

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

October 18, 2026

WELCOME!

We love that you are here today! Our service can be found in the blue hymnal beneath the chair in front of you. Projections are also provided 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: FESTIVAL OF SAINT LUKE, EVANGELIST

In the Christian Church Year October 18 is designated as the Festival of Saint Luke, Evangelist (See blue hymnal, pg XXVII). Luke wrote the Gospel of Luke, the fourth book of the New Testament, but he was not one of the Twelve. He was a doctor (Colossians 4:14). We call him an “evangelist” because he traveled with Paul to do mission work and to spread the Gospel of salvation (e.g. as Luke describes the missionary travels of Paul in Acts 16, he uses the pronoun “we” indicating that Luke was traveling with Paul). Are we worshiping Luke on this day? NO! We are giving thanks to God for blessing His Church on earth through Luke’s example and labor.

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.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Service – Setting Two..... pg. 172 in the blue hymnal
Holy Baptism (10:30 Service)..... pg. 151 in the blue hymnal

Hymns

Opening Hymn	632	<i>Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear</i>
Psalm of the Day	Psalm 139	Page 139 in the Blue Hymnal
Hymn of the Day	892 (v.1,25,3)	<i>By All Your Saints Still Striving</i>
Distribution Hymns	582	<i>Not unto Us</i>
	847	<i>Be Still, My Soul</i>

Scripture Lessons

First Lesson	Isaiah 43:8-13
Second Lesson	2 Timothy 4:5-11
Gospel Lesson	Luke 1:1-4; 24:44-53

Sermon

Luke 1:1-4

REBORN BY WATER AND THE WORD

We rejoice with Michael & Courtney Maruga whose newborn daughter, Avery Elizabeth, will be reborn to eternal life through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism in the 10:30 service! *God saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit (Titus 3:5).*

PASTOR ARNDT

Pastor Arndt is helping out our sister congregation by preaching & conducting services at Lord of Love, DeForest this morning.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Presider	Rev. Luke C. Werre
Sermon	Rev. Jordan Ertl
Keyboard	Mrs. Jennifer Werre
Projection Slides	Kayla Frank

FIRST READING

Isaiah 43:8–13

⁸Bring out the people who are blind, though they have eyes,
and the people who are deaf, though they have ears.

⁹Let all the nations be gathered together,
and let peoples be assembled.

Who among them has declared this?

Who has made known to us the former things?

Let them produce their witnesses to show that they were right,
so that people can hear and say, “This is truth.”

¹⁰You are my witnesses, declares the LORD.

You are my servant, whom I have chosen,
so that you may know me and believe in me,
so that you will understand that I am he.
Before me no god was formed,
and after me there will not be another.

¹¹I, yes I, am the LORD,
and apart from me there is no savior.

¹²I myself declared it.

I brought salvation, and I announced it.
It was not some strange god among you.
You are my witnesses, declares the LORD,
and I am God.

¹³Indeed, from the first day, I am he.
There is no one who can deliver anyone from my hand.
I act, and who can reverse it?

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalms 139

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 4:5–11

⁵As for you, keep a clear head in every situation. Bear hardship. Do the work of an evangelist. Fulfill your ministry.

⁶You see, I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷I have fought the good fight; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith. ⁸From

now on, there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness. The Lord, the righteous Judge, will give it to me on that day, and not only to me but also to everyone who loved his appearing.

⁹Make every effort to come to me quickly, ¹⁰for Demas, because he loved this present world, has forsaken me and gone to Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia, and Titus to Dalmatia. ¹¹Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, because he is useful to me for ministry.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Psalm 71:15



Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Tone



Refrain

My mouth will tell of your right-eous deeds, of your saving acts all day long.

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GOSPEL

Luke 1:1-4; 24:44-53

1: ¹Many have undertaken to compile an account of the events that have been fulfilled among us, ²an account like those handed down to us by those who were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word from the beginning. ³For this reason, it seemed good to me also, since I followed everything closely from the beginning, to write an orderly account to you, most excellent Theophilus, ⁴so that you may know the certainty of the things you were taught.

24: ⁴⁴[Jesus] said to [his disciples], “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets, and the Psalms.” ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. ⁴⁶He said to them, “This is what is written and so it must be: The Christ will suffer and rise from the

dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹Look, I am sending you what my Father promised. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

⁵⁰He led them out as far as the vicinity of Bethany. He lifted up his hands and blessed them. ⁵¹And while he was blessing them, he parted from them and was taken up into heaven. ⁵²So they worshipped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. ⁵³They were continually in the temple courts, praising and blessing God. Amen.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Please be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

By All Your Saints Still Striving | CW 892
(Verses 1, 25, 3)

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Lord Jesus, you are the Great Physician of body and soul. Come with your grace and heal us.

From stabbing pangs of conscience,
From fatigue of guilt,
From anemic faith,
From the fever of sinful desires,
From blindness to your truth,
From the ache of estrangement from the Father,
From every symptom and consequence of a wayward heart...

heal us, good Lord.

With the medicine of your Gospel,
With your promise of salvation,
With the cleansing waters of Baptism,
With the spoken word of forgiveness,
With your body and blood in the Sacrament,
By the breath of the Holy Spirit,
In the fellowship of your people,

heal us, good Lord.

Bless us also in our physical bodies.
Bless all doctors and nurses in their vocations.
Bless our use of medicines and therapies.
Bless our bodies' natural immune system.
Bless the healing of every injury and weakness.
Bless us and help us to be a blessing to others.
From every bodily ailment or need,

heal us, good Lord.

Prayers of Intercession

Lord, you created us. You know us. You redeemed us. We entrust ourselves, body and soul, to your almighty care.

Amen.