

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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IN OUR PRAYERS we remember: Marcia Neelly and Beverly Baker

ORDER OF WORSHIP: Order of Service Hymns 803 662 821

THIS WEEK AT PEACE AND ENGLISH:

May 15 8:30 a.m. Worship at English

May 15 10:15 a.m. Worship at Peace

May 15 9:00 a.m. Christian Growth

May 17 No 10:00 a.m. Bible Study Class

May 17 No 6:30 p.m. Bible Study at English

May 18 No Noon Bible Study Class

May 21 9:00 a.m. Women's Prayer Group

HYMN OF THE DAY: Our hymn of the day is *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus*. This hymn transports us to the worship of heaven. Jesus sits in glory, his the scepter, his the throne. But while Jesus reigns on high, receiving the thunderous praise of heaven, he is also present on earth. How could we forget his promise, "I am with you evermore?" Because he is a great king, because he is continually with us, because his blood has redeemed people from every nation, we lift our voices and unite to join the heavenly chorus, "Alleluia, sing to Jesus!"

A WORD: Our first reading tells the story of how God revealed to the apostle Peter that the salvation won by Christ is for the Gentiles as well. Indeed, that salvation is for all people, men, women, and children of every tribe and tongue. In the Gospel reading, Jesus promises that we will see him again, and that when we do, our sorrow will turn to joy.

The reading from Revelation is a picture of heaven. The church of God is described as a city, the new Jerusalem, and as a bride adorned for her husband. In the center of this city is God, who wipes away every tear, lifts every burden, and carries away all sorrow. In the presence of God and of the Lamb, all we will know for eternity is joy.

BIBLE READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Acts 16:9-15 Revelation 21:9-27
John 16:23-33

ABOUT THE BULLETIN COVER: After Christ's resurrection, the Holy Spirit took the Lord's words to the disciples and opened their minds to understand all that He had taught. The Spirit is always working in and through the Word to bring about faith among us and all believers. Whenever we gather around Word and Sacrament, the Spirit is at work, drawing us close to the redeeming words of Jesus.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES: Today we honor the following Seniors-Kaylee Davis, Ellie Dieren, Nathan Miss and Justin Olson. We wish them the best in their plans for the future.

CONFIRMATION: As announced at the last voter's meeting, I am rethinking how to do confirmation. But this task is simply too big, too important, and too meaningful in the life of the church for me to do it alone. Therefore, I am asking everyone at Peace to get involved. We will have three forums over the summer to discuss the purpose of confirmation and how to do it better. We will meet after church on May 29, June 12, and July 10. If you are a leader in the church, a parent of a confirmation age child, or passionate about forming faith in the next generation, you are invited and encouraged to come. **Pastor Alex**

THANK YOU: Thank you to all who set-up, donated and purchased items at the rummage sale on Friday. We appreciated your help and participation. **Daughters of Peace**

GOD'S WONDER LAB WILL BE OUR VBS THEME THIS YEAR. We are very excited for this summer's program! VBS will be Monday, June 6 through Friday, June 10 from 8:30-11:45. To register, please visit our church website and click register for VBS. VBS is in need of volunteers for the kitchen, crafts, and also teachers! What a great opportunity to connect with our youth! We are also accepting snack donations! Please let Natalie Larson know if you are able to help out, her number is 719-641-7547. Thank you in advance.

BLESSINGS JAR: TODAY, May 15th and the Third Sunday of every month, the Blessings Jar will be on the table in the sanctuary. If you feel blessed by having another birthday, anniversary, child, grandchild, or anything you feel thankful and blessed for receiving, you can place a donation in the Blessings Jar. All proceeds will be used for missions.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND: If you wish to donate to the Scholarship Fund to assist Peace Lutheran members with college tuition, mark your offering envelope with the words "Scholarship Fund" and your donation will be put into that fund.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY: A new pictorial church directory is in the planning stages. The Committee needs updated information on all members. Please complete one of the information sheets that are on the table in the Fellowship Hall and return it to the church office. Thank you all for your assistance in getting up-to-date information.

ALTAR COMMITTEES: Altar Committee for June at Peace is Viola McKenney and Michelle Stewart and at English it is Wanda Wulf.

THIS MONTH Daughters of Peace will collect dish soap, hand soap, detergent, fabric softener, etc. for Atlas. Thank you all for your support in our monthly projects.

USHERING TODAY is Team 6: Steve Janssen, Aaron Janssen, Jesse Janssen, Arnold Vogel, Robert Mc Kenney, Gary Dieren, Adam Vogel **Next Sunday is Team 1:** Keith Lambert, Bob Iwen, Lucas Larson, Devin Olson, Justin Olson

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

HYMN 803: JOYFUL, JOYFUL WE ADORE THEE

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(Brief Silence for Inward Confession)

P O almighty God, merciful Father,
C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

INTROIT

Psalm 98:2–6; antiphon: v. 1

Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!
His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.
The LORD has made known his salvation;
he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;

break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,

with the lyre and the sound of melody!

With trumpets and the sound of the horn

make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!

His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.

C O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING

Acts 11:1–18

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6

Christ has risen from the dead.

God the Father has crowned him with glory and honor.

He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

he has put all things under his feet.

EPISTLE

Revelation 21:1–7

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

VERSE

Romans 6:9; John 14:23

Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. Alleluia. If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 16:12–22

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

After the Reading

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

APOSTLES' CREED

C 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.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN 662: ONWARD CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS

SERMON

OFFERTORY

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C Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.
Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

BENEDICTION

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P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.
C Amen.

HYMN 821: ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS

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