EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST In-Person and Online Worship Bulletin September 22, 2024



We of Peace Lutheran Church welcome all people to full participation in the life of the church regardless of race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, or physical or mental disability.

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Mission Statement

We are called to be an inclusive community, sharing God's grace through worship, service, and hospitality.

Children are welcome in any worship service at Peace Lutheran Church.

It is a pleasure to have you worship with us this week and, if you are looking for a church home, we invite you to worship with us again soon. If you are in need of assistance of any kind, please speak with an usher.

P= Presider, A= Assisting Minister, C= Congregation



PRELUDE

Pastorale (Movement 1, BWV 590) Karen Billings, organist

- J.S. Bach

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

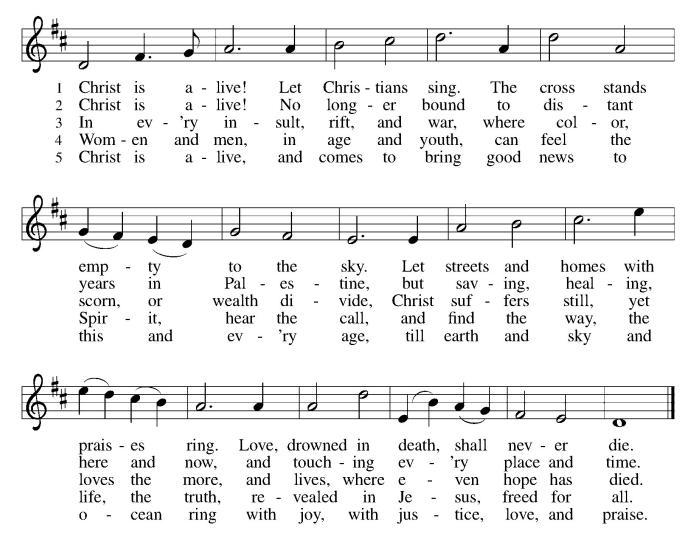
*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Gracious God,

- **C**: have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. P: God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.
- C: Amen.



*GREETING

- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

- A: O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C: Amen.

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 11: 18-20

¹⁸It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds.

¹⁹But I was like a gentle lamb

led to the slaughter.

And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saving,

"Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!"
²⁰But you, O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously,

who try the heart and the mind,

let me see your retribution upon them,

for to you I have committed my cause.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 54

(read responsively)

¹Save me, O God, by your name;

in your might, defend my cause.

²Hear my prayer, O God;

give ear to the words of my mouth.

³For strangers have risen up against me, and the ruthless have sought my life, those who have no regard for God.

⁴Behold, God is my helper;

it is the Lord who sustains my life.

⁵Render evil to those who spy on me;

in your faithfulness, destroy them.

⁶I will offer you a freewill sacrifice

and praise your name, O LORD, for it is good.

⁷For you have rescued me from every trouble,

and my eye looks down on my enemies.

SECOND READING

James 3: 13 - 4: 3, 7-8a

¹³Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. ¹⁴But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. ¹⁵Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. ¹⁶For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. ¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. ¹⁸And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

^{4:1}Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? ²You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. ⁷Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ^{8a}Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

- L: The Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART



*GOSPEL

Mark 9: 30-37

P: The Gospel according to Mark, the nineth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁰[Jesus and the disciples went on] and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it;³¹for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." ³²But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

³³Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" ³⁴But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. ³⁵He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." ³⁶Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷"Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

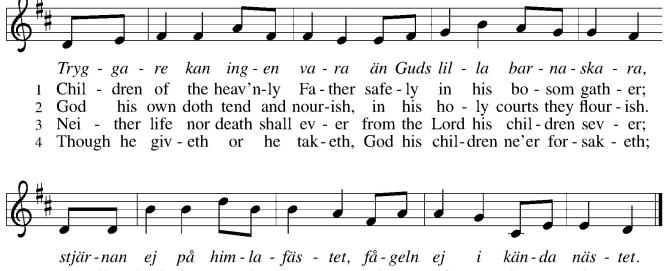
- P: The Gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON

Rev. Hannah DiPasquale

Silence for Reflection

*HYMN OF THE DAY



nest - ling bird nor star in heav - en such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en. From all e - vil things he spares them, in his might - y arms he bears them. un - to them his grace he show - eth, and their sor - rows all he know - eth. his the lov - ing pur-pose sole - ly to pre-serve them pure and ho - ly.

***THE APOSTLES' CREED**

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

INSTALLATION OF 2024-25 PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL

***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

A: Drawn together in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray with confidence for the church, God's good creation, and all who are in need.

After each portion of the prayers:

- A: Hear us, O God,
- C: Your mercy is great,

Saints of Peace: Arnold Christianson, Peter Young, Bob Hawley

- P: We entrust these and all our prayers to you, holy God, in the name of your beloved child, Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- C: Amen.

***THE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

- P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C: And also with you.

In-Building: Please share signs of peace in whatever way you are comfortable and is respectful of your neighbor's comfort level.

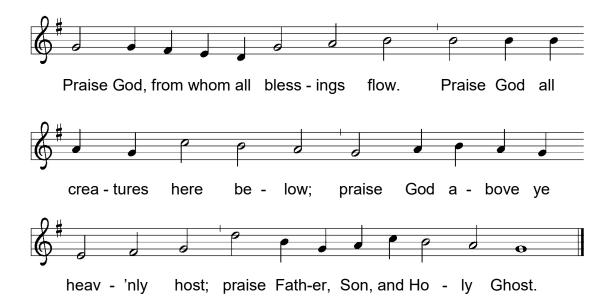
Online: You may share signs of peace in the chat or on video in sign language or waving.

OFFERING

P: Gifts for the work and ministry of Peace Lutheran Church can be placed in the offering plates or mailed to the Church Office or sent through on-line giving on our website.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Simple Gifts Campanas de Paz arr: Janet Van Valey & Susan Berry



***OFFERING PRAYER**

- A: Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation.
- C: By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

- P: The Lord be with you!
- C: And also with you!
- P: Lift up your hearts!
- C: We lift them to the Lord!
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!
- C: It is right to give God thanks and praise!

*PREFACE

P: ... And with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

C: Our Father in Heaven hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen. Padre nuestro que estás en el Cielo, santificado sea tu nombre, venga a nosotros tu Reino, hágase tu voluntad en la Tierra como en el Cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día. Perdona nuestras ofensas, como también perdonamos a los que nos ofenden. No nos dejes caer en tentación, y líbranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el Reino, tuyo el Poder, y tuya la Gloria, ahora y siempre. Amén.

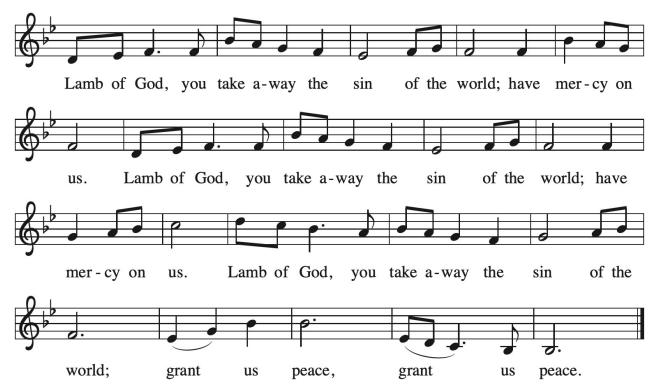
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All are invited to the Lord's table for communion, regardless of age or church membership. Come forward up the center aisle, taking an empty cup from the tray at the front. Follow the direction of the ushers and kneel or stand at the rail. The Bread Minister will hand you a piece of bread (gluten-free wafers are available, just ask the bread minister). There are two Wine Ministers. The first pouring chalice offers wine and the second chalice is grape juice.

If you choose not to receive communion, you may come forward for a blessing from the Bread Minister. Crossing your arms over your chest will indicate that you would prefer a blessing.

If you have difficulty coming to the front, please notify an usher and communion will gladly be brought to you.

LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION MUSIC

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

- Henry Coleman

***BLESSING FROM THE TABLE**

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- A: Holy God,
- C: you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



***THE BENEDICTION**

P: God all mighty, God most merciful

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our

- + bless you, keep you, and give you peace.
- **C**: Amen.

***SENDING HYMN** Lord of All Hopefulness **ELW 765** all hope - ful - ness, 1 Lord of of Lord all joy, 2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith, kind - li - ness, 3 Lord of all Lord of all grace, gen - tle - ness, 4 Lord of all all Lord of calm, child - like, cares could stroy: whose trust, no de ev - er whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe: hands swift wel-come, your arms em brace: your to to con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence whose voice balm: is is there wak - ing, give be our and at us, we pray, la - bors, there be at our and give we pray, us, be there hom - ing, and give at our us, we pray, be there sleep - ing, and at our give us, we pray, your bliss hearts, Lord, at the break the day. our of in your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day. your love hearts, Lord, at the eve the day. in our of your peace hearts, Lord, the end the day.

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of

*DISMISSAL

- A: Go in peace. Follow Jesus.
- C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune in F Major

- Michael McCabe

You are welcome to leave during the postlude or remain in the sanctuary to enjoy the music. All are welcome in the Fellowship Hall for coffee and conversation.

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The Congregation of Peace Lutheran Church Rev. Hannah DiPasquale, Pastor Sandy Johnson, Office Administrator (office@peacelutheranlc.com) Jieun Newland, Music Minister Tommy Grimes, Custodian

ANNOUNCEMENTS - September 22

If you have Prayer Requests to be included in the Prayers of the Day, please write them before the service on the Prayer Request sheet found on the stand in the narthex.

Flowers in the sanctuary were graciously donated by Arlyss & Dave Skari in memory of Kirstin Skari.

Choir rehearsals have resumed and are scheduled for Wednesdays 10/1, 10/9, 10/16 at 5 p.m. We rehearse and sing on 3 Wednesdays/Sundays a month. We welcome new singers.

The Rocky Mountain Synod ELCA invites you to attend the installation of Bishop Meghan Johnston Aelabouni, October 5, 2024, 4pm, Augustana Lutheran Church 5000 E Alameda Ave. Denver CO, or online at https://www.YOUTUBE.com/@AugustanaLutheranChurch4906/streams

TODAY we install our 2024-2025 Church Council Thank you to the following people who make up our new council: Lisa Bates (President), Carol Eggers (Vice-President), Ross Staffeldt (Secretary), Joel Peterson (Treasurer), Ginny Acosta, Marty Avelsgaard, Sue Ann Collins, Amanda Goodluck, Karen Harvey, Monica Hillmer, & Gene Quandt.

Casa De Peregrinos 6th Annual Hunger Strike! Help End Hunger in Our Community by Volunteering or Donating. Volunteer to go without food for 24 hours and share a story on social media. Help feed families with your donation. Check out the poster on the Kiosk in the Narthex.

Southern NM Pride Week is coming up. Peace will have a booth at the Pride Parade and Event in the Downtown Plaza on Saturday, October 5, 4-10 p.m. Check for a volunteer sign-up to help. Other activities include an Interfaith PRIDE Prayer Service at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Oct 3, in the downtown plaza and a Family Picnic with Shaving Cream Baseball at Preciado Park at NMSU next Sunday, Sept.29, at 11 a.m. CHECK OUT the Poster on the Kiosk .

BIBLE STUDY - Sign up for the class on Romans which will start Tues., October 8th in Room 107 - 10:30--11:30 a.m. for 6 sessions. See Susan Mitchell if you have questions.

THANK YOU FOR THE HEADPHONES FOR CONLEE: As part of our stated mission to reach our community through hospitality, we supported Conlee Elementary School, our neighbor just a few blocks from us, with many headphones.

Please step up to be part of the 16 volunteers across many tasks needed EACH WEEK to make worship happen. Training is provided. Please sign up as you are able or check out the bulletin board by the Fellowship Hall. Perhaps a Friday morning task would fit your schedule; bulletins are folded and once a month newsletters (not always on a Friday).

We have returned to having **the red folders with attendance sheets in each pew**. We ask that the first person puts the date on the first sheet, adds their name(s) and passes it to others in their pew. The last person in the pew should then pass the folder back to the center which allows us all to learn the names of our pew partners and makes it easier for the ushers.

Peace is looking to build an after school program for community youth. If you would like to be part of the planning or have any questions, please contact Susanna Odegaard, either after church at coffee hour or by email at saoirse9009@gmail.com.

Green Team Tip Consider making your own homemade cleaning solutions and storing them in reusable containers. For example, make your own homemade fabric softener with 2 cups of distilled white vinegar and 20-30 drops of essential oils. Shake until thoroughly combined. Use 1/4-1/2 cup in the rinse cycle.

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SCHEDULE - September 22-29

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Worship Assistants - TODAY	Worship Assistants - Sept 29
Assisting Minister. Lynette Schurdevin Lector. LaJune Smith Greeters: Arlyss & Dave Skari Communion Server: Carol Eggers Ushers: , ,	Assisting Minister: Ron Odegaard Lector: Cindy Kendrick Greeters; Communion Server:,
<i>Technology</i> : Lisa Bates, Mary Luckie, Betty Lindsey Altar Care:	<i>Technology</i> : Karen Harvey, Clare Scheffer, Bob Treulich
Bulletins: Barb Patton, Deb Sarabia	Altar Care: Cindy Peterson Bulletins: Barb Patton, Deb Sarabia

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