

May 29, 2022 Peace Lutheran Church Hutchinson, MN

▲ The Pledge of Allegiance

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

▲ National Anthem

O say can you see by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming,
Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there;
O say does that star-spangled banner yet wave,
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

O thus be it ever, when free men shall stand
Between their loved homes and the war's desolation.
Blest with vict'ry and peace, may the Heav'n rescued land
Praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a nation!
Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,
And this be our motto: "In God is our trust."
And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!

INVOCATION and CALL TO WORSHIP – PSALM 33:12-22

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

12 Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD,
 the people he chose for his inheritance.
 13 From heaven the LORD looks down and sees all mankind;
 14 from his dwelling place he watches all who live on earth—
 15 he who forms the hearts of all, who considers everything they do.

No king is saved by the size of his army;
 no warrior escapes by his great strength.
 A horse is a vain hope for deliverance;
 despite all its great strength it cannot save.

¹⁸ But the eyes of the LORD are on those who fear him, on those whose hope is in his unfailing love,

¹⁹ to deliver them from death and keep them alive in famine.

²⁰ We wait in hope for the LORD; he is our help and our shield.

²¹ In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name.

²² May your unfailing love be with us, LORD, even as we put our hope in you.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, we stand today as our forefathers have stood before You in times gone by,

Celebrating our history and reveling in all the great things

that our country has achieved.

On this day we rejoice in the favor You have graciously given us.

We thank You for the blessings of liberty,

for this generation and for the generations to come.

We thank You for our independence, peace and for all those who have bravely given their lives in the defense of freedom and justice.

We thank You that Your gracious and provident hand has given us so much.

Yet, as a nation and people we have not always chosen the right way.

We ask You to forgive us for these times.

On this day we commit ourselves to wholeheartedly honoring and serving You.

With everything that we are, we lay our lives before You.

Make us a generous people, A holy nation,

A people set aside to love You forever,

For the sake of the land of the brave and free,

And the peoples and nations of this world.

(a time of silent reflection)

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.**

HYMN 965 (Maroon): God Bless Our Native Land

God bless our native land; Firm may she ever stand, Through storm and night.

When the wild tempests rave, Ruler of wind and wave,

Do Thou our country save By Thy great might.

So shall our prayers arise, To God above the skies; On Him we wait.

Thou who art ever nigh, Guarding with watchful eye,

To Thee aloud we cry: God save the state!



Readers: 6:30pm Annette Koehler; 8:30am Gwen Wichman; 10:00am Duane Hall (Gospel only)

FIRST READING: Acts 1:12-26

¹² Then the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the hill called the Mount of Olives, a Sabbath day's walk from the city. ¹³ When they arrived, they went upstairs to the room where they were staying. Those present were Peter, John, James and Andrew; Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew; James son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. ¹⁴ They all joined together constantly in prayers, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

¹⁵ In those days Peter stood up among the believers (a group numbering about a hundred and twenty) ¹⁶ and said, "Brothers and sisters, the Scripture had to be fulfilled in which the Holy Spirit spoke long ago through David concerning Judas, who served as guide for those who arrested Jesus. ¹⁷ He was one of our number and shared in our ministry."

¹⁸ (With the payment he received for his wickedness, Judas bought a field; there he fell headlong, his body burst open and all his intestines spilled out. ¹⁹ Everyone in Jerusalem heard about this, so they called that field in their language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.)

²⁰ "For," said Peter, "it is written in the Book of Psalms:

"'May his place be deserted; let there be no one to dwell in it,' and, "'May another take his place of leadership.'

²¹ Therefore it is necessary to choose one of the men who have been with us the whole time the Lord Jesus was living among us, ²² beginning from John's baptism to the time when Jesus was taken up from us. For one of these must become a witness with us of his resurrection."

²³ So they nominated two men: Joseph called Barsabbas (also known as Justus) and Matthias. ²⁴ Then they prayed, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which of these two you have chosen ²⁵ to take over this apostolic ministry, which Judas left to go where he belongs." ²⁶ Then they cast lots, and the lot fell to Matthias; so he was added to the eleven apostles. (NIV)

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

SECOND READING: Revelation 22:1-6, 12-20

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal,

flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ² down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. ³ No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. ⁴ They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵ There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever.

⁶ The angel said to me, "These words are trustworthy and true. The Lord, the God who inspires the prophets, sent his angel to show his servants the things that must soon take place."

¹² "Look, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to each person according to what they have done. ¹³ I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.

¹⁴ "Blessed are those who wash their robes, that they may have the right to the tree of life and may go through the gates into the city. ¹⁵ Outside are the dogs, those who practice magic arts, the sexually immoral, the murderers, the idolaters and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

¹⁶ "I, Jesus, have sent my angel to give you this testimony for the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the bright Morning Star."

¹⁷ The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let the one who hears say, "Come!" Let the one who is thirsty come; and let the one who wishes take the free gift of the water of life.

¹⁸ I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this scroll: If anyone adds anything to them, God will add to that person the plagues described in this scroll. ¹⁹ And if anyone takes words away from this scroll of prophecy, God will take away from that person any share in the tree of life and in the Holy City, which are described in this scroll.

²⁰ He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon." (NIV)

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▲ GOSPEL 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. (repeat)

GOSPEL READING: John 17:20-26

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 17th chapter. Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁰ "My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, ²¹ that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one— ²³ I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

²⁴ "Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory, the glory you have given me because you loved me before the creation of the world.

²⁵ "Righteous Father, though the world does not know you, I know you, and they know that you have sent me. ²⁶ I have made you known to them, and will continue to make you known in order that the love you have for me may be in them and that I myself may be in them." (NIV)

6:30pm & 8:30am: HYMN 575 (Maroon): My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

10:00am SONG: America the Beautiful

O beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves of grain
For purple mountain majesties, Above thy fruited plain
America, America, God shed His grace on thee
And crown thy good with brotherhood, From sea to shining sea

O beautiful for pilgrim feet, Whose stern, impassioned stress A thoroughfare for freedom beat, Across the wilderness America, America, God mend thine every flaw Confirm thy soul in self control, Thy liberty in law

O beautiful for heroes proved, In liberating strife
Who more than self their country loved, And mercy more than life
America, America, May God thy gold refine
Till all success be nobleness, And every gain divine

O beautiful for patriot dream, That sees beyond the years
Thine alabaster cities gleam, Undimmed by human tears
America, America, God shed his grace on thee
And crown thy good with brotherhood, From sea to shining sea

Sermon: Jesus' High Priestly Prayer

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.

PRESENTION OF OFFERINGS

PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER

6:30pm SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT Page 198 Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)

HYMN 637 (Maroon): Draw Nigh and Take the Body of the Lord

BENEDICTION

HYMN: Battle Hymn of the Republic

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord

He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored

He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword: His truth is marching on.

Refrain: Glory, glory, hallelujah! Glory, glory, hallelujah!

Glory, glory, hallelujah! His truth is marching on!

He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat
He is sifting out the hearts of men before His judgment seat
O be swift my soul to answer Him; be jubilant my feet
Our God is marching on. Refrain: Glory....

In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea, With a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me. As He died to make men holy, let us live to make men free, While God is marching on. *Refrain: Glory...*

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