

WELCOME

PEACE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH – NOVEMBER 28, 2021

MEET US

Our family is loved by Christ and we love each other. We hold firmly to God's Word of truth, which convicts us of our sin and comforts us with God's forgiveness in Christ. We embrace the rich heritage of hymns and liturgy that has guided the worship of the Church for generations. We are passionate about Christian education, wanting young and old to grow in their knowledge of God's Word. As a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS), we enjoy fellowship with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS).

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Jeremiah was sent to declare the wrath of God against the sins of Israel and to call her to repentance. For the people that heeded his message and remained faithful to God's Word, Jeremiah had words of great comfort! God would keep his promises and send the Messiah, the righteous branch of David, to fulfill the requirements of the law and satisfy God's justice in our place. All who believe in the Messiah, Jesus the Christ, will bear the name: "The Lord our Righteousness".

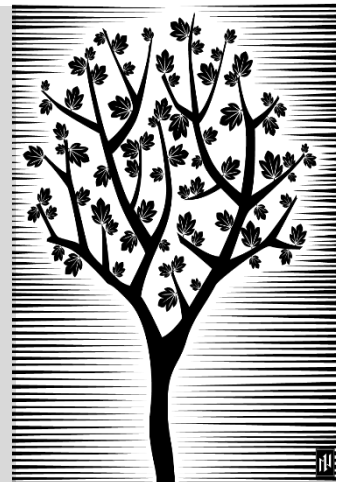
VISITOR INFORMATION

Restrooms are located to the right as you leave the sanctuary and are equipped with child changing tables.

Parent Room is located on the left as you exit the sanctuary doors. This room is equipped with a livestream of the service.

For the hearing impaired, an induction loop is provided. Just switch your hearing aid to "T".

For other special needs or questions, our ushers are here to assist you. Don't hesitate to ask.



DIVINE SERVICE

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WE COME BEFORE THE LORD

OPENING PRAYER

O Lord, our Maker, Redeemer, and Comforter, we are assembled in Your presence to hear your holy Word. We pray You to open our hearts by Your Holy Spirit, that through the preaching of Your Word we may be taught to repent of our sins, to believe on Jesus in life and death, and to grow day by day in grace and holiness. Hear us for Christ's sake. Amen.

HYMN

To God Be Glory | ELH 21

CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

O most merciful God, You have given Your only-begotten Son to die for us: have mercy upon us, and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us a true knowledge of You, and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON (Lord, have mercy)

O God the Fa - ther in heav - en, have mer - cy up - on

us. O God the Son, Re - deem - er of the world, have

mer - cy up - on us. O God the Ho - ly Ghost,

true Com - fort - er, have mer - cy up - on us.

ABSOLUTION

Hear the holy and comforting Word of our Lord: Come unto me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. For God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. Lift up your hearts! By the authority of God and of my holy office I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

SALUTATION

The Lord be with you.

And with your spir - it.

PRAYER

Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come. Protect us by Your strength, and save us from the threatening dangers of our sins; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

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OLD TESTAMENT READING The LORD's eternal covenant with David | Jeremiah 33:14-16

¹⁴Listen, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfill the good promises that I have spoken to the house of Israel and concerning the house of Judah. ¹⁵In those days and at that time, I will cause a righteous Branch to grow up from David's line. He will establish justice and righteousness on earth. ¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved, and Jerusalem will dwell securely. This is what she will be called: The LORD Our Righteousness.

EPISTLE READING

A prayer for the Church | 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

⁹Indeed, how can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy we have before God on account of you? ¹⁰Night and day we are praying earnestly to see you in person and to supply what is lacking in your faith. ¹¹May God our Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. ¹²And may the Lord increase your love and make it overflow for each other and for all people, just as ours does for you, ¹³so that he may establish your hearts as blameless in holiness before our God and Father, when our Lord Jesus comes with all his saints.

GOSPEL READING

Prepare for the coming of the Son of Man | Luke 21:25-36

²⁵"There will be signs in the sun, moon, and stars. And on the earth nations will be in anguish, in perplexity at the roaring of the sea and the surging waves, ²⁶people fainting from fear and expectation of the things coming on the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸But when these things begin to happen, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is near." ²⁹He told them a parable. "Look at the fig tree and all the trees. ³⁰As soon as they are sprouting leaves, you can see for yourselves and know that summer is actually near. ³¹So also, when you see these things happening, know that the kingdom of

God is near. ³²Amen I tell you: This generation will not pass away until all these things happen. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away. ³⁴“Watch yourselves or else your hearts will be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness, and the worries of this life, and that day may come on you suddenly. ³⁵For it will come like a trap on all those who dwell on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶Stay alert all the time, praying that you may be able to escape all these things that are going to happen and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man.”

God - be prais - ed, for His glad - tid - ings!

The image shows a musical score for the phrase "God be praised, for His glad tidings!". It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are placed between the two staves, aligned with the notes.

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 is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom shall 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 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 of the world to come.

A - - - - - men.

The image shows a musical score for the word "Amen.". It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics "A - - - - - men." are placed between the two staves, with long dashes indicating a sustained note.

HYMN

Behold, a Branch Is Growing | ELH 121

SERMON

The Righteous Branch Has Come | Jeremiah 33:14-16

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH — ADVENT

Eternal Father, throughout the centuries You repeated and affirmed Your promise to send the offspring of the woman to crush the serpent's head. Through Your prophets of old, You continually directed the eyes of Your people to the advent of their Savior.

We praise You, O Lord, for keeping Your promise and sending Your Son to destroy the works of the devil.

As we prepare to celebrate the birth of our King, use Your mighty Word to shatter our pride and to rouse us from spiritual slumber and apathy.

Move us to take to heart the words of John: "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near."

You sent Your Son to redeem us from sin. Let this good news be our joy and strength. Use it to cheer the lonely, encourage the fearful, and give hope to the despairing. In these days before Christmas, spare us from the stress of deadlines and the frenzy of commercialism.

Fill our lives with the message of Your peace and the music of Your grace.

Direct our eyes not only to the manger but also to the skies, where we will see Your Son coming again, not as a lowly child but as the Lord of lords.

Lift up our hearts in joyful anticipation of that day.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

Come quickly, Lord Jesus, in Your grace, in Your power, and in Your glory.

Come, Lord Jesus! Amen.

OFFERING & FRIENDSHIP REGISTER

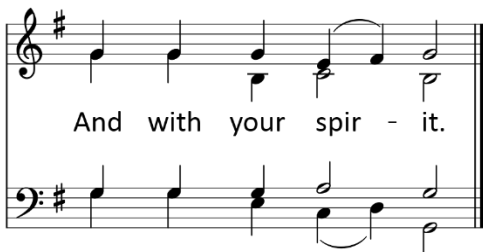
WE RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT

Visitors, please speak with one of our pastors before receiving the Sacrament with us.

We welcome members of the ELS and WELS to join us at the Lord's Table.

PREFACE

The Lord be with you.



And with your spir - it.

Lift up your hearts unto the Lord.

Two staves of music in G major, 4/4 time. The melody is in the treble clef and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: We lift up our hearts un - to the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

Two staves of music in G major, 4/4 time. The melody is in the treble clef and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: It is good and right so to do.

PROPER PREFACE

It is truly good, right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the Messiah, the very Lamb of God, and calling sinners to repentance that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He comes again in glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS (HOLY, HOLY, HOLY)

Two staves of music in B-flat major, 4/4 time. The melody is in the treble clef and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of Sab - a - oth;

Heav'n and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who comes in the

name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EXHORTATION

LORD'S PRAYER (UNISON)

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.

A - - - men.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

AGNUS DEI (LAMB OF GOD)



O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take a - way the



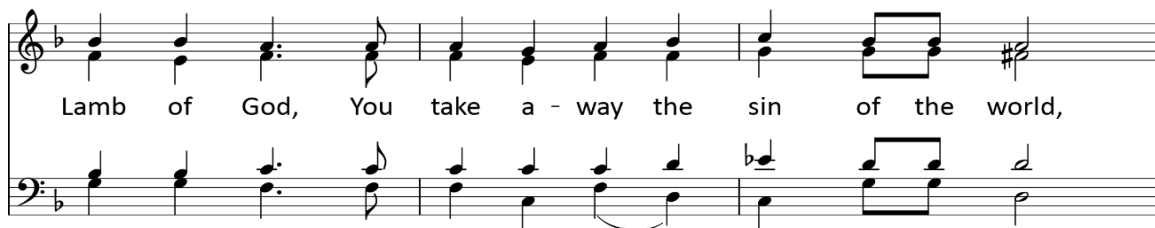
sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take a - way the



sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us, O Christ, the



Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world,

grant us Your peace, A - - - men.

This musical score is for a hymn in G major, 4/4 time. The melody is written in the treble clef and the bass line in the bass clef. The lyrics are 'grant us Your peace, A - - - men.' The music features a mix of quarter, eighth, and half notes, with some notes beamed together. The piece concludes with a final chord in G major.

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness | ELH 328

WE GIVE THANKS

PRAYER

We thank you, Lord God Almighty, that You have refreshed us with these Your salutary gifts; and we beseech You of Your mercy, to strengthen us through the same in faith toward You, and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

A - - - men.

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BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
 The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

A - men, a - men, a - - - men.

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HYMN

Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers | ELH 543

PRAYER

O Lord, we render unto You our heartfelt thanks that You have taught us what You would have us believe and do. Help us, O God, by Your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ, to keep Your Word in pure hearts, that we thereby may be strengthened in faith, perfected in holiness, and comforted in life and death. Amen.

WE THANK THOSE WHO SERVE

Organist

Katie Hartwig

Ushers

Matt Lukasek & Christian Moldstad

Ben, Malachi, & Ian Kohls

Refreshments

Peace Group 5

WEEKLY EVENTS

SUNDAY

Divine Service w/HC	8:15am
Bible Story Time	9:15am
Sunday School	9:25am
Bible Class	9:30am
Divine Service w/HC	10:30am

TUESDAY

Solid Grounds	9:00am
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WEDNESDAY

Advent Supper	5:00pm
Advent Service	6:00pm
Adult Choir Rehearsal	7:00pm

THURSDAY

M.O.M.s Bible Study	8:30am
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FRIDAY

Men's Bible Study	6:30am
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NEWS & NOTES

For more detailed information concerning our news & notes, visit peacemankato.com/news

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER MEETING Nov 30 | 6:00pm

7-12TH GRADE YOUTH EVENT w/ MT. OLIVE Dec 5

Join us at Bethany Lutheran College for Christmas at Bethany—a musical celebration of the season—featuring five Bethany ensembles. We'll meet at Trinity Chapel at 2:45pm for the 3pm concert. Following the performance, we'll gather in YFAC 104 for snacks and an opportunity to talk with the performers. Aim to pick up your son/daughter from the YFAC around 5:15pm.

HOLIDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

Sunday School Christmas Program	Dec 5 10:30am
Preschool Christmas Program	Dec 17 6:30pm
Christmas Eve Candlelight Services	4:00 & 6:00pm
Christmas Day Divine Service	9:00am
New Year's Eve Divine Service w/ HC	6:00pm

WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY Dec 11 | 1:30pm

Bring an appetizer to share and we'll provide the fun! Tacky sweater contest, but participation is completely optional. Guests are welcome, invite a friend or two! Questions? Ask Kristie Mize at klharding34@gmail.com

JOIN US FOR OUR ADVENT SUPPERS AND DIVINE SERVICES

Suppers start at 5:00pm. December 1st supper is provided by Group 1, 8th is Group 2, and 15th is Group 3. Thank you to the groups for providing our meals!

Our service theme is "The Deliverer Is In The Details", an Advent series on the genealogy of Christ. 12/1 – Son of Abraham (Matthew 1:1-5), 12/8 – Son of David (Matthew 1:6-11), 12/15 – Son of Mary (Matthew 1:12-17). We hope you will join us!

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Risen Savior Lutheran School, Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School, Jesus Loves Me Learning Center, Bethany Lutheran College – peacemankato.com/news

CHRISTMAS AT BETHANY CONCERTS

Proclaiming the Good News of Christ's birth Dec. 2 & 3 at 5pm, and Dec. 4 & 5 at 3pm. Concerts are free, but a reservation is preferred. Reserve at blc.ticketleap.com

JESUS' LAMBS AT PEACE PRE-K

2-, 3- or 5-day sessions Ages 3-5
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