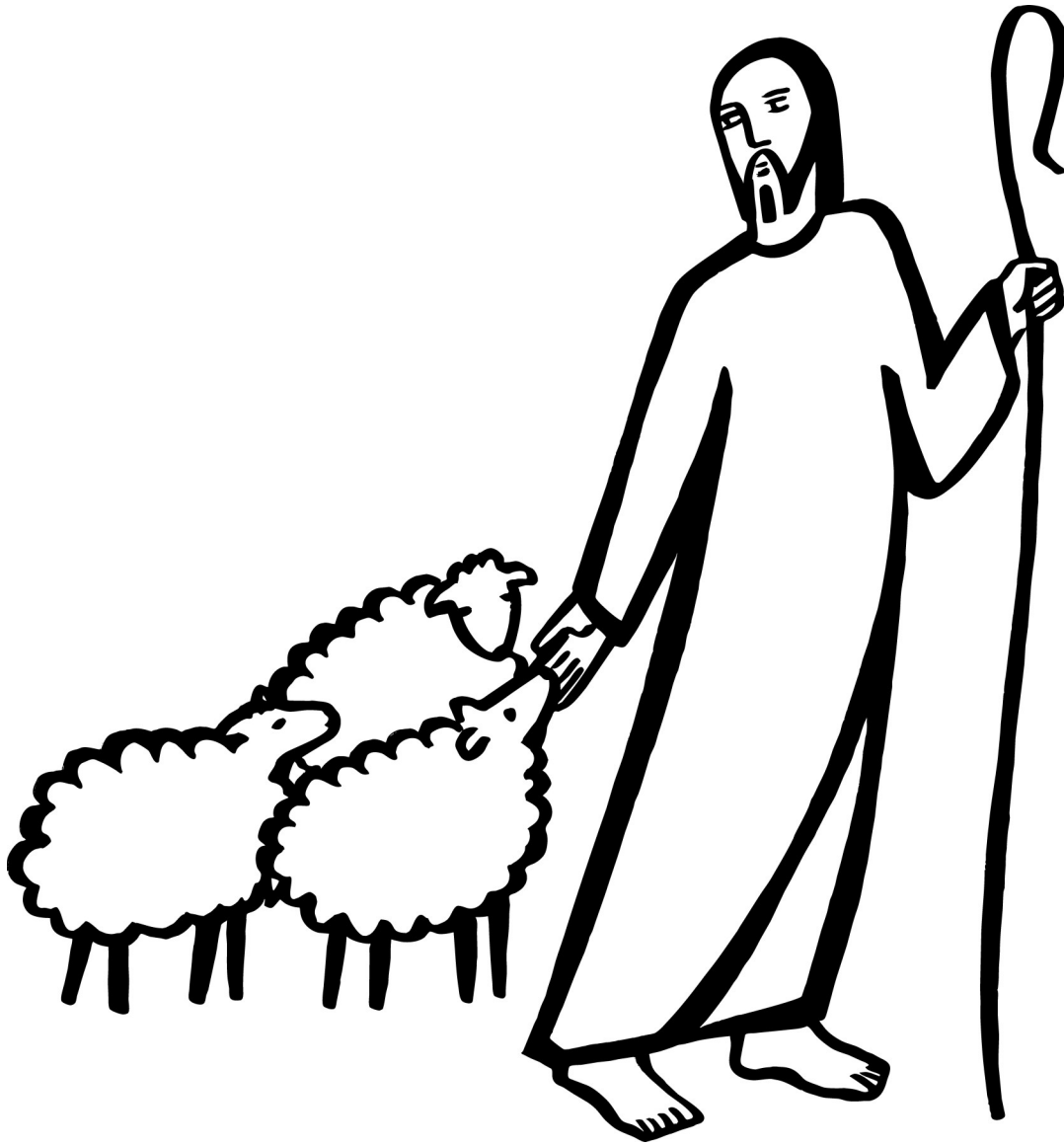


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In-Person and Online Worship Bulletin
May 11, 2025



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Welcome to Peace Lutheran Church

Mission Statement

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

**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.**

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

**It is a pleasure to have you worship with us this week
and 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

March on St. George

**--Percy E. Fletcher
(1879 – 1932)**

CALL TO WORSHIP

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
C: **Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
C: **Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

P: In the name of + the One
who was, who is, and who is to come.
C: **Amen.**

P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection,
and called to live the baptized life,
let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Holy God,
we give you thanks for the waters of baptism,
waters that make a people your own,
that restore to wholeness,
and empower us to be witnesses in your name.
Baptized into you, O Living One,
C: **make us one as you are one.**

- P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,
waters that strengthen believers
and give new life to beloved servants of your church;
waters that extend your boundless love
and cross barriers of our own making.
Baptized into you, O Living One,
C: **make us one as you are one.**
- P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,
waters that open the hearts of believers
and give a voice in the night to those in captivity;
waters that set your people on a new path,
rejoicing in the Spirit's power.
Baptized into you, O Living One,
C: **make us one as you are one.**
- P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One,
that our every day is shaped by these waters
that give us our very lives in you.
We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.
C: **Amen.**

***GATHERING HYMN**

The Lord's My Shepherd

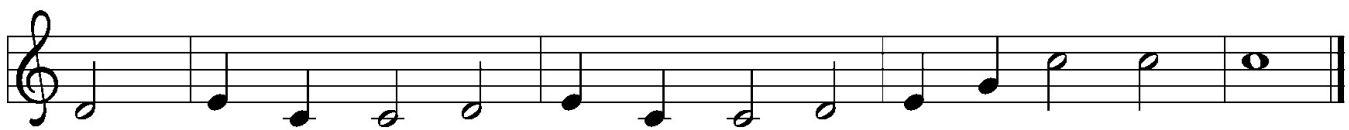
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- 1 The Lord's my shep-herd; I'll not want. He makes me down to lie
- 2 My soul he doth re-store a-gain, and me to walk doth make
- 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill;
- 4 My ta-ble thou hast rich-ly spread in pres-ence of my foes;
- 5 Good-ness and mer-cy all my life shall sure-ly fol-low me,



in pas-tures green; he lead-eth me the qui-et wa-ters by.
with-in the paths of righ-teous-ness, e'en for his own name's sake;
for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me com-fort still;
my head thou dost with oil a-noint, and my cup o-ver-flows.
and in God's house for-ev-er-more my dwell-ing-place shall be;



He lead-eth me, he lead-eth me the qui-et wa-ters by.
with-in the paths of righ-teous-ness, e'en for his own name's sake.
for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me com-fort still.
My head thou dost with oil a-noint, and my cup o-ver-flows.
and in God's house for-ev-er-more my dwell-ing-place shall be.

*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 of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C: **Amen.**



FIRST READING

Acts 9: 36-43

³⁶ Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. ³⁷ At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. ³⁸ Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." ³⁹ So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. ⁴⁰ Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. ⁴¹ He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. ⁴² This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. ⁴³ Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

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

PSALM

PSALM 23

read responsively

- ¹ The LORD is my shepherd;
I shall not be in want.
² **The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.**
³ You restore my soul, O LORD,
and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.
⁴ **Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**
⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
⁶ **Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

SECOND READING

Revelation 7: 9-17

⁹ After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰ They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

¹¹ And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹² singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

¹³ Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” ¹⁴ I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵ For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

¹⁶ They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;

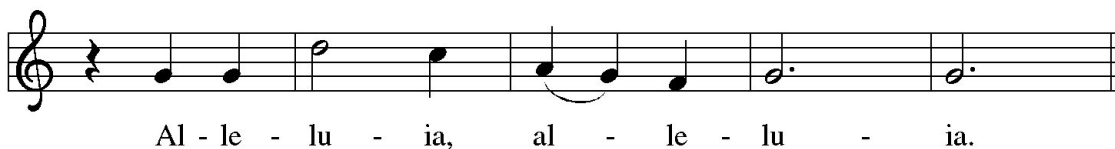
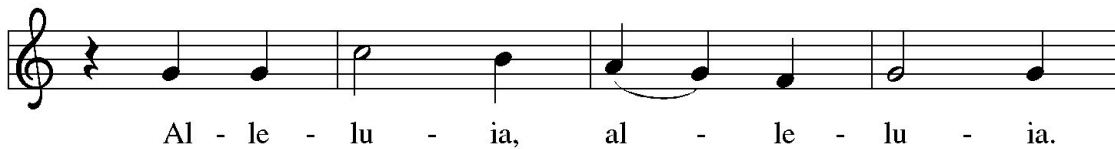
¹⁷ for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



P: The Gospel according to John, the tenth chapter
C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

***GOSPEL**

John 10: 22-30

²² At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³ and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. ²⁴ So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." ²⁵ Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; ²⁶ but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. ²⁷ My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸ I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹ What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. ³⁰ The Father and I are one."

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

SERMON

Rev. Hannah DiPasquale

Silence for Reflection

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

ELW 843



1 Praise the One who breaks the dark-ness with a lib - er - at - ing light;
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren with a strong yet gen - tle word;
3 Praise the one true love in - car - nate: Christ, who suf - fered in our place;



praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners, turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight.
praise the One who drove out de - mons with a pierc - ing, two - edged sword.
Je - sus died and rose for man - y that we may know God by grace.



Praise the One who preached the gos - pel, heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease,
Praise the One who brings cool wa - ter to the des - ert's burn - ing sand;
Let us sing for joy and glad - ness, see - ing what our God has done.



calm - ing storms and feed - ing thou - sands with the ver - y bread of peace.
from this well comes liv - ing wa - ter quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
Praise the one re - deem - ing glo - ry; praise the One who makes us one.

*NICENE CREED

C: We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

A: Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

Saints of Peace:

Don Carter, **Gordon** Austin, **Erika** Lindsay, **Jean** Lindsay, **Leon** Billstone

P: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

C: **Amen.**

*THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ 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 .

⊕ ----- MEAL ----- ⊕

OFFERING ANTHEM

Irish Blessing

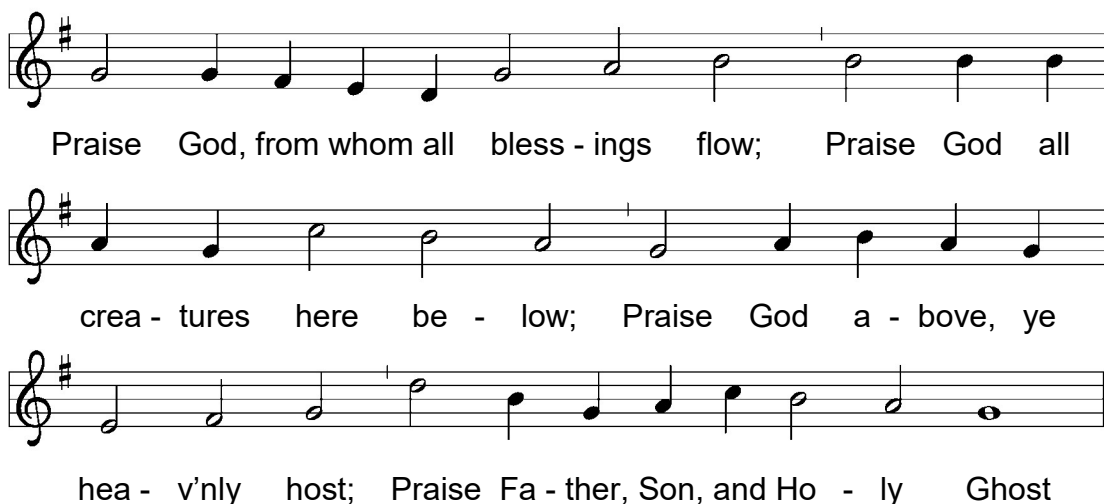
--Bob Chilcott

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

Doxology

(Sung to Old 100th tune)



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise God all
crea - tures here be - low; Praise God a - bove, ye
hea - v'nly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

A: Risen One,
C: **you have gathered us around your table of grace
along with these gifts we bring.**
Come among us again, breathe your life into us,
and enliven us with this meal,
that we may live as your risen body in the world. Amen.

*EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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 our thanks and praise!**

P: It is indeed right...
And so with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,
with earth and sea and all their creatures,
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

P: In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

***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

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Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Fountain Reverie

--Percy E. Fletcher (1879–1932)

*BLESSING FROM THE TABLE

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

A: Living One,
C: **in this feast you have made yourself known to us.**
Send us now to tell of your wonders,
Sing of your glory,
And proclaim your risen life
To a wounded and weary world.
Amen.

⊕ -----SENDING----- ⊕

***THE BENEDICTION**

P: The triune God.
 Who was, who is, and who is to come,
 Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit,
 Light your way with resurrection dawn,
 Now and always.

C: **Amen**

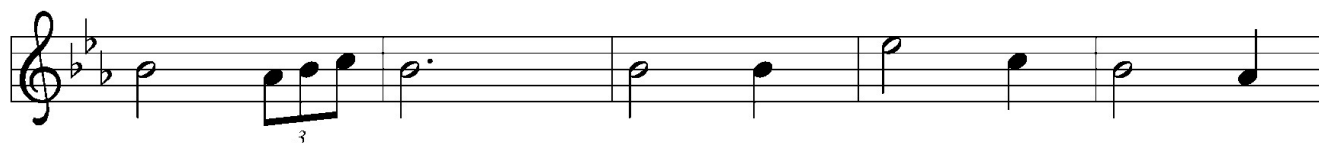
***SENDING HYMN**

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

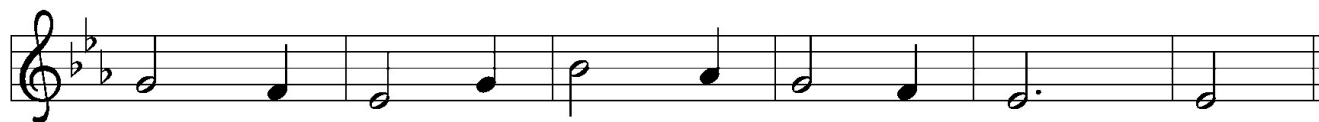
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1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 soul he lead - eth and, where the ver - dant
 love he sought me, and on his shoul - der
 Lord, be - side me, thy rod and staff my



I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
 com - fort still; thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
 thine unction grace bestoweth;
 and, oh, what transport of delight
 from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so, through all the length of days,
 thy goodness faileth never.
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
 within thy house forever.

***DISMISSAL**

A: Alleluia! Christ is risen.
C: **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**
A: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new.
C: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE

Festival Toccata

--Percy E. Fletcher (1879-1932)

All are welcome to gather in the Fellowship Hall for coffee and conversation.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS - May 11

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. You are welcome to use the Prayer Request Cards in the pew for next week's prayers,

MOBILE FOOD PANTRY - THIS THURSDAY - 7:00 a.m. - New Volunteers are always welcome.

PEACE CLEAN-UP DAY - SATURDAY, MAY 17 - It's time for a spring clean-up at Peace.

There are many projects to keep all hands busy. You can help in whichever area you are drawn to -- from polishing the pews to scrubbing the garbage cans to cleaning windows to vacuuming air vents, to cleaning kitchen cupboards. . . . We'll start at 8:30 a.m. There will be coffee and something to nibble on (donuts?).

Join us after worship next Sunday, May 18, to hear an update from Border Servant Corps

Executive Director Kari and BSC Staff. Grab your coffee and head to the Bethlehem Room shortly after worship ends. BSC began as a ministry of Peace in 1997, and we look forward to continued collaboration in these changing times.

We Are Hiring! If you know someone who would be a good fit for our **Music Minister and/or Choir Director** roles, please put them in touch with Pastor Hannah. Both are part-time positions and can be combined into one position. The hiring page on our website will have the most up-to-date information: <https://peacelutheranlc.com/join-our-team>. You can also speak with a member of our Hiring Committee: Ryan Cull, Dan Diemer, Diane Powell, Kathie Rich, and Pr Hannah.

We will be bidding Jieun farewell and Godspeed on June 15. We have been blessed with her incredible musical talents and charming presence for five years. She and her husband, Ben, will be continuing their ministries in Kentucky, where they will serve together at the same church, something they have been hoping for. We will have an enhanced coffee hour after service on that day. Yes, of course we will have cake! If you would like to bring a treat (we are thinking salads) or contribute to a gift expressing our gratitude, please contact Kathie Rich, Karen Harvey, Diana Diemer or Sandy Johnson (office).



Summer Worship Planning - if you would like to serve on a temporary Worship Committee, especially to plan for the interim until a new music minister begins, and help onboard our new hire(s), please connect with Pastor Hannah

SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE: APPLY by July 15

DONATIONS ARE WELCOME

The Mason S Brown Scholarship has been made available through the generosity of Mike and Jennifer Brown more than 19 years ago after the death of their infant daughter, Mason. Peace Lutheran hopes to award the Mason S. Brown Scholarship to a graduating high school senior or person who is attending a college, university, community college, or vocational-technical school on a full-time or part-time basis, and who is an active member/participant in good standing at Peace Lutheran Church. Application forms are available in the office and must be submitted by July 15.

If you would like to contribute to this scholarship fund, please place your donation in the offering plate or send it to the church office. We can continue to help students through your generosity.

 **Green Team Tip**  **Commuting by bicycle has multiple benefits.** You can save money on fuel and car maintenance costs. You'll reduce air, tire, and noise pollution. Stay fit and use your commute time as your workout instead of paying to go to a gym. Reliable electric bikes with baskets on the front of bike can make riding easier, too. Join **VeloCruces** the second **Monday** of every month (May 12th, June 9th, etc.) at **7:15 am** at the **Railroad Museum** for a **Visibility Ride** to learn how to ride safely in the city.

Take a **Spring Stroll in the Garden** with Las Cruces Utilities to learn how to plant and maintain a garden in the desert. They'll provide coffee, pastries, Class A+ Compost, and the answers to all your landscaping questions. It's on **Tuesday, May 13th**, from **9 am to noon at 680 N Motel Blvd.**

Ana's Place After School Program is in need of a few more volunteers! Regular positions needed are for kitchen and hallway monitors, as well as an outdoor supervisor. Additionally, we are in need of a few "on call" volunteers, who would not need to be there every Thursday/Friday but could come if a regular volunteer can't make it one afternoon. If you're interested, please email Susanna Odegaard at anasplacelc@gmail.com.

Inclusive Evangelicals Book Study: Sundays thru May 25 (10:30 a.m., Room 107).
Reading: *The Kingdom, The Power, The Glory* by Tim Albert.

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! See the open slots on the podium in the narthex.

Anyone is welcome to sign up to help! If you need training, see the bulletin board as you enter the Fellowship Hall, or ask Pr. Hannah.

SCHEDULE - May 11-18

Sun., May 11	9:00 a.m.	Sunday Worship
	10:30 a.m.	Inclusive Evangelical Group
Tues., May 13	6:30 p.m.	Peace Council
Wed., May 14	5:00 p.m.	Choir
Thurs., May 15	7:00 a.m.	Mobile Food Pantry
	11:30 a.m.	Women in Motion
	4:00 p.m.	Ana's Place Afterschool Program
	4:00 p.m.	Bells
Fri., May 16	4:00 p.m.	Ana's Place Afterschool Program
Sat., May 17	8:30 a.m.	SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY
Sun., May 18	9:00 a.m.	Sunday Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour
	10:30 a.m.	Border Servant Corps Update
	10:30 a.m.	Inclusive Evangelical Group

Alzheimer's Women's Support Group 1:00 p.m. - 1st & 3rd Thursdays
OA - Overeaters Anon: 9:30 a.m. - Sa
AA - Downtown Group: 5:30 p.m. - Su, M, Tu, Th, F, Sa
 7:00 p.m. - W
 8:00 p.m. - Sa
AA - Primary Purpose: 7:00 p.m. - F

Worship Assistants - TODAY

Assisting Minister: Ryan Cull
Lector: Ron Odegaard
Greeters: David & Arlyss Skari
Communion Server: Ron Odegaard
Ushers: _____, _____

Technology (3): Karen Harvey, Kathie Rich,
Mary Luckie
Altar Care: Hilikka Byrd
Bulletins: Deb Sarabia, Barb Patton

Worship Assistants - May 18

Assisting Minister: Jeanne Brown
Lector: Geri Ayers
Greeter: _____
Communion Server: _____
Ushers: _____, _____

Technology: Bob Treulich, Lisa Bates,
Betty Lindsey
Altar Care: Hilikka Byrd
Bulletins: Barb Patton, Deb Sarabia

Ministers and Staff

The Congregation Members of Peace Lutheran Church
Rev. Hannah DiPasquale, Pastor
Deacon Anna Dykeman, Minister of Word and Service
Sandy Johnson, Office Administrator (office@peacelutheranlc.com)
Jieun Newland, Music Minister
Tommy Grimes & Phil Lingle, Custodians