

# Peace Lutheran Church

## Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 28, 2025 9:00 a.m.



### GOOD MORNING AND WELCOME!

Thank you for joining in Worship today.

Whether you regularly worship here, are here for the first time, or are returning after a time away, your presence here is important for the worship we offer to the glory of God. May your experience of God's love be a blessing in your life. If you are visiting with us, please sign the guest register in the Narthex, near the front door. All who believe Jesus comes to us in the bread and wine are welcome at his table. The center ring in the communion tray has grape juice and the other two rings have wine.

*Information in italics* | **Congregation responses in bold** | \* indicates please stand as you are able

### Welcome & Announcements to Prepare Us for Worship

#### **\*Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

**Amen.**

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *Silence is kept for reflection.*

Merciful and loving God, **we are your stiff-necked people. We trample on the needy. We grumble about your grace to others. We turn away from the poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen.**

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found.

In the name of Jesus, your sins are forgiven! **Amen.**



*\* All Are Welcome*

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**\*Greeting**

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

*\* Now the Feast and Celebration – found on Liturgy Sheet*

**\*The Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray... **O God, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**First Reading: Amos 6:1a, 4-7**

<sup>1a</sup>Woe to those who are at ease in Zion and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria.

<sup>4</sup>Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and lounge on their couches and eat lambs from the flock and calves from the stall, <sup>5</sup>who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David improvise on instruments of music, <sup>6</sup>who drink wine from bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!

<sup>7</sup>Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

...the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 146**

<sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

<sup>2</sup> **I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**

<sup>3</sup> Put not your trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there is no help.

**<sup>4</sup> When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish.**

<sup>5</sup> Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help, whose hope is in the Lord their God;

**<sup>6</sup> who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps promises forever;**

<sup>7</sup> who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger. The Lord sets the captive free.

**<sup>8</sup> The Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.**

<sup>9</sup> The Lord cares for the stranger; the Lord sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

**<sup>10</sup> The Lord shall reign forever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!**

## **Second Reading: I Timothy 6:6-19**

<sup>6</sup> Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment, <sup>7</sup> for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it, <sup>8</sup> but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. <sup>9</sup> But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. <sup>10</sup> For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

<sup>11</sup> But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. <sup>12</sup> Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. <sup>13</sup> In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you <sup>14</sup> to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>15</sup> which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and

only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. <sup>16</sup> It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

<sup>17</sup> As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches but rather on God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. <sup>18</sup> They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, <sup>19</sup> thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

...the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*\* Halle, Halle, Hallelujah*

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**\*Gospel: Luke 16:19-31**

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 16<sup>th</sup> chapter

**...Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] <sup>19</sup> “There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. <sup>20</sup> And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, <sup>21</sup> who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. <sup>22</sup> The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. <sup>23</sup> In Hades, where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. <sup>24</sup> He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.’ <sup>25</sup> But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your

lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. <sup>26</sup> Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ <sup>27</sup> He said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house <sup>28</sup> for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ <sup>29</sup> Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ <sup>30</sup> He said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’ <sup>31</sup> He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’ ”

The Gospel of the Lord... **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon** – Pastor Carol Jeunnette



*\* Beauty For Brokenness*

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### **\*APOSTLE’S CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sin, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **\*Prayers of Intercession**

Gracious God, we come to you in prayer for the church, the world, and all in need. *(A brief silence.)*

Each petition ends with: God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

*We pray for Dianna Shamel, Michael Knapton, Bill Goulding, & Rich Staehling.*

Birthday: Pam Mueller - September 28

Anniversary: Dan & Renee Knapton – October 4

We entrust these prayers to you, o God, in the name of Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. **Amen.**

### **\*Sharing of the Peace**

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

*Share the peace with each other as you are comfortable.*

### **\*Offering Prayer**

Let us pray... **Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **\*Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

### **\*Proper Preface**

*\* Holy – found on Liturgy Sheet*

**\*Words of Institution & Lord's Prayer (traditional)**

### **\*Invitation to Communion**

Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. Come to this meal of mercy.

*Please come forward as you are able to receive communion.*

### **\* Lamb of God – found on Liturgy Sheet**

### **\*Post-Communion Blessing**

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bless you and keep you in his grace, now and forever.

### **\*Prayer after Communion**

O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

### **\*Blessing**

The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**



**\* *Canticle of the Turning***

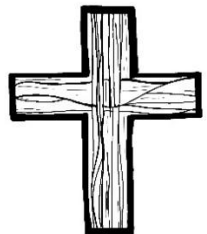
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### **Announcements for the Good of All**

**Offering** - Please place your gifts in the baskets in the back of the Sanctuary.

### **\*Dismissal**

Grow in peace. Do not lose heart. **Thanks be to God.**



# Peace Lutheran Announcements

*Church Website: [www.peacelutheranburlington.org](http://www.peacelutheranburlington.org) Church Email: [peaceca@gmail.com](mailto:peaceca@gmail.com)*

*Pastor Carol's email: [pastorcarol.peace@gmail.com](mailto:pastorcarol.peace@gmail.com)*

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*Attendance for Sunday, September 21, 2025 – 23 confirmed, 2 virtual*

*General Offerings \$725.00*

*Worship Assistants for today – Council member in charge: Renee Knapton, Lector: Ken Christensen, Communion Assistant: Ken Christensen, Offering counter: Pam Mueller*

**Office Hours...** Pastor Carol will not have office hours this week. Feel free to call or email her, if needed.

**Growing Relationships...** Please contact Renee Knapton by phone (262-492-0718) or by e-mail at [reneeknapton@gmail.com](mailto:reneeknapton@gmail.com) with any joys, sorrows, prayer requests, etc. that you wish shared with fellow members.

**Lay Pastoral Care Team...** When Pastor Carol was at Peace (2018), a team of lay pastoral care givers was trained to offer care to congregation members. We are planning to re-establish the team this fall. If you are interested in being part of this important ministry, please contact Pastor Carol.

**Food Pantry Donations...** We continue to collect non-perishable food items for the Burlington Library Food Pantry. They will be delivered on Oct 1. November we will be donating socks and mittens for both children and adults. A line will be hung at church to display. These will be delivered December 1.

**TLC...** We are collecting bleach, toilet paper, Kleenex, cleaning supplies, paper towels, dish detergent and laundry soap to be delivered November 1.

Also, the holidays are fast approaching and we have asked for a family from TLC to support for Christmas. We will receive this information by October 15.

**The Chosen...** Our viewing of "The Chosen" Season 5 of continues today following worship in the narthex. Whether or not you've been watching from the beginning, you're likely to enjoy this wonderful production. Please consider checking it out!

**Mid-Day Women's Gathering...** will meet Wednesday Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 AM, at the Pine St. Café (141 N. Pine Street, Burlington). Join us as we continue to plan the year's activities.