

Peace Lutheran Church

Sunday Worship

July 3, 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's 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 – ELW #576 We All Are One in Mission



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.

Kyrie - ELW page 203

Hymn of Praise - Glory be to God – ELW page 204

Prayer of the Day

O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

Gospel Acclamation – Alleluia Lord and Savior – ELW page 205

Gospel: Luke 10:1-11, 16-20 (see insert)

Sermon – Pastor Alyssa Weaver

Hymn of the Day- ELW #546 To Be Your Presence

Apostles' Creed – page 105

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.

Lord of the harvest, you send your church into the world to proclaim Christ's new creation to all. Renew the church as it carries out your mission of peace and healing. We pray for missionaries who accompany your people. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Your creation abounds with flowing waters and diverse creatures. Guide the work of climate scientists as they develop and advocate ways to restore earth's natural balance. Motivate humankind to adopt lifestyles that protect and sustain the earth. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

You guard the nations; let no leaders exalt themselves, but lift up the most vulnerable and work for the good of all. Send your Spirit to eradicate classism and inequity, violence and war, poverty and hunger. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

You desire abundant life for all. As we celebrate Independence Day, instill in us gratitude, generosity, and persistence in working toward freedom for all people (*especially*). God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Mothering God, you care for all people in need. Nourish those who are hungry. Restore employment to those who have lost work. Heal those who are sick, and comfort all who are dying or grieving. We especially pray for... 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.

MEAL

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.

Offering Prayer

God of abundance: **you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving

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

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer – page 154

Distribution of Holy Communion

All who believe in the real presence of Christ are welcome to receive the gift of this meal. You are welcome no matter who you are, where you've been or what you've done. This is God's gift of grace for you. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are available along with the bread and wine. Please ask the server if this is your preference. Those who do not commune are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

Lamb of God – page 208

Communion Blessing and Prayer

Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

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- ELW #575 In Christ Called to Baptize

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.**

Upcoming Preachers:

July 10 – Pastor Johnson

July 17– VBS Worship at Winnebago Park