# Peace Lutheran Church

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#### NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 16, 2022

As We Gather Making a bold confession of faith is part of the Christian life. Rather than retreating from the world in which we live, we are called to share our faith in Christ as Savior and through word and action, show forth His abiding love. Through the Holy Spirit we can live confidently beneath the canopy of God's grace. This we can trust. Through the centuries Bible authors and hymn writers have encouraged God's people to trust in Christ alone. This language is confessed throughout our liturgy in words spoken and sung.

Attention Visitors We celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion this morning. This holy meal is intended for Christians who acknowledge their need of God's forgiveness in their lives. The Bible teaches that Christ's body and blood are received with the elements of bread and wine and that Christians need to examine themselves before receiving this holy meal. (1Cor. 10 & 11). This meal further expresses a unity of faith as we gather at one table to receive the assurance of God's forgiveness through the body and blood of our Lord in the sacrament. We welcome baptized Christians to commune with us, those who believe and confess this same faith and understanding of the sacrament and of the Christian life. Persons who desire to receive grape juice select from the darker glasses. If you have any further questions concerning the sacrament, please ask to speak to the Pastor.

<u>Hearing aids and large print bulletins are available.</u> If you would like a hearing aid or large print bulletin please see an usher.

<u>A special welcome to those with young children</u> If needed, a cry room is located near the church entryway complete with a window and sound so you may fully participate in worship. If you need guidance please see an usher.

RINGING OF THE BELL

**PRELUDE** 

WELCOME

#### + PREPARATION +

#### **OPENING HYMN**

# "Holy, Holy, Holy"



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#### **INVOCATION and OPENING SENTENCES**

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

People: Amen.

Pastor: And will not God give justice to His elect,

People: who cry to Him day and night?

Pastor: Let not the downtrodden turn back in shame; **People: let the poor and needy praise Your name.** *Luke 18:7; Psalm 74:21* 

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Pastor: Let us praise God's name by admitting the truth of His Word, the

truth that we are poor sinners in need of forgiveness and healing.

People: Lord God, we confess that we have run away from You and

have not trusted Your Word and promises. Forgive our impatience and pride, and enlighten our minds to see Your loving presence even in the midst of our troubles, for Jesus'

sake. Amen.

Pastor: God's love dries our tears. God's forgiveness picks us up. God's

peace settles our worry. For Jesus' sake, all your sins have been

forgiven. God is good.

All: And we, His children, offer our thanks and praise. Amen.

#### **HYMN OF PRAISE**

# "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"



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#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray,

O Lord, almighty and everlasting God, You have commanded us to pray and have promised to hear us. Mercifully grant that Your Holy Spirit may direct and govern our hearts in all things that we may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

#### + WORD +

(After the reading)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(After the reading)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

#### **ALLELUIA AND VERSE**



**GOSPEL**.....Luke 18:1-8

(Parable on Persistent Prayer)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 18th chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

(After the Gospel is read.)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

# **HYMN OF THE DAY**



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#### **MESSAGE**

# Wrestling With God Can Get Your Faith Rearranged: Sometimes It Takes Being Broken To Be Made Whole Genesis 32:22-30 Pastor Rob Rebensal

# CONFESSION OF FAITH (NICENE CREED)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of

God, begotten of his Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,

begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us, under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried.

And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified,

who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

#### **OFFERING**

Please sign the red fellowship book located at the aisle seat in each row and pass it down your pew. When finished, pass it back down your pew to the center aisle seat and the ushers will pick it up after the service.

#### **OFFERTORY**



# PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

#### + SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION +

#### **PREFACE**

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.

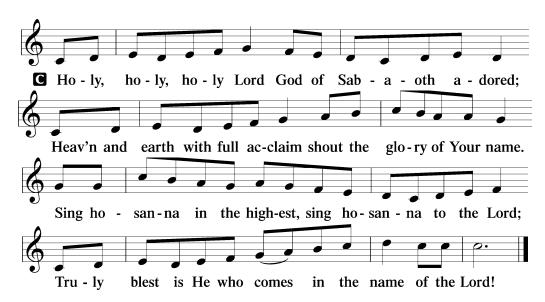
People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

#### PROPER PREFACE

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 on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

#### **SANCTUS**



#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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.

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His 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 is My + blood of the new testament, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

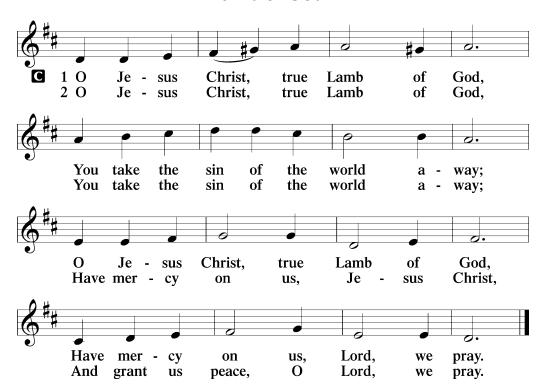
#### PEACE OF THE LORD

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

People: And also with you.

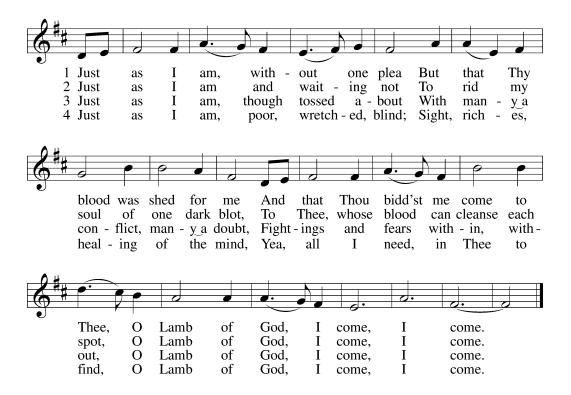
#### **AGNUS DEI**

#### "Lamb of God"



(Please be seated)

# "Just as I Am, without One Plea"

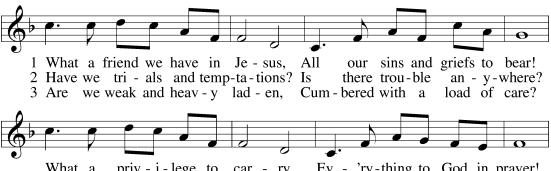


5 Just as I am, Thou wilt receive, Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; Because Thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6 Just as I am; Thy love unknown Has broken ev'ry barrier down; Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

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# "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry Ev - 'ry-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 thy friends de-spise, for-sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



All be-cause we do not car - ry Ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer! Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak-ness— Take it to the Lord in prayer. In His arms He'll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a sol-ace there.

### "When Peace, like a River"



- 1 When peace, like a riv er, at tend eth my way; When
- 2 Though Sa tan should buf fet, though tri als should come, Let
- 3 He lives— oh, the bliss of this glo ri ous thought; My
- 4 And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight, The



sor - rows, like sea bil-lows, roll; What - ev - er my lot, Thou hast this blest as - sur-ance con-trol, sin, not in part, but the whole, Is nailed to His cross, and I clouds be rolled back as a scroll, The trum - pet shall sound and the



help - less es - tate And hath shed His own blood for my soul. bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! Lord shall de-scend; E - ven so it is well with my soul.



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# "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"



- 5 Holy Father, holy Son,
  Holy Spirit, three we name Thee;
  Though in essence only one,
  Undivided God we claim Thee
  And, adoring, bend the knee
  While we own the mystery.
- 6 From Thy high celestial home, Judge of all, again returning, We believe that Thou shalt come On that final judgment morning, When Thy voice shall shake the earth And the startled dead come forth.
- 7 Spare Thy people, Lord, we pray, By a thousand snares surrounded; Keep us without sin today, Never let us be confounded. Lo, I put my trust in Thee; Never, Lord, abandon me.

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### **POST COMMUNION CANTICLE**



### **BENEDICTION**

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious unto You. The Lord look upon You with favor and + give you His peace.

#### **CLOSING HYMN**





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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **POSTLUDE**

<u>Altar Flowers:</u> Given to the glory of God by Diana Wanke in celebration of Blaine's birthday.

Attendance on 10/9/22: 9:00-84 11:00-29 Total:113 Sunday School- 9

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# **THOSE WHO SERVE US TODAY October 16, 2022**

9:00 am <u>11:00 am</u>

Elder: Blaine Wanke Tom Waddell/Bob Weaver

**Greeters:** Jim & Kerry DeVries

Readers: David Hudnell Susan Weaver

Acolyte: Lucas Williamson Ushers: Dave Schmidt

Roy Poehler Jim DeVries

Altar Care: Bill & Linda Young Rachael Ylizaliturri & Jane Morici

**Organist:** Karen Foote

### **THOSE WHO SERVE US NEXT SUNDAY October 23, 2022**

9:00 am <u>11:00 am</u>

Elder: Blaine Wanke Tom Waddell/Bob Weaver

**Greeters:** Ken Anderson

**Readers:** Blaine Wanke Stacy Hunter

Acolyte: Shane Muller Ushers: Ken Anderson

Glenn Benitz Scott Ehlers

Altar Care: Bill & Linda Young Rachael Ylizaliturri & Jane Morici

Organist: Karen Foote

### THIS WEEK AT PEACE October 16, 2022

Today: 9:00 am Traditional Communion Service

11:00 am Praise Service (FH) 9:20 am Sunday School

10:00 am Adult Bible Study (Coffeehouse) 1:30 pm New Life Christian Fellowship

4:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH)

Monday: Office Closed

Tuesday: 10:00 am Women's Bible Study Wednesday: 10:00 am Luther's Attic Volunteers

6:00 pm High School Bible Study

6:30 pm A.C.A. Women's Support Group

Thursday: 6:45 am Men's Bible Study

9:30 am Thursday Morning Bible Study 10:00 am LifeLight Bible Study via Zoom

5:45 am Handbell Rehearsal 7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

Friday: +++++++++++
Saturday: +++ ++++++++

10/23 Sunday: 9:00 am Traditional Service

11:00 am Praise Communion Service (FH)

9:20 am Sunday School

10:00 am Adult Bible Study (Coffeehouse) 1:30 pm New Life Christian Fellowship

4:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH)

Voter's Assembly Call Meeting — On November 6, 2022 after the contemporary service we will be having a Voter's Assembly meeting for the purpose of calling a Senior Pastor. A light lunch will be served before the meeting. Information about each of the candidates will be made available at least two weeks prior to the meeting. The October 9 Sunday bulletins included a list of the names of the candidates. If you did not get an insert, they are available at the church office and the Fellowship Hall.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF October 16, 2022**

**TUESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** will meet at 10am. Our study of the book of "Daniel" has resumed. For more info, contact Connie @ 805-987-5116.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY- This study is on "Politics Is Driving Me Crazy!" on Thursdays, 6:45am with breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. Join us. For more info, call Dave Hutter @ (805)386-7007. THE LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY If you would like to join this study of the book of "Hebrews", please contact Diana Wanke at: (805)490-8212.

**THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** meets @ 9:30AM in rotating homes, with a study of the "Gospel of John." If you have any questions please call Dave Schmidt at: 805-482-3867.

**PRAYER CHAIN-** If you have a prayer request please call *Sandi Stepp* at: 805-625-0479 or e-mail: footstepps@verizon.net.

THE 2022 FLOWER CHART is in the Narthex. Sign up for the Sunday(s) of your choice. Arrangements are \$40.00 each. A check or money can be placed in the offering plate. Please note on the check or on the envelope that it is designated for "Flowers". Following the 9:00 service, you may take your arrangement home.

<u>THE FOOD BANK-</u> Donations for the food pantry at St. Columba's Episcopal Church can be put in the donation box in the narthex. Donations are taken to the pantry weekly. Shelf stable milk, cereal, canned vegetables, tuna, and peanut butter are always needed, but all non-perishable, unexpired donations are appreciated. The pantry serves our Camarillo seniors and families that need a helping hand. We thank you for your continued support.

PEACE PUMPKIN FEST OCTOBER 29<sup>TH</sup>- Come to the fest (10am-3pm) and have some fun along with donating food or craft items to sell/purchase for the "Ethan Jordan fund raiser". Sign up to volunteer to work a shift, if you can @ peacecamarillo.com/pumpkin-fest.

<u>THANK YOU!</u> We would like to thank everyone for all their assistance at Church on September 25<sup>th</sup> and for the kind and caring cards and phone calls. Thank-you, Heinz and Anna Langner <u>PASTOR ROB RETIREMENT LUNCHEON</u> — On Sunday <u>November 20</u> we will be having a <u>single service at 10:30</u> in the Fellowship Hall. After the service we will be having a retirement celebration luncheon for Pastor Rob. All food and drink will be provided. Please plan on joining us in giving Pastor Rob a proper send off as he begins the next chapter of his life.



<u>CALL UPDATE</u> The Elders are in the process of interviewing all the Pastoral candidates. It is anticipated that this process will be completed on October 17. We have scheduled a Voter's Assembly meeting for the sole purpose of calling a Pastor on **November 6 after the 11:00 service**.

The elders will be providing summaries of information they received. We originally had 12 candidates.

Five asked to be removed from consideration. The remaining seven are:

Pastor Bruce Alberts, Good Shepard, Titusville FL

Pastor Ernest Jeong, Faith Lutheran Church, Moorpark CA

Pastor Matthew Kohl, Our Redeemer, Cloquet MN

Pastor Kevin Kritzer, Long Beach CA

Pastor Dustin Parker, Concordia, Cerritos CA

Pastor John Scott, Crosspoint Lutheran Church, Lakewood IL

Pastor Brian Wright, Christ Lutheran Church, Cairo NE

You can look them up on the LCMS website LCMS.org or google their names to get some background information. Most of them have sermons on their church websites, YouTube or Facebook. Feel free to conduct any type of research you like, but we ask that you **do not** contact them or anyone at their current church. The elders plan on presenting all seven candidates for consideration at the Voter's Meeting without endorsing any of them. We prefer to let the Holy Spirit work inside each one of you. Of course, you can ask an elder their personal opinion if you wish. If you have any questions please feel free to ask Blaine Wanke or any other elder.



# Remember in your Prayers:

HEALTH AND HEALING: Ashley (Sandi Stepp's niece), Brandee Brand, Terry Breckinridge, Carolyn Cooper, Brian Derozer, Mike Elbert, Bruce Fraser, Beverly Gandy, Helen (friend of Carol Yung), Damon Hermann (friend of Greg Olewiler), John Hollenbeck (friend of Eunice Harter), Karen Johnson, Judy (friend of Schultze family), Heinz Langner, Mrs. Mai, (friend of Greg Olewiler), Carol Marker, Ryan Scott Morrison, Gene O'Neal, Jim Pedersen, Ann Marie Ramirez (friend of Carol Yung), Mike Reuter, Toni Rizer, Lil Rodriguez (Luther's Attic worker), Tim Schmidt, Shane Sheldon (relative of Melissa Hamilton), Don Schultz, David Stafford, Leslie Stenke, Ashley Stephen, Lara Tate, Bev Toro, Dusty Urban, Sandy Williamson, Lisa (Cassidy) Wright, Carol Yung and Ele Zorkocy.

**Pray for all military men and women especially:** Jared Bautista, Jacob Chiles, Andrew Geib, Daniel Gross, Michael Hanson, Brian Miller, Kevin Schleicher, Stephen Volpei, Lucas Wentland and Henry Andermann.