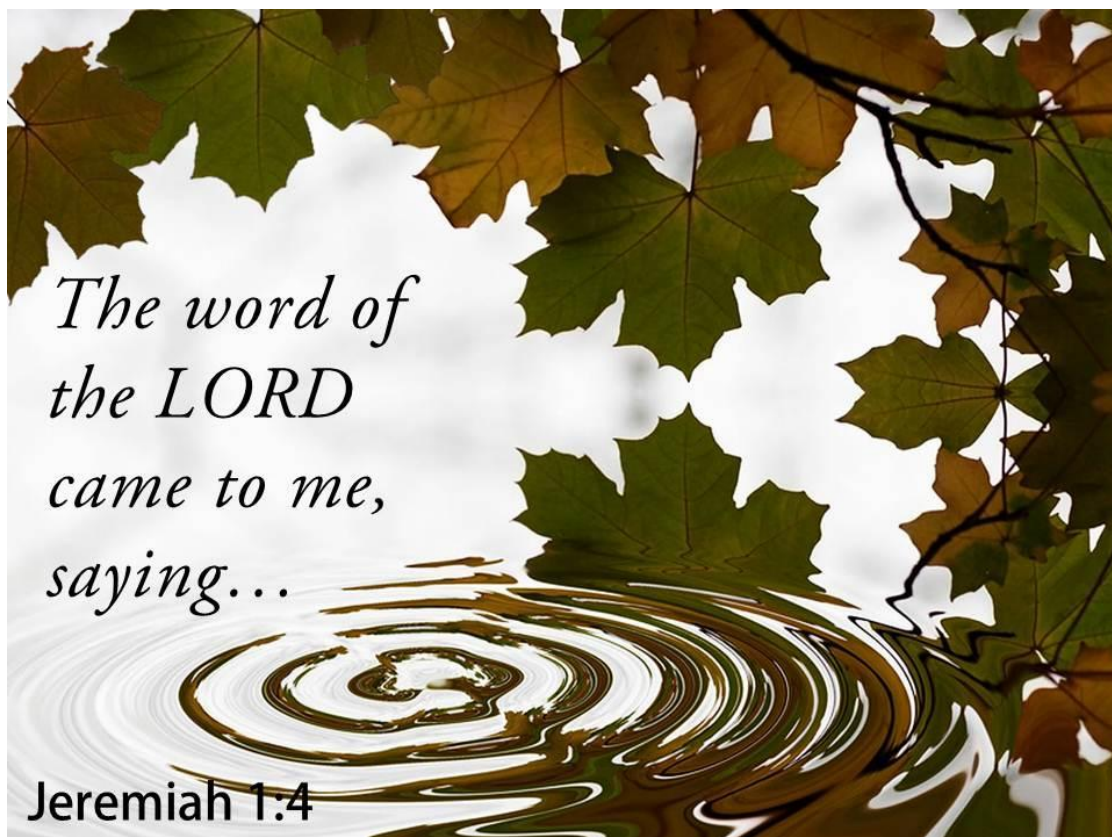


# Peace United Church of Christ

208 E Maurer Street  
Shawano, WI 54166



Sunday August 21, 2022 – 9:00 AM

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Order of Worship  
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**PRELUDE** “I Lift My Eyes Up/How Firm a Foundation” - Doerksen, arr. Tornquist

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/INTRODUCTION**

**OPENING HYMN** “Lead On Eternal Sovereign” #573

**PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Our God knows us intimately.

Many: **God, you knew us before we knew us before we knew ourselves.**

One: Our God is holy.

Many: **Holy God, you consecrate us.**

One: Our God will reassure.

Many: **Holy God, you will give us words to speak.**

**UNISON INVOCATION**

**Mothering God, we rejoice that you placed us in the womb and called us forth. You called us forth to build and to plant. Give us the blueprint as we build and bless our hands as we plant. We rejoice in knowing that our steps are guided by you, and you are reliable. We delight ourselves in your presence and give thanks as you deliver us from fear and let your love have its way in us. Embolden us to speak your truth to power and let the power of your truth always be evident in us. Amen.**

**HYMN** “Come O Fount” #459

**PRAYER FOR TRANSFORMATION AND NEW LIFE**

**Transforming God, too often we have been afraid to speak out against the injustices of this world. We have worshipped in ways that made us feel good rather than honor you in our words and deed. Show us the path to faithful living. Show us how to build beloved and just communities. Teach us how to do**

**your work in this world. Empower us to plant seeds of love, faith, and hope. May we bloom where we have been planted to your glory.**

## **WORDS OF GRACE**

The Mystery we name God, leads us into all truth. Feel the gentle nudges without and within, helping us to course correct. Life in the Spirit is not static, and neither are we. Let the grace of God help us to build that which last and plant what nourishes.

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

HEBREW BIBLE: Jeremiah 1:4-10

<sup>4</sup>Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, <sup>5</sup>“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.” <sup>6</sup>Then I said, “Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.” <sup>7</sup>But the LORD said to me, “Do not say, ‘I am only a boy’; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you, <sup>8</sup>Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD.” <sup>9</sup>Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, “Now I have put my words in your mouth. <sup>10</sup>See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.”

GOSPEL: Luke 14:1, 7-14

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

<sup>7</sup>When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. <sup>8</sup>“When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; <sup>9</sup>and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, ‘Give this person your place,’ and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. <sup>10</sup>But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher’; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. <sup>11</sup>For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.” <sup>12</sup>He said also to the one who had invited him, “When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. <sup>13</sup>But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the

crippled, the lame, and the blind. <sup>14</sup>And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

**MESSAGE** “Humility in Calls”

### **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** “How Can I Say Thanks” #14

### **UCC MOMENT**

#### **INVITATION TO GENEROSITY**

The Divine source is the one from whom all blessings flow. We have an eternal invitation to bring our resources to God’s house to use for the building of kingdom and as seed that there might be a continual harvest. These acts reflect the God who knows us and the God who calls us.

**OFFERTORY** “Cornerstone” - arr. Keveren

**DOXOLOGY** #780

#### **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Fount of Every Blessing, receive these gifts in the joy in which we bring them. May they bless your church universally, our community and our world. May none suffer lack and may we always give from generous hearts. May we always take joy in being blessed to give and to share with you and each other. Amen.**

#### **BENEDICTION**

As you depart from this sacred space, do so fearlessly for God’s word is in you. Go and build beloved community wherever you roam and plant seeds of love, faith, and hope. Amen

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**Calendar at Peace Church:**

- Sun., Aug. 19: 9:00 AM Worship  
1:00 PM Youth Tubing Event  
7:00 PM AA Meeting
- Tues., Aug. 23: 10:00 AM Missions
- Thurs., Aug. 25: NO Worship

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

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SCRIPTURE LESSONS: August 28: Jeremiah 2:4-13 and Psalm 81:1, 10-16, Sirach 10:12-18 or Proverbs 25:6-7 and Psalm 112, Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16, Luke 14:1, 7-14

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**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: 8/18: Jim Gueths; 8/20: Nicholas Boardman, Kasey Cross; 8/26: Charles Marohl, Alice Popp; 8/28: Kate Smits

Anniversaries: 8/22: Kurt & Elaine Schreoder

Concern

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| Barbara Minster | Lori Mueller | Leola Anderson |
| Gary Gurnee     | Mike Winkler |                |

All our homebound members

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

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**RESCHEDULED YOUTH GROUP DAY!**

Join us **TODAY**, August 21<sup>ST</sup> for a youth group event! We are planning on tubing the Wolf River starting at 1:00 PM. Meet us at the church and we can carpool over to the start point. After we finish tubing, we will plan on grilling some food, having a picnic, and setting up some yard games to play (location pending)! Any youth are invited to join us from 6th grade to include this year's graduates, no church membership required! Hope to see you there!





## COMMUNITY DINNERS

The Shawano Presbyterian Church is reinstating 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

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!



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## LOOKING FOR CUSTODIAL VOLUNTEERS



Due to personal reasons, Lu has needed to take a leave of absence until mid-October. We are looking for people who might be interested in volunteering to help keep our church

clean. If we could get a group of 3 or 4 together who would be willing to help us out for these few months, it would probably only be around a 2 or 3 hour time commitment each week. Please reach out to the church office if you would be willing to volunteer!

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## CHARLIE'S RED BARN SEPTEMBER 8, 9, AND 10<sup>TH</sup>

Volunteers will be needed for grilling, assembly of food, and cashier. There will be morning and afternoon shifts. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board in the Great Room.

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SAM25's biggest fundraiser, Empty Bowls, caring hearts is coming up on Saturday, September 10, 2022 from 10 AM till 4 PM or until soup/bowls are gone. You may also do a walk-through tour of shelter/clinic. Purchase a hand-painted, ceramic bowl and soup-to-go along with baked

goods AND view their ONLINE SILENT AUCTION. Event links: [www.sam25.org](http://www.sam25.org) or on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/sam25.org>



