

Peace Lutheran Church St. Joseph MI

Worship with Communion
Sunday, May 22nd, 2022 10:15am
Sixth Sunday of Easter

The purpose of Peace Lutheran Church is to express by Word and Deed the Love of God revealed in Jesus Christ to those within and to those outside its fellowship.



Bold Print: Congregation's responses

PRELUDE "Sing and Make Music"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed are those who call on the strong name of the risen Lord!
As we gather in the victorious name of Christ, let us open our hearts to him and confess the ways in which we have failed to follow his will, and the ways in which we simply neglected our calling as his disciples.

(Silence for self-reflection and examination)

Lord of heaven and earth,

We come before you confessing our sins, asking for your gracious mercy. By our human nature we are sinful and unclean; we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. By your lovingkindness, we implore you to grant us forgiveness and restore us to your salvation, that we might live holy lives here and now, and be with you in the final resurrection. Amen.

Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, God declares to all who believe and confess their sins, that we are forgiven and restored to a right relationship through Jesus Christ. In obedience to the command of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and in His stead, I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, + and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN *(please stand as you are able)*

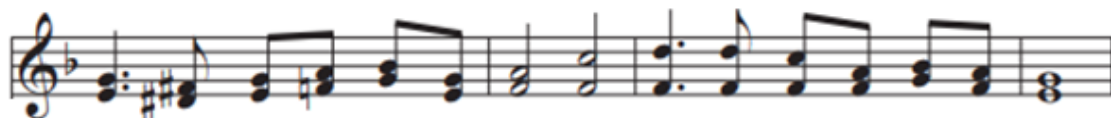
What a Friend We Have in Jesus



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - ery - thing to God in prayer!
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged; take it to the Lord in prayer.
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge, take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit, oh, what need - less pain we bear,
Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share?
Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer!



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - ery - thing to God in prayer.
Je - sus knows our ev - ery weak - ness; take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a sol - ace there.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God who went to the cross for our sake; the love of the Father who put an end to the power of death through the resurrection of Christ; and the promised Holy Spirit who gathers us together, be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE

Lord Have Mercy

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). It consists of three staves of music. The first staff begins with a whole rest, followed by a melodic line. The second staff continues the melody. The third staff concludes the piece with a final cadence. The lyrics are: [A] Lord, have mer - cy. [C] Lord, have mer - cy. [A] Christ, have mer - cy. [C] Christ, have mer - cy. [C] Lord, have mer - cy.

[A] Lord, have mer - cy. [C] Lord, have mer - cy.

[A] Christ, have mer - cy. [C] Christ, have mer - cy.

[C] Lord, have mer - cy.

HYMN OF PRAISE

This is the Feast

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of 14 staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the notes. The score includes several repeat signs and section markers: a 'C' in a box at the beginning of the first line, a 'I' in a box at the start of the third line, a 'C' in a box at the start of the eighth line, a 'II' in a box at the start of the tenth line, and another 'C' in a box at the start of the fourteenth line. The lyrics are: [C] This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! [I] Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his. [C] This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. [II] Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing, hon-or, glo-ry and might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men. [C] This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

Let us pray ...

Heavenly Father, we give you thanks that you love us with an everlasting love for the sake of Christ. Grant us your peace so that in times of this world's tribulations we may always remember that your Son has overcome the world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

(please be seated)

THE FIRST LESSON Acts 16:9-15

A vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them. So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay." And she prevailed upon us.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 67

May God be merciful to us and bless us, show us the light of his countenance and come to us.

Let your ways be known upon earth, your saving health among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has brought forth her increase; may God, our own God, give us his blessing.

May God give us his blessing, and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

THE SECOND LESSON REVELATION 21:9-14, 21-27

Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, “Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb.” And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed — on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, like transparent glass. And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, and its gates will never be shut by day — and there will be no night there. They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb’s book of life.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(please stand as you are able)*



Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE GOSPEL LESSON JOHN 16:23-33 *(please stand as you are able)*

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Sixteenth Chapter

Glory be to you O Lord.

[Jesus said to his disciples,] “In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full. I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father.” His disciples said, “Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God.” Jesus answered them, “Do you now believe? Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

Praise be to You, O Christ.

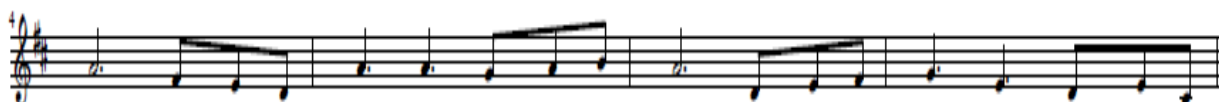
(please be seated)

SERMON

Blessed Assurance



Bless-ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine! O what a fore - taste of glo - ry di -
 Per - fect sub - mis - sion, per - fect de - light, vi - sions of rap - ture now burst on my
 Per - fect sub - mis - sion, all is at rest, I in my Sav - ior am hap - py and



vine! Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of God, born of his Spir - it, washed in his
 sight; an - gels de - scend - ing, bring from a - bove ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of
 blest, watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a - bove, filled with his good - ness, lost in his



blood. This is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long; this is my
 love.
 love.



sto - ry, this is my song, prais - ing my Sav - ior, all the day long.

THE NICENE CREED *(please stand as you are able)*

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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray ...

Each petition concludes: Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**
(please be seated)

THE OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC **“Lord, I Lift Your Name on High”** **Choir**

OFFERTORY

Create in Me

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Create in Me". It consists of ten staves of music in a treble clef, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is written on a single line of music. The lyrics are written below the notes. There are three distinct sections marked with letters in boxes: [C], [I], and [II].

[C] Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with - in me. Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with - in me. **[I]** Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. **[II]** Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. **[C]** Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with - in me. Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Generous God, **you have given us treasures too numerable to count. Grant us faith to be generous with all that you have first given us: our time, our resources, and our possessions. May we boldly trust that your providence, presence, and care are a never-ending reality in our lives.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

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

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... we praise your Name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san-na in the high - est, ho - san-na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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, for ever and ever. Amen. *(please be seated)*

DISTRIBUTION

(When directed by the usher, please come forward to receive Holy Communion. All who are baptized and commune in their home church are welcome at the Lords' Table. Children are welcome to come forward for a blessing.)

SPECIAL MUSIC

“He is Able”

Choir

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE *(please stand as you are able)*

Thank the Lord

(Organ)

The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef, with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes, with some rests. The lyrics are printed below the staff, aligned with the notes. The score is divided into measures by bar lines, with measure numbers 5, 8, 12, 16, 20, and 24 indicated at the beginning of their respective lines.

Thank the Lord; sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what
he has done. Let all who seek the Lord re-joyce and
bear Christ's ho-ly name. Thank the Lord; sing his praise;
tell ev-'ry-one what he has done. Send us with your prom-is-es, Lord;
lead your peo-ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks - giv-ing.
Thank the Lord; sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done. Al-le-
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le lu - ia.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BENEDICTION

Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Go now in the name of God the Father, the Son, + and the Holy Spirit. (1 John 5:7)

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Lord Whose Love in Humble Service



The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of six staves of music, each with a treble clef and a 3/2 time signature. The lyrics are written below the notes. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style with a mix of quarter and eighth notes.

1. Lord, whose love in hum - ble serv - ice Bore the
2. Still your chil - dren wan - der home - less; Still the
3. As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, Till your
4. Called from wor - ship in - to serv - ice Forth in

weight of hu - man need, Who did on the Cross for -
hun - gry cry for bread; Still the cap - tives long for
love's re - veal - ing light, Till the height and depth and
your great name we go, To the child, the youth, the

sak - en, Show us mer - cy's per - fect deed;
free - dom; Still in grief we mourn our dead.
great - ness Dawns up - on our hu - man sight:
a - ged, Love in liv - ing deeds to show;

We, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship Not of
As, O Lord, your deep com - pas - sion Healed the
Mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens Your com -
Hope and health, good - will and com - fort, Coun - sel,

voice a - lone, but heart: Con - se - crat - ing to your
sick and freed the soul, Use the love your Spir - it
pas - sion bids us bear, Stir - ring us to faith - ful
aid, and peace we give That your chil - dren, Lord, in

pur - pose Ev - 'ry gift which you im - part.
kin - dles Still to save and make us whole.
serv - ice, Your a - bun - dant life to share.
free - dom, May your mer - cy know and live.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is Risen!

He is risen, indeed! Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

(You are invited to be seated until the ushers dismiss your row.)

POSTLUDE

Lessons for Next Week

Acts 1:12-26; Psalm 133; Revelation 22:1-20; John 17:20-26

Worship Attendance & Giving

Sunday Attendance Total: 30

Facebook views: 23 YouTube Views: 6

Monday Attendance Total: 26

Sunday Giving: \$987

Simply Giving: \$227

*Major Repairs & Maintenance: \$70

Monday Giving: \$1,498

Total Giving: \$2,712

Total Operating Fund: \$2,642

Weekly Budget Need: \$3,434

Over/(Under) Budget: (\$792)

* Designated Funds, which are subtracted from total giving to make our operating fund

Assisting with
Worship

Preacher: Pastor Steve Hartten
Organist: Maria Tallman
Choir Director: Debbie Kroening
Audio: Josh Lochner, Mark Carpenter
Video: Bryan Sorensen, Jacob Tallman
Usher: Wayne Schuermann
Altar Guild: Mark Carpenter
Welcome Center: Barb Berry
Lector: Wanda Loveless
Greeters: Eddie Zajac & Bryan Sorensen

Prayer Requests

Birthdays

25 Loretta Hartten
27 Darlene Gaul
28 Amy Cahill
31 Patrick Cahill

Anniversaries

18 Virgil & Christine Bennett
23 Ken & Barb Berry
30 Kevin & Carrie Kutchie

The shut - ins

Leona Barowicz
Andrea Barowicz
Thomas Boozer
Dolores Kraklau
Harold Lick
Ruth Retzke
Gloria Siewert

Prayer Requests

Debbie Bartels
(pancreatic cancer)
Pr. Philip Gagnon
(b-cell lymphoma)
Grace Holmes
(heart problems, diabetes, ICU)
Angie Layman
(cancer)
Family of Phyllis Kitchen
(died in sleep)
Ray Lietz
(moved to assisted living)

Juli Nurbhai
(brain tumor)
Pastor Eric & Ruth Rauch
(prayer for healing)
Pastor Ron Schmidt
(ablation surgery)
Shari Schmidt
(broken wrist, bruised ribs)
Al Solomon
(brain surgery)
Joyce White
(cancer)

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Open the camera
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NALC Disaster Response Flood Buckets From May 15 to July 31

We are collecting items and assembling Flood Buckets to stock the Michigan Mission District Warehouse in Owosso.

Our Goal is to assemble 50 Flood Buckets. Gift Cards and \$\$\$ are welcome. If writing a check, be sure to write "flood buckets" in the memo line.



FLOOD BUCKETS

5 gal bucket w/ lid	Home Depot or Lowes	\$4.98
Bucket lid	Home Depot or Lowes	\$2.48
1 jug bleach (81 oz)	Dollar General	\$2.95
2 lg trash bags (30 gal)	Dollar General	\$0.75 \$5.00 for pkg of 14 bags
1 roll paper towel	Dollar General	\$2.00 \$6.50 for pkg of 6 rolls
Comet/Scouring powder	Dollar General	\$1.00
PineSol Cleaner	Dollar General	\$3.25
Scrub brush (floor)	Dollar General	\$1.00
Rubber gloves	Dollar General	\$2.50 \$5.00 for 2 pair
Leather gloves	Dollar General	\$8.00 for 1 pair
Brown Jersey Cotton gloves	Dollar General	\$1.00 \$3.00 for pkg of 3
		\$29.91 TOTAL

Estimated Price List

If you tell them you are buying this for your church they probably will not charge sales tax.

 Join us as we gather
PENNIES FOR PATIENTS
Our collection is growing!

We have one jar filled & working on the second. We are just over \$100 today!



Please join us over the next two weeks - help us fill that second jar to make this our best year yet. **Neighbors Helping Neighbors.**

Your generous donations help provide needed care at no cost for home nursing, supplies, nutrition, emotional support and social services for adults and children. Donations remain in area for local patients, so there is no billing or insurance reimbursements for nursing services.

If donating through check, please write it to Peace Lutheran Church with "BCCS Pennies" on the memo line and on your envelope. You may drop your donation in the offering plate or in the jar in the narthex. The last week of May, all will be combined in a PLC check to BCCS.

"I am but one person, what difference can I make?"
LOTS ! Sharing our resources, reaching out to others –
TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE



Thank You for Your Support



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Christian Education and Prayer Opportunities:

Monday: 6 p.m. - Light Dinner
6:45 p.m. - Monday Evening Service
Thursday: 7 p.m. - Prayer Meeting via Zoom

Comfort Room

We love children in Worship! If you have a child who becomes restless, it's okay. If you feel the need, you may step behind the glass wall at the back of the church, or use the Nursery, (the third classroom), which is set up with comfy couches and rocking chairs to provide a calm environment. Live video is provided so you won't miss any of the service. Ask an usher if you need assistance.

Communion

All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with and under the forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. White grape juice is available.

Large print bulletins and assistive listening devices are available for each service, for assistance please speak to an usher.

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