Peace Lutheran Church Ninth Sunday after Pentecost August 10, 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

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin. *Silence is kept for reflection*.

Merciful God, you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.

You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. **Amen.**



*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...

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



First Reading: Genesis 15:1-6

¹ After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ² But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³ And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." ⁴ But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." ⁵ He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." ⁶ And he believed the Lord, and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

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

Psalm 33:12-22

- ¹² Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord! Happy the people chosen to be God's heritage!
- ¹³ The Lord looks down from heaven, and sees all humankind.
- ¹⁴ God sits firmly enthroned and watches all who dwell on the earth.
- ¹⁵ God fashions all their hearts and observes all their deeds.
- ¹⁶ A king is not saved by the size of the army, nor are warriors rescued by their great strength.
- ¹⁷ The horse gives vain hope for victory; despite its great strength it cannot save.
- ¹⁸ Truly, your eye is upon those who fear you, O Lord, upon those who wait for your steadfast love,
- ¹⁹ to deliver their lives from death, and to keep them alive in time of famine.
- ²⁰ Our innermost being waits for you, O Lord, our helper and our shield.
- ²¹ Surely, our heart rejoices in you, for in your holy name we put our trust.
- ²² Let your lovingkindness, O Lord, be upon us, even as we place our hope in you.

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

- ¹ Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ² Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³ By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.
- ⁸ By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance, and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹ By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰ For he looked forward to the

city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹ By faith, with Sarah's involvement, he received power of procreation, even though he was too old, because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹² Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

¹³ All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴ for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵ If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶ But as it is, they desire a better homeland, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

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

* "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"

Halle, halle, hallelujah. Halle, hallelujah Halle, hallelujah. Hallelujah, hallelujah.

*Gospel: Luke 12:32-40

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 12th chapter...Glory to you, O Lord.



[Jesus said:] ³² "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

³⁵ "Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶ be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷ Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸ If he comes during the middle of the night or near dawn and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

³⁹ "But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰ You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

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

Sermon – Pastor Carol Jeunnette



* "Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus"

ELW 802 vs 1 & 2

*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

In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world. (A brief silence.)

Each petition ends with: God of grace, **hear our prayer.**We pray for Dianna Shamel, Michael Knapton & Bill Goulding, John Monsen.

Birthdays: John Monsen, Kerry Bieneman

Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ. **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...Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. 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

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.

*Blessing

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit bless you and give you peace. **Amen.**



* "He is exalted"

W&P 55

Announcements for the Good of All

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

*Dismissal

Grow in peace. Live by the Spirit. Thanks be to God.

Peace Lutheran Announcements

Church Website: www.peacelutheranburlington.org Church Email: peacelca@gmail.com
Pastor Carol's email: pastorcarol.peace@gmail.com

Attendance for Sunday, August 3, 2025 – 23 confirmed, 1 unconfirmed General Offerings – \$1,310.00 Mt Meru - \$20.00

Office Hours... Pastor Carol will be in the office on Wednesdays, August 13, 20 & 27 from 9a.m.-noon. Drop in and say "hi"!

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.

Rally Sunday Brunch...We will be having a potluck brunch after the service on Rally Sunday, September 7th. A sign up will be posted in the narthex.

Food Pantry Donations... As part of our Caring for the Community for the month of August we will be collecting non-perishable food and personal hygiene items for the Burlington Library Food Pantry. Place items in baskets in the church, and they will be delivered on September 1.

TLC Giving Baskets... There are no specific suggestions for the Giving Baskets for the remainder of the summer. However, if you are inclined to make a monetary donation so they are able to buy more fresh foods, that would be much appreciated!

Outreach for Hope... Registration is now open for the Outreach for Hope 2025 Family Ride Run Walk to be held Sept. 27! The goal is to raise \$165K through participating or sponsoring. Funds help Greater Milwaukee Synod communities in need. Sign up now at <u>OFHRRW.org</u>.