

# *Peace Lutheran Church*

**“Peace Through Christ”**

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**SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**

February 25, 2024



**As We Gather** When it comes to human love, it's fair to say that it comes in different degrees. For instance, even with just a little love for someone, you might be willing to help carry some groceries or get their mail while they're out of town. But if you have a greater love for someone, you might be open to caring for them when they're sick or helping them move into a new home. The greatest demonstration of love, however, is to lay down your life for someone else. There's no greater sacrifice one can make for another. And yet, that's exactly what Jesus did for us, even though so often we are unloving and unlovable people. "But God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8).

**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**

**PRESERVICE MUSIC**

**WELCOME**

**+ PREPARATION +**

**OPENING HYMN**

**“O Jesus, King Most Wonderful”**



1 O Je - sus, King most won - der - ful!  
 2 When once You vis - it dark - ened hearts,  
 3 O Je - sus, light of all be - low,  
 4 May ev - 'ry heart con - fess Your name,  
 5 Oh, may our tongues for - ev - er bless,



O Con - quer - or re - nowned! O Source of peace in -  
 Then truth be - gins to shine, Then earth - ly van - i -  
 The fount of life and fire, Sur - pass - ing all the  
 For - ev - er You a - dore, And, seek - ing You, it -  
 May we love You a - lone And ev - er in our



ef - fa - ble, In whom all joys are found:  
 ty de - parts, Then kin - dles love di - vine.  
 joys we know, All that we can de - sire:  
 self in - flame To seek You more and more!  
 lives ex - press The im - age of Your own!

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**INVOCATION**

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

People: **Amen.**

**OPENING SENTENCES** *Based on Psalm 115 and Psalm 25:6*

Pastor: Remember Your mercy, O LORD, and Your steadfast love.

People: **The LORD has remembered us; He will bless us.**

Pastor: The LORD is our help and our shield.

People: **He will bless those who fear Him, both the small and the great. We will bless the LORD from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the LORD!**

**CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION** *Based on Psalm 51:4; Romans 5:8–9,11*

Pastor: Let us confess our sins to God our Father.  
Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean.

People: **Against You, O LORD, have we sinned and done what is evil in Your sight.**

Pastor: We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

People: **Against You, O LORD, have we sinned and done what is evil in Your sight.**

Pastor: We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

People: **Against You, O LORD, have we sinned and done what is evil in Your sight.**

Pastor: We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment.

People: **Against You, O LORD, have we sinned and done what is evil in Your sight.**

Pastor: For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name.

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by His blood, much more shall we be saved by Him from the wrath of God. By your faith in Jesus, God's Son, and His suffering and death for us, in our place, for our sins, all your sins have been forgiven. In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Rejoice then in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

**People: Amen.**

### THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the blood of peace. *Matt. 5:22-24; Eph. 4:1-3*

### HYMN OF CONFESSION

#### "I Lay My Sins on Jesus"



1 I lay my sins on Je - sus, The spot - less Lamb of God;  
2 I lay my wants on Je - sus; All full - ness dwells in Him;  
3 I rest my soul on Je - sus, This wea - ry soul of mine;



He bears them all and frees us From the ac - curs - ed load.  
He heals all my dis - eas - es; My soul He does re - deem.  
His right hand me em - brac - es; I on His breast re - cline.



I bring my guilt to Je - sus To wash my crim - son stains  
I lay my griefs on Je - sus, My bur - dens and my cares;  
I love the name of Je - sus, Im - man - uel, Christ, the Lord;



Clean in His blood most pre - cious Till not a spot re - mains.  
He from them all re - leas - es; He all my sor - rows shares.  
Like fra - grance on the breez - es His name a - broad is poured.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. Lord God, You give us peace beyond understanding. Since we sometimes see little but strife, violence, and brokenness in this world, grant us the gift of Your peace in full measure, that, restored to wholeness and resting our hearts in You, we may take up our cross and follow 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 17:1-7, 15-16*

*(After the reading)*

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

#### EPISTLE READING . . . . . *Romans 5:1-11*

*(After the reading)*

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**HYMN**

**“On My Heart Imprint Your Image”**



On my heart im - print Your im - age, Bless - ed Je - sus, King of grace,



That life's rich-es, cares, and plea-sures Nev-er may Your work e-rase;



Let the clear in - scrip-tion be: Je - sus, cru - ci - fied for me,



Is my life, my hope's foun - da - tion, And my glo - ry and sal - va - tion!

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**HOLY GOSPEL.....Mark 8:27-38**

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 8<sup>th</sup> 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**

**“When I Behold Jesus Christ”**



1 When I be - hold Je - sus Christ, True God who died for me,  
2 For me You gave all Your love, For me You suf-fered pain;  
3 You had no sin, ho - ly Lord, But You were tor-tured, tried;  
4 What love is this? Great-er love No one has ev - er known.



I won-der much at His love As He hung on the tree.  
I find no words, noth - ing can Your self - less - ness ex - plain.  
On Gol - go - tha there for all My sins You bled and died.  
My life with God— this I owe To You, and You a - lone.



*Refrain*  
What kind of love is this? What kind of love is this?



You showed Your love, Je - sus, there To me on Cal - va - ry.



*Refrain*  
What kind of love is this? What kind of love is this?



You showed Your love, Je - sus, there To me on Cal - va - ry.

**MESSAGE**

**"When You're at Peace with Temporary Sufferings,  
You Can Rejoice with Eternal  
Blessings:  
Jesus Christ Makes All The Difference In The World"**

*Romans 5:1-11*  
Pastor Mike Schultz

**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 - diance  
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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**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. The ushers will pick it up after the service.)*

**VOLUNTARY**

## OFFERTORY



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.

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

### 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.**

## BENEDICTION


Pastor: In the cross of Jesus, you have been reconciled to God.  
You have peace with God through Jesus Christ. You are  
peace-filled and called to take up your cross and follow  
Jesus.

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.**

## CLOSING HYMN


### “When Peace, like a River”



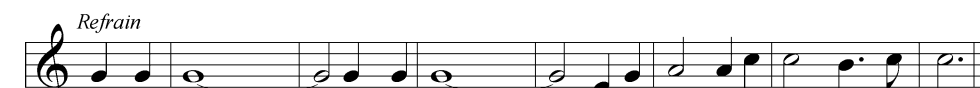
1 When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way; When  
2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, Let  
3 He lives— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; My  
4 And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight, The



sor - rows, like sea bil - lows, roll; What - ev - er my lot, Thou hast  
this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, That Christ hath re - gard - ed my  
sin, not in part, but the whole, Is nailed to His cross, and I  
clouds be rolled back as a scroll, The trum - pet shall sound and the



taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul.  
help - less es - tate And hath shed His own blood for my soul.  
bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!  
Lord shall de - scend; E - ven so it is well with my soul.



*Refrain*  
It is well with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**POSTLUDE**

**Altar Flowers:** Given to the glory of God by the members of Peace.

**ATTENDANCE:** 2/18/24- 9 AM –83 11AM– 20 Total= 103

**THIS WEEK AT PEACE February 25, 2024**

Sunday: 10:30 am **ONE SERVICE**

10:45 am Sunday School

**12:30pm Voter’s Meeting**

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

6:00 pm Soup Supper

**7:00 pm Lenten Service**

6:30 pm A.C.A. Women’s Support Group (PH)

Thursday: 10:00 am Lifelight Bible Study

5:45 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday: ++++++

Saturday: ++++++

**VOTER’S MEETING**

**TODAY, February 25<sup>th</sup> there will be a Voter’s Meeting in the Fellowship Hall,** following the service. The Meeting will begin at **Noon with a light luncheon** hosted by the Board of Fellowship. The **Meeting Call to Order will be at 12:30 PM.** Agenda items will include a review of the first six months Financial Data, the status of the Preschool, the status of projects around campus, and a discussion on the Call Process.

**THOSE WHO SERVE US TODAY, February 25, 2024**

**ONE SERVICE 10:30 am**

**Elder:** Tom Waddell/ Scott Klittich

**Greeter:** Andy & Pam Klittich

**Reader:** Roy Poehler

**Acolyte:** Lucas Williamson

**Ushers:** Glenn Benitz

Scott Ehlers

Steve Rusch

**Altar Care:** Irene Hutchison & Marsha Larson

**Cookie & Coffee Service:** S. McCracken, K. Taylor, T. Andermann

**Organist:** Karen Foote

**THOSE WHO SERVE US NEXT WEEK, March 3, 2024**

**9am**

**11am**

**Elder:** Al Bosman

Blaine Wanke

**Greeter:**

Connie Morris

**Reader:** David Hudnell

Brian Nomi

**Acolyte:** Blake Denninger

Gavin Nava

**Ushers:** Gary Taylor

Mike McCracken

Bill Young

Tom La Jeunesse

Rick Poore

**Altar Care:** Bill & Linda Young

**Cookie & Coffee Service:** S. McCracken, L. Pommers

**Organist:** Karen Foote

**Choir Accompanist:** Sandy Haven

**Choir Director:** Linda La Jeunesse

## *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 Services**  
Brunch following the 9am service