



July 16, 2023  
Peace Lutheran Church  
Hutchinson, Minnesota

**6:30pm & 8:30am HYMN 901 (Maroon): Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty**  
**10:30am SONG: Waymaker**

**INVOCATION and CALL TO WORSHIP, Psalm 65**

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

<sup>1</sup> Praise awaits you, our God, in Zion;  
to you our vows will be fulfilled.

<sup>8</sup> **The whole earth is filled with awe at your wonders;**  
**where morning dawns, where evening fades,**  
**you call forth songs of joy.**

<sup>9</sup> You care for the land and water it;  
you enrich it abundantly.

**The streams of God are filled with water**  
**to provide the people with grain,**  
**for so you have ordained it.**

<sup>10</sup> You drench its furrows and level its ridges;  
you soften it with showers and bless its crops.

<sup>11</sup> **You crown the year with your bounty,**  
**and your carts overflow with abundance.**

<sup>12</sup> The grasslands of the wilderness overflow;  
the hills are clothed with gladness.

<sup>13</sup> **The meadows are covered with flocks**  
**and the valleys are mantled with grain;**  
**they shout for joy and sing.**

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

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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 & 8:30am 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)**

**10:30am Lord, Be Glorified**

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*Reader: 6:30pm John Lietz; 8:30am Duane Hall; 10:30am Anita Miller*

**OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 55:10-13**

<sup>10</sup> As the rain and the snow come down from heaven,  
and do not return to it without watering the earth  
and making it bud and flourish,  
so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater,

<sup>11</sup> so is my word that goes out from my mouth:  
It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire  
and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.

<sup>12</sup> You will go out in joy and be led forth in peace;  
the mountains and hills will burst into song before you,  
and all the trees of the field will clap their hands.

<sup>13</sup> Instead of the thornbush will grow the juniper,  
and instead of briars the myrtle will grow.

This will be for the LORD's renown,  
for an everlasting sign, that will endure forever." (NIV)  
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### **EPISTLE READING: Romans 8:12-17**

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, brothers and sisters, we have an obligation—but it is not to the flesh, to live according to it. <sup>13</sup> For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live.

<sup>14</sup> For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. <sup>15</sup> The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, “*Abba*, Father.” <sup>16</sup> The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children. <sup>17</sup> Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory. (NIV)

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

### **▲ Gospel Acclamation:**

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Give thanks to the Risen Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia, Give thanks to His Name.**

**Jesus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of creation.**

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Give thanks to the Risen Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia, Give thanks to His Name.**

### **GOSPEL READING: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 13<sup>th</sup> chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat by the lake.<sup>2</sup> Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat in it, while all the people stood on the shore. <sup>3</sup> Then he told them many things in parables, saying: “A farmer went out to sow his seed. <sup>4</sup> As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. <sup>5</sup> Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. <sup>6</sup> But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root. <sup>7</sup> Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants. <sup>8</sup> Still other seed fell on good soil, where it produced a crop—a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown. <sup>9</sup> Whoever has ears, let them hear.”

<sup>18</sup> “Listen then to what the parable of the sower means: <sup>19</sup> When anyone hears the message about the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what was sown in their heart. This is the seed sown along the path. <sup>20</sup> The seed falling on rocky ground refers to someone who hears the word and at once receives it with joy. <sup>21</sup> But since they have no root, they last only a short time. When trouble or persecution comes because of the word, they quickly fall away. <sup>22</sup> The seed falling among the thorns refers to someone who hears the word, but the worries of this life and the deceitfulness of wealth choke the word, making it unfruitful. <sup>23</sup> But the seed falling on good soil refers to someone who hears the word and understands it. This is the one who produces a crop, yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown.” (NIV).

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

### **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.**

**Children's Message: "My Word Will Not Return To Me Empty!" Whose Word? (Text: Isaiah 55:11)**

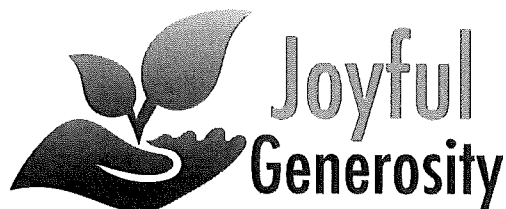
**6:30pm & 8:30am HYMN 577 (Maroon): Almighty God, Your Word is Cast**

**10:30am SONG: Thy Word**

**MESSAGE: Remember: We Are God's Children (Text: Romans 8:12-17)**

### **PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS**

*Please sign the friendship pad in the pew and pass it along to others. As it is passed back to the center aisle, please take the opportunity to note the names of others seated in your pew.*



### **PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**6:30pm & 8:30am SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

**Page 198, AGNUS DEI (Lamb of God)**

**HYMN 618 (Maroon): I Come, O Savior, To Thy Table**

**HYMN 744 (Maroon): Amazing Grace**

### **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.**

**6:30pm & 8:30am HYMN 805 (Maroon): Praise God From Whom All Blessing Flow (Doxology)**

**10:30am SONG: Amazing Grace / My Chains Are Gone**

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### **Summer Concert Series**

Wednesdays at 11:30am followed by 12:15 lunch (\$10)

July 19<sup>th</sup> – Cogley Sisters

July 26<sup>th</sup> – Hutchinson Family Singers

August 2<sup>nd</sup> – BASICS

August 9<sup>th</sup> – Root beer & Bells, 6:00pm meal and 6:30pm program