

Peace Lutheran Church

"Peace Through Christ"

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EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 23, 2023



As We Gather The Christian faith is the way of humble trust in the Lord. In Jesus God Himself unites His power and the weakness of man to overcome sin, death, and the devil and his temptations. Through the Word and Sacrament ministry of the Church faith grasps and hopes in and possesses the same victory established in our Lord's crucifixion and resurrection. With the Apostle Paul we confess, "For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong" (2 Corinthians 12:10).

Welcome Children– If needed, a nursery is located near the church entrance.

PRELUDE

WELCOME



Remember in your Prayers:

HEALTH AND HEALING: Edith Anderson, Ashley (Sandi Stepp's niece), Brandee Brand, Brian Derozer, Michael Draper, Beverly Gandy, Helen (friend of Carol Yung), John Gingerich, Damon Hermann (friend of Greg Olewiler), John Hollenbeck (friend of Eunice Harter), Vicki Hutter, Karen Johnson, Susan Klein, Mrs. Mai, (friend of Greg Olewiler), Carol Marker, Ryan Scott Morrison, Ann Marie Ramirez (friend of Carol Yung), Norma Regalia, Mike Reuter, Tim Schmidt, 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, women and their families: Jared Bautista, Jacob Chiles, Andrew Geib, Daniel Gross, Michael Hanson, Brian Miller, Kevin Schleicher, Stephen Volpei, Lucas Wentland, Henry Andermann, Avery Chapman and Adam Volpei.

THIS WEEK AT PEACE July 23, 2023

Sunday: 10:00 am Traditional One Service
10:20 am Sunday School
1:30 pm New Life Christian Fellowship
4:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH)

Monday: Office closed
8:45 am Covenant Players (FH)

Tuesday: Office closed
7:00 pm Council Meeting
8:45 am Covenant Players (FH)
10:00 am Ladies Bible Study (PH)

Wednesday: 8:45 am Covenant Players (FH)
10:00 am Luther's Attic Volunteers
6:30 pm A.C.A. Women's Support Group (PH)

Thursday: 7:30 am Men's Bible Study (FH)
8:45 am Covenant Players (FH)
9:30 am Thursday Morning Bible Study

Friday: 8:45 am Covenant Players (FH)

Saturday: 8:45 am Covenant Players (FH)

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A FRIENDLY REMINDER - Please help us keep our freshly cleaned carpet looking pristine, by kindly refraining to bring in any beverages other than water, to worship services. (spillproof lids are great) Thanks!

+ PREPARATION + OPENING HYMN "O Worship the King" Accompanied by the Peace Paise Band



1 O wor - ship the King, all - glo - rious a - bove.
2 O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,
3 This earth, with its store of won - ders un - told,
5 Frail chil - dren of dust and fee - ble as frail,



O grate - ful - ly sing His pow'r and His love;
Whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space;
Al - might - y, Thy pow'r hath found - ed of old,
In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail.



Our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,
His char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form,
Es - tab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,
Thy mer - cies, how ten - der, how firm to the end,



Pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.
And round it hath cast, like a man - tle, the sea.
Our mak - er, de - fend - er, re - deem - er, and friend!

Text: Robert Grant, 1779-1838, alt.
Tune: William Croft, 1678-1727
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INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

THOSE WHO SERVE US NEXT WEEK JULY 30, 2023

OPENING SENTENCES *Deuteronomy 6:4; Matthew 28:19*

Pastor: Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

People: How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable His ways!

Pastor: For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.

People: To Him be glory forever. Amen.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Because we cannot fully understand God, we are prone to question His judgments and wonder why He allows evil people to oppose Christ's Church from without and from within. But none of us is without error. Let us reflect on our own sinful human condition as we come into the presence of the Almighty God.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

Pastor: Through Isaiah the Lord declared, "I am the first and I am the last; besides Me there is no god." *Isaiah 44:6b*

People: We confess that we have allowed ourselves, our friends, and the things around us to determine our actions; they have become as gods to us. We have not loved You, heavenly Father, with all our heart, mind, and strength. Forgive us.

Pastor: Paul wrote that "we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us." *Romans 8:26*

People: We confess that in our pride we have thought we knew what was good for us, and when we did not receive it, doubted that You, O Holy Spirit, had even heard our prayer. Forgive us.

10:00 am ONE SERVICE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

Elders: Bob Hutchison /Dave Hutter

Greeter: Cindy Klittich

Reader: Todd Harter

Acolyte: Lucas Williamson

Ushers: Dave Schmidt

Roy Poehler

Jim DeVries

Altar Care: Linda Young and Irene Hutchison

Cookie & Coffee Service: S. McCracken, C. Stuart & J. Morici

Pianist: Karen Foote

Praise Band

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF July 23, 2023

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS– Will break for now and resume in August.

TUESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY meets @ 10am in the Coffee House.

Our study is on the book of Luke. Come join us! For more info, contact Connie at 805-987-5116.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY– This study is held on Thursdays 7:30-8:30am with a continental breakfast, in the Fellowship Hall. Join us. For more info, call Kevin Krumdieck @ 805-551-8507.

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 2023 FLOWER CHART SIGN-UP is posted in the Narthex. Sign up for the Sunday (s) of your choice. 2 signups are available for each Sunday. They are \$40.00 each.

THE FOOD BANK- Donations for the food pantry at St. Columba's Episcopal Church can be put in the donation box in the Fellowship Hall.

LSS SCHOOL SUPPLY PROJECT: July 16th-30th- Please look for the large plastic bin in the Fellowship Hall and a display of donated items needed. Many thanks! Social Concerns Committee 13

ATTENDANCE ON 7/16/23: 10am - 120

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Greeter: Charlo Stuart
Reader: Blaine Wanke
Acolyte: Marshall Denninger
Ushers: Blaine Wanke
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Pastor: In His parable about the wheat and weeds, Jesus explained that in the day of judgment “all causes of sin and all law-breakers” will be sent to a place of “weeping and gnashing of teeth.” *Matthew 13:41–42*

People: We confess that we have judged the people around us, hurting many in the process and failing to see our own faults and failures. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves, nor have we trusted Your plans, Lord Jesus. Forgive us.

Pastor: God’s calming word through Isaiah was, “Fear not, nor be afraid.” Even while we stumble, the promise is that “the Spirit helps us in our weakness.” In the End we who have been made righteous by Christ’s sacrifice for us shall be gathered as wheat into God’s eternal harvest. By your faith in Jesus as your Savior and Redeemer, and for His sake, God forgives you all your sins. In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Isaiah 44:8a; Romans 8:26a

People: Amen.

Pastor: “He who has ears, let him hear.” *Matthew 13:43b*

**People: We hear and rejoice. To God be the glory forever.
Amen.**



HYMN OF PRAISE

“O Bless the Lord, My Soul”



1 O bless the Lord, my soul! Let all with - in me join
2 O bless the Lord, my soul, Nor let His mer - cies lie
3 'Tis He for - gives thy sins; 'Tis He re - lieves thy pain;



And aid my tongue to bless His name Whose fa - vors are di - vine.
For - got - ten in un - thank - ful - ness And with - out prais - es die!
'Tis He that heals thy sick - ness - es And makes thee young a - gain.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748
Tune: Aaron Williams, 1731–76
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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

O God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by
Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your final judgment,

**People: we may be stirred up to holiness of living here
and dwell with You in perfect joy hereafter;**

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and
reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and
forever.

People: Amen

+THE WORD OF GOD+

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Isaiah 44:6–8*

(The Lord, our Redeemer, is the only God.)

(After the Reading.)

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

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. *Numbers 6:24–26*

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“On What Has Now Been Sown”

Accompanied by the Peace Paise Band



1 On what has now been sown Thy bless - ing, Lord, be - stow;
2 To Thee our wants are known, From Thee are all our pow'rs;
3 O grant that each of us, Now met be - fore Thee here,



The pow'r is Thine a - lone To make it sprout and grow. Do Thou
Ac - cept what is Thine own And par - don what is ours. Our prais -
May meet to - geth - er thus When Thou and Thine ap - pear And fol -



in grace the har - vest raise, And Thou a - lone shalt have the praise!
es, Lord, and prayers re - ceive, And to Thy Word a bless - ing give.
low Thee to heav'n, our home. E'en so, a - men, Lord Je - sus, come!

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Tune: John Darwall, 1731–89
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

ALTAR FLOWERS: Given to the glory of God and in celebration of
the Krumdieck's anniversary.

VOLUNTARY

OFFERTORY

“Create in Me”

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new
a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way
from Thy pres - ence; and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion;
and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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.

EPISTLERomans 8:18–27

(The Spirit intercedes even when words fail us.)

(After the Reading)

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

(God sends His Word by grace, no matter the reception it receives.)

Pastor : The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 13th
chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord!**

(After the Gospel is read.)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord

People: **Praise to You, O Christ!**

(Children are dismissed for Summer Sunday School)

HYMN OF THE DAY

“O Holy Spirit, Enter In”



1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, en - ter in, And in our hearts
2 Give to Your Word im - pres - sive pow'r, That in our hearts
3 O might - y Rock, O Source of life, Let Your dear Word,



Your work be - gin, Your dwell - ing place now make us.
from this good hour As fire it may be glow - ing,
in doubt and strife, In us be strong - ly burn - ing



Sun of the soul, O Light di - vine, A - round and in
That in true Chris - tian u - ni - ty We faith - ful wit -
That we be faith - ful un - to death And live in love



us bright - ly shine, To joy and glad - ness wake us
ness - es may be, Your glo - ry ev - er show - ing.
and ho - ly faith, From You true wis - dom learn - ing.



That we may be Tru - ly liv - ing, To You giv - ing
Hear us, cheer us By Your teach - ing; Let our preach - ing
Your grace and peace On us show - er; By Your pow - er



Prayer un - ceas - ing And in love be still in - creas - ing.
And our la - bor Praise You, Lord, and serve our neigh - bor.
Christ con - fess - ing, Let us see our Sav - ior's bless - ing.

MESSAGE

“A Message From The Heartland: Do Not Lose Heart; Take Heart.”

Matthew 13:24–30, 36–43

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CONFESSION OF FAITH (APOSTLES' CREED)

**All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

**From thence he will come to judge the living and the
dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

OFFERING

(Please sign and fill out the fellowship book and pass it down. When finished, pass it back down to the center aisle seat and the ushers will pick it up after the service.)