

Peace Lutheran Church
"Peace Through Christ"

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SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 4, 2021

Freedom celebration



Welcome Visitors! We're glad you're here! We look forward to getting acquainted. Please join us for coffee on the lower patio after the service.

As We Gather On this weekend when our country celebrates the gift of freedom, it is fitting that the Church joins in joyous thanksgiving for the freedom that we have, as a nation and as Christians. The lessons for today focus on freedom as a gift from God, freedom from the curse of sin through the merits of Christ, and freedom to worship and serve our God.

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME

INVOCATION

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

People: **Amen.**

**HYMN****“God of Our Fathers”**

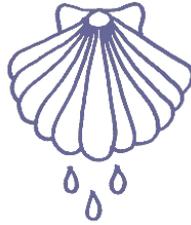
God of our fathers, Whose almighty hand
 Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
 Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies
 Our grateful songs before Your throne arise.

Your love divine hath led us in the past,
 In this free land by Thee our lot is cast,
 Oh, be our Ruler, Guardian, Guide and Stay,
 Your Word our law, Your paths our chosen way.

From war’s alarms, from deadly pestilence,
 Make Your strong arm our ever sure defense;
 Your true religion in our hearts increase,
 Your bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh your people on their toilsome way,
 Lead us from night to never ending day;
 Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
 Until at last we meet before your face.

SERVICE OF HOLY BAPTISM *Luke Souza*



BAPTISM HYMN

“See This Wonder in the Making”



1 See this won - der in the mak - ing: God Him -
3 Far more ten - der than a moth - er, Far more
4 Here we bring a child of na - ture; Home we



self this child is tak - ing As a lamb safe in His
car - ing than a fa - ther, God, in - to Your arms we
take a new-born crea - ture, Now God's pre - cious son or



keep - ing, His to be, a - wake or sleep - ing.
place *him/her/them*, With Your love and peace em - brace *him/her/them*.
daugh - ter, Born a - gain by Word and wa - ter.

CONFESSION

Pastor: Let us confess our failures, fears, and weaknesses to God. Let us seek God's mercy and grace that we may be forgiven and live in peace.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

Pastor: God, who cares for all,

People: we confess that we are by nature sinful and alienated from You. We do not always love You with our whole heart. We do not care for ourselves, our neighbors, our nation, or the earth as we ought. Forgive our failure to hear Your Word, our failure to worship You regularly, our failure to appreciate the great gifts of forgiveness and freedom that You have given us in the Church and in our country. Forgive our failure to care for your creation and its resources. Forgive our neglect of praying regularly for our world, our nation, and our elected leaders. Make us strong witnesses in word and action to Your redeeming love. Amen.

HYMN “Battle Hymn of the Republic”

(verse 1)

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord:
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword:
His truth is marching on.

(Chorus)

Glory, glory, hallelujah!
Glory, glory, hallelujah!
Glory, glory, hallelujah!
His truth is marching on

(verse 2)

He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;
He is sifting out the hearts of men before His judgment-seat:
Oh, be swift, my soul, to answer Him! be jubilant, my feet!
Our God is marching on. **(Chorus)**

ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for us and, for His sake, forgives us all our sins. We believe in Jesus, our Savior; therefore, through the water and Word of Holy Baptism, God has made us His sons and daughters. With that promise, we live forgiven and free.

People: Amen.

HYMN “Battle Hymn of the Republic”

(verse 3)

In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,
With a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me:
As He died to make men holy, let us die to make men free,
While God is marching on.

(Chorus)

Glory, glory, hallelujah!
Glory, glory, hallelujah!
Glory, glory, hallelujah!
His truth is marching on



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.
God of the nations, guide Your people by Your Spirit that our nation, in harmony with all the nations of the earth, may set an example of justice and freedom.

People: Give us whatever outward prosperity may be Your will. Above all things give us faith in You, that our nation may bring glory to Your name and blessings to all peoples throughout the world; through Your Son, the word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn

“Across the Lands”



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- 1. You're the Word of God the
- 2. Yet You left the gaze of
- 3. With a shout You rose vic



Fa-ther from be-fore the world be- gan; _____ Ev-ery star and ev-ery pla- net _____ has been
 an- gels, came to seek and save the lost _____ and ex- changed the joy of Heav-en _____ for the
 tor-ious, wres-ting vic - t'ry from the grave _____ and as - cend - ed in - to Heav-en, _____ lead ing



fas- hioned by Your hand. All cre - a - tion holds to - get - her by the po - wer of Your
 an - guish of a cross. With a prayer You fed the hung-ry, with a word You calmed the
 cap - tives in Your way. Now You stand be - fore the Fath - er, in - ter - ced - ing for Your

Refrain



voice. _____ Let the skies de - clare Your glo - ry; _____ let the land and seas re - joice. _____
 sea; _____ Yet how sil - ent - ly You suf - fered, _____ that the guil - ty may go free. _____ } You're the
 own; _____ From each tribe and tongue and na - tion _____ You are lead - ing sin - ners home. _____



Au - thor of cre - a - tion, _____ You're the Lord of ev - ery man, _____ and Your



cry of love rings out a - cross the lands.

+THE WORD OF GOD+

OLD TESTAMENT LESSONEzekiel 2:1-5

(Ezekiel's sending as prophet of the Lord God.)

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE2 Corinthians 12:1-10

(The sufficiency of Jesus' grace & power for every human need.)

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN "My Country 'Tis of Thee"

My country 'tis of thee, Sweet land of liberty,
Of thee I sing. Land where my fathers died!
Land of the Pilgrim's pride! From every mountain side, let
freedom ring!

My native country, thee, Land of the noble free,
Thy name I love. I love thy rocks and rills,
Thy woods and templed hills; My heart with rapture fills, like that
above.

Let music swell the breeze, and ring from all the trees sweet
freedom's song. Let mortal tongues awake; let all that breathe
partake; Let rocks their silence break, the sound prolong.

Our fathers' God, to Thee, Author of liberty, To Thee we sing. Long
may our land be bright With freedom's holy light;
Protect us by Thy might, Great God, our King!

HOLY GOSPEL..... Mark 6:1-13
(Jesus ministers in Nazareth and sends out the twelve.)

Pastor : The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 5th 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 "Let it be Said of Us"

1. Let it
 be said of us that the Lord was our pas-sion, That with glad-ness we
 (2.) be said of us: we were marked by for-give-ness, We were known by our
 bore ev-'ry cross we were giv-en; That we fought the good fight, that we
 love and de-light-ed in meek-ness. We were ruled by His peace, heed-ing
 fin-ished the course Know-ing with-in us the pow'r of the ris-en
 un-i-ty's call, Joined as one bod-y that Christ would be seen by
 Lord Let the cross be our glo-ry and the Lord be our song, By
 all.
 mer-cy made ho-ly, by the Spir-it made strong. Let the
 cross be our glo-ry and the Lord be our song 'Til the like-ness of
 Je-sus be through us made known. Let the cross be our glo-ry and the
 Lord be our song. 2. Let it song. Let the song.

MESSAGE

Captive To Our Own Desires: You May Be a Model Prisoner,
But Real Freedom Starts By Kneeling At The Cross

Independence Day 2021

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 plates are located on the sidewalk.

OFFERTORY

“Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful”

Let the vine - yards be fruit-ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our
cup of bless-ing. Gath - er a har-vest from the seeds that were
sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the
hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and
give us A fore-taste of the feast to come.

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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 favor and + give you
His peace.

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN “America the Beautiful”

(verse 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!

(verse 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!

(verse 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!

(verse 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!
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And crown thy good with brotherhood From sea to shining sea!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

ALTAR FLOWERS: Given to the glory of God by Elisabeth Pohl in loving memory of her mother.

ATTENDANCE on 6/27 : 8:00– **45** 9:30– **38** 11:00– **43** Total-**126**

THIS WEEK AT PEACE July 4, 2021

Today: 10:30 am *One Service*
11:30 am Fourth of July Celebration Luncheon
1:30 pm New Life Church Service

Monday: *Office closed*

Tuesday:

Wednesday: 10:00 am Luther's Attic Volunteers
6:00 pm High School Bible Study

Thursday: 9:30 am Thursday Morning Bible Study
10:00 am LifeLight Bible Study via zoom

Friday:

Saturday: 10:00 am-noon Praise Band practice

Sunday: 8:00 & 11:00 am Traditional Services
9:30 am Praise Communion Service (*FH*)
9:30 am Adult Bible Study (*Coffeehouse*)
10:42 am Adult Bible Study (*Coffeehouse*)
1:30 pm New Life Church Service

THOSE WHO SERVE US NEXT SUNDAY July 11, 2021

	<u>8:00am</u>	<u>9:30am</u>	<u>11:00am</u>
Elder:	Blaine Wanke	Dave Hutter/ Bob Weaver	Al Bosman
Greeters:			
Readers:	Bob Lacy	Brian Nomi	Mike Elbert
Acolytes:	Paige Krause		Michelle Ullerick
Ushers:	Bob Lacy Jim DeVries		Dave Schmidt Roy Poehler
Altar Care:	Linda Young		
Organist:	Karen Foote		

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF July 4, 2021

JOIN A BIBLE STUDY:

NEW MENS BIBLE STUDY- This study of “Joshua”, begins on Thursday, July 15th at 6:45am with breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. The study will also be available on Zoom. For more info, call Dave Hutter (805)386-7007.

THE LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY- A new Zoom Bible study on Thursdays, at 10 AM, will do a 5 week DVD study by Ray Vander Laan “Faith Lessons – Walk as Jesus walked Making Disciples”.class will be on Zoom and will last about one hour which includes a 22 minute DVD. Contact *Blaine or Diana Wanke* 805-465-0485 to join us.

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*.

PRAYER CHAIN- If you have a prayer request please call *Sandi Stepp* at: 805-625-0479 or e-mail footstepps@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. All donations will be taken to the pantry on a weekly basis. Shelf stable milk, cereal, canned vegetables, tuna, and peanut butter are always needed, but all non-perishable, unexpired donations are greatly appreciated. The pantry serves our Camarillo seniors and families that need a helping hand. We thank you for your continued support- *Social Concerns Ministry.*

SUPERTUESDAY will resume in-person **July 13, 2021, at 7pm** the Fellowship Hall with **FREE ICE CREAM!** Boards & committees come together for the first in a long time. Visitors welcome to check out this next level of involvement in congregation life.

IN-SERVICECARE NEEDED-As we are planning to re-open our Nursery in the Fellowship Hall, we are in need of 2 people to care for the children during the 9:30am service and the 11am service. This is a paid position. Please contact the church office, if you are interested.

LUTHER'S ATTIC NEEDS VOLUNTEERS- Since the pandemic Luther's Attic has been open only on Wed. Thurs. Fri.& Sat. Wednesday was our day to work but since the pandemic we have had only one person willing to volunteer on a regular basis. Volunteers from Simi have filled in so were able to keep the store open. Since the money is divided by the number of hours each church's volunteers work, most of the Wednesday hours have, rightly, gone to Simi. We need more volunteers. Preschool. To help call or see Nancy Fitch, 805-484-5900 or Carol Yung 805-987-5952.

2021 FLOWER CHART is posted on the white board in the narthex. Please sign up for the Sunday(s) of your choice. 2 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.



Pray for...

HEALTH AND HEALING: Ralph Alcoser, Ashley (Sandi Stepp's niece), Lili Baehr, Barbara (Diana Wanke's sister), Brandee Brand, Terry Breckinridge, Marshall Denninger, Jordan Dye, Mike Elbert, Bill Fitch, Bruce Fraser, Beverly Gandy, Larry Goesch, 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), Jacque Hendricks (Pat Massey's daughter in-law), Brad Larson, Mrs. Mai, (friend of Greg Olewiler), Ryan Scott Morrison, Gene O'Neal, Jim Pedersen, Ann Marie Ramirez (friend of Carol Yung), Toni Rizer, Lil Rodriguez (Luther's Attic worker), Tim Schmidt, Shane Shelton (relative of Melissa Hamilton), Dale Sieber, Llewyn Rae Spencer (grandson of Gary & Char Spencer), Gertrude Stenke, Leslie Stenke, Ashley Stephen, Bev Toro, 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 Palos, Kevin Schleicher, Stephen Volpei, Amy Waddell, Lucas Wentland.

Also remember their families in your prayers.