



THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

January 21, 2024

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.

Serving You	
Pastor	Pastor Jeremy Lucke
Music Director	Colleen Schulze
Choir Director	Diane Crocker
Supt. Of Sunday School	Brandy Stokes & Karyn Stanley
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Praise Team	Rick Durling, Patrick Kamins, Karyn Stanley, Nora Stanley, Diane Crocker, Kaia Lucke, Sarah Grassel, Caleb Santora

Today, January 21, 2024

Musician
Reader
Flowers

Colleen Schulze
Audrey Bond
Santora

AS WE GATHER: Can't somebody else do it? Those words and thoughts often come to our minds and out of our mouths when being asked to do something we'd rather not do. It happens in our work and jobs, it happens in homes and families, and it even happens within the church. It happened to Jonah when the Lord told him to go to Nineveh. Today we hear the second time God called to Jonah, telling him to again go to a place he'd rather not go. There are many times we hear things in Scripture we'd rather not hear when it comes to difficult things. Can't somebody else do it? Instead of that thought entering our minds, may we instead be reminded of God's continued promises and presence with us in whatever we do in faith, and wherever we are called to go—even to our Ninevehs.

RINGING OF THE BELL

After the ringing of the bell, we prepare our hearts and minds *in silence* for today's worship.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

"Great is the Lord"

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*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!

INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

CONFESSION/FORGIVENESS

Leader: *Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight,*

People: O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

Leader: *O Lord, hear us as we silently come before You.*

~~~ In silent prayer, God's children bring their sins to Jesus. ~~~

Leader: *Father, thank You for hearing us as we pray:*

People: Too often we have neglected Your Word and ignored Your work in our lives. Instead of focusing on You, we have focused on ourselves. Instead of serving others, we have expected to be served. Forgive us, gracious Father, and renew us through Your Word of life. Help us to see Jesus in our midst as Your Word made flesh—crucified for our sins and raised to life again. By the working of Your Holy Spirit, give us hearts to joyfully worship You. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

Leader: *Jesus stands and proclaims the Good News! It is my joy to announce His forgiving grace to all of you and, in His stead and by His command, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

People: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: *Let us pray. Gracious God, though not deserved. You continue to call to us as Your people as You came to Jonah with another opportunity of sharing Your message.*

People: Though not deserved, You showed mercy to the city of Nineveh through their repentance and You continue to show mercy to us.

Leader: *Continue to grant us the gift of a bold and confident faith in You, 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

Old Testament Lesson: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Jonah goes to Nineveh.

3 Then the word of the Lord came to Jonah the second time, saying, **2** “Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you.”

3 So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days’ journey in breadth.

4 Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s journey. And he called out, “Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!”

5 And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them.

10 When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Epistle: I Corinthians 7:29-31

Faithful living with time given.

29 This is what I mean, brothers: the appointed time has grown very short. From now on, let those who have wives live as though they had none,

30 and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no goods,

31 and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Holy Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

Jesus calls the first disciples.

5 On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, **2** and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets.

3 Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon’s, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. **4** And when he had

finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch."

⁵ And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." ⁶ And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking.

⁷ They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸ But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord."

⁹ For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, ¹⁰ and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men."

¹¹ And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ!

SERMON HYMN: "He Leadeth Me"

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He leadeth me! O blessed thought!
O words with heav'nly comfort fraught!
What-e'er I do, where'er I be,
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me!

Chorus: *He leadeth me, He leadeth me,
By His own hand He leadeth me:
His faithful foll'wer I would be,
For by His hand He leadeth me.*

Lord, I would clasp Thy hand in mine,
Nor ever murmur nor repine,
Content, whatever lot I see,
Since 'tis my God that leadeth me!

Chorus

And when my task on earth is done,
When, by Thy grace, the vict'ry's won,
E'en death's cold wave I will not flee,
Since God thru Jordan leadeth me!

Chorus

SERMON
Pastor Jeremy Lucke

[Part 1](#)

[Part 2](#)

[Part 3](#)

[CONFESSING OUR FAITH](#)

**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 born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
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.**

OFFERING

We give our offerings as a sign of our lives given to the Lord in humble service

[OFFERTORY](#)

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

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

For the work of our triune God among our church—Peace Lutheran Church--and among all people in the Holy Christian Church, that Jesus would be the One upon whom all eyes are fixed and in whom we see all the Scriptures find their fulfillment, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord Jesus, open our hearts to receive You.

Leader: *For the deepening of relationship with our ministry partners—especially Compassion Ministries, that the needs of people would be met and that Jesus would be glorified in all that is accomplished, let us pray to the Lord.*

People: Lord Jesus, open our hearts to receive You.

Leader: *For each member of the Body of Christ, the Church, that all of God's children would identify and put to use their God-given talents and that no members of the Body would see themselves as insignificant or unneeded but rather find their place of joyful service to Jesus and to one another, let us pray to the Lord.*

People: Lord Jesus, open our hearts to receive You.

Leader: *For those who are shut-in and homebound, hospitalized and undergoing treatment, awaiting surgery and recovering from procedures, [including . . .], that our merciful Lord would fill them with the healing and peace that comes from His mighty presence in their lives, let us pray to the Lord.*

People: Lord Jesus, open our hearts to receive You.

Leader: *For these petitions and all others we silently carry before the Lord in our minds and hearts, that our faithful Father would hear and answer our prayers in the name of the One who stands among us and fulfills God's Word in our hearing, let us pray to the Lord.*

People: Lord Jesus, open our hearts to receive You. Amen!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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**

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DISTRIBUTION HYMNS_

"How Great Thou Art"

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O Lord my God!
When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds
Thy hands have made,
I see the stars,
I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout
The universe displayed,

Chorus:

*Then sings my soul,
My Savior God to Thee;
How great Thou art,
How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul,
My Savior God to Thee;
How great Thou art,
How great Thou art!*

When through the woods
And forest glades I wander
And hear the birds
Sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down
From lofty mountain grandeur,
And hear the brook
And feel the gentle breeze;

Chorus

And when I think
That God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die,
I scarce can take it in;
That on the cross,
My burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died
To take away my sin;

Chorus

When Christ shall come
With shout of acclamation
And take me home,
What joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow
In humble adoration
And there proclaim,
My God how great Thou art!

Chorus

“Amazing Grace”

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Amazing grace how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now am found;
Was blind but now I see.

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'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!

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Thro' many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already come;
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun.

BENEDICTION

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

“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 we adore Him.

DISMISSAL

Leader: *Go in peace! Serve the Lord!*

People: Thanks be to God!

POST-SERVICE MUSIC

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING. MARK YOUR CALENDARS! The Annual Church Congregational Meeting will be held during Fellowship on Sunday, February 4th. This meeting will give you the opportunity to hear from your church council recapping what occurred in 2023 as well as a look forward to 2024. Please plan on attending! The 2023 Annual Report will be available in mid-January.

NEW MEMBER CLASS. We will continue the new member class on January 28st at 9:00am in the sanctuary. Our last session will be on February 4th. You are encouraged to RSVP to Pastor.

FLOWERS. The new flower chart for 2024 is up in the narthex on the bulletin board. Consider signing up and providing flowers for the altar. If you have any questions, see Carole Gutbrod.

BIBLE STUDY STARTING BACK UP. We will be resuming our adult Bible Study revolving around the "Chosen" movie production. We have been having some lively and interesting discussions. Please feel free to join us Sunday mornings at 9:00am.

ONLINE DIRECTORY FORMS. We are wanting to make Peace's online directory a reality! This weekend's bulletin will include a form for you to fill out. Fill out the form and return it to Dan. Dan will be inputting the forms into the online directory. The hope is to have most of the online directory completed by the start of February. See Dan if you have any questions.

BACKPACK WORKING PARTY: Friday, February 9 at 2pm. All are invited to help, and it should only take 1 hour of your time. If you have questions, please see Diane Crocker or email her at 6cr@peak.org

BOOK SWAP/AUTHOR TALK: Saturday, April 13 at 11:00 am- 12:30pm. This is a free event for the ladies of Peace as well as any friends/community members or interested parties. What is this? Bring 3 paperback books of any genre that you enjoyed but are willing to part with. We will exchange these books for others that people bring. ALSO: Christina Suzann Nelson, an award-winning author from here in Philomath will be speaking to us about her writing. She has won the Christy Award, a national award for books focusing on faith in contemporary culture. She is a great speaker and has some special ties for some of the former teachers here at Peace. We will also be having a salad potluck at this event. Please bring a salad to share, 3 used/read paperback books to swap (any genre). Please mark your calendar for this exciting event.

