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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 4, 2018

Introduction

This Sunday we observe the feast of All Saints' Day. The word "saint" is simply another word for "believer" or "follower of Jesus." All of those who gather to confess Jesus as Lord are indeed already saints. The Gospel for today is a section of the Sermon on the Mount known as the Beatitudes. Jesus begins this sermon by recounting the present reality of those who have faith: they are blessed. Even when it looks as though the faithful are the opposite of blessed, they are indeed blessed because theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Each one of you is blessed. Thank you for worshipping at Peace Lutheran Church today!

Prayer Before Worship – Gracious God of the living and the dead, on this day we remember all those who have entered Your eternal rest. May their lives serve as an encouragement for our lives. May the tribulations they overcame serve as an example for us. May the Sabbath rest you have given them guide us toward that time when you call us to our Sabbath rest. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

Pre-Service Music (A time for reflection)

Ringling Of The Bell

Welcome

Opening Sentences (Revelation 14:13; 7:14; Psalm 149:4; 1 John 3:1, please stand)

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

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Pastor: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.
People: **Blessed indeed, that they may rest from their labors.**

Pastor: They have washed their robes
People: **and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.**

Pastor: The Lord takes pleasure in His people;
People: **He adorns the humble with salvation.**

Pastor: See what kind of love the Father has given to us,
People: **that we should be called children of God.**

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Entrance Hymn - Shall We Gather At The River (ELW #423, please remain standing)



1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,
2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,
3 Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;
4 Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, soon our pil - grim - age will cease;



with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow - ing by the throne of God?
we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.
grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro - vide a robe and crown.
soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel - o - dy of peace.

Refrain



Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;



gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

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Psalm – Psalm 34:1-10, 22 (Please remain standing)

Pastor: I bless GOD every chance I get; my lungs expand with his praise.
People: **I live and breathe GOD; if things aren't going well, hear this and be happy:**

Pastor: Join me in spreading the news; together let's get the word out.

People: **GOD met me more than halfway, he freed me from my anxious fears.**

Pastor: Look at him; give him your warmest smile. Never hide your feelings from him.

People: **When I was desperate, I called out, and GOD got me out of a tight spot.**

Pastor: GOD's angel sets up a circle of protection around us while we pray.

People: **Open your mouth and taste, open your eyes and see—how good GOD is. Blessed are you who run to him.**

Pastor: Worship GOD if you want the best; worship opens doors to all his goodness.

People: **Young lions on the prowl get hungry, but GOD-seekers are full of GOD.**

Pastor: GOD pays for each slave's freedom; no one who runs to him loses out.

(We Greet each other with the Peace of the Lord)

Song Of Praise - Baptized In Water (ELW #456, please be seated)



1 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the
2 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the
3 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the



blood of Christ our king: heirs of sal - va - tion, trust-ing his
tomb with Christ our king: one with his ris - ing, freed and for -
sign of Christ our king: born of the Spir - it, we are God's



prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
giv - en, thank-ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

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First Reading – Revelation 7:2-17 (Please remain seated)

²⁻³ Then I saw another Angel rising from where the sun rose, carrying the seal of the Living God. He thundered to the Four Angels assigned the task of hurting earth and sea, “Don’t hurt the earth! Don’t hurt the sea! Don’t so much as hurt a tree until I’ve sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads!” ⁴⁻⁸ I heard the count of those who were sealed: 144,000! They were sealed out of every Tribe of Israel: 12,000 sealed from Judah, 12,000 from Reuben, 12,000 from Gad, 12,000 from Asher, 12,000 from Naphtali, 12,000 from Manasseh, 12,000 from Simeon, 12,000 from Levi, 12,000 from Issachar, 12,000 from Zebulun, 12,000 from Joseph, 12,000 sealed from Benjamin. ⁹⁻¹² I looked again. I saw a huge crowd, too huge to count. Everyone was there—all nations and tribes, all races and languages. And they were *standing*, dressed in white robes and waving palm branches, standing before the Throne and the Lamb and heartily singing: Salvation to our God on his Throne! Salvation to the Lamb! All who were standing around the Throne—Angels, Elders, Animals—fell on their faces before the Throne and worshiped God, singing: Oh, Yes! The blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving, The honor and power and strength, To our God forever and ever and ever! Oh, Yes! ¹³⁻¹⁴ Just then one of the Elders addressed me: “Who are these dressed in white robes, and where did they come from?” Taken aback, I said, “O Sir, I have no idea—but you must know.” ¹⁴⁻¹⁷ Then he told me, “These are those who come from the great tribulation, and they’ve washed their robes, scrubbed them clean in the blood of the Lamb. That’s why they’re standing before God’s Throne. They serve him day and night in his Temple. The One on the Throne will pitch his tent there for them: no more hunger, no more thirst, no more scorching heat. The Lamb on the Throne will shepherd them, will lead them to spring waters of Life. And God will wipe every last tear from their eyes.”


Second Reading – 1 John 1:1-4 (Please remain seated)

¹⁻² From the very first day, we were there, taking it all in—we heard it with our own ears, saw it with our own eyes, verified it with our own hands. The Word of Life appeared right before our eyes; we saw it happen! And now we’re telling you in most sober prose that what we witnessed was, incredibly, this: The infinite Life of God himself took shape before us. ³⁻⁴ We saw it, we heard it, and now we’re telling you so you can experience it along with us, this experience of communion with the Father and his Son, Jesus Christ. Our motive for writing is simply this: We want you to enjoy this, too. Your joy will double our joy!

Gospel Reading – Matthew 5:1-12 (Please remain seated)

¹⁻² When Jesus saw his ministry drawing huge crowds, he climbed a hillside. Those who were apprenticed to him, the committed, climbed with him. Arriving at a quiet place, he sat down and taught his climbing companions. This is what he said: ³ “You’re blessed when you’re at the end of your rope. With less of you there is more of God and his rule. ⁴ “You’re blessed when you feel you’ve lost what is most dear to you. Only then can you be embraced by the One most dear to you. ⁵ “You’re blessed when you’re content with just who you are—no more, no less. That’s the moment you find yourselves proud owners of everything that can’t be bought. ⁶ “You’re blessed when you’ve worked up a good appetite for God. He’s food and drink in the best meal you’ll ever eat. ⁷ “You’re blessed when you care. At the moment of being ‘care-full,’ you find yourselves cared for. ⁸ “You’re blessed when you get your inside world—your mind and heart—put right. Then you can see God in the outside world. ⁹ “You’re blessed when you can show people how to cooperate instead of compete or fight. That’s when you discover who you really are, and your place in God’s family. ¹⁰ “You’re blessed when your commitment to God provokes persecution. The persecution drives you even deeper into God’s kingdom. ¹¹⁻¹² “Not only that—count yourselves blessed every time people put you down or throw you out or speak lies about you to discredit me. What it means is that the truth is too close for comfort and they are uncomfortable. You can be glad when that happens—give a cheer, even!—for though they don’t like it, I do! And all heaven applauds. And know that you are in good company. My prophets and witnesses have always gotten into this kind of trouble.

Song Of The Day - Jesus Sat With His Disciples (LSB #932, please remain seated)



1 Je - sus sat with His dis - ci - ples On a
2 'Bless-ed are the meek and hum - ble, All the
3 "Bless-ed are God's sons and daugh - ters, Mak - ing
moun - tain - side one day; As the crowds of peo-ple
earth to them is willed. Those who hun - ger to be
peace where there is strife. Bless - ed are the per - se -

gath - ered, He be - gan to teach and say:
 ho - ly, They are bless'd and will be filled.
 cut - ed, Who for righ - teous - ness lose life;

"Bless - ed are the poor in spir - it, Heav - en's
 Yes, the mer - ci - ful are bless - ed, Mer - cy
 Their re - ward is great in heav - en, In the

king - dom they will share. Bless - ed are the sad and
 will to them be shown. And the pure in heart are
 king - dom up a - bove— So be glad to share My

mourn - ing, Joy and com - fort will be theirs.
 bless - ed, They have eyes for God a - lone.
 suf - f'ring And re - joice to know My love."

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Message

Two Churches – One Christ Revelation 7:2-17

Song Of Response - For All The Saints (Stanzas 1-2, ELW #422, please remain seated)

1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest, who
 2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might; thou,

thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
 Lord, their cap - tain in the well - fought fight; . .



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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 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 whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Lord, in this world we are often overwhelmed by the difficulties of life, yet You have promised that in Your heavenly kingdom there will be no more hunger or thirst, no more scorching heat, and no more tears. Strengthen us to keep turning to You in the midst of struggle, for You say, "Blessed are the poor in spirit,

People: **for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."**

Pastor: Lord, death remains a curse until Christ comes again. On this All Saints' Day, we remember all who have died in the faith. For You say, "Blessed are those who mourn,

People: **for they shall be comforted."**

Pastor: Lord, this world is filled with power-hungry, prideful people who seek to rule the earth without any thought of You or care for Your creation. Keep us faithful to Your kingdom so that we do not run after the false gods of power and prestige, for You say, "Blessed are the meek,

People: for they shall inherit the earth."

Pastor: Lord, send healing to all who are sick, injured, and recovering. Also, Lord, encourage those who struggle to belong in our society, including addicts, immigrants, refugees, those with mental and physical disabilities, and the poor, for You say, "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,

People: for they shall be satisfied."

Pastor: Lord, we live in a world of cruelty and indifference, but You have called us out of darkness and into Your marvelous light so that we might love our families and friends, our neighbors and enemies. Cheer the hearts of all those who show mercy to others, for You say, "Blessed are the merciful,

People: for they shall receive mercy."

Pastor: Lord, protect those who cannot protect themselves, including children, the elderly, and those with disabilities, for You say, "Blessed are the pure in heart,

People: for they shall see God."

Pastor: Lord, break and hinder the plans of Satan, for he always seeks division, war, and conflict in this world. Raise up those who will work for reconciliation and harmony, for You say, "Blessed are the peacemakers,

People: for they shall be called sons of God."

Additional prayers:

Pastor: Lord in Your mercy;

People: Hear our prayer

Pastor: Into Your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

People: 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)

Leader: 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: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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Pastor: See what kind of love the Father has given to us,

People: **that we should be called children of God.**

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Pastor: The love of God surround you; the grace of ☩ Christ release you; and the Holy Spirit be your guide and strength, now and forevermore.

People: **Amen.**

Dismissal (Please remain standing)

Pastor: Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Song Of Response - For All The Saints (Stanzas 3-7, ELW #422, please remain seated)



3 Oh, blest com-mu-nion, fel-low-ship di-vine, we fee-bly strug-gle,
 4 And when the strife is fierce, the war-fare long, steals on the ear the
 5 The gold-en eve-ning bright-ens in the west; soon, soon to faith-ful
 they in glo-ry shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are
 dis-tant tri-umph song, and hearts are brave a-gain and arms are
 ser-vants com-eth rest; . . . sweet is the calm of par-a-dise the
 thine. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
 strong.
 blest.

6 But then there breaks a yet more glo-rious day: the
 7 From earth's wide bounds, from o-cean's far-thest coast, through
 saints tri-um-phant rise in bright ar-ray; the
 gates of pearl streams in the count-less host, . .
 King of glo-ry pass-es on his way.
 sing-ing to Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost:
 Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

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Serving The Lord With Gladness

Pastor:	Ricky Adams
Organist:	Janet Reese
Coffee Hour:	John and AnaHilda Mosher
Counter:	Don and Beverly Erbel
Lay Reader:	Nancy Adams

Activities This Week:

Sunday – November 4	9:30 am	Service of the Word
Tuesday – November 6 (Election Day)	9:30-12: 30 pm 4:30 5:30 pm	Stage Door (PH) Music Class (LL)
Wednesday – November 7	2:45 – 6:15 pm 4:30 5:30PM 6:00 pm	Patricia Miner (N) Music Class (LL) Stage Door (PH)
Saturday – November 10	8:30-9:30am 9:30a-12:30pm	Pilates (PH) Stage Door (PH)
Sunday – November 11	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

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 – Christ's blessing to those celebrating Birthdays this week.

Wednesday - Betty Ann Sutcliffe
Saturday - Marta Valiente

Women's Bible Class – On Tuesday, November 13, the Women's Bible Class is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. in the lower lounge.

Sunday Servers –We need November and December servers. Please sign up to help! The sheet is in the church entrance. The list for November is available today. We still need the following:

November 11 – Ushers

November 25 (Thanksgiving weekend) – Coffee Hour, Ushers

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 4 - November 10, 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 – November 5

Psalm 51
Deuteronomy 6:10-25
Romans 12:17-21; 13:8-10

Tuesday – November 6

Psalm 51
Deuteronomy 28:58-29:1
Acts 7:17-29

Wednesday – November 7

Psalm 51
Micah 6:1-8
John 13:31-35

Thursday – November 8

Psalm 146
Numbers 36:1-13
Romans 5:6-11

Friday – November 9

Psalm 146
Deuteronomy 15:1-11
Hebrews 5:15-24

Saturday – November 10

Psalm 146
Deuteronomy 24:17-22
Mark 11:12-14, 20-24

Scripture Readings For Next Sunday

Pentecost 25

1 Kings 17:8-16
Psalm 146
Hebrews 9:24-28
Mark 12:38-44