

Peace Lutheran Church

Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

November 17, 2024 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

INTRODUCTION

November begins with All Saints Day and ends in or near Advent, when we anticipate Christ's coming again. It is fitting, then, that the readings today tell of the final resurrection and the end time. In the turmoil of hope, fear, and disbelief that these predictions provoke in us, Hebrews sounds a note of confident trust. Christ makes a way for us where there is no way, and we walk it confidently, our hearts and bodies washed in baptismal water, trusting the one who has promised forgiveness. The more we see the last day approaching, the more important it is to meet together to provoke one another to love.

Welcome & Announcements to Prepare Us for Worship

***Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,
our refuge, our delight,
our beginning and our end. **Amen.**

Let us come in truth before the one
who loves us and has freed us from our sin.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)



Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy, **we confess that sin has taken hold of us and we are complicit in its power. We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest. Unbind us and set us free. Lead us again to the waters of rebirth, that we may live just and generous lives for the good of your world and the care of our neighbors, following in the servant way of Jesus. Amen.**

These words are trustworthy and true: Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross, swallowing up death forever. For his sake, you are forgiven and God remembers your sin no more. Let your heart be glad again, and rejoice in your salvation. **Amen.**



** "God is Here!"*

ELW 526

***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...**Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

First Reading: Daniel 12:1-3

¹“At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. ²Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

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

Psalm 16

¹ Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;

I have said to the Lord, “You are my Lord, my good above all other.”

² **All my delight is in the godly that are in the land,
upon those who are noble among the people.**

³ But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.

⁴ **I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,
never take their names upon my lips.**

⁵ O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.

⁶ **My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**

⁷ I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.

⁸ **I have set the Lord always before me;
because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

⁹ My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

¹⁰ **For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.**

¹¹ You will show me the path of life;

in your presence there is fullness of joy,

and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.



Second Reading: Hebrews 10:11-25

¹¹ Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. ¹² But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” ¹³ and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” ¹⁴ For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. ¹⁵ And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying, ¹⁶ “This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds,” ¹⁷ he also adds, “I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.” ¹⁸ Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

¹⁹ Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of

God, ²² let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵ not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

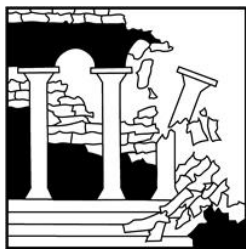
...the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

***Gospel Acclamation**, ELW p. 142 (front of hymnal)

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

***Gospel: Mark 13:1-8**

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 13th chapter...**Glory to you, O Lord.**



¹ As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” ² Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

³ When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴ “Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” ⁵ Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶ Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. ⁷ When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸ For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.”

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

Sermon – Rev. Paul Ihlenfeld



***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**

Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation. *(A brief silence.)*

Each petition ends with: Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We pray for Shirley Berndt & Bill Goulding.

Birthdays 11/17-23: Karen Erhardt

We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, 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...

**Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup,
you offered yourself in love for the world,
and in this meal you nourish us with your life.**

**Fill us with your abundance,
that we may feed the hungry
and welcome the stranger,
trusting in your name. Amen.**



***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

Behold, God is making all things new.

Take your place in the new creation.

Please come forward and surround the altar.

***Post-Communion Prayer**

Faithful God, you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink in the body and blood of your Son. Now send us out to labor with you in service to the world you have made, and among the people you have made your home, in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord...**Amen.**

***Blessing**

The Ancient One, enthroned, the Crucified One, now risen, the Indwelling One, poured out, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**



** "Canticle of the Turning"*

ELW 723

Announcements for the Good of All

Offering – please place your gifts in the baskets in the back of the Sanctuary.

***Dismissal** - Grow in peace. Encourage one another in Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

Peace Lutheran Announcements

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

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Attendance for Sunday, November 10, 2024 – 21 confirmed, 1 unconfirmed, 1 virtual

General Offerings - \$215.00

Altar Flowers - \$45.00

Love, Inc Thanksgiving Donations - \$72.00

Mt. Meru Coffee Donations - \$20.00

Thank You... Thank you to Rev. Paul Ihlenfeld for serving as our supply pastor this month!

Budget Meeting & Anniversary Brunch... We invite you to stay after worship today to ratify the 2025 budget. We will follow the meeting with a brunch to celebrate Peace Lutheran's anniversary!

Advent by Candlelight... Please join us in a time of reflection and fellowship as we prepare our minds and hearts for the arrival of baby Jesus. This year's Advent by Candlelight will be held Sunday, December 1, from 1-3pm. All are welcome, so consider bringing a friend. The sign-up sheet is in the narthex. See Janet McGinty if you have any questions.

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.

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 requested items for the TLC Giving Baskets are "first aid" items. Tylenol, Children's Tylenol, cough syrup, Benadryl, hydrocortisone cream, Neosporin cream, Band-Aids, and instant ice packs. All items should be new, not outdated, and unopened. Generic items are acceptable.