



Sunday, August 27, 2023  
Peace Lutheran Church  
Hutchinson, MN

**6:30pm & 8:30am HYMN 645 (Maroon): Built on the Rock**  
**10:30am SONG: Cornerstone**

**INVOCATION and CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 138)**

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

<sup>1</sup> I will praise you, LORD, with all my heart;  
before the “gods” I will sing your praise.

<sup>2</sup> **I will bow down toward your holy temple  
and will praise your name  
for your unfailing love and your faithfulness,  
for you have so exalted your solemn decree  
that it surpasses your fame.**

<sup>3</sup> When I called, you answered me;  
you greatly emboldened me.

<sup>4</sup> **May all the kings of the earth praise you, LORD,  
when they hear what you have decreed.**

<sup>5</sup> May they sing of the ways of the LORD,  
for the glory of the LORD is great.

<sup>6</sup> **Though the LORD is exalted, he looks kindly on the lowly;  
though lofty, he sees them from afar.**

<sup>7</sup> Though I walk in the midst of trouble,  
you preserve my life.

You stretch out your hand against the anger of my foes;  
with your right hand you save me.

<sup>8</sup> **The LORD will vindicate me;  
your love, LORD, endures forever—  
do not abandon the works of your hands. (NIV)**

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

**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.**

**HYMN G692 (Green): Jesus, Name Above All Names**

**Jesus, name above all names, beautiful Savior, glorious Lord  
Emmanuel, God is with us, blessed Redeemer, living Word**

**Jesus, loving shepherd, vine of the branches, Son of God  
Prince of Peace, Wonderful counselor, Lord of the universe, Light of the world**

**Jesus, Way of salvation, King of Kings, Lord of lords  
The Way, the Truth, and the Life, Mighty Creator, My Savior and friend**

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*Readers: 6:30pm Charlene Havelka; 8:30am Sandra Hall; 10:30am Darlyn Egge*

**OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 51:1-6**

“Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness,  
you who seek the LORD:  
look to the rock from which you were hewn,  
and to the quarry from which you were dug.

<sup>2</sup> Look to Abraham your father  
and to Sarah who bore you;  
for he was but one when I called him,  
that I might bless him and multiply him.

<sup>3</sup> For the LORD comforts Zion;  
he comforts all her waste places  
and makes her wilderness like Eden,  
her desert like the garden of the LORD;  
joy and gladness will be found in her,  
thanksgiving and the voice of song.

<sup>4</sup> “Give attention to me, my people,  
and give ear to me, my nation;  
for a law will go out from me,  
and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples.

<sup>5</sup> My righteousness draws near,  
my salvation has gone out,  
and my arms will judge the peoples;  
the coastlands hope for me,  
and for my arm they wait.  
<sup>6</sup> Lift up your eyes to the heavens,  
and look at the earth beneath;  
for the heavens vanish like smoke,  
the earth will wear out like a garment,  
and they who dwell in it will die in like manner;  
but my salvation will be forever,  
and my righteousness will never be dismayed. (ESV)  
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE READING: Romans 11:33-36, 12:1-8**

<sup>33</sup> Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!  
<sup>34</sup> “For who has known the mind of the Lord,  
or who has been his counselor?”  
<sup>35</sup> “Or who has given a gift to him  
that he might be repaid?”  
<sup>36</sup> For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.  
**12** I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. <sup>2</sup> Do not be conformed to this world,<sup>[h]</sup> but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.  
<sup>3</sup> For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. <sup>4</sup> For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, <sup>5</sup> so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. <sup>6</sup> Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; <sup>7</sup> if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; <sup>8</sup> the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness. (ESV)  
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**▲ Celtic Alleluia**

**Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia, Alleluia.**  
**Speak, Lord, your servant is list'ning. Speak Your Words of wisdom,**  
**For the Words You speak are everlasting life.**  
**Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

**GOSPEL READING: Matthew 16:13-20**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 16<sup>th</sup> chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>13</sup> Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" <sup>14</sup> And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." <sup>15</sup> He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" <sup>16</sup> Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." <sup>17</sup> And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. <sup>18</sup> And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell<sup>[c]</sup> shall not prevail against it. <sup>19</sup> I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." <sup>20</sup> Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ. (ESV)

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

**THE NICENE CREED**

**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.**

**Children's Message: Who Is Jesus?**

**FAVORITE HYMN G687 (Green): I Can Only Imagine** (Melissa Weckwerth)

**MESSAGE** I Will Build My Church! (Matthew 16:13-20) Pastor Meyer  
1. The Person; 2. The Privilege; 3. The Promise

**OFFERING PRAYER Because He Lives (Barb Marquardt and Allen Johnson)**

*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**

**10:30am SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

**HYMN G607 (Green): Here I Am, Lord**

**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 FAVORITE HYMN 837 (Maroon): Lift High the Cross**  
(Shirley Otte and Annette Koehler)

**10:30am A NEW FAVORITE SONG: Grace Flows Down**

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**Youth Advisory Group** meeting, TODAY at 11:30am.

**Rally Sunday Fun Day, September 10<sup>th</sup>**

Meet with your teacher & class, food and games at 9:40am; Worship at 10:30am.

**CONFIRMATION** – Parent meeting on Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

Classes begin September 13<sup>th</sup>.

We are planning to have students bused from school, with classes meeting after school.

If you have questions, contact Pastor Meyer or Paul Otte.