

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN EASTER

May 21, 2023

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.

Offering. Peace Lutheran Church understands and teaches that Offerings are voluntary and to be from the heart. Whether we give or do not give does not determine our salvation. Whether we give much or little does not determine our standing before God. Sharing an Offering is an opportunity to quietly practice generosity with our neighbors. Offerings may be placed in the plates by the doors as we exit the sanctuary.

Serving You		
Pastor		Pastor Jeremy Lucke
Music Director		Colleen Schulze
Choir Director		Diane Crocker
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,	
	Callie Santora, Caleb Santora, Joyce Long, Oscar Gutbrod, Sam Worth,	
Rick Durling, Jim Holroyd, Nora Stanley, Debbi Weiler, Daniel Dusek		

Today May 21, 2023

Musician Reader Flowers Colleen Schulze Rob Schulze Sally Stouder

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

AS WE GATHER...Unity is a hard concept to achieve in today's world—even in the church! It is, however, what our Heavenly Father desires for us. Right before going to the cross, Jesus prays that those who believe in Him—past, present, future—may be one. This was Jesus' prayer for the Twelve (see John 17). This is also Jesus' prayer for us. Be strengthened today to seek unity with your brothers and sisters in Christ.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING BLESSING

Leader: *In the name of the Father and of the* ★ *Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

People: Amen!

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

WE CONFESS OUR SINS...

Leader: Gracious Father, You bless us daily with mercy, yet we still go astray. So we confess our sin to You.

~~~~ A time of silence is observed. ~~~~~

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we have not always been proud to bear Your name. At times, we crumble in the face of the trials that come our way. We allow worries and anxieties to crowd out Your caring presence. Keep us in Your name, which You have given us in Baptism, and forgive us our sins for Jesus' sake.

#### ... AND RECEIVE GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Leader: Jesus prayed that the love with which the Father has loved Him would be in us and that we would dwell under the shadow of His wings. Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son 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!**

#### SONG OF PRAISE

#### <u>"Shout to the Lord"</u>

Darlene Zschech; 1993 Wondrous Worship (Admin. by Music Services, Inc.) (From the Song Suggestion Box)

> 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.

> 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

# **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Leader: Let us pray. O King of glory, Lord of Your Church, You suffered on the cross and defeated death and the devil for us.

# People: Make us one as You and the Father are one. Unite us with You and as Your Body, the Church, in suffering and celebration, that the world may be drawn to You and the power of the resurrection.

Leader: for You are risen and reign eternally with the Father and the Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# People: Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

FIRST LESSON

Acts 1:12-26

The Apostles find a replacement for Judas.

<sup>12</sup> Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away.

<sup>13</sup> And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James.

<sup>14</sup> All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

<sup>15</sup> In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said,

<sup>16</sup> "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus.

<sup>17</sup> For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry."

<sup>18</sup> (Now this man acquired a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out.

<sup>19</sup> And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.)

<sup>20</sup> "For it is written in the Book of Psalms, "'May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it'; and "'Let another take his office.'

<sup>21</sup> So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us,

<sup>22</sup> beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection."

<sup>23</sup> And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias.

<sup>24</sup> And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen

<sup>25</sup> to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place."

<sup>26</sup> And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

# People: Thanks be to God.

**GOSPEL** 

John 17:1-11

Jesus prays for Himself and for us.

17 When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you,

<sup>2</sup> since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him.

<sup>3</sup> And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. <sup>4</sup> I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do.

<sup>5</sup> And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

<sup>6</sup> "I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word.

<sup>7</sup> Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you.

<sup>8</sup> For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me.

<sup>9</sup> I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. <sup>10</sup> All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them.

<sup>11</sup> And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one.

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

# People: Praise to You, O Christ.

#### **SERMON HYMN**

#### "The Church's One Foundation"

Samuel John Stone; The Jubilate Group (Admin. by Jubilate Hymns Ltd, sub to Hope Publishing for various regions) (Admin. by Hope Publishing Company)

The church's one foundation Is Jesus Christ her Lord She is his new creation By water and the word From heaven he came and sought her To be his holy bride With his own blood he bought her And for her life he died

> Elect from every nation Yet one o'er all the earth Her charter of salvation One Lord one faith one birth One holy name she blesses Partakes one holy food And to one hope she presses With every grace endued

Though with a scornful wonder This world sees her oppressed By schisms rent asunder By heresies distressed Yet saints their watch are keeping Their cry goes up: "How long?" And soon the night of weeping Shall be the morn of song

Through toil and tribulation And tumult of her war She waits the consummation Of peace for evermore Till with the vision glorious Her longing eyes are blest And the great Church victorious Shall be the Church at rest

> SERMON "One Another" Pastor Jeremy Lucke <u>Part 1</u> <u>Part 2</u> <u>Part 3</u>

# APOSTLES' CREED

**People:** I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit And was born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate. Was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, And is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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**

Leader: Let us pray together in Christ Jesus for all people according to their needs.

Leader: For Christians throughout the world, that our divisions decrease and our sense of oneness in Christ increase, O Lord,

# People: make us one.

Leader: For the president, for congress, for our governor and elected officials, that all work for the common good, O Lord.

# People: make us one.

Leader: That this nation so divided along political lines would repent of our hatred of those who differ from us; based on our one common humanity, discuss our differences with reason and kindness, O Lord,

# People: make us one.

Leader: For those in need in our community – the sick, those facing surgery, those with terminal illness – that with one voice we speak God's ever-present love for them with our visits and prayers, O Lord,

# People: makes us one.

Leader: As You blessed the disciples gathered in Jerusalem awaiting the promised Spirit, so bless us by hearing our prayers as we await the coming of Jesus, the beginning and the end – in whose name we pray today.

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

#### **DISTRIBUTION**

#### DISTRIBUTION SONG:

"Freely, Freely"

Words & Music by: Carol Owens, adapted from: Matt. 10:7,8; © 1971 by William J. Gaither. The Fellowship Publication

God forgave my sin in Jesus' name, I've been born again in Jesus' name; And in Jesus' name I come to you To share His love as He told me to. He said, "Freely, freely you have received: Freely, freely give. Go in my name, and because you believe, Others will know that I live." All pow'r is giv'n in Jesus' name, In earth and heav'n in Jesus' name And in Jesus' name I come to you To share His pow'r as He told me to. He said, "Freely, freely you have received: Freely, freely give. Go in my name, and because you believe, Others will know that I live."

# **CLOSING BLESSING**

Leader: Jesus prayed: "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in Me through their Word, that they may all be one just as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You, that they also may be in Us, so that the world may believe that You have sent Me." John 17:20-21

Leader: 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 SONG:** 

"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

Text: Edward Hodges | Henry Van Dyke | Ludwig van Beethoven; Public Domain

Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love! Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee, Praising thee, their sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, Drive the gloom of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee, Earth and heav'n reflect thy rays, Stars and angels sing around thee, Center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea, Chanting bird, and flowing fountain Call us to rejoice in thee. Thou art giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest, Wellspring of the joy of living, Ocean depth of happy rest! Thou our Father, Christ our brother, All who live in love are thine; Teach us how to love each other, Lift us to the joy divine!

**DISMISSAL** 

Leader: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

# **POST-SERVICE MUSIC**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY.** Sandi Labahn has agreed to be Prayer Shawl Coordinator. Now she needs some prayer shawl makers If you or any of your friends are interested in making a prayer shawl please let her know. Ladies guild will buy the yarn.

**SCHOLARSHIPS FOR CAMP LUTHERWOOD.** The Ladies Guild is graciously offering \$250 scholarships for camp Lutherwood this summer. Please see Peggy Krueger for an application.

**UPCOMING DATES TO MAKE NOTE OF.** We have an exciting start to summer.

**May 23** – **7:00pm** we will be hearing from JP Cima, our missionary in Cambodia.

**June 4**– Picnic and BBQ for fellowship after worship service. Invite your friends and neighbors. We will need about 3-4 to help prepare and serve that day. If you would like to help, please let Daniel know. We will also be honoring our graduates, Nicholas and Ingrid, on this day. Please feel free to bring them a card to congratulate them.

June 11 –Confirmation for both Nora and Samuel during the worship service.

**June 18** – Father's Day. The men will be hosting fellowship brunch after the worship service.

**VISIT FROM J.P. CIMA – OUR MISSIONARY IN CAMBODIA.** The "average" Christian is not a white and wealthy American or European. Instead, the average Christian is most certainly from the Global South and is poor. Even in, and perhaps especially in, unlikely places and desperate situations, God reaches out in mercy and in grace. Want to learn how?

Missionary Pastor J.P. Cima and his family have been serving in Southeast Asia for 15 years on behalf of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, currently in Cambodia. But J.P. will be visiting Peace in Philomath in person on May 23rd at 7 pm. Come learn more about how God is touching the hearts of the Cambodian people, who are themselves now reaching out to share the Gospel to their own people. J.P. will present about his work with Cambodian Christians, tell stories about how God works in unexpected ways, and how if you come to Cambodia, you, too, can eat bugs! Come with mission hearts and lots of questions!

