



For the
BREAD OF GOD
IS HE WHO COMES DOWN FROM
HEAVEN
and gives **Life** *to the world.*
JOHN 6:33, ESV

**NINTH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST**
July 30, 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 and 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
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Praise Team	Rick Durling, Patrick Kamins, Karyn Stanley, Nora Stanley, Diane Crocker, Kaia Lucke.

Today July 30, 2023

Musician	Colleen Schulze & Praise Team
Reader	Brande Grassel

AS WE GATHER.....We face so many arguments about food these days. Go organic. Go gluten free. Go low carb. Go vegan. Go GMO free. Our culture is deeply concerned about what sort of food we put in our bodies because the old saying “you are what you eat” is fairly accurate. While what sort of food we put into our bodies is an important concern, Jesus compels us to make another kind of food an even higher priority than the food we chew and digest. Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God. Jesus feeds five thousand people, thereby revealing that He is the Word of God Incarnate, the food that feeds more than our stomachs. Jesus feeds our souls. Our worship today is an opportunity to have our souls fed!

PRAISE TEAM PRELUDE

[“I Will Follow”](#)
[“Here I Am to Worship”](#)

RINGING OF THE BELL.....We take a few moments *in silence* to prepare our hearts for worship.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG

Psalm 5

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Give ear to my words, O Lord
Consider my meditation.
Hearken unto the voice of my cry,
My King and my God.

For unto Thee will I pray,
My voice shalt Thou hear in the morning
O, Lord, in the morning
Will I direct my prayer,
Unto Thee and will look up.

(Repeat all)

CALLING ON GOD

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

People: Amen

Leader: *How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!*

People: How beautiful is the good news of Christ's salvation!

Leader: *The Lord's voice is reaching out into all the earth!*

People: Jesus' words bring us life as we trust in Him!

Leader: *Let us confess our sins to God our Father, beginning with a time for silent prayer.*

*(In a time of silence, we reflect on our
great need for Jesus' saving work.)*

Leader: *Together we confess:*

People: We have sinned against You, mighty God, in thought, word, and deed.

Leader: *When we have been more concerned with the food that feeds our stomachs than we are with the food that nurtures our souls,*

People: we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed.

Leader: *When we live as if the gifts of God provides are less important than some of the trivialities with which we use up our time,*

People: we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed.

Leader: *When we fill our ears with all sorts of things that cannot give us the life You give,*

People: we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. Bring us to repentance, Lord. Forgive our sins, those of which we are aware and those we do unwittingly. Have mercy on us. Seek us, for You alone can find us and restore us.

Leader: *“Listen diligently to Me, and eat what is good,” says the Lord, “and delight yourselves in rich food.” 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 **“Father, I Adore you”**

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Father, I adore You,
Lay my life before You,
How I love You.

Jesus, I adore You,
Lay my life before You,
How I love You.

Spirit, I adore You,
Lay my life before You,
How I love You.

(Repeat all)

SERVICE OF THE WORD

PRAYER FOCUS OF THE DAY

Leader: *Let us Pray.....Lord of creation, You open wide Your hand and satisfy the needs of every living creature.*

People: You feed our souls with the true bread from heaven, Jesus, our Savior.

Leader: *Help us to receive the Bread of Life with joy,*

People: so that we may participate in Your providing bread for the world, both body and soul;

Leader: *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

Deuteronomy 7:6-9

In His steadfast love, God keeps His promises.

⁶“For you are a people holy to the Lord your God. The Lord your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth.

⁷It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the Lord set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples,

⁸but it is because the Lord loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the Lord has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.

⁹Know therefore that the Lord your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations,

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Second Lesson

Romans 8:29-38

All things work together for those who love God.

²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.

³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

³¹What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?

³³Who shall bring any charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies.

³⁴Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.

³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword?

³⁶As it is written, “For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

³⁸For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers,

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 14:13-21

The Bread of Life feeds five thousand.

¹³ Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns.

¹⁴ When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

¹⁵ Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves."

¹⁶ But Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷ They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." ¹⁸ And he said, "Bring them here to me."

¹⁹ Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds.

²⁰ And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. ²¹ And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON SONG

"What a Beautiful Name"

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You were the Word at the beginning,
One with God the Lord Most High.
Your hidden glory in creation,
Now revealed in You our Christ.

What a beautiful Name it is,
What a beautiful Name it is,
The Name of Jesus Christ my King.
What a beautiful Name it is,
Nothing compares to this,
What a beautiful Name it is,
The Name of Jesus.

You didn't want heaven without us,
So Jesus You brought heaven down.
My sin was great Your love was greater,
What could separate us now.

What a wonderful Name it is,
What a wonderful Name it is,
The Name of Jesus Christ my King.
What a wonderful Name it is,
Nothing compares to this,
What a wonderful Name it is,
The Name of Jesus.
What a wonderful Name it is,
The Name of Jesus.

Death could not hold You,
The veil tore before You,
You silence the boast of sin and grave.
The heavens are roaring,
The praise of Your glory,
For You are raised to life again.

You have no rival,
You have no equal,
Now and forever God You reign.
Yours is the kingdom,
Yours is the glory,
Yours is the Name above all names.

What a powerful Name it is,
What a powerful Name it is,
The Name of Jesus Christ my King.
What a powerful Name it is,
Nothing can stand against,
What a powerful Name it is,
The Name of Jesus.

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SERMON
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CREED

People: I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them.

He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life.

He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him. Amen.

PRAYER

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

Leader: *For all of God's children, both here at Peace and throughout the world, that we may be served and saved by Jesus, let us pray to the Lord.*

People: Save us, O Lord, that we may serve You with willing hearts.

Leader: *For the fulfillment of the Great Commission, that we serve the One who has claimed us by His Word and Spirit, let us pray to the Lord.*

People: Save us, O Lord, that we may serve You with willing hearts.

Leader: *For the community that surrounds us, that the places we live and work be blessed by the grace of Jesus, let us pray to the Lord.*

People: Save us, O Lord, that we may serve You with willing hearts.

Leader: *For all who serve in positions of leadership in our government, along with those who wear the uniform of our country, that the Mighty Fortress would be their rock and refuge, let us pray to the Lord.*

People: Save us, O Lord, that we may serve You with willing hearts.

Leader: *For all who suffer illness in heart, mind, and body (especially.....), that they receive the healing balm of God's mercy, let us pray to the Lord.*

People: Save us, O Lord, that we may serve You with willing hearts.

Leader: *For these and all other concerns we have, that coming before the throne of grace we find mercy to help us in every type of need, let us pray to the Lord.*

People: Save us, O Lord, that we may serve You with willing hearts. Amen.

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**

BENEDICTION

Leader: *Nourished by the Word, you are sent out into the world in the name of Jesus to fill the hungry with good things.*

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.

PRAISE TEAM

“Shout to the Lord”

Darlene Zschech; © 1993 Wondrous Worship

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.

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

(Repeat all)

DISMISSAL

Leader: *Go in Peace. Serve the Lord!*

People: Thanks be to God!

PRAISE TEAM POSTLUDE “Good, Good Father”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPDATING PICTURES OF THE CONGREGATION. We will start taking pictures of the congregation to update the picture wall between the Narthex and Fellowship Hall and the church directory. Trudy and Carole will be the taking pictures.

ADULT SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL. We continue study for the summer on Jesus' parables. Next Sunday, Aug 6, we will be discussing The Lost Sheep & Coin, Luke 15:1-10. All are welcome! We begin at 9:00 am in the fellowship hall.

PEACE SUNDAY SCHOOL AND WORSHIP TIMES. Last fall our church changed its Sunday schedule to choir practice at 8, Sunday School at 9, and Worship at 10. It's now time to hear feedback from the congregation as we are making plans for this coming fall. If you have thoughts, questions and/or concerns you can direct them to our Vice-President, Todd Muhly. His email is toddloves2hike@aol.com. Thank you for your consideration.

OPEN FELLOWSHIP TIME. Peace is looking into having an open fellowship time in the fellowship hall during the week. The thought would be to open the fellowship hall for connection, games, and activities on Thursdays from 2 pm to 4 pm each week. This is certainly in the brainstorming phase, but we would like to hear from you. Would you participate? Is there anyone who would like to be responsible for opening and closing the fellowship hall down each time? Let Pastor or Daniel know your thoughts!

AUGUST NEWSLETTERS ARE OUT. The August newsletter is out. If you normally receive a paper copy, they are in your box in the fellowship hall. If you don't pick it up today, they will be mailed to you tomorrow. If you are not currently receiving a paper copy of the newsletter but you would like to, please let Daniel know.

PASTOR OUT OF THE OFFICE. Pastor Lucke will be away from July 31 – August 4th. The elders are available for any concerns during the week.

Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds.

Matthew 14:19



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