

Peace Lutheran Church

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 27, 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 and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

First Reading: Hosea 1:2-10

²When the Lord first spoke through Hosea, the Lord said to Hosea, "Go, take for yourself a wife of whoredom and have children of whoredom, for the land commits great whoredom by forsaking the Lord." ³So he went and took Gomer daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son.

⁴And the Lord said to him, "Name him Jezreel; for in a little while I will punish the house of Jehu for the blood of Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of the house of Israel. ⁵On that day I will break the bow of Israel in the valley of Jezreel."

⁶She conceived again and bore a daughter. Then the Lord said to him, "Name her Lo-ruhamah, for I will no longer have pity on the house of Israel or forgive them. ⁷But I will have pity on the house of Judah, and I

will save them by the Lord their God; I will not save them by bow, or by sword, or by war, or by horses, or by horsemen.”

⁸ When she had weaned Lo-ruhamah, she conceived and bore a son. ⁹ Then the Lord said, “Name him Lo-ammi, for you are not my people and I am not your God.”

¹⁰ Yet the number of the people of Israel shall be like the sand of the sea, which can be neither measured nor numbered; and in the place where it was said to them, “You are not my people,” it shall be said to them, “Children of the living God.”

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

Psalms 85

¹ You have been gracious to your land, O Lord;
you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.

² **You have forgiven the iniquity of your people
and blotted out all their sins.**

³ You have withdrawn all your fury
and turned yourself from your wrathful indignation.

⁴ **Restore us then, O God our Savior;
let your anger depart from us.**

⁵ Will you be displeased with us forever?
Will you prolong your anger from age to age?

⁶ **Will you not give us life again,
that your people may rejoice in you?**

⁷ Show us your steadfast love, O Lord, and grant us your salvation.

⁸ **I will listen to what the Lord God is saying;
for you speak peace to your faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to you.**

⁹ Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you,
that your glory may dwell in our land.

¹⁰ **Steadfast love and faithfulness have met together;
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.**

¹¹ Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth,
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

¹² **The Lord will indeed grant prosperity,
and our land will yield its increase.**

¹³ Righteousness shall go before the Lord
and shall prepare for God a pathway.

Second Reading: Colossians 2:6-19

⁶ As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, ⁷ rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

⁸ See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. ⁹ For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰ and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. ¹¹ In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; ¹² when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. ¹³ And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, ¹⁴ erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵ He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

¹⁶ Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. ¹⁷ These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. ¹⁸ Do

not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking,¹⁹ and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

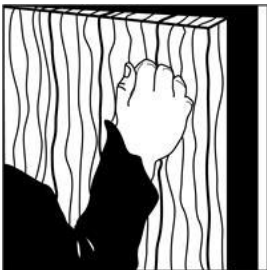
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** “Halle, Halle, Hallelujah”*

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

***Gospel: Luke 11:1-13**

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 11th chapter...**Glory to you, O Lord.**



¹ [Jesus] was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.”² He said to them, “When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. ³ Give us each day our daily bread. ⁴ And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial.”

⁵ And he said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; ⁶ for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.’ ⁷ And he answers from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.’ ⁸ I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

⁹ “So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will

find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹ Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? ¹² Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

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

Sermon



* *“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”* ELW 752

*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.

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.**



***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.**



*** "Go, My Children, With My Blessing"**

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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. Live by the Spirit. **Thanks be to God.**

Peace Lutheran Announcements

Church Website: www.peacelutheranburlington.org Church Email: peacelca@gmail.com

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Attendance for Sunday, July 20, 2025 – 26 confirmed, 2 virtual

General Offerings - \$385.00

Mt Meru Donations - \$76.00

Thank you!...Thanks to Marilyn Hart and Renee Knapton, for leading worship this morning, while Pastor Carol is on vacation.

Office Hours...There will be no office hours this week or next. Pastor Carol will be in the office on Wednesdays, August 13, 20 & 27 from 9 a.m. - noon. Drop in and say “hi”!

Homily Hash... Please stay for Homily Hash & fellowship after worship!

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.

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!