

Peace Lutheran Church

“Peace Through Christ”

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NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 30, 2023

As We Gather “God never gives you more than you can handle.” These words are often used to try to comfort someone who is suffering. These words are often spoken as if this is what the Scriptures teach about suffering. However, these words are not found in the Scriptures. Nor is the idea that you never face more than you can handle. This not-so-helpful idea is loosely based on today’s Epistle, “all things work together for good,” and 1 Corinthians 10:13, that God “will not let you be tempted beyond your ability.” While it’s a well-intended comment, “God never gives you more than you can handle” is simply not true. Life does sometimes give us more than we can handle. If we could handle these things and more, then why would we even need God? Instead of protecting us from more than we can handle, God handles what we can’t handle. Joseph couldn’t handle it when his brothers sold him into slavery. But God handled it as He guided Joseph toward leadership in Egypt. What amazing news it is that no matter what might happen to you in this life, even when you can’t handle it at all and you feel like your life is crumbling to pieces, God can handle it!

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.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF July 30, 2023

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS– Will break for now and resume in August.

TUESDAY WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY meets @ 10am in the Coffee House.

Our study is on the book of John. Come join us! For more info, contact Connie at 805-987-5116.

MEN’S BIBLE STUDY– 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.

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

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.

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.

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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.

THIS WEEK AT PEACE July 30, 2023

- Sunday: 10:00 am Traditional Communion One Service
10:20 am Sunday School
1:30 pm New Life Christian Fellowship
4:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH)
- Monday: Office closed
8:45 am Covenant Players (FH)
- Tuesday: 8:45 am Covenant Players (FH)
10:00 am Ladies Bible Study (PH)
- Wednesday: 8:45 am Covenant Players (FH)
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)
8:45 am Covenant Players (FH)
9:30 am Thursday Morning Bible Study
- Friday: 8:45 am Covenant Players (FH)
- Saturday: 8:45 am Covenant Players (FH)

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

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

MAILBOXES- Please remove all items that may be in your personal mailbox in the narthex. Any leftover items will be held in the lost and found box for 30 days and then discarded. We will be dusting and cleaning the boxes.

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME

+ PREPARATION +

OPENING HYMN

“Lord, This Day We've Come to Worship”



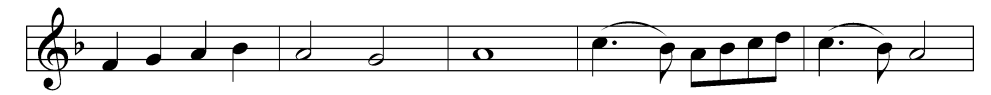
1 Lord, this day we've come to wor-ship; Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost,
3 May Your Word en-rich our spir-it, Give us strength to do Your will,
4 As we meet our bless-ed Sav-ior At the Ta-ble of the Lord,
5 Cel-e-brate the res-ur-rec-tion In the church and sing His praise,



Grace us with Your bless-ed pres-ence; Bless-ed Sav-ior, be our host.
Show the king-dom we'll in-her-it, When at last our voice is still.
May this bod-y bro-ken for us Strength and com-fort, Lord, af-ford.
Till we come to true per-fec-tion: Serve the Lord through all our days.



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



Al-le-lu-ia, praise the Lord! Al-le-lu-ia,



al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, praise the Lord!

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INVOCATION and OPENING SENTENCES

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

People: Amen.

Pastor: The LORD your God is God,

People: the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love Him and keep His commandments.

Pastor: All things work together for good,

People: for those who are called according to His purpose. *Deuteronomy 7:9; Romans 8:28*

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

Pastor: God's love is unconditional. We confess our sins not to become worthy of His love but because He promises to forgive.

People: Of Your great love, have mercy on us.

Pastor: We confess how our love has grown cold; that often we require others to earn our love.

People: Of Your great love, O Lord, forgive us.

Pastor: Let us lay all our sin and every failing before the Lord with sincere faith in His promised mercy and grace.

People: In Your great love, O Lord, free us from our sin.

Pastor: The Apostle Paul encourages: "If God is for us, who can be against us?" *Romans 8:31*

There is no if in God's love. He is for us. He sent His only Son to suffer and die for us on a cross so that by faith in Jesus I could assure you this morning that all your sins have been forgiven, in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

CLOSING SONG

Praise Band "Honey in the Rock" (Brooke Ligertwood)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

Attendance: 7/23/23 - 10am: **104**

Altar Flowers: Given to the glory of God by the members of Peace.

THOSE WHO SERVE US TODAY, JULY 30, 2023

10:00 am ONE SERVICE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

Elders: Bob Hutchison /Dave Hutter

Greeter: Cindy Klittich

Reader: Todd Harter

Acolyte: Lucas Williamson

Ushers: Dave Schmidt

Roy Poehler

Jim DeVries

Altar Care: Linda Young and Irene Hutchison

Cookie & Coffee Service: S. McCracken, C. Stuart & J. Morici

Pianist: Sandy Haven

Praise Band

THOSE WHO SERVE US NEXT WEEK, AUGUST 6, 2023

10:00 am ONE SERVICE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

Elders: Bob Hutchison/Tom Waddell

Greeter: Donna Pickler

Reader: Bill Young

Acolyte: Michelle Ullerick

Ushers: Glenn Benitz

Scott Ehlers

Altar Care: Linda Young and Irene Hutchison

Cookie & Coffee Service: L. Pommers, K. Taylor & J. Morici /S. McCracken

Pianist: Karen Foote

Praise Band

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 THANKSGIVING

Pastor: We give You thanks, dear Father, for Your promise and presence that have carried through both the joys and sorrows of our lives. We gratefully receive this gift of Christ's body and blood through which we are reminded that we are never alone, and that nothing in all creation can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: You are a people holy to the Lord your God. The Lord your God has chosen you to be a people for His treasured possession. Nothing in all creation will be able to separate you from the love of God in Christ Jesus. 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.

HYMN

“Built on the Rock”



1 Built on the Rock the Church shall stand E - ven when
2 Sure - ly in tem - ples made with hands God, the Most
3 We are God's house of liv - ing stones, Built for His
5 Grant, then, O God, Your will be done, That, when the



stee - ples are fall - ing. Crum - bled have spires in
High, is not dwell - ing; High a - bove earth His
own hab - i - ta - tion. He through bap - tis - mal
church bells are ring - ing, Man - y in sav - ing



ev - 'ry land; Bells still are chim - ing and call -
tem - ple stands, All earth - ly tem - ples ex - cel -
grace us owns Heirs of His won - drous sal - va -
faith may come Where Christ His mes - sage is bring -



ing, Call - ing the young and old to rest,
ling. Yet He who dwells in heav'n a - bove
tion. Were we but two His name to tell,
ing: “I know My own; My own know Me.



But a - bove all the souls dis - tressed,
Choos - es to live with us in love,
Yet He would deign with us to dwell
You, not the world, My face shall see.



Long - ing for rest ev - er - last - ing.
Mak - ing our bod - ies His tem - ple.
With all His grace and His fa - vor.
My peace I leave with you. A - men.”

Text: Nikolai Fredrik Severin Grundtvig, 1783–1872, abr.; tr. Carl Döving, 1867–1937, alt.
Tune: Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812–87
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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.
Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love, that receiving what You have promised, we may love what You have commanded; 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 *Deuteronomy 7:6-9*

(God's has chosen you to be a people for His treasured possession.)

(After the reading is read.)

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE *Romans 8:28-39*

(Nothing shall separate us from God's love.)

(After the reading is read.)

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN

“Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness”



1 Je - sus, Thy blood and righ - teous - ness My beau - ty
2 Bold shall I stand in that great day, Cleansed and re -
3 Lord, I be - lieve Thy pre - cious blood, Which at the
5 When from the dust of death I rise To claim my



are, my glo - rious dress; Midst flam - ing worlds, in
deemed, no debt to pay; Ful - ly ab - solved through
mer - cy seat of God Pleads for the cap - tives'
man - sion in the skies, This then shall be my



these ar - rayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.
these I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
lib - er - ty, Was al - so shed in love for me.
on - ly plea: Je - sus hath lived and died for me.

Text: Nicolaus Ludwig von Zinzendorf, 1700-60; tr. John B. Wesley, 1703-91, alt.
Tune: George J. Elvey, 1816-93
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“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”



1 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in Thee;
 2 Not the la - bors of my hands Can ful - fill Thy Law's de-mands;
 3 Noth - ing in my hand I bring; Sim - ply to Thy cross I cling,
 4 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, When mine eye - lids close in death,

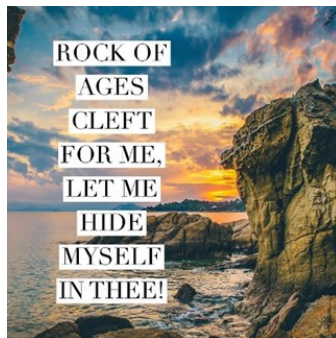


Let the wa - ter and the blood, From Thy riv - en side which flowed,
 Could my zeal no res - pite know, Could my tears for - ev - er flow,
 Na - ked, come to Thee for dress; Help - less, look to Thee for grace;
 When I soar to worlds un-known, See Thee on Thy judg-ment throne,



Be of sin the dou - ble cure: Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
 All for sin could not a - tone; Thou must save, and Thou a - lone.
 Foul, I to the foun-tain fly; Wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.
 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in Thee.

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“I'm But a Stranger Here”



1 I'm but a strang - er here, Heav'n is my home;
 2 What though the tem - pest rage, Heav'n is my home;
 3 There - fore I mur - mur not, Heav'n is my home;



Earth is a des - ert drear, Heav'n is my home.
 Short is my pil - grim - age, Heav'n is my home;
 What - e'er my earth - ly lot, Heav'n is my home;



Dan - ger and sor - row stand Round me on ev - 'ry hand;
 And time's wild win - try blast Soon shall be o - ver - past;
 And I shall sure - ly stand There at my Lord's right hand;



Heav'n is my fa - ther - land, Heav'n is my home.
 I shall reach home at last, Heav'n is my home.
 Heav'n is my fa - ther - land, Heav'n is my home.

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HOLY GOSPELMatthew 13:44-52

(The objects of God's love.)

Pastor : The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 13th 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 are dismissed for summer Sunday School.

HYMN OF THE DAY *Praise Band* **“Come Ye Sinners, and Needy”**
(Amy Grant and Fernando Ortega)

MESSAGE **“He Bought the Farm-Including the Barnes”**

Matthew 13:44-52

Pastor Mike Schultze

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.**

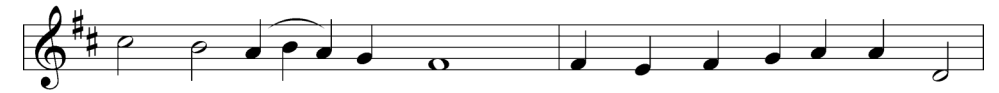
**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of
the world to come. Amen**

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



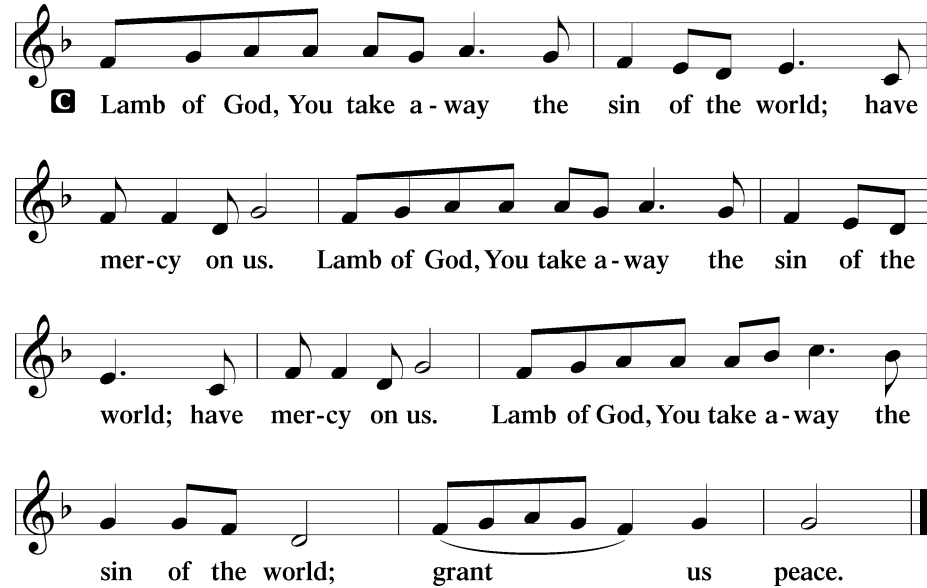
our vic - to - rious King, Who has washed us in the tide
sa - cred blood for wine, Gives His bod - y for the feast—
an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go
vic - tim, pas - chal bread; With sin - cer - i - ty and love



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!



AGNUS DEI



□ 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.

(Please be seated)

SONG

Praise Band **“My Hallelujah”** (Brian & Katie Torwalt)

OFFERING

(Please sign and fill out the fellowship book and pass it down. When finished, pass it back down to the center aisle seat and the ushers will pick it up after the service.)

VOLUNTARY *Praise Band* **“Promises”** (Maverick City)

OFFERTORY

“Let the Vineyards”



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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

+ SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION +

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

Colossians 3:1

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

Psalms 136

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

PROPER PREFACE

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, who was left alone in the garden and on the cross so that we are never alone, not even in death. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS



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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

*Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24
Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the 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 cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI

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

People: And also with you.