Peace Lutheran Church "Peace Through Christ"

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SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

February 12, 2023

As We Gather The season of Epiphany continues, and the light of Christ shines ever more brightly—both revealing the depth of our sin and the wonders of God's goodness and mercy to us in Jesus. Today's portion of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount shines a penetrating, revealing light on the darkness of our sin. Anger against your neighbor incurs the same judgment as murder. The lustful look is as much of a curse as the act of adultery. Marriage is to be honored and cherished in every way. As we hear these words, our sin is exposed, and we turn again, with heavy and repentant hearts, to the only One who can restore us to life—our Savior, Jesus Christ. Forgiven by the cross of Christ, God frees us to live fully—to love the Lord, to obey His voice, to hold fast to Him now and forever.

Hearing aids and large print bulletins are available. If you would like a hearing aid or large print bulletin please see an usher.

A special welcome to those with young children. If needed, a cry room is located near the church entryway complete with a window and sound so you may fully participate in worship. If you need guidance please see an usher.

RINGING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE

WELCOME

A NOTE FROM PEACE LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL: Preschool Registration opens to church members on Wednesday, February 8th. Church members & current students get first priority. Please contact Rachael Ylizaliturri with any questions: (805)987-1613



February 22nd...7pm Service
Lent begins



Remember in your Prayers:

HEALTH AND HEALING: Ashley (Sandi Stepp's niece), Brandee Brand, Brian Derozer, Bruce Fraser, Beverly Gandy, Helen (friend of Carol Yung), Damon Hermann (friend of Greg Olewiler), John Hollenbeck (friend of Eunice Harter), Vicki Hutter, Karen Johnson, Susan Klein, Mrs. Mai, (friend of Greg Olewiler), Carol Marker, Ryan Scott Morrison, Ann Marie Ramirez (friend of Carol Yung), Mike Reuter, Tim Schmidt, Don Schultz, David Stafford, Leslie Stenke, Ashley Stephen, Lara Tate, Bev Toro, Dusty Urban, Sandy Williamson, Lisa (Cassidy) Wright, Carol Yung and Ele Zorkocy.

Pray for all military men, women and their families: Jared Bautista, Jacob Chiles, Andrew Geib, Daniel Gross, Michael Hanson, Brian Miller, Kevin Schleicher, Stephen Volpei, Lucas Wentland, Henry Andermann and Avery Chapman.

Prayers of comfort and peace for Donna Schedler and family as they mourn the passing of her husband Paul, our brother in Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF February 12, 2023

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS- begins at 10:20am and concludes at 10:55am in the *Sanctuary*. (This will allow an opportunity for **all** members to attend a Bible class regardless of which service they choose for worship.) Come join us!

<u>TUESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY</u> meets @ 10am. Come join us! For more info, contact Connie at 805-987-5116.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY- This study is held on Thursdays 7:30-8:30am with a continental breakfast, in the Fellowship Hall. Join us. For more info, call Kevin Krumdieck @ 805-551-8507.

THE LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY LifeLight Zoom study at 10 AM

on *Worship*. This study will include: The Highest Worship: Faith; Entering into God's Presence; Songs of Praise; God Speaks to Us; We Confess Our Faith; Prayers and Offerings; Preparation for the Sacrament; Christ's Holy Meal; Blessing and Sending. If you would like to join this study, please contact Diana or Blaine Wanke 805-490-8212.

<u>THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY</u> meets @ 9:30AM in rotating homes, with a study of the "Gospel of John." If you have any questions please call Dave Schmidt at: 805-482-3867.

PRAYER CHAIN- If you have a prayer request please call *Sandi Stepp* at: 805-625-0479 or e-mail: footstepps@verizon.net.

THE 2023 FLOWER CHART is now posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex outside the Cry Room. Please sign up for the Sunday(s) of your choice. Two signups are available for each Sunday. The arrangements are \$40.00 each, and the check or cash can be placed in the offering plate. If you write a check, please note on the check or on the envelope that it is designated for "Flowers". Following the service, you may take your arrangement home. If you do not wish to take the flowers home, they will be donated to one of our shut-ins.

THE FOOD BANK- Donations for the food pantry at St. Columba's Episcopal Church can be put in the donation box in the narthex.

2023 OFFERING ENVELOPES & '22 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS are in your mailboxes in the narthex. Be sure to pick yours up today if you haven't already.

ALTAR CARE VOLUNTEERS: The Altar Committee is looking for volunteers for 2023. The signup sheet is now posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex outside the Cry Room.

+ PREPARATION +

OPENING HYMN

"Come, Thou Almighty King"



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SERVICE OF HOLY BAPTISM

Emma Clark Kelly

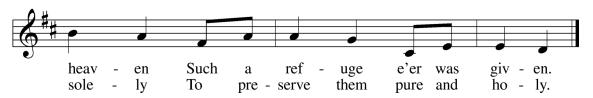


BAPTISMAL HYMN

"Children of the Heavenly Father"







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INVOCATION and OPENING SENTENCES

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the

Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: People of God, praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, all

nations!

People: Extol Him, all peoples!

Pastor: For great is His steadfast love toward us,

People: and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.

Psalm 117:1-2a

Pastor: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name;

People: bring an offering, and come into His courts! Psalm 96:8

THOSE WHO SERVE US **TODAY** FEBRUARY 12, 2023

9:00 am

11:00

Elder:

Scott Klittich

Tom Waddell

Greeters:

Karen & Gary Taylor

Readers:

Bill Young

Tom Waddell

Acolyte:

Shane Muller

Ushers:

Scott Klittich

Steve Rusch

Altar Care: Bill and Linda Young

Rachael Ylizaliturri/Jane Morici

Organist: Karen Foote

Choir Director: Linda La Jeunesse

THOSE WHO SERVE US **NEXT WEEK** FEBRUARY 19, 2023

9:00 am

11:00

Elder:

Scott Klittich

Tom Waddell

Brian Nomi

Greeters:

Jim & Kerry DeVries

Readers:

Linda Young

Acolyte: Michelle Ullerick

Ushers:

Blaine Wanke

Henry Andermann

Todd Harter

Altar Care: Bill and Linda Young

Rachael Ylizaliturri/Jane Morici

Organist: Karen Foote

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<u>Altar Flowers:</u> Given to the glory of God by the members of Peace.

Attendance on 2/5/23: 9:00 am- 61 11:00 am- 45 Total- 106 Sunday School - 9



THIS WEEK AT PEACE February 12, 2023

Today: 9:00 am Traditional Service

9:20 am Sunday School

10:20 am Adult Bible Study (Sanctuary)11:00 am Praise Communion Service (FH)1:30 pm New Life Christian Fellowship

4:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH)

Monday: Office Closed

Tuesday: 10:00 am Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday: 10:00 am Luther's Attic Volunteers

6:30 pm A.C.A. Women's Support Group

Thursday: 9:30 am Thursday Morning Bible Study

10:00 am Lifelight Bible Study

5:45 pm Handbell Choir rehearsal

7:00 pm Adult Choir rehearsal

Friday: 6:00 pm Confirmation

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Lord of mercy and might, with heavy hearts we confess

our sin to You.

(A time of silence is observed for reflection and self-examination.)

Pastor: Our failure to obey Your commandments,

People: we confess to You, Lord.

Pastor: Our giving attention to so many other gods,

People: we confess to You, Lord.

Pastor: Our giving in to the temptation to hate our neighbor,

People: we confess to You, Lord.

Pastor: Our impure thoughts and actions,

People: we confess to You, Lord.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for

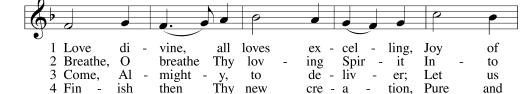
you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. Be renewed, refreshed and restored! It is God's gift to you in Christ Jesus. In the name of the Father and of the +

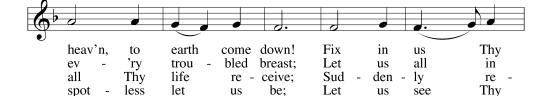
Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.



HYMN OF PRAISE "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"





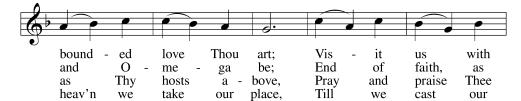


Thee in - her - it; Let us find Thy prom - ised rest.

turn, and nev - er, Nev - er - more Thy tem - ples leave.

great sal - va - tion Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee,







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 be - fore Thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise!

CLOSING HYMN

"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"



- 1 Joy ful, joy ful we a dore Thee, God of glo ry, Lord of love!
- 2 All Thy works with joy sur-round Thee, Earth and heav'n re-flect Thy rays,
- 3 Thou art giv ing and for giv ing, Ev er bless-ing, ev er blest,



Hearts un-fold like flow'rs be-fore Thee, Prais-ing Thee, their sun a - bove. Stars and an-gels sing a-round Thee, Cen - ter of un-bro-ken praise. Well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, O - cean-depth of hap-py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness, Drive the gloom of doubt a-way. Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, Flow-'ry mead-ow, flash-ing sea, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho-ly Spir - it, Foun-tain-head of love di-vine:



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad-ness, Fill us with the light of day. Chant-ing bird, and flow - ing foun-tain Call us to re - joice in Thee. Joy - ful, we Thy heav'n in - her - it! Joy - ful, we by grace are Thine!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

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OFFERTORY



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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

BENEDICTION

Pastor: Love the Lord. Walk in His ways. Keep His commandments. For He is your life and length of days.

Deuteronomy 30:16, 20

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. Numbers 6:24-26

People: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people

that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy

Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen

+THE WORD OF GOD+

OLD TESTAMENT READING Deuteronomy 30:15-20

(Choose life)

(After the reading)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Divisions in the Church)

(After the reading)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HANDBELL CHOIR "More Love to Thee"

(Our hope for salvation through Christ)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 5th

chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

(After the reading)

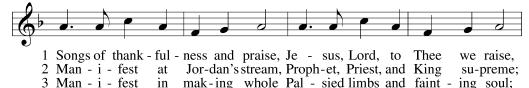
Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

People: Praise to You O Christ

(Children are dismissed for Sunday School)

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"



4 Sun and moon shall dark-ened be, Stars shall fall, the heav'ns shall flee; 5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Pres - ent in Thy ho - ly Word—



Man - i - fest - ed by the star To the sa - ges from a - far, And at Ca - na wed - ding guest In Thy God-head man - i - fest; Man - i - fest in val - iant fight, Quell-ing all the dev - il's might; Christ will then like light - ning shine, All will see His glo-rious sign; Grace to im - i - tate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou;



Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem In Thy birth at Beth - le - hem: Man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, Chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine; Man - i - fest in gra - cious will, Ev - er bring - ing good from ill; All will then the trum - pet hear, All will see the Judge ap - pear; That we might be - come like Thee At Thy great e - piph - a - ny



An - thems be to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.

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An - thems be to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.

Thou by all wilt be con-fessed, God in man made man - i - fest.

And may praise Thee, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest.

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MESSAGE

"Raising the Bar Really Lowers the Boom: Continuing Through the Sermon on the Mount"

Matthew 5:21-37
Pastor Mike Schultze

CONFESSION OF FAITH (Apostles' Creed)

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

(Please sign and fill out the fellowship book and pass it down your pew. When finished, pass it back down your pew to the center aisle seat and the ushers will pick it up after the service.)

VOLUNTARY