**April 25th** 8:00a.m., 10:30a.m.



# **Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church**

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## "In Thee Is Gladness"

LSB 818

- In Thee is gladness
  Amid all sadness, Jesus, sunshine of my heart.
  By Thee are given The gifts of heaven,
  Thou the true Redeemer art. Our souls Thou wakest,
  Our bonds Thou breakest; Who trusts Thee surely
  Has built securely; He stands forever: Alleluia!
  Our hearts are pining To see Thy shining,
  Dying or living To Thee are cleaving;
  Naught can us sever: Alleluia!
- Since He is ours,
  We fear no powers, Not of earth nor sin nor death.
  He sees and blesses In worst distresses;
  He can change them with a breath. Wherefore the story
  Tell of His glory With hearts and voices;
  All heav'n rejoices In Him forever: Alleluia!
  We shout for gladness, Triumph o'er sadness,
  Love Him and praise Him And still shall raise Him
  Glad hymns forever: Alleluia!

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## **SERVICE OF PREPARATION ₹**

The sign of the cross  $(\maltese)$  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.
- C: Amen.
- P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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.

## **★ SERVICE OF THE WORD ★**

**INTROIT** 

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



L: Shout for joy to God, all the earth. Alle- | luia.\*
Sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!

Alle- | luia.

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

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

Bless our God, O | peoples;\*

let the sound of his | praise be heard,

Glory 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.

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

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

## KYRIE

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

## THIS IS THE FEAST

C: This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign.

Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

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.

C: Amen

(Please sit)

## **OLD TESTAMENT**

Isaiah 40: 25-31

<sup>25</sup>To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One. <sup>26</sup>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. <sup>27</sup>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"? <sup>28</sup>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. <sup>29</sup>He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. <sup>30</sup>Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; 31 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.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE 1 John 3:1-3

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup> Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. <sup>3</sup> And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand)

**VERSE** *Ps. 111, 9a; Luke 24.26* 

C: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

L: He sent re- | demption\* to his | people.

Was it not necessary that the Christ should suf- | fer these things.\* and enter into his | glory?

C: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

The Holy Gospel is read from the midst of the congregation to symbolize the living presence of Christ with His church.

## HOLY GOSPEL

John 16:16-22

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 16th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>16</sup>[Jesus said:] "A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me." <sup>17</sup>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'?" <sup>18</sup>So they were saying, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We do not know what he is talking about." <sup>19</sup>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'? <sup>20</sup>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.

<sup>21</sup>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. <sup>22</sup>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."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

# "With High Delight Let Us Unite"

LSB 483

1 With high delight

Let us unite In songs of great jubilation. Ye pure in heart, All bear your part, Sing Jesus Christ, our salvation. To set us free

Forever, He Is ris'n and sends To all earth's ends

Good news to save ev'ry nation.

2 True God, He first

From death has burst Forth into life, all subduing. His enemy Doth vanquished lie:

His death has been death's undoing. "And yours shall be Like victory O'er death and grave,"
Saith He, who gave His life for us, life renewing.

3 Let praises ring;

Give thanks, and bring To Christ our Lord adoration. His honor speed By word and deed To ev'ry land, ev'ry nation. So shall His love Give us above, From misery And death set free,

All joy and full consolation.

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## **SERMON**

P: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C: Amen.

(Please stand)

## Nicene Creed

C: 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 \* of the world to come. Amen.

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Be seated as the altar is prepared for Holy Communion.

#### **OFFERTORY**

(Please stand)

C: What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and will call on the name of the Lord.
I will take the cup of salvation
and will call on the name of the Lord.
I will pay my vows to the Lord now
in the presence of all His people,
in the courts of the Lord's house,
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

#### **■ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ▼**

## **PREFACE**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise

P: It is truly meet, right, and salutary....., evermore praising You and saying:

## SANCTUS

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING LORD'S PRAYER spoken in unison THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

## **PAX DOMINI**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

## **AGNUS DEI**

C: Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

(Please sit)

(Those coming to communion are invited to approach the rail in family units.)

#### **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

# "Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face"

LSB 631

- Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face; Here would I touch and handle things unseen; Here grasp with firmer hand the\_eternal grace, And all my weariness upon Thee lean.
- 2 Here would I feed upon the bread of God, Here drink with Thee the royal wine of heav'n; Here would I lay aside each earthly load, Here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiv'n.
- This is the hour of banquet and of song;
  This is the heav'nly table spread for me;
  Here let me feast and, feasting, still prolong
  The brief bright hour of fellowship with Thee.
- I have no help but Thine; nor do I need
   Another arm but Thine to lean upon.
   It is enough, my Lord, enough indeed;
   My strength is in Thy might, Thy might alone.
- Mine is the sin, but Thine the righteousness;
  Mine is the guilt, but Thine the cleansing blood;
  Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace:
  Thy blood, Thy righteousness, O Lord my God.
- 6 Too soon we rise; the vessels disappear;
  The feast, though not the love, is past and gone;
  The bread and wine remove, but Thou art here;
  Nearer than ever; still my shield and sun.
- Feast after feast thus comes and passes by,
   Yet, passing, points to that glad feast above,
   Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy,
   The Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love.

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## "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds"

LSB 465

- 1 Now all the vault of heav'n resounds
  In praise of love that still abounds:

  "Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
  Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear!
  Repeat their song of glory here:

  "Christ has triumphed! Christ has triumphed!"
  Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 2 Eternal is the gift He brings, Therefore our heart with rapture sings: "Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Now still He comes to give us life And by His presence stills all strife. Christ has triumphed! He is living! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 3 O fill us, Lord, with dauntless love;
  Set heart and will on things above
  That we conquer through Your triumph;
  Grant grace sufficient for life's day
  That by our lives we truly say:
  "Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
  Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 4 Adoring praises now we bring
  And with the heav'nly blessèd sing:
  "Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!"
  Be to the Father and our Lord,
  To Spirit blest, most holy God,
  All the glory, never ending!
  Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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After all have communed

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart in ♣ peace.

C: Amen

(Please stand)

## THANK THE LORD

C: Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.

Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.

He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, Alleluia.

## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P: Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

C: Amen.

#### BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ₹ give you peace.

C: Amen.

Please turn and face the processional cross as it passes. When the recessional is ended, you may turn to face the altar.

## "Make Songs of Joy"

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- Make songs of joy to Christ, our head;
  Alleluia! He lives again who once was dead!
  Alleluia!
- Our life was purchased by His loss; Alleluia! He died our death upon the cross. Alleluia!
- 3 O death, where is your deadly sting? Alleluia! Assumed by our triumphant King! Alleluia!
- 4 And where your victory, O grave, Alleluia! When one like Christ has come to save? Alleluia!
- 5 Behold, the tyrants, one and all, Alleluia! Before our mighty Savior fall! Alleluia!
- 6 For this be praised the Son who rose, Alleluia! The Father, and the Holy Ghost! Alleluia!

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# **Silent Prayer**

P: Go in peace.

C: Thanks be to God!

# Servants of the Word.

Pastor: Rev. Micah R. Gaunt Organist: Dr. Phil Hesterman Cantor: Mr. David Witt Video: Mr. Tim Yurk Elders: Derek, Kevin 8 a.m. Acolyte: Isaac Russell

#### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Expectant Mother + Dawn Gaunt Health Issues + Tim Yurk + Tom Rosenau + Dick LeBeau + Myra Fredricks + Maxine Weseman + Jerry Blazer + Nadeen Debban + Kay Krueger + Dee Janssen + Viola Melvin + Linda Parsons Military + Tyler Mars + Ross Peters + Gary Thompson

Birthdays 4/25 Bill Fintel, Rylie McAleese, Jean Herbst 4/26 Rev. Micah Gaunt, Carol Hansel 4/27 Ashley Augustin, Brenda Christensen 5/01 Judy Jacobs, Justin Ham, Joshua Zeisler Baptism 4/25 Max Meier, Dale Bauman 4/26 Conrad Gaunt 4/27 Scott Hansel 5/01 John Martinez, Leila Martinez, Maria Martinez Wedding Anniversaries 4/28 Andre & Elaine Reiners

Readings for Next Sunday: Isaiah 12:1-6, James 1: 16-21, John 16:5-15.

## What to listen for during the service?

When do we make a "joyful noise" during the service? What instrument does everyone have that we can use to make a joyful noise? (See Psalms 95:1 & 98:4)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## THIS WEEK AT PEACE

8:00 a.m. Divine Service 9:30 a.m. Quarterly Voters' Meeting 10:30 a.m. Divine Service

**Tuesday, April 27** - Prayer Service and Bible Study Prayer Service on Tuesday morning will no longer be live-streamed. All are welcome to join Pastor in prayer Tuesdays at 9am in the sanctuary.

**Sunday, May 2nd** 9:00 a.m. Divine Service we will return to one service at 9 a.m. We will still rope off pews for social distancing. If we need to fit more people in we will begin adding people on the north west side.

Your Input Needed! Our Core Planning Team is working to put together a plan to direct our ministry efforts as a congregation in the coming years. We want our work to be based on God's word and tailored to our character as a congregation. To help us, please fill out the insert and put the form in the box in the narthex marked "core values".

HLHS is also hosting a blood drive Thursday, April 29th from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm please contact office at 308-385-3900 for a donation time, or you can reserve a time on-line at <a href="https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive">https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive</a>

2021 VBS—"Mystery Island—Tracking Down the One True God" meets June 14-18, 6-8 p.m., with a hot supper served 5:30-6 p.m. Encourage your child to bring a friend and get them registered too! Seeking VBS Decorating volunteers. Ashley Dalland and Joan Primrose, Co-Directors. Sign-up Online pre-registration https://peacelutheranhastings.myanswers.com/mystery-island2/

**Lifequote:** "Death is the one thing no Christian has to do on his or her own. Jesus has already been through suffering and death before us. He knows the way through death and the way back to life, too. Our friends and family cannot go with us—but Jesus can. He will never let go of our hands. And He will bring us back to life with Him because He has promised, and He will never lie." A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

1 Corinthians Bible Study... The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon will begin a study this week on 1 Corinthians. You can listen at your convenience at thewordendures.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

**L.W.M.L.** collecting undergarments and socks for Orphan Grain Train. Months of April –June totes for items are available in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall.

## The Congregation at Prayer

Speak aloud as much of this order of prayer as you are able.

In the name of the Father, and of the  $\blacksquare$  Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Verse of the Week: "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." John 16:20

The 10 Commandments The Apostles Creed The Lord's Prayer

## What benefits does Baptism give?

It works forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare.

Other Readings for the Week: The Gospel Lesson on Monday, The Gospel Verse on Tuesday, The Epistle Lesson on Wednesday, The Gradual Verse on Thursday, The First Lesson on Friday & The Introit on Saturday.

For Meditation: What do you have a hard time waiting for? Why do you think that is? What are you looking forward to when Christ comes back in glory? Who can you pray for that is lamenting right now?

**Pray** in response to the Catechism and/or Readings for the Week. What is God teaching you to **thank** Him for? What sin is He teaching you to **confess?** What is God teaching you to **ask** for? You may also pray this week's Collect, as well as for the prayers of the church (found in the bulletin).

Hymn-#594 "God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It"

May the almighty and most merciful God, Father, ♣ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us. Amen.