THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 6, 2025

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IN OUR PRAYERS we remember: Lisa Davidson

ORDER OF WORSHIP: Order of Service Hymns 700 649 965

THIS WEEK AT PEACE AND ENGLISH

- July 6 8:00 a.m. Worship at English July 6 9:15 a.m. Summer Sunday School
- July 6 10:15 a.m. Worship at Peace
- July 8 10:00 a.m. Bible Study
- July 8 6:30 p.m. Bible Study at English
- July 9 Noon Bible Study
- July 12 9:00 a.m. Prayer Group
- July 12 10:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study

BIBLE READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

Leviticus 19:9-18 Colossians 1:1-14 Luke 10:25-37

HYMN OF THE DAY: In Isaiah 66, God promises to comfort his people in the Church, which is called Jerusalem. Our hymn of the day, *Blest Be the Tie that Binds*, pictures for us the ways in which God comforts us. He invites us to bring all our fears and hopes to him in prayer (verse 2). He places us in a family that shares our mutual woes (verse 3). He comforts us with the hope of resurrection and reunion when death parts us (verse 4). Great comfort is found in the Church. Perfect comfort will be ours in heaven, where we will know no pain or sin, but only perfect love (verse 5).

A WORD: Paul concludes his letter to the Galatians with brief instructions for life in the Church. The main one is this, "Let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor." In other words, we are not to compare ourselves to others so that we would appear righteous, but we are to test our lives against the Law of God. In Luke, Jesus sends out the seventy-two on a missionary journey. They are to go before Christ and proclaim the Kingdom of God, which the Church still does as we wait for Christ to come back.

In Isaiah, God promises to comfort his people in Jerusalem. "Jerusalem" in this context refers to the Church. God has placed us in the Church so that we can receive his help and comfort in all circumstances through his Word, the Sacraments, and the consolation of the brethren.

ABOUT THE BULLETIN COVER: Thel Lord promises that day of peace for the new Jerusalem will one day come like a river and overflow with the glory of the nations. One day, the river of life will flow in the midst of the new Jerusalem coming down from heaven (Revelation 22:1-5). The promise of this river is made sure by Christ, the true living water who thirsted upon the cross in our stead and has brought forgiveness and eternal refreshment for our souls through His death and resurrection.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND: If you wish to donate to the Scholarship Fund to assist Peace Lutheran members with college tuition, mark your offering envelope with the words "Scholarship Fund" and your donation will be put into that fund.

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP applications are due before July 1, 2025. Please contact Yvette Waagmeester or Robyn Huygens for an application. You must reapply each year.

THANK YOU: Thank you for all the cards, flowers, gifts and well-wishes for my retirement. It was my pleasure to serve as Secretary for Peace Lutheran – Wilma Miller

CHURCH SECRETARY: Tracie Reuvers has been hired as our new church secretary. She can be reached at 785-820-7335.

ALTAR COMMITTEE: The Altar Committee Colleen Small & Avis Fick – English Elaine Cherry & Barb Magnuson

COMMUNION ASSISTANT for June is Terry Dieren

USHERS: Today – Paul Davis and LeRoy Fick, July 13-Bob Iwen and Marv Flier, July 20-Terry Dieren and Lowell Fick, July 27 Steve and Jessie Jansen.

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

HYMN 700: LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING

P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C** Amen.

- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **G** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **G** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

KYRIE

Lord, have mercy;
Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

1 To God on high be glory

And peace to all the earth; Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth! We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing— Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.

- 2 To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray; O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away. Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry, Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high—
- 3 For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord. Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored; You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High, In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply. Text: Stephen P. Starke

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.

P Let us pray.

LSB 204

LSB 204

Almighty God, You have built Your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus Himself as the cornerstone. Continue to send Your messengers to preserve Your people in true peace that, by the preaching of Your Word, Your Church may be kept free from all harm and danger; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 66:10–14

PSALM

Psalm 66:1–7; antiphon: vv. 8–9

EPISTLE

Galatians 6:1–10, 14–18

Luke 10:1-20

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

After the Reading

- $\label{eq:posterior} \textbf{P} \quad \text{This is the Gospel of the Lord.}$
- Praise to You, O Christ.

THE FIFTH PETITION

And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

What does this mean?

We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look at our sins, or deny our prayer because of them. We are neither worthy of the things for which we pray, nor have we deserved them, but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace, for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will sincerely forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us.

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HYMN 649: BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS

SERMON

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

LSB 192

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

- P The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- **ℙ** It is truly good, right, and salutary…evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

 Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored; Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name. Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord; LSB 208

LSB 208

Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Text: Stephen P. Starke

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

LORD'S PRAYER

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.C Amen.

AGNUS DEI

- O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
- 2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray. Text: Stephen P. Starke

DISTRIBUTION

NUNC DIMITTIS

- 1 O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace, For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace: A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill, The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.
 - 2 All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son, All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One; For as in the beginning,

Is now, shall ever be, God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

BENEDICTION

- A Let us bless the Lord.
- **G** Thanks be to God.

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen.

HYMN 965: GOD BLESS OUR NATIVE LAND

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LSB 211

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