Peace Lutheran Church

"Peace Through Christ"

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 14, 2023



As We Gather The Gospel presents to us what at first glance should undoubtedly be a contradiction: living stones. A stone has no life in it. Stones do not breathe; they cannot speak. They are virtually the definition of dead-how can a stone be living? Yet we hear that Jesus is a "living stone rejected by men" and in Christ Jesus we, too, are living stones (1 Peter 2:4–5). How can this be? God has made us from something that should be dead in sin into something alive in Christ. Christ, the foundation of the Church and of our lives, is the Cornerstone on which we are built. Christ has taken our feeble, sinful selves and made us a holy, kingly, priestly, and chosen people. Thanks and praise be to God!

<u>Welcome Children</u>- A cry room is located near the church entryway. Please see an usher for guidance.

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

RINGING OF THE BELL
PRELUDE
WELCOME

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS- begins at 10:20am and concludes at 10:55am in the *Sanctuary*. (This will allow an opportunity for all members to attend a Bible class regardless of which service they choose for worship.)

<u>TUESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY</u> meets @ 10am in the Coffee House. Our study is on the book of Luke. Come join us! For more info, contact Connie at 805-987-5116.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY- This study 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.

THE LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY has begun a new study on Bible Feasts on Thursdays at 10 AM via Zoom. Participants learn about Jewish food customs, the meaning of each feast, and the promises about the eternal feast in heaven. Blaine or Diana Wanke for more info @ 805-490-8212.

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.

<u>THE 2023 FLOWER CHART SIGN-UP</u> is posted in the Narthex. 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 narthex.

VBS VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP IS POSTED ON THE WHITE BOARD!- Join the Babylon fun 6/19-23rd from 9-noon. We can use a few more helping hands. **Staff meeting will be June 4**th @12:30. Find out what you can do to help. Call Linda La Jeunesse at the office for more info.805-482-3313.

SPRING CLEANING-Every month or two we will be targeting different areas of our church to clean. The projects are only 1-2 hours long. Our next one will be cleaning the nurseries scheduled for **NEXT Saturday, May 20th at 9am.** If enough people show up we will clean both nurseries. If you are available, please join us. If you have any suggestions for areas to clean, please contact Diana Wanke 805-490-8212.

THIS WEEK AT PEACE May 14, 2023

Sunday: 9:00 am Traditional Service

9:20 am Sunday School

11:00 am Praise Communion Service (FH) 1:30 pm New Life Christian Fellowship

4:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH)

Monday: Office Closed

Tuesday:10:00 am Ladies Bible Study (PH)

7:00 pm Council Meeting

Wednesday:10:00 am Luther's Attic Volunteers

6:30 pm A.C.A. Women's Support Group

Thursday: 9:30 am Thursday Morning Bible Study

10:00 am Lifelight Bible Study

5:45 pm Handbell Practice (Sanctuary)

6:00 pm Girl Scouts (FH)

7:00 pm Choir Practice (Sanctuary)

Saturday: 9:00 am SPRING CLEANING

Please Pray For...

HEALTH AND HEALING: Ashley (Sandi Stepp's niece), Brandee Brand, Brian Derozer, Beverly Gandy, Helen (friend of Carol Yung), 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), Mike Reuter, Tim Schmidt, Don Schultz, David Stafford, 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, 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.

DOOR OFFERING TO SUPPORT INTERNATIONAL GOSPEL MINISTRY -

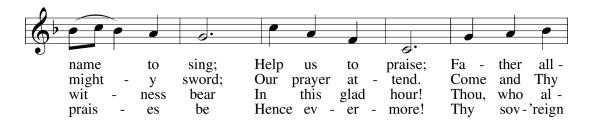
pastors and lay leaders. Please pray for Paul and Gena as they serve in Indonesia. We will be collecting a door offering **Next Sunday, May 21st** to help support their work. Thank you fo_f your generosity.

+ PREPARATION +

OPENING HYMN

"Come, Thou Almighty King"









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THOSE WHO SERVE US TODAY MAY 14, 2023

9:00 am

11:00 am

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the

Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done

marvelous things!

INVOCATION and OPENING SENTENCES

People: His right hand and his holy arm have worked

salvation for him.

Pastor: The LORD has made known his salvation; he has

revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

People: He has remembered his steadfast love and

faithfulness to the house of Israel.

Pastor: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our

God.

People: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break

forth into joyous song and sing praises!

Pastor: The righteous shall be glad; they shall exult before God;

they shall be jubilant with joy!

People: Sing to God, sing praises to His name; lift up a song

to Him.

Pastor: Rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings

People: that You may also rejoice and be glad when His

glory is revealed.

Elder: Dave Schmidt Dave Hutter/Phil Hamilton

Greeter: Carol Yung

Readers: Bill Young Tom Waddell

Acolyte: Lucas Williamson

Ushers: Glenn Benitz

Scott Ehlers

Altar Care: Nancy Fitch & Sonja Manzer/Rachael Ylizaliturri & Jane Morici

Cookie & Coffee Service: P. Frye, L. Langston and D. Markley

Organist: Karen Foote

THOSE WHO SERVE US NEXT SUNDAY MAY 21, 2023

9:00 am 11:00 am

Elder: Dave Schmidt Dave Hutter/Phil Hamilton

Greeter: Charlo Stuart

Readers: Linda Young Brian Nomi

Acolyte: Blake Denninger

Ushers: Mike McCracken

Tom La Jeunesse

Rick Poore

Altar Care: Nancy Fitch & Sonja Manzer /Rachael Ylizaliturri & Jane Morici

Cookie & Coffee Service: P. Frye, L. Langston and D. Markley

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Choir Accompanist: Sandy Haven
Choir Director: Linda La Jeunesse

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 His favor and + give you peace.

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"



ANNOUNCEMENTS POSTLUDE

ALTAR FLOWERS: Given to the glory of God by Gary and Karen Taylor in celebration of their 40th anniversary.

ATTENDANCE ON 5/7/23: 9:00am- 11:00am- Total: Sunday School:

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of

God,

People: so that at the proper time He may exalt you.

1 Peter 5:6

Pastor: In repentant faith, we come before the Lord in

confession.

(Silence for reflection)

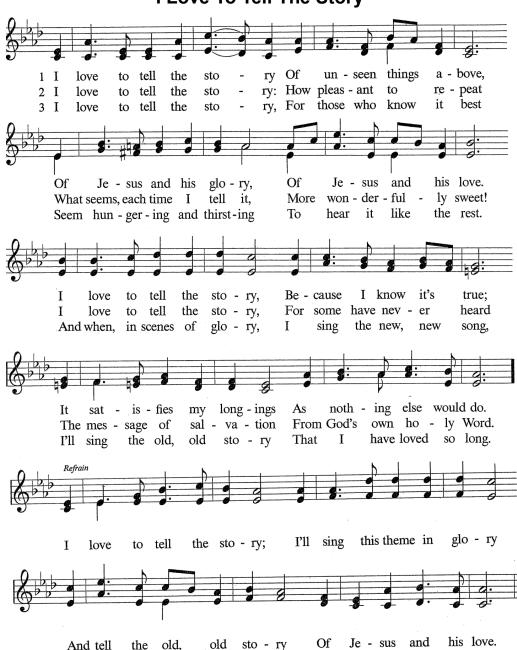
Pastor: Almighty God, merciful Father,

People: we, who are by nature sinful and separated from You, confess our sinfulness. We have sinned by thinking only of ourselves, not others, by saying words that hurt, not heal, and our actions that do not show love, but indifference. How often we have failed to cast our anxieties on You. How often we have failed to live in the oneness You give. Forgive us for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

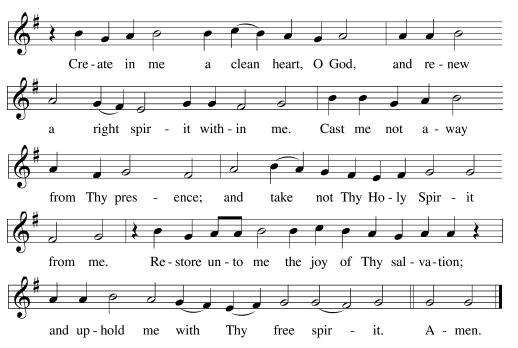
Pastor: Our sins have been washed away by the blood of Jesus, our Lord. That is the gospel, God's good news to all who believe in Jesus. Your faith, God's free gift in baptism, has saved you. All your sins have been forgiven, in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen. Thanks be to God.

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GOOD NEWS "I Love To Tell The Story"



"Create in Me"



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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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.

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,

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.)

VOLUNTARY

COLLECT

Pastor: Let us pray.

King of glory, Lord of hosts, You are uplifted in triumph far above the heavens. We pray, do not leave us without comfort, but send us the promised Spirit of truth, that in Him, we may be one. For you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

+ WORD OF GOD +

FIRST READING Acts 17:16–31

(After the reading)

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

(After the reading)

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!



HYMN

"Christ Is Our Cornerstone"



- cor ner stone, On Him a lone Christ is our build;
- 2 Here may we gain from heav'n The grace which we plore,
- 3 Oh, then, with hymns of praise These hal lowed courts shall ring;



With His true saints a - lone The courts of heav'n are filled. On His And may that grace, once giv'n, Be with us ev - er - more Un - til Our voic - es we will raise The Three in One to sing And thus



great love Our hopes we place Of pres-ent grace And joys a - bove. that day When all the blest To end-less rest Are called a - way. pro - claim In joy - ful song, Both loud and long, That glo - rious name.

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Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 14th chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord!

(After the Gospel is read)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord. People: Praise to You, O Christ.

(Children are dismissed for Sunday School)

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Voices Raised to You We Offer"



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!

MESSAGE