

Peace Lutheran Church

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 12, 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.

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

INTRODUCTION

The gospel for Easter's seventh Sunday is always taken from the long prayer Jesus prays for his followers in John's gospel on the night before his death, and always includes Jesus' desire that his followers will be one as he and the Father are one. This oneness is not mere doctrinal agreement or institutional unity, but mutual abiding, interpenetrating life, mutual love, and joy. This oneness is the work of the Spirit whom we have received but also await. Come, Holy Spirit!

Welcome & Announcements to Prepare Us for Worship

***Litany of Resurrection**

Alleluia! Christ is risen! **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

We have not seen the risen Christ,

but we see him in the lives of those transformed by grace.

We have not seen Jesus face to face,

but we have seen him in the faces of everyone whose love encourages us.

We have not touched the wounds from the cross,

but we have been called to bring healing to the scarred of the world.



* *"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"*

ELW 392

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.**

*The Prayer of the Day

Let us pray... **Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

First Reading: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, ¹⁶“Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—

¹⁷for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.²¹So one of the men who have accompanied

us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us,

²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us— one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.” ²³So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴Then they prayed and said, “Lord, you know everyone’s heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

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



Second Reading: 1 John 5:9-13

⁹If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. ¹⁰Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. ¹¹And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹²Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. ¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

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

*Gospel Acclamation, ELW 172

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

*Gospel: John 17:6-19

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 17th chapter...**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus prayed:] ⁶“I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; ⁸for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours.

¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁵I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.”

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



*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

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news. *(A brief silence.)*

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

We pray for Bev Stobber, Shirley Berndt & Bill Goulding.

Anniversaries 5/12-18: Chuck & Sandy Strehlow

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord. **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...

Loving God, you give to us even more than we ask, and much more than we deserve. Help us to show a like generosity in all that we do for you and for other people.

May the gifts we give and the lives we live be ways in which you bless others.

In Jesus’ name we pray. 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.**

*Preface

* *"Holy, Holy, Holy"* ELW p. 144 (front of hymnal)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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

"Lamb of God" ELW p. 146 (front of hymnal)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; grant us peace.

Invitation to Communion

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table. (*Please come forward and surround the altar.*)

* *"Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise"* ELW 207



Thank-ful hearts and voic-es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done. Let



ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re - jice and bear the name of Christ.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia.

Post-Communion Prayer

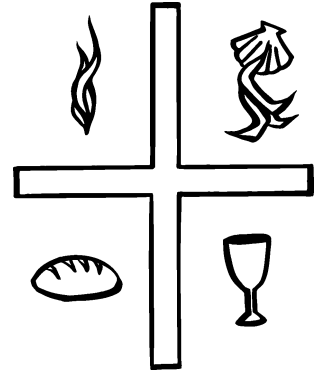
Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend...**Amen.**

*Blessing

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power,
the Christ of unending joy,
and the Spirit of Easter hope
bless you now and always. **Amen.**



** "Now All the Vaults of Heaven Resound"*

ELW 367

Announcements for the Good of All

Offering – please place your gifts in the baskets in the back of the Sanctuary.

Dismissal - Grow in peace. Rejoice and be glad. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Peace Lutheran Announcements

Pastor Grant Quever – Phone: (262) 332-9300, Email: gquever@wi.rr.com

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Attendance for Sunday, May 5, 2024 – 16 confirmed, 3 virtual

General Offerings for Sunday, May 5, 2024 - \$3,735.00

Save the Date... You are invited to the 21st Annual Women of Peace Pot-Luck Salad Supper, Wednesday May 15th, 6 p.m., in the Peace fellowship hall. Bring a salad to pass and bring a friend to enjoy an evening of good food and fellowship. Our speaker for the evening will be from the Burlington Historical Society. So that we can adequately plan, a sign-up sheet will be posted in the narthex.

Peace Lutheran Yard Signs & Door Hangers... Promote Peace Lutheran Church by displaying a sign in your yard or distributing door hangers in your neighborhood. Items available at church - see a council member.

Peaceful Pitstop... Please consider serving in the hospitality tent at the Burlington Jamboree, which runs the 4 days of Memorial Day weekend (May 24-27). More information can be found in the May Peacepipe. A signup sheet is in the Narthex. Thank you!

Congregational Meeting... The Annual Congregational meeting for Peace Lutheran Church will be held on June 2nd at 10 a.m. The agenda of the meeting will be a review of council member's annual reports, election of council members for 2024-2025, and ratification of the church constitution revisions that were approved at the February 4, 2024 meeting.

Joys and Concerns... If you have any joys and concerns you would like to add to our prayers during worship today, please fill out a 3x5 card found in the Narthex under the bulletin board and hand it to a council member before the service.

Coffee Fellowship... Please join us for coffee and fellowship after worship. Sit, relax, and chat together! The sign-up sheet to host is posted in the Narthex.

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

Peace Lights and Peacepipe Deadline Dates... Please have all information and/or articles emailed to peaceca@gmail.com by the following dates and times:

- ❖ Peace Lights information for the bulletin emailed by Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m.
- ❖ Peacepipe articles for April are due the third Saturday of the month

TLC Giving Baskets... The TLC Giving Baskets requests for May and June are more healthy snacks for kids (school will be out), garbage bags, dish soap, and laundry soap.