastor: Jesus came to seek and to save the lost.

People: **We gather in gratitude to God that we have been sought and saved.**

Pastor: Lord, let our faith grow abundantly,

People: **and let our love for one another increase.**

Pastor: Jesus is present with us in this place today.

People: Let us receive Him joyfully.

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

People: Amen.

Opening Song – For All The Saints (Stanzas 1-3, LBW #174. Please stand)

- 1 For all the saints who from their labors rest,
all who by faith before the world confessed,
your name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 2 You were their rock, their fortress, and their might;
you, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
you, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 3 Oh, may your soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old
and win with them the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Psalm – Psalm 130 (Please remain standing)

Pastor: From the depths of my despair I call to you, LORD.

People: Hear my cry, O Lord; listen to my call for help!

Pastor: If you kept a record of our sins, who could escape being
condemned?

People: But you forgive us, so that we should stand in awe of you.

Pastor: I wait eagerly for the LORD's help, and in his word I trust.

**People: I wait for the Lord more eagerly than sentries wait for the
dawn—than sentries wait for the dawn.**

Pastor: Israel, trust in the LORD, because his love is constant and he is always willing to save.

People: **He will save his people Israel from all their sins.**

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

Response – For All The Saints (Stanzas 4-6, LBW #174. Please be seated)

- 4 Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine,
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one within your great design.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 5 And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
and hearts are brave again and arms are strong.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 6 The golden evening brightens in the west;
soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest;
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

First Reading – Revelation 7:9-17 (Please remain seated)

Christ is the shepherd who leads his faithful to springs of the water of life. Christ is also the lamb who vanquishes sin and suffering, in whose blood the saints have washed their robes and made them white.

⁹After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." ¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that

knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. ¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; ¹⁷for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Second Reading - 1 John 3:1-3 (Please remain seated)

God has loved us in order to make us children of God. Though we do not yet know the full details of our future existence, we trust that God will reveal it just as God revealed Jesus to take away our sins.

¹See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Gospel - Luke 19:1-10 (Please remain seated)

Jesus encounters Zacchaeus, a rich man who is also a lost sinner. Moved by Jesus’ acceptance of him, Zacchaeus becomes a model of discipleship. In immediate response to being restored to God’s people, Zacchaeus ministers to the poor and seeks reconciliation with those whom he has wronged.

¹[Jesus] entered Jericho and was passing through it. ²A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. ³He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. ⁴So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. ⁵When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, “Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today.” ⁶So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. ⁷All who saw it began to grumble and said, “He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner.” ⁸Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, “Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much.” ⁹Then Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost.”

Theme Song - Today Your Mercy Calls Us (LBW #304, please remain seated)

- 1 Today your mercy calls us
to wash away our sin.
However great our trespass,
whatever we have been,
however long from mercy
our hearts have turned away,
your precious blood can wash us
and make us clean today.
- 2 Today your gate is open,
and all who enter in
shall find a Father's welcome
and pardon for their sin.
The past shall be forgotten,
a present joy be giv'n,
a future grace be promised,
a glorious crown in heav'n.
- 3 Today our Father calls us;
his Holy Spirit waits;
his blessed angels gather
around the heav'nly gates.
No question will be asked us,
how often we have come;
although we oft have wandered,
it is our Father's home.
- 4 O all-embracing Mercy,
O ever-open Door,
what should we do without you
when heart and eye run o'er?
When all things seem against us,
to drive us to despair,
we know one gate is open,
one ear will hear our prayer.

Text: Oswald Allen, 1816-1878, alt.

Message

Revelation Luke 19:1-10

Song Of Response – What Wondrous Love Is This (LBW #385. Please remain seated)

- 1 What wondrous love is this,
O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this
that caused the Lord of bliss
to bear the dreadful curse
for my soul, for my soul,
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul?
- 2 When I was sinking down,
sinking down, sinking down,
when I was sinking down, sinking down,
when I was sinking down
beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside his crown
for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.
- 3 To God and to the Lamb
I will sing, I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb,
who is the great I AM,
while millions join the theme,
I will sing, I will sing,
while millions join the theme, I will sing.

- 4 And when from death I'm free,
I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;
and when from death I'm free,
I'll sing God's love for me,
and through eternity
I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
and through eternity I'll sing on.

Text: North American folk hymn, 19th cent., alt.

Sharing The Gifts Of God (Please remain seated while 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: As God's beloved children, invited by Jesus to come to Him without hindrance, let us pray for the Church, the world, and ourselves, trusting the mighty mercy of our Lord. God of mercy,
People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: For the Church, that the Lord deliver us from greed and instead turn our hearts toward generosity, showing love to one another and to the world and putting our time and talents into seeking the lost. God of mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: For this nation in which we live, in thanksgiving for the abundance of life and freedom that we enjoy. For elected officials, that all work for the common good and serve not themselves, but especially for those who are struggling. That this nation so divided along political lines would repent of our hatred of those who differ from us and, based on our one common humanity, work to resolve our differences with reason and kindness. God of mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: For those in need in our community—the sick, those facing surgery, those with terminal illness, that they receive mercy and healing according to God’s will, that their hearts be opened to receive the love of Christ, and that they find peace in the love of Jesus. God of mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: For this congregation, that, having received the mercy of Jesus, we find ways to bring God’s mercy to the people around us—family, co-workers, friends, and strangers alike. We pray especially for children in vulnerable situations—those not yet born, those experiencing family division, and those struggling with poverty. Show us the way to show these little ones mercy and open our arms to them as Jesus did. God of mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: In remembrance of and thanksgiving for all those who have gone before us in the faith, for the mercy they showed us, for the examples of faith they gave us, for the joy they brought to our lives, we give thanks. With them, rescue us from every evil and bring us safely into Your heavenly kingdom. God of mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Additional prayers:

Pastor: God of mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Let Your Holy Spirit breathe the prayers of our hearts that remain unspoken, and hear these spoken prayers in the mercy You show for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ. To God be the glory forever and ever.

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 - For All The Saints (Stanzas 7-8, LBW #174. Please be seated)

7 But then there breaks a yet more glorious day:
the saints triumphant rise in bright array;
the King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

8 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897, alt.

Announcements

Recessional

Serving The Lord With Gladness

Pastor:	Ricky Adams
Pianist:	Janet Reese
Altar Guild:	Vicki McGowan
Coffee:	Cynthia Smith
Counter:	Vicki McGowan
Usher:	Peter Pardini
Lay Reader:	Cynthia Smith

Activities This Week:

Sunday – November 3	9:30 am	Service of the Word
Tuesday – November 5	9:30am -12: 30 pm	Stage Door (PH)
Wednesday – November 6	2:45-6:15 pm 6:00 pm	Patricia Miner (S) Stage Door (PH)
Saturday – November 9	8:30-9:30am 9:30a-12:30pm	Pilates (PH) Stage Door (PH)
Sunday – November 0	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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Flowers – Flowers today are given to the glory of God.

Birthdays – Blessings to those celebrating birthdays this week!

Today – Don Erbel

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.

2020 Calendars - Please consider bringing in all the extra 2020 calendars you receive so we can give them to our friends at Fireside in December.

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

November 3 – November 9, 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 – November 4

Psalm 50
Nehemiah 13:1-3, 23-31
1 Corinthians 5:9-13

Tuesday – November 5

Psalm 50
Zechariah 7:1-14
Jude 5-21

Wednesday – November 6

Psalm 50
Amos 5:12-24
Luke 19:11-27

Thursday – November 7

Psalm 17:1-9
Deuteronomy 25:5-10
Acts 22:22-23:11

Friday – November 8

Psalm 17:1-9

Genesis 38:1-26

Acts 24:10-23

Saturday – November 9

Psalm 17:1-9

Exodus 3:13-20

Luke 20:1-8

Scripture Readings For Next Sunday

22nd Sunday After Pentecost

Job 19:23-27a

Psalm 17:1-9

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

Luke 20:27-38