Peace Lutheran Church "Peace Through Christ"

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THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

March 12, 2023



As We Gather Today's scripture proclaims "forensic righteousness," that is, God legally declaring (vindicating) sinners as righteous solely on the basis of the evidence of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ in our place. No one is saved or damned solely with regard to his works, good or bad, but on the basis of faith in, or the rejection of Jesus Christ, His passion, death and resurrection. Confused? Recalling your Baptism, the final correct answer to the question, "How do you know you are saved?" is, "Because God said so!"

<u>Hearing aids and large print bulletins are available.</u> 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

<u>UPDATED ACTIVE AND INACTIVE VOTER LISTS</u> have been posted on the large white board on the patio. These lists will be updated as they change and will always be available for you to check your status. If you have any questions, contact the Voters Secretary, Linda Young, @ nephronurse@verizon.net.

<u>SPRING CLEANING</u>: At the voter's meeting, the idea to do a monthly cleaning of small areas of the church was shared. Originally we were going to call this a Work Party, but on further reflection we decided that it might get confused with our Trustee's work party. We are going to call this Spring Cleaning (no matter the season). Our first Spring cleaning will be to clean Pastor's office on Saturday, March 25th at 9AM. Please join us if you are available. Contact Diana Wanke with questions or suggestions of areas to clean 805-490-8212.



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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 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.) Join us!

<u>TUESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY</u> meets @ 10am in the Coffee House. Our study is on the book of Luke. 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 will begin a new study on Bible Feasts on Thursday April 13th at 10 AM via Zoom. Bible Feasts provides an in-depth study of the sacred festivals God commanded the people of Israel to observe, as well as festivals observed by Jewish people during Jesus' earthly ministry. Participants learn about Jewish food customs, the meaning of each feast, and the promises about the eternal feast in heaven. Please contact Blaine or Diana Wanke if you would like to join this study. 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 posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. 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. (note on the check or on the envelope that it's designated for "Flowers".) After service, you may take your arrangement home. If you don't wish to take the flowers home, they'll 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.

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

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"



SERVICE OF HOLY BAPTISM

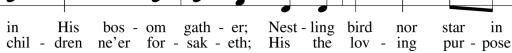
Adley Grace Adams



BAPTISMAL HYMN

"Children of the Heavenly Father"







OPENING SENTENCES

Pastor: While we were still weak,

People: at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.

Pastor: God shows His love for us in that while we were still

sinners,

People: Christ died for us. Romans 5:6, 8, adapted

THOSE WHO SERVE US TODAY MARCH 12, 2023

<u>9:00</u> <u>11:00</u>

Elder: Bob Hutchison Dave Hutter

Greeters: Ken Anderson

Readers: Al Bosman Tom Waddell

Acolyte: Shane Muller
Ushers: Mike McCracken
Tom La Jeunesse

Rick Poore

Altar Care: Linda Young Rachael Ylizaliturri and

Jane Morici

Cookie & Coffee Service: S. McCracken, L. Pommers, S. Frasier, J. Morici

Organist: Karen Foote

Handbell Director: Linda La Jeunesse

THOSE WHO SERVE US NEXT WEEK MARCH 19, 2023

<u>9:00</u> <u>11:00</u>

Elder: Bob Hutchison Dave Hutter

Greeters: Carol Yung

Readers: Toni Radle Richard Bongiorno

Acolyte: Michelle Ullerick
Ushers: Gary Taylor

Karan Taylor

Karen Taylor Bill Young

Altar Care: Linda Young Rachael Ylizaliturri and

Jane Morici

Cookie & Coffee Service: S. McCracken, L. Pommers, S. Frasier, J. Morici

Organist: Karen Foote

Choir Accompanist: Sandy Haven Choir Director: Linda La Jeunesse

<u>Altar Flowers:</u> Given to the glory of God by The Krumdiecks in celebration of their anniversary and by Sandi Stepp in joy and thanksgiving of Adley's baptism.

Attendance on 3/5/23: 9:00 am- 67 11:00 am- 27 Total- 94 Sunday School - 5

THIS WEEK AT PEACE March 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 (Proverbs House)

Wednesday: 10:00 am Luther's Attic Volunteers

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

6:00 pm Lenten Soup Supper

7:00 pm Lenten Service

Thursday: 9:30 am Thursday Morning Bible Study

10:00 am Lifelight Bible Study

5:45 pm Handbell Choir rehearsal

6:00 pm Girl Scouts (FH)

7:00 pm Adult Choir rehearsal

Friday: 6:00 pm Confirmation

Saturday: ++++++++

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

Pastor: We are gathered to hear God's Word and to call upon Him in prayer and praise. In His Word we are found first to be sinners, transgressors of God's laws, spiritually blind and dead. We cannot free ourselves from sin and death. That same divine Word, however, reveals a merciful God. Therefore we do not flee from Him but return to Him, confessing our sins and looking for His pardon and forgiveness. We have such confidence and boldness that He will forgive simply because He said so. Therefore let us approach Him now in true repentance and faith, saying, God be merciful to me, a sinner.

People: Lord God, like Your people in the wilderness complaining of thirst, we confess our lack of trust in You; like the Samaritan woman at the well we wrongly expect only Your judgment and wrath. As You quenched the thirst of Your people with water from a Rock and welcomed the Samaritan woman to faith, forgiveness, and fellowship, so come to us in Your mercy. Grant us Your forgiveness. Refresh us in the living water of Your grace, and grant us peace. Amen.

Pastor: "The water that I will give will become a spring of water welling up to eternal life." *John 4:14, adapted*There is no gift more refreshing or renewing than being washed clean of all our sin. By your faith in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, 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 RESPONSE

"I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus"



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 foreverAnd for all.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

"Glorious Things of You Are Spoken"



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+THE WORD OF GOD+

BENEDICTION

Pastor: 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

People: Amen.



OLD TESTAMENT Exodus 17:1-7 (Water from the Rock)
(After the reading)
Reader: This is the Word of our Lord. People: Thanks be to God.
EPISTLE
(After the reading)
Reader: This is the Word of our Lord. People: Thanks be to God.
IANDBELL CHOIR "When I Survey The Wondrous Cross"
IOLY GOSPEL

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

(After the reading of the Gospel)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 4th chapter. **People: Glory to You, O Lord!**

(Children are dismissed for Sunday School)

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Jesus, Refuge of the Weary"



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MESSAGE

"Just One Woman; Yet She Was Every Human Heart"
(John 4)
Pastor Mike Schultze

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



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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH