Peace Lutheran Church

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FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 23, 2024

As We Gather. The main difference between God and people is He is God and we are not! As obvious as this may sound, it is much harder to put into practice in our thinking and living. We like to think we are in control of what happens in our lives, but all it takes is getting tossed around in a storm to discover we are not—not even close. Job discovered this when he lost everything and was reduced to scraping his sores and God asked him, "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?" When the apostle Paul acknowledged that he was, among other things, "sorrowful, yet always rejoicing," he accepted his own sufferings as affirmations of God's favor. Jesus—with a word—calms a threatening storm on the Sea of Galilee. As suddenly as the storm arose, at the Lord's command, a sudden peace prevailed. This is the same peace He speaks into our lives today through His Word and Sacraments. Through Jesus we can rest assured that no matter what happens, God is always good, and we are in His hands.

<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>Welcome Children</u>- A cry room is located near the church entryway. Please see an usher for guidance.

RINGING OF THE BELL PRELUDE
WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

"Voices Raised to You We Offer"



INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of

the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES Based on Psalm 124:1, 4, 5, 8

Pastor: If it had not been the LORD who was on our side, **People: then the flood would have swept us away.**Pastor: If it had not been the Lord who was on our side,

People: the torrent would have gone over us.

Pastor: If it had not been the Lord who was on our side,

People: then over us would have gone the raging waters.

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the LORD,

People: who made heaven and earth.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Almighty God, ruler of wind and wave, who laid the foundation of the earth, we confess to You our sins, both

those of which we are aware and unaware.

People: Lord, have mercy on us.

Pastor: We confess that we have not loved You with all our

heart, mind, and strength; we have not loved our

neighbor as ourselves.

People: Lord, have mercy on us.

Pastor: We confess that we often revert to fear and doubt when

faced with the storms of life.

People: Lord, have mercy on us.

Pastor: Mighty Lord, whom even the wind and the waves obey,

forgive our sins, remove our doubts, calm our fears,

strengthen our faith.

People: Lord, have mercy on us.

Pastor: "Peace!" our Lord commands. "Be still." That's a

command we can take comfort in. One that assures us God is indeed in control. A command in love that offers peace within and peace with him through the forgiveness of all our sins by faith in Jesus our Savior, a promise of a better place in a better world one day with him. A promise that his anger with us has been removed, that we are wrapped in His love and never alone in life. God has promised it, and God has done it. In the name

of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the blood of peace. *Matt. 5:22-24;Eph. 4:1-3*

PSALM	From Psalm 107	(read responsively)
Pastor:	Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!	
People:	People: Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands,	
Pastor:	from the east and	

People: Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to a city to dwell in;

Pastor: hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.

People: Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress.

Pastor: Some sat in darkness and in the shadow of death, prisoners in affliction and in irons,

People: Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress.

Pastor: Some were fools through their sinful ways, and because of their iniquities suffered affliction;

People: Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress.

Pastor: He sent out his word and healed them, and delivered them from their destruction.

People: Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress.

and the waves of the sea were hushed. People: Then they were glad that the waters were quiet, and he brought them to their desired haven. All: Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of man! PRAYER OF THE DAY Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty God, in Your mercy guide the course of this world so that Your Church may joyfully serve You in godly peace and guietness; 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. Job 38:1-11 (The Creator addresses His creature.) Reader: This is the Word of our Lord. People: Thanks be to God. (Grace in the midst of suffering.)

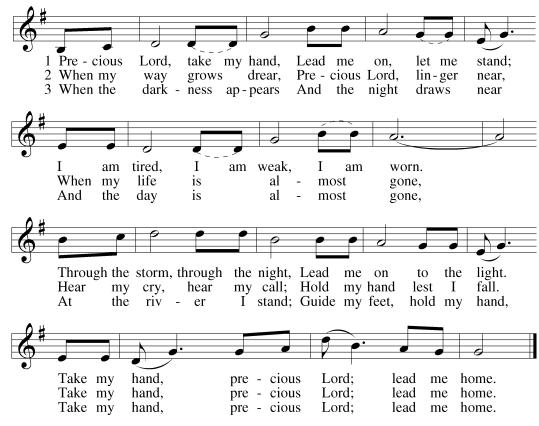
Pastor: He made the storm be still.

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"



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Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 4th chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord!

(After the reading of the Gospel.)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord People: Praise to You, O Christ!

(Children are dismissed for Sunday School)

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"



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MESSAGE

"He Gives His Hand ...And More!"

Mark 4:35-41

Pastor Mike Schultze

CONFESSION OF FAITH (APOSTLES' CREED)

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.

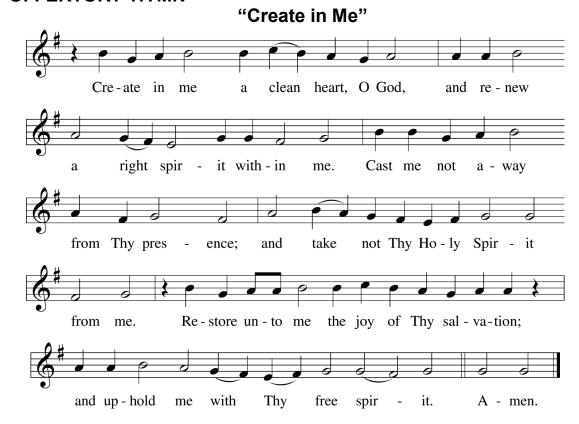
OFFERING

(Please sign and fill out the fellowship book and pass it down 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.)

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VOLUNTARY

OFFERTORY HYMN



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.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto You.

The Lord look upon You with favor and + give you

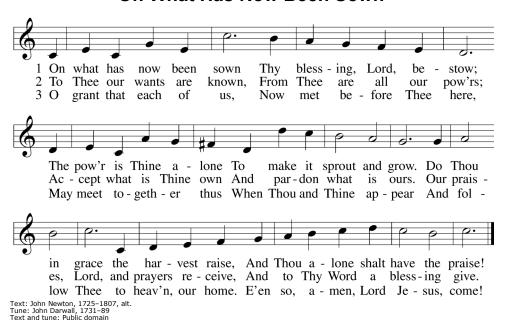
His peace.

People: Amen.



CLOSING HYMN

"On What Has Now Been Sown"



ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

<u>Altar Flowers</u> Given to the glory of God by Steve & Karen Rusch in celebration of their 41st wedding anniversary; and given by Dick Mahlke in memory of his son, Rick.

THOSE WHO SERVE US TODAY, June 23, 2024

<u>10am</u>

Elder: Dave Hutter

Greeter: Andy & Pam Klittich

Reader: Dave Schmidt

Acolyte: Samuel Williamson

Ushers: Glenn Benitz

Scott Ehlers Steve Rusch

Altar Care: Linda Young & Marta Shamblin

Cookie & Coffee Service: L. Pommers, C. Klittich, S. Fraser

THOSE WHO SERVE US **NEXT WEEK**, June 30, 2024

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<u>10am</u>

Elder: Dave HutterGreeter: Luci PommersReader: Roy PoehlerAcolyte: Blake Denninger

Ushers: Mike McCracken

Rick Poore

Altar Care: Linda Young & Marta Shamblin

Cookie & Coffee Service: L. Pommers, C. Klittich, S. Fraser

THIS WEEK AT PEACE June 23, 2024

Sunday: 8:00 am New Life Christian Church

10:00 am Traditional Service 10:15 am Sunday School 11:15 am Adult Bible Study

4:00 pm Boy Scouts (outdoors)

Monday: Office Closed
Tuesday: Office Closed
Wednesday: Office Closed

10:00 am Luther's Attic Volunteers

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

Thursday: Office Closed

10:00 am Lifelight Bible Study

Friday: Office Closed
Saturday: ++++++++

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF June 23, 2024

<u>SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS</u> is held, in the Proverbs House, our class will meet 15 minutes after service. We will begin our study of "Recovering the Joy of Theology" watching Pastor Bryan Wolfmueller present theological content in an interesting way. More info, call Kevin Krumdieck @ 805-551-8507

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

THE 2024 FLOWER CHART is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. There are 2 signups available each Sunday, please sign up for the Sunday (s) of your choice. Each arrangement is \$40.00, and the donation can be placed in an envelope in the offering plate. If you do write a check, please note on the check or envelope that the donation is designated for "Flowers". After service, you may take your arrangement home, or they may be donated to our shut-ins.

<u>FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS</u>: Donations for the food pantry taken to the Episcopal Church for distribution are needed. Just a reminder that there is food insecurity here in Camarillo and your donations help our neighbors. Please put your items in the box in the narthex. The Food Pantry values our partnership, and is appreciated by the recipients of your generosity! Board of Social Concerns

ALTAR CARE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The Altar Committee is still in need of volunteers for 2024. If you've never done this job and are interested in learning about it, there are mentors to assist you. The signup sheet is in the Narthex. Contact Linda Young @ 805-236-4820 or by email @ nephronurse@verizon.net.

EMPTY INK and **TONER CARTRIDGES**: Please don't throw away your empties, drop them off at the church office for recycling.

INDEPENDENCE DAY BBQ – You are invited to celebrate the 4th of July **NEXT** Sunday, June 30th. We will be having a BBQ after church. The meat, dessert and drinks will be provided. Please bring a side dish to share. We look forward to seeing everyone there, Your Fellowship Committee.

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V.B.S. 2024



Many thanks to our 45 volunteers for sharing the joy of knowing Jesus!

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. 1 Peter 4:10



<u>PRAY FOR</u>: Edith Anderson, Brian Derozer, Beverly Gandy, Damon Hermann, Vicki Hutter, Karen Johnson, Carol Marker, Pat Massey, Connie Morris, Ryan Scott Morrison, David Stafford, Leslie Stenke, Ashley Stephen, Lara Tate, Dusty Urban, Sandy Williamson, Lisa Wright, Sue Zinger & Elle Zorkocy.

FOR OUR MILITARY: Henry Andermann, Jared Bautista, Jacob Chiles, Andrew Geib, Daniel Gross, Kaleb Leonard, Emily Leonard, Brian Miller, Stephen Volpei, Lucas Wentland, Avery Chapman & Adam Volpei.

July 4th Celebration!

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Your Fellowship Committee.







