

# Peace United Church of Christ

208 E Maurer Street

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Sunday July 3, 2022 – 9:00 AM

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Order of Worship  
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**PRELUDE**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/INTRODUCTION**

**OPENING HYMN**

“This is the Day”

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**PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: May a joyful sound to the Holy One. Let the earth rejoice.

Many: **How awesome are your works, O Sovereign!**

One: Creation groans under the pressure of war, environmental abuse, and communal disconnection.

Many: **We cry out to you, Present God, and you hear and respond.**

One: You turn our mourning into movement and stir our souls to action and to rest.

Many: **Everlasting God, we will give thanks and praise you for you clothe us in joy and peace.**

**UNISON INVOCATION**

God with us, you send us into the world as your agents of restoration and change. You speak to us in the stillness of our rest and the chaos of a frenzied world. You guide us in troubling times, and you move us to dance in celebration. We give thanks for your presence among us. Open all points of receptivity within us as we worship you, Holy and Living God. Amen.

**PRAYER FOR TRANSFORMATION AND NEW LIFE**

Spirit of the Living God, temptation surrounds us. Self-preservation lures us to indifference. Fear of confrontation coaxes us to keep silent about things that matter. The desire to be right entices us to ignore the cries of our neighbors. Too often we ignore the call to go and to be in favor of staying stuck in our attitudes and behaviors. Too often, we are the ones who refuse to welcome you into our intimate

space, who resist the work of transformation, and who remain unresponsive to the burdens of our siblings in creation. Spirit of Gentleness, redirect us back to the path of life, the way of justice, and the hope of peace. Amen.

## **WORDS OF GRACE**

Our Companion and Advocate takes this journey with us. Our invitation to make the kingdom of God our dwelling place continually renews. The Righteous One opens the door and eases our entry into new life, new mercy, and new grace.

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**NEW TESTAMENT:** Galatians 6:1-16

My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. <sup>2</sup>Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. <sup>3</sup>For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. <sup>4</sup>All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. <sup>5</sup>For all must carry their own loads. <sup>6</sup>Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher. <sup>7</sup>Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. <sup>8</sup>If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. <sup>9</sup>So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up. <sup>10</sup>So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

<sup>11</sup>See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! <sup>12</sup>It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. <sup>13</sup>Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. <sup>14</sup>May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. <sup>15</sup>For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! <sup>16</sup>As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

**GOSPEL:** Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. <sup>2</sup>He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers

into his harvest. <sup>3</sup>Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. <sup>4</sup>Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. <sup>5</sup>Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' <sup>6</sup>And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. <sup>7</sup>Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. <sup>8</sup>Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; <sup>9</sup>cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' <sup>10</sup>But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, <sup>11</sup>'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'

<sup>16</sup>“Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.” <sup>17</sup>The seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!” <sup>18</sup>He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. <sup>19</sup>See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. <sup>20</sup>Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

## **MESSAGE**

“Together in Ministry”

## **PASTORAL PRAYER**

## **HYMN**

“I Love to Tell the Story”

#522

## **UCC MOMENT**

## **INVITATION TO GENEROSITY**

The generous life responds to the call to mutuality and burden sharing. The generous life recognizes the abundance of creation and trusts the generosity of the Giver of every good and perfect gift. The generous life follows the steps of Jesus in meeting needs, spreading hope, and sharing love.

## **DOXOLOGY**

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## **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Creator, bless these gifts that we bring to this community and the world. May our time be used preciously, our treasure shared faithfully, and our talents demonstrated gloriously in your name. Amen.

## **HYMN**

“Jesus Took the Bread”

#343 vs. 1 & 4

## **SERVICE OF COMMUNION**

### **COMMUNION PRAYER**

One: God be with you

All: **And also with you**

One: We lift up our hearts and give thanks to God who meets us where we are.

Let us pray:

**Holy and loving God, we offer thanks for this day—for the beauty of the earth, for your love and care for every creature, for this table that is before us. We offer gratitude for the community that surrounds this table, and for the many tables and faces we cannot see that make up this ceremonial banquet. We rejoice that you call the entire human family to this marvelous mosaic. We offer prayers for those without tables to gather around, without food to eat, without beverage to quench their thirst. Communion and community are for them too. We are humbled by this reality, and as we prepare to receive this gift of grace, remind us to be gracious with one another. Meet us in our striving, and hear us as we pray the words that Jesus taught us, saying:**

**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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

### **WORDS OF REMEMBERING**

God, we remember that on the night of betrayal and desertion, Jesus took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread and gave it to the disciples, saying: “This is my body which is broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way, Jesus also took the cup, after supper, saying: “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

**PRAYER OF CONSECRATION**

Consecrate, therefore, by your Holy Spirit, these gifts of bread and wine, and bless us that as we receive them at this table, we may offer you our faith and praise, we may be united with Christ and with one another, and we may continue faithful in all things.

Congregational Response:

**In the strength Christ gives us, we offer ourselves to you, eternal God, and give thanks that you have called us to serve you. Amen.**

**SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS**

Come, for all things are ready.

Eat this, for it is the body of Christ, broken for you.

Drink this, for it is the blood of Christ, shed for you.

**BENEDICTION**

Go on your way into the harvest as laborers bringing good news into a world of need. Go on your way as companions of one another, of the Spirit, and of Christ. Go on your way in the assurance that the God of peace goes with you, before you, and behind you. Go in peace. Amen.

**CLOSING HYMN**

“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”

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**Calendar at Peace Church:**

Sun., July 3: 9:00 AM Worship – Communion  
7:00 PM AA Meeting

Mon., July 4: Independence Day – Church Office Closed

Thurs., July 7: 1:30 PM Thursday Worship – Communion

Sat. July 9: 9:00 AM Grace Trail Walk

Sun., July 10: 9:00 AM Worship – New Member Sunday  
7:00 PM AA Mtg.

Church Office Summer Hours: Monday thru Thursday 8:30 AM till 2:00 PM., Friday 9:00 AM till noon.

## Prayer Concerns and Celebrations:

*Call the church office (715.526.2916) if you would like to put yourself or a loved one on the prayer list.*

### Joys

Birthdays: 7/2: Bea Nicolai, Kurt Schroeder; 7/3: Kelly Lacy; 7/4: Rick Herzfeldt, Sharon Popp; 7/5: Bill Theis; 7/9: Clayton Blom, Eric Crawford

Anniversaries: 7/1: Randy & Mary Bohm; 7/7: Sarah & Todd Swedberg; 7/10: Ben & Angie Ruehle

### Concern

Barbara Minster

Lori Mueller

Leola Anderson

Gary Gurnee

Brian Wescott

Mike Winkler

Roland Dobratz

Jovy Laatsch

All our homebound members

Those serving in the military: Mike Hert, Shayne Lanou, Adam Larson, Ian McNerney and Ryan McNerney.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS: July 10: Amos 7:7-17 and Psalm 82, Deuteronomy 30:9-14 and Psalm 25:1-10, Colossians 1:1-14, Luke 10:25-37

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**Grace Trail Walk: July 9th!** Come join us for a Grace Trail Walk Saturday morning! We'll meet at the church at 9:00 AM and car pool from there to the trail at 286 Northridge Dr. in Shawano, WI! What is a Grace Trail? It is a contemplative, 1 mile trail, that offers questions for us to ponder along the route. G. What am I grateful for? R. What do I need to release? A. What do I need to accept? C. How would I like to challenge myself? E. What can I embrace as possible? We'll walk this journey together and then head for coffee afterwards to discuss our experience!

Welcome  
to our  
New Members

**New Member Sunday: July 10th!** Come join us as we celebrate our new members and covenant with them to support one another as the Peace UCC family! This is a special and significant moment in the life of the church, we hope to see many of you there!

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**Worship in the Park: August 7th!** Come join us at Kuckuk Park for a shorter than normal, certainly buggier, and completely wholesome outdoor service with communion! Then stick around for a church picnic potluck with yard games, good times, and great memories to be made! Bring a dish to pass, a lawn chair, and your active clothes and come prepared for a wonderful experience!

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**THURSDAY SERVICES:** Throughout the summer months we have decided to move our Thursday Services to the first and third Thursday each month. They will resume to every Thursday sometime in the early fall/late summer. The first Thursday each month will have communion.