

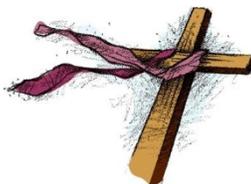
# Peace Lutheran Church

## "Peace Through Christ"

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## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 24, 2022



**As We Gather** Although the readings appointed for each Sunday vary on a three-year cycle, today's Gospel is read every year. It is a reminder that although we are weak in faith like Thomas at times, by the grace of God and the witness of Scripture, we are able to confess Jesus as "my Lord and my God." With that faith bestowed on us we are able to share it, as the disciples did on Pentecost (in the reading from Acts). We are telling others about "Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by His blood" (*Revelation 1:5b*).

**Hearing aids and large print bulletins are available.** 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**

+ PREPARATION +

OPENING HYMN

“Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven”



1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heav'n and voic - es raise:  
2 Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris - en! Death at last has met de - feat:  
3 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high:



Sing to God a hymn of glad-ness, Sing to God a hymn of praise;  
See the an-cient pow'rs of e - vil In con - fu - sion and re - treat;  
Al - le - lu - ia to the Sav - ior Who has gained the vic - to - ry;



He who on the cross a vic-tim For the world's sal - va - tion bled—  
Once He died, and once was bur-ied: Now He lives for - ev - er - more,  
Al - le - lu - ia to the Spir - it, Fount of love and sanc - ti - ty!



Je - sus Christ, the King of Glo - ry, Now is ris - en from the dead.  
Je - sus Christ, the world's Re - deem - er, Whom we wor - ship and a - dore.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia To the tri - une Maj - es - ty!

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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

Pastor: Grace to you and peace from Him who is and who was and who is to come.

**People: To Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by His blood and made us a kingdom, priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.**      *Revelation 1:4b, 5b-6*

Pastor: In his Book of Revelation John writes that Jesus "is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see Him, even those who pierced Him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of Him" (*Revelation 1:7*). In our fallen nature we all have reason to fear, but together with John we know that God declares us righteous for Jesus' sake. Let us therefore go to His throne of grace in all confidence.

## CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

*(Silence for reflection on God's Word)*

Pastor: Most gracious God,

**People: we confess that we have wavered in our faith, at times seeking evidence that You have indeed conquered death and the grave. Open our eyes and ears, our hearts and minds, to the joyful news of Easter. We confess that we have not always forgiven one another as completely as You have forgiven us, preferring to remember hurts and disappointments. Strengthen our love for our brothers and sisters in the faith. We confess that we have not boldly proclaimed our faith to the people we meet in our neighborhoods, at work, and in school. Grant us courage to use the opportunities You provide so that many may come to faith in our risen Lord.**

Pastor: When Jesus appeared to the disciples on Easter evening He told them, "If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them" (*John 20:23a*). God promises to forgive the sins of all who come to Him in faith and repentance. For Jesus' sake God has removed your sins as far as the east is from the west and given you a fresh start. In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

# EASTER ACCLAMATION

Pastor: Christ is risen!

People: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## HYMN

### “Thine Is the Glory”

1 Thine is the glo - ry, Ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; End - less is the  
2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, Ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he  
3 No more we doubt thee, Glo - rious Prince of life; Life is nought with -

vic - t'ry Thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment  
greet thee, Scat - ters fear and gloom; Let his Church with glad - ness  
out thee; Aid us in our strife; Make us more than con-qu'rors,

Rolled the stone a - way, Kept the fold - ed grave - clothes  
Hymns of tri - umph sing, For the Lord now liv - eth;  
Through thy death - less love; Bring us safe through Jor - dan

*Refrain*  
Where thy bod - y lay.  
Death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, Ris - en, con-qu'ring Son;  
To thy home a - bove.

End - less is the vic - t'ry Thou o'er death hast won!

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: Let us pray.  
Almighty God, You have raised Jesus from death and given us faith to trust Him for eternal life.

**People: Strengthen our resolve to proclaim the full message of life: Jesus Christ---crucified, risen, and ever present with us today;**

Pastor: through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

**+THE WORD OF GOD+**

**FIRST READING** ..... Acts 5:12-20

*(The apostles proclaim the resurrection.)*

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**SECOND READING** ..... Revelation 1:4-18

*(John receives a vision on the Lord's Day.)*

*(After the Reading)*

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

# HYMN

## “The Day of Resurrection”



1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,  
2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil That we may see a - right  
3 Now let the heav'ns be joy - ful, Let earth its song be - gin,  
4 All praise to God the Fa - ther, All praise to God the Son,



The pass - o - ver of glad - ness, The pass - o - ver of God.  
The Lord in rays e - ter - nal Of res - ur - rec - tion light  
Let all the world keep tri - umph And all that is there - in.  
All praise to God the Spir - it, E - ter - nal Three in One!



From death to life e - ter - nal, From sin's do - min - ion free,  
And, lis - t'ning to His ac - cents, May hear, so calm and plain,  
Let all things, seen and un - seen, Their notes of glad - ness blend;  
Let all the ran - somed num - ber Fall down be - fore the throne



Our Christ has brought us o - ver With hymns of vic - to - ry.  
His own “All hail!” and, hear - ing, May raise the vic - tor strain.  
For Christ the Lord has ris - en, Our joy that has no end!  
And hon - or, pow'r, and glo - ry As - cribe to God a - lone!

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## HOLY GOSPEL..... John 20:19-31

*(Thomas calls Jesus his Lord and his God.)*

**Pastor :** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20<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!**

## HYMN OF THE DAY

### “O Sons and Daughters of the King”



1 O sons and daugh - ters of the King, Whom heav'n - ly  
4 That night the a - pos - tles met in fear; A - mong them  
5 When Thom - as first the tid - ings heard That they had



hosts in glo - ry sing, To - day the grave has lost its sting!  
came their mas - ter dear And said, "My peace be with you here."  
seen the ris - en Lord, He doubt - ed the dis - ci - ples' word.



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

- 6 “My piercè side, O Thomas, see, And look upon My hands, My feet;  
Not faithless but believing be.” Alleluia!
- 7 No longer Thomas then denied; He saw the feet, the hands, the side;  
“You are my Lord and God!” he cried. Alleluia!
- 8 How blest are they who have not seen And yet whose faith has constant been, For they eternal  
life shall win. Alleluia!

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## MESSAGE

"You Can Run, But You Can't Hide  
(From Jesus). Thank God!"

John 20:19-31

*Pastor Mike Schultze*

## HYMN

## "We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight"

1 We walk by faith and not by sight, No  
 2 We may not touch His hands and side, Nor  
 3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; And  
 4 For You, O res - ur - rect - ed Lord, Are  
 5 Lord, when our life of faith is done, In

gra - cious words we hear From Him who spoke as  
 fol - low where He trod; But in His prom - ise  
 may our faith a - bound To call on You when  
 found in means di - vine: Be - neath the wa - ter  
 realms of clear - er light We may be - hold You

none e'er spoke, But we be - lieve Him near.  
 we re - joice And cry "My Lord and God!"  
 You are near And seek where You are found.  
 and the Word, Be - neath the bread and wine.  
 as You are, With full and end - less sight.

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## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**Pastor:** Thomas was the first disciple to claim Jesus as his Lord and God. That bold faith is the core of the Small Catechism's explanation to the Second Article of the Apostles' Creed. We speak it as our confession of faith today.

**All:** **I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be**

**His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.**

**This is most certainly true.**

## 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.)*

## HYMN DURING OFFERING

### “Thanks to Thee, O Christ, Victorious”



1 Thanks to Thee, O Christ, vic - to - rious! Thanks to Thee, O  
 2 Thou hast died for my trans - gres - sion, All my sins on  
 3 For the joy Thine ad - vent gave me, For Thy ho - ly,



Lord of Life! Death hath now no pow - er o'er us,  
 Thee were laid; Thou hast won for me sal - va - tion,  
 pre - cious Word; For Thy Bap - tism, which doth save me,



Thou hast con - quered in the strife. Thanks be - cause Thou didst a -  
 On the cross my debt was paid. From the grave I shall a -  
 For Thy blest Com - mu - nion board; For Thy death, the bit - ter



rise And hast o - pened par - a - dise! None can ful - ly  
 rise And shall meet Thee in the skies. Death it - self is  
 scorn, For Thy res - ur - rec - tion morn, Lord, I thank Thee



sing the glo - ry Of the res - ur - rec - tion sto - ry.  
 tran - si - to - ry; I shall lift my head in glo - ry.  
 and ex - tol Thee, And in heav'n I shall be - hold Thee.

## 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 upon you and be gracious unto You. The Lord look upon You with favor and + give you His peace.

**People: Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN

## "Because He Lives"



1 God sent His Son, they called Him Je - sus, He came to love,  
 2 *How sweet to hold a new-born ba - by, And feel the pride,*  
 3 And then one day I'll cross the riv - er, I'll fight life's fi -



1 heal, and for - give; He lived and died to buy my  
 2 *and joy He gives; But great - er still the calm as -*  
 3 nal war with pain; And then as death gives way to



1 par-don, An emp - ty grave is there to prove my Sav - ior lives.  
 2 *sur-ance, This child can face un - cer - tain days be - cause He lives.*  
 3 vic-tory, I'll see the lights of glo - ry and I'll know He lives.



Be-cause He lives I can face to - mor-row, Be-cause He lives



all fear is gone; Be-cause I know He holds the



fu-ture. And life is worth the liv - ing just be-cause He lives.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## POSTLUDE

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** Given to the glory of God by Luci Pommers in memory of her husband, Andris and also given by Cheryl Menzie in memory of her father, Ken Haugrud.

**ATTENDANCE ON 4/17/22:** 9:00am- 11:00am- Total:  
Sunday School-

**THOSE WHO SERVE US TODAY, APRIL 24, 2022**

**9:00 am**

**Elder:** Blaine Wanke  
**Greeters:** Ken Anderson  
**Readers:** David Hudnell  
**Acolytes:** Michelle Ullerick  
**Ushers:** Craig Frye  
Gary Taylor  
Karen Taylor  
Bill Young

**11:00 am**

Tom Waddell/Phil Hamilton  
  
Brian Nomi

**Altar Care:** Linda Young & Irene Hutchison Rachael Ylizaliturri & Jane Morici  
**Organist:** Karen Foote

**THOSE WHO SERVE US NEXT SUNDAY May 1, 2022**

**9:00 am**

**Elder:** Dave Schmidt  
**Greeters:** Susan Klein  
**Readers:** Susan Klein  
**Acolytes:** Lucas Williamson  
**Ushers:** Dave Schmidt  
Roy Poehler  
Jim DeVries

**11:00 am**

Bob Weaver  
  
Peter Lee

**Altar Care:** Linda Young & Irene Hutchison Rachael Ylizaliturri & Jane Morici  
**Organist:** Karen Foote

**THIS WEEK AT PEACE April 24, 2022**

Today: 9:00 am Traditional Service  
 11:00 am Praise Communion Service (FH)  
 10:00 am Sunday School  
 10:00 am Adult Bible Study (Coffeehouse)  
 1:30 pm New Life Christian Fellowship  
 4:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH)

Monday: *Office open*

Tuesday: 10:00 am Women's Bible Study

Wednesday: 10:00 am Luther's Attic Volunteers

Thursday: (office closed)  
 6:45 am Men's Bible Study  
 9:30 am Thursday Morning Bible Study  
 10:00 am LifeLight Bible Study via Zoom

Friday: (office closed)  
 6:00 pm Confirmation

Saturday: 10:00 am Praise Band practice

5/1 Sunday: 9:00 am Traditional Communion Service  
 11:00 am Praise Service (FH)  
 1:30 pm New Life Christian Fellowship  
 4:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH)

**REMEMBER TO MARK YOUR CALENDAR** - The Spring Blood Drive is coming on Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 to 2:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Please plan to join in donating blood. To schedule your appointment, Linda Young will be outside following each service next Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>. Or you may contact her throughout the week at 805 236-4820 or by email at [nephronurse@verizon.net](mailto:nephronurse@verizon.net). Thank you for your participation

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF April 24, 2022

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY-** To resume this Thursday, April 28. This study is on "Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi Return to the Lord" on Thursdays, 6:45am with breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. Our study will also be available on Zoom. Join us. For more info, call Dave Hutter @ (805)386-7007.

**THE LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY-** Our new study will be on Galatians, Philippians, & Colossians. Thursdays at 10am via Zoom. If you would like to join this study, please contact Blaine or Diana Wanke @ 805-465-0485.

**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 @ 805-482-3867.

**TUESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** continues their study of Esther. For more info contact Connie at 805-987-5116.

**PRAYER CHAIN-** If you have a prayer request please call *Sandi Stepp* at: 805-625-0479 or e-mail [footsteps@verizon.net](mailto:footsteps@verizon.net).

**THE FOOD BANK-** Donations for the food pantry at St. Columba's Episcopal Church can be put in the donation box in the narthex. Donations are taken to the pantry weekly. Shelf stable milk, cereal, canned vegetables, tuna, and peanut butter are always needed, but all non-perishable, unexpired donations are appreciated. The pantry serves our Camarillo seniors and families that need a helping hand. We thank you for your continued support.

**CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS:** The Altar Committee is looking for volunteers for 2022. The signup sheet is posted on the white board in the Narthex outside the Cry Room. Please chose your favorite month and volunteer to help with this important work. Sign up with your spouse or a friend, or if you prefer, you can do it alone. If you have never done this job and are interested in volunteering, there are mentors to help you. If you have any questions about what it entails, call Linda Young at 805 236-4820 or Carol Yung at 805 504-6876.

**THE 2022 FLOWER CHART** is posted on the white board in the Narthex outside the Cry Room. Please sign up for the Sunday(s) of your choice. 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 9:00 service, you may take your arrangement home.

**VBS is BACK! June 27th through July1st- "Jerusalem Marketplace"** We could use your help ... **Join our staff** for a rewarding week of spiritual growth and community outreach as kids come back here, to learn from us about the days when Jesus walked. You could also help us by inviting a child to attend (3yrs.-5th grade), loan us some theme decorations, offer prayers and donations. The sign up sheet is on the white board or call the office. A volunteer meeting will be June 5<sup>th</sup> @ 12:15 in the Proverbs House. Contact Linda LaJeunesse ([lindalaj@aol.com](mailto:lindalaj@aol.com)) or Mike Schultze ([alienyooth@mac.com](mailto:alienyooth@mac.com)) for more information.

**DOOR OFFERING TO SUPPORT INTERNATIONAL GOSPEL MINISTRY** - In April 2021, Rev. Paul was our guest Pastor. Paul and Gena Nelson will be serving in Indonesia, based in Medan. In this role, Paul works closely with the Indonesian Christian Lutheran Church and helps train and mentor local pastors and lay leaders. Please pray for Paul and Gena as they serve in Indonesia. We will be collecting a door offering **May 1st and May 8th** to help support their work.



**Pray for...**

**HEALTH AND HEALING:** Ashley (Sandi Stepp's niece), Lili Baehr, Brandee Brand, Edith Braukis, Terry Breckinridge, Carolyn Cooper, Marshall Denninger, Brian Derozer, Melissa Dupuis, Nerces Eykjian, 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, Judy (friend of Schultze family), Dick Mahlke, Rick Mahlke, Mrs. Mai, (friend of Greg Olewiler), Carol Marker, Ryan Scott Morrison, Gene O'Neal, Jim Pedersen, Ann Marie Ramirez (friend of Carol Yung), Mark Reuter, Mike Reuter, Toni Rizer, Lil Rodriguez (Luther's Attic worker), Tim Schmidt, Shane Sheldon (relative of Melissa Hamilton), Don Schultz, Dale Sieber, David Stafford, Gertrude Stenke, 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 and women especially:* Jared Bautista, Jacob Chiles, Andrew Geib, Daniel Gross, Michael Hanson, Brian Miller, Kevin Schleicher, Stephen Volpei, Lucas Wentland and Henry Andermann.

*Also remember their families in your prayers.*