



"TAKE  
HEART;  
IT IS I.

DO NOT  
BE AFRAID."

MATTHEW 14:27

## PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod  
St. Louis, Missouri 63125-5409

# THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## AUGUST 13, 2023

### THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Divine Service, Setting Three

**P** = Pastor

**\*** = Stand

**C** = Congregation

#### Opening Voluntary (10:30)

*Glorious Dawn*

Jason W. Krug

#### \*Opening Hymn

#### LSB 684 Come unto Me, Ye Weary



- 1 "Come un - to Me, ye wea - ry, And I will give you rest."
- 2 "Come un - to Me, ye wan - d'ers, And I will give you light."
- 3 "Come un - to Me, ye faint - ing, And I will give you life."
- 4 "And who - so - ev - er com - eth, I will not cast him out."



O bless - ed voice of Je - sus, Which comes to hearts op-pressed!  
O lov - ing voice of Je - sus, Which comes to cheer the night!  
O cheer-ing voice of Je - sus, Which comes to aid our strife!  
O pa - tient love of Je - sus, Which drives a - way our doubt,



It tells of ben - e - dic - tion, Of par-don, grace, and peace,  
Our hearts were filled with sad - ness, And we had lost our way;  
The foe is stern and ea - ger, The fight is fierce and long;  
Which, though we be un - wor - thy Of love so great and free,

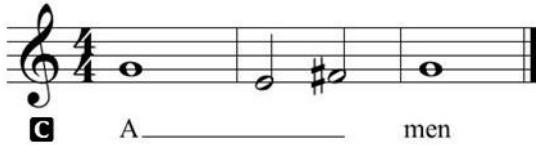


Of joy that hath no end - ing, Of love that can - not cease.  
But Thou hast brought us glad - ness And songs at break of day.  
But Thou hast made us might - y And strong - er than the strong.  
In - vites us ver - y sin - ners To come, dear Lord, to Thee!

### \*Invocation

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.



### \*Opening Sentences

*2 Samuel 22:47; Psalm 18:3, 6, 46*

**P** The LORD lives, and blessed be my rock,

**C** And exalted be the God of my salvation.

**P** I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised,

**C** And I am saved from my enemies.

**P** In my distress I called upon the LORD;

**C** To my God I cried for help.

**P** From His temple He heard my voice,

**C** And my cry to Him reached His ears.

**P** The LORD lives, and blessed be my rock,

**C** And exalted be the God of my salvation.

### \*Confession and Absolution

**P** Let us consider our unworthiness to come before almighty God and confess our sins to Him in the presence of one another. We confess, Creator Lord that, like Job, we become frustrated when we don't understand what You have allowed in our lives.

**C** Forgive our pride and turn us to humbly rely on Your gracious plans for us.

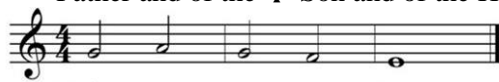
**P** We confess, Savior Lord that, unlike Paul, we have neglected people around us who have not accepted Your sacrifice for them.

**C** Forgive our self-centeredness and inaction, and move us to tell them the Good News as You provide opportunity.

**P** We confess, Spirit of truth that, like Peter, we have failed to trust You and have been overwhelmed by the storms of life.

**C** Forgive our weakness of faith and enable us to follow where You lead the way.

- P** All things in heaven and earth are under God's rule. His almighty power was shown chiefly in sending His Son who destroyed the powers of sin, death, and the devil. Your pride, self-centeredness, weakness of faith, and every sin that would separate you from His great love have been forgiven for Jesus' sake. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.



**C** A \_\_\_\_\_ men.

### \*Gloria Patri



**C** Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;

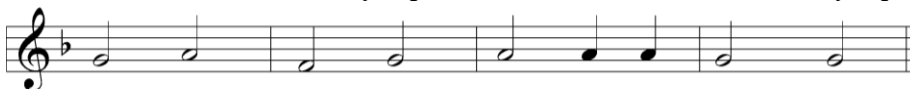


as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

### \*Kyrie



**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

### \*Hymn of Praise

### LSB 940 Holy God, We Praise Thy Name



1 Ho - ly God, we praise Thy name; Lord of all, we  
2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn An - gel choirs a -  
3 Lo, the a - pos - tles' ho - ly train Join Thy sa - cred  
4 Thou art King of Glo - ry, Christ; Son of God, yet  
△ 5 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,



bow be - fore Thee. All on earth Thy scep - ter claim,  
bove are rais - ing; Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,  
name to hal - low; Proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,  
born of Mar - y. For us sin - ners sac - ri - ficed,  
three we name Thee; Though in es - sence on - ly one,



All in heav'n a - bove a - dore Thee. In - fi - nite Thy  
In un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, Fill the heav'ns with  
And the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low, And from morn to  
As to death a Trib - u - tar - y, First to break the  
Un - di - vid - ed God we claim Thee And, a - dor - ing,



vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing is Thy reign.  
sweet ac - cord: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!  
set of sun Through the Church the song goes on.  
bars of death, Thou hast o - pened heav'n to faith.  
bend the knee While we own the mys - ter - y.

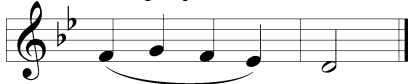
### \*Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Let us pray. . .



**C** A - men.

### Old Testament Reading

*Job 38:4–18*

<sup>4</sup>[The Lord said to Job:] “Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. <sup>5</sup>Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? <sup>6</sup>On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone, <sup>7</sup>when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy? <sup>8</sup>“Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb, <sup>9</sup>when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band, <sup>10</sup>and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors, <sup>11</sup>and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stayed?’ <sup>12</sup>“Have you commanded the morning since your days began, and caused the dawn to know its place, <sup>13</sup>that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth, and the wicked be shaken out of it? <sup>14</sup>It is changed like clay under the seal, and its features stand out like a garment. <sup>15</sup>From the wicked their light is withheld, and their uplifted arm is broken. <sup>16</sup>“Have you entered into the springs of the sea, or walked in the recesses of the deep? <sup>17</sup>Have the gates of death been revealed to you, or have you seen the gates of deep darkness? <sup>18</sup>Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth? Declare, if you know all this.”

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

*Romans 10:5–17*

<sup>5</sup>Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. <sup>6</sup>But the righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) <sup>7</sup>or “‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). <sup>8</sup>But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup>because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup>For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. <sup>11</sup>For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” <sup>12</sup>For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. <sup>13</sup>For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

<sup>14</sup>But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? <sup>15</sup>And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” <sup>16</sup>But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” <sup>17</sup>So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## \*Alleluia



**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

## \*Holy Gospel

*Matthew 14:22–33*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.



**C** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>22</sup>Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. <sup>23</sup>And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup>but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. <sup>25</sup>And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. <sup>26</sup>But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, “It is a ghost!” and they cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup>But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, “Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.”

<sup>28</sup>And Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” <sup>29</sup>He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. <sup>30</sup>But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, “Lord, save me.” <sup>31</sup>Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, “O you of little faith, why did you doubt?” <sup>32</sup>And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup>And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



### **\*Apostles' Creed**

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

### **Children's Message**

Christina Stackle  
Director of Christian Education

Let the little children come to me.

Matthew 19:14

## Hymn of The Day

## LSB 717 Eternal Father, Strong to Save



1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, Whose arm hath bound the  
 2 O Christ, the Lord of hill and plain, O'er which our traf - fic  
 2 O Christ, whose voice the wa - ters heard And hushed their rag - ing  
 3 O Spir - it, whom the Fa - ther sent To spread a - broad the



rest - less wave, Who bidd'st the might - y o - cean deep Its  
 runs a - main By moun - tain pass or val - ley low; Wher -  
 at Thy word, Who walk - edst on the foam - ing deep And  
 fir - ma - ment; O Wind of heav - en, by Thy might Save



own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: O hear us when we  
 ev - er, Lord, Thy peo - ple go, Pro - tect them by Thy  
 calm a - mid its rage didst sleep: O hear us when we  
 all who dare the ea - gle's flight, And keep them by Thy



cry to Thee For those in per - il on the sea.  
 guard - ing hand From ev - 'ry per - il on the land.  
 cry to Thee For those in per - il on the sea.  
 watch - ful care From ev - 'ry per - il in the air.

## Sermon

“God is God, Not Us”

(Job 38:4–18)

## The First Commandment

You shall have no other gods.

**What does this mean?** We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things.

## Sermon Notes:



**Gathering of the Offering**     *Please fill out an attendance card and place in the offering plate*

**Offertory Anthem (10:30)**

*Lament*

Jason W. Krug

**\*Offertory**

**C** Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

**\*Prayer of the Church**

**\*Lord's Prayer**

**C** Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

**\*Benediction**

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

## \*Hymn to Depart

## LSB 578 Thy Strong Word

1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; At Thy  
△ 6 God the Fa - ther, light - cre - a - tor, To Thee

speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed  
laud and hon - or be. To Thee, Light of

light we thank Thee, While Thine or - dered sea - sons run.  
Light be - got - ten, Praise be sung e - ter - nal - ly.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to  
Ho - ly Spir - it, light - re - veal - er, Glo - ry,

Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,  
glo - ry be to Thee. Mor - tals, an - gels,

al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
now and ev - er Praise the ho - ly Trin - i - ty!

## \*Silent Prayer

### Closing Voluntary (10:30)

*Radiance*

Jason W. Krug

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## SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP:

Preacher: Pastor Jon Furgeson

Liturgist: Pastor Robert Brown

Organist: 5:00 & 8:00: Michelle Sliger; 9:20, & 10:30: Kendra Ruesler

Choir: Handbell Ensemble

Choir Director: Burnell Hackman, DMM

KFUO AM 850 Announcer/Audio Engineer/Video Engineer: W. Schuessler/A. Hopfer/B. Uthoff

Elders: 5:00: Rich Behnke, Greg Wirtel; 8:00: Bob Wolff, Ralph Wolters;

9:20: Aaron Baese, John Hooss; 10:30: Dave Carlson, Erik Lunsford

Ushers: 5:00: Greg Wirtel, Jakob Beutelmann, Greg Hard, Stephen Schultz, Todd Wessling, Ralph Wolters; 8:00: Barry Hammon, Aidan Furgeson, Ian Furgeson, Alex Jeffcott, Jack Jeffcott, Chuck Neff, Peter Simpson, Mike Suda; 9:20: John Wiesehan, Mark Dowell, Jim Huettenmeyer, Jim Johnson, Jacob Schweiss; 10:30: Darrell Ewald, Jeremiah Andrews, Dave Carlson, Joseph Kreidler, Mark Maloy, Brett Santiago, Joe Santiago, Mike Yaeger

Acolytes: 8:00: Marlee Michelsen, Marjorie Wolff; 10:30: Paige Keiser, Rachel McElroy

Greeters: 8:00: Mary Suda; 9:20 & 10:30: Greg & Lois Ebmeyer

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 2023

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES Packets are available on the Commons counter which include a copy of Peace's Constitution (which is NOT changing), our current by-laws, and the proposed by-laws. Please take a copy for review. Meetings will be held today, August 13, and again on August 27, immediately following the 10:30 service, to go over feedback from congregants. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of these changes we are considering.

OUR NEXT VOTERS' ASSEMBLY is scheduled for Monday, September 11. We will be voting on the adoption of the proposed by-laws at that meeting. Your participation and involvement are very important. If the proposed by-laws are approved, we will then vote on a seven-member slate of Church Council participants.

SAVE THE DATE FOR "FAREWELL TO SUMMER" an Orchestra Concert and Ice Cream Social on Sunday, September 3, in the gymnasium. Ice cream served at 3:30 p.m., concert at 4:00 p.m. Watch the bulletin and newsletter for more details!

TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW FOR THE SOCK HOP! Peace Married Couples Club is sponsoring a Sock Hop on Saturday, August 26, 6:00 – 10:00 p.m., in the Peace gym. Cost is \$10.00 per person. Anyone 21 and over is invited to enjoy a night of fun, fellowship, music, and dancing. Music will be supplied by DJ Ricky G. A prize will be given for the best "Sock Hop" attire. (50's attire is suggested, but not required.) Please bring your own food and drink. Tickets can be purchased at the Commons counter. This is a "fun"raiser. All proceeds will benefit church related missions here at Peace. That evening, they will be collecting socks for the Veterans, so please bring a pair of new socks the night of the dance. Questions? Contact Gina Werkmeister.

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY will not be held during the month of August. The Bible study will resume on Wednesday, September 6, at 7:00 p.m. in Sanctuary Hall and will begin covering the book of Genesis.

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE CLASS II RESUMES IN SEPTEMBER covering a workshop called “Witnessing to De-Churched Adult Children”. The class, led by Pastor Brown and Deaconess student Abby Reynolds, will start on Sunday, September 24, in the kitchen meeting room, during Sunday morning Bible Class hour. Watch the bulletin for more details.

LADIES CLUB apologizes that we had to cancel our July meeting and, so that all of the wonderful White Elephant Gifts do not go unopened, please join Ladies Club for a Christmas in July re-do this Tuesday, August 15, in Sanctuary Hall at 7:00 p.m. Please bring your wrapped gift and join us for a night of fun and fellowship. Snacks will be provided. If you have a special treat you would like to bring, please feel free to do so. We hope to see you there. Please Note: Ladies Club will not be meeting at church in September as the event planned is an outing to Stages Theater to see a live show. If you would like more information or to join the outing please contact our event coordinator, Katie Uthoff for details and information at ka2121@msn.com.

TUTORS are needed for Green Park’s weekly tutoring program. Tutors are paired with a student and meet once a week for about 30 minutes. You may specify what grade level students you would prefer to work with. We could use some tutors who would be willing to tutor some students in pre-algebra and middle school math. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Beth Meyer at beth.meyer@greenparklutherschool.org.

CHILD CARE STAFF for the After Care program are needed at Green Park. Candidates must have availability Monday-Friday afternoons from 3:00-6:00 p.m. Weekly schedule subject to change. Must have patience and the ability to work with children in JK3-8<sup>th</sup> grade. Contact: April Baese at april.baese@greenparklutherschool.org.

GREEN PARK “GOLF FORE EDUCATION” is Sunday, September 17, at Acorns Golf Links in Waterloo, Illinois. Register now for a fun golf outing! Sponsorships, tickets, and information can be found at <https://greenparklutherschool.org/2023golf/>. Questions? Contact Laura Reis.

THE ALASKA MISSION TEAM IS COLLECTING SCHOOL SUPPLIES and we are in need of glue and glue sticks. We are also collecting fleece scraps. Please place donations in the Alaska Mission box in the Commons. Thank you!

### DIVINE SERVICES

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday: 8:00, 9:20, & 10:30 a.m.

The Rev. Dr. Jon C. Furgeson, Senior Pastor, 314-601-1039

Rev. Robert M. Brown, Associate Pastor, 618-580-8817

The Rev. Dr. Dennis A. Kastens, Pastor Emeritus

Burnell L. Hackman, Director of Music Ministry

Christina Stackle, Director of Christian Education

Sue Velten, Director of Early Childhood

## There is a place for you in one of our Music Ensembles!

*“Make a joyful noise to the Lord. Serve the Lord with gladness come before His presence with singing.”* Psalm 100 says Serving and Singing – two wonderful ways to praise God!

Music is such a powerful thing! It can reach the hardest of hearts when nothing else can. Then, when we join music with the Gospel, the all-powerful Word of God, we have an explosive combination! Just as it was at the dedication of the temple, we can experience God's presence as we lift our voices in praise to Him through our Music Ministry.

### Vocal Music

The **Chancel Choir** is the cornerstone of Peace's Music Ministry and alternates singing between 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. services. This non-auditioned choir is open to all high school students and adults.

**First Fall Rehearsal:** Thursday, September 7 at 7:00 p.m.

### Handbell Ensembles

The **Bells of Peace**, the Adult/High School handbell ensemble, provides anthems and other special music for worship services about once a month and presents programs when requested. Prior music or handbell knowledge is helpful but not necessary. Members of the community who enjoy ringing are invited to attend.

**First Fall Rehearsal:** Monday, August 28 at 7:00 p.m.

The **Chimes of Peace** is Peace's youngest handbell group. Students in grades 3 - 8 are invited to participate. They rehearse and provide music in worship as selections are prepared. No musical or handbell experience is necessary. *A minimum of ten youth are needed for this ensemble.*

**First Fall Rehearsal:** Monday, September 18 at 5:00 p.m.

### Instrumental Ensembles

The **Orchestra of Peace** consists of all band and orchestra instruments. The orchestra plays for worship monthly and rehearses the week before the performance. High school students and adults are welcome. Younger musicians are welcome by audition. Music is available in advance so musicians can come to rehearsal prepared. Please contact Burnell Hackman so your music will be available.

**First Fall Rehearsal:** Monday, September 11 at 7:00 p.m.

From members of the Orchestra of Peace come other smaller instrumental ensembles including, **The Peace Brass, The Peace Brass Consort, The String Ensemble and Woodwind Quintet.**

Please contact Director of Music Ministry Burnell Hackman  
to become a part of our Music Ministry!



Mark your calendars now and plan to join us as we say “Farewell” to Summer!

The concert will be in the gymnasium.

Questions? Ask Burnell Hackman

# SUNDAY SCHOOL ORIENTATION IS NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 20

Parents and children will meet their Sunday School teachers, learn about the year ahead, and enjoy fun and fellowship.

Parent & Me through 5<sup>th</sup> grade, meet in the gymnasium at 9:15 a.m.

6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade, meet in your normal classrooms.

Questions? Contact Pastor Brown or Jacque McElroy, Sunday School Superintendent

