

# *Peace Lutheran Church*

**“Peace Through Christ”**

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## **THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

July 24, 2022

**Welcome Visitors!** Seeing Jesus pray, a disciple asked, "Lord, teach us to pray!" Prayer is given by Jesus to His followers as an invitation to join in the Divine Conversation among the Persons of the Holy Trinity. In response to being addressed by God's Word, we pray to the Father, through the Son, by the Holy Spirit (*cf. Ephesians 2:18*). At the pinnacle of this precious gift of prayer stands the Lord's Prayer in which Jesus invites us to join Him in calling His Father, "Our Father." The same Father who showers us with gifts through the Word and Sacraments we are privileged to call upon in prayer for every need of body and soul---both for ourselves, and as intercessors for all people. Thanks be to God for the gift of prayer!

**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.** A childcare room is located in the Fellowship Hall near the church office. Childcare is provided through the morning hours. 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**

## +PREPARATION+

### OPENING HYMN

#### “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, All our sins and griefs to bear!  
2 Have we tri - als and temp-ta-tions? Is there trou-ble an - y-where?  
3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, Cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry Ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!  
We should nev - er be dis-cour-aged— Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— Take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; Oh, what need-less pain we bear—  
Can we find a friend so faith - ful Who will all our sor-rows share?  
Do thy friends de-spise, for-sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



All be - cause we do not car - ry Ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!  
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak-ness— Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
In His arms He'll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a sol-ace there.

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### INVOCATION

**Pastor:** In the name of the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**People:** Amen.

### OPENING SENTENCES

**Pastor:** I give You thanks, O LORD,

**People:** with my whole heart;

**Pastor:** I bow down toward Your holy temple

**People:** and give thanks to Your name for Your steadfast love and Your faithfulness,

**Pastor:** For You have exalted above all things

**People:** Your name and Your Word.

**Pastor:** On the day I called, You answered me;

**People:** my strength of soul You increased. *Psalm 138:1-3, adapt.*

# CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination)*

Pastor: Father of all mercy and grace,

**People: we, Your baptized children, have heard and believe Your Word by the working of faith in our hearts through your Holy Spirit. Yet we have failed to pray, praise, and give You thanks for these gifts of Your grace. As a result, our love for You and for one another has failed. We have hurt instead of helped, doubted instead of trusted, and passed by instead of prayed for those around us who are in need of Your help. Dear Father, who loves to hear and answer the prayers of Your people, hear our confession and grant us forgiveness for the sake of Your dear Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ.**

Pastor: Our Father, who hears and answers the cries of His people, has heard your confession and speaks to you through His Word and promise: "By your faith in the perfect, sinless life of my Son in your place; by his innocent suffering and death on a cross in your place, and by your repentant heart, all your sins have been forgiven."

**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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**PSALM** ..... Psalm 138:4-8

Pastor: All the kings of the earth shall give You thanks, O LORD, for they have heard the words of Your mouth,

**People: and they shall sing of the ways of the LORD, for great is the glory of the LORD.**

Pastor: For though the LORD is high, He regards the lowly, but the haughty He knows from afar.

**People: Though I walk in the midst of trouble, You preserve my life;**

**All: On the day I called, You answered me; my strength of soul You increased.**

Pastor: You stretch out Your hand against the wrath of my enemies,

**People: and Your right hand delivers me.**

Pastor: The LORD will fulfill His purpose for me; Your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever.

**People: Do not forsake the work of Your hands.**

**All: On the day I called, You answered me; my strength of soul You increased.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: O Lord, let Your merciful ears be attentive to the prayers of Your servants, and by Your Word and Spirit teach us how to pray, that our petitions may be pleasing before You; 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** .....Genesis 18:20-33

*(To keep the way of the LORD by doing righteousness and justice . . .)*

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE** ..... Colossians 2:6-15

*(Alive in Christ)*

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

# HYMN

## “In the Cross of Christ I Glory”



1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, Tow'r - ing  
2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, Hopes de -  
3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing Light and  
4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure By the

o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of sa - cred  
ceive, and fears an - noy, Nev - er shall the cross for -  
love up - on my way, From the cross the ra - dianc  
cross are sanc - ti - fied; Peace is there that knows no

sto - ry Gath - ers round its head sub - lime.  
sake me; Lo, it glows with peace and joy.  
stream - ing Adds more lus - ter to the day.  
mea - sure, Joys that through all time a - bide.

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## HOLY GOSPEL..... Luke 11:1-13 (The Lord's Prayer)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 11<sup>th</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 dismissed for Sunday School)*

## HYMN OF THE DAY

### “In Holy Conversation”



1 In ho - ly con - ver - sa - tion We speak to God in prayer,  
2 These ho - ly con - ver - sa - tions Be - gin in child-like ways;  
3 As ho - ly con - ver - sa - tion, In si - lence or by word,

And at His in - vi - ta - tion Our deep - est thoughts we share.  
We bring our sup - pli - ca - tions And words of thanks and praise.  
In ev - 'ry sit - u - a - tion Through Je - sus, we are heard.

We come, His will o - bey - ing, As chil - dren bring - ing needs;  
With care our Fa - ther lis - tens To ev - 'ry thought ex - pressed,  
So let us pray se - cure - ly, Ex - press - ing hopes and fears

And to sup - port our pray - ing, His Spir - it in - ter - cedes.  
Then an - swers our pe - ti - tions In ways He knows are best.  
With con - fi - dence that sure - ly Our Fa - ther ev - er hears.

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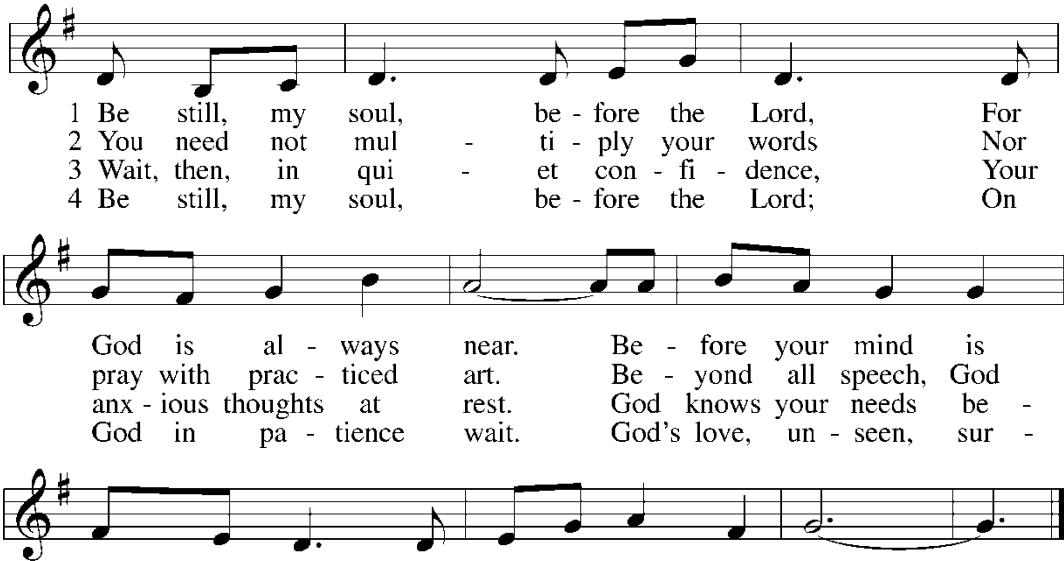
## MESSAGE

Are There More Answers To Prayer Than Just  
“Yes, No, Wait Awhile, and You’ve Got to Be Kidding?”  
The Fine Art of Bargaining With God  
*Genesis 18:20-33*

Pastor Rob Rebensal

# HYMN

## “Be Still, My Soul, before the Lord”



1 Be still, my soul, be - fore the Lord, For  
2 You need not mul - ti - ply your words Nor  
3 Wait, then, in qui - et con - fi - dence, Your  
4 Be still, my soul, be - fore the Lord; On

God is al - ways near. Be - fore your mind is  
pray with prac - ticed art. Be - yond all speech, God  
anx - ious thoughts at rest. God knows your needs be -  
God in pa - tience wait. God's love, un - seen, sur -

moved to pray, God lis - tens and will hear.  
un - der - stands The hun - ger of your heart.  
fore you ask And works for what is best.  
rounds your life; God's help will not be late.

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## 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

## OFFERTORY

### “Create in Me”

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new  
a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way  
from Thy pres - ence; and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion;  
and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

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## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(Each Petition ends: Lord, in Your mercy.  
**Congregation responds: Hear our prayer.**)



## 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.**

## BENEDICTION

**Pastor:** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine  
upon you and be gracious unto You. The Lord look upon You with  
favor and + give you His peace.

**People: Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN

### “How Great Thou Art”



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won - der Con - sid - er  
2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der, I hear the  
3 But when I think that God, His Son not spar - ing, Sent Him to  
4 When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion And take me



all the works Thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might - y  
birds sing sweet - ly in the trees; When I look down from loft - y moun - tain  
die, I scarce can take it in— That on the cross my bur - den glad - ly  
home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -



thun - der, Thy pow'r through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played;  
gran - deur And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;  
bear - ing He bled and died to take a - way my sin;  
ra - tion And there pro - claim: “My God, how great Thou art!”



Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to Thee, How great Thou



art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to



Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## POSTLUDE

**Altar Flowers:** Given to the glory of God by Kevin and Sharon Krumdieck in celebration of their 36<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

**Attendance on 7/17/22:** 9:00-83      11:00-26      Total: 109  
Sunday School - 5

### THOSE WHO SERVE US TODAY, July 24, 2022

	<b><u>9:00 am</u></b>	<b><u>11:00 am</u></b>
<b>Elder:</b>	Blaine Wanke	Dave Hutter/Tom Waddell
<b>Greeters:</b>	Charlo Stuart	
<b>Readers:</b>	Bill Young	Stacy Hunter
<b>Acolytes:</b>		
<b>Ushers:</b>	Dave Schmidt Roy Poehler Jim DeVries	
<b>Altar Care:</b>	Tina Gingerich	Rachael Ylizaliturri & Jane Morici
<b>Organist:</b>	Karen Foote	

### THOSE WHO SERVE US NEXT SUNDAY July 31, 2022

	<b><u>9:00 am</u></b>	<b><u>11:00 am</u></b>
<b>Elder:</b>	Blaine Wanke	Dave Hutter/Tom Waddell
<b>Greeters:</b>	Connie Morris	
<b>Readers:</b>	Linda Young	Jeff Magill
<b>Acolytes:</b>	Michelle Ullerick	
<b>Ushers:</b>	Ken Anderson Glenn Benitz Scott Ehlers	
<b>Altar Care:</b>	Tina Gingerich	Rachael Ylizaliturri & Jane Morici
<b>Organist:</b>	Karen Foote	

## **THIS WEEK AT PEACE July 24, 2022**

Today: 9:00 am Traditional Service  
11:00 am Praise Communion Service (FH)  
9:20 am Sunday School  
10:00 am Adult Bible Study (Coffeeshouse)  
1:30 pm New Life Christian Fellowship  
4:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH)

Monday: *Office Closed*

Tuesday: ++++++

Wednesday: 10:00 am Luther's Attic Volunteers  
6:00 pm High School Bible Study  
6:30 pm Women's A&AA Family Support

Thursday: 6:45 am Men's Bible Study  
9:30 am Thursday Morning Bible Study  
10:00 am LifeLight Bible Study via Zoom

Friday: ++++++

Saturday: 10:00 am Praise Band practice

7/31 Sunday: 9:00 am Traditional Communion Service  
11:00 am Praise Service (FH)  
9:20 am Sunday School  
10:00 am Adult Bible Study (Coffeeshouse)  
1:30 pm New Life Christian Fellowship  
4:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF July 24, 2022**

**TUESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** will not meet in July & August but resume in September. For more info contact Connie at 805-987-5116.

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**- This study is on "*Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi Return to the Lord*" on **Thursdays**, 6:45am with breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. Join us. For more info, call Dave Hutter @ (805)386-7007.

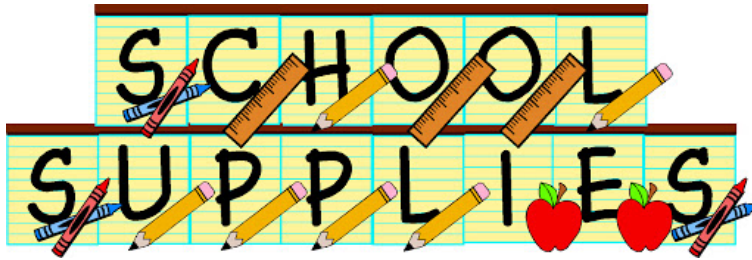
**THE LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY** we are doing a 9 week Zoom series which began June 9<sup>th</sup>- Aug. 4<sup>th</sup> at 10am. The series is Lighthouse Selected Psalms. If you would like to join this study, please contact Diana Wanke (805)490-8212.

**THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** 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](mailto:footstepps@verizon.net).

**THE FOOD BANK**- Donations for the food pantry at St. Columba's Episcopal Church can be put in the donation box in the narthex. Donations are taken to the pantry weekly. Shelf stable milk, cereal, canned vegetables, tuna, and peanut butter are always needed, but all non-perishable, unexpired donations are appreciated. The pantry serves our Camarillo seniors and families that need a helping hand. We thank you for your continued support.

**THE 2022 FLOWER CHART**- is posted on the white 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 now **\$40.00** each, and the check or money can be placed in the offering plate. Please note on the check or on the envelope that it is designated for "Flowers". Following the 11:00 service, you may take your arrangement home.



## YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

Social Concerns Ministry is collecting school supplies and backpacks to be given to...

**Lutheran Social Services** for their families in their transitional housing program.

\* Please pick a tag off the display board and return your chosen supplies, with the tag, to the collection tote by Sunday August 7th. Thank you for your continued generosity and care for others!



### **Remember in your Prayers:**

**HEALTH AND HEALING:** Ashley (Sandi Stepp's niece), Brandee Brand, Terry Breckinridge, Carolyn Cooper, Brian Derozer, Melissa Dupuis, Bob Foote, Bruce Fraser, Beverly Gandy, Helen (friend of Carol Yung), Damon Hermann (friend of Greg Olewiler), John Hollenbeck (friend of Eunice Harter), Karen Johnson, Judy (friend of Schultze family), Rick Mahlke, Mrs. Mai, (friend of Greg Olewiler), Carol Marker, Ryan Scott Morrison, Gene O'Neal, Jim Pedersen, Anna Peloso, Ann Marie Ramirez (friend of Carol Yung), Mike Reuter, Toni Rizer, Lil Rodriguez (Luther's Attic worker), Tim Schmidt, Shane Sheldon (relative of Melissa Hamilton), Don Schultz, Dale Sieber, David Stafford, Gertrude Stenke, Leslie Stenke, Ashley Stephen, Lara Tate, Bev Toro, Dusty Urban, Sandy Williamson, Lisa (Cassidy) Wright, Carol Yung and Ele Zorkocy.