

Welcome to Peace!

We are glad that you are here as we gather around the Word and Sacraments of our Lord Jesus Christ! If you have not already done so, we ask that you sign the Guest Book at the entrance to the church. Contact information can be written in the Fellowship Book located in the aisle side of each pew. If you do not have a church home and are interested in becoming a member here at Peace, please contact an Elder.

The Lord's Supper is a Gift . . . and as with all our Lord's gifts, we desire to give and receive them as He intends. The Lord's Supper is for our benefit, but it can be received unworthily. *"Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord"* (1 Corinthians 11:27). Therefore, in faithfulness to our Lord, and in love for you, Peace follows the practice of closed communion. If you are a fellow LCMS member, please let an Elder know beforehand!

All Guests should visit with any of our Elders before coming to the Altar to receive the Lord's Supper. If you do not have opportunity to visit with an Elder prior to the service check with our Head Elder, Roger Buck, during the week, see bottom of page for contact information.

The Divine Service utilizes beautiful Liturgies and Hymns that the Christian Church has passed down for generations, all the while retelling the story of salvation and enacting the work of Christ among us. This bulletin contains an outline to assist you in locating the various parts of the service within our Hymnal. The inserts have the Scriptures & Propers for the Day, as well as Notes about this particular Sunday or Festival of the church year. May God strengthen you today with His Word and Sacrament!

Prayers of the Church

+ *High School Graduates* **Mourning** + Family of Clarence Staub + Family of Jean Thom + Family of Ronald Haubold + Family of Steven R. Sale **Hospice, Surgery, or Hospitalization** + Deb Johnson + Al Kress **Health Issues** + Jenny Brogan + Lindsay Brettman + Margret Herbert + Randy Russell **Cancer** + Maria Gomez + Merna Urwin + Kent Cohagan + Barbara Classan + Andy Jacques + Ed Elshof + Marilyn Houston **Military** + Tyler Mars + Ross Peters + Gary Thompson

In His Service

Presiding Minister: Rev. John H. Schmidt
 Organist: Dr. Phil Hesterman Cantor: Mr. David Witt A/V: Tim Yurk
 Altar Guild: May Dianne B., Kathy H. Jun. Lisa Novak
 Ushers: May Dale Bauman Jun. Mike Nissen
 Elders: 5/12 Don N. 402-460-6430 5/19 Ernesto A. 402-705-3472
 Bus Drivers: 5/12 Harold H. 402-984-9666 5/19 Wes C. 402-984-4650

For emergencies during the Vacancy please contact Head Elder, Roger Buck at 308-390-3484 or email at personemlz@charter.net.

Gifts of Time and Treasure

<u>Last Week's Attendance</u>	127
<u>Last Week's Offering</u>	\$ 3,404.00
<u>Weekly Need</u>	\$ 3,498.11
<u>OTD II Capital Campaign</u>	<i>Remaining Loan Balance as of 1/31/2019</i> \$ 110,817.67

For more Financial Information see monthly newsletter.

A complete accounting of all financials are provided at each Quarterly Voters' Meeting. Questions? Contact our Bookkeeper, Mrs. Jan Hinze jan@balancedbooksllc.com

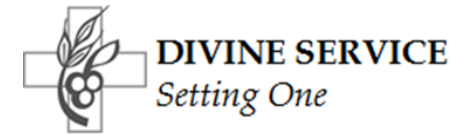
The Lord's Week

Sunday, May 12th	9:00am	Divine Service
	10:30am	Bible Class (Reception Canceled)
Monday, May 13th	9:30am	Sewing for Orphan Grain Train
Tuesday, May 14th	9:30am	Bible Study
	6:00pm	Board-Finance
	7:00pm	Board-Elders
Wednesday, May 15th	6:30pm	Ladies Night-Mother's Day Tea
Saturday, May 18th	10a-6pm	Reserved Fellowship Hall-Graduation S. Henderson
Sunday, May 19th	9:00am	Divine Service
	10:30am	Bible Class

Office Hours: 9:00am-12:00pm and 1:00-4:00pm, Monday through Friday. The office may be closed on occasion due to holidays/errands. Secretary Mrs. Jeri Dush, ph. 402-462-9023 or peacelutheranhastings@gmail.com

Those Who Wait on the Lord Shall Rejoice

The people of God are pilgrims and sojourners in this world, looking ahead to a destination yet to come (1 Peter 2:11-20). Though we are now children of God, the fullness of what we shall be has not yet been revealed (1 John 3:1-3). We are those who wait on the Lord. *"The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him"* (Lam. 3:25). Jesus tells us that the wait is just a little while. *"A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me"* (John 16:16). Though you must experience sorrow for a time, though you must live as strangers in a world that is at enmity with Christ, yet your sorrow will be turned to joy when He returns. *"But they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength"* (Is. 40:31). The little while of weeping shall be replaced with an eternity of rejoicing in the presence of Christ the crucified and risen Savior. *"And no one will take your joy from you"* (John 16:22).



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News and Notes of Interest

Please use new Narthex to enter and exit the Sanctuary!

Divine Service: Sunday, Divine Service 9:00 A.M. followed by coffee and dessert time at 10:15 A.M. Bible Study will follow beginning at 10:30 A.M. Elders

ALTAR FLOWERS: The flowers on the altar for the month of May have been donated by Glen & Kay Krueger in honor of their 66th wedding anniversary Friday, May 10th.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: 5/14 Megan Shuler 5/16 Ethel Schukei 5/18 Jennie Theesen

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES: 5/12 Michaela Novak 5/13 Ronda Rosenau, Sharon Witt 5/15 Lorelai Shuler 5/16 Arlene Carlson 5/17 Judy Jacobs No Weddings Listed this week

HIGHER THINGS DEVOTIONS & PORTALS OF PRAYER available in the Narthex April 21-June 8, 2019. Please check in this weeks bulletin for Bulletin Study Notes for the Christian Layperson.

Congratulations & Best Wishes High School Graduates:
Jenna Ellis Sharae Henderson Abbie Hoins
Brandt Ruppert Haidyn Russell

LADIES NIGHT- Wednesday, May 15 at 6:30pm In Honor of Mother's Day, please join us for a Mother's Day Tea. Please bring a photo of your Mother or Grandmother and favorite memories to share. Lisa Novak, Public Relations Board

USHERS needed for upcoming months August, September, October and December sign-up Narthex Table. Dale Bauman

LADIES to set-up Communion, months needed June, July, November and December, need 1(one) person each month except month of September need 2 (two) people. Thanks!
Sandy Nissen 402-463-8553 Altar Guild Co-chair.

ZION LUTHERAN, Hastings hosting a Salad Luncheon on, Friday, June 7th, 11:00am to 1:00pm Tickets \$7 at the door.

LIFEQUOTE "It does not say that the honoring, serving, and obeying one's parents is conditional or in response to their earning or deserving it. No, one is to love and cherish them as well as honor, serve, and obey them as if they were God Himself ... The good news is that where we have obviously failed, Jesus did not. He not only honored His stepfather, Joseph, and his mother, Mary, but also His heavenly Father. He offers you His payment for your sin and a place in God's family, now and forever." *Pastor Ricky Jacob, Jesus Our Savior Lutheran Church and Preschool, Winnebago - A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

SANCTIFYING YOUR EXERCISE ROUTINE WITH THE WORD OF GOD...Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's subjects include: Religious Liberty, The Book of Malachi, Jesus Walks on Water, The Historic Liturgy & the Apostles' Creed and more. You can listen live or at your convenience at www.issuesetc.org and on the LPR mobile app.

LCMS Jubilate

1 Peter 2:11 - "Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul." Passions of the flesh means the things our flesh desires. One way to sum up all the "passions of the flesh" is to call them greed - the desire to have more things to bring us comfort and peace of mind. But that shows us the real problem with greed. Greed wages war against our soul, and it urges us to place our trust in the things of this world and not in God. But St. Peter reminds us we are sojourners and exiles. We belong to the Kingdom of God. We have been purchased by the blood of Christ and belong to Him. That knowledge frees us from greed, and it frees us for generosity.

Fourth Sunday of Easter
Jubilate

May 12th
9:00am



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Fourth Sunday of Easter

Jubilate

12 May 2019 Anno Domini

INTROIT (Ps. 66:3, 5, 8-9; antiphon: Ps. 66:1-2)



*Shout for joy to God, all the earth. Alle- | luia.**

Sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise! Alle- | luia.

*Say to God, "How awesome | are your deeds!"**

*So great is your power that your enemies come
cringing | to you."*

*Come and see what | God has done:**

he is awesome in his deeds toward the chil- | dren of man.

*Bless our God, O | peoples;**

*let the sound of his | praise be heard,
who has kept our soul among the | living*
and has not let our | feet slip.*

*Glorify be to the Father and | to the Son**

and to the Holy | Spirit;

*as it was in the be- | ginning,**

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, You show those in error the light of Your truth so that they may return to the way of righteousness. Grant faithfulness to all who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's Church that they may avoid whatever is contrary to their confession and follow all such things as are pleasing to You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

VERSE

Alleluia. He sent redemption to his people. Alleluia. Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory? Alleluia.

Old Testament: Isaiah 40:25-31

"To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One. "Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these? He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name, by the greatness of his might, and because he is strong in power not one is missing. "Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"? "Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. "He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. "Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; "but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

Epistle: 1 Peter 2:11-20

"Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. "Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation. "Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme, "or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do evil and to praise those who do good. "For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people. "Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God. "Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear

God. Honor the emperor. "Servants, be subject to your masters with all respect, not only to the good and gentle but also to the unjust. "For this is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. "For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God.

Holy Gospel: John 16:16-22

"[Jesus said:] "A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me." "So some of his disciples said to one another, "What is this that he says to us, 'A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me'; and, 'because I am going to the Father'? "So they were saying, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We do not know what he is talking about." "Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, "Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, 'A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me'? "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. "When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. "So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you."

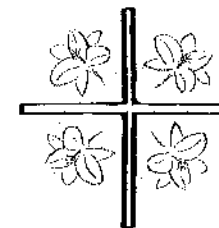
soon it is day again. Therefore, the lamenting does not have to last forever, even though it seems and feels that way when we are in it. But even though we cannot see or determine the end, Christ has already done so. He points out to us in advance that we must bear this suffering, no matter how bad and unpleasant the devil makes it. Even though we do not see the end, we must wait for Him who says: 'I will put an end to it and will again comfort you and give you joy'" (*Luther's Works* 24:382).

²² So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.

- True joy is a fruit of the Spirit (see Galatians 5:22-23). It is grounded in the fact that Jesus has given His life for ours. Since the world has not given this joy, the world cannot take it away from the Christian. Joy is a result of faith in the merits of Christ.
- "True faith is not only a dead accepting as true of all that which is in the Bible; a person whose heart is still unbroken can have that. True faith is rather a heavenly power worked by the Holy Spirit, by which one comforts himself in firm confidence in Christ, whenever the conscience is disturbed over sin, God's wrath, death, judgement, and hell. It is a power through which a person is born again, the love of sin rooted out, his heart cleansed and renewed, and love to God and one's neighbor poured in" (C.F.W. Walther, *Gospel Sermons: Volume I*, 255).
- "Dear Christian! Let the devil, the world, and all tyrants storm and rage, let the winds rush and roar, let the waves crash and soar,—they can do so no longer than God permits them. But if the time has come, God's will be done, and we must simply pass through it, whether brief or long. 'It is appointed for a man to die once' (Heb. 9 [27]). But we have this comfort: 'Whether we live or die, we are the Lord's' [Rom. 14:8]" (Johann Spangenberg, *The Christian Year of Grace*, 189).



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THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

JUBILATE

Shout for Joy

Study Notes for the Christian Layperson

by: Rev. Roberto E. Rojas, Jr.

Collect of the Day:

Almighty God, You show those in error the light of Your truth so that they may return to the way of righteousness. Grant faithfulness to all who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's Church that they may avoid whatever is contrary to their confession and follow all such things as are pleasing to You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Introit:

Psalm 66:1-3 — *How awesome are Your deeds*

Psalm:

Psalm 147:1-11 (antiphon: v. 5) — *Great is our LORD*

Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 40:25-31 — *The greatness of God*

Gradual:

(During the celebration of Easter and Pentecost, the Gradual is omitted and the verse is expanded.)

Epistle:

1 Peter 2:11-20 — *Submission to authority*

Verse:

Matt. 28:27b; John 20:26a, c — *Alleluia. He sent redemption to his people. Alleluia. Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into His glory? Alleluia*

John 16:16-22 ESV

Author and Date:

The Holy Spirit caused the words of this Gospel to be written by John the Apostle around AD 90. This is the historical record of Christ's prediction of His own death and resurrection, and His promise to turn the disciples' sorrow into joy. This took place on Holy Thursday, the night when He was betrayed.

¹⁶ "A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me."

- Jesus predicts His own crucifixion and resurrection. Jesus predicted His own death and resurrection earlier in John 3:14; 8:28; 10:17-18; 12:7, 23-24, 32-34.
- "In these words He points to His cross, suffering, death, and resurrection, as He often had done before, and that not without cause. For our flesh and blood is weak, for which reason all the articles [of faith] are hard to believe, and are not easily grasped. Therefore Christ acts like a faithful schoolteacher, is persistent, does not cease to impress these articles upon the disciples often, so that He may fulfill His office in every respect" (Johann Spangenberg, *The Christian Year of Grace*, 187).

¹⁷ So some of his disciples said to one another, "What is this that He says to us, 'A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me'; and, 'because I am going to the Father'?" ¹⁸ So they were saying, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We do not know what he is talking about."

- Dr. Luther says, "Christ's going or being sent from the Father means nothing else than that He, the true Son of God from eternity, became a true man and revealed Himself on earth in human nature, essence, and form; that He let Himself be seen, heard, and touched; that He ate, drank, slept, worked, suffered, and died like any other human being. On the other hand, His going to the Father means that through His resurrection from the dead it is declared that He sits at the right hand of God and reigns with Him forever as eternal and omnipotent God. ... Christ's coming from the Father to us and His going from us to the Father, His descending from heaven into death and hell, and His ascending and thereby taking complete possession of and filling heaven and earth—all this the dear apostles could not yet comprehend. Nor would anyone else understand it if the Holy Spirit had not come to reveal and clarify these words" (*Luther's Works* 24:375-376).

¹⁹ Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, "Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, 'A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me'?" ²⁰ Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy.

- Jesus makes another prediction of the disciples' misery and anguish at His death (see John 20:19). Also, He predicts that the sinful, evil world will rejoice at His death (see Luke 23), but that the disciples' sorrow will turn into joy at His resurrection (see John 20:20). Christ describes the way in which the disciples' faith will be tested, exercised, strengthened, and preserved.
- The "rejoicing" of the world is a false, demonic, fleeting "joy." It finds "joy" in the death of Jesus not because of the forgiveness of sins achieved there, but because they think of Him as a blasphemer, liar, and fraud. The world hates Jesus and the Word He speaks, so they rejoice when His life is ended and His Word is silenced.

²¹ When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world.

- See Isaiah 21:3; 26:18-19
- "In Revelation 12, as the woman, that is the Christian Church, was to give birth to a little boy, that is the spiritual children of God, she was in pain and cried out in anxiety. That's how it still goes—God's children are born amidst cross and tribulation. For only temptations teach to take note of the Word (Isaiah 28:19), through which Word we become born again. So then, as Christ preached to His disciples about the benefits of the cross, He held before them the illustration of a woman giving birth, who at first was sad, but who later rejoiced (John 16:21), to show that the cross gives new birth to those who through faith and hope await divine help" (Johann Gerhard, *Postilla*, 109).
- Dr. Luther says, "A change like this is also experienced here in this Christian life. Sadness will not last forever; it will turn into joy. Otherwise our condition would be hopeless and helpless. But Christ has helped by saying that we will not be subjected to the eternal spectacle of the devil with his horns and claws, but that our hearts will again see Christ and rejoice in Him. Thus here on earth Christians experience an ever-recurring alternation of 'a little while and again a little while.' Now it is dark night;