

Peace Lutheran Church

“Peace Through Christ”

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FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

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As We Gather Whom do you listen to? As we listen to those around us, we often need to use some sort of filter to get at what is actually going on. What is that politician *really* saying? What does my spouse *actually* want me to do? We seemingly cannot trust every word from anyone in this world! In our service today, however, we will see someone whom Moses urges us to listen to. God has raised up prophets we can trust, and the greatest of these prophets is Jesus. Listen to Him!

Attention Visitors We celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion this morning. This holy meal is intended for Christians who acknowledge their need of God’s forgiveness in their lives. The Bible teaches that Christ’s body and blood are received with the elements of bread and wine and that Christians need to examine themselves before receiving this holy meal. (1Cor. 10 & 11). This meal further expresses a unity of faith as we gather at one table to receive the assurance of God’s forgiveness through the body and blood of our Lord in the sacrament. We welcome baptized Christians to commune with us, those who believe and confess this same faith and understanding of the sacrament and of the Christian life. Persons who desire to receive grape juice select from the darker glasses. If you have any further questions concerning the sacrament, please ask to speak to the Pastor.

**RINGING OF THE BELL
PRESERVICE MUSIC
WELCOME**

+ PREPARATION +

OPENING HYMN

“Voices Raised to You We Offer”



1 Voic - es raised to You we of - fer; Tune them, God, for
2 All cre - a - tion joins to praise You; Earth and sky Your
3 Christ, the song of Love in - car - nate, Touch - ing earth with
4 Spir - it, flam - ing through cre - a - tion, Kin - dle faith with -



songs of praise. Hearts and hands we bring in trib - ute
works dis - play. Art and mu - sic, gifts You lend us,
heav - en's grace, For Your liv - ing, suf - f'ring, dy - ing,
in each heart. Lift our voic - es high in cho - rus;



For Your gifts through all our days. Al - le - lu - ia!
We re - turn to You to - day. Al - le - lu - ia!
For Your ris - ing, hear our praise! Al - le - lu - ia!
Through our hands Your love im - part. Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Tri - une God, to You we sing!
Al - le - lu - ia! God, Cre - a - tor, source of life!
Al - le - lu - ia! Christ, Re - deem - er, Lord of life!
Al - le - lu - ia! Spir - it, Help - er, breath of life!

5 How can any praise we offer
Measure all the thanks we owe?
Take our hearts and hands and voices—
Gifts of love we can bestow.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Triune God, to You we sing!

INVOCATION and OPENING SENTENCES

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

People: Amen.

Pastor: I acknowledged my sin to You,

People: and I did not cover my iniquity.

Pastor: I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,"

People: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Pastor: Let everyone who is godly offer prayer to You

People: at a time when You may be found. *Psalm 32:5-6, adapt.*

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

Pastor: When we do not listen to Your words and close our hearts to You,

Deuteronomy 18:19

People: Forgive us, Lord.

Pastor: When our freedom in Christ causes one who is weak to stumble,

1 Corinthians 8:9, adapt.

People: Forgive us, Lord.

Pastor: When we allow the forces of evil to make us forget the deliverance and love of God we have in Christ, *Mark 1:27*

People: Forgive us, Lord.

Pastor: Hear the Word and promise of the Lord. Through faith in Jesus Christ alone, and by the grace of God alone for His sake 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 PRAISE "God Loved the World So That He Gave"



1 God loved the world so that He gave His on - ly
2 Christ Je - sus is the ground of faith, Who was made
3 God would not have the sin - ner die; His Son with
4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son For - gives all



Son the lost to save, That all who would in
flesh and suf - fered death; All then who trust in
sav - ing grace is nigh; His Spir - it in the
sins which you have done; And, jus - ti - fied by



Him be - lieve Should ev - er - last - ing life re - ceive.
Him a - lone Are built on this chief cor - ner - stone.
Word de - clares How we in Christ are heav - en's heirs.
Je - sus' blood, Your Bap - tism grants the high - est good.

- 5 If you are sick, if death is near,
This truth your troubled heart can cheer:
Christ Jesus saves your soul from death;
That is the firmest ground of faith.
- 6 Glory to God the Father, Son,
And Holy Spirit, Three in One!
To You, O blessèd Trinity,
Be praise now and eternally!

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; 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 READINGDeuteronomy 18:15-20

(God promises a prophet like Moses.)

(After the reading)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

(Love for those weak in faith.)

(After the reading)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

words of e-ter-nal life. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

HOLY GOSPELMark 1:21-28

(Authority over unclean spirits.)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

(After the reading)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

People: Praise to You O Christ

HYMN OF THE DAY

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, A sword and shield vic -
2 No strength of ours can match his might. We would be lost, re -
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land All threat -'ning to de -
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, No thanks to foes, who



to - rious; He breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod And wins sal -
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, Whom God Him -
your us, We trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; They can - not
fear it; For God Him - self fights by our side With weap - ons



va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe Has sworn to
self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be? The Lord of
o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage; In bat - tle
of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house, Goods, hon - or,



work us woe. With craft and dread - ful might He
hosts is He, Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord, God's
we'll en - gage. His might is doomed to fail; God's
child, or spouse, Though life be wrenched a - way, They



arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
can - not win the day. The King - dom's ours for - ev - er!

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MESSAGE

It Seems Like Some People Are Only Willing To Please God
When It Won't Offend The Devil:
Confronting Our Own Demons
Mark 1:21-28

CONFESSION OF FAITH (NICENE CREED)

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all
things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was
incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man;
and was crucified also for us, under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended
into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.
Amen**

OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

+ SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION +

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

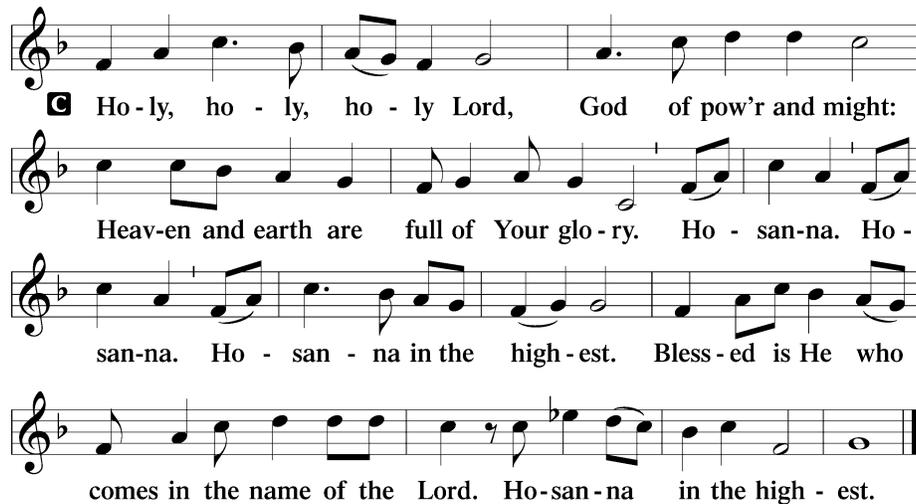
People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

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.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples and said: Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me. In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: Drink of it, all of you; this is My + blood of the new testament, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

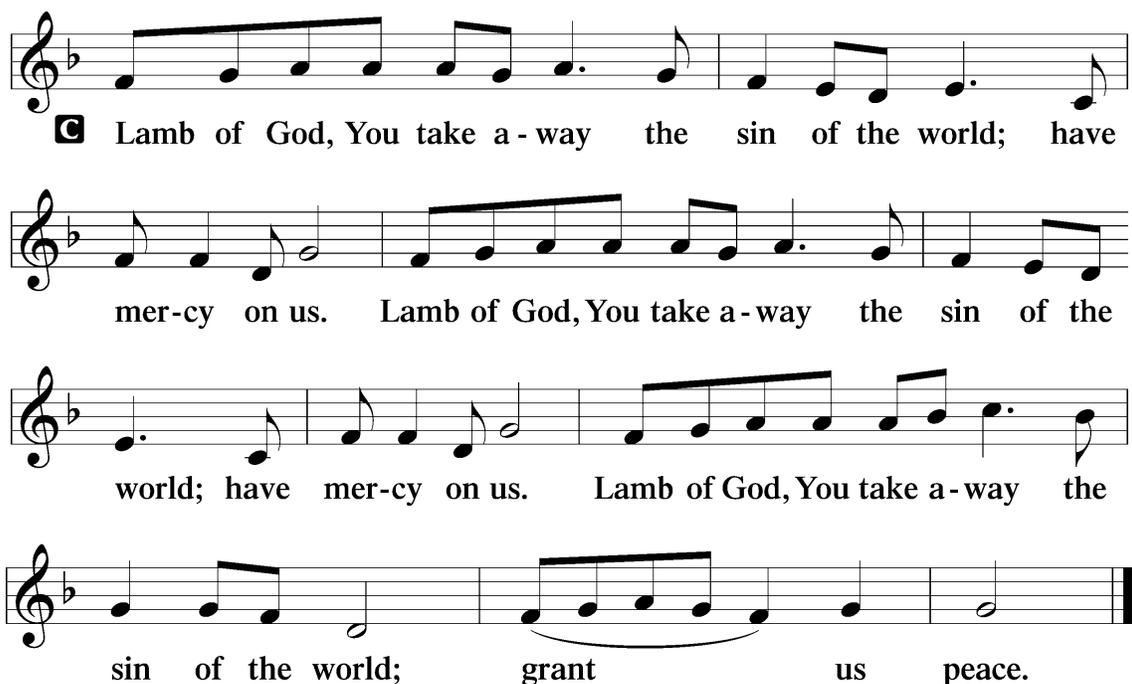
People: Amen.

PEACE OF THE LORD

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you.

AGNUS DEI



G Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

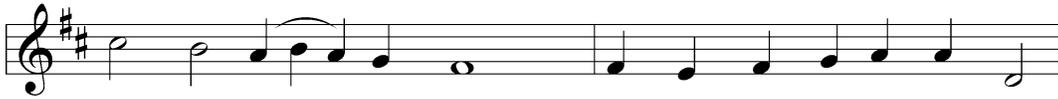
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HYMNS DURING DISTRIBUTION

“At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing”



1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to
2 Praise we Him, whose love di - vine Gives His
3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured, Death's dread
4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal



our vic - to - rious King, Who has washed us in the tide
sa - cred blood for wine, Gives His bod - y for the feast—
an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go
vic - tim, pas - chal bread; With sin - cer - i - ty and love



Flow - ing from His pierc - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!
Through the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!
Eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

- 6 Now no more can death appall,
Now no more the grave enthrall;
You have opened paradise,
And Your saints in You shall rise.
Alleluia!
- 8 Father, who the crown shall give,
Savior, by whose death we live,
Spirit, guide through all our days:
Three in One, Your name we praise.
Alleluia!

“Beautiful Savior”



1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion, Son of
2 Fair are the mead - ows, Fair are the wood - lands, Robed in
3 Fair is the sun - shine, Fair is the moon - light, Bright the
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions, Son of



God and Son of Man! Tru - ly I'd love Thee, Tru - ly I'd
flow'rs of bloom - ing spring; Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is
spar - kling stars on high; Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines
God and Son of Man! Glo - ry and hon - or, Praise, ad - o -



serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
pur - er, He makes our sor - r'wing spir - it sing.
pur - er Than all the an - gels in the sky.
ra - tion Now and for - ev - er - more be Thine!

“When Peace, like a River”



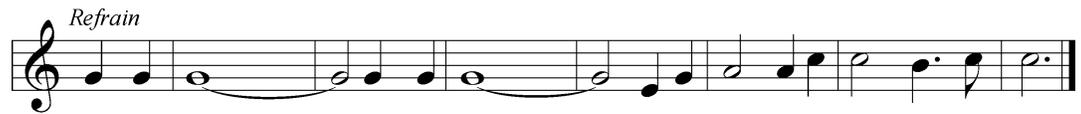
1 When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way; When
2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, Let
3 He lives— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; My
4 And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight, The



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.

“Be Still, My Soul”



1 Be still, my soul; the Lord is on your side; Bear pa - tient-
2 Be still, my soul; your God will un - der - take To guide the
3 Be still, my soul; though dear - est friends de - part And all is
4 Be still, my soul; the hour is has - t'ning on When we shall



ly the cross of grief or pain; Leave to your God to or - der
fu - ture as He has the past. Your hope, your con - fi - dence let
dark - ened in this vale of tears; Then you will bet - ter know His
be for - ev - er with the Lord, When dis - ap - point - ment, grief, and



and pro - vide; In ev - 'ry change He faith - ful will re -
noth - ing shake; All now mys - te - rious shall be bright at
love, His heart, Who comes to soothe your sor - rows and your
fear are gone, Sor - row for - got, love's pur - est joys re -



main. Be still, my soul; your best, your heav'n - ly Friend
last. Be still, my soul; the waves and winds still know
fears. Be still, my soul; your Je - sus can re - pay
stored. Be still, my soul; when change and tears are past,



Through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.
His voice who ruled them while He dwelt be - low.
From His own full - ness all He takes a - way.
All safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE



☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

Pastor: You have spoke to us through Your freeing, forgiving Word.

People: Blessed are You, O Lord.

Pastor: You have gathered us into Your family.

People: Blessed are You, O Lord.

Pastor: You are the Holy One of God; You deliver us from evil.

People: Blessed are You, O Lord.

BENEDICTION

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

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"



1 Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness With a lib - er -
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren With a strong, yet
3 Let us praise the Word In - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered



at - ing light; Praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners,
gen - tle, word; Praise the One who drove out de - mons
in our place. Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious



Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the One who preached the
With the pierc - ing, two - edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool
That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and



Gos - pel, Heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing
wa - ter To the des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this
glad - ness, See - ing what our God has done; Let us



storms, and feed - ing thou - sands With the ver - y Bread of peace.
Well comes liv - ing wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
praise the true Re - deem - er, Praise the One who makes us one.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

Attendance: 1/24/21 77

THIS WEEK AT PEACE JANUARY 31, 2021

Today: 10:30 a.m. Traditional Service outside
1:30 p.m. New Life Church
2:00 p.m. Semi-Annual Voters Meeting

Tuesday 8:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study

Wednesday 10:00 a.m. LifeLight Bible Study
6:00 p.m. Sr. High Bible Study

Thursday 2:00 p.m. Ken Nipstad funeral

Friday 6:00 p.m. Faith and Fun Friday

Sunday 10:30 a.m. Traditional Services outside
1:30 p.m. New Life Church

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 31, 2021

VOTERS MEETING TODAY at 2 PM. This will be a zoom call with call in information being distributed before the call. We look forward to you attending as we share how God is providing for Peace Lutheran Church and Pre-school during this difficult Covid-19 year. Plus this is a good time also to see everyone – at least in a virtual setting!

OFFERING ENVELOPES and year end contribution statements are available for pick up from your mail box in the narthex.

JOIN A BIBLE STUDY:

Women's Bible Study meets Tuesdays, at 10:00 a.m. with a study on the book of Revelation. Please contact Connie Morris (805)987-5116 to join or for more information.

Men's Bible Study This new study on "Proverbs - *God's Gift of Wisdom*", meets via Zoom Tuesday mornings at 8:30. Call Dave Hutter (805)386-7007 to join or for more information. Please pick up your copy of the study in the church office.

LifeLight has begun a 9 week LifeLight Bible study on The Epistles of John, Wednesday, January 6th at 10 AM. This study will include: The Apostle of Love; Getting to Know God...and Yourself; Love and Knowledge in the End Times; Like Father, Like Son; We Love Because He First Loved Us; and Mission in the Church. This is a Zoom study, all are welcome. If you would like to join this study, please contact Blaine or Diana Wanke 805-482-7524.

THE FOOD BANK at St. Columba's Episcopal Church's has remained opened during the pandemic and has had a large increase in demand. The church office is open from 9 to 12 Monday through Friday. They give out food every 2nd and 4th Thursday from 9-10am for seniors and 5-6 pm for families. Below is a list of items most needed, but any nonperishable, non-expired donation is appreciated. Please take your donation directly to St. Columba's. Most needed items: Cereal, shelf stable milk, canned vegetables, canned meats, beans, rice, and pasta. Thank you! Social Concerns

PORTALS OF PRAYER for January - March are now available for you to pick up either at the check-in table or in the church office during the week.

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

THE HANDBELL CHOIR has resumed rehearsals. If you are interested in joining please contact Linda LaJeunesse 805-443-3527.

THE 2021 FLOWER CHART is posted on the white board as you come to the check-in station. Please bring a pen to sign up for the Sunday(s) of your choice. (After signing-up, please remember to use the hand sanitizer on the check-in table.) Two signups are available for each Sunday. The arrangements are \$35.00 each, and the check or money can be placed in the offering plate. Please note on the check or on the envelope that it is designated for "Flowers". Following the service, you may take your arrangement home.

Remember in Your Prayers

For health and healing: Ashley (Sandi Stepp's niece), Lili Baehr, Terry Breckinridge, Briggs (Dave Schmidt's grandson), Crystal (Phil Deck's niece), Marshall Denninger, Bruce Fraser, Father of Gail Goesch, Beverly Gandy, Ken Haugrud, Helen (friend of Carol Yung), Damon Hermann (friend of Greg Olewiler), John Hollenbeck (friend of Eunice Harter), Vicki Hutter, Karen Johnson, Judy (friend of Schultze family), Dale Larson, Dawn Logan (Pat Massey's niece), Mrs. Mai, (friend of Greg Olewiler), Ryan Scott Morrison, Gene O'Neal, Jim Pedersen, Joanne Riccardi (friend of Pat Massey), Becky Rodriguez (Luther's Attic worker), Tim Schmidt, Shane Shelton (relative of Melissa Hamilton), Joyce Snow, Llewyn Rae Spencer (infant grandson of Gary & Char Spencer) and his parents, Gertrude Stenke, Leslie Stenke, Ashley Stephen, Bev Toro, Earl Totten (Cheryl Sanders' brother), Jon Volpei (Connie Morris' son), Emer Wiltbank (Dave Schmidt's son-in-law), Carol Yung, Sue Zinger.

For peace and comfort:

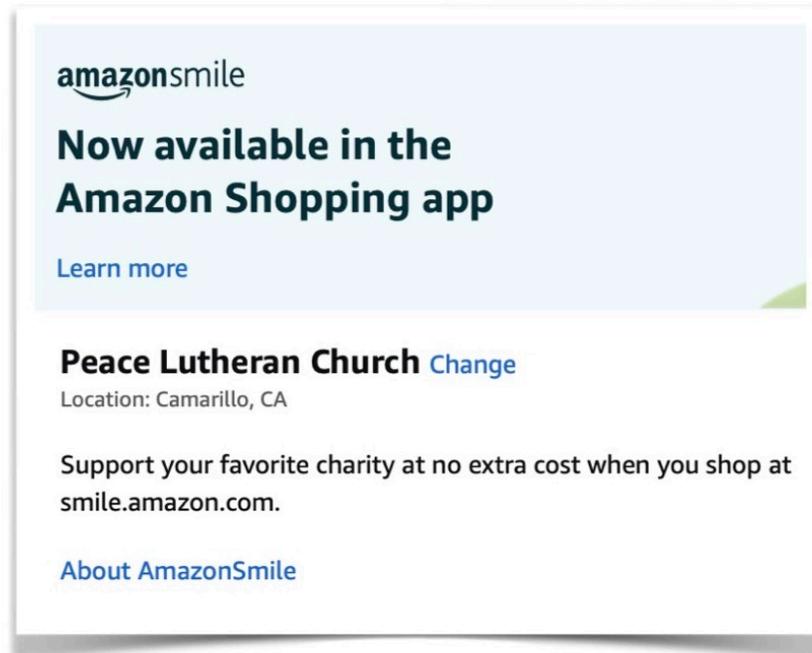
For Annette McComas and family as they mourn Scott's death.

For Margaret and Nancy Nipstad and family as they mourn husband and father, Ken's death.

Pray for all military men and women especially: Jared Bautista, 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.

A graveside service for Ken Nipstad will be held Thursday, February 4th, 2:00 pm at Conejo Mountain Memorial Park.



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