

WELCOME

PEACE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH – APRIL 3, 2022

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

To Paul all that is earthly gain and glory is rubbish compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus. There is no room for the self-righteous in Christ's kingdom. We want to be found with an alien righteousness. Then we will know Christ's power; and because we have been called, gathered, and enlightened, we put the past behind and strive for the eternal prize. God encourages us today: Press On Toward the Goal.

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

Father, Who the Light This Day | ELH 14

CONFESSION OF SIN

We poor sinners confess to You, O God, not only that we have been conceived and born in sin, but also that throughout life we have often and in many ways offended You, our Lord and Maker, in thought, word and deed, so that You could with perfect justice reject and condemn us for all eternity.

Therefore we come before You with sorrow of heart, in dread and terror of Your holy justice and of everlasting death. Our sins are a grievous foe, which we should hate in every way as long as we live.

O merciful God, You still grant us in this hour to be reminded of Your fatherly goodness. According to the promise of Your Word we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy and implore You, dearest Father, for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your only-begotten Son, our Brother, who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised again for our justification: Forgive us all our sins through faith, which the Holy Spirit increases in our hearts to full assurance.

We therefore pray You, O Lord, through Your servant to declare to us the forgiveness of all our sins. We poor sinners are willing to forgive all who have offended against us. We earnestly desire to grow in true godliness. Help us, O God, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. 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.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of five systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is B-flat major (two flats) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

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

Almighty God, by Your great goodness, mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

A - - - - - men.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

The Lord's new act of salvation | Isaiah 43:16-21

¹⁶This is what the LORD says, who makes a road through the sea and a path through mighty waters, ¹⁷who brings out the chariot and the horses, the army and the strong warrior. They will all lie down together. They will not get up. They are extinguished. Like a wick they go out. ¹⁸Do not remember the former things. Do not keep thinking about ancient things. ¹⁹Watch, I am about to do a new thing. Now it will spring up. Don't you know about it? Indeed I will make a road in the wilderness. In the wasteland I will make rivers. ²⁰The wild animals, the jackals and ostriches, will honor me, because I am providing water in the wilderness, rivers in a parched wasteland, water for my chosen people to drink. ²¹This people that I formed for myself will declare my praise.

PSALM

Psalm 73

Refrain

Sure-ly, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and
 not be a - fraid. For the Lord is my strong-hold and my
 sure de-fense, and he will be my Sav - ior.

Psalm tone

I am always with *yóu*, O LORD;*
 you hold me by my *ríght* hand.

You guide me with your *cóunsel*,*
 and afterward you will take me into *glóry*.

Whom have I in *heavén* but you?*

And earth has nothing I desire *besídes* you.

My flesh and my *héart* may fail,*
 but God is the strength of my heart
 and my portion *forever*.


Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy *Spírit*,
as it was in the *beginning*,*
is now, and will be forever. *Ámen*.

Refrain

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GOSPEL READING

The Parable of the Wicked Tenants | Luke 20:9-19



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

⁹He began to tell the people this parable: “A man planted a vineyard, leased it to some tenant farmers, and went away on a journey for a long time. ¹⁰When it was the right time, he sent a servant to the tenants to collect his share of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenant farmers beat the servant and sent him away empty-handed. ¹¹The man went ahead and sent yet another servant, but they also beat him, treated him shamefully, and sent him away empty-handed. ¹²He then sent yet a third. They also wounded him and threw him out. ¹³The owner of the vineyard said, ‘What should I do? I will send my son, whom I love. Perhaps they will respect him.’ ¹⁴“But when the tenant farmers saw him, they talked it over with one another. They said, ‘This is the heir. Let’s kill him, so that the inheritance will be ours.’ ¹⁵They threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. So what will the owner of the vineyard do to them? ¹⁶He will come and destroy those tenant farmers and give the vineyard to others.” When they heard this, they said, “May it never be!” ¹⁷But he looked at them and said, “Then what about this that is written: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone? ¹⁸“Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, and it will crush the one on whom it falls.” ¹⁹That very hour the chief priests and the experts in the law began looking for a way to lay hands on him, because they knew he had spoken this parable against them. But they were afraid of the people.

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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He shall 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.

TEEN CHOIR

My Worth is Not in What I Own | Kendrick, Getty and Getty

My worth is not in what I own; not in the strength of flesh and bone,
 But in the costly wounds of love at the cross.
 My worth is not in skill or name; in win or lose, in pride or shame.
 But in the blood of Christ that flowed
 At the cross.

I rejoice in my Redeemer, greatest Treasure, Wellspring of my soul.
 And I will trust in Him, no other; my soul is satisfied in Him alone.

As summer flowers we fade and die; fame, youth and beauty hurry by.
 But life eternal calls to us at the cross.

I will not boast in wealth or might, or human wisdom's fleeting light.
 But I will boast in knowing Christ,
 At the cross.

I rejoice in my Redeemer, greatest Treasure, Wellspring of my soul.
 And I will trust in Him, no other; my soul is satisfied in Him alone.

Two wonders here that I confess: my worth and my unworthiness.
 My value fixed, my ransom paid
 At the cross.

I rejoice in my Redeemer, greatest Treasure, Wellspring of my soul.
 I will trust in Him, no other; my soul is satisfied in Him alone.

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SERMON

Press On Toward the Goal | Philippians 3:4b-14

⁴...If anyone else thinks that he has grounds for confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶in regard to zeal, persecuting the church; in regard to the righteousness that is in the law, blameless. ⁷But, whatever things were a profit for me, these things I have come to consider a loss because of Christ. ⁸But even more than that, I consider everything to be a loss because of what is worth far more: knowing Christ Jesus, my Lord. For his sake, I have lost all things and consider them rubbish, so that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own, which comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness that comes from God by faith. ¹⁰I do this so that I may know him and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of his sufferings, being conformed to his death, ¹¹in the hope that in some way I may arrive at the resurrection from the dead. ¹²Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus also took hold of me. ¹³Brothers, I do not consider myself to have taken hold of it yet, but there is one thing I do: Forgetting the things that are behind and straining toward the things that are ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal, for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

WE GIVE THANKS

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Heavenly Father, you loved the world and gave your Son to liberate us from sin and death by his obedient death on the cross.

We confess that without your love we are lost.

Lord of the Church, we thank you for the treasure of the gospel. By your Spirit, keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

Strengthen our determination to do what pleases you, no matter what the danger or the cost.

Let us pray for those who carry a cross in the name of Christ and face ridicule and persecution for the sake of the kingdom: missionaries and chaplains, young people who stand up for what is right in the face of pressure to do what is wrong, and all who pay a high price for their faith and their values as Christians.

By your Spirit, O Lord, grant them patience and endurance.

Let us pray for those who carry heavy burdens in life: the sick and the chronically ill, the depressed and the lonely, those torn by conflict in personal relationships, those victimized by war and injustice, and all who face the terrors of life with a heavy heart.

Grant them peace, O Lord, and in your mercy, be their guardian and friend, their comfort and hope.

Let us pray for those who care for others: pastors and counselors; physicians and nurses; social workers and caring friends; all who feed the hungry, comfort the hurting, and stand beside the dying.

Strengthen them in their work, O Lord, and do not let them become weary in doing good.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

Help us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Keep us faithful even to the point of death, that we may receive the crown of life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

OFFERING & FRIENDSHIP REGISTER

8:15 – MOUNT OLIVE CHOIR

Father, Forgive Us | Matthew Manthe

Father, forgive us for all we have done.
Daily we stumble; from you we do run.
Often to try our own heaven to earn,
Forgive us, Lord; to your Son help us turn.

There on the cross we see God's only Son.
Payment for sin; once for all and for one.
"Father, forgive them," he prays on the tree.
Showing his love and his mercy so free.

Look to the cross; find forgiveness and love,
Pardon from God in his heaven above.
Father, forgive us for all we have done.
Father, forgive for the sake of your Son.
Father, forgive for the sake of your Son.

Glory Be to Jesus | F. Filitz

Glory be to Jesus, Who in bitter pains
Poured for me the lifeblood from His sacred veins.

Grace and life eternal in that blood I find;
Blest be His compassion, infinitely kind.

Lift we, then, our voices, swell the mighty flood;
Louder still and louder praise the precious blood!

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LORD'S PRAYER

Our Fa - ther, who art in heav - en,
Hal - low - ed be Thy name, Thy king - dom come, Thy will
be done on earth as it is in heav - en. Give us this day our dai -
- ly bread; And for - give us our tres - pass - es, as
we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us; And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, But de - liv - er us from e - vil. For Thine is the
king - dom and the pow'r and the glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er.
A - - - - men.

PRAYER

We thank you, Almighty God, that You have built Your Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the Head Cornerstone. Grant that we may be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable unto You, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

A - - - - men.

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.

HYMN

Draw Us to Thee | ELH 581

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

Teen Choir
 Mt. Olive Choir

Organist
 Ushers

Refreshments

Katie Hartwig | Director/Accompanist
 Kari Sehloff | Director
 Anita Krienke | Accompanist
 Katie Hartwig
 Nick Peters & Rob Paulsen
 Josh McCabe & Ken Mellon
 Group 4

WEEKLY EVENTS

SUNDAY

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

TUESDAY

Solid Grounds	9:00am
Gospel Outreach	5:00pm
Board of Education	6:00pm
Spiritual Leadership	7:00pm

WEDNESDAY

Lenten Meal	5:00pm
Lenten 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
Ladies Paint Night	6:00pm

NEWS & NOTES

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

EASTER FLOWER ORDERS DUE **TODAY**

BAKE SALE FOR MT. OLIVE 4TH GRADERS **TODAY**

SPECIAL VOTER MEETING **Wed. April 20 | 7:00pm**

Meeting to decide if Peace should call a 2nd Pastor. If approved, a Call Meeting will be held immediately after. All members are welcome to attend.

LADIES PAINT NIGHT **April 8 | 6:00pm**

Teen and pre-teen girls welcome to join also. Cost is \$25 per person, give payment to Joni Moldstad. Register at peacemankato.com/paintnight. Contact Joni with any questions at joni.moldstad@blc.edu.

CHURCH SOFTBALL LEAGUE

Interested in playing on Peace's team? Contact Chris Harstad at 507-351-9988. Player fee is \$100. Deadline to signup is April 15th. Softball team will also once again provide the Easter Breakfast for a donation.

EASTER SCHEDULE **April 17**

Worship – 7:15am with HC, 8:15 & 10:30am

Breakfast – 9:15am

Egg Hunt – 10:00am

JOIN THE CHOIR FOR OUR 8:15 EASTER SERVICE

The Peace Adult Choir invites all members of our Peace family to join in the singing of the "Hallelujah Chorus" at our 8:15 Easter service. Join us for rehearsals:

April 6 after Lenten worship, April 13 at 6PM, and April 16 at 9:30AM.

Questions? Katie Hartwig: 507-382-7566.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES FOR 4/10

Both services - procession with palm branches at the beginning and singing with Adult Choir between lessons.

Questions? Email: musik23@hotmail.com

HELP PREPARE FOR EASTER

April 14th at 7:15pm – walls, tables, chairs, sanctuary

April 16th at 1:30pm – sanctuary, flowers

Questions – karen@peacemankato.com

JESUS' LAMBS AT PEACE PRE-K

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