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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

Processional Flora Newberry, trumpet

-- David N. Johnson (1922-1987)

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 Come Down, O Love Divine **ELW 804** seek thou this of 1 Come down, O Love di vine; mine soul till world - ly 2 Oh, let it free ly burn, pas - sions turn 3 Let ho - lv char ty mine out-ward ves - ture be. strong, with which the long, 4 And so the yearn - ing soul will







*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: Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

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FIRST READING Acts 16: 9-15

⁹ During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." ¹⁰ When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

¹¹We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, ¹² and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. ¹³ On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. ¹⁴ A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵ When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM PSALM 67 read responsively

¹ May God be merciful to us and bless us; may the light of God's face shine upon us.

² Let your way be known upon earth, your saving health among all nations.

³ Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations on earth.

⁵ Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

⁶ The earth has brought forth its increase; God, our own God, has blessed us.

⁷May God give us blessing, and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe.

SECOND READING

Revelation 21:10, 21:22 - 22:5

¹⁰ And in the spirit [one of the angels] carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

²² I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³ And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴ The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. ²⁵ Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. ²⁶ People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. ²⁷ But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

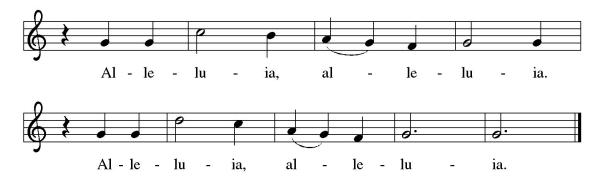
^{22:1} Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ² through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. ³ Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; ⁴ they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵ And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

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 fifth chapter

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

*GOSPEL John 5: 1-9

¹ After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

² Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. ³ In these lay many invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. ⁵ One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. ⁶ When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" ⁷ The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me." ⁸ Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." ⁹ At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk.

Now that day was a sabbath.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON Rev. Lyn Bussian

Silence for Reflection

*HYMN OF THE DAY The Peace of the Lord / La paz del Señor **ELW 646** La del Se Se ñor, la paz, ñor, la paz, del The 1 peace of the Lord, the 2 The The the the the the peace of Lord, peace of Lord, Se paz, del Re - su - ci ta - do: la del paz, peace of the ris - en Lord Je - sus: the peace of the peace of the ris - en Lord Je - sus: the peace of the peace of the ris - en Lord Je - sus: the peace of the to - dos ñor ti mί, alcan a y_a az.a you and for for al - so all Lord is me, and for of God's a - mong us right Lord is now, SO o - pen your - selves to re -Lord kept with - in can - not live, o - pen your - selves now SO rá; Se la del ñor ti paz, a y_a chil - dren. The peace of the for Lord is for you and ceive it. The peace the a - mong us of Lord is right share it. The peace of the Lord kept with - in can - not to - dos alrá. mí, acan za for all God's chil - dren. and al - so of me,

2 La paz del Señor, la paz del Señor, la paz del Resucitado: se hace presente ahora y aquí apréstate a recibirla; se hace presente ahora y aquí apréstate a recibirla.

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o - pen

your - selves

your - selves

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now

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SO

now,

live,

3 La paz del Señor, la paz del Señor, la paz del Resucitado: no puede vivir encerrada en sí, apréstate a compartirla; no puede vivir encerrada en sí, apréstate a compartirla.

ceive it.

share it.

*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:

Carol Veloso, Ann Knodle, Al Revling, Ralph Roberts,

Ardis Wagner, Jane Carter

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 .

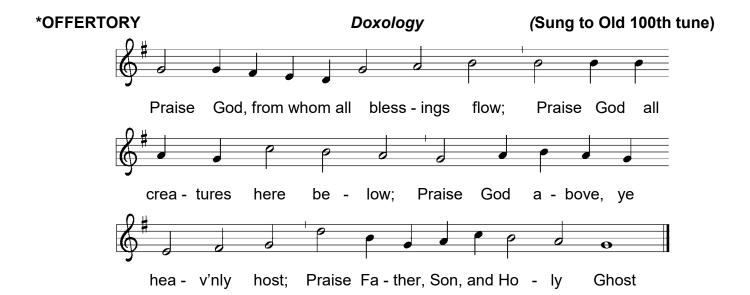


OFFERING ANTHEM

Open My Eyes that I May See Campanas de Paz

--Clara H. Scott arr. by Braman

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 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.

*EUCHARISTIC 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!

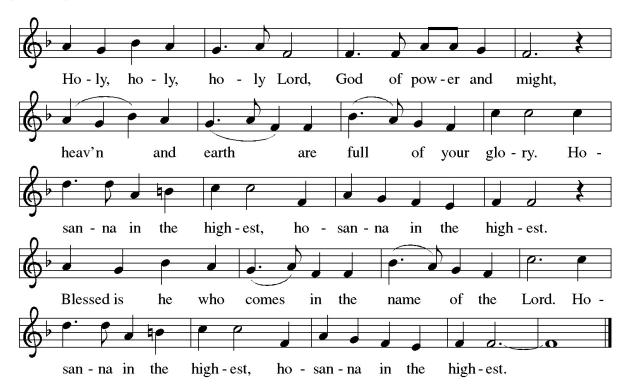
*PREFACE

P: It is indeed right our duty and our joy, that we should at all times alaces give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

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:

*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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*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.

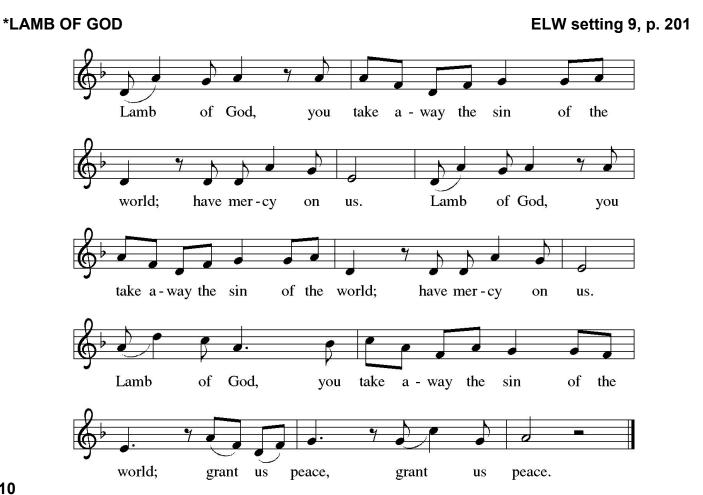
Padre nuestro que estás enel Cielo, santificado sea tu nombre. venga a nosotros tu Reino, hágase tu voluntad en la Tierra como en el Cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día. Perdona nuestras ofensas. como también perdonamos a los que nos ofenden. No nos deies caer en tentación. y líbranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el Reino, tuyo el Poder, v tuva 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.



--Charles Callahan (b. 1951)

*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.



*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



*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

Allegro Maestoso Flora Newberry, trumpet -- David N. Johnson (1922-1987)

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

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ANNOUNCEMENTS - May 25

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,

Flowers in the sanctuary have been generously donated by Don and Betty Lindsey in honor of Don's birthday.

THANK YOU to those who helped spruce up the church on our clean-up day last Saturday.

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.

Worship commemorating the 10th anniversary of the release of Laudato Sí at the 6:30 p.m. Mass on Wednesday, May 28, at the Holy Cross Retreat Center. The encyclical focuses on care for the natural environment and all people, as well as broader questions of the relationship between God, humans, and the Earth.

Virtual teach-in: On Wednesday, May 28, at 9:00 a.m. MT, Border Servant Corps will offer a virtual teach-in that will be a meaningful opportunity to gain insights into immigration issues from the national and local levels. Adam Isacson, Director for Defense oversight at the Washington Office on Latin America and BSC Board Member will provide a national overview and Cristina Coronado Flores, Organizer with Columbian Migrant Ministry in Ciudad Juárez will share local insights from the borderlands. Register for the teach-in here: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/sDbNGDkeT2GYbgDzn5F9lg#/registration

Advocacy: What's Next for Peace? Come and help discern our values, priorities, and vision for our ministry together! Sunday, June 1, at 11 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Lunch will be provided.

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).

SAVE THE DATE: Deacon Anna's Installation Service, Sun., June 29, @4:00 p.m.

Meal Train for Clark & Amanda as they welcomed Lyra Alves-Goodluck on May 14. They would appreciate meals only twice a week. Details on the website https://mealtrain.com/n4w3zo

Green Team Tip Borrow, Don't Buy when possible. Instead of buying a new book on Amazon, borrow it from the library. Instead of driving to the store for that one cup of sugar you need, revive the old tradition of asking your neighbors for some.

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 25-June 1

Sun., May 25 9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship

10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour

10:30 a.m. Inclusive Evangelical Book Study

Mon., May 26 OFFICE CLOSED - MEMORIAL DAY

Wed.. May 28 6:30 p.m. Laudato Si Worship @ Holy Cross

Thurs.. May 29 4:00 p.m. Ana's Place Afterschool Program

4:00 p.m. Bells

Sat.. May 31 noon-4:00 p.m. FLARE Rocket Club

Sun., June 1 9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship

10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour

11:00 a.m. Advocacy Workshop

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: Kathie Rich Lector: Jeanne Brown

Greeters: Gene & Karen Quandt Communion Server: Sue Ann Collins

Ushers:

Technology (3): Sandy Johnson, Mary Luckie,

Clare Scheffer

Altar Care: Judy Tofte

Bulletins: Deb Sarabia, Barb Patton

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