



**The Third Sunday of Easter  
May 1, 2022  
Peace Lutheran Church  
Hutchinson, Minnesota**

6:30pm Prelude: Nicolas Cox, violin solo. L'Abeille by Schubert  
10:30am Prelude: Westin Witte and Josey Witte, violin solos

**INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP, Psalm 30**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

<sup>1</sup> I will exalt you, LORD,  
for you lifted me out of the depths  
and did not let my enemies gloat over me.

<sup>2</sup> **LORD my God, I called to you for help,  
and you healed me.**

<sup>3</sup> You, LORD, brought me up from the realm of the dead;  
you spared me from going down to the pit.

<sup>4</sup> **Sing the praises of the LORD, you his faithful people;  
praise his holy name.**

<sup>5</sup> For his anger lasts only a moment,  
but his favor lasts a lifetime;  
weeping may stay for the night,  
but rejoicing comes in the morning.

<sup>6</sup> **When I felt secure, I said,  
"I will never be shaken."**

<sup>7</sup> LORD, when you favored me,  
you made my royal mountain stand firm;  
but when you hid your face, I was dismayed.

<sup>8</sup> **To you, LORD, I called;  
to the Lord I cried for mercy:**

<sup>9</sup> "What is gained if I am silenced,  
if I go down to the pit?  
Will the dust praise you?  
Will it proclaim your faithfulness?

<sup>10</sup> **Hear, LORD, and be merciful to me;  
LORD, be my help."**

<sup>11</sup> You turned my wailing into dancing;  
you removed my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,  
<sup>12</sup> that my heart may sing your praises and not be silent.  
**LORD my God, I will praise you forever.**  
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

**HYMN 507 (Maroon): Holy, Holy, Holy**

**9:15 Holy, Holy, Holy (God With Us)**

**CONFESSION**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**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.**

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. **Amen.**

**6:30pm, 8:00am, 10:30am This is the Feast (Maroon, Divine Setting One, page 155)**

**Refrain: 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. (Refrain)**

**Power, riches, wisdom and strength,  
And honor, blessing and glory are his. (Refrain)**

**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. (Refrain)**

**For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. (Refrain)**

**9:15am Alleluia (Agnus Dei)**



9:15am Children are dismissed to Sunday School after the Children's Sermon.

*Readers: 6:30pm Charlene Havelka; 8:00am Shirley Wurdell; 9:15am Scott Lang; 10:30am Marion Fenske*

**FIRST READING: Acts 9:1-22**

Meanwhile, Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the Lord's disciples. He went to the high priest <sup>2</sup> and asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, so that if he found any there who belonged to the Way, whether men or women, he might take them as prisoners to Jerusalem. <sup>3</sup> As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. <sup>4</sup> He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?"

<sup>5</sup> "Who are you, Lord?" Saul asked.

"I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting," he replied. <sup>6</sup> "Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do."

<sup>7</sup> The men traveling with Saul stood there speechless; they heard the sound but did not see anyone. <sup>8</sup> Saul got up from the ground, but when he opened his eyes he could see nothing. So they led him by the hand into Damascus. <sup>9</sup> For three days he was blind, and did not eat or drink anything. <sup>10</sup> In Damascus there was a disciple named Ananias. The Lord called to him in a vision, "Ananias!"

"Yes, Lord," he answered.

<sup>11</sup> The Lord told him, "Go to the house of Judas on Straight Street and ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul, for he is praying. <sup>12</sup> In a vision he has seen a man named Ananias come and place his hands on him to restore his sight."

<sup>13</sup> "Lord," Ananias answered, "I have heard many reports about this man and all the harm he has done to your holy people in Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup> And he has come here with authority from the chief priests to arrest all who call on your name."

<sup>15</sup> But the Lord said to Ananias, "Go! This man is my chosen instrument to proclaim my name to the Gentiles and their kings and to the people of Israel. <sup>16</sup> I will show him how much he must suffer for my name."

<sup>17</sup> Then Ananias went to the house and entered it. Placing his hands on Saul, he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord—Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here—has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit." <sup>18</sup> Immediately, something like scales fell from Saul's eyes, and he could see again. He got up and was baptized, <sup>19</sup> and after taking some food, he regained his strength. Saul spent several days with the disciples in Damascus. <sup>20</sup> At once he began to preach in the synagogues that Jesus is the Son of God. <sup>21</sup> All those who heard him were astonished and asked, "Isn't he the man who raised havoc in Jerusalem among those who call on this name? And hasn't he come here to take them as prisoners to the chief priests?" <sup>22</sup> Yet Saul grew more and more powerful and baffled the Jews living in Damascus by proving that Jesus is the Messiah. (NIV)

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

## **SECOND READING: Revelation 5:1-14**

Then I saw in the right hand of him who sat on the throne a scroll with writing on both sides and sealed with seven seals. <sup>2</sup> And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming in a loud voice, "Who is worthy to break the seals and open the scroll?" <sup>3</sup> But no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth could open the scroll or even look inside it. <sup>4</sup> I wept and wept because no one was found who was worthy to open the scroll or look inside. <sup>5</sup> Then one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep! See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed. He is able to open the scroll and its seven seals."

<sup>6</sup> Then I saw a Lamb, looking as if it had been slain, standing at the center of the throne, encircled by the four living creatures and the elders. The Lamb had seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. <sup>7</sup> He went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who sat on the throne.

<sup>8</sup> And when he had taken it, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. Each one had a harp and they were holding golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of God's people. <sup>9</sup> And they sang a new song, saying:

"You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals,  
because you were slain,  
and with your blood you purchased for God  
persons from every tribe and language and people and nation.

<sup>10</sup> You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God,  
and they will reign on the earth."

<sup>11</sup> Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. <sup>12</sup> In a loud voice they were saying:

"Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain,  
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength  
and honor and glory and praise!"

<sup>13</sup> Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, saying:

"To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb  
be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!"

<sup>14</sup> The four living creatures said, "Amen," and the elders fell down and worshiped. (NIV)  
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## **▲ GOSPEL ALLELUIA**

**Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia. (repeat)**

**Thy Word is a path to follow, a light to show the way.**

**Thy Word is a path to follow, a light to show the way.**

**Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia. (repeat)**

## **GOSPEL READING: John 14:1-12**

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. <sup>2</sup> My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup> And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. <sup>4</sup> You know the way to the place where I am going."



<sup>5</sup> Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?"

<sup>6</sup> Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup> If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him."

<sup>8</sup> Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us."

<sup>9</sup> Jesus answered: "Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? <sup>10</sup> Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. <sup>11</sup> Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves. <sup>12</sup> Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. (NIV)

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ**

**6:30pm, 8:00am, 10:30am HYMN 547 (Maroon): The Lamb**

**9:15am There Is Power in the Blood**

**MESSAGE** Believing into Jesus Pastor James Fuchs

**THE 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.**

**PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS**

6:30pm Nicolas Cox, Violin Solo. Theme from Schindler's List by John Williams.

**PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**6:30pm, 8:00am, 10:30am SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

**HYMN (Maroon) Page 198: Agnus Dei**

**HYMN 712 (Maroon): Seek Ye First**

**HYMN 477 (Maroon): Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven**

**BENEDICTION - 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. Amen.**

**9:15am SONG: When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder**

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It is time again for Vacation Bible School! This year's theme is "God's Wonder Lab: Jesus Does the Impossible!" From June 13-17, Peace Lutheran Church will be transformed into a science lab where children can explore both science experiments that explain how things are possible AND some of Jesus' miracles – the impossible! Most of all, each day we will learn of Jesus' greatest miracle -- dying on the cross and rising from the dead for our salvation!

The ministry of Peace's Vacation Bible School 2022 is a ministry of the entire congregation, and there will be opportunities for EVERY member of Peace to be involved as we share the Good News that Jesus does the impossible for us with the children of Hutchinson. We have jobs to do in advance of VBS week, during the week, and after. Here's a sample list of areas in which YOU can serve:

- ✦decorating   ✦registration   ✦make t-shirts (iron on transfers)   ✦greeters   ✦crafts
- ✦registration/attendance   ✦snacks   ✦games/sports   ✦security
- ✦photographer   ✦videographer   ✦classroom helper   ✦serve Friday lunch for staff
- ✦write follow-up notes to visitors   ✦nurse   ✦teachers
- ✦decorating for Sunday celebration   ✦coordinate Sunday celebration (food)

For those who are unable to physically attend, you can be a prayer supporter! Each child and staff member will be assigned to a Peace member who will pray for his/her spiritual growth during the week.

Our week will conclude with the children singing during a worship service on Sunday, June 19. Mark your calendars now to join us to welcome families, old and new, to our congregation!

There is a display across from the Peace Center with forms for you to volunteer to serve the Lord and be a part of the VBS team! You may also sign up on the PLC website using the QR code below. If you have questions, please contact Deaconess Dr. Jennie Asher at 320-583-2625 or [mrsdrjash@fastmail.com](mailto:mrsdrjash@fastmail.com).



We are so excited to welcome children from our congregation and community, and to connect with their families. It is an amazing week of sharing the love of Jesus. Please prayerfully consider how YOU can help!



Attention Junior and Senior High Youth! YOU are needed to help with VBS! Each class and each site rotation area (crafts, snack, sports, music) will have a youth helper. If you are entering grades 7-12 next school year and would like to help bring God's Word to children this summer, please fill out a volunteer registration form at the table in the welcome center. A fun time is guaranteed for all!