

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

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Divine Service, Setting Three

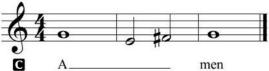


*Invocation

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 67:1-5, 7

- P May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face to shine upon us,
- That Your way may be known on earth, Your saving power among all nations.
- Let the peoples praise You, O God; let all the peoples praise You!
- Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for You judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.
- P Let the peoples praise You, O God; let all the peoples praise You!
- **G** God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear Him!

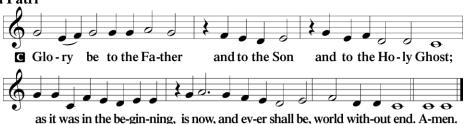
*Confession and Absolution

- P It is good and right that we should make confession of our sins and hear the words of absolution that assure us of God's forgiveness. The section on "Confession" in the Small Catechism written by Dr. Martin Luther instructs and directs us with these words:
- Confession has two parts. First, that we confess our sins, and second, that we receive absolution, that is, forgiveness, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting, but firmly believing that by it our sins are forgiven before God in heaven.
- P Humble yourselves then before God, confess your sins to Him, and implore His forgiveness.
- O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a troubled and penitent sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your present and eternal punishment. By nature I am a sinful creature. By thought, word, and deed I have continually transgressed Your law. For the sake of the sufferings and death of Your Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a penitent and contrite being. Forgive me all my sins and grant me the power of Your Holy Spirit that I may amend my sinful life.
- P God be gracious to you and strengthen your faith.
- C Amen.

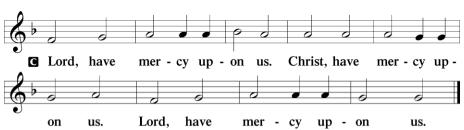
- As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely and may your lives reflect His forgiveness. Be at peace!



*Gloria Patri



*Kyrie







LSB 941 We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God



- 1 We praise You and ac-knowl-edge You, O God, to be the Lord, 2 The band of the a-pos tles in glo-ry sing Your praise;
- 3 You, Christ, are King of glo ry, the ev er last ing Son,
- 4 You sit in splen did glo ry, en-throned at God's right hand,



The Fa - ther ev - er - last - ing, by all the earth a - dored. The fel - low - ship of proph - ets their death-less voic - es raise. Yet You, with bound-less love, sought to res - cue ev - 'ry - one: Up - hold - ing earth and heav - en by forc - es You com-mand.



To You all an - gel pow - ers cry a - loud, the heav-ens sing, The mar - tyrs of Your king-dom, a great and no - ble throng, You laid a - side Your glo - ry, were born of vir-gin's womb, We know that You will come as our Judge that fi - nal day,



The cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim their prais - es to You bring: Sing with the ho - ly Church through-out all the world this song: Were cru - ci - fied for us and were placed in - to a tomb; So help Your ser-vants You have re-deemed by blood, we pray;





Your maj - es - ty and glo - ry fill the heav-ens and the earth!"

And Ho - ly Spir - it, Com-fort-er— for - ev - er Three in One!"

You o - pened heav-en's king - dom to all who would be - lieve.

In glo - ry ev - er - last - ing. A - men, O Lord, a - men!

*Salutation and Collect of the Day





Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 55:6-9

⁶"Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; ⁷let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. ⁸For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD. ⁹For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts."

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

Epistle

Philippians 1:12–14, 19–30

¹²I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, ¹³so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ. ¹⁴And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear. . . .

¹⁹for I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, ²⁰as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. ²¹For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. ²³I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. ²⁴But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. ²⁵Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, ²⁶so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

²⁷Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your

salvation, and that from God. ²⁹For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, ³⁰engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

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

*Alleluia

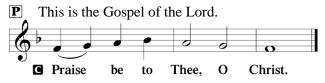


*Holy Gospel Matthew 20:1–16

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

Glo-ry be to Thee, O Lord.

¹[Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' 5So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. 6And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' ⁷They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' ⁸And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.' And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, ¹²saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' ¹³But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first last."



*Apostles' Creed

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



Sermon

"God's Work and Our Work"

(Matthew 20:1-16)

Sermon Notes:

Offertory Anthem (10:30)

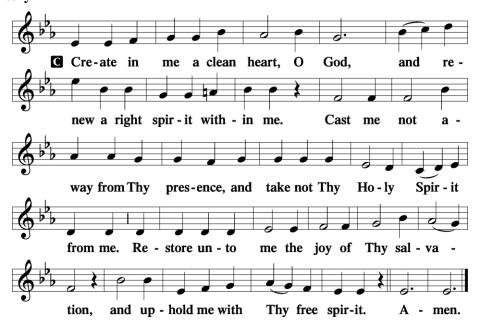
With A Voice of Singing

Martin Shaw

With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia!
Utter it even unto the ends of the earth. The Lord hath delivered His people, Alleluia!
O be joyful in God, all ye lands.

O sing praises to the honor of His name, make His praise to be glorious. With a voice of singing, declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia!

*Offertory



*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.

Dedication of Educators (all services – Educators, please remain standing after the prayers)

*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.



*Hymn to Depart

LSB 826 Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying

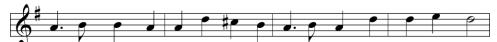


2 If you can-not speak like an - gels, If you can - not preach like Paul,

3 If you can-not be a watch-man, Stand-ing high on Zi - on's wall, 4 Let none hear you i - dly say - ing, "There is noth-ing I can do,"



Fields are white and har-vests wait-ing— Who will bear the sheaves a-way?" You can tell the love of Je-sus, You can say He died for all. Point-ing out the path to heav-en, Of-fring life and peace to all, While the mul-ti-tudes are dy-ing And the Mas-ter calls for you.



Loud and long the Mas-ter call-eth; Rich re-ward He of-fers thee. If you can - not rouse the wick-ed With the judg-ment's dread a - larms, With your prayers and with your boun-ties You can do what God com-mands; Take the task He gives you glad-ly, Let His work your plea-sure be;



Who will an-swer, glad-ly say-ing, "Here am I, send me, send me"? You can lead the lit-tle chil-dren To the Sav-ior's wait - ing arms. You can be like faith-ful Aar-on, Hold-ing up the proph-et's hands. An - swer quick-ly when He call-eth, "Here am I, send me, send me!"

*Silent Prayer

Closing Voluntary

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SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP:

Preacher: Pastor Jon Furgeson Liturgist: Pastor Robert Brown

Organist: 5:00 & 10:30: Kendra Ruesler; 8:00 & 9:20: Burnell Hackman

Choir: Chancel Choir

Choir Director: Burnell Hackman, DMM

KFUO AM 850 Announcer/Audio Engineer/Video Engineer: J. Mattingly/B. Dressel/B. Hentchel

Elders: <u>5:00</u>: Rick Goodman, John Hooss; <u>8:00</u>: Dave Carlson, Ken Werkmeister;

9:20: Mark Maloy, Steve Shawcross; 10:30: Jonathan Gathman, Alan Hopfer

Ushers: 5:00: Bill Petrovic, Kevin Beutelmann, Don Hopkins, Gary Stinnett;

8:00: Joe Sneed, Jon Caron, Dave Dippold, Joe Doskal, Tyler Rainey, Todd Tanner;

9:20: John Roesch, Owen Bullard, Joe Roesch, Bill Schlegel, Ed Stackle; 10:30: Mike Murphy, Caleb Mirly, Lynn Oster, Roger Rakers, Matt Thiel,

Bob Uthoff, Rob Uthoff, Ken Werkmeister

Acolytes: 8:00: Genevieve Castro, Madison Gersman; 10:30: Paige Keiser, Lucie Wildman

Greeters: 8:00: Rick & Tammy Goodman; 9:20: Eric & Stephanie Holler;

10:30: Steve & Kelly Pfund

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

<u>DEDICATION OF EDUCATORS</u> is this weekend at all services. We are recognizing Sunday School, Early Childhood, Green Park, Lutheran South, Public 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>SAUSAGE DINNER NEEDS VOLUNTEERS</u> If you can help with our Sausage Dinner on Sunday, October 15, please see the sign-up sheet on the Commons Counter. Shifts are available for servers, waiters, drink servers, cooks, desserts, carry-outs, and more. We would appreciate your help for this ministry of our church.

<u>DONATIONS OF DESSERTS NEEDED</u> The Peace LWML Ladies Guild would very much appreciate any donations of pies, cakes, cookies, brownies, dessert breads, etc. for the Men's Club Sausage Dinner on October 15. Please drop off Friday or Saturday, October 13/14 to the church kitchen. (Please label "Ladies Guild".) THANK YOU to all who can help!

<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.

<u>"STEPPING OUT IN FAITH"</u> is a new exercise opportunity here at Peace, 8:00-9:00 a.m., every 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>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 is tomorrow night, Monday, September 25, at 5:00 p.m. 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> Phil Zielke, founder of Phil's Friends, describes how a grant brought hope and the message of Christ to cancer patients across the nation in the form of care packages with a Bible, blanket, encouragement cards and more. Those little Mite Boxes support so many mission endeavors!

<u>LWML FALL RALLY</u> is Saturday, October 14, at Timothy Lutheran Church, 6704 Fyler Avenue. Board Meeting is at 8:00 a.m. and the Rally begins at 9:30 a.m. They will be collecting canned food items to benefit the Timothy Lutheran Food Pantry.

<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.

<u>THE OCTOBER NEWSLETTER</u> is in your mail slot. Please read carefully to be informed about the many activities coming up in the next few months.

<u>PEACE MARRIED COUPLES CLUB</u> will be going to Wild Sun Winery on Saturday, October 21, from noon until 5:00 p.m. Meals are available or you may bring a picnic lunch/snack. Cost is \$5 per person. Paid reservations are due to Heather Carlson no later than October 18.

<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!

<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.

<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!

IN CONJUNCTION WITH OUR LCMS INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS, Julia Petrovic and Ellyn Petrovic are in Peru on a mission trip with other Lutherans, to help our Missionaries in a Community Outreach Event. 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.

THE 27TH ANNUAL BOAR'S HEAD FESTIVAL is November 30, December 1, 2, and 3. Advance tickets for Peace members will be available October 21 & 22 and October 28 & 29 after all church services in the Commons. Each family is allowed up to six free tickets. Cast members, measurement forms and ticket requests are due Sunday, October 15. Businesses, families, and individuals who would like to support the festival financially may use the contribution form in the October Peace Lutheran or call Ralph and Grace Truemper. Volunteer Forms were placed in mail slots. Extra forms are also available in the Commons. All completed forms may be returned to the Boar's Head box in the Commons or the Boar's Head mail slot in the office. We are especially looking for hostesses to help serve cookies and wassail during the receptions after the services. We hope you can participate in some way in this important, yet fun, ministry of Peace Lutheran Church!

<u>NEW THIS YEAR FOR BOAR'S HEAD TICKETS</u> Along with the forms at the Commons counter, reservation of tickets will also be available ONLINE with a link that will be on our Peace website (www.peacelutheranstl.org) and the Peace Boar's Head website (www.peaceboarshead.org). The link will become available at the appropriate time. If you have any questions, see Tracey Roesch.

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, 2/25, 3/3,
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• Please attach a payment of \$150 (checks made payable to Peace Lutheran Church) • THE LUTHERAN CONVALESCENT HOME AUXILIARY invites you to their next meeting, tomorrow, Monday, September 25. The meeting will be held in the Laclede Groves Auditorium (723 S. Laclede Station Rd.), at 11:00 a.m. with a light lunch served at 11:30 a.m. A short program follows. This month the program speaker is Catherine Cannon from the Carondelet Historical Society. She will be speaking on "Memories of Susan Blow." When the Des Peres School on Michigan Avenue, now the home of the Carondelet Historical Society, opened in 1873, one of the original four classrooms was dedicated to Susan Blow's experimental kindergarten. Ms. Blow worked with the City's Superintendent of Public Schools, William Torrey Harris, to conduct a kindergarten based on the teachings and philosophy of German educator, Friedrich Froebel.

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.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

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

Monday, September 25: 8:00am – Stepping Out in Faith

5:00pm – Chimes of Peace Rehearsal 7:00pm – Bells of Peace Rehearsal

7:00pm – Elders

Tuesday, September 26: 9:00am – Quilters

9:00am – Refit Exercise

6:00pm – Boar's Head Meeting

6:00pm – Men's Club

7:00pm – Orchestra of Peace Rehearsal

Wednesday, September 27: 4:00pm – Junior Confirmation

6:30pm – High School Youth Group

7:00pm – Wednesday Evening Bible Study

<u>Thursday</u>, <u>September 28:</u> 9:00am – Mary/Martha Bible Study

3:30pm – Green Park Volleyball Practice 7:00pm – Boy Scout Troop 584 Meeting

7:00pm – Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday, September 29: 8:00am – Stepping Out in Faith

3:30pm – Green Park Volleyball Practice

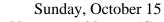
Sunday, October 1: 11:30am – Life Ministry Team

11:30am – Sunday School Teacher Meeting

12:00am – New Member Class 6:00pm – Pickleball Open Play 6:30pm – Sanctus Winds Rehearsal

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 are available now at the Commons Counter.

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

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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.