Peace Lutheran Church Fourth Sunday after Pentecost July 6, 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.



* "We All Are One in Mission" ELW 576

*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... O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

First Reading: 2 Kings 5:1-14

¹ Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. ² Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. ³ She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the

prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." ⁴So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. ⁵And the king of Aram said, "Go then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel."

He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. ⁶He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy." ⁷When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

⁸But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." 9 So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. 10 Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." ¹¹ But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! ¹² Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. 13 But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" 14 So he went

down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

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

Psalm 30

- ¹ I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up and have not let my enemies triumph over me.
- ²O Lord my God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health.
- ³You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.
- ⁴ Sing praise to the Lord, all you faithful; give thanks in holy remembrance.
- ⁵ God's wrath is short; God's favor lasts a lifetime.

 Weeping spends the night, but joy comes in the morning.
- ⁶ While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed.
- ⁷You, Lord, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains." Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear.
- ⁸ I cried to you, O Lord; I pleaded with my Lord, saying,
- ⁹ "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the pit? Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?
- ¹⁰ Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; O Lord, be my helper."
- ¹¹ You have turned my wailing into dancing; you have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.
- ¹² Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; O Lord my God, I will give you thanks forever.

Second Reading: Galatians 6:1-16

¹ My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. ² Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. ³ For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. ⁴ All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. ⁵ For all must carry their own loads. ⁶ Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.

⁷ Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. ⁸ If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. ⁹ So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. ¹⁰ So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

¹¹ See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! ¹² It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. ¹³ Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. ¹⁴ May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. ¹⁵ For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! ¹⁶ As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

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* "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"

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

*Gospel: Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 10th chapter...**Glory to you, O Lord.**



¹ After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ² He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.

³ Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴ Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. ⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' ⁶ And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ⁷ Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸ Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹ cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' ¹⁰ But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹ 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'"

¹⁶ "Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

¹⁷ The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" ¹⁸ He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. ¹⁹ See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰ Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

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

Sermon – Pastor Carol Jeunnette



* "Will You Let Me Be Your Servant"

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*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

Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation. (A brief silence.)

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

We pray for Dianna Shamel, Michael Knapton & Bill Goulding.

Birthdays: Terri Schildt

Anniversaries: Jennifer Muffick & Adward Drewitz

Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **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 (traditional)

*Invitation to Communion

The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice. *Please come forward as you are able to receive communion.*

* "Lamb of God" – found on Liturgy Sheet

*Post-Communion Blessing

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

*Prayer after Communion

Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. **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.**



* "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

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

Attendance for Sunday, May 25, 2025 – 21 confirmed, 1 unconfirmed General Offerings - \$495.00 Mt Meru Donations - \$20.00

Still Being Different!... The discussion at our third "Being Different Together" session was great, but the sense is there is still much to consider. We decided to continue the discussion after worship on Sunday mornings. All are welcome to join in, or just grab some coffee and listen.

Prayers of the People... You are encouraged to send Pastor Carol your prayer requests throughout the week, at pastorcarol.peace@gmail.com. Please write "prayer request" in the subject line, and send them no later than Saturday evening. If you are unable to submit the request through email, please give Pastor Carol (or a council member) your request before 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!