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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!

Reformation Day October 29, 2017

Introduction

On this day we celebrate the heart of our faith: the gospel of Christ—the good news—that makes us free! 500 years ago, on Tuesday, Martin Luther nailed the Ninety-Five Theses to the door of the All Saints Church in Wittenberg Germany. Many protestants observe this Tuesday as Reformation Day. Culturally the Reformation changed not only the church but also Western Society. However, at the center of this observance is the very simple belief that we are God's children by faith through the grace of God, apart from the works of the Law. Thank you for joining Peace Lutheran Church in worship today!

Prayer Before Worship - Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. — posted on the website of St. Matthew's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Milwaukee, WI

Pre-Service Music

Ringing Of The Bell

Welcome

Opening Dialogue (Please stand)

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

People: Amen.

Pastor: Alleluia. If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples,

People: and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.

Alleluia. (John 8:31-32)

Psalm - Psalm 46 (Please remain standing)

Pastor: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

People: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,

though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;

Pastor: though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with

its tumult.

People: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the

holy habitation of the Most High.

Pastor: God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it

when the morning dawns.

People: The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his

voice, the earth melts.

Pastor: The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

People: Come, behold the works of the LORD; see what desolations he

has brought on the earth.

Pastor: He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow,

and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.

People: "Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the

nations, I am exalted in the earth."

Pastor: The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

(As Brothers and Sisters in Christ we share Christ's Peace with one another)

Song – Dearest Jesus, at Your Word (LBW #248, please be seated)

- Dearest Jesus, at your word we have come again to hear you; let our thoughts and hearts be stirred and in glowing faith be near you as the promises here given draw us wholly up to heaven.
- 3. Radiance of God's glory bright,
 Light of light from God proceeding,
 Jesus, send your blessed light;
 help our hearing, speaking, heeding,
 that our prayers and songs may please you,
 as with grateful hearts we praise you.
- All our knowledge, sense, and sight lie in deepest darkness shrouded till your Spirit breaks the night, filling us with light unclouded.
 All good thoughts and all good living come but by your gracious giving.
- 4. Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, praise to you and adoration! Grant us what we need the most: your blest gospel's consolation, while we here on earth await you, till in heav'n with praise we greet you.

Text: Tobias Clausnitzer, 1619-1684, sts. 1-3; Gesangbuch, Berlin, 1707, st. 4; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1829-1878, adapt.

First Reading - Jeremiah 31:31-34 (Please be seated)

The renewed covenant will not be breakable, but like the old covenant it will expect the people to live upright lives. To know the Lord means that one will defend the cause of the poor and needy (Jer. 22:16). The renewed covenant is possible only because the Lord will forgive iniquity and not remember sin. Our hope lies in a God who forgets.

Pastor:

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more. – In many and various ways God spoke to his people of old by the prophets.

People: But now in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son.

Second Reading - Romans 3:19-28 (Please remain seated)

Paul's words stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and other Reformation leaders. No human beings make themselves right with God through works of the law. We are brought into a right relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ's death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.

Lay Reader: ¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin. ²¹But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood. effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus. ²⁷Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law. - In many and various ways God spoke to his people of old by the prophets.

People: But now in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son.

Gospel - John 8:31-36 (Please remain seated)

Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.

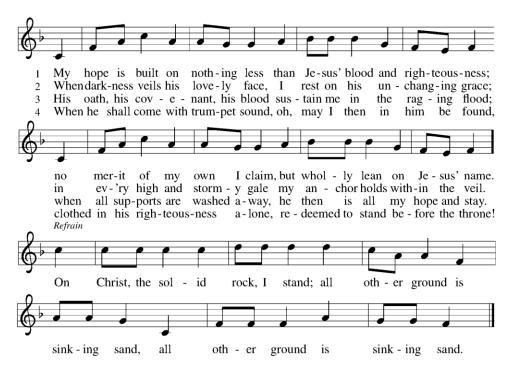
Pastor:

³¹Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; 32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." 33They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?" 34Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. 35The slave does not have a permanent place in the

household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed." – In many and various ways God spoke to his people of old by the prophets.

People: But now in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son.

Song – My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less (ELW #596, please remain seated)



Text: Edward Mote, 1797-1874, alt.; Music: THE SOLID ROCK, William B. Bradbury. 1816-1868.

Sharing The Gifts Of God (Please remain seated)

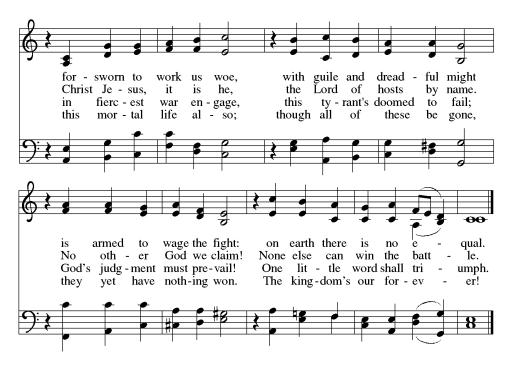
Prayers Of The People Of God (Please stand)

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.

Song - A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (ELW #505, please be seated)





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Message

Reformation Spirituality Romans 3:19-28

Closing Prayer (Please stand)

Closing Blessing (Please remain standing)

Closing Song - Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

(Tune: LBW #50, please remain standing)

- Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ, our head and cornerstone, chosen of the Lord and precious, binding all the church in one; holy Zion's help forever and our confidence alone.
- Grant, we pray, to all your faithful all the gifts they ask to gain; what they gain from you forever with the blessed to retain; and hereafter in your glory evermore with you to reign.
- To this temple, where we call you, come, O Lord of hosts, and stay; come, with all your lovingkindness, hear your people as they pray; and your fullest benediction shed within these walls today.
- 4. Praise and honor to the Father, praise and honor to the Son, praise and honor to the Spirit, ever three and ever one: one in might and one in glory while unending ages run!

Text: Latin hymn, c. 7th cent.; tr. John M. Neale, 1818-1866, alt.

Announcements

Recessional

Serving The Lord With Gladness

Pastor: Ricky Adams
Organist: Beth Huber

Coffee Hour: Don and Beverly Erbel

Usher: Peter Pardini and Vicki McGowan

Counter: Vicki Mc Gowan Lay Reader: Rusty Rush

Activities This Week:

Sunday – October 29	9:30am	Service of the Word
Tuesday – October 31	9:30-12:30am 4:15-5:45	Stage Door (PH) Kids Music Class(LL)
Wednesday – November 1	4:15-5:45 6pm 6:30 p.m.	Kids Music Class(LL) Stage Door (PH) Men's Bible Class
Saturday – November 4	8:30-9:30am 9:30a-12:30pm 11:00 – 1:00	Pilates (PH) Stage Door (PH) SF Chinese Academy(N)
Sunday – November 5	9:30am	Service of the Word

Announcements For October 29, 2017

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 – Flower today are given to the glory of God by Elizabeth and Eric Risberg in memory of Elizabeth's mother.

Birthdays – Those celebrating birthdays this week are:

Today - Kirk Quitevis Friday - Don Erbel

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.

Men's Bible Class – This Wednesday the men's Bible Class begins at 6:30 p.m. in the Lounge. We will be studying the Gospel of Mark. Please bring a finger food to share and something to drink.

November Calendar – The November Calendar and server list is available today by the mailboxes.

Facebook - Like us on Facebook at Peace Lutheran Church Mill Valley or @peacelutheranmill

Sunday Bulletins - for Peace Lutheran church are available online for use during the worship service. The link is http://bulletin.plcmarin.org

Weekly Devotional Helps October 9 – November 4, 2017

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 – October 30

Psalm 119:41-48 Deuteronomy 6:1-9, 20-25 James 2:8-13

Wednesday - November 1

Psalm 119:41-48 Proverbs 16:1-20 Matthew 19:16-22

Tuesday – October 31

Psalm 119:41-48 Deuteronomy 10:10-22 James 2:14-26

Thursday - November 2

Psalm 34:1-10, 22 1 Samuel 2:27-36 Romans 2:17-29 Friday – November 3

Psalm 34:1-10, 22 Ezekiel 13:1-16 2 Peter 2:1-3 Saturday - November 4

Psalm 34:1-10, 22 Malachi 1:6-2:9 Matthew 23:13-26

Scripture Readings For Next Sunday

All Saints Sunday

Revelation 7:9-17 Psalm 34:1-10, 22 1 John 3:1-3 Matthew 5:1-12

Commemorations

October 31 - Reformation Day: By the end of the seventeenth century, many Lutheran churches celebrated a festival commemorating Martin Luther's posting of the Ninety-five Theses, a summary of abuses in the church of his time. At the heart of the reform movement was the gospel, the good news that it is by grace through faith that we are justified and set free.

November 1 - All Saints Day: The custom of commemorating all of the saints of the church on a single day goes back at least to the third century. All Saints Day celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who make up the body of Christ. On this day or the following Sunday, many congregations will remember the faithful who have died during the past year.

November 3 - Martín de Porres, renewer of society, died 1639: Martín was the son of a Spanish knight and a freed black slave from Panama. As a lay brother in the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), he engaged in many charitable works in Lima, Peru. He founded an orphanage, a hospital, and a clinic for cats and dogs.

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