



# **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!**

# **Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost**

## **September 30, 2018**

### **As We Gather**

Moses said, "Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, that the Lord would put His Spirit on them!" (Numbers 11:29). Jesus said, "For no one who does a mighty work in My name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of Me. For the one who is not against us is for us" (Mark 9:39–40). Everyone expects a Christian pastor to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Quite often, however, the Gospel is preached by an ordinary Christian to a neighbor. The issue is not always who is preaching, but that the mighty Word of God be spoken, applied, and echoed throughout the world. Thank you for worshipping at Peace Lutheran Church today!

**Prayer Before Worship** - Eternal God, you create us and you rescue us. Be here with us now. Help us know how much we need you. Teach us that no other power can support us like your power. As you share your power with us, teach us to be Christ to the world, proclaiming your reign for all people. As you lavish your love upon us, help us receive that love and offer it to the world, in Jesus' name. Amen. - By Amy B. Hunter, Ministry Matters Website

### **Pre-Service Music**

### **Ring Of The Bell**

### **Welcome**

## Call to Worship (Psalm 124, James 5. Please stand)

Pastor: If it had not been God who was on our side,  
**People: the troubles of our world would have swallowed us whole.**

Pastor: If it had not been God who was on our side,  
**People: the sorrows of our times would have swept us away.**

Pastor: Are any among us suffering?  
**People: Come and pray.**

Pastor: Are any among us cheerful?  
**People: Come sing songs of praise.**

Pastor: Are any among us sick?  
**People: Come and ask for healing.**

Pastor: Our help is in our God,  
**People: the One who made heaven and earth.**

Pastor: Call upon God, creator and rescuer.  
**People: God is on our side.**

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

## Entrance Hymn – O Day Of Rest And Gladness (LBW #251, please remain standing)

1 O day of rest and gladness,  
O day of joy and light,  
O balm for care and sadness,  
most beautiful, most bright:  
on you the high and lowly,  
through ages joined in tune,  
sing, "Holy, holy, holy,"  
to the great God triune.

- 2      On you, at earth's creation,  
the light first had its birth;  
on you, for our salvation,  
Christ rose from depths of earth;  
on you, our Lord victorious  
the Spirit sent from heav'n;  
and thus on you, most glorious,  
a threefold light was giv'n.
- 3      Today on weary nations  
the heav'nly manna falls;  
to holy convocations  
the silver trumpet calls,  
where gospel light is glowing  
with pure and radiant beams  
and living water flowing  
with soul-refreshing streams.
- 4      New graces ever gaining  
from this our day of rest,  
we reach the rest remaining  
to spirits of the blest.  
To Holy Ghost be praises,  
to Father, and to Son;  
the church its voice upraises  
to you, blest Three in One.

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## **Psalm - Psalm 19:7-14** (Please remain standing)

**Pastor:**      The teaching of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.

**People:**      **The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.**

Pastor: The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever; the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

**People: More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**

Pastor: By them also is your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward.

**People: Who can detect one's own offenses? Cleanse me from my secret faults.**

Pastor: Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

**People: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.**

(We share the peace of the Lord)

## **Hymn Of Praise – Glory To God We Give You Thanks And Praise**

(Tune: LBW #262, please be seated)

1. Glory to God, we give you thanks and praise;  
Of heav'nly joy and earthly peace we sing.  
We worship You, to You our hearts we raise,  
Lord God, almighty Father heav'nly King
2. Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son,  
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.  
O Lamb of God, Your glorious vict'ry won,  
Receive our prayer, grant us Your peace within.
3. Alone, O Christ, You only are the Lord,  
At God's right hand in majesty most high:  
Who with the Spirit, worshipped and adored,  
With all the heav'nly host we glorify.

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## First Reading - Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29 (Please remain seated)

What constitutes legitimate need and legitimate leadership is the focus of this reading. God provides manna in the wilderness, yet the people crave meat. What is truly needful? God bestows the spirit on seventy elders, yet two men not designated as leaders prophesy in the power of God's spirit. What constitutes real leadership?

<sup>4</sup>The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, "If only we had meat to eat! <sup>5</sup>We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; <sup>6</sup>but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at." <sup>10</sup>Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the LORD became very angry, and Moses was displeased. <sup>11</sup>So Moses said to the LORD, "Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? <sup>12</sup>Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, 'Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child, to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors'? <sup>13</sup>Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, 'Give us meat to eat!' <sup>14</sup>I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. <sup>15</sup>If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery." <sup>16</sup>So the LORD said to Moses, "Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you." <sup>24</sup>So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. <sup>25</sup>Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again. <sup>26</sup>Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. <sup>27</sup>And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." <sup>28</sup>And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" <sup>29</sup>But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!"

## **Second Reading - James 5:13-20** (Please remain seated)

Marks of the Christian community include praying for those who are sick and in need, celebrating with those in good health, restoring those who have strayed, confessing sins to one another, and offering forgiveness to each other.

<sup>13</sup>Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. <sup>14</sup>Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. <sup>15</sup>The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. <sup>16</sup>Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. <sup>17</sup>Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. <sup>18</sup>Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. <sup>19</sup>My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, <sup>20</sup>you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

## **Gospel - Mark 9:38-50** (Please remain seated)

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus teaches his disciples about ministry that involves service and sacrifice. His disciples are slow to realize that these words apply to them as well as to others.

<sup>38</sup>John said to [Jesus,] "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." <sup>39</sup>But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. <sup>40</sup>Whoever is not against us is for us. <sup>41</sup>For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. <sup>42</sup>"If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. <sup>43</sup>If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. <sup>45</sup>And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. <sup>47</sup>And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, <sup>48</sup>where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. <sup>49</sup>"For everyone will be salted with fire. <sup>50</sup>Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

## Song Of The Day - Spirit Song (WP #130, please remain seated)

Oh, let the Son of God en - fold you with his Spir - it and his

love, let him fill your heart and sat - is - fy your soul.

Oh, let him have the things that hold you, and his Spir - it like a

dove will de - scend up - on your life and make you whole.

*Refrain*

Je - sus, O Je - sus, come and

fill your lambs. Je - sus, O

Je - sus, come and fill your lambs.

2. O come and sing this song with gladness as your hearts are filled with joy,  
Lift your heads in sweet surrender to his name.  
O give him all your tears and sadness, give him all your years of pain  
And you'll enter into life in Jesus' name.

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## Message

### Christian Vocation James 5:13-20

**Song - Make Me A Servant** (WP #96. Played 3x. Sing second time. Please remain seated)

Make me a ser - vant, hum - ble and meek.  
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.  
And may the prayer of my heart al - ways be:  
Make me a ser - vant, make me a ser - vant,  
make me a ser - vant to - day.

Chords: F, Dm<sup>7</sup>, Gm<sup>7</sup>, C<sup>7</sup>, Gm<sup>7</sup>, B<sup>b</sup>/C, C<sup>7</sup>, B<sup>b</sup>/F, F, F<sup>sus</sup><sup>4</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, F, A, Dm, Dm/C, G<sup>2</sup>/B, B<sup>b</sup>m<sup>6</sup>, F/A, Gm<sup>7</sup>, F/A, Gm<sup>7</sup>, F/C, C<sup>7</sup><sub>sus</sub>, F<sup>2</sup>.

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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:** In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**Pastor:** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**Pastor:** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**Pastor:** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**Pastor:** For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**Pastor:** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For . . . [additional prayer may be inserted here] . . . let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. 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)

Pastor: 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**

## **Benediction** (Psalm 104:31, 33–34, please remain standing)

Pastor: May the glory of the Lord endure forever;

**People: may the Lord rejoice in His works,**

Pastor: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;

**People: I will sing praise to my God while I have being.**

Pastor: May my meditation be pleasing to Him,

**People: for I rejoice in the Lord.**

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.**

## **Dismissal** (Please remain standing)

Pastor: Go in peace. Sound the good news.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## **Closing Hymn - God of Grace and God of Glory** (LBW #415, please remain standing)

- 1 God of grace and God of glory,  
on your people pour your pow'r;  
crown your ancient church's story;  
bring its bud to glorious flow'r.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
for the facing of this hour,  
for the facing of this hour.

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- 2 Lo! The hosts of evil round us  
scorn the Christ, assail his ways!  
From the fears that long have bound us  
free our hearts to faith and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
for the living of these days,  
for the living of these days,
- 3 Cure your children's warring madness;  
bend our pride to your control;  
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,  
rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
lest we miss your kingdom's goal,  
let we miss your kingdom's goal.
- 4 Save us from weak resignation  
to the evils we deplore;  
let the gift of your salvation  
be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
serving you whom we adore,  
serving you whom we adore.

Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878-1969

## **Announcements**

## **Recessional**

# Serving The Lord With Gladness

<b>Pastor:</b>	<b>Ricky Adams</b>
<b>Organist:</b>	<b>Janet Reese</b>
<b>Coffee Hour:</b>	<b>Don &amp; Beverly Erbel</b>
<b>Counters:</b>	<b>Vicki McGowan &amp; Beverly Erbel</b>
<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>MaryAnn Griller</b>
<b>Lay Reader:</b>	<b>MaryAnn Griller</b>

## Activities This Week:

<b>Sunday – September 30</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Service of the Word</b>
<b>Tuesday – October 2</b>	9:30-12:30 pm	Stage Door (PH)
	4:30-5:30 PM	Music Class (LL)
<b>Wednesday – October 3</b>	2:45 – 6:15 pm	Patricia Miner (N)
	4:30-5:30 PM	Music Class (LL)
	6:00 pm	Stage Door (PH)
<b>Friday – October 5</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>German Story Time</b>
<b>Saturday – October 6</b>	8:30-9:30am	Pilates (PH)
	9:30a-12:30pm	Stage Door (PH)
<b>Sunday – September 30</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Service of the Word</b>
	<b>3:30 pm</b>	<b>Oktoberfest</b>

**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.

**Oktoberfest** – Peace Lutheran will hold our annual Oktoberfest on Sunday, October 7, from 4:30=6:30 pm. Come join us for traditional cuisine, beverages, music, and activities. RSVP to Dahlia Stein at DS@DECACONNECT.COM

**Sunday Servers** – The list of October Sunday Servers is out today. We need November servers. Please sign up to help! The sheet is in the church entrance.

**Men's Bible Class – SAVE THE DATE:** Men's Bible Class begins Wednesday, October 24 at 7:00 p.m. The resource will be a Bible Study entitled "Vocation: God Serves Through Us". Hope to see you there!

**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](mailto: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>

# **Weekly Devotional Helps**

## **September 30 – October 6, 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 – October 1**

Psalm 5  
Zechariah 6:9-15  
1 Peter 1:3-9

### **Tuesday – October 2**

Psalm 5  
Zechariah 8:18-23  
1 John 2:18-25

### **Wednesday – October 3**

Psalm 5  
Zechariah 10:1-12  
Matthew 18:6-9

### **Thursday – October 4**

Psalm 8  
Genesis 20:1-18  
Galatians 3:23-29

**Friday – October 5**

Psalm 8

Genesis 21:22-34

Romans 8:1-11

**Saturday – October 6**

Psalm 8

Genesis 23:1-20

Luke 16:14-18

**Scripture Readings For Next Sunday****Pentecost 20****Genesis 2:18-24****Psalm 8****Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12****Mark 10:2-16****Commemorations**

**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.

**October 4 - Francis of Assisi, renewer of the church, died 1226:** Born into the family of a wealthy merchant, Francis gave up his inheritance to serve poor people. He formed the Order of Friars Minor (called Franciscans), who took on poverty and the task of preaching "using words if necessary." Francis had a spirit of gratitude for all of God's creation.

**October 6 - William Tyndale, translator, martyr, died 1536:** Tyndale was ordained a priest in England and wished to translate the Bible into English. He was opposed in this by King Henry VIII, causing him to flee to Germany. He completed the New Testament in 1525, but before he could finish the Old Testament, he was tried for heresy and burned at the stake.

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