

# Peace Lutheran Church

## Sunday Worship

June 26, 2022

Leader/All

### GATHERING

### Welcome

### Call to Worship

Whose story is this?

**This is God's story.**

It hums in the rivers and the trees.

It whispers in the skies and the seas.

It calls to the people of all places.

**It speaks in our hearts; it speaks in our lives.**

Why then should we speak of this story?

**This story calls our name in Creation.**

**This story claims our lives through the Cross.**

**This story shapes our future through the Spirit.**

Our story is woven into God's own story.

We are its telling in this time and this place.

**This is why we gather. This is why we worship.**

Let us be gathered in the name of the great storyteller, in the name of the Creator, Savior (+) and Spirit of Truth. **Amen.**

### Confession & Forgiveness

Merciful God,

**we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.**

### Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**



# **Gathering Hymn – Living Hope**

## **Greeting**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

## **Prayer of the Day**

**Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **WORD**

**Reading: Galatians 5:13-25 (see insert)**

**Sermon – Daniel Kirschbaum**

**Hymn of the Day – Holy Spirit**

## **Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.**

## Prayers of Intercession

United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

God of faithfulness, set the face of your church firmly on you. Rooted in your self-giving love, may the church find freedom in loving our neighbors. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of gentleness, strengthen the earth's ability to heal. Where there are dangerous storms, bring calm. Where there are destructive fires, bring rain. Protect homes, habitats, and livelihoods threatened by climate disasters. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of peace, guide all who govern, that they place the good of their citizens above self-promotion. Anoint leaders of nations with your Spirit of neighborly love. Protect refugees and all who live under tyranny or conflict. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of kindness, reveal your healing presence to all who are sick or dying. Uphold those who grieve. Support the needs of any who are unemployed, hungry, or have nowhere to lay their heads. We especially pray for...God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of love, attend to those struggling with addiction, depression, or uncontrolled anger. Provide support systems and loving companions as they work toward health, that they may rest in hope and know the fullness of joy in your presence. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of joy, we give thanks for all who have died and now celebrate the inheritance of life in you. Keep their examples of faithfulness always before us, that we trust your promises in life and in death. We especially remember...God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping. **Amen.**

## THANKSGIVING

### Offering

*Members are encouraged to help support the mission and ministry of Peace. If you are visiting Peace, please be our guests. Your presence is a gift to our community.*

### Canticle of Thanksgiving – Come Thou Fount

### Lord's Prayer – page 154

# SENDING

## Announcements

### Blessing

May the God of peace, the God who knows your story, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always. Go with this blessing. Go, in the name of the Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

### Sending Hymn- Your Love Awakens Me

### Dismissal

Go in Peace. Tell the story of all God has done.  
**Thanks be to God.**

We are growing disciples who...**Welcome, Worship and Walk with Christ**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Upcoming Preachers:

**July 3 – Pastor Alyssa Weaver**

**July 10 – Pastor Johnson**