



# honest repentance

## *Peace Lutheran Church*

### **"Peace Through Christ"**

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### **EVENING PRAYER**

March 13, 2024

*Leader:*

Jesus Christ, you are the light of the world;

*All:*

the light no darkness can o - ver - come;

*Leader:*

Stay with us now, for it is evening,

*All:*

and the day is al - most over.

*Leader:*

Let your light scat - ter the darkness,


*All:*

and shine within your peo-ple here. —

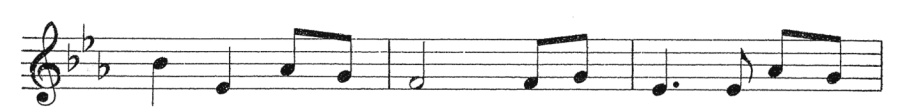
**EVENING HYMN**

**“Joyous Light”**

*All: a tempo*



1. Joy-ous light of heav-'nly glo - ry, lov - ing  
 2. In the stars that grace the dark - ness, in the  
 3. You who made the heav-en's splen - dor, ev -'ry



glow of God's own face, you who sing cre - a - tion's  
 blaz - ing sun of dawn, in the light of peace and  
 danc - ing star of night, make us shine with gen - tle



sto - ry, shine on ev 'ry land and race. Now as  
 wis - dom, we can hear your qui - et song. Love that  
 jus - tice, let us each re - flect your light. Might - y



eve - ning falls a - round us, we shall raise our songs to  
 fills the night with won - der, love that warms the wea - ry  
 God of all cre - a - tion, gen - tle Christ who lights our



you, God of day - break, God of shad - ows, come and  
 soul, Love that bursts all chains a - sun - der, set us  
 way, Lov - ing Spir - it of sal - va - tion, lead us



light our hearts a - new. \_\_\_\_\_  
 free and make us whole. \_\_\_\_\_  
 on to end - less day. \_\_\_\_\_

**COLLECT**

Pastor: Blessed are You, Creator of the universe, from old you have led your people by night and day. May the light of your Christ make our darkness bright, for your Word and your presence are the light of our pathways, and you are the light and life of all creation.

**People: Amen**

*(Please be seated)*

**PSALM. . . . . 25:1-11, 20-21**

Pastor: To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

**People: O my God, in you I trust;  
let me not be put to shame;  
let not my enemies exult over me.**

Pastor: Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame;  
they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

**People: Make me to know your ways, O LORD;  
teach me your paths.**

Pastor: Lead me in your truth and teach me,  
for you are the God of my salvation;  
for you I wait all the day long.

**People: Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love,  
for they have been from of old.**

Pastor: Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions;  
according to your steadfast love remember me,  
for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!

**People: Good and upright is the LORD;  
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.**

Pastor: He leads the humble in what is right,  
and teaches the humble his way.

**People: All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and  
faithfulness,  
for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.**

Pastor: For your name's sake, O LORD,  
pardon my guilt, for it is great.

**People: Oh, guard my soul, and deliver me!  
Let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in you.**

Pastor: May integrity and uprightness preserve me,  
for I wait for you.

## HYMN

### “I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus”



1 I am trust-ing Thee, Lord Je - sus, Trust - ing on - ly Thee;  
2 I am trust-ing Thee for par - don; At Thy feet I bow,  
3 I am trust-ing Thee for cleans - ing In the crim - son flood;  
4 I am trust-ing Thee to guide me; Thou a - lone shalt lead,



Trust - ing Thee for full sal - va - tion, Great and free.  
For Thy grace and ten - der mer - cy Trust - ing now.  
Trust - ing Thee to make me ho - ly By Thy blood.  
Ev - 'ry day and hour sup - ply - ing All my need.

5 I am trusting Thee for power;  
Thine can never fail.  
Words which Thou Thyself shalt give me  
Must prevail.

6 I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus;  
Never let me fall.  
I am trusting Thee forever  
And for all.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-79  
Tune: Henry W. Baker, 1821-77  
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## PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, we implore You to hear our prayers  
and to lighten the darkness of our hearts by Your  
gracious visitation: for You live and reign with the Father  
and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen**

## OLD TESTAMENT READING. . . . .Genesis 1-2

**1** In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. **2** The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. **3** And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. **4** And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. **5** God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. **6** And God said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." **7** And God made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. **8** And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. **9** And God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. **10** God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. **11** And God said, "Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth." And it was so. **12** The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. **13** And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. **14** And God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years, **15** and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth." And it was so. **16** And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. **17** And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, **18** to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. **19** And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. **20** And God said, "Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens." **21** So God created the great sea creatures and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every



winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. <sup>22</sup> And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." <sup>23</sup> And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. <sup>24</sup> And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds—livestock and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds." And it was so. <sup>25</sup> And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the livestock according to their kinds, and everything that creeps on the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. <sup>26</sup> Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." <sup>27</sup> So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. <sup>28</sup> And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth." <sup>29</sup> And God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. <sup>30</sup> And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. <sup>31</sup> And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

**2** <sup>3</sup> So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.  
 People: Thanks be to God.

**HANDBELL CHOIR "Dona Nobis Pacem" (Grant Us Peace)**



**+ WORD +**  
**THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST**  
 Drawn from the four Gospels  
 Part 4: The Praetorium

*(After the Reading)*

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
 People: Praise to You, O Christ.

**HYMN**

**"Abide with Me"**



1 A - bide with me, fast falls the e - ven - tide.  
 2 I need Thy pres - ence ev - 'ry pass - ing hour;  
 3 Come not in ter - rors, as the King of kings,  
 4 Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;



The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide.  
 What but Thy grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r?  
 But kind and good, with heal - ing in Thy wings;  
 Earth's joys grow dim, its glo - ries pass a - way;



When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,  
 Who like Thy - self my guide and stay can be?  
 Tears for all woes, a heart for ev - 'ry plea.  
 Change and de - cay in all a - round I see;



Help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.  
 Through cloud and sun - shine, O a - bide with me.  
 Come, Friend of sin - ners, thus a - bide with me.  
 O Thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me.

## MESSAGE

**Honest Repentance:  
Law**  
*Genesis 1-2:3*  
Pastor Matt Nolte  
*(Thousand Oaks)*

## 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.)*

*(Please stand)*

## LITANY OF PENITENCE

Pastor: Let us pray:

**People: Most merciful God, we confess to you, and to one another, that we have sinned by our own fault in thought, word and deed; by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.**

Pastor: We have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others, as we have been forgiven.

**People: Have mercy on us, Lord.**

Pastor: We have been deaf to your call to serve as Christ served us. We have not always supported your work in accordance with your blessings. We have not been true to the mind of Christ. We have grieved the Holy Spirit.

**People: Have mercy on us, Lord.**

Pastor: We confess to you, Lord, all our past unfaithfulness: our pride, our hypocrisy, and our failure to be completely honest with ourselves or with other people;

**People: We confess to you, Lord.**

Pastor: Our preoccupation with our comforts or possessions, and our dishonesty in daily life and work;

**People: We confess to you, Lord.**

Pastor: Our exploitation of other people, and our envy of those with more talent than ourselves;

**People: We confess to you, Lord.**

Pastor: Our negligence in prayer and worship, and our failure to share the faith we have;

**People: We confess to you, Lord.**

Pastor: Accept our repentance, Lord, for the wrongs we have done: for our blindness to human need and suffering, and our indifference to injustice and cruelty;

**People: Accept our repentance, Lord.**

Pastor: For our waste and pollution of your creation, and our lack of concern for those who come after us;

**People: Accept our repentance, Lord.**

Pastor: Restore us, good Lord;

**People: Grant us forgiveness and time for amendment of life.**

Pastor: Strengthen us to overcome temptation;

**People: And empower us with the gifts of the Holy Spirit.**

Pastor: By the cross and passion of your Son our Lord;

**People: Bring us with all your saints to the joy of his resurrection.**

### COLLECT

Pastor: Let us pray.

People: I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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 BENEDICAMUS

Pastor: Bless we the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

### BENEDICTION

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: Amen

*(Please be seated)*

### CLOSING HYMN

#### “How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds”



1 How sweet the name of Je - sus sounds In  
2 It makes the wound - ed spir - it whole And  
3 Dear name! The rock on which I build, My  
4 O Je - sus, shep - herd, guard - ian, friend, My



a be - liev - er's ear! It soothes our sor - rows,  
calms the heart's un - rest; 'Tis man - na to the  
shield and hid - ing place; My nev - er - fail - ing  
Proph - et, Priest, and King, My Lord, my life, my



heals our wounds, And drives a - way our fear.  
hun - gry soul And to the wea - ry, rest.  
treasure filled With bound - less stores of grace.  
way, my end, Ac - cept the praise I bring.

5 How weak the effort of my heart,  
How cold my warmest thought!  
But when I see Thee as Thou art,  
I'll praise Thee as I ought.

Text: John Newton, 1725-1807, alt.  
Tune: Alexander R. Reinagle, 1799-1877  
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## Lent & Easter Schedule

### **Soup Suppers (6:00 pm) ~ Lenten Services (7:00 pm)**

Wednesday, Feb. 21, 2024 - Guest Preacher,  
Pastor Ben Mai  
Wednesday, Feb. 28, 2024 - Guest Preacher,  
Pastor Paul Koch  
Wednesday, March 6, 2024 - Guest Preacher,  
Pastor Ernie Jeong  
Wednesday, March 13, 2024 - Guest Preacher,  
Pastor Matt Nolte  
Wednesday, March 20, 2024 - Guest Preacher,  
Pastor Eric Mettala

### **Palm Sunday, March 24**

9:00am Traditional Worship  
11:00am Traditional Worship

### **Maundy Thursday, March 28**

7:00 pm

Worship Service with Holy Communion

### **Good Friday, March 29**

12:00 noon Service of Reflection and Remembrance  
7:00 pm Tenebrae Service of Darkness

### **The Resurrection of Our Lord Easter Sunday, March 31**

9am & 11am Communion Service

Brunch following the 9am Service

**Easter Brunch** – We will be having an Easter Brunch between the two services. Fellowship will be providing ham and orange juice. Please bring a coffee cake, deviled eggs or fruit to share. We look forward to seeing everyone then!

You will seek me  
and find me  
when you  
*seek me with all your heart.*  
Jeremiah 29:13

