



# SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday, May 14, 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.

## THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
by whose hand we are given new birth,  
by whose speaking we are given new life.

**Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are welcomed, restored, and supported as citizens of the new creation.

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Holy God,  
holy and merciful,  
holy and mighty,  
you are the river of life,  
you are the everlasting wellspring.

**In mercy and might you have freed us from death and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead.**

**In baptismal waters our old life is washed away, and in them we are born anew.**

Glory to you for oceans and lakes,  
for rivers and streams.

Honor to you for waters that wash us clean,  
quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures.

Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism,  
the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.

**Wash away our sin and all that separates us from you.  
Empower our witness to your resurrection.  
Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.**

Satisfy the world's need through this living water.  
Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment.  
Where despair prevails, grant hope.  
Where chaos reigns, bring peace.  
We ask this through Christ,  
who with you and the Spirit reigns forever.  
**Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN**

*Love Divine, All Love Excelling* (vv. 1, 2 & 4)

ELW #631



1 Love di-vine, all loves ex-cel-ling, Joy of heav'n, to  
2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov-ing Spir-it in-to ev-'ry  
3 Come, Al-might-y, to de-liv-er; let us all thy  
4 Fin-ish then thy new cre-a-tion, pure and spot-less



earth come down! Fix in us thy hum-ble dwell-ing, all thy  
trou-bled breast; let us all in thee in-her-it; let us  
life re-ceive; sud-den-ly re-turn, and nev-er, nev-er-  
let us be; let us see thy great sal-va-tion per-fect-



faith-ful mer-cies crown. Je-sus, thou art all com-pas-sion.  
find thy prom-ised rest. Take a-way the love of sin-ning;  
more thy tem-ples leave. Thee we would be al-ways bless-ing,  
ly re-stored in thee! Changed from glo-ry in-to glo-ry,



pure. un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with  
 Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as  
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee  
 till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our



thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.  
 its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.  
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love,  
 crowns he - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788  
 Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-1887

## GREETING

Alleluia. Christ is Risen  
**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

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.**

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE

*This is the Feast*

ELW P. 187



This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be

peo-ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
*Refrain*  
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. This is the feast of  
 vic-t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al -  
 le - lu - ia. 2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,  
 glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.  
*Final refrain*  
 This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the  
 Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the

Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **+ WORD +**

### **FIRST READING Acts 17:22-31**

A reading from Acts.

*In Athens, Paul faces the challenge of proclaiming the gospel to Greeks who know nothing of either Jewish or Christian tradition. He proclaims that the “unknown god” whom they worship is the true Lord of heaven and earth who will judge the world with justice through Jesus, whom God has raised from the dead.*

<sup>22</sup>Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. <sup>23</sup>For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. <sup>24</sup>The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, <sup>25</sup>nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things.

<sup>26</sup>From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, <sup>27</sup>so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. <sup>28</sup>For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said,

‘For we too are his offspring.’

<sup>29</sup>Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. <sup>30</sup>While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, <sup>31</sup>because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

Word of God. Word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM: Psalm 66:8-20

<sup>8</sup>Bless our God, you peoples;

let the sound of praise be heard.

<sup>9</sup>**Our God has kept us among the living  
and has not allowed our feet to slip.**

<sup>10</sup>For you, O God, have tested us;  
you have tried us just as silver is tried.

<sup>11</sup>**You brought us into the net;  
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.**

<sup>12</sup>You let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and water,  
but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.

<sup>13</sup>**I will enter your house with burnt offerings  
and will pay you my vows—**

<sup>14</sup>those that I promised with my lips  
and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.

<sup>15</sup>**I will offer you burnt offerings of fatlings with the smoke of rams;  
I will give you oxen and goats.**

<sup>16</sup>Come and listen, all you who believe,  
and I will tell you what God has done for me.

<sup>17</sup>**I called out to God with my mouth,  
and praised the Lord with my tongue.**

<sup>18</sup>If I had cherished evil in my heart,  
the Lord would not have heard me;

<sup>19</sup>**but in truth God has heard me  
and has attended to the sound of my prayer.**

<sup>20</sup>Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer,  
nor withheld unfailing love from me.

## SECOND READING 1 Peter 3:13-22

A reading from 1 Peter.

*The author of 1 Peter encourages Christians to remain faithful even in the face of defa-  
mation and persecution. In baptism we are made clean to act in accordance with what  
is right.*

<sup>13</sup>Who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? <sup>14</sup>But even if you do suffer for  
doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimi-

dated, <sup>15</sup> but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; <sup>16</sup> yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. <sup>17</sup> For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God’s will, than to suffer for doing evil. <sup>18</sup> For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, <sup>19</sup> in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, <sup>20</sup> who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. <sup>21</sup> And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, <sup>22</sup> who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Word of God. Word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**HALLE, HALLE, HALLELUJAH**

ELW #172 (twice)

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -

- le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -

lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

Music: Caribbean traditional



## GOSPEL: John 14:15-21

The holy gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*In final words to his disciples on the night of his arrest, Jesus encourages obedience to his commandments and speaks of the Spirit, who will be with them forever.*

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>15</sup>“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever.

<sup>17</sup>This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

<sup>18</sup>“I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. <sup>19</sup>In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. <sup>20</sup>On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. <sup>21</sup>They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

## MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*Alleluia! Sing to Jesus*

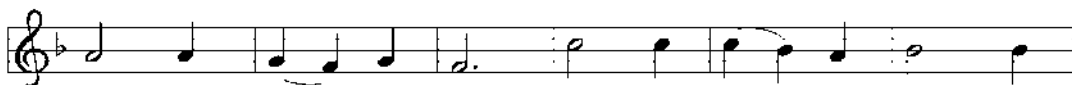
ELW #392



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus: his the scep - ter,  
2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans are we left in  
3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en. here on earth our  
4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal. Lord om - nip - o -  
5 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus: his the scep - ter,



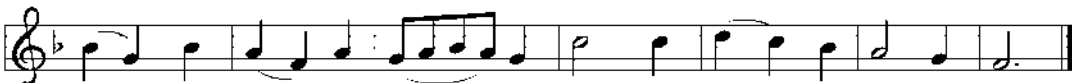
his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the  
sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be -  
food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to  
tent we own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of Mar - y, earth your  
his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the



vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful  
 lieves, nor ques - tions how. Though the cloud from sight re -  
 you from day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of  
 foot - stool, heav'n your throne. As with - in the veil you  
 vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful



Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus  
 ceived him when the for - ty days were o'er, shall our  
 sin - ners, earth's re - deem - er, hear our plea where the  
 en - tered, robed in flesh, our great high priest, here on  
 Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus



out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."  
 hearts for - get his prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more"?  
 songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
 earth both priest and vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.  
 out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."

Text: William C. Dix, 1837–1898, alt.  
 Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887

## THE APOSTLES' 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**

Prayers are offered for the church, the world, and all creation.

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 +**

### **OFFERING OF TITHES & GIFTS**

*Thank you for your continued support of the ministry of Peace Lutheran Church. We gladly accept your offerings via US Postal Service, Tithe.ly, or direct deposit from you bank.*

### **OFFERING HYMN**

*As the Grains of Wheat*

(verse 2)

ELW #465

*Refrain*



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were  
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from  
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless - ing is shared with - in our midst,  
 2 Let this be a fore - taste of all that is to come when

may we share the pres - ence of your love.  
 all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

*Refrain*

Text: Didache, 2nd cent.; Marty Haugen, b. 1950  
 Music: AS THE GRAINS, Marty Haugen  
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## OFFERING PRAYER

*Let us pray. Generous God,*  
**in this meal you offer your very self.**  
**We give thanks for these gifts of the earth.**  
**In the breaking of this bread**  
**reveal to us the Risen One.**  
**In the pouring of this wine**  
**pour us out in service to the world;**  
**through Christ our Lord.**  
**Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
 Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them up to the Lord.**  
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

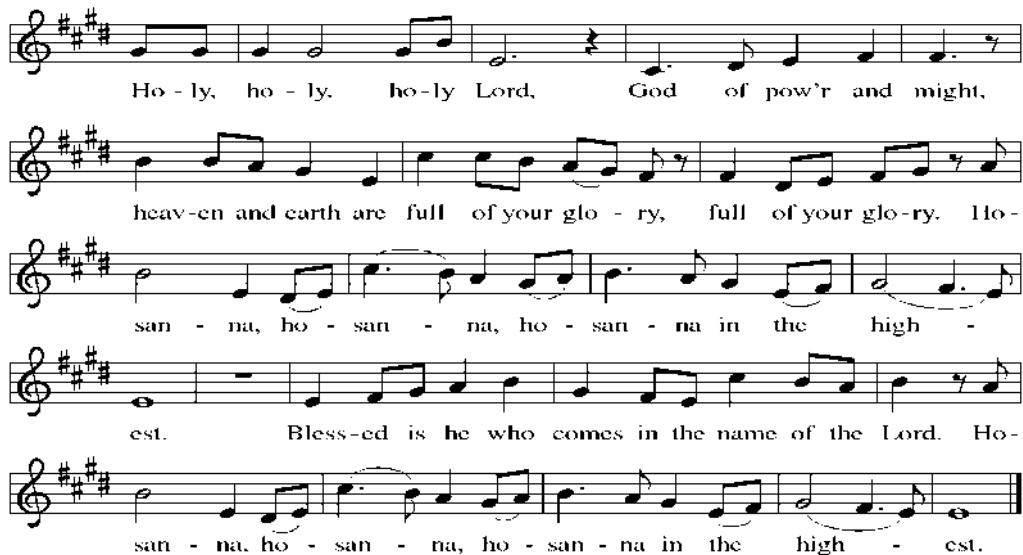
## PREFACE

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,  
 for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
 the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;

who in dying has destroyed death,  
and in rising has brought us to eternal life.  
And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,  
with earth and sea and all their creatures,  
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

ELW P. 190



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God,  
you alone are holy,  
you alone are God.

The universe declares your praise:  
beyond the stars;  
beneath the sea;  
within each cell;  
with every breath.  
**We praise you, O God.**

Generations bless your faithfulness:  
through the water;  
by night and day;  
across the wilderness;  
out of exile;  
into the future.

**We bless you, O God.**

We give you thanks for your dear Son:  
at the heart of human life;  
near to those who suffer;  
beside the sinner;  
among the poor;  
with us now.

**We thank you, O God.**

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, 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 his love for us  
on the way,  
at the table,  
and to the end,  
we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We pray for the gift of your Spirit:  
in our gathering;  
within this meal;  
among your people;  
throughout the world.

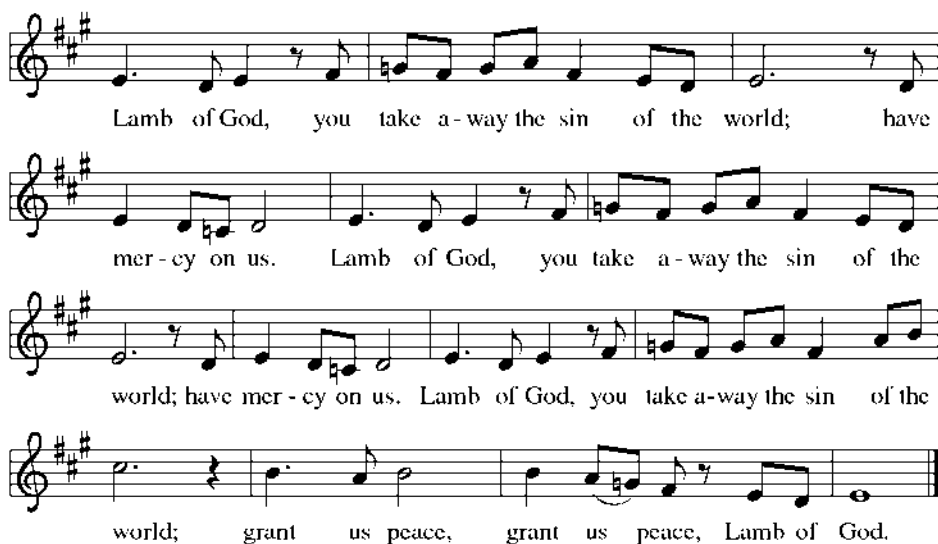
Blessing, praise, and thanks  
to you, holy God,  
through Christ Jesus,  
by your Spirit,  
in your church,  
without end.  
**Amen.**

#### **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**

Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you.  
**Thanks be to God.**



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

**COMMUNION** All baptized Christians are welcome at the Table of the Lord.

**CONTEMPORARY/  
COMMUNION HYMNS**

*This Is Amazing Grace*

*Thy Holy Wings*

ELW #613

### TABLE BLESSING

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

**Amen.**

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Gracious God,  
in you we live and move and have our being.  
With your word and this meal of grace,  
you have nourished our life together.  
Strengthen us to show your love  
and serve the world in Jesus' name.

**Amen.**



## BLESSING

The God of all,  
who raised † Jesus from the dead,  
bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit  
to live in the new creation.

**Amen.**

## SENDING HYMN

*Now Thank We All Our God*

ELW #840



1 Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voic - es.  
2 Oh, may this boun-teous God through all our life be near us,  
3 All praise and thanks to God the Fa - ther now be giv - en.



who won-drous things has done, in whom this world re - joic - es;  
with ev - er joy - ful hearts and bless - ed peace to cheer us,  
the Son, and Spir - it blest, who reign in high - est heav - en.



who, from our moth - ers' arms, has blest us on our way  
and keep us all in grace, and guide us when per - plexed,  
the one c - ter - nal God, whom earth and heav'n a - dore;



with count-less gifts of love, and still is ours to - day.  
and free us from all harm in this world and the next.  
for thus it was, is now, and shall be ev - er - more.

Text: Martin Rinkhart, 1586–1649; tc. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878  
Music: NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve in Love.

**Thanks be to God.**

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## **ABOUT THIS WEEK'S TEXT**

JESUS DOES NOT ABANDON HIS FOLLOWERS. THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT, JESUS COMES TO ABIDE WITH HIS DISCIPLES OF EVERY GENERATION. AS PENTECOST DRAWS NEAR, WE ARE REMINDED THAT THE RISEN CHRIST DWELLS IN US AS THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH. WE RECEIVE THIS SPIRIT IN BAPTISM AND PRAY THAT I OUR GATHERING AROUND THE LORD'S TABLE THE SPIRIT WILL TRANSFORM US TO BE THE BODY OF THE RISEN CHRIST IN THE WORLD.

## **THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS:**

PETE ELLERTSEN, DEBI ELLERTSEN, MICK BUCHLER, PAULA TONELLATO,  
NORM KOEFOED, MARY LOKEN, JAY EDGECOMB, PETE KOCIS,  
RITA HOSTO, ANGELA GRIFFIN

*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](mailto: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 MAY 14:**

**PRESIDING:** REV. MARY E. ZUPANSIC

**ASSISTING MINISTER:** BECKY HENDRICKS

**MUSICIAN:** BRENDA PECK

**FELLOWSHIP:** ANNIE ALLEN-JONES

**USHERS:** RON KRAUSE AND SUSAN KRAUSE

**FLOWERS:** JANET KOCIS — *IN LOVING MEMORY OF HER MOM AND GRANDMOTHERS*

**CAMERA:** JANET KOCIS

**POWERPOINT:** LINDA RICE

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ZOOM MEETINGS/EVENTS THIS WEEK

|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| <b>SUNDAY, MAY 14</b>   | IN PERSON WORSHIP/LIVESTREAM—9:30AM<br>FAITH FORMATION—10:30AM<br>DWELLING IN THE WORD—10:45AM |
| <b>MONDAY, MAY 15</b>   | STAMP CLUB—6:00PM  |
| <b>TUESDAY, MAY 16</b>  | EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING—5:00PM<br>COUNCIL MEETING—6:00PM                                     |
| <b>SATURDAY, MAY 20</b> | HIGHWAY CLEAN UP—9:00AM-11:00AM  |
| <b>SUNDAY, MAY 21</b>   | IN PERSON WORSHIP/LIVESTREAM—9:30AM<br>FAITH FORMATION—10:30AM<br>DWELLING IN THE WORD—10:45AM |

STEWARDSHIP



ST. PAUL WRITES IN 1 CORINTHIANS: *NOW THERE ARE VARIETIES OF GIFTS, BUT THE SAME SPIRIT; AND THERE ARE VARIETIES OF SERVICE, BUT THE SAME LORD; AND THERE ARE VARIETIES OF ACTIVITIES, BUT IT IS THE SAME GOD WHO EMPOWERS THEM ALL IN EVERYONE. TO EACH IS GIVE THE MANIFESTATION OF THE SPIRIT FOR THE COMMON GOOD.* (1COR 12:4-7)

LAST FALL, YOU WERE INVITED TO CONSIDER OFFERING AN “ESTIMATE OF FINANCIAL GIVING” TO SUPPORT THE MISSION AND MINISTRY OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH. AS A FOLLOW UP TO THE OFFERING OF OUR FINANCIAL GIFTS, THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE INVITES ALL DISCIPLE/MEMBERS AT PEACE LUTHERAN TO SHARE YOUR GIFTS OF TIME AND TALENTS WITH THIS CONGREGATION, SO THAT WE MIGHT BUILD UP THE KINGDOM OF GOD. **A COPY OF THE TIME & TALENT SURVEY IS LOCATED ON PAGE 20. PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO COMPLETE THE SURVEY AND RETURN IT TO THE CHURCH OFFICE.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/email address: \_\_\_\_\_



**General**

- Join the \_\_\_\_\_ Committee.  
(see Committees below)
- Provide "tech" services
- Provide childcare services during special events

**Worship & Music**

- Choir
- Provide "Special Music"
- Assisting Minister
- Acolyte
- Altar Guild
- Usher
- Play an instrument
- Assist w/ Dinner Church

**Evangelism / Faithful Innovations**

- Visit homebound & hospitalized
- Write notes to visitors
- Provide rides to church

**Community Service**

- Volunteer at Blackhawk library
- Help with holiday food baskets
- Volunteer at Grace food pantry
- Assist w/ Hwy Clean-up

**Fellowship**

- Help w/ Advent or Lenten Suppers
- Help w/ funeral dinners or provide food
- Sunday Fellowship host/hostess

**Faith Formation**

- Teach an Adult Faith Formation class
- Teach a Teen Faith Formation class
- Teach a Young Disciples class
- Teach a Little Lambs class
- Lead a Bible Study
- Lead a Book Study
- Be a Kids in Mission Helper or Teacher
- Volunteer for youth gatherings (adult)
- Lead youth fellowship (adult)

**Stewardship**

- Give Temple Talk
- Assist with annual stewardship campaign.

**Finance**

- Counter

**Property**

- Yard work – raking, planting, cleanup
- Mowing
- Rose Garden Maintenance
- Workdays
- Maintenance
- Painting
- Special Skills: Carpentry \_\_\_\_  
Plumbing \_\_\_\_ Painting \_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_
- Availability: Day \_\_\_\_ Evening \_\_\_\_  
Weekend \_\_\_\_

**Other:**

- Pray for Peace Lutheran
- Worship in-person regularly
- Do you have a talent or interest to share?

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**Current Ministry Committees:**

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|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Worship & Music                  | Faith Formation |
| Stewardship                      | Technology      |
| Community Service                | Property        |
| Fellowship                       | Finance         |
| Evangelism / Faithful Innovation |                 |

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**NEW  
MEMBER  
CLASS**

Sunday  
June 11<sup>th</sup>  
10:45 a.m.



SEE PASTOR MARY IF INTERESTED

Pastoral  
CARE

## PASTORAL CARE

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. YOU MAY ALSO LEAVE A MESSAGE ON THE OFFICE PHONE AT 217.546.7646.



If you would like to provide cookies for fellowship after worship, there are two ways you can help:

Contact Linda Rice at 217-494-2658 or [lrice10650@gmail.com](mailto:lrice10650@gmail.com) and sign up to bring cookies on a certain date (baked or bought)

OR

Make a donation and cookies will be bought in your name.

THANK YOU!

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## HELP STOCK OUR MICROPANTRY

Non-perishables  
may be put  
directly in the  
pantry or dropped  
off in the church  
office.



- OATMEAL, CEREAL AND PANCAKE MIX
- PASTA SAUCE IN PLASTIC CONTAINERS
- PASTA
- PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY IN PLASTIC CONTAINERS
- INSTANT POTATOES
- CRACKERS
- TUNA IN A POUCH INSTEAD OF A CAN
- NOODLE SIDES
- STUFFING MIX
- CEREAL BARS, GRANOLA BARS, TRAIL MIX AND NUTS
- COFFEE

**THANK YOU FOR BEING A NEIGHBOR HELPING NEIGHBORS!**



## ALTAR FLOWERS

WE ARE TAKING ORDERS FOR 2023 ALTAR FLOWERS. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPONSOR FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF OR IN HONOR OF A PERSON OR EVENT IN THE COMING YEAR PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE. YOU CAN ALSO SIGN UP FOR FLOWERS ON OUR WEBSITE IN THE MEMBERS' SECTION. FLOWERS ARE \$35.00. **MANY DATES STILL AVAILABLE!**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## FAITH FORMATION COMMITTEE

AS A FOLLOW UP TO OUR PRESENTATION AND SERVICE PROJECT CONNECTED TO LITTLE FREE LIBRARIES, WE INVITE DISCIPLE/MEMBERS OF PEACE LUTHERAN TO “HELP KEEP SPRINGFIELD’S LITTLE FREE LIBRARIES STOCKED! PLACE YOUR GENTLY USED BOOKS IN THE BASKET IN THE NARTHEX FOR DELIVERY TO LITTLE FREE LIBRARIES AROUND TOWN. SEE **AMANDA KIM** IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP WITH DELIVERIES!”



## AN EVENING OF MUSIC

JOIN THE SPRINGFIELD CHORAL SOCIETY CONCERT, FRIDAY, MAY 19TH AT 7:30 P.M. FOR AN EVENING FULL OF DIFFERENT PSALM SETTINGS. A NUMBER OF PEACE DISCIPLE/MEMBERS WILL BE SINGING WITH THE CHORAL SOCIETY.

A promotional poster for a choral concert. The background is a scenic view of a sunset over a body of water, with a rocky shore in the foreground. The text is centered and reads:

**I WILL ROUSE THE DAWN**  
Psalms Across Time and Space  
Springfield Choral Society  
Jacobsen Woollen, conductor  
Friday, May 19th, 7:30pm  
Central Baptist Church

Bernstein + Campion + Dexter + Hagenberg + Ives + McFerrin + Mendelssohn + Mozart + Rogers + Schwartz + Sweelink + Vedel

Tickets available at the door \$15.00 general admission Additional complimentary parking in the INB parking lot



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PEACE WILL BE DOING A HIGHWAY CLEAN UP DAY ON SATURDAY, **MAY 20TH FROM 9AM-11AM**. GRABBERS AND TRASH BAGS WILL BE PROVIDED. BRING GLOVES IF YOU WOULD LIKE. IT IS A GREAT WAY TO ENJOY THE FRESH AIR AND KEEP OUR LOCAL ENVIRONMENT CLEAN. **SEE ELIZABETH MITCHELL FOR MORE INFORMATION.**