# Peace Lutheran Church

"Peace Through Christ" Pastor Mike Schultze

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### **RALLY SUNDAY**

#### THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

## August 27, 2023

<u>As We Gather</u> "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God" (Matthew 16:16). With those words, Peter made the good confession. This is the confession of faith alone in Christ alone made possible by God's grace alone. This is the confession made by all who come to peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. This peace from God is an inscrutable mystery, the comfort of the Lord bringing joy and gladness, and the motivation of our grateful self-giving as living sacrifices transformed by the renewal of our minds with God's Word into people who discern and carry out His will with our lives.

**Rally Sunday, Today** Rally Sunday marks the beginning of a new year for our Sunday School and Bible Studies. This is the time to learn about our Sunday School Program and enroll your child. Children's activities, a barbeque/potluck at approximately,11:30.

Hearing aids and large print bulletins are available. If you would like a hearing aid or large print bulletin please see an usher.

**Welcome Children**– If needed, a nursery is located near the church entrance.

# PRESERVICE MUSIC WELCOME



# **INVOCATION AND VERSES**

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

People: Amen.

### **OPENING SENTENCES** Isaiah 51:4–6

Pastor: Give attention to Me, My people,
People: and give ear to Me, My nation;
Pastor: My righteousness draws near,
People: My salvation has gone out,
Pastor: Lift up your eyes to the heavens,
People: and look at the earth beneath;
Pastor: My salvation will be forever,
People: and My righteousness will never be dismayed.

### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Pastor: Almighty God, merciful Father,

People: We humbly implore Your mercy and ask Your forgiveness. Our lives have not reflected the confession of our lips, and we have failed to marvel at the depth of the riches and wisdom of the knowledge of God. Instead of trusting You, we have relied on our own understanding. We have thought too highly of ourselves instead of presenting ourselves as offerings in gratefulness for Your mercy. We have failed to be Godly examples to your littlest ones. Hear and forgive us for Jesus' sake, and fill us with the Holy Spirit that we may seek nothing but to know Your will and the strength to carry it out. Pastor: God has heard your confession, seen your repentant heart, and grants you full and free forgiveness because Jesus died and rose again for you. Our God is a God of second chances and more, who has built His church on the rock of faith in Jesus Christ, our living Lord and Savior. Rejoice that he has made you a child of King. In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

### 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 PRAISE



# **PSALM** 150

Pastor:	Praise the LORD! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens!
People:	Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness!
Pastor:	Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp!
People:	Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe!
Pastor:	Praise him with sounding cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals!
People:	Let everything that has breath praise the LORD! Praise the LORD!

# PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life that we may boldly confess Him to be the Christ and steadfastly walk in the way that leads to life eternal; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### People: Amen.



#### +THE WORD OF GOD+

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(After the Reading)

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**EPISTLE** ..... *Romans* 11:33–12:8

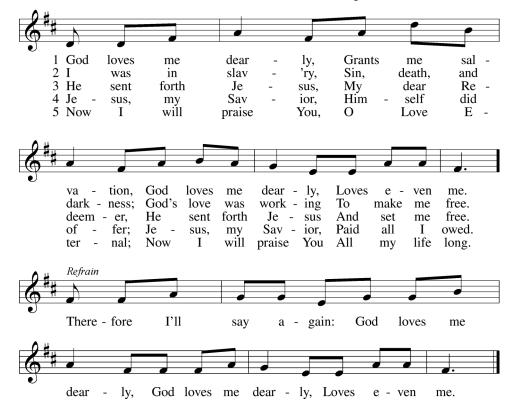
(After the Reading)

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

### HYMN

### "God Loves Me Dearly"



HOLY GOSP	<b>EL</b>	
Pastor :	The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 16 <sup>th</sup> chapter.	
People:	Glory to You, O Lord!	
	(After the Gospel is read)	
Pastor:	This is the Gospel of our Lord	
People:	Praise to You, O Christ!	
CHILDREN'S MESSAGEPastor Mike Schultze		





#### HYMN OF THE DAY



#### MESSAGE

"One Question To Rule Them All..."

*Matthew 16:13-20* Pastor Mike Schultze

### **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 row. The ushers will pick it up after the service.)

# OFFERTORY



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# **INSTALLATION:**

# **Preschool Staff:**

Rachael Ylizaliturri, Sandra Miller, Lisa Borodaty and Maria Jimenez

# Sunday School Staff:

Kerri DeVries, Lori Schultze and Cindy Klittich

Small Group and Others who Lead and Teach the Bible in Word or Song

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

People: Amen.



### CLOSING HYMN "Onward, Christian Soldiers"

Written for a children's procession at a Whit-Monday Festival (day after Pentecost) in Yorkshire, UK in 1865.



#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### POSTLUDE

<u>Altar Flowers:</u> Given to the glory of God by Sandi Stepp and in celebration of Anthony, Marisa & Avery's birthdays.

Attendance on 8/20/23: 10:00AM - 99 Sunday School - 9

#### THOSE WHO SERVE US TODAY, AUGUST 27, 2023

#### 10:00 am ONE SERVICE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

Elders: Blaine Wanke Greeter: Luci Pommers Reader: Toni Radle Acolyte: Lucas Williamson Ushers: Scott Klittich Steve Rusch Altar Care: Linda Young and Irene Hutchison Cookie & Coffee Service: L. Pommers, K. Taylor & H. Edler Pianist: Karen Foote

#### THOSE WHO SERVE US NEXT WEEK, SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

#### 10:00 am ONE SERVICE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

Elders:	Scott Klittich	
Greeter:	Connie Morris	
Reader:	Al Bosman	
Acolyte:	Marshall Denninger	
Ushers:	Blaine Wanke	
	Todd Harter	
Altar Care: Linda and Bill Young		
Cookie & Coffee Service: S. Fraser, J. Morici, L. Pommers /S.McCracken		
Pianist:	Karen Foote	

#### THOSE WHO SERVE US NEXT WEEK, SEPTEMBER 2, 2023 @ 5:00pm

**Elder:** Dave Hutter **Reader:** Susan Weaver

### THIS WEEK AT PEACE August 27, 2023

Sunday:	10:00 am Traditional Service
	11:30 Rally Day BBQ
	1:30 pm New Life Christian Fellowship
	4:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH)
Monday:	Office Open
Tuesday:	10:00 am Ladies Bible Study (PH)
Wednesday:	Office closed
	10:00 am Luther's Attic Volunteers
	6:30 pm A.C.A. Women's Support Group (PH)
Thursday:	7:30 am Men's Bible Study (FH)
	9:30 am Thursday Morning Bible Study
Friday:	++++++++++
Saturday:	5:00pm Sunset Praise Service

#### THERE WILL BE ONLY ONE SERVICE @ 10AM EACH SUNDAY.

A traditional service of liturgy & hymns, accompanied with the piano, IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL. (WHILE WE BEAUTIFY THE SANCTUARY)

#### SATURDAY SERVICE "Sunset Praise Service at 5"

A contemporary service with the Praise Band, IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF August 27, 2023

**SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS**– Will break for now and resume **9/3**. **TUESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** meets @ 10am in the Coffee House. Our study is on the book of John. Come join us Sept. 5th! For more info, contact Connie at 805-987-5116.

<u>MEN'S BIBLE STUDY</u> – This study of 1Peter 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.

**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.

LIFE LIGHT BIBLE STUDY will begin a new 9 week study on 1st and 2nd Chronicles beginning Thursday, **September 7th** via Zoom at 10 AM. This study is part of the Life Light Bible study series, with sections on 1 and 2 Chronicles such as "I Will Build the House" and "Rebellion in the House ." If you would like to join this study, please contact Blaine or Diana Wanke @ 805-490-8212.

**PRAYER CHAIN-** If you have a prayer request please call *Sandi Stepp* at: 805-625-0479 or e-mail: <u>footstepps@verizon.net</u>.

**THE 2023 FLOWER CHART SIGN-UP** is posted in the Fellowship Hall. Sign up for the Sunday (s) of your choice.2 signups are available for each Sunday. They are \$40.00 each. You may take them home after service.

**THE FOOD BANK-** Donations for the food pantry at St. Columba's Episcopal Church can be put in the donation box in the Fellowship Hall.

LUTHER'S ATTIC JOB OPPORTUNITY-Our store manager position is available after October, this Fall. We are seeking an enthusiastic Christian, who loves retail, customer service, and has a heart for working with volunteers. Duties include: store opening and closing, ordering supplies, directing volunteers with store tasks, assisting with some sorting and pricing donations. Days/Hours: Wed.-Sat 9:45-4:15 with a 30 minute lunch break. Pay starts at \$18.00 per hour. Retirement benefits included. If interested, contact Peace's board member Nancy Fitch or Board President, Liz Perez at (805) 504-7046.



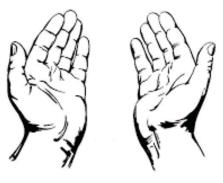
**RALLY SUNDAY** – **TODAY**, as we will kick off a new Sunday School year a BBQ will follow the 10:00 service, at approximately 11:30. Hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks will be provided by the Elders. The congregation is asked to bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share if you are able. Either way please join us. We always have plenty of food. There will be games for the children.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** – Whatever your passion, whatever your talents, you can be an active part of the team at Peace Lutheran. All the Boards, Evangelism, Fellowship, Social Ministry, Trustees, and Youth Ministry can use new members, new thoughts, and new ideas. Contact Irene Hutchison any Sunday morning or by email at <u>irenehutchison@verizon.net</u> to get more information. We need and want your help!

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** The Fall Voters Meeting has been scheduled for Sunday, **October 1, 2023**. Information on the time and agenda items will be coming in the weeks ahead. Plan to attend this important meeting. The current Active and Inactive Voter lists are posted on the large white board on the patio. If you have questions regarding your status, contact Linda Young at nephronurse@verizon.net.

**<u>THANK YOU</u>** to all who supported the recent collection of school supplies for Lutheran Social Services! Thirty-four filled backpacks and a large box of extra school supplies were delivered to the Thousand Oaks office on Friday, August 11<sup>th</sup>. You have helped to make a real difference in the lives of these children and their families! Social Concerns

<u>SPRING CLEANING IN THE FALL</u> - Mark your calendars to join us if you are able to help clean the kitchen in the fellowship hall. Next cleaning date is Saturday, **October 14th at 9AM**. We usually are done in a Couple of hours. Hope you can join us.



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

**HEALTH AND HEALING:** Edith Anderson, Ashley (Sandi Stepp's niece), Brandee Brand, Brian Derozer, Michael Draper, Beverly Gandy, Helen (friend of Carol Yung), John Gingerich, 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), Norma Regalia, Mike Reuter, Tim Schmidt, Don Schultz, David Stafford, Leslie Stenke, Ashley Stephen, Lara Tate, Bev Toro, Dusty Urban, Sandy Williamson, Karl Wittmann, 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, Avery Chapman and Adam Volpei.



