

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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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

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Divine Service, Setting Three

<u>CHRIST'S BODY AND BLOOD</u>, for the forgiveness of sins, are truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine in the Sacrament of the Altar. Due to theological differences among Christians regarding beliefs about this Supper, only confirmed members of an LCMS church are invited to the Lord's table. Ask a pastor if you have questions or concerns. Please register your taking of communion on your attendance card.

* = Stand $|\mathbf{P}|$ = Pastor **C** = Congregation Opening Voluntary (8:00 and 10:30) Processional Alleluia Kevin McChesney LSB 816 From All That Dwell Below the Skies *Opening Hymn 1 From all that dwell be - low the skies the Cre - a - tor's are Thy mer-cies, 2 E - ter - nal E - ter-nal truth at -Lord: God the Fa - ther \triangle 3 All praise to be. All praise, e - ter - nal praise a - rise: Al - le - lu - ia. al-le - lu - ia! tends Thy Word. Al - le - lu al-le - lu - ia! ia. Son. to Thee. Al - le - lu ia. al-le - lu - ia! Re - deem - er's name be sung Let the Through ev - 'ry land by Thv praise shall sound from shore to shore Till suns shall rise and Whom with the Spir - it a - dore For - ev - er and forwe

Al - le - lu

Al - le - lu Al - le - lu

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*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

Psalm 66:1–3a, 4–5, 8

- P Shout for joy to God, all the earth;
- Sing the glory of His name; give to Him glorious praise!
- P Say to God, "How awesome are Your deeds!
- All the earth worships You and sings praises to You; they sing praises to Your name."
- P Come and see what God has done,
- C He is awesome in His deeds toward the children of man.
- P Bless our God, O peoples,
- **C** Let the sound of His praise be heard.

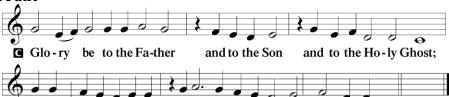
*Confession

- **P** Let us now confess our sin to God, our merciful Father.
- O most gracious God, we admit and confess our sinfulness. We are by nature sinful and unclean. Daily we do things we ought not do and refrain from what we should do as Your faithful servants. We have been unforgiving and loveless and careless in the stewardship of Your creation. We deserve Your punishment in this life and for eternity. Trusting in Your mercy, we come to You for forgiveness. Our trust is not in ourselves but in the merits of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Grant us remission of all our sins and guide us into renewed lives that reflect Your goodness and love.

*Absolution

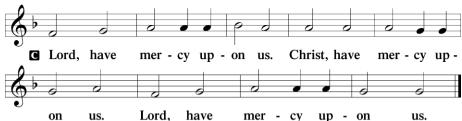


*Gloria Patri



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





*Salutation and Collect of the Day





Old Testament Reading

Genesis 50:15-21

¹⁵When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." ¹⁶So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died, ¹⁷ Say to Joseph, Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.' And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." ¹⁹But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? ²⁰As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. ²¹So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Romans 14:1–12

¹As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions. ²One person believes he may eat anything, while the weak person eats only vegetables. ³Let not the one who eats despise the one who abstains, and let not the one who abstains pass judgment on the one who eats, for God has welcomed him. ⁴Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand.

⁵One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. ⁶The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. ⁷For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. ⁸If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

¹⁰Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; ¹¹for it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God."

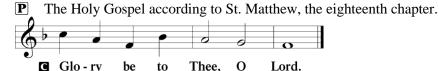
¹²So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

*Alleluia



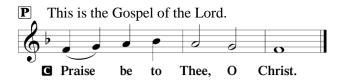
*Holy Gospel Matthew 18:21–35



²¹Peter came up and said to [Jesus], "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" ²²Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven.

²³"Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. ²⁵And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. ²⁶So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' ²⁷And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.' ²⁹So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' ³⁰He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. ³¹When

his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. ³²Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' ³⁴And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. ³⁵So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."



*Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life \pm of the world to come. Amen.





LSB 760 What God Ordains Is Always Good



Sermon

"The Cost of Forgiveness"

(Matthew 18:21-35)

Sermon Notes:

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

Offertory Anthem (8:00 and 10:30)

Lord, I Stretch My Hands to You

Jay Althouse

Lord, I stretch my hands to You; no other help I know. If You should leave me all alone, where, then, shall I go?

O Lord, I give my soul to You; I seek Your care and love. No other blessings do I need but those from You alone.

Lord, I ask You give me faith, and help me understand. And, Lord, when I this life shall leave, just hold me in Your hand.

Lord, I stretch my hands to You; no other help I know. If You should leave me all alone, where, then, shall I go?

Lord, I stretch my hands to You. Amen.



^{*}Prayer of the Church

*Lord's Prayer

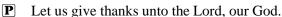
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the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

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

*Preface





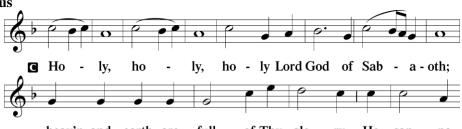




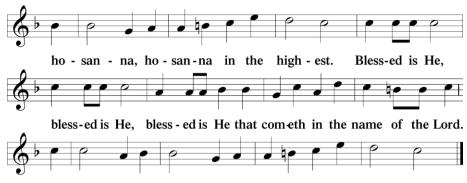
*Proper Preface

We should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:





heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



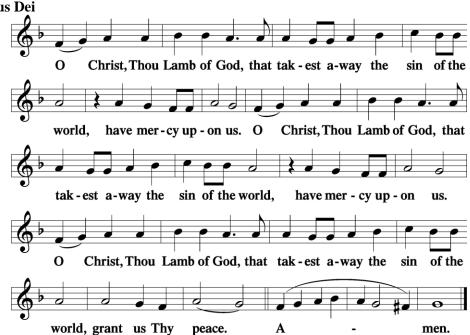
Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

*The Words of Our Lord

*Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

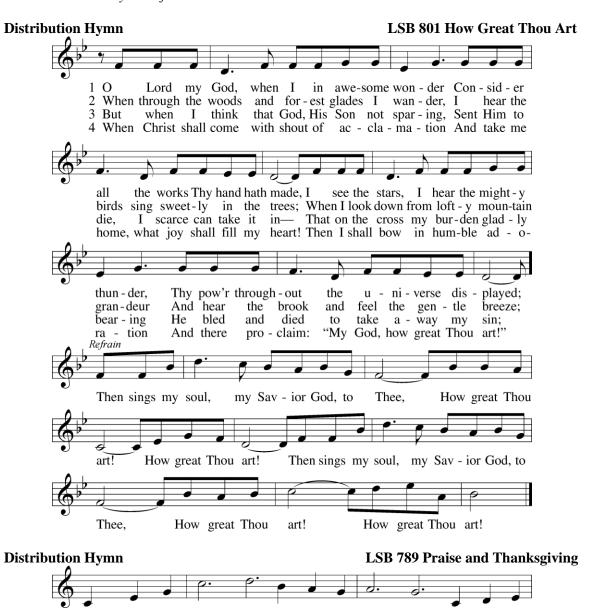
Agnus Dei



Distribution Anthem (8:00 and 10:30)

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS/Mitchell Eithun



- 1 Praise and thanks-giv ing, Fa ther, we of fer For all things
- 2 Bless, Lord, the la bor We bring to serve You That with our 3 Fa ther, pro vid ing Food for Your chil dren, By Your wise

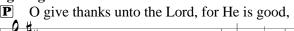








*Thanksgiving



and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.



P The Lord be with you.



*Benedicamus

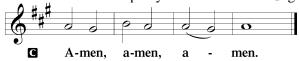


*Benediction

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.





*Silent Prayer

Closing Voluntary

Fanfare Karen Roth

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SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP:

Preacher: Pastor Robert Brown Liturgist: Pastor Jon Furgeson

Communion Assistant: 5:00: Pastor Dennis Kastens; 9:20: Sem. Ryan Milbrath

Organist: 5:00: Michelle Sliger; 8:00, 9:20, & 10:30: Burnell Hackman

Choirs: Bells of Peace and Chancel Choir Choir Director: Burnell Hackman, DMM

KFUO AM 850 Announcer/Audio Engineer/Video Engineer: B. Uthoff/J. Mattingly/A. Hopfer

Elders: 5:00: Steve Kienstra, Greg Wirtel; 8:00: Kyle Hopfer, Bob Wolff;

9:20: Aaron Baese, John Rastorfer; 10:30: Mark Maloy, Rob Uthoff

Ushers: 5:00: Steve Kienstra, Tim Behnke, Art Conrad, Charles Rolf, Roger Uhlig;

8:00: Dan Prange, Dan Dukesherer, Doug Engle, Kyle Hopfer, Dan Hummert,

Mike Wilke; <u>9:20</u>: Jim Maschhoff, Glenn Brinkmann, Greg Hard, David Suedkamp; <u>10:30</u>: Bryan Dressel, Lorin Dressel, Paul Huddleston, John Rastorfer, Jeff Teague

Acolytes: 8:00: Madison Gersman, Hannah Jurchen; 10:30: Rachel McElroy, Sofia Palma

Greeters: 8:00: Jack & Paula Jeffcott; 9:20 & 10:30: Jerry & Pam Schulze

Altar Committee: John and Tracey Roesch

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

<u>A SIX-WEEK NEW MEMBER CLASS BEGINS</u> next Sunday, September 17, noon to 1:30 p.m. in Sanctuary Hall. Lunch is provided each week. To register, please visit our website or the sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board across from the gym. Questions? Contact the church office.

<u>BAPTISM CLASSES</u> will be offered today, Sunday, September 17 and Sunday, November 12. If you are planning a baptism in the next few months, please sign up by visiting our website and clicking on "Sign-Up For Baptism Class" on the home screen.

<u>LADIES CLUB</u> 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.

<u>COLLEGE STUDENTS – WE NEED YOUR ADDRESS</u> If you are attending college, please give your address to the church office so we can stay in contact with you throughout the year. Thanks!

<u>PINOCHLE CLUB</u> is looking for two new teams (each team consists of two people) to join their double-deck, round-robin pinochle club. If you are interested or need more information, please contact Dick Smith.

THE LANCERS ARE BACK ON THE LINKS! Join alumni, parents, and friends as Lutheran South hosts the inaugural LuSo Open on Monday, October 9, at the Missouri Bluffs Golf Club in St. Charles. Entry is \$125 per person. Register at LSlancers.org/golf. Questions? See Laura Maschhoff.

<u>THE ALASKA MISSION TEAM IS COLLECTING SUPPLIES</u> and are in need of bar soap and pony beads. Please place donations in the Alaska Mission box in the Commons. Thank you!

<u>"STEPPING OUT IN FAITH"</u> is a new exercise opportunity here at Peace began Friday, September 15, 8:00-9:00 a.m., and will continue each Monday and Friday through November 15. Each morning will begin with prayer before the walk begins in the church parking lot. For more information, contact Tony Cabanellas.

<u>EDUCATOR DEDICATION SERVICE</u> will be next Sunday, September 24, at all services. We will be recognizing Sunday School, Early Childhood, Green Park, Lutheran South, Public School, Private School and College educators.

MEN'S CLUB IS LOOKING FOR DONATIONS of rags and old towels for the upcoming Sausage Dinner on Sunday, October 15. Please bring any donations to the church office. Thank you!

<u>THE CHIMES OF PEACE</u> 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 25, at 5:00 p.m. (note date change). If your child is interested, please contact Burnell Hackman at burnell@peacestlmusic.org or (314)892-5610 to register.

<u>LWML SUNDAY AT PEACE IS OCTOBER 8</u> Rev. Charles Ferry, LCMS Asia Regional Director, spoke at the LWML Convention this past June. He said, "Our partner churches say to me when I visit them, 'this program, this building, this operation is here because of the work of the LWML. Praise be to God."

<u>PLEASE JOIN THE LIFE CHAIN</u> with the Life Ministry Team to support the sanctity of human life, Sunday, October 1, from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. Peace members will meet at Reinhold Flooring, 5429 Telegraph Road at 1:45 p.m. For information, please contact Steve Andrews at 314-845-0943.

<u>THE VOTERS ASSEMBLY</u>, meeting on September 11th, voted to adopt new bylaws for the governance of our congregation. While this will mean changes on the backend, there will be no noticeable change on the frontend, or on weekends. Our prayer is the change will help us better communicate with our Peace community, increase access to volunteerism, and make us more adaptable in our current cultural climate. Thanks to everyone who worked to make this happen. May God greatly bless us going forward!

THE CONGREGATION IS CORDIALLY INVITED to attend the wedding of Samantha Marie Todd and Christopher Ryan Sturges on Saturday, September 23, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. at Peace. Samantha is the daughter of Janis Todd-Leslie and the granddaughter of the late Marv and Helen Breitenfeld. We hope you will join us!

<u>WHEN USING YOUR OFFERING ENVELOPES</u> please make sure that you are using the current year's envelopes so that your offerings are properly credited to you.

IN CONJUNCTION WITH OUR LCMS INTERNATION MISSIONS, Julia Petrovic and Ellyn Petrovic are traveling this weekend to Peru on a mission trip with other Lutherans, to help our Missionaries in a Community Outreach Event. They will offer adult and children ESL classes for five afternoons and evenings. Each class will include a Gospel curriculum. Please pray that God will keep them safe in their travels and healthy in body and spirit. Pray that they may be a blessing to others and that Your name be exalted through them by all among whom they serve.

LIVE KFUO BROADCASTS OF THE 8:00A.M. SERVICE AT PEACE will air in February, March, and April 2024. The following dates are still available for sponsorship: 2/4, 2/11, 2/18, 2/25, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 4/7, 4/14, 4/21, 4/28. Contact Alan Hopfer, 846-4433, if you have any auestions.

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CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

Sunday, September 17: 9:15am – Baptism Class

12:00am - New Member Class

6:00pm – Pickleball Open Play

Monday, September 18: 8:00am – Stepping Out in Faith

> 5:00pm - Chimes of Peace Rehearsal 7:00pm – BSA Troop Committee Meeting

7:00pm - St. Trinity Cemetery Board

Tuesday, September 19: 9:00am – Quilters

9:00am - Plastic Mat Making

9:00am - Refit Exercise

6:00pm - Property Management

7:00pm - Ladies Club @ Stages St. Louis

Wednesday, September 20: 9:00am – TPL Newsletter Assembly

9:30am - Banner Committee

4:00pm – Junior Confirmation

6:30pm - High School Youth Group

7:00pm – Wednesday Evening Bible Study

Thursday, September 21: 6:00am – Men's Morning Bible Study

9:00am – Mary/Martha Bible Study

10:45am - LWML Ladies Guild

7:00pm – Boy Scout Troop 584 Meeting

7:00pm - South County Republican Meeting

Friday, September 22: 8:00am – Stepping Out in Faith

Sunday, September 24: 12:00am - New Member Class

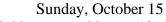
3:00pm - Mu Phi Epsilon & Sigma Alpha Iota Music Fraternities Present-A

Musicale for Small Ensembles

6:00pm – Pickleball Open Play

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR UPCOMING EVENTS AT PEACE

MEN'S CLUB PORK SAUSAGE DINNER



10:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. (Carry-out)

11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. (Dine-in)

Adults - \$13.00 - Children 5-12 - \$5.00 - Under 5 - Free

Fresh, Cafeteria-Style, All You Can Eat Dinner

Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Sauerkraut, Green Beans, and Applesauce

Carry-out and Bulk Sales Available

Tickets will be available beginning next weekend, September 23/24.

All proceeds benefit various church programs and local charities.

TRUNK OR TREAT

Saturday, October 21 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Church Parking Lot



Decorate your vehicle for the event and bring candy or non-edible trinkets to distribute.

Make displays appropriate for small children (no gore, not scary).

Enjoy visiting with old friends and making new ones. A wonderful opportunity for community outreach!

Watch for sheets to sign up for trunks!

BOAR'S HEAD CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL



Thursday, November 30 - 7:30 p.m. Friday, December 1 - 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, December 2 - 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 3 – 2:30 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Church members may reserve tickets on the weekends of
October 21 and 22 and October 28 and 29.
Tickets will be available to the public beginning Wednesday, November 1.