

# *Peace Lutheran Church*

## **“Peace Through Christ”**

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### **FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

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**As We Gather** Many things in our lives accentuate the importance of being able to do something by ourselves. We may feel that if we just put in enough of our own effort, we can accomplish anything, including bringing about our own salvation. We may want to pretend that we are self-sufficient; but we are not. Nor do we have to be. Because Jesus has already done the “heavy lifting” to take the burden of sin from us, we can readily and joyfully carry the light burden with the easy yoke that is living in and for Him.

**People Have Asked**, if they are not able to attend services, how can they continue to support the congregation with their regular giving? Whether we are holding regular Sunday worship services or not, the expenses will continue. We ask you to remember this is not a giving holiday. We have easy options.

1. You can mail you offering to the church or
2. You can sign up for Vanco giving. Vanco is a convenient way to give directly from your bank account or credit card. There is information about it on our website, or if it is easier for you, you can call them and they will walk you through the process on the phone. You will need to know the church address, 71 Loma Drive, Camarillo, and have your account information handy. Vanco moves your offering from your account directly into ours. We have been using this service for some time now and people have found it to be easy and one less thing to worry about.

You can sign up on our website, [peacecamarillo.com](http://peacecamarillo.com), or call 1-800-675-7430. Choose option #1 for client services and they will help you get started.

Council also decided, to be good stewards of the resources we have available, that all major projects around the church will be put on hold for the present time.

**If you have a special need we can help you with, please call the church office.**

## + PREPARATION +

### OPENING HYMN

“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!  
2 All Thy works with joy sur-round Thee, Earth and heav'n re-flect Thy rays,  
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, Ev - er bless-ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore Thee, Prais-ing Thee, their sun a - bove.  
Stars and an-gels sing a-round Thee, Cen - ter of un - bro-ken praise.  
Well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, O - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness, Drive the gloom of doubt a-way.  
Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, Flow - 'ry mead-ow, flash-ing sea,  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it, Foun - tain - head of love di-vine:



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad-ness, Fill us with the light of day.  
Chant-ing bird, and flow - ing foun-tain Call us to re - joice in Thee.  
Joy - ful, we Thy heav'n in - her - it! Joy - ful, we by grace are Thine!

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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 *Matthew 11:28; Isaiah 30:15*

**Pastor:** Jesus says, “Come unto Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.”

**People:** Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Pastor:** Thus said the Lord GOD, the Holy One of Israel, “In returning and rest you shall be saved;

**People:** in quietness and in trust shall be your strength.”

## **CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION**

Pastor: Beloved of God, let us confess together that we have sinned against our gracious God, deserving his anger and punishment, but for Jesus' sake, anticipate his forgiveness and restoration.

*(Silence for reflection and self-examination)*

**People: Oh God, when we take the time to truly examine our hearts, we realize how much we can relate to the Apostle Paul's struggle with his own sinful nature. We don't do the things we want to do, and the things we don't want to do are exactly the things we do. We can feel trapped by temptation and sin. Help us to remember that the truth is, we belong to you. Forgive us for trying to fight temptation on our own. Help us to set our minds on you and come to you when our sinful desires work to persuade us from living like your Son. Thank you for your endless grace and mercy.**

Pastor: In the mercy of Almighty God, his Son was given to die for you, that by faith in him you might find forgiveness and acceptance by the Father once again. For Jesus' sake, all your sins have been forgiven. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen! Thanks be to God!**

## HYMN OF PRAISE “Praise the Almighty”



1 Praise the Al - might - y, my soul, a - dore Him!  
 3 Bless - ed, oh, bless - ed are they for - ev - er  
 4 Pen - i - tent sin - ners, for mer - cy cry - ing,



Yes, I will laud Him un - til death; With songs and  
 Whose help is from the Lord Most High, Whom from sal -  
 Par - don and peace from Him ob - tain; Ev - er the



an - thems I come be - fore Him As long as  
 va - tion can noth - ing sev - er, And who in  
 wants of the poor sup - ply - ing, Their faith - ful



He al - lows me breath. From Him my life and  
 hope to Christ draw nigh. To all who trust in  
 God He will re - main. He helps His chil - dren



all things came; Bless, O my soul, His ho - ly name.  
 Him, our Lord Will aid and coun - sel now af - ford.  
 in dis - tress, The wid - ows and the fa - ther - less.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

- 5 Praise, all you people, the name so holy  
 Of Him who does such wondrous things!  
 All that has being, to praise Him solely,  
 With happy heart its amen sings.  
 Children of God, with angel host  
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!  
 Alleluia, alleluia!

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Gracious God, our heavenly Father, Your mercy attends us all our days. Be our strength and support amid the wearisome changes of this world, and at life's end grant us Your promised rest and the full joys of Your salvation; 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** . . . . .Zechariah 9:9–12

<sup>9</sup> Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!  
Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!  
Behold, your king is coming to you;  
righteous and having salvation is he,  
humble and mounted on a donkey,  
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

<sup>10</sup> I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim  
and the war horse from Jerusalem;  
and the battle bow shall be cut off,  
and he shall speak peace to the nations;  
his rule shall be from sea to sea,  
and from the River<sup>[a]</sup> to the ends of the earth.

<sup>11</sup> As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,  
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

<sup>12</sup> Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;  
today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE** . . . . .Romans 7:14–25a

<sup>14</sup> For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. <sup>15</sup> For I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. <sup>16</sup> Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. <sup>17</sup> So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. <sup>18</sup> For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. <sup>19</sup> For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. <sup>20</sup> Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.

<sup>21</sup> So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. <sup>22</sup> For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, <sup>23</sup> but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. <sup>24</sup> Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? <sup>25</sup> Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

# PEACE PRAISE BAND

## HOLY GOSPEL . . . . . Matthew 11:25–30

Pastor : The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 11<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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

<sup>25</sup> At that time Jesus declared, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; <sup>26</sup> yes, Father, for such was your gracious will.<sup>[a]</sup> <sup>27</sup> All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. <sup>28</sup> Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup> Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup> For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord

People: **Praise to You, O Christ!**

## HYMN OF THE “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”



1 Come, Thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Tune my heart to  
2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer, Hith - er by Thy  
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or Dai - ly I'm con -  
4 Oh, that day when freed from sin - ning, I shall see Thy



sing Thy grace; Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing,  
help I've come; And I hope, by Thy good plea - sure,  
strained to be; Let that grace now like a fet - ter  
love - ly face; Clothed then in the blood - washed lin - en,



Call for songs of loud - est praise. While the hope of end - less  
Safe - ly to ar - rive at home. Je - sus sought me when a  
Bind my wan - d'ring heart to Thee: Prone to wan - der, Lord, I  
How I'll sing Thy won - drous grace! Come, my Lord, no long - er



glo - ry Fills my heart with joy and love, Teach me  
strang - er, Wan - d'ring from the fold of God; He, to  
feel it; Prone to leave the God I love. Here's my  
tar - ry; Take my ran - som'd soul a - way; Send Thine



ev - er to a - dore Thee; May I still Thy good - ness prove.  
res - cue me from dan - ger, In - ter - posed His pre - cious blood.  
heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts a - bove.  
an - gels soon to car - ry Me to realms of end - less day.

## MESSAGE

### 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 PRAYER

### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

### 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: Be sober-minded; be watchful. Resist the devil, firm in faith. Take heart! The God of all grace who has called you to His eternal glory in Christ will Himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you!

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.

*Numbers 6:24–26*

**People: Amen.**

## **CLOSING HYMN**

“America The Beautiful”

1. O beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves of grain,  
For purple mountain majesties Above the fruited plain!  
America! America! God shed his grace on thee  
And crown thy good with brotherhood From sea to shining sea!
2. O beautiful for pilgrim feet Whose stern impassioned stress  
A thoroughfare of freedom beat Across the wilderness!  
America! America! God mend thine every flaw,  
Confirm thy soul in self-control, Thy liberty in law!
3. O beautiful for heroes proved In liberating strife.  
Who more than self their country loved And mercy more than life!  
America! America! May God thy gold refine  
Till all success be nobleness And every gain divine!
4. O beautiful for patriot dream That sees beyond the years  
Thine alabaster cities gleam Undimmed by human tears!  
America! America! God shed his grace on thee  
And crown thy good with brotherhood From sea to shining sea!

**PORTALS OF PRAYER** for July-September 2020 are in the church office and can be picked up during office hours, Monday-Thursday, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm.

**JOIN A BIBLE STUDY:**

Women's Bible Study with a study on, "Patience, Hope and Trust". Please contact Connie Morris (805)987-5116 to join or for more information

Men's Bible Study "Hard Sayings of Jesus" meets via Zoom Tuesday mornings at 8:30. Call Dave Hutter (805)386-7007 to join or for more information.

LifeLight Bible Study "The Life of David" meets via Zoom Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. Call Diana Wanke (805)482-7524 to join or for more information.

**Remember in Your Prayers**

**For health and healing:** Edith Anderson, Lili Baehr, Mrs. Cheung (Veronica Lee's friend), Brody (grandchild of Dave Schmidt's friend), Crystal (Phil Deck's niece), Remi Chatelain (Carol Yung's friend), Marshall Denninger, Dwayne Field, Bruce Fraser, Beverly Gandy, Stephanie Gary (sister of Joyce Snow & Melissa Hamilton), Rory Hall (Jim & Lily Mainland's granddaughter), Ken Haugrud, Damon Hermann (friend of Greg Olewiler), Jim Hogan (Robin Schmidt's brother-in-law), Vickie Hutter, Jan Irwin (friend of David Zinger), Karen Johnson, Dawn Logan (Pat Massey's niece), Mrs. Mai, (friend of Greg Olewiler), Michelle & family (friend of Melissa Hamilton), Seza Mirzarian (Phil Hamilton's son-in-law's aunt), Ken Nipstad, John O'Loony (friend of the Hamiltons), Linda Packham, Jim Pedersen, Hedy Pein, Ingrid Poehler, Rawlin Radle, Mark Reuter (Son of Rita & Ken Reuter), Joanne Riccardi (friend of Pat Massey), Llewyn Rae Spencer (infant grandson of Gary & Char Spencer), Leslie Stenke, Bev Toro, Jon Volpei (Connie Morris' son), Blaine Wanke, Carol Yung, Sue Zinger.

**Pray for all military men and women especially:** Jacob Chiles, Andrew Geib, Daniel Gross, Michael Hanson, Brian Miller, Kevin Palos, Kevin Schleicher, Stephen Volpei, Amy Waddell, Lucas Wentlandt. Also remember their families in your prayers.

Please keep the nation and all those in authority in your prayers, along with front line healthcare workers. We will get through this together, because we never go through anything alone.