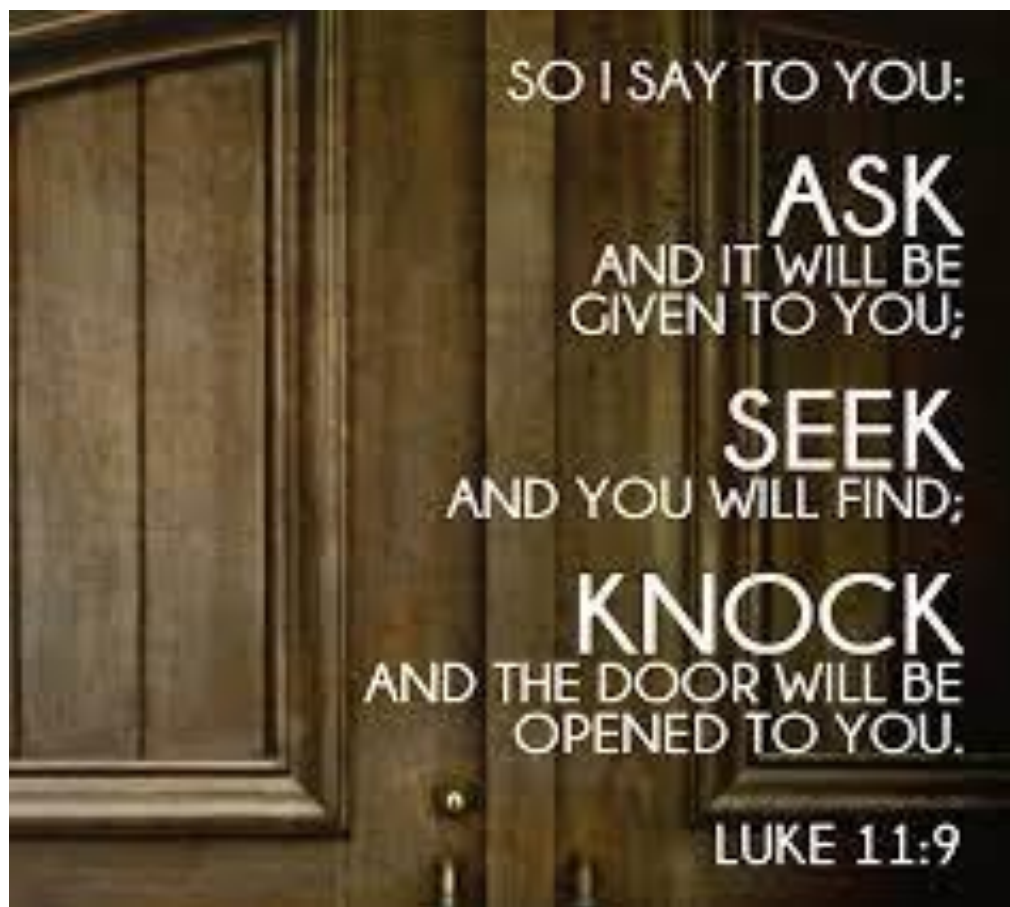


# Peace United Church of Christ

208 E Maurer Street

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Sunday July 24, 2022 – 9:00 AM

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**world, the lure of self-righteousness, and the appeal of comfort over justice. Embolden us to believe that another world is possible and empower us to participate in its creation. Amen.**

## **WORDS OF GRACE**

The One who is holy and righteous makes us holy and righteous. We are participants, heirs, and co-creators of new life found in the redemptive love of Jesus Christ and in the realm of the Holy One which has no end. In this, grace abounds and liberates us to new mornings, new mercies, and new life.

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**HEBREW BIBLE:** Genesis 18:20-32

<sup>20</sup>Then the LORD said, “How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! <sup>21</sup>I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know.” <sup>22</sup>So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD.

<sup>23</sup>Then Abraham came near and said, “Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? <sup>24</sup>Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? <sup>25</sup>Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?” <sup>26</sup>And the LORD said, “If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake.” <sup>27</sup>Abraham answered, “Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. <sup>28</sup>Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?” And he said, “I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.” <sup>29</sup>Again he spoke to him, “Suppose forty are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of forty I will not do it.” <sup>30</sup>Then he said, “Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there.” He answered, “I will not do it, if I find thirty there.” <sup>31</sup>He said, “Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it.” <sup>32</sup>Then he said, “Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.”

## **GOSPEL:** Luke 11:1-13

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.”<sup>2</sup> He said to them, “When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come.<sup>3</sup> Give us each day our daily bread.<sup>4</sup> And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial.”<sup>5</sup> And he said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread;<sup>6</sup> for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.’<sup>7</sup> And he answers from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.’<sup>8</sup> I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.<sup>9</sup> “So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you.<sup>10</sup> For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.<sup>11</sup> Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish?<sup>12</sup> Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion?<sup>13</sup> If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

## **MESSAGE**

### **PASTORAL PRAYER/THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**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.**

## **HYMN**

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

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## **UCC MOMENT**

### **INVITATION TO GENEROSITY**

Compassion stirs us to generous action and hopeful giving. We share the abundance of our resources and spread the gifts we have received for the good of the world and the work of the kingdom.



**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: 7/21: Pete Schroeder; 7/23: Cassandra Whitehouse; 7/25: Lola Kaczor; 7/26: Bonnie Gurnee, Hunter Staniforth; 7/27: Vicky Jones; 7/28: Jeff Langlois; 7/30: Julie Nelson

Anniversaries:

Concern

Barbara Minster

Lori Mueller

Leola Anderson

Gary Gurnee

Mike Winkler

Roland Dobratz

All our homebound members

Those serving in the military: Jackson Smits, Ian & Ryan McNerney

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SCRIPTURE LESSONS: July 31: Hosea 11:1-11 and Psalm 107:1-9, 43, Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23 and Psalm 49:1-12, Colossians 3:1-11, Luke 12:13-21

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**COMMUNITY DINNERS**

The Shawano Presbyterian Church is reinstituting their Community Meals this year! They have reached out to organizations and churches around town, to include here at Peace, to see if we would be available/interested to cover one session of this wonderful community event this year. If you are interested in learning more or helping out, please reach out to the church office to let us know!



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**USHERS**



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As we now pass the plates again for offering, we are reaching out to find volunteers to usher during worship services. If this is a service to the church you would be interested in fulfilling, please sign up on the sign up sheet posted on the yellow bulletin board. Thank you for your continued dedication to this church!

## **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.

