

Peace Lutheran Church

Day of Pentecost

May 19, 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

THEME

In many and diverse ways, God has spoken to us. In many ways we are enabled to speak to God. What enables this divine-human conversation? The Holy Spirit is the means of God's self-revelation in Christ. Through the work of the Holy Spirit, we are given the grace to hear the words of God. Through the work of the Holy Spirit, we are given the grace to speak words to God. This ongoing conversation is at the heart of our faith and at the center of the miracle that is Pentecost.

Prayer Before Worship

Blow upon us, Holy Spirit. Help us to hear the risen Christ speaking to us, amid all the conflicting voices that speak to us. Your word is our life, but your word is not always easy for us to hear. Blow upon us, Holy Spirit. Help us to speak, amid all the difficulty of finding the right words, to the God who has so graciously spoken to us in Christ. We need to talk to you, to tell you what's on our minds and in our hearts. But we cannot speak unless you give us the power to speak. Speak to us that we might speak to you. Breathe upon us your life-giving Holy Spirit. Amen.

Welcome & Announcements to Prepare Us for Worship



***Confession and Forgiveness**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

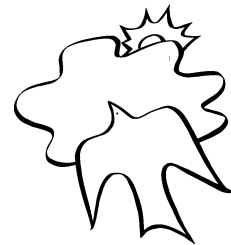


** "God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind"*

ELW 400

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... **Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send us this Spirit, transform us by your truth, and give us language to proclaim your gospel, through 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 2:1-21



¹When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day. ²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’”

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

Second Reading: Romans 8:22-27

²²We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; ²³and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

...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-lu-jah. Hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le-lu-jah.

*Gospel: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 15th and 16th chapters...**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said,] ²⁶“When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. ²⁷You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. ^{16:4b}“I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. ⁷Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong

about sin and righteousness and judgement: ⁹about sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; ¹¹about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

¹²“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”

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

Sermon – “Dreamers”, Pastor Grant Quever



* “*Spirit of Gentleness*” ELW 396



***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.

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.**

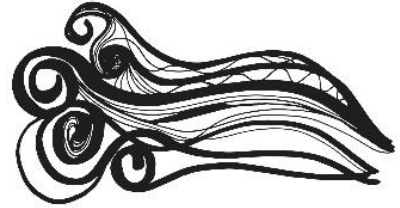
Share the peace with each other as you are comfortable.

***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**

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.

"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*

Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell ev'ryone what God has done.
Let ev'ryone who seeks the Lord rejoice and bear the name of Christ.
Send us with your promises and lead your people forth in joy
With shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

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.**



** "The Spirit Sends Us Forth To Serve" ELW 551*

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 May 12, 2024 – 22 confirmed, 2 unconfirmed

General Offerings for Sunday, March 31, 2024 - \$230.00 Mt Meru Donations - \$20.00

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 peacelca@gmail.com by the following dates and times:

- ❖ Peace Lights information for the bulletin emailed by Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m.
- ❖ Peacepipe articles 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.

