



THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

March 20, 2022

Peace Lutheran Church

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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.

Serving You

Pastor	Pastor Jeremy Lucke
Music Director	Colleen Schulze
Choir Director	Dan Johnson
Supt. Of Sunday School	Brandy Stokes & Karyn Stanley
Admin Assistant	Daniel Dusek
Parish Nurse	Kathy Durling
Webmaster	Jim Holroyd
Audio-Visual	Johnathon Holroyd, George Abele, Nicholas Abele, Merv Munster, Haley Bentsen, Caleb Santora, Joyce Long, Aaron Bentsen, Oscar Gutbrod, Reese Grube, Rick Durling, Jim Holroyd

Today, March 20, 2022

Musician	Coleen Schulze
Lead Singing	Elaine Schwartz Diane Crocker Molly Schulze
Reader	Merv Munster

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

AS WE GATHER..... “Good things come to those who wait.” We may have heard this old adage before and maybe even tried to convince ourselves it rings true for our lives. Whether or not “good things” actually came to be in whatever situation of waiting, we are drawn today in light of Joseph to bring that phrase in the context of the Lord. Joseph was made to wait. He waited in prison while being falsely accused and seemingly forgotten. It seemed like “no good things” would come out of the situation. Yet he did not just wait in idleness and despair; he waited in faith and with hope and trust in the Lord. Good things, greater eternal things, come to us as well when the foundation of our faithful waiting is found in Jesus.

RINGING OF THE BELL..... Following the ringing of the bell, we take a few moments *in silence* to prepare our hearts and minds for today’s worship.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

People: Amen.

Pastor: The Lord is good to those who wait for Him, to the soul who seeks Him.

People: It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.

Pastor: In this Lenten season, we journey with Joseph in Genesis

People: and come to the cross of Christ on Calvary.

Pastor: Joseph’s journey brought him to prison, though he had done nothing wrong, and he had to wait—wait for justice, wait to be remembered, wait for truth, wait for hope.

We, too, find ourselves waiting for many things and waiting on the Lord.

Pastor: As we call upon the Lord, and He hears our voices, we come in confession of our sins. We confess that we have not always waited in faith.

People: We have been impatient with others, leading us to not love our neighbors as ourselves. We have been impatient with You, leading us to doubt Your love for us, Your power, and Your presence.

Pastor: We have sinned against others and against You in thought, word and deed.

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

Pastor: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in His word I hope;

People: my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning.

Pastor: For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with Him is plentiful redemption. Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to take upon Himself the sins of the world, to die for you, and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

OPENING SONG

“Shout to the Lord”

Darlene Zschech; 1993 Wondrous Worship (Admin. by Music Services, Inc.)

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like You,
All of my days I want to
praise the wonders of Your mighty love.
My Comfort, my Shelter,
Tower of refuge and strength;
Let ev’ry breath, all that I am
Never cease to worship You.

*Chorus: Shout to the Lord all the earth, let us sing
Power and majesty, praise to the King;
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name.
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands,
Forever I’ll love You, forever I’ll stand;
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You.*

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All of my days I want to
praise the wonders of Your mighty love.
My Comfort, my Shelter,
Tower of refuge and strength;
Let ev’ry breath, all that I am
Never cease to worship You.

Chorus (repeat)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Almighty God, You show the light of Your truth to those in darkness. Give strength to all believers to reject what erodes their faith and follow Your Son, Jesus, the perfect offering for sin, who has brought us salvation and who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE SCRIPTURE LESSONS

EPISTLE

Genesis 41:9-16, 25-44

Then the chief cupbearer said to Pharaoh, “I remember my offenses today. ¹⁰ When Pharaoh was angry with his servants and put me and the chief baker in custody in the house of the captain of the guard, ¹¹ we dreamed on the same night, he and I, each having a dream with its own interpretation. ¹² A young Hebrew was there with us, a servant of the captain of the guard. When we told him, he interpreted our dreams to us, giving an interpretation to each man according to his dream. ¹³ And as he interpreted to us, so it came about. I was restored to my office, and the baker was hanged.”¹⁴ Then Pharaoh sent and called Joseph, and they quickly brought him out of the pit. And when he had shaved himself and changed his clothes, he came in before Pharaoh. ¹⁵ And Pharaoh said to Joseph, “I have had a dream, and there is no one who can interpret it. I have heard it said of you that when you hear a dream you can interpret it.” ¹⁶ Joseph answered Pharaoh, “It is not in me; God will give Pharaoh a favorable answer.”

²⁵ Then Joseph said to Pharaoh, “The dreams of Pharaoh are one; God has revealed to Pharaoh what he is about to do. ²⁶ The seven good cows are seven years, and the seven good ears are seven years; the dreams are one. ²⁷ The seven lean and ugly cows that came up after them are seven years, and the seven empty ears blighted by the east wind are also seven years of famine. ²⁸ It is as I told Pharaoh; God has shown to Pharaoh what he is about to do. ²⁹ There will come seven years of great plenty throughout all the land of Egypt, ³⁰ but after them there will arise seven years of famine, and all the plenty will be forgotten in the land of Egypt. The famine will consume the land, ³¹ and the plenty will be unknown in the land by reason of the famine that will follow, for it will be very severe. ³² And the doubling of Pharaoh's dream means that the thing is fixed by God, and God will shortly bring it about. ³³ Now therefore let Pharaoh select a discerning and wise man, and set him over the land of Egypt. ³⁴ Let Pharaoh proceed to appoint overseers over the land and take one-fifth of the produce of the land^[a] of Egypt during the seven plentiful years. ³⁵ And let them gather all the food of these good years that are coming and store up grain under the authority of Pharaoh for food in the cities, and let them keep it. ³⁶ That food shall be a reserve for the land against the seven years of famine that are to occur in the land of Egypt, so that the land may not perish through the famine.”

Joseph Rises to Power

³⁷ This proposal pleased Pharaoh and all his servants. ³⁸ And Pharaoh said to his servants, “Can we find a man like this, in whom is the Spirit of God?”^[b] ³⁹ Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, “Since God has shown you all this, there is none so discerning and wise as you are. ⁴⁰ You shall be over my house, and all my people shall order themselves as you command.^[c] Only as regards the throne will I be greater than you.” ⁴¹ And Pharaoh said to Joseph, “See, I have set you over all the land of Egypt.” ⁴² Then Pharaoh took his signet ring from his hand and put it on Joseph's hand, and clothed him in garments of fine linen and put a gold chain about his neck. ⁴³ And he made him ride in his second chariot. And they called out before him, “Bow the knee!”^[d] Thus he set him over all the land of Egypt. ⁴⁴ Moreover, Pharaoh said to Joseph, “I am Pharaoh, and without your consent no one shall lift up hand or foot in all the land of Egypt.”

Reader: *This is the Word of the Lord.*

People: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL:

Luke 13:1-9

- 1 There were some present at that very time who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices.
- 2 And he answered them, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered in this way?"
- 3 No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.
- 4 Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who lived in Jerusalem?"
- 5 No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish."

- 6 And he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none.
- 7 And he said to the vinedresser, 'Look, for three years now I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down. Why should it use up the ground?'
- 8 And he answered him, 'Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and put on manure.
- 9 Then if it should bear fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

Pastor: *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

People: Praise to You O Christ.

SERMON HYMN

“Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer”

Text: William Williams, 1717-1791; tr. composite, alt. © Tune: John Hughes, 1873-1932

Guide me ever, great Redeemer,
Pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but you are mighty;
Hold me with your pow’rful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven
Feed me now and ever more,
Feed me now and ever more.

Open now the crystal fountain
Where the healing waters flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliv’rer, strong deliv’rer,
Shield me with your mighty arm,
Shield me with your mighty arm,

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death and hell's destruction,
Land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs and praises, songs and praises,
I will raise forever more,
I will raise forever more.

SERMON

Part 1

Part 2

CREED

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.

PRAYERS 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: Heavenly Father, broken by this world of sin, we are an impatient people. In our times of seeking justice, facing distress, and struggling with situations, help us to patiently hope in You and Your promises made, promises fulfilled, and promises yet to come. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Gracious Lord, Your ways are not our ways, nor are Your thoughts our thoughts, nor Your time our time. As You were with Joseph in his time of trial and need in prison, You worked good through his waiting in faith. So also grant to us, by Your Holy Spirit, faith that holds to You at all times. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: We lift up those who cry out to You in distress and despair, (including.....). As they wait for healing, peace and comfort, be the rock of their salvation and hope in times of need. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Halfway through this Lenten journey, we wait to walk with Jesus in the culmination of His passion—His suffering, crucifixion, and death for the sins of the world. Grant us repentant hearts to know our need for a Savior, what You have given in Your one and only Son, and the forgiveness of sins and eternal good worked for the sake of the world through the one sacrifice needed. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Additional prayer requests

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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

COMMUNION SONG

“Bind Us Together”

Bob Gillman; 1977 Thankyou Music (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

*Chorus: Bind us together Lord,
Bind us together with cords
that cannot be broken,
Bind us together Lord,
Bind us together
Bind us together with love.*

There is only one God.
There is only one King.
There is only one body.
That is why I sing.

Chorus

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The blessing of God Almighty—the Father, who gave His Son for the life of the world; the Son, who has revealed to us God’s grace, mercy and love; and the Spirit, by whose fruit we are seen to be children of God—bless you now and forever.

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“To God Be the Glory”

TOSB (Red Book) 241

By: Fanny J. Crosby & William H. Doane; 1971 By William J. Gaither, The Fellowship Publications

To God be the glory,
great things He has done,
So loved He the world
that He gave us His Son.
Who yielded His life
an atonement for sin,
And opened the life gate
that all may go in.

*Chorus: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father,
Thro’ Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory,
great things He has done.*

O perfect redemption,
the purchase of blood,
To ev'ry believer
the promise of God;
The vilest offender
who truly believes,
That moment from
Jesus a pardon receives.

Chorus

Great things He hath taught us,
great things He hath done,
And great our rejoicing
thro' Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher,
and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport,
when Jesus we see.

Chorus

DISMISSAL

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

People: Thanks be to God!

POST-SERVICE MUSIC

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR. Would you like to honor someone on a birthday, anniversary, or other special occasion? Please consider doing so by providing flowers for the Altar on Sunday. The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex. Please contact Carole Gutbrod with any questions.

LENTEN MIDWEEK SERVICE. This week Peace will continue our Lenten services on March 23. We will start at 6:30pm. We hope to see you there.

LADIES GUILD LUNCHEON. Mark your calendars for the Ladies Guild Luncheon to be held in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday May 14. Invitations are in the Narthex. Tickets will be \$15 and will be available for sale starting April 3 through May 1st. Seating is limited so get your tickets early from Maggie Baker.

AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE. Zion Lutheran Church in Corvallis is seeking an Administrative Assistant. If you are interested or would like more details, please let Pastor or Daniel know.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY. We will continue our midweek Bible Study this Wednesday in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00am. Our reading will come from Genesis 42:6-24. Everyone is welcome.

NEW PORTALS OF PRAYER. The new Portals of Prayer for April – June is now available for pickup in the Narthex.