



FIFTENEETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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We welcome you in the name of the Lord Jesus. We are honored with your presence. If you do not have a church home, you are invited to join us regularly. Please introduce yourself to Pastor Jeremy Lucke or one of the Ushers as you leave today and sign the guest book in the entryway. We continue to observe the guidelines for health safety. If you have any questions, please see an usher. Everyone is welcome.

The ringing of the bell and the lighting of the Christ candle mark the beginning of our service and a time for quiet meditation, prayer and inward reflection as we begin our worship.

Children are welcome at our worship services. If you prefer, Peace Lutheran has a playroom equipped for children three years old and younger. The room is unstaffed and can be accessed in the fellowship hall where the service is also being live streamed for your convenience and enjoyment.

Holy Communion is celebrated every first and third Sunday and will follow the order of service in the bulletin. If you are a baptized Christian and share our faith in Jesus as Savior and have been instructed in the meaning and use of the Lord's Supper, you are invited to partake. We have pre-wrapped communion wine or juice and wafers. We also have gluten-free wafers available. If you desire a gluten-free wafer, ask the server. May the body and blood of Jesus, present in the bread and wine, be a blessing to you.

There are times during the service when you will be asked to stand if you are able. Please feel free to remain seated if standing is difficult.

AS WE GATHER...Sometimes when a student does a good job on an assignment, the teacher will reward him or her with a gold star. A gold star is a symbol for a job well done. Yet, not every assignment that a student completes is handed back with a gold star on top. Not every test or paper is done well. Jesus, however, is different. The crowds in today's Gospel proclaim with astonishment, "He has done all things well" (Mark 7:37). The people are right: Jesus can do only good because He is God, and God is good! In His healing, preaching, and teaching, He does all things well. The center of our church family at Peace is Jesus. As we gather this holiday weekend, let us recognize that Jesus is the one leading, guiding and directing us!

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAISE SONG:

“Great Is The Lord”

“Red Book 66”

Words & Music by Michael W. Smith & Deborah D. Smith, Arr. by Henry Wiens, © 1971 by William J. Gaither, The Fellowship Publications Edina, MN 55435

Chorus: *Great is the Lord, He is holy and just,
 By His power we trust In His love.
Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true,
 By His mercy He proves He is love.*

Great is the Lord, and worthy of glory,
Great is the Lord, and worthy of praise.
Great is the Lord, now lift up your voice,
Now lift up your voice: Great is the Lord,
 Great is the Lord

Chorus

Great are you Lord, And worthy of glory
Great are you Lord, and worthy of praise.
Great are you Lord, I lift up my voice,
I lift up my voice: Great are you Lord!
 Great are you Lord!

OPENING BLESSING AND FOCUS

Psalm 146

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

People: Amen.

Pastor: *I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.*

Women: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, I my soul!

Men: I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Women: Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.

Men: When his breath departs he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish.

Women: Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord his God.

Men: Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them,

Women: Who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry.

Men: The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.

Women: The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.

Pastor: *Praise the Lord! I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.*

WE CONFESS

Pastor: *Brothers and sisters, we gather together as the baptized children of God. Let us come to Him admitting our need of Him and asking His forgiveness.*

A time of silence is observed.

Pastor: *We confess,*

People: **Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we, Your children, admit to You our waywardness. We have sinned against You in our thoughts, in our words, and in our deeds. We do not deserve Your love. Yet by Your own promise we dare to come before You asking Your grace. Forgive us our sins, gather us as Your own children, and give us Your love and life. Amen.**

Pastor: *Having admitted your need for God's forgiveness, I, as a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

People: **Amen.**

PRAYER FOCUS

Pastor: *Let us Pray...You O Lord, tirelessly seek the lost and the strayed.*

People: **We praise You for finding us, welcoming us, and redeeming us.**

Pastor: *Like Joseph, we find ourselves in the darkest of pits,*

People: **we pray today for those who have caused harm to us in life; give us the strength to forgive. Help us to not despair, but to live in the hope found in Jesus;**

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.**

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

FIRST LESSON:

Genesis 37:12-24

Joseph Sold by His Brothers

¹² Now Joseph's brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. ¹³ And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." And he said to him, "Here I am." ¹⁴ So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock, and bring me word." So he sent him from the Valley of Hebron, and he came to Shechem. ¹⁵ And a man found him wandering in the fields. And the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" ¹⁶ "I am seeking my brothers," he said. "Tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." ¹⁷ And the man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers and found them at Dothan.

¹⁸ They saw him from afar, and before he came near to them they conspired against him to kill him. ¹⁹ They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. ²⁰ Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits.[a] Then we will say that a fierce animal has devoured him, and we will see what will become of his dreams." ²¹ But when Reuben heard it, he rescued him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." ²² And Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but do not lay a hand on him"—that he might rescue him out of their hand to restore him to his father. ²³ So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the robe of many colors that he wore. ²⁴ And they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL:

Mark 7:31-37

The healing of the deaf and mute man

³¹ Then Jesus returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³² And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³ And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. ³⁴ And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” ³⁵ And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶ And Jesus[a] charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷ And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, “He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.”

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You O Christ.

SERMON HYMN

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

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Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear Now to his temple draw near,
Joining in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o’er all things is wondrously reigning
And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen All that is needful has been
Sent by his gracious ordaining?

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
If with his love he befriend you.

Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen Sound from his people again.
Gladly forever adore him!

SERMON

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**People: 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.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: *Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.*

Pastor: *Gracious Father, we believe that without Your Son, we are dead in our trespasses and overcome by our by our own sinful desires. Be merciful to us and help us to keep Jesus as the center of our lives. Lord, in Your mercy,*

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: *Grant us true humility as little children. Deliver us from temptation and keep us in the faith. Lord, in Your mercy,*

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: *We pray for all the little ones who believe in You, the youngest members of our congregation as well as those of every generation who are called Your children. Bless parents, pastors, and teachers to teach Your truth and Your ways, that we may grow in Christ's forgiveness and live as Your children. Lord, in Your mercy,*

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: *Gracious Father, fill us with care for the members of our earthly families and especially those of the family of faith. Today we especially remember those in our hearts and minds during this moment of silence (especially.....). Lord, in Your mercy,*

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: *Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy. We pray these things through Your Son, Jesus, our Lord.*

People: Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

**People: 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.**

COMMUNE TOGETHER

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.

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: “Leaning On the Everlasting Arms”

*Anthony Johnson Showalter; Carol Tornquist; Elisha Albright Hoffman Words: Public Domain ;
Music: 2002 Curb Word Music (Admin. by WC Music Corp.)*

What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms!
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms!

Refrain:

*Leaning, leaning,
Safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning,
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms.*

O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms!
O how bright the path grows from day to day,
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms!

Refrain

What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms!
I have peace complete with my Lord so near,
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms!

Refrain

DISMISSAL

Pastor: *Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.*

People: Thanks be to God.

POST-SERVICE MUSIC

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEEK OF AUGUST 29		
Date	Time	Event
Sun. Sep 05	8:30	Adult Bible Study
	9:30	Communion Service
Mon. Sep 06	1:00	Betty Hagan Memorial Service Office Closed for Labor Day
Tue. Sep 07	9:00-12:00	Office Open
	12:00-1:00	Rotary Meeting
Wed. Sep 08	7:30	Eat, Chat, Pray
	9:00-12:00	Office Open
	2:30	Dementia Warriors
Thu. Sep 09	7:00	Men @ Imagine
	9:00-12:00	Office Open
	1:00	Ladies Guild
Fri. Sep 10	9:00-12:00	Office Open
Sun. Sep 12	8:30	Adult Bible Study
	9:30	Communion Service

FALL & WINTER HOURS. Peace will return to the fall and winters hours starting on Sunday, September 12. Sunday school will begin at 9:45 and service at 11:00.

FALL BAZAAR. Mark your calendars for the return of the Fall Bazaar at Peace. It will be held Saturday Nov 6 here at the church. If you have any questions, please contact Jani Burton. Also start thinking about collecting for Granny's Attic again. They are in need of gently used items and there is not a need for any articles of clothing.

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR. If you would like to provide flowers for the altar, please contact Carole Gutbrod and sign up.

HELPING OUT A MEMBER OF OUR CONGREGATION. Linda Schuerman will be having foot surgery in the coming weeks and won't be able to drive her manual shift car. If you have a car with an automatic transmission that you are interested in selling, please contact Linda to see if your car would work for her.

20-YEAR MEMORIAL CEREMONY OF 9/11. There will be a memorial ceremony remembering and honoring the fallen from September 11, 2001, and the first responders and military service personnel who have paid in full measure over the 20 years since the Global War on Terror began. The ceremony will be held Saturday, September 11, at 10:00am at the Philomath Frolic & Rodeo Grounds. All are welcome to attend.

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