

Thanksgiving Sunday

Sunday, November 19, 2023
Peace Lutheran Church, ELCA

WELCOME TO PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Whether you are joining us in-person or on-line we are blessed to have you worshipping with us today. We pray that our time of worship together further encourages and strengthens our call to discipleship.

MISSION STATEMENT

As disciples of Jesus Christ, we share God's grace and mercy. We welcome and encourage all to grow with us in God's kingdom through praise, worship, and service.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE — - "Now Thank We All Our God", Johann Cruger, John Rasley, arr., © 1993, Lorenz Publishing Co.

Organist — Brenda Peck

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity + one God, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved.

Amen.

Holy One,

we confess that we are not awake for you.
We are not faithful in using your gifts.
We forget the least of our siblings.
We do not see your beautiful image in one another.
We are infected by sin
that divides your beloved community.
Open our hearts to your coming,
open our eyes to see you in our neighbor,
open our hands to serve your creation.
Amen.

Beloved, we are God's children, and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us. Through + Jesus you are forgiven,

by Jesus you are welcome, in Jesus you are called to rejoice!
Let us live in the promises prepared for us from the foundation of the world.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

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- 1 Come, ye thank-ful peo ple, come; raise the song of har vest home.
- 2 All the world is God's own field, fruit un to his praise to yield;
- 3 For the Lord our God shall come and shall take his har vest home;
- 4 E ven so, Lord, quick-ly come to thy fi nal har vest home.



All be safe - ly gath - ered in ere the win-ter storms be - gin. wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, sor - row grown. un - to joy or his field shall in of - fens - es that day all purge a - way; free from sor-row, free from sin, Gath - er then thy peo - ple in,



God, our mak - er, doth pro-vide for our wants to be sup - plied. First the blade, and then the ear. then the full corn shall ap - pear. give his an - gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast. there, for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, in thy gar - ner a - bide. to



Come to God's own tem - ple, come, raise the song of har - vest home. Lord of har - vest, grant that we whole-some grain and pure may be. but the fruit - ful ears to store in his gar - ner ev - er - more. Come, with all thine an - gels, come, raise the glo - rious har - vest home!

Text: Henry Alford, 1810-1871, alt.

Music: ST. GEORGE'S, WINDSOR, George J. Elvey, 1816-1893

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.**





PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

+ WORD +

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 8:7-18

Times of abundance tempt us to forget God and rely on our own power and resources. But God is the one who took Israel out of Egypt, led and fed them in the wilderness, brought them into the land, and gave them power to be productive. To thank this God is to remember and proclaim God's deeds.

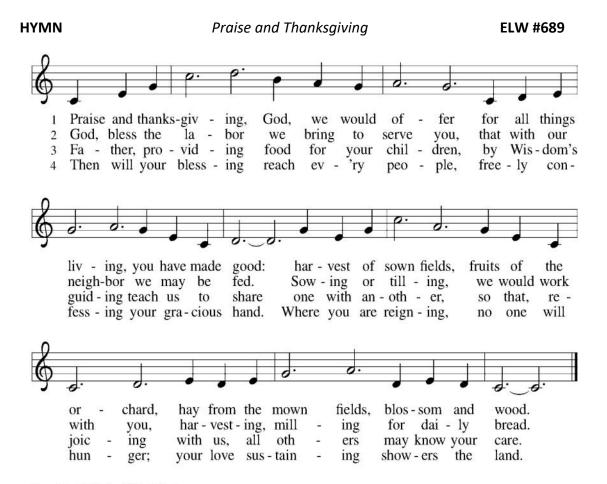
⁷For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, ⁸a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, ⁹a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. ¹⁰You shall eat your fill and bless the LORD your God for the good land that he has given you.

¹¹Take care that you do not forget the LORD your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. ¹²When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, ¹³ and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, ¹⁴then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, ¹⁵who led

you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, ¹⁶ and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. ¹⁷Do not say to yourself, "My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth." ¹⁸ But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

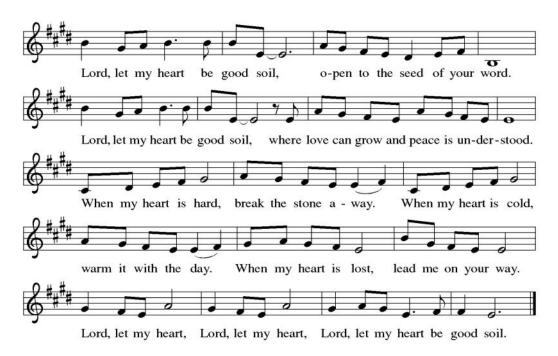
Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.



Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901–1984, alt. Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic tune

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Text: Handt Hanson, b. 1950 Music: GOOD SOIL, Handt Hanson Text and music © 1985 Prince of Peace Publishing, Changing Church, Inc., admin. Augsburg Fortress.

GOSPEL: Luke 17:11-19

The holy gospel according to St. Luke the 17th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

A Samaritan leper becomes a model for thanksgiving. He does not take for granted the kindness shown to him but takes time to thank Jesus and to glorify God.

¹¹On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other

nine, where are they? 18 Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" 19 Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

PASTOR MARY E. ZUPANSIC

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

HYMN OF THE DAYGive Thanks (C,C,V,V,C,V, Ending)

Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One, Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son.

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And now let the weak say, "I am strong,"
Let the poor say, "I am rich,"
Because of what the Lord has done for us.

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Because of what the Lord has done for us.

Give thanks.

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,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
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,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us turn our hearts to God, our breath and life, as we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

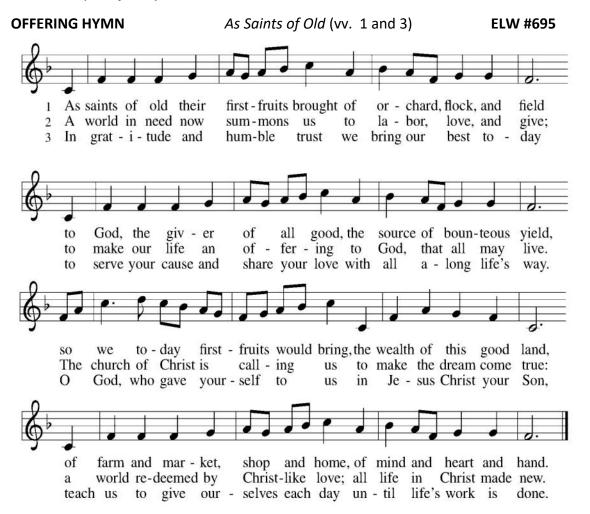
THE SHARING OF PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

+ THE MEAL +

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OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of all goodness,
generations have turned to you,
gathered around your table,
and shared your abundant blessings.

Number us among them
that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance,
and give thanks for your rich blessings,
we may feast upon your very self
and care for all that you have made,
through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

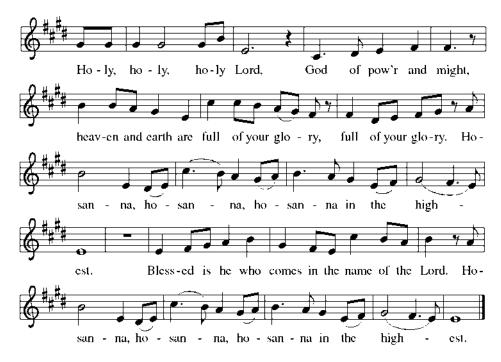
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY ELW P. 190



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

We give you thanks, Father, through Jesus Christ, your beloved Son, whom you sent in this end of the ages to save and redeem us and to proclaim to us your will.

He is your Word, inseparable from you, through whom you created all things, and in whom you take delight.

He is your Word, sent from heaven to a virgin's womb.

He there took on our nature and our lot and was shown forth as your Son, born of the Holy Spirit and of the virgin Mary.

He, our Lord Jesus, fulfilled all your will

and won for you a holy people; he stretched out his hands in suffering in order to free from suffering those who trust you.

He is the one who, handed over to a death he freely accepted, in order to destroy death, to break the bonds of the evil one, to crush hell underfoot, to give light to the righteous, to establish his covenant, and to show forth the resurrection, taking bread and giving thanks to you, said:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

In the same way he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, then, his death and resurrection, we take this bread and cup, giving you thanks that you have made us worthy to stand before you and to serve you as your priestly people.

Send your Spirit upon these gifts of your church; gather into one all who share this bread and wine; fill us with your Holy Spirit to establish our faith in truth, that we may praise and glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ; through whom all glory and honor are yours, almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, both now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

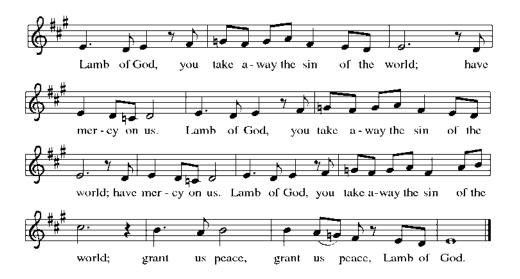
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

There is a place for you at the banquet. Come and feast at Jesus' table.

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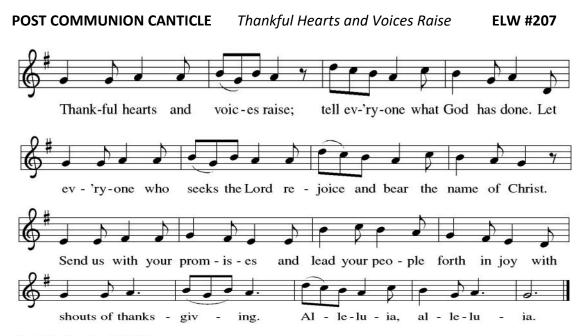


COMMUNION SONG/HYMNS You Never Let Go Day by Day Contemporary ELW #790

TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.



Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980 Music: Ronald A. Nelson, b. 1927 Text and music © 1978, 1995 Augsburg Fortress.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet.

Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way.

Amen.

BLACKHAWK VIDEO

BLESSING

May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved,

who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad! The blessing of God, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always.

Amen.





Text: Katherine K. Davis, 1892–1980, alt. Music: THE ASH GROVE, Welsh folk tune Text © 1939, 1966 E. C. Schirmer Music Company.

DISMISSAL

Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE — "Thanksgiving Praise", Lani Smith, © 2000, Lorenz Publishing Co. Organist — Brenda Peck

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ABOUT THIS WEEK'S TEXT

AT HARVEST TIME WE JOIN THE PSALMIST IN OFFERING THANKSGIVING TO GOD: "YOU CROWN THE YEAR WITH YOUR GOODNESS, AND YOUR PATHS OVERFLOW WITH PLENTY." WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE ABUNDANCE OF THE GOOD THINGS OF GOD'S CREATION. PAUL REMINDS US THAT OUR THANKSGIVING OVERFLOWS INTO GENEROSITY. AS THE BODY OF CHRIST IN THE WORLD, WE GIVE OURSELVES AWAY AS BREAD FOR THE HUNGRY.

THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS:

PETE ELLERTSEN, DEBI ELLERTSEN, PAULA TONELLATO, NORM KOEFOED, IVY KOEFOED, HERB KIEL, RON WEBER. GENE WALKER

If you would like to be added to the prayer list, or know someone who would like to be added to our list, please fill out a Prayer Request Card, send an email to peace.lutheran@comcast.net OR call the Office at (217)546-7646. Please note—for privacy reasons, we must have an individual's permission to add their name.

ASSISTING THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 19:

PRESIDING AND PREACHING: PASTOR MARY E. ZUPANSIC

ASSISTING: DOUG MCFARLAN

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FELLOWSHIP: ANN BECKER

FLOWERS: MIKE AND SANDY BARKER — IN CELEBRATION OF THEIR 53RD

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY





ANNOUNCEMENTS

ZOOM MEETINGS/EVENTS THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19 THANKSGIVING SUNDAY

BREADLINE SUNDAY

IN PERSON WORSHIP/LIVESTREAM — 9:30AM

DWELLING IN THE WORD — 10:45AM

FAITH FORMATION — 10:45AM

MUSIC AND WORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING — 11:15AM

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20 STAMP CLUB — 6:00PM

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21 EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING — 5:00PM

FULL COUNCIL MEETING — 6:00PM NO CHOIR PRACTICE THIS WEEK.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23 HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

OFFICE CLOSED

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24 OFI SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26 CHI

OFFICE CLOSED

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

IN PERSON WORSHIP/LIVESTREAM — 9:30AM

DWELLING IN THE WORD — 10:45AM

KIDS HELP DURING WORSHIP



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join us Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. Our Midweek Advent Services will be Dinner Church style! December 6, 13, 20

Plan to join us Wednesday evenings for our Midweek Advent Services. This year we will follow a "Dinner Church" style service. We gather in the fellowship hall at 5:30p.m. for a meal, scripture, discussion, and the breaking of bread! Come, as we step out of the business of the season and spend time PAUSING, PREPARING,

© PONDERING. (December 6, 13, 20)

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER!!



Thank you to everyone who purchased Poinsettias to decorate for Christmas. If you have not already done so, you may drop your payments in the offering or mail to the church office. Please note the price changes: 10" - \$30.00 (stayed the same); 8.5" -

\$25.00; 6" - \$12.00.

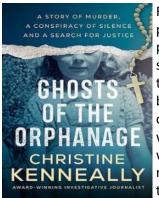
ANNOUNCEMENTS NEW IN THE LIBRARY:

There is a book missing from the library. It is "The Little Ghost Who Was a Quilt" by Riel Nason. It is from the kids section of our library. It is a hardcover picture book that was dedicated to our church guilters. If you have it, can you please return it. Thank you!

ALSO:

There are two NEW books coming to the Library:

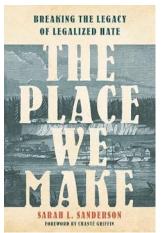
"Ghosts of the Orphanage" by Christine Kenneally.



For much of the 20th century a series of terrible events - abuse, both physical and psychological, and even deaths - took place inside orphanages. The survivors have been trying to tell their astonishing stories for a long time, but disbelief, secrecy, and trauma have kept them from breaking through. For 10 years, Christine Kenneally has been on a quest to uncover the harrowing truth. Centering her story on St. Joseph's, a Catholic orphanage in Vermont, Kenneally has written a stunning account of a series of crimes and abuses. But her work is not confined to one place. She finds a trail of terrifying stories and a courageous group of survivors who are seeking justice. (Adult non-fiction 362.73)

"The Place We Make: Breaking the Legacy of Legalized Hate" by Sarah L. Sanderson.

Summer 1851. Jacob Vanderpool was exiled from the Oregon Territory under an exclusion law that banned people of African descent from living within its borders. To this day he remains the only person in the United States to ever have been tried, convicted, and punished solely for the "crime" of being Black. More than a century and a half later, Sarah L. Sanderson made the shocking discovery that she was related to not just one, but two of the White men who played a role in Jacob's exile. This discovery started an investigative journey to consider four men involved in Jacob's case - Oregon City's founder, the case judge, Jacob's accuser, and a local pastor - and the cultural and theological fallout of the decisions they made. Along the way, Sarah took a hard look at her own tendencies, both unconscious and deliberate, to ignore the possibility of bias in her heart. (Adult non-fiction 305.8)



ANNOUNCEMENTS

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BLACKHAWK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

DUE BY SUNDAY DECEMBER 10

SEE NYCU FOR MORE INFO



If you would like a visit from Pastor Mary or you have a pastoral emergency, please call Pastor on her cell phone at 920.671.4338.



ALTAR FLOWERS:

THANK YOU to all who have sponsored flowers for our altar in 2023. All 2023 dates are now sponsored. We are now taking sponsors for the **2024** year. Please call the **church office** at 217-546-7646 and sponsor your Sunday now! Cost \$35.00.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



HELP FILL THE FOOD BASKETS FOR BLACKHAWK FAMILIES

November 19

40 cans each of peaches and pears20 cans of pork and beans

November 26

40 cans each of tomato soup and chicken noodle soup20 cans of beef ravioli

December 3

40 boxes of cereal

December 10

20 jars each (non-glass) of jelly and peanut butter20 boxes/packages of spaghetti



Invites you to our 2023

ONLINE SILENT AUCTION

Sunday, Nov. 26 to Dec. 3



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unto us a child is born

G.F. Handel: Messiah, Part One → C.P.E. Bach & W.A. Mozart J.S. Bach: Magnificat

Springfield Choral Society

Jacobsen Woollen, director

Sat., Dec. 9, 7:30. Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception



Tickets are \$20

At the door or online at springfieldchoralsociety.org

25% of proceeds to benefit The Matthew Project

