



Peace Lutheran Church

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

June 28, 2026 9:00 a.m.

GOOD MORNING AND WELCOME!

Thank you for joining in Worship today. This morning, we continue our six- month celebration of 50 years of faithfulness and ministry at Peace Lutheran! This morning, we celebrate the decade after Peace Lutheran's Organization Sunday: Nov. 1976 – 1986. It was an exciting time: calling a pastor, working with St. Paul's in Lyons, planning and constructing our current building. This morning we are honored to welcome the congregation's first called pastor: David Berggren, and his wife, Susan.

Whether you regularly worship with us, are here for the first time, or are returning after a time away, your presence 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 are welcome at Jesus' 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. Worship services may involve photography, as well as audio and video recording.

Welcome & Announcements to Prepare Us for Worship

* Opening Litany and Candle Lighting



* *The Church's One Foundation* (vs. 2)

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The First Decade of Peace Lutheran Church

Let us pray...

God of life, you brought together this community of believers and planted us in this place. You called us to follow Jesus, to love one another, to love you and your world, and to create a place where all are welcome.

We thank you for your call and for your accompaniment during the early years of ministry.

God of love, following your call is not always easy. It requires creativity, strength, patience and most of all, grace.

We thank you for the gifts that made it possible for your people to work together in this place.

God of grace, we thank you for the people here during that first decade – the people who shaped this body to be faithful in ministry.

Thank you for leaders and followers, for children, parents, grandparents, and all who gathered at the Table.

God of past, present and future, guide this congregation through these months of anniversary celebration and in the coming years.

Continue to equip us to be your love and peace in this place. Light our pathways always. Fill us with faith, courage, peace, compassion and commitment.

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.**

Kyrie



1, 3 Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

2 Chris - te e - le - i - son.

1, 3 Lord, have mer - cy.

2 Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

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* Hymn of Praise

Praise to You, O God of Mercy



1 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -
 2 From of old you loved and sought us: thanks be to you for -
 3 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -



ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:
 ev - er! Truth and jus - tice you have taught us:
 ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:



thanks be to you for - ev - er!
 thanks be to you for - ev - er!
 thanks be to you for -



Strong is your faith - ful-ness, strong is your love, re -



mem - b'ring your cov - e - nant of life with us.

♢ Coda



ev - er! Thanks be to you for - ev - er!

Text and music: *Now the Feast and Celebration*, Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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***The Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray... **O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

First Reading: Genesis 22:1-14

¹ God tested Abraham. He said to him, “Abraham!” And he said, “Here I am.” ² He said, “Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you.” ³ So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. ⁴ On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. ⁵ Then Abraham said to his young men, “Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you.” ⁶ Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. And the two of them walked on together. ⁷ Isaac said to his father Abraham, “Father!” And he said, “Here I am, my son.” He said, “The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?” ⁸ Abraham said, “God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son.” And the two of them walked on together.

⁹ When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound

his son Isaac and laid him on the altar on top of the wood. ¹⁰Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. ¹¹But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven and said, “Abraham, Abraham!” And he said, “Here I am.”¹² [The angel] said, “Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.”¹³ And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴So Abraham called that place “The Lord will provide,” as it is said to this day, “On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided.”

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

Psalm 13

¹ How long, O Lord? Will you forget me forever?
How long will you hide your face from me?

**² How long shall I have perplexity in my mind,
and grief in my heart, day after day?**

How long shall my enemy triumph over me?

³ Look upon me and answer me, O Lord my God;
give light to my eyes, lest I sleep in death;

**⁴ lest my enemy say, “I have defeated you,”
and my foes rejoice that I have fallen.**

⁵ But I trust in your unfailing love;
my heart is joyful because of your saving help.

⁶ I will sing to the Lord, who has dealt with me richly.

Second Reading: Romans 6:12-23

¹² Do not let sin reign in your mortal bodies, so that you obey their desires. ¹³ No longer present your members to sin as instruments of unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. ¹⁴ For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

¹⁵ What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶ Do you not know that, if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷ But thanks be to God that you who were slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted ¹⁸ and that you, having been set free from sin, have become enslaved to righteousness. ¹⁹ I am speaking in human terms because of your limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and lawlessness, leading to even more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness, leading to sanctification.

²⁰ When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹ So what fruit did you then gain from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. ²² But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the fruit you have leads to sanctification, and the end is eternal life. ²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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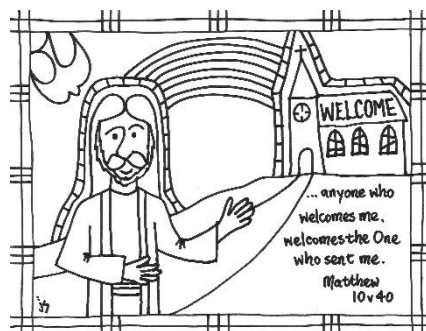
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***Gospel: Matthew 10:40-42**

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew,
the 10th chapter.

...Glory to you, O Lord.



[Jesus said to the twelve:] ⁴⁰ “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹ Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous, ⁴² and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

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

Sermon – Pastor David Berggren



** As We Gather At Your Table*

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***Prayers of Intercession**

Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

(A brief silence.)

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

We pray for Michael, Bill, Lynn, Julie, Janet, Crystal, Trish, Kathy, Sean, Tim.

Happy Birthday – Leslie Zahn-July 2, John Jeunnette-July 4

Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior. **Amen.**

Installation of Church Council

***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, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. Amen.**

*(Please place your gifts in the basket
at the back of the Sanctuary as you depart)*

The Meal

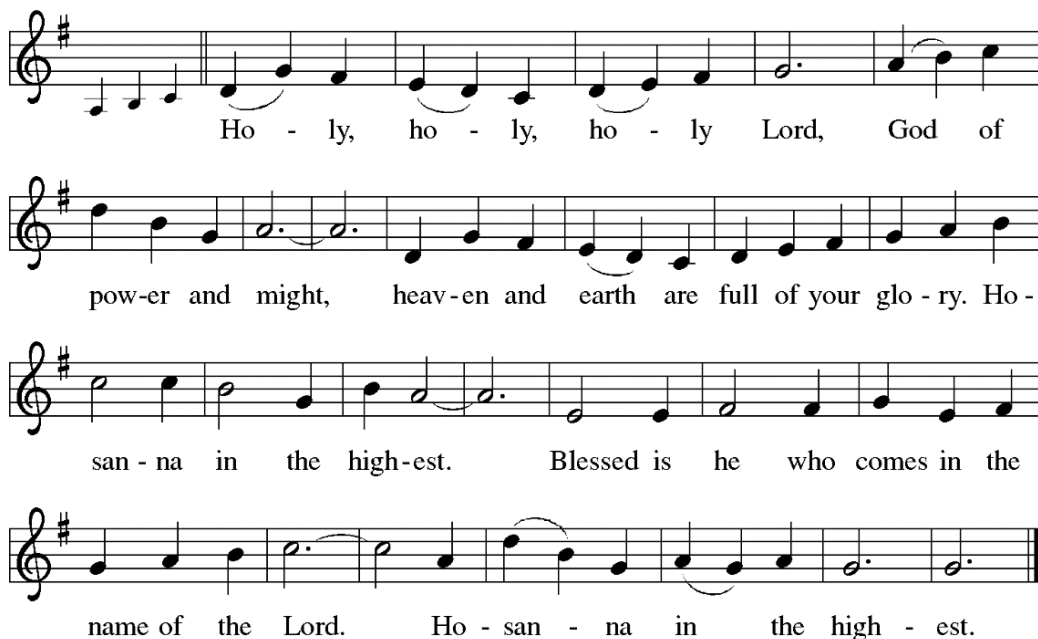
*Great Thanksgiving

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.



The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est."

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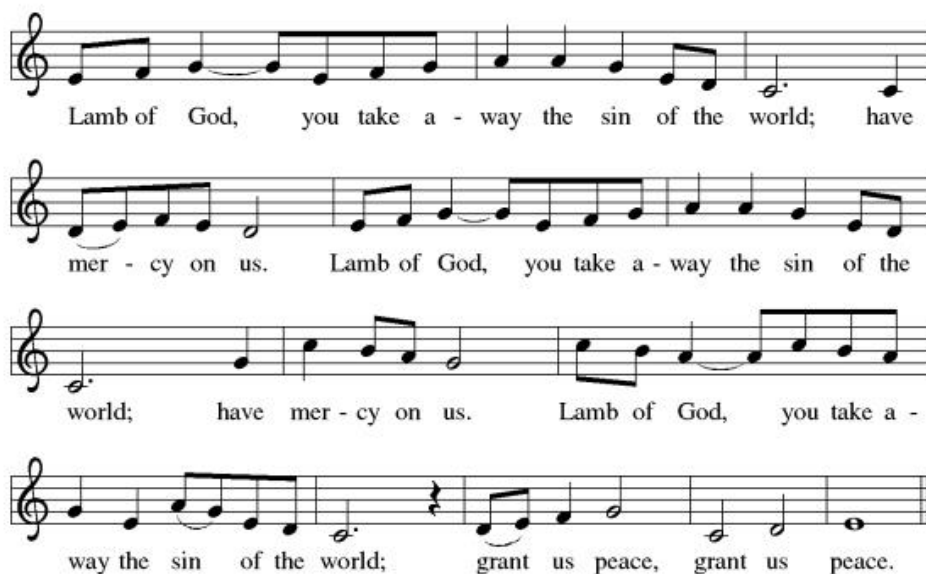
***Eucharistic Prayer**

***Lord's Prayer** (*sung – see laminated sheet*)

***Invitation to Communion**

Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

Please come forward as you are able to receive communion.



***Post-Communion Blessing**

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

***Sending Prayer**

Lord God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

***Blessing**

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ☩ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

Amen.



** On Our Way Rejoicing*

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Announcements for the Good of All

***Dismissal**

Grow in peace, serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God.



March 1978 – The Rev. David J. Berggren, first called pastor of Peace began. A special thanks to Pastor Berggren for joining us in our celebration today!

Peace Lutheran Announcements for June 28, 2026

Church Website: www.peacelutheranburlington.org

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Pastor Carol's email: pastorcarol.peace@gmail.com

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Attendance for Sunday, June 21, 2026 – 24 confirmed

General Offerings \$1,485.00 Mt. Meru \$32.00

Worship Assistants for today – Council member in charge: Sharon

Ryd, Lector: Janet McGinty, Communion Assistant: Janet McGinty,

Offering counter: Janet McGinty, Tech: Sean McGinty

Office Hours... Pastor Carol's office hours are Wednesdays from 9am to noon. Feel free to stop in and say "hello." She can also be reached by phone, if needed. (262) 900-8212.

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.

Life Choices... in July we will be collecting diapers of all sizes, but especially smaller ones.

50th Anniversary photos needed... As we continue our anniversary journey, we would like to include as many photos from our history as possible. Please look through what you may have at home to see what you might have that we could add to our collection. Give them to Sharon and she can scan them and return to you immediately.

50th Anniversary... Today is our second monthly celebration of our anniversary, focusing on the decade from 1976 to 1986. We will be having an ice cream social today in the fellowship hall from 10:30-noon, hosted by Jeanne Rateike and family. We hope you are able to stay and celebrate with us!

