



October 15, 2023  
Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost  
Peace Lutheran Church  
Hutchinson, Minnesota

6:30pm & 8:30am HYMN 710 (Maroon): The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want  
10:30am: SONG: John 3:16

**INVOCATION & CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Psalms 23*)

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

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
He makes me to lie down in green pastures;  
He leads me beside the still waters. He restores my soul.  
He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.  
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil; for You are with me;  
Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.  
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;  
You anoint my head with oil; my cup runneth over.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;  
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.  
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 806 (Maroon): Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart**  
**Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One**  
**Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ His Son (repeat)**  
**And now let the weak say I am strong, Let the poor say I am rich**  
**Because of what the Lord has done for us (repeat)**

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*Readers: 6:30pm Dick Higgins; 8:30am Lynn Brown; 10:30am Phyllis Hecht*

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 25:6-9**

<sup>6</sup> On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples  
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine,  
of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.  
<sup>7</sup> And he will swallow up on this mountain  
the covering that is cast over all peoples,  
the veil that is spread over all nations.  
<sup>8</sup> He will swallow up death forever;  
and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces,  
and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth,  
for the LORD has spoken.  
<sup>9</sup> It will be said on that day,  
"Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us.  
This is the LORD; we have waited for him;  
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation." (ESV)  
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE LESSON: Philippians 4:4-13**

<sup>4</sup> Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. <sup>5</sup> Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; <sup>6</sup> do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.  
<sup>8</sup> Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. <sup>9</sup> What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.  
<sup>10</sup> I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. <sup>11</sup> Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. <sup>12</sup> I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. <sup>13</sup> I can do all things through him who strengthens me. (ESV)  
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

▲ 6:30pm & 8:30am GOSPEL ACCLAMATION HYMN 582 (Maroon)

God's Word is our great heritage And shall be ours forever;  
To spread its light from age to age Shall be our chief endeavor.  
Through life it guides our way, In death it is our stay.  
Lord, grant, while worlds endure, We keep its teachings pure  
Throughout all generations.

▲ 10:30am Caribbean Hallelujah

Halle, halle, hallelujah. Halle, halle, hallelujah.  
Halle, halle, hallelujah. Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

**GOSPEL READING: Matthew 22:1-14**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 22:1-14 chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

And again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, <sup>2</sup>“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, <sup>3</sup>and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. <sup>4</sup>Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, “See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.”’ <sup>5</sup>But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, <sup>6</sup>while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. <sup>7</sup>The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. <sup>8</sup>Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. <sup>9</sup>Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.’ <sup>10</sup>And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests. <sup>11</sup>“But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. <sup>12</sup>And he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. <sup>13</sup>Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ <sup>14</sup>For many are called, but few are chosen.” (ESV)

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.



**10:30am Preschool Children Sing:**

**I'm Fearfully and Wonderfully Made & Jesus Loves Me (verse 1)**

**Children's Message: Don't Be Afraid (Psalm 23:4 & Isaiah 25:7-8)**

**10:30am Elementary Children Sing: Thy Word**

**6:30pm & 8:30am HYMN 633 (Maroon): At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing, verses 1-4 & 8**

**SERMON** "Rejoice in the Lord" (Philippians 4:4-13) Pastor Meyer

### **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 am SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

**Agnus Dei, page 163**

**HYMN 628 (Maroon): Your Table I Approach**

**HYMN 637 (Maroon): Draw Near and Take the Body of the 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 HYMN 805: Doxology**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;**

**Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**10:30am SONG: Hosanna Rock**

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## **UPCOMING DATES**

October 15 – Sunday School Children sing at 10:30am  
October 15 – Lifetime Plan for Giving Workshop at 11:30am

October 21 – Children’s fun day: COLOR sidewalks, 3-5pm.

October 28-29 – First Communion for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students  
October 29 – 11:30am Pre-call Congregational Meeting

November 4-5 All Saint’s Day Celebration (all services)  
November 5 – PRAYZ team sings at 10:30am  
Daylight Savings Time Ends

November 12 – Sunday School sings at 8:30am

November 18, Saturday – Turkey Dinner (details forthcoming)

Nov. 22 at 6:30pm, Nov. 23 at 9:00am – Thanksgiving Worship services

Wednesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> – Carols and Bells  
5:30pm Baked Ham dinner & 6:30pm Handbell program

December 3 – PRAYZ team sings at 10:30am

December 6, 13 and 20 – Wednesday Advent Services.  
11:30am, 4:30pm (Peace Center), 6:30pm

December 9<sup>th</sup> – Cookie Sale (details forthcoming)

December 16<sup>th</sup> – Children’s Christmas Program Rehearsal, 10am-12 (noon), plus pizza party  
December 17<sup>th</sup> – 10:30am Children’s Christmas program