

## *Peace Lutheran Church*

**“Peace Through Christ”**

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**Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany**

February 4, 2024

**As We Gather** Today’s Readings are a gracious reminder to us that, in His love for His people, God is willing to rescue and protect us; and as the almighty Lord over all, He is certainly able! The people in Isaiah’s day were wondering about God’s protection as they feared neighboring states, but the prophet reminds them that God is in control of all things, ready and able to help them. When Jesus healed Peter’s mother-in-law and many others who were suffering from both sickness and demons, He demonstrated His power to save from opponents on every level. And when Paul became “all things to all people,” he was bringing them Gospel, God’s ultimate rescue from sin, death, and the devil. And now, the blessings of the Gospel come to us today through Word and Sacrament from our strong and loving God.

**Attention Visitors** We celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion this morning. This holy meal is intended for Christians who acknowledge their need of God’s forgiveness in their lives. The Bible teaches that Christ’s body and blood are received with the elements of bread and wine and that Christians need to examine themselves before receiving this holy meal. (1Cor. 10 & 11). This meal further expresses a unity of faith as we gather at one table to receive the assurance of God’s forgiveness through the body and blood of our Lord in the sacrament. We welcome baptized Christians to commune with us, those who believe and confess this same faith and understanding of the sacrament and of the Christian life. Persons who desire to receive grape juice select from the darker glasses. If you have any further questions concerning the sacrament, please ask to speak to the Pastor.

**Welcome Children-** A cry room is located near the church entryway. Please see an usher for guidance.

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

**RINGING OF THE BELL  
PRELUDE  
WELCOME**

**+ PREPARATION +**

**OPENING HYMN**

**“Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun”**



1 A - wake, my soul, and with the sun Thy dai - ly  
2 In con - ver - sa - tion be sin - cere, Thy con - science  
3 All praise to Thee, who safe hast kept And hast re -  
4 Lord, I my vows to Thee re - new; Dis - perse my



stage of du - ty run; Shake off dull sloth and  
as the noon - day clear; Think how the all - see - ing  
fleshed me while I slept; Grant, Lord, when I from  
sins as morn - ing dew; Guard my first springs of



joy - ful rise To pay thy morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
God thy ways And all thy se - cret thoughts sur - veys.  
death shall wake, I may of end - less light par - take.  
thought and will And with Thy - self my spir - it fill.

6 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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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: Have you not known? Have you not heard?

**People: The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. Isaiah 40:28**

Pastor: The LORD heals the brokenhearted

**People: and binds up their wounds.**

Pastor: Great is our LORD, and abundant in power;

**People: His understanding is beyond measure. Psalm 147:3, 5**

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,

**People: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

Pastor: "The Lord gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength." (*Isaiah 40:29, adapt*)  
Through God's undeserved love and mercy, His grace, and by your faith in the atoning life, death, and resurrection of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, all your sins have been forgiven. In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE**

**“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”**



1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly



a - tion! O my soul, praise Him, for He is your  
reign - ing And, as on wings of an ea - gle, up -



health and sal - va - tion! Let all who hear Now to His  
lift - ing, sus - tain - ing. Have you not seen All that is



tem - ple draw near, Join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!  
need - ful has been Sent by His gra - cious or - dain - ing?

5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that has life and breath,  
come now with praises before Him!  
Let the Amen  
Sound from His people again;  
Gladly forever adore Him!

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**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: Let us pray.

O Lord, strengthen our faith that we rely on You for all things, and that we be confident of Your almighty power and eternal love in all circumstances; 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** . . . . . *Isaiah 40:21-31*  
*(The Lord reminds His people that He is willing and able to defend them.)*

*(After the reading is read.)*

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE READING** . . . . . *1 Corinthians 9:16-27*  
*(Paul changes his approach to win different people.)*

*(After the reading is read.)*

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**CHOIR**

**“Blest Are They”**

*Solo Male Voice: Bob Hutchison*



**HOLY GOSPEL** . . . . . *Mark 1:29-39*  
*(Jesus heals Simon’s mother-in-law and many others.)*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter.

**People: Glory to You, O Lord!**

*(The Gospel is read.)*

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

**People: Praise to You O Christ.**

*(Children are dismissed for Sunday School)*

**HYMN OF THE DAY "On Eagles' Wings"**



1 You who dwell in the shel-ter of the Lord, Who a -  
 2 snare of the fowl - er will nev - er cap - ture you, And  
 3 You need not fear the ter - ror of the night, Nor the  
 4 For to His an - gels He's giv - en a com - mand To



bide in His shad - ow for life,  
 fam - ine will bring you no fear;  
 ar - row that flies by day; Though  
 guard you in all of your ways; Up -



Say to the Lord: "My ref - uge, My  
 Un - der His wings your ref - uge, His  
 thou - sands fall a - bout you,  
 on their hands they will bear you up, Lest you



rock in whom I trust!"  
 faith - ful - ness your shield.  
 Near you it shall not come.  
 dash your foot a - gainst a stone.

*Refrain*



And He will raise you up on ea - gles' wings,



Bear you on the breath of dawn, Make you to shine like the



sun, And hold you in the palm of His hand. 2 The

**MESSAGE**

**"He Takes Us By The Hand  
 And Sets Us Free To Serve"**

*Mark 1:29-39*

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**CONFESSION OF FAITH (Nicene Creed)**

**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 worshipped 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**

**OFFERING**

*(Please sign and fill out the fellowship book and pass it down your pew.  
 The ushers will pick it up after the service.)*

## VOLUNTARY

## OFFERTORY

### “Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful”

Let the vine - yards be fruit-ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our  
cup of bless-ing. Gath - er a har-vest from the seeds that were  
sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the  
hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we  
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and  
give us A fore-taste of the feast to come.

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Tune: Richard W. Hillert, 1923-2010  
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## RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

We are blessed to welcome the following people to our Peace family:

Albert & Chelsea Duenez  
Don & Sandy Haven  
Gwendolyn Medvigy  
Marta Shamblin  
Marlene Sturgell  
Marilyn Valenzuela  
Hal Williams  
Heather Williams

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

### + SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION +

#### PREFACE

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Pastor:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** We lift them to the Lord.

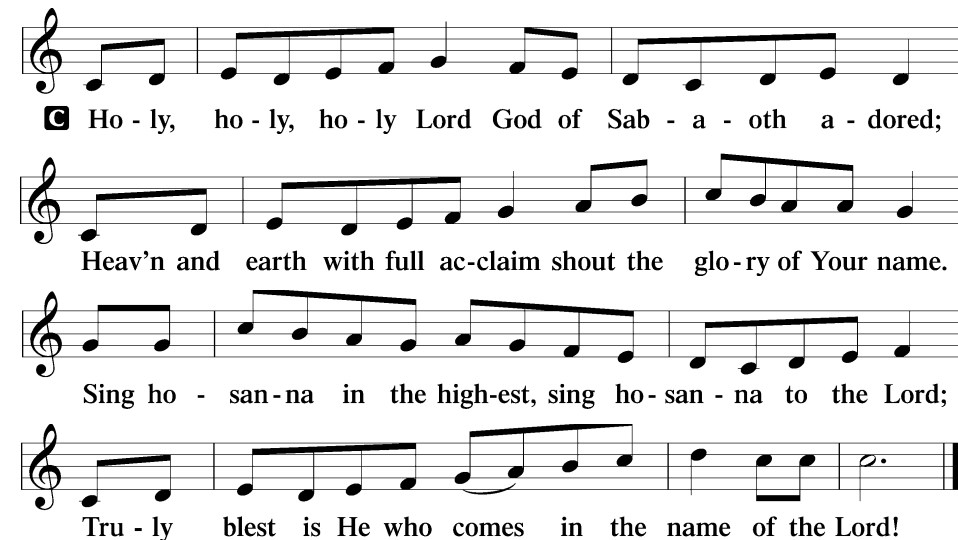
**Pastor:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

## PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: 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; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have brought to earth the brightness of Your heavenly kingdom. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

## SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;  
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.  
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;  
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**All:** 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.

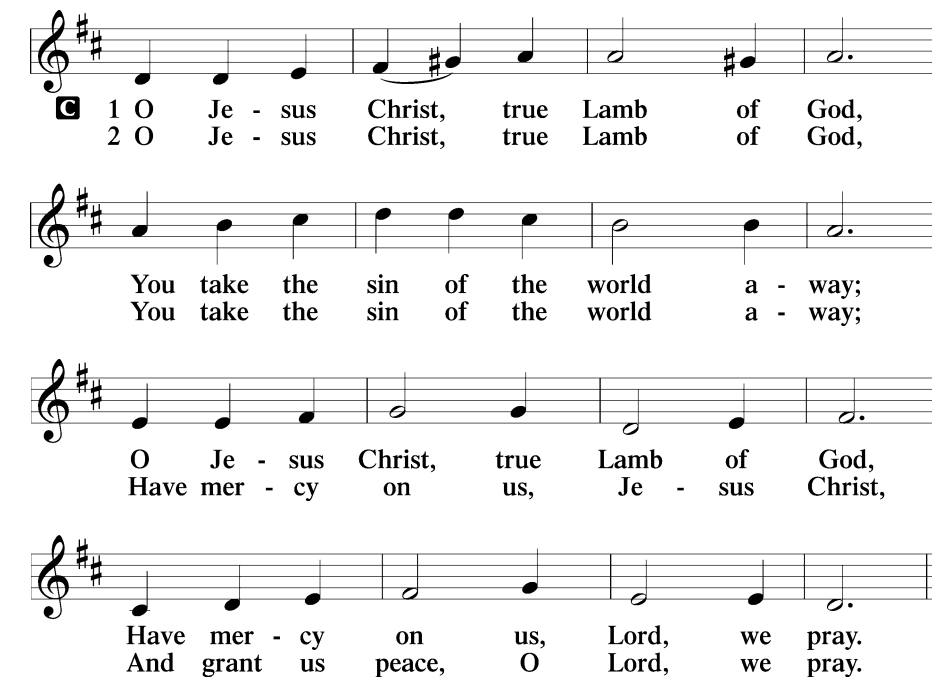
## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Pastor: 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."

## PEACE OF THE LORD

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
People: **And also with you.**

## AGNUS DEI



1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;  
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,  
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

(Please be seated)

## HYMNS DURING DISTRIBUTION

### “Come unto Me, Ye Weary”



- 1 “Come un - to Me, ye wea - ry, And I will give you rest.”
- 2 “Come un - to Me, ye wan - d’rers, And I will give you light.”
- 3 “Come un - to Me, ye faint - ing, And I will give you life.”
- 4 “And who - so - ev - er com - eth, I will not cast him out.”



O bless - ed voice of Je - sus, Which comes to hearts op-pressed!  
O lov - ing voice of Je - sus, Which comes to cheer the night!  
O cheer - ing voice of Je - sus, Which comes to aid our strife!  
O pa - tient love of Je - sus, Which drives a - way our doubt,



It tells of ben - e - dic - tion, Of par-don, grace, and peace,  
Our hearts were filled with sad - ness, And we had lost our way;  
The foe is stern and ea - ger, The fight is fierce and long;  
Which, though we be un - wor - thy Of love so great and free,



Of joy that hath no end - ing, Of love that can - not cease.  
But Thou hast brought us glad - ness And songs at break of day.  
But Thou hast made us might - y And strong - er than the strong.  
In - vites us ver - y sin - ners To come, dear Lord, to Thee!

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### “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”



- 1 My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
- 2 May Thy rich grace im - part Strength to my faint - ing heart;
- 3 While life’s dark maze I tread And griefs a - round me spread,
- 4 When ends life’s tran - sient dream, When death’s cold, sul - len stream



Sav - ior di - vine. Now hear me while I pray; Take all my  
My zeal in - spire! As Thou hast died for me, Oh, may my  
Be Thou my guide; Bid dark - ness turn to day, Wipe sor - row’s  
Shall o’er me roll, Blest Sav - ior, then, in love, Fear and dis -



guilt a - way; O let me from this day Be whol - ly Thine!  
love to Thee Pure, warm, and change - less be, A liv - ing fire!  
tears a - way, Nor let me ev - er stray From Thee a - side.  
trust re - move; O bear me safe a - bove, A ran - somed soul!

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**“Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old”**

1 Your hand, O Lord, in days of old  
 2 Your touch then, Lord, brought life and health,  
 3 O be our great de - liv - 'rer still,

Was strong to heal and save; It tri - umphed o - ver  
 Gave speech and strength and sight; And youth re - newed and  
 The Lord of life and death; Re - store and quick - en,

ills and death, O'er dark - ness and the grave.  
 fren - zy calmed Re - vealed You, Lord of light.  
 soothe and bless, With Your life - giv - ing breath.

To You they came, the blind, the mute,  
 And now, O Lord, be near to bless,  
 To hands that work and eyes that see

The pal - sied and the lame, The lep - ers in their  
 Al - might - y as be - fore, In crowd - ed street, by  
 Give wis - dom's heal - ing pow'r That whole and sick and

mis - er - y, The sick with fe - vered frame.  
 beds of pain, As by Gen - nes - 'ret's shore.  
 weak and strong May praise You ev - er - more.

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**POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE**

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All

part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the

glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
 Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;

A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
 For as in the be - gin - ning, Is

to Your ho - ly will, The glo - ry of Your  
 now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -

peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
 sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.



**POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

Pastor: Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

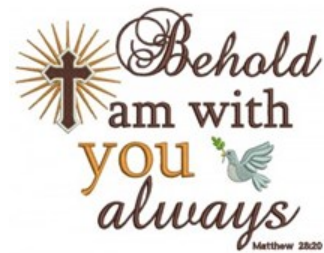
**BENEDICTION**

Pastor: The Lord, who made heaven and earth, bless you and keep you.

The Lord, who stopped at nothing to save you, make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord, whose glory it is always to show love and mercy, look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

**People: Amen.**



**CLOSING HYMN**

**“Fight the Good Fight”**



1 Fight the good fight with all your might; Christ is your  
2 Run the straight race through God's good grace; Lift up your  
3 Cast care a - side, lean on your guide; His bound-less  
4 Faint not nor fear, His arms are near; He chang - es



strength, and Christ your right. Lay hold on life, and  
eyes, and seek His face. Life with its way be -  
mer - cy will pro - vide. Trust, and en - dur - ing  
not who holds you dear; On - ly be - lieve, and



it shall be Your joy and crown e - ter - nal - ly.  
fore us lies; Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.  
faith shall prove Christ is your life and Christ your love.  
you will see That Christ is all e - ter - nal - ly.

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811-75, alt.  
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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**POSTLUDE**

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**Attendance:** 1/28/24- 9am –99 11am –31 Total: 130

**Altar Flowers:** Given to the glory of God by Leslie Stenke and in memory of her parents, Henry & Gertrud.

**THIS WEEK AT PEACE February 4, 2024**

Sunday: 10:30am Traditional Communion Service  
10:45 am Sunday School  
**12:30 pm Voter's Meeting**  
4:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH)  
Monday: Office closed  
Tuesday: 10:00 am Ladies Bible Study  
Wednesday: 10:00 am Luther's Attic Volunteers  
6:00 pm Confirmation Class  
6:30 pm A.C.A. Women's Support Group (PH)  
Thursday: 10:00 am Lighthouse Bible Study  
5:45 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal  
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal  
Friday: +++++  
Saturday: +++++

**THOSE WHO SERVE US TODAY, February 4, 2024**

**10:30 ONE SERVICE**

**Elder:** Tom Waddell / Scott Klittich  
**Greeter:** Luci Pommers  
**Reader:** Dave Schmidt  
**Acolyte:** Marshall Denninger  
**Ushers:** Blaine Wanke  
Henry Andermann  
Todd Harter  
**Altar Care:** Irene Hutchison & Marsha Larson  
**Cookie & Coffee Service:** S. McCracken, K. Taylor, T. Andermann  
**Organist:** Karen Foote  
**Choir Accompanist:** Sandy Haven  
**Choir Director:** Linda La Jeunesse

**THOSE WHO SERVE US NEXT SUNDAY, February 11, 2024**

	<b>9am</b>	<b>11am</b>
<b>Elder:</b>	Tom Waddell	Scott Klittich
<b>Greeter:</b>		Cindy Klittich
<b>Reader:</b>	Todd Harter	Blaine Wanke
<b>Acolyte:</b>	Blake Denninger	Gavin Nava
<b>Ushers:</b>	Glenn Benitz Scott Ehlers Steve Rusch	Dave Schmidt Roy Poehler Jim DeVries
<b>Altar Care:</b>	Irene Hutchison & Marsha Larson	
<b>Cookie &amp; Coffee Service:</b>	S. McCracken, K. Taylor, T. Andermann	
<b>Organist:</b>	Karen Foote	
<b>Handbell Choir Director:</b>	Linda La Jeunesse	

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF February 4, 2024**

**SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS** is held, in the Proverbs House, our class will meet 15 minutes after service. We will begin our study of "Recovering the Joy of Theology" watching Pastor Bryan Wolfmuller present theological content in an interesting way. More info, call Kevin Krumdieck 805-551-8507

**TUESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** is held at 10am on January 9th with a study of Acts. Contact Leila Langston for more info at :714-875-6340

**LIFE LIGHT BIBLE STUDY** meets 10 AM via Zoom. Contact Blaine or Diana Wanke for more info @ 805-490-8212.

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

**THE 2024 FLOWER CHART** is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex outside the Cry Room. There are two signups available for each Sunday, so please sign up for the Sunday(s) of your choice. Each arrangement is \$40.00, and the donation can be placed in an envelope in the offering plate. If you do write a check, please note on the check or on the envelope that the donation is designated for "Flowers". Following the last service, you may take your arrangement home or they may be donated to one of our shut-ins.

**FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS:** Our donations for the food pantry taken to the Episcopal Church for distribution have declined in recent months. Just a reminder that there is food insecurity here in Camarillo and your donations help our neighbors. Please put your items in the box in the narthex. The Food Pantry values our partnership, which in turn is appreciated by the recipients of your generosity! Board of Social Concerns at 805-236-4820.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** The Altar Committee needs your help now. The new signup sheet for 2024 is now posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex outside of the Cry Room. Please choose a favorite month to volunteer to help with this important work. You can sign up with your spouse, with a friend, or you can do it alone. If you have never done this job and are interested in learning or if you need a refresher on what the job entails, there are mentors to help you. Questions? Call Linda Young

**PEACE LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL** is starting enrollment for the 2024-2025 School Year. Church Member Priority Enrollment begins...

**Monday, February 5, 2024.** Church members & family get a 10% discount! Please don't forget to refer our sweet preschool to family, friends and on social media. Thank you, from all of us at Peace Lutheran Preschool.

**2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES** are in your mailbox ready for you to pick up. Please use these 2024 envelopes and discard any unused 2023 envelopes.



**DON'T FORGET** the Voters Meeting following today's service. The meeting is preceded by a light lunch.

**DOOR OFFERING TO SUPPORT INTERNATIONAL GOSPEL MINISTRY**

Our church has been sending support to Rev. Paul Nelson since he was our guest Pastor in April 2021. Pastor Paul and Gena Nelson are serving overseas. In this role, Paul works closely with the local Christian Lutheran Church and helps train and mentor local pastors and lay leaders. Please pray for Paul and Gena as they serve. We will be collecting a door offering **TODAY, February 4th** to help support their work. Please check the Peace Happenings Board for his latest newsletter. Thank you for your generosity.

**NEW SERVICE SCHEDULE:**

9:00 AM Traditional Service

9:15 AM Sunday School

10:15 AM Adult Bible study

11:00 AM Traditional Service



**PRAYERS FOR HEALTH AND HEALING:** Edith Anderson, Ashley (Sandi Stepp's niece), Brandee Brand, Brian Derozer, Michael Draper, Beverly Gandy, Damon Hermann (friend of Greg Olewiler), Vicki Hutter, Karen Johnson, Susan Klein, Carol Marker, Pat Massey, Ryan Scott Morrison, Norma Regalia, Sarah Stepp (granddaughter of Al & Cindy Fox), Tim Schmidt, Don Schultz, David Stafford, Leslie Stenke, Ashley Stephen, Lara Tate, Bev Toro, Dusty Urban, Sandy Williamson, Lisa (Cassidy) Wright, Sue Zinger 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, Avery Chapman and Adam Volpei.

Pray for comfort and peace for family and friends as they mourn the passing of *Carol Yung*. There will be a small graveside service at Ivy Lawn just for family at 11am on 2/8. A future memorial service will be planned when her whole family is able to attend.