

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

June 21, 2026

WELCOME!

We love that you are here today! Our service is printed for you in this worship folder. Or you can follow the projections on the front wall.

Restrooms are located in the hallway to the right as you exit the worship space, as well as across the hall as you enter into the school.

Quiet room Parents may use the library in the back of this worship space which still enables you to hear/see the service.

A **Connection Card** and pen are found in the pocket of the chair in front of you. Time will be provided to fill it out during the service. You may drop it in the wicker basket along the wall after the service.

THEME: PENTECOST 4 – A GENUINE MINISTRY COMES FROM GOD

Jesus has ascended into heaven. From God's right hand He poured out the Holy Spirit on the Twelve on the Day of Pentecost. He did this to back the proclamation of the Gospel with saving power. For the month of June we are observing the fact that Jesus instituted the public ministry to reach the world with this Gospel in His stead. In particular today, our emphasis is that a genuine ministry comes from God. Your pastors did not presume themselves into the ministry. Christ called and appointed them through His Church. Christ supplies the ministers we need. They are a gift from Christ.

PLEASE RESPECT OUR PRACTICE OF "CLOSE COMMUNION"

Christ says the Sacrament is an expression of unity (1 Co 10:16-17). We WANT to be unified with you on the basis of Christ and His doctrine! Honesty compels us to ask you to WAIT before communing with us: 1) until you've had a chance to find out what we teach; 2) until you make your unity with us evident by membership at Peace. Regular classes are conducted for this purpose (837-5346). WELS & ELS guests please sign a Connection Card and give it to an usher before communing. Thank you.

To prepare for the Lord's Supper you may wish to review pages 295/6 in the blue hymnal.

ABOUT THE HYMNS

- 1) The opening hymn is also known as “Morning Hymn.” It was originally composed in Latin and it is thought the composer was Gregory the Great who lived in the late 500s AD.
- 2) The Hymn of the Day, #897, “Lord Jesus, You Have Come” speaks of how Jesus instituted the public ministry and calls ministers to service. In the Gospel Lesson we hear that Jesus had compassion on the crowds because they were “*harassed and helpless like sheep without a shepherd.*” In keeping with this picture, verse 1 of the hymn states, “*You wisely have ordained the holy ministry that we, your flock, may know the truth that sets us free.*”
- 3) During the distribution of the Lord’s Supper we are singing the hymn “Jesus, Shepherd of the Sheep.” Again, this is tied to the Gospel Lesson. How does Jesus shepherd His sheep today? Through His public ministers who administer His Word and Sacraments.
- 4) Instead of the typical blessing spoken by the pastor, we will sing the blessing together (Hymn #928).

Updated Peace membership directories are available on the back counter.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Presider..... Rev. Luke C. Werre
Sermon Rev. Shaun Arndt
Accompanist..... Mrs. Lynn Proeber
Projection Slides..... Kayla Frank

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THE COMMON SERVICE

Please stand

OPENING HYMN

Father, We Praise You | CW 778



1 Fa - ther, we praise you, now the night is o - ver, ac - tive and
2 Mon - arch of all things, fit us for your man - sions; ban - ish our
3 All - ho - ly Fa - ther, Son, and e - qual Spir - it, Trin - i - ty



watch - ful, stand - ing now be - fore you; sing - ing, we of - fer
weak - ness, health and whole - ness send - ing; bring us to heav - en,
bless - ed, send us your sal - va - tion; yours is the glo - ry,



prayer and med - i - ta - tion: thus we a - dore you.
where your saints u - nit - ed joy with - out end - ing.
gleam - ing and re - sound - ing through all cre - a - tion.

Text: attr. Gregory I, c. 540–604; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867–1936
Tune: Antiphoner, Paris, 1681
Text and tune: Public domain

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS

Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good.¹ For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ², I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G minor (one flat). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the hymn: "Lord, have mer-cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy". The second staff contains the melody for the second line: "on us. Lord, have mer-cy on us. A - men." The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes.

God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of³ the Father and of the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

¹ Sins of “commission” and sins of “omission”

² “Repent and believe the good news!” (Mk 1:15)

³ “in the name of” – which means he is acting on behalf of the triune God.

world; have mer - cy on us.

You are seat - ed at the right hand of the

Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer, re -

ceive our prayer. Glo - ry to God in the

high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. For

you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the

Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. Glo - ry to God in the

high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray... O God, you call messengers to preach peace to those who are near and those who are far off. Grant that by their proclamation many may be brought into your Kingdom and those who already believe in you may be strengthened in their conviction of the truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Please be seated

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Numbers 27:15–23

¹⁵Moses spoke to the LORD, ¹⁶“May the LORD, the God of the spirits of all flesh, appoint a man over the community, ¹⁷who will go out before them and come in before them, who will lead them out and bring them in, so that the community of the LORD will not be like sheep without a shepherd.”

¹⁸The LORD said to Moses, “Take Joshua son of Nun, a man in whom is the Spirit, and place your hand on him. ¹⁹Have him stand in front of Eleazar the priest and the entire community. You will commission him in their sight. ²⁰You will give some of your authority to him so that the entire Israelite community will listen to him. ²¹He will stand before Eleazar the priest, who will inquire for him before the LORD with the decision of the Urim. He and all the Israelites with him, the entire community, will go out at his command and come in at his command.”

²²Moses did just as the LORD commanded him. He took Joshua and had him stand in front of Eleazar the priest and the entire community. ²³He placed his hands on him and commissioned him, just as the LORD spoke through Moses.

The Word of the Lord.

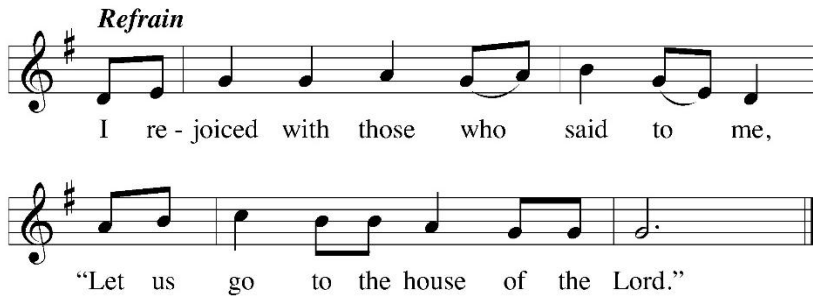
Thanks be to God.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 122

The congregation will sing the refrain and the portions in bold.

Refrain



I re - joiced with those who said to me,
"Let us go to the house of the Lord."

Psalm Tone



I rejoiced with those who / said to me,
"Let us go to the house / of the LORD."
Our feet are standing / in your gates,
O Je- / rusalem.

Refrain

Pray for the peace of Je- / rusalem:

**"May those who love you / be secure.
May there be peace with- / in your walls
and security within your / citadels."**

Refrain

For the sake of my brothers / and friends,
I will say, "Peace be with- / in you."
For the sake of the house of the / LORD our God,
I will seek your pros- / perity.

**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son
and to the Holy / Spirit,
as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen.**

Refrain

¹Jesus called his twelve disciples to himself and gave them authority to drive out unclean spirits and to heal every disease and every sickness. ²These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (who is called Peter) and his brother Andrew; James the son of Zebedee and his brother John; ³Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

⁵Jesus sent these twelve out and commanded them, "Do not go among the Gentiles, and do not enter any town of the Samaritans. ⁶Go instead to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷As you go, preach this message: 'The kingdom of heaven is near!' ⁸Heal the sick. Raise the dead. Cleanse lepers. Drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give."

The Gospel of the Lord.

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



Praise be to you, O Christ! Praise be to you, O Christ!

NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and became truly human.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Please be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord Jesus, You Have Come | **CW 897**

SERMON

Numbers 27:15-23

Shepherd(s) Needed

Please stand when presider indicates

CREATE IN ME

Cre - ate in me a
pure heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with -
in me. Do not cast me a - way from your
pres - ence or take your Ho - ly Spir - it from
me. Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up -
hold, up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Please be seated

MUSICAL OFFERING

A musical offering follows—for meditating on the sermon and signing Connection Cards.

Euphonium – Andrew Schumacher; Title – “If You but Trust in God to Guide You” arr. by Valerie Floeter

Offering plates are by the doors. You may use the QR code to give an electronic offering.



Please stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Lord Jesus, you chose the twelve apostles. You trained them in your sacred truth and sent them into the world to speak on your behalf. We give you thanks for the many opportunities you give us each day to grow in your Holy Word. Help us to believe your promises and to obey your will so that our lives may reflect the beauty of your teachings. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Merciful Savior, the harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. We are experiencing an extreme shortage of pastors and teachers. Please stir the hearts of our young Christians to offer themselves up for the holy ministry. Help us all to regard the public ministry as a high calling and a great privilege. Provide workers in your harvest field for the salvation of many. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Master Teacher, bless our ministerial education system. In particular, bless Martin Luther College in New Ulm and bless Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in Mequon. Give the students open hearts and minds that they may be formed by your Word. Bolster them in your grace when they are struggling. Give to their instructors a Christ-like care for their students and a firm dedication to your truth. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Intercessory prayers

All these things we ask with confidence that you hear us and that you will answer. With this same confidence we join in praying as you have taught us...

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

THE SACRAMENT

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is good and right so to do.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord,

who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock till he comes again in glory.

Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er,



God of might: heav'n and earth are full of your glo -



ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless -

ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san -
na in the high - est. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

O Christ, Lamb of
God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of

God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of
God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. A - men. A - men.

Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION

Please respect our practice of "Close Communion," meaning we commune members of Peace and churches affiliated with Peace. For further explanation, please see inside the front cover of this worship folder. Thank you.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

O Christ, Who Called the Twelve | CW 716

Jesus, Shepherd of the Sheep | CW 551

Please stand when presider indicates

COMMUNION BLESSING

Now may this true body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in the true faith into life everlasting. Your sins are forgiven. The peace of God is with you.


Amen.

THANKSGIVING

SONG OF SIMEON



In peace, Lord, you let your




ser - vant now de - part ac - cord - ing to your word. For my



eyes have seen your sal - va - tion, which you have pre - pared for



ev - 'ry peo - ple, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the



glo - ry, the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

And his mercy endures forever.

We give thanks, Almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

May the Grace of Christ Our Savior | CW 928

May the grace of Christ our Sav - ior and the Fa - ther's
bound - less love with the Ho - ly Spir - it's fa - vor
rest up - on us from a - bove. Thus may we a - bide in
un - ion with each oth - er and the Lord, and pos - sess in
sweet com - mun - ion joys which earth can - not af - ford.

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807 Tune: The Sacred Harp, Philadelphia, 1844 Text and tune: Public domain

Please be seated