

Peace Lutheran Church

“Peace Through Christ”

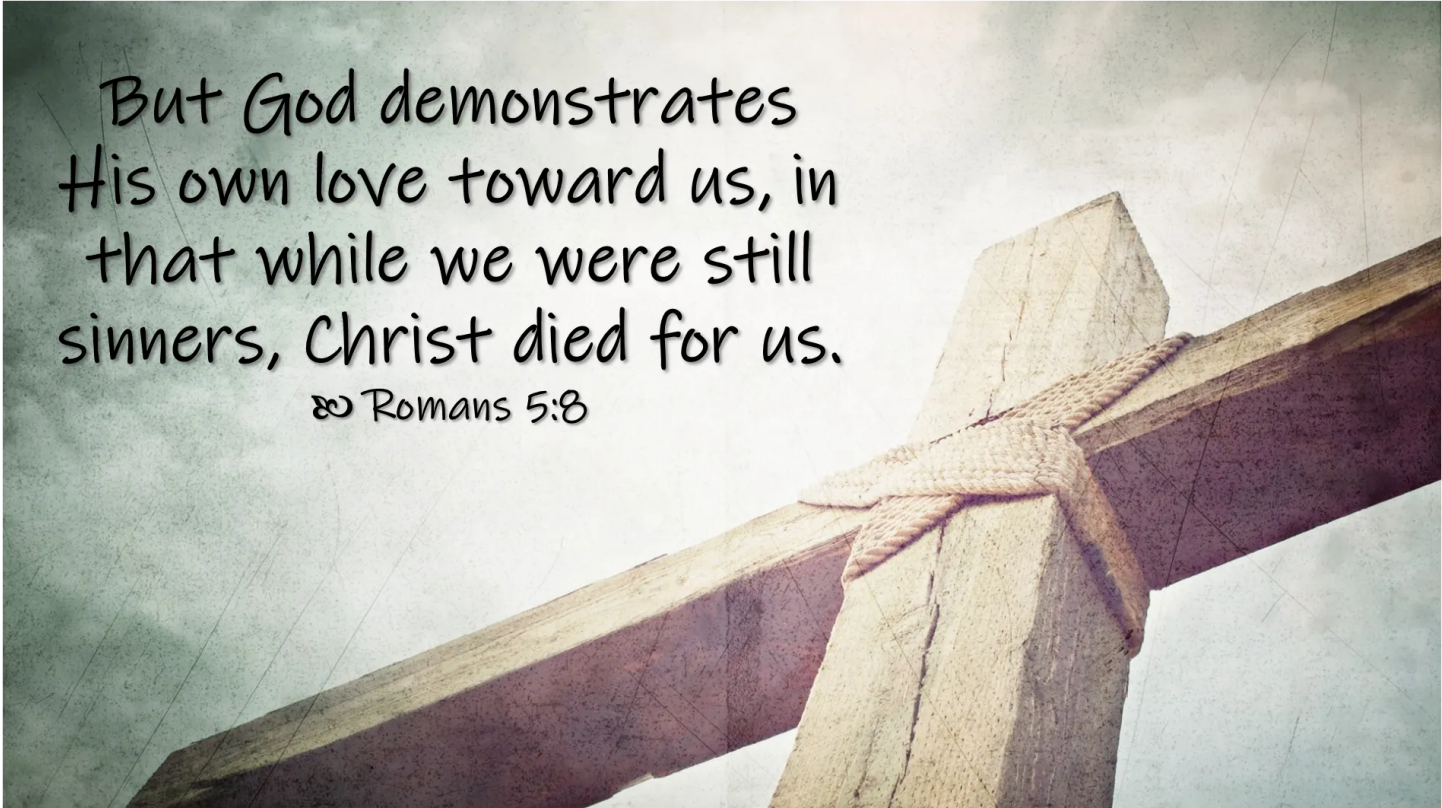
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SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

February 28, 2021

As We Gather When it comes to human love, it's fair to say that it comes in different degrees. For instance, even with just a little love for someone, you might be willing to help carry some groceries or get their mail while they're out of town. But if you have a greater love for someone, you might be open to caring for them when they're sick or helping them move into a new home. The greatest demonstration of love, however, is to lay down your life for someone else. There's no greater sacrifice one can make for another. And yet, that's exactly what Jesus did for us, even though so often we are unloving and unlovable people. “But God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us” (Romans 5:8).



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His own love toward us, in
that while we were still
sinners, Christ died for us.

∞ Romans 5:8

RINGING OF THE BELL

PRESERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME

+ PREPARATION +

OPENING HYMN "O Jesus, King Most Wonderful"



1 O Je - sus, King most won - der - ful!
2 When once You vis - it dark - ened hearts,
3 O Je - sus, light of all be - low,
4 May ev - 'ry heart con - fess Your name,
5 Oh, may our tongues for - ev - er bless,



O Con - quer - or re - nowned! O Source of peace in -
Then truth be - gins to shine, Then earth - ly van - i -
The fount of life and fire, Sur - pass - ing all the
For - ev - er You a - dore, And, seek - ing You, it -
May we love You a - lone And ev - er in our



ef - fa - ble, In whom all joys are found:
ty de - parts, Then kin - dles love di - vine.
joys we know, All that we can de - sire:
self in - flame To seek You more and more!
lives ex - press The im - age of Your own!

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INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES *Based on Psalm 115 and Psalm 25:6*

Pastor: Remember Your mercy, O LORD, and Your steadfast love.

People: The LORD has remembered us; He will bless us.

Pastor: The LORD is our help and our shield.

People: He will bless those who fear Him, both the small and the great. We will bless the LORD from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the LORD!

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION *Based on Psalm 51:4; Romans 5:8–9, 11*

Pastor: Let us confess our sins to God our Father.
Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean.

People: Against You, O LORD, have we sinned and done what is evil in Your sight.

Pastor: We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

People: Against You, O LORD, have we sinned and done what is evil in Your sight.

Pastor: We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

People: Against You, O LORD, have we sinned and done what is evil in Your sight.

Pastor: We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment.

People: Against You, O LORD, have we sinned and done what is evil in Your sight.

Pastor: For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name.

People: Amen.

Pastor: God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by His blood, much more shall we be saved by Him from the wrath of God. By your faith in Jesus, God's Son, and His suffering and death for us, in our place, for our sins, all your sins have been forgiven. In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Rejoice then in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

People: Amen.

HYMN OF CONFESSION "I Lay My Sins on Jesus"



1 I lay my sins on Je - sus, The spot - less Lamb of God;
2 I lay my wants on Je - sus; All full - ness dwells in Him;
3 I rest my soul on Je - sus, This wea - ry soul of mine;



He bears them all and frees us From the ac - curs - ed load.
He heals all my dis - eas - es; My soul He does re - deem.
His right hand me em - brac - es; I on His breast re - cline.



I bring my guilt to Je - sus To wash my crim - son stains
I lay my griefs on Je - sus, My bur - dens and my cares;
I love the name of Je - sus, Im - man - uel, Christ, the Lord;



Clean in His blood most pre - cious Till not a spot re - mains.
He from them all re - leas - es; He all my sor - rows shares.
Like fra - grance on the breez - es His name a - broad is poured.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. Lord God, You give us peace beyond understanding. Since we sometimes see little but strife, violence, and brokenness in this world, grant us the gift of Your peace in full measure, that, restored to wholeness and resting our hearts in You, we may take up our cross and follow 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 *Genesis 17:1–7, 15–16*
(After the reading)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING *Romans 5:1–11*
(After the reading)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN

“On My Heart Imprint Your Image”



On my heart im - print Your im - age, Bless - ed Je - sus, King of grace,



That life's rich-es, cares, and plea-sures Nev - er may Your work e-rase;



Let the clear in - scrip-tion be: Je - sus, cru - ci - fied for me,



Is my life, my hope's foun - da - tion, And my glo - ry and sal - va - tion!

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HOLY GOSPEL.....Mark 8:27–38

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 8th chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

(After the reading)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

People: Praise to You O Christ

HYMN OF THE DAY

“When I Behold Jesus Christ”



1 When I be - hold Je - sus Christ, True God who died for me,
2 For me You gave all Your love, For me You suf-fered pain;
3 You had no sin, ho - ly Lord, But You were tor-tured, tried;
4 What love is this? Great-er love No one has ev - er known.



I won-der much at His love As He hung on the tree.
I find no words, noth - ing can Your self - less - ness ex - plain.
On Gol - go - tha there for all My sins You bled and died.
My life with God— this I owe To You, and You a - lone.



What kind of love is this? What kind of love is this?



You showed Your love, Je - sus, there To me on Cal - va - ry.



What kind of love is this? What kind of love is this?



You showed Your love, Je - sus, there To me on Cal - va - ry.

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MESSAGE

How Do We Know We're Okay With God?
We've Got The Papers And The Peace To Prove It
Romans 5:1-11

HYMN

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"



1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, Tow'r - ing
2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, Hopes de -
3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing Light and
4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure By the



o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of sa - cred
ceive, and fears an - noy, Nev - er shall the cross for -
love up - on my way, From the cross the ra - diance
cross are sanc - ti - fied; Peace is there that knows no



sto - ry Gath - ers round its head sub - lime.
sake me; Lo, it glows with peace and joy.
stream - ing Adds more lus - ter to the day.
mea - sure, Joys that through all time a - bide.

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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

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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: In the cross of Jesus, you have been reconciled to God.
You have peace with God through Jesus Christ. You are
peace-filled and called to take up your cross and follow
Jesus.

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.

CLOSING HYMN

“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, That Christ hath re - gard - ed my
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



taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul.
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.



Refrain
It is well with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

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Altar Flowers: Given to the glory of God by Connie Morris in thanksgiving for her son's favorable biopsy.

Attendance: 87

THIS WEEK AT PEACE FEBRUARY 28, 2021

Today: 10:30 a.m. Traditional Service outside
1:30 p.m. New Life Church

Tuesday 8:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study

Wednesday 10:00 a.m. LifeLight Bible Study
6:00 p.m. Sr. High Bible Study

Friday 6:00 p.m. Faith & Fun Friday

Sunday 10:30 a.m. Traditional Services outside
1:30 p.m. New Life Church

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 28, 2021

JOIN A BIBLE STUDY:

Women's Bible Study meets Tuesdays, at 10:00 a.m. with a study on the book of Revelation. Please contact Connie Morris (805)987-5116 to join or for more information.

Men's Bible Study This new study on "Proverbs - *God's Gift of Wisdom*", meets via Zoom Tuesday mornings at 8:30. Call Dave Hutter (805)386-7007 to join or for more information. Please pick up your copy of the study in the church office.

LifeLight has begun a 9 week LifeLight Bible study on The Epistles of John, Wednesday, January 6th at 10 AM. This study will include: The Apostle of Love; Getting to Know God...and Yourself; Love and Knowledge in the End Times; Like Father, Like Son; We Love Because He First Loved Us; and Mission in the Church. This is a Zoom study, all are welcome. If you would like to join this study, please contact Blaine or Diana Wanke 805-482-7524.

OFFERING ENVELOPES and year end contribution statements are available for pick up from your mail box in the narthex.

PORTALS OF PRAYER for January - March are now available for you to pick up either at the check-in table or in the church office during the week.

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

THE HANDBELL CHOIR has resumed rehearsals. If you are interested in joining please contact Linda LaJeunesse 805-443-3527.

THE 2021 FLOWER CHART is posted on the white board as you come to the check-in station. Please bring a pen to sign up for the Sunday(s) of your choice. (After signing-up, please remember to use the hand sanitizer on the check-in table.) Two signups are available for each Sunday. The arrangements are \$35.00 each, and the 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 service, you may take your arrangement home.

THE FOOD BANK at St. Columba's Episcopal Church's has remained opened during the pandemic and has had a large increase in demand. The church office is open from 9 to 12 Monday through Friday. They give out food every 2nd and 4th Thursday from 9-10am for seniors and 5-6 pm for families. Below is a list of items most needed, but any nonperishable, non-expired donation is appreciated. Please take your donation directly to St. Columba's. Most needed items: Cereal, shelf stable milk, canned vegetables, canned meats, beans, rice, and pasta.

Thank you! Social Concerns

Remember in Your Prayers

For health and healing: Ashley (Sandi Stepp's niece), Lili Baehr, Terry Breckinridge, Briggs (Dave Schmidt's grandson), Marshall Denninger, Bill Fitch, Bruce Fraser, Beverly Gandy, Ken Haugrud, Helen (friend of Carol Yung), Damon Hermann (friend of Greg Olewiler), John Hollenbeck (friend of Eunice Harter), Vicki Hutter, Karen Johnson, Judy (friend of Schultze family), Dale Larson, Ron Logan (Dave Schmidt's brother-in-law), Dawn Logan (Pat Massey's niece), Mrs. Mai, (friend of Greg Olewiler), Ryan Scott Morrison, Gene O'Neal, Jim Pedersen, Ann Marie Ramirez (friend of Carol Yung), Joanne Riccardi (friend of Pat Massey), Lil Rodriguez (Luther's Attic worker), Tim Schmidt, Shane Shelton (relative of Melissa Hamilton), Joyce Snow, Llewyn Rae Spencer (grandson of Gary & Char Spencer), Gertrude Stenke, Leslie Stenke, Ashley Stephen, Bev Toro, Earl Totten (Cheryl Sanders' brother), Emer Wiltbank (Dave Schmidt's son-in-law), Carol Yung, Sue Zinger.

For peace and comfort:

For Margaret and Nancy Nipstad and family as they mourn husband and father, Ken's death.

For Dave and Sue Zinger and family as they mourn the death of their daughter-in-law.

Carolyn Bronner and family as they mourn the death of her husband Rodger.

Pray for all military men and women especially: Jared Bautista, Jacob Chiles, Andrew Geib, Daniel Gross, Michael Hanson, Brian Miller, Kevin Palos, Kevin Schleicher, Stephen Volpei, Amy Waddell, Lucas Wentlandt. Also remember their families in your prayers.