

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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The Mission of Peace Lutheran Church is to honor our Lord Jesus Christ through worship and ministering to all God's people equipping them for service to God and to each other.

DIVINE SERVICE – SETTING ONE

PRELUDE

Organist

CALL TO WORSHIP

Peace Handbell Choir

“A Joyful Ring” – Barbara Kinyon

OPENING HYMN

“Now That the Daylight Fills the Sky” LSB 870 (Tune: LSB 865)

- 1 Now that the daylight fills the sky,
We lift our hearts to God on high,
That He, in all we do or say,
Would keep us free from harm today;
- 2 Would guard our hearts and tongues from strife;
From anger's din would shield our life;
From evil sights would turn our eyes,
And close our ears to vanities.
- 3 So we, when this new day is gone
And night in turn is drawing on,
With conscience by the world unstained
Shall praise His name for vict'ry gained.
- △ 4 “All praise to You, creator Lord!
All praise to You, eternal Word!

Christ
CAME,
WHO IS
OVER ALL,



*blessed
forever.*

ROMANS 9:5, KJV

All praise to You, O Spirit wise!
We sing as daylight fills the skies.

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Confession and Absolution

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.** *Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]*

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.** *1 John 1:8-9*

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.** *[John 20:19-23]*

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Service of the Word

INTROIT *Psalm 105:39–43; antiphon: v. 1*

P Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples!

C **He spread a cloud for a covering, and fire to give light by night.**

P They asked, and he brought quail, and gave them bread from heaven in abundance.

C **He opened the rock, and water gushed out; it flowed through the desert like a river.**

P For he remembered his holy promise, and Abraham, his servant.

C **So he brought his people out with joy, his chosen ones with singing. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples!

KYRIE *Mark 10:47*

A In peace let us pray to the Lord.

LSB 152



Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



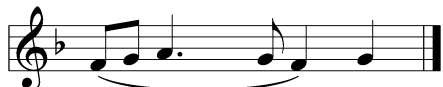
Lord, have mer - cy.

A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



A - men.

THIS IS THE FEAST Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9 *LSB 155*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*

gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

LSB 156

P The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22



And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 55:1-5

¹“Come, everyone who thirsts,
 come to the waters;
 and he who has no money,
 come, buy and eat!
 Come, buy wine and milk
 without money and without price.

²Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
 and your labor for that which does not satisfy?
 Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good,
 and delight yourselves in rich food.

³Incline your ear, and come to me;
 hear, that your soul may live;
 and I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
 my steadfast, sure love for David.

⁴Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples,
 a leader and commander for the peoples.

⁵Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know,
 and a nation that did not know you shall run to you,
 because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel,
 for he has glorified you.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

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P Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
 for his steadfast love endures forever.

**C Give thanks to the God of gods,
 for his steadfast love endures forever.**

P Give thanks to the Lord of lords,
 for his steadfast love endures forever;

**C to him who alone does great wonders,
 for his steadfast love endures forever;**

P to him who by understanding made the heavens,
 for his steadfast love endures forever;

**C to him who spread out the earth above the waters,
 for his steadfast love endures forever;**

P to him who made the great lights,
 for his steadfast love endures forever;

**C the sun to rule over the day,
 for his steadfast love endures forever;**

P the moon and stars to rule over the night,
 for his steadfast love endures forever;

**C to him who struck down the firstborn of Egypt,
 for his steadfast love endures forever;**

P and brought Israel out from among them,
 for his steadfast love endures forever;

**C with a strong hand and an outstretched arm,
 for his steadfast love endures forever;**

P to him who divided the Red Sea in two,

for his steadfast love endures forever;
**C and made Israel pass through the midst of it,
 for his steadfast love endures forever;**

P but overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red Sea,
 for his steadfast love endures forever;
**C to him who led his people through the wilderness,
 for his steadfast love endures forever;**

P to him who struck down great kings,
 for his steadfast love endures forever;
**C and killed mighty kings,
 for his steadfast love endures forever;**

P Sihon, king of the Amorites,
 for his steadfast love endures forever;
**C and Og, king of Bashan,
 for his steadfast love endures forever;**

P and gave their land as a heritage,
 for his steadfast love endures forever;
**C a heritage to Israel his servant,
 for his steadfast love endures forever.**

P It is he who remembered us in our low estate,
 for his steadfast love endures forever;
**C and rescued us from our foes,
 for his steadfast love endures forever;**

P he who gives food to all flesh,
 for his steadfast love endures forever.
**C Give thanks to the God of heaven,
 for his steadfast love endures forever.**

EPISTLE

Romans 9:1–13

¹I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit—²that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh. ⁴They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. ⁵To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen.

⁶But it is not as though the word of God has failed. For not all who are descended from Israel belong to Israel,⁷ and not all are children of Abraham because they are his offspring, but “Through Isaac shall your offspring be named.”⁸ This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as offspring. ⁹For this is what the promise said: “About this time next year I will return and Sarah shall have a son.”¹⁰ And not only so, but also when Rebecca had conceived children by one man, our forefather Isaac,¹¹ though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or bad—in order that God’s purpose of election might continue, not because of works but because of his call—¹²she was told, “The older will serve the younger.”¹³ As it is written, “Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA *John 6:68*

LSB 156

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL*Matthew 14:13–21*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the
fourteenth chapter.

Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

¹³Now when Jesus heard [about the death of John], he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. ¹⁵Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” ¹⁶But Jesus said, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” ¹⁷They said to him, “We have only five loaves here and two fish.” ¹⁸And he said, “Bring them here to me.” ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY*“The Gifts Christ Freely Gives”* LSB 602

- 1 The gifts Christ freely gives
He gives to you and me
To be His Church, His bride,
His chosen, saved and free!
Saints blest with these rich gifts
Are children who proclaim
That they were won by Christ
And cling to His strong name.
- 2 The gifts flow from the font
Where He calls us His own;
New life He gives that makes
Us His and His alone.
Here He forgives our sins
With water and His Word;
The triune God Himself
Gives pow’r to call Him Lord.
- 3 The gifts of grace and peace
From absolution flow;
The pastor’s words are Christ’s
For us to trust and know.
Forgiveness that we need
Is granted to us there;

The Lord of mercy sends
Us forth in His blest care.

4 The gifts are there each day
The holy Word is read;
God's children listen, hear,
Receive, and they are fed.
Christ fills them with Himself,
Blest words that give them life,
Restoring and refreshing
Them for this world's strife.

5 The gifts are in the feast,
Gifts far more than we see;
Beneath the bread and wine
Is food from Calvary.
The body and the blood
Remove our ev'ry sin;
We leave His presence in
His peace, renewed again.

6 All glory to the One
Who lavishes such love;
The triune God in love
Assures our life above.
His means of grace for us
Are gifts He loves to give;
All thanks and praise for His
Great love by which we live!

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SERMON

**"Gifts from God"
Romans 9:1-13**

Stand

OFFERTORY *Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19* *LSB 159*



What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

NICENE CREED *LSB 191*

**C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,**

begotten, not made,
 being of one substance with the Father,
 by whom all things were made;
 who for us men and for our salvation came down
 from heaven
 and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin
 Mary
 and was made man;
 and was crucified also for us under Pontius
 Pilate.
 He suffered and was buried.
 And the third day He rose again according to the
 Scriptures
 and ascended into heaven
 and sits at the right hand of the Father.
 And He will come again with glory to judge both
 the living and the dead,
 whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the Lord and giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
 who with the Father and the Son together is
 worshiped and glorified,
 who spoke by the prophets.
 And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic
 Church,
 I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of
 sins,
 and I look for the resurrection of the dead
 and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the
 name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of
 reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace
 (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

Service of the Sacrament

PREFACE

LSB 160

P The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22



☐ And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

[Colossians 3:1]



☐ We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

[Psalm 136]



☐ It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all
 times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord,
 almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ,
 our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels and
 with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify
 Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS *Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*

LSB 161



☐ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are 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 in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

LSB 162

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✝ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✝ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

*Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24
 Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

LSB 162

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. *1 Corinthians 11:26*

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. *Revelation 22:20*

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

**C 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.

Matthew 6:9-13

PAX DOMINI John 20:19

LSB 163

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



A - men.

AGNUS DEI John 1:29

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.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMNS

“Lord Jesus, Think On Me” LSB 610

- 1 Lord Jesus, think on me
 And purge away my sin;
 From worldly passions set me free
 And make me pure within.
- 2 Lord Jesus, think on me,
 By anxious thoughts oppressed;
 Let me Your loving servant be
 And taste Your promised rest.
- 3 Lord Jesus, think on me
 Amid the battle’s strife;
 In all my pain and misery,
 O be my health and life!
- 4 Lord Jesus, think on me
 Nor let me go astray;
 Through darkness and perplexity
 Point out Your chosen way.
- 5 Lord Jesus, think on me
 That, when this life is past,
 I may the_ eternal brightness see
 And share Your joy at last.

Text: Synesius of Cyrene, c. 365–c. 414; tr. Allen W. Chatfield, 1808–96, alt. Text: Public domain

“Your Table I Approach” LSB 628

- 1 Your table I approach;
 Dear Savior, hear my prayer.
 Let not an unrepentant heart
 Prove hurtful to me there.

2 Lord, I confess my sins
And mourn their wretched bands;
A contrite heart is sure to find
Forgiveness at Your hands.

3 Your body and Your blood,
Once slain and shed for me,
Are taken at Your table, Lord,
In blest reality.

4 Search not how this takes place,
This wondrous mystery;
God can accomplish vastly more
Than what we think could be.

5 O grant, most blessed Lord,
That earth and hell combined
May not about this sacrament
Raise doubt within my mind.

6 Oh, may I never fail
To thank You day and night
For Your true body and true blood,
O God, my peace and light.

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“Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior” LSB 619

1 Thy body, giv’n for me, O Savior,
Thy blood which Thou for me didst shed,
These are my life and strength forever,
By them my hungry soul is fed. *Refrain*

Refrain

*Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood
Be for my soul the highest good!*

2 With Thee, Lord, I am now united;
I live in Thee and Thou in me.
No sorrow fills my soul, delighted
It finds its only joy in Thee. *Refrain*

3 Who can condemn me now? For surely
The Lord is nigh, who justifies.
No hell I fear, and thus securely
With Jesus I to heaven rise. *Refrain*

4 Though death may threaten with disaster,
It cannot rob me of my cheer;
For He who is of death the master
With aid and comfort e’er is near. *Refrain*

5 My heart has now become Thy dwelling,
O blessed, holy Trinity.
With angels I, Thy praises telling,
Shall live in joy eternally. *Refrain*

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Stand

THANK THE LORD

LSB 164



☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

LSB 166

A Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24-26*

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN

"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" LSB 699 (Tune: LSB 362)

1 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Come unto Me and rest;

Lay down, thou weary one, lay down
Thy head upon My breast."
I came to Jesus as I was,
So weary, worn, and sad;
I found in Him a resting place,
And He has made me glad.

2 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Behold, I freely give
The living water; thirsty one,
Stoop down and drink and live."
I came to Jesus, and I drank
Of that life-giving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
And now I live in Him.

3 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"I am this dark world's light.
Look unto Me; thy morn shall rise
And all thy day be bright."
I looked to Jesus, and I found
In Him my star, my sun;
And in that light of life I'll walk
Till trav'ling days are done.

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POSTLUDE

Organist

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