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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.**

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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.

**Holy Communion** – At Peace Lutheran we celebrate Holy Communion on the second and fourth Sunday of each month. Holy Communion is a very special meal for the children of God in Christ. All who have been baptized and believe in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior and all those who hunger and thirst for Christ's forgiveness and God's strength for living, are invited to join in Holy Communion. **Grape juice** (instead of wine) is available in the individual glasses in the middle of the tray. The wine is red; the grape juice is white. Pastor blesses any of the children who are brought to the communion rail. Any adults who come to the rail and desire a blessing but not communion may cross their arms and pastor will bless them.

## Please join us again next week!

# **Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost**

## **September 24, 2017**

### **Introduction**

We are saved by grace through faith, not by works. Jonah's call to the Ninevites turn to the Lord shows God's immense compassion. Paul struggled with a desire to depart and be with Christ and a desire to go on living and laboring for the Lord.

Either way, Paul knows life will win. He knows that Jesus will return, raise the dead, and dwell with them forever. Thank you for worshipping at Peace Lutheran Church today!

**Prayer Before Worship** - Lord, whether we have come to you from long ago, or have just come to you now, you reach out with love and blessing for each one of us. Help us remember your mercy and your love and offer greetings and blessings to each other in your name. AMEN. — Nancy C. Townley, Ministry Matters Website

### **Pre-Service Music**

### **Ringin' Of The Bell**

### **Welcome**

### **We Come Into The Presence Of God**

(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism. Please stand)

Pastor: Blessed be the ✠ holy Trinity, the one who fashions us, the one who heals us, the one who reforms us again and again.

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power. - Silence for reflection and self-examination. - Source of all life,

**All: we confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free. We fear that we are not good enough. We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others to earn it. We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward. Forgive us. Stir us. Reform us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak for what is right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of your whole creation. Amen.**

Pastor: God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, ✠ God's love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ.

**People: Amen.**

(We share the peace of the Lord with each other)

## **Entrance Hymn - There's a Wideness in God's Mercy**

(Tune: LBW #551, please remain standing)

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| 1. There's a wideness in God's mercy,<br>like the wideness of the sea;<br>there's a kindness in his justice<br>which is more than liberty.<br>There is no place where earth's sorrows<br>are more felt than up in heav'n.<br>There is no place where earth's failings<br>have such kindly judgment giv'n. | 2. There is welcome for the sinner,<br>and a promised grace made good;<br>there is mercy with the Savior;<br>there is healing in his blood.<br>There is grace enough for thousands<br>of new worlds as great as this;<br>there is room for fresh creations<br>in that upper home of bliss. |
| 3. For the love of God is broader<br>than the measures of our mind;<br>and the heart of the eternal<br>is most wonderfully kind.<br>There is plentiful redemption<br>in the blood that has been shed;<br>there is joy for all the members<br>in the sorrows of the head.                                  | 4. 'Tis not all we owe to Jesus;<br>it is something more than all:<br>greater good because of evil,<br>larger mercy through the fall.<br>If our love were but more simple,<br>we should take him at his word;<br>and our lives would be all sunshine<br>in the sweetness of our Lord.      |

Text: Frederick W. Faber, 1814-1863

## **Psalm - Psalm 145:1-8** (Please remain standing)

**Pastor:** I will exalt you, my God and king, and bless your name forever and ever.

**People:** **Every day will I bless you and praise your name forever and ever.**

**Pastor:** Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised! There is no end to your greatness.

**People:** **One generation shall praise your works to another and shall declare your power.**

**Pastor:** I will speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty and all your marvelous works.

**People:** **They shall tell of the might of your wondrous acts, and I will recount your greatness.**

**Pastor:** They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; they shall sing joyfully of your righteousness.

**People:** **The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

## **Hymn - Oh, What Shall I Give Back, O Lord** (Tune: LBW #36, please be seated)

1. Oh, what shall I give back, O Lord,  
For ev'ry boon and each reward?  
Your blessings far surpass my need!  
Your benefits beyond exceed.
2. Salvation's cup I'll humbly raise  
And call upon the name we praise.  
I'll pay my vows unto my God  
Before His people, fully awed.
3. So precious in His holy sight  
Are saintly deaths; they've fought the fight.  
O Lord, I'm just Your servant's child,  
But You have all my chains undone.

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4. Thanksgiving's sacrifice I give  
And call the name by which we live.  
Within His courts, my vows I'll pay.  
Then, "Praise the Lord!" I'll sing and say.

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## First Reading - Jonah 3:10--4:11 (Please be seated)

After Jonah's short sermon in 3:4, the Ninevites all repented and God decided to spare the city. Jonah objected to this and became even more angry when God ordered a worm to destroy a plant that was providing shade. The book ends with a question that challenges any who are not ready to forgive: You, Jonah, are all worked up about a bush, but should not I be concerned about a hundred and twenty thousand Ninevites who do not know the difference between their right and left hands?

<sup>10</sup>When God saw what [the people of Ninevah] did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it. ... <sup>4:1</sup>But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. <sup>2</sup>He prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. <sup>3</sup>And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." <sup>4</sup>And the LORD said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" <sup>5</sup>Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city. <sup>6</sup>The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. <sup>7</sup>But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. <sup>8</sup>When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live." <sup>9</sup>But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." <sup>10</sup>Then the LORD said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. <sup>11</sup>And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?"

## Gradual – O Fear The Lord, All You His Saints (Tune: LBW #391 Please remain seated)

O fear the Lord, all you His saints, For those who fear the  
Lord Lack noth - ing, are with - out re - straints, And  
freed from sin's dis - cord. The righ - teous suf - fer  
man - y blows, Af - flic - tions, and dis - tress, But  
God de - liv - ers you from foes And all who would op - press.

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

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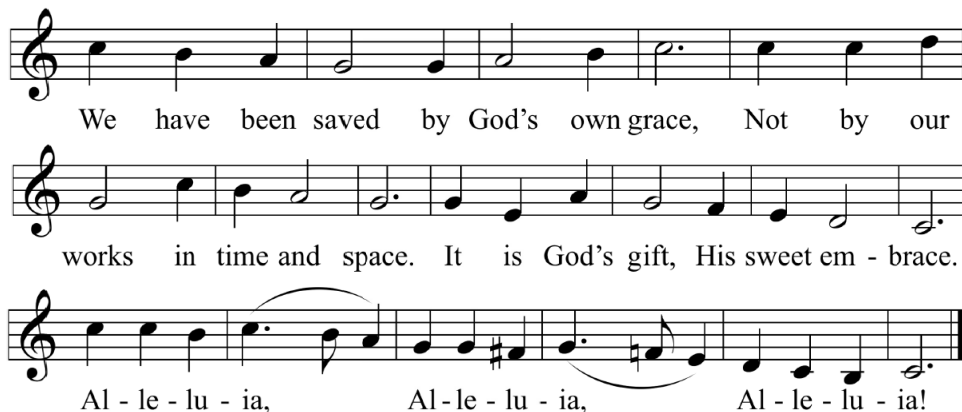
## Second Reading - Philippians 1:21-30 (Please remain seated)

Paul writes to the Philippians from prison. Though he is uncertain about the outcome of his imprisonment, he is committed to the ministry of the gospel and calls on the Philippians to live lives that reflect and enhance the gospel mission.

<sup>21</sup>For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. <sup>22</sup>If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. <sup>23</sup>I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; <sup>24</sup>but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. <sup>25</sup>Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, <sup>26</sup>so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. <sup>27</sup>Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the

faith of the gospel, <sup>28</sup>and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. <sup>29</sup>For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well—<sup>30</sup>since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

## **Verse - We Have Been Saved by God's Own Grace** (Tune: LBW #144, please stand)



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## **Gospel - Matthew 20:1-16**

Jesus tells a parable about God's generosity, challenging the common assumption that God rewards people according to what they have earned or deserve.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>1</sup>"The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. <sup>2</sup>After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. <sup>3</sup>When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; <sup>4</sup>and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. <sup>5</sup>When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. <sup>6</sup>And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' <sup>7</sup>They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' <sup>8</sup>When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager,



‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ <sup>9</sup>When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. <sup>10</sup>Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. <sup>11</sup>And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, <sup>12</sup>saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ <sup>13</sup>But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? <sup>14</sup>Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. <sup>15</sup>Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ <sup>16</sup>So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

## Hymn - O Jesus, I Have Promised (LBW #503, please be seated)

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| <p>1. O Jesus, I have promised<br/>to serve you to the end;<br/>remain forever near me,<br/>my master and my friend.<br/>I shall not fear the battle<br/>if you are by my side,<br/>nor wander from the pathway<br/>if you will be my guide.</p>          | <p>2. Oh, let me feel you near me;<br/>the world is ever near.<br/>I see the sights that dazzle,<br/>the tempting sounds I hear.<br/>My foes are ever near me,<br/>around me and within;<br/>but, Jesus, then draw nearer<br/>to shield my soul from sin.</p> |
| <p>3. Oh, let me hear you speaking<br/>in accents clear and still<br/>above the storms of passion,<br/>the murmurs of self-will.<br/>Now speak to reassure me,<br/>to hasten or control;<br/>now speak and make me listen,<br/>O Guardian of my soul.</p> | <p>4. O Jesus, you have promised<br/>to all who follow you<br/>that where you are in glory<br/>your servant shall be too.<br/>And Jesus, I have promised<br/>to serve you to the end;<br/>oh, give me grace to follow,<br/>my master and my friend.</p>       |

Text: John E. Bode, 1816-1874, alt.

## Message

### The Work Of Mercy Philippians 1:21-30

## **Confession of Faith - Nicene Creed** (Spoken together. Please stand)

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. AMEN**

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**Pastor:** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. ... Dear heavenly Father, raise up servants who are willing to spread the Gospel mercy. Send Your Holy Spirit into the hearts of those who will hear the Word of Christ, that they may believe in You. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** **hear our prayer.**

**Pastor:** Lord, You are our rock and our refuge. Grant Your peace to all those who live in fear, especially immigrants, refugees, and all who are oppressed. Be their light and their salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** **hear our prayer.**

**Pastor:** Lord, look with favor upon those who are homeless, unemployed, or underemployed. Grant them patience in the midst of suffering and meaningful vocations in Your perfect timing. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord, we know that Your ways are not our ways, but sometimes we fail to understand Your will. Strengthen the hearts of those who are coping with disappointment. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord, be with those who are nearing the end of life. Send them comfort and strength as they will soon rest from their labors. Point them to the hope of Christ's return and the resurrection of the dead. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord, we ask Your blessing and healing upon all who are sick or recovering. Cheer their hearts and heal their bodies according to Your perfect will. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord, comfort those who mourn the death of loved ones. We know that to live is Christ and to die is gain. Keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, hopeful for His return, our resurrection, and the restoration of all creation. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord, You are the source of every good and perfect gift. We rejoice today with those celebrating birthdays, anniversaries, and other special occasions. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**People: hear our prayer.**

Additional prayers

Pastor: Finally, Lord, guide Your Church to live in a manner worthy of the Gospel of Christ, standing firm in unity and truth as a witness to the world of Your light and salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: We ask all of these things in Your name, O Lord.  
**People: Amen.**

## Sharing The Gifts Of God (Please be seated as the offerings are received)

### Offering Prayer (Please remain seated)

Lay Minister: God of life, you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Light.

**People: Amen.**

### Communion Hymn - Take My Life, That I May Be (LBW #406, please remain seated)

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| 1. Take my life, that I may be<br>consecrated, Lord, to thee;<br>take my moments and my days;<br>let them flow in ceaseless praise.   | 2. Take my hands and let them move<br>at the impulse of thy love;<br>take my feet and let them be<br>swift and beautiful for thee. |
| 3. Take my voice and let me sing<br>always, only, for my King;<br>take my lips and let them be<br>filled with messages from thee.     | 4. Take my silver and my gold,<br>not a mite would I withhold;<br>take my intellect and use<br>ev'ry pow'r as thou shall choose.   |
| 5. Take my will and make it thine,<br>it shall be no longer mine.<br>Take my heart, it is thine own,<br>it shall be thy royal throne. | 6. Take my love; my Lord, I pour<br>at thy feet its treasure store;<br>take myself, and I will be<br>ever, only, all for thee.     |

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879, alt.

## Order Of Holy Communion

(Please stand)

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

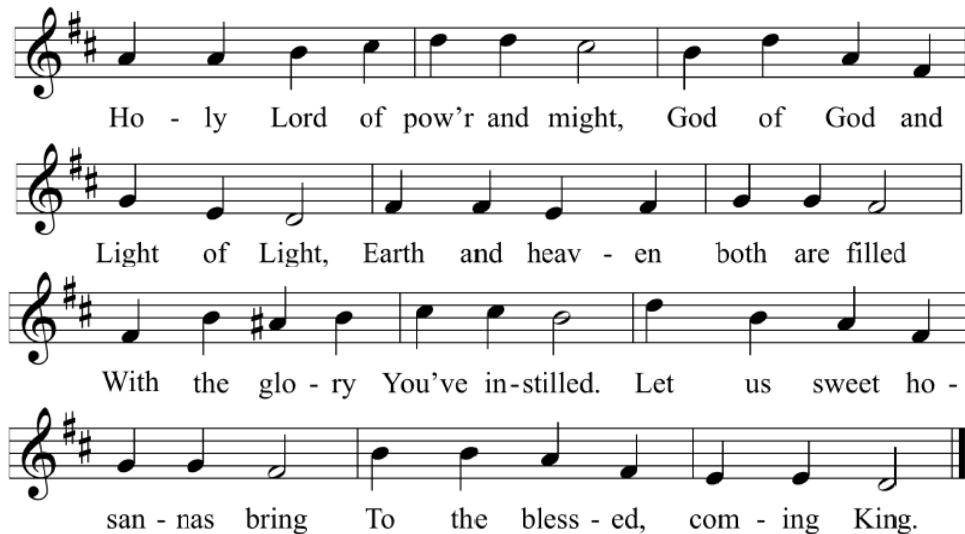
**Pastor:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who has called us all to seek and serve Him, and by His death and resurrection brings us into eternal joy. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### **Sanctus** – Holy Lord Of Power And Might (Tune: LBW #265, please remain standing)



Ho - ly Lord of pow'r and might, God of God and  
Light of Light, Earth and heav - en both are filled  
With the glo - ry You've in-stilled. Let us sweet ho -  
san - nas bring To the bless - ed, com - ing King.

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Pastor: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their

children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a Second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him. We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

**People: Amen.**

**Pastor:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." ... In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." ... As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

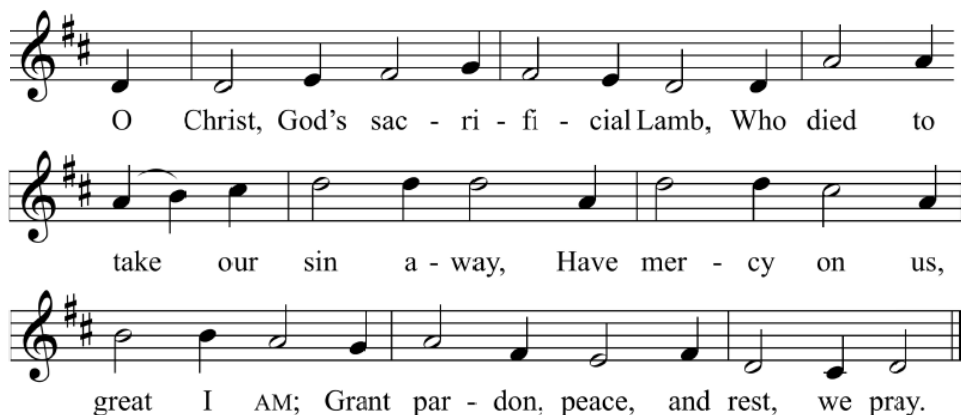
**Pastor:** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your life, passion, and death, which have given us life; Your resurrection and ascension, which call us upward into heaven; and Your coming for the final judgment for the harvest of Your vineyard. So remember us, look down from heaven, and see; have regard for this vine in Your kingdom; and teach us to pray:

**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.**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
People: Amen.

## **Agnus Dei - O Christ, God's Sacrificial Lamb** (Tune, LBW #36. Please remain standing)



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## **Distribution** (Please be seated)

Approach the altar at the usher's direction. Communion is received kneeling—the bread in your outstretched open hands, the wine in a small cup. Place empty cups in the tray carried by the acolyte or lay minister. If you wish only a blessing, just fold your hands together over your heart.

### **Prayer before Communion** (Prayed privately before going to the altar)

Merciful God, we do not presume to come to your table trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat and drink the body and blood of your dear Son, Jesus Christ, that we may live in him and he in us, now and forever. Amen.

### **Prayer After Communion** (Prayed privately after returning to your seated)

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever. Amen.

## **Blessing** (Please stand)

## Post-Communion Canticle - Lord, Now Let Your Humble Servant

(Tune: LBW #423, please remain standing)

Lord, now let Your hum-ble ser - vant In Your peace and  
joy de - part. You've ful - filled Your Word, so fer - vent,  
Kept Your prom - ise, true at heart. Now my  
eyes have seen sal - va - tion— You've pre -  
pared for all who dwell— Light to ev - 'ry Gen - tile  
na - tion And Your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

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## Post-Communion Thanksgiving (Please remain standing)

Pastor: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have had compassion upon us and abundantly pardoned our sins in this Sacrament. Keep us steadfast in the true faith throughout our lives, that we may not grow weary of doing good, but ever serve You in humility and fidelity;



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:**       The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on  
you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and  
✠ give you peace.

**People:**       **Amen.**

## **Closing Hymn - Softly and Tenderly** (ELW #608, please remain standing)

1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for  
2 Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, plead - ing for  
3 Oh, for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised, prom - ised for

you and for me. See, on the por - tals he's wait - ing and watch - ing,  
you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and heed not his mer - cies,  
you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mer - cy and par - don,

*Refrain*  
watch - ing for you and for me.  
mer - cies for you and for me? "Come home, come home!  
par - don for you and for me. Come home, come home!

You who are wea-ry, come home." Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,

Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, "O sin - ner, come home!"

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## Announcements

## Recessional

## Serving The Lord With Gladness

<b>Pastor:</b>	<b>Ricky Adams</b>
<b>Organist:</b>	<b>Beth Huber</b>
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	<b>Vicki McGowan</b>
<b>Coffee Hour:</b>	<b>John &amp; AnaHilda Mosher</b>
<b>Counters:</b>	<b>Vicki McGowan</b>
<b>Lay Minister:</b>	<b>Rick Kenney!</b>
<b>Usher:</b>	<b>Jim &amp; Sharon Sides</b>
<b>Lay Reader:</b>	<b>Janet Reese</b>

## Activities This Week:

<b>Sunday – September 24</b>	9:30am	Service of the Word and Sacrament
<b>Tuesday – September 26</b>	9:30-12:30am 4:15-5:45	Stage Door (PH) Kids Music Class(LL)
<b>Wednesday – September 27</b>	4:15-5:45 6pm	Kids Music Class(LL) Stage Door (PH)
<b>Saturday – September 30</b>	8:30-9:30am 9:30a-12:30pm 11:00 – 1:00 <b>4:30 – 6:30 pm</b>	Pilates (PH) Stage Door (PH) SF Chinese Academy(LL) <b>Oktoberfest (PH)</b>
<b>Sunday – October 1</b>	9:30am	Service of the Word

## Announcements For September 24, 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** – Flowers this week are given to the glory of God by Dahlia and Sebastian Stein in honor of their wedding anniversary today.

**Birthdays** – Those celebrating birthdays this week are:

**Today  
Friday**

**Jeanine Hillebrandt, Tomas Brenes  
David Wronski**

**Anniversary** – Celebrating their anniversary this week:

<b>Today</b>	<b>Sebastian &amp; Dahlia Stein</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Keith &amp; Jackie Stoneking</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Bryan &amp; Joanne Wells</b>

**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.

**Oktoberfest** – Peace Lutheran Church will celebrate Oktoberfest on Saturday, September 30 from 4:30 to 6:40 p.m. Invite all your friends and family! A sign up sheet will be passed around during worship today.

**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**

## **September 24 – September 30, 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 – September 25**

Psalm 106:1-12  
Genesis 27:1-29  
Romans 16:1-16

### **Tuesday – September 26**

Psalm 106:1-12  
Genesis 28:10-17  
Romans 16:17-20

### **Wednesday – September 27**

Psalm 106:1-12  
Isaiah 41:1-13  
Matthew 18:1-5

### **Thursday – September 28**

Psalm 25:1-9  
Ezekiel 12:17-28  
James 4:11-16

**Friday – September 29**

Psalm 25:1-9  
Ezekiel 18:5-18  
Acts 13:32-41

**Saturday – September 30**

Psalm 25:1-9  
Ezekiel 18:19-24  
Mark 11:27-33

**Scripture Readings For Next Sunday****Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost**

**Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32**  
**Psalm 25:1-9**  
**Philippians 2:1-13**  
**Matthew 21:23-32**

**Commemorations**

**September 29 - Michael and All Angels:** Michael the archangel, captain of the heavenly hosts, is remembered on this day along with the other angels and archangels. The word "angel" means messenger, and in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam, these beings have a fully spiritual nature and no physical body.

**September 30 - Jerome, translator, teacher, died 420:** Jerome was a biblical scholar and translator, but rather than translating the original Hebrew and Greek scriptures into classical Latin, he worked in the commonly-spoken Latin of the day, creating a version called the Vulgate.

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