



August 25, 2024
Peace Lutheran Church
Hutchinson, Minnesota

6:30pm & 8:30am HYMN 644 (Maroon): The Church's One Foundation
10:30am SONG: This Is the Day

INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP- Psalm 14

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

¹The fool says in his heart,
"There is no God."

They are corrupt, their deeds are vile;
there is no one who does good.

²**The LORD looks down from heaven
on all mankind**

**to see if there are any who understand,
any who seek God.**

³All have turned away, all have become corrupt;
there is no one who does good,
not even one.

⁴Do all these evildoers know nothing?
They devour my people as though eating bread;
they never call on the LORD.

⁵**But there they are, overwhelmed with dread,
for God is present in the company of the righteous.**

⁶You evildoers frustrate the plans of the poor,
but the LORD is their refuge.

⁷**Oh, that salvation for Israel would come out of Zion!**

**When the LORD restores his people,
let Jacob rejoice and Israel be glad! (NIV)**

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

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Jesus speaks with authority, power and love. He expects us to listen to Him and follow Him. Yet, far too often, we choose to listen to others. We choose to listen to our sinful natures, the world, or the temptations of the devil. Though we confess that Jesus is our Lord, too often we do not welcome His authority and power into our lives.

Father in heaven, I confess my sins to You:

I have not listened to You as I should.

Instead, I have listened to others who have led me astray.

I have sinned against You in action.

I have sinned against You in my thoughts.

**I have sinned against You in my desires.
I come before You, asking for your mercy and forgiveness.**

Jesus speaks and acts with authority, power and love. He has paid for your sins in full, for every sin of thought, desire, and action. And so in His name, and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

HYMN G689 (Green): I Am Covered Over (Mary Haag)

Readers: 6:30pm John Lietz; 8:30am Marion Fenske

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 29:11-19

¹¹ For you this whole vision is nothing but words sealed in a scroll. And if you give the scroll to someone who can read, and say, "Read this, please," they will answer, "I can't; it is sealed." ¹² Or if you give the scroll to someone who cannot read, and say, "Read this, please," they will answer, "I don't know how to read."

¹³ The Lord says: "These people come near to me with their mouth
and honor me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me.

Their worship of me
is based on merely human rules they have been taught.

¹⁴ Therefore once more I will astound these people
with wonder upon wonder;
the wisdom of the wise will perish,
the intelligence of the intelligent will vanish."

¹⁵ Woe to those who go to great depths
to hide their plans from the LORD,
who do their work in darkness and think,
"Who sees us? Who will know?"

¹⁶ You turn things upside down,
as if the potter were thought to be like the clay!
Shall what is formed say to the one who formed it,
"You did not make me"?

Can the pot say to the potter,
"You know nothing"?

¹⁷ In a very short time, will not Lebanon be turned into a fertile field
and the fertile field seem like a forest?

¹⁸ In that day the deaf will hear the words of the scroll,
and out of gloom and darkness
the eyes of the blind will see.

¹⁹ Once more the humble will rejoice in the LORD;
the needy will rejoice in the Holy One of Israel. (NIV)
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EPISTLE READING: Ephesians 5:22-33

²² Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands as you do to the Lord.²³ For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior. ²⁴ Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything.

²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her ²⁶ to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, ²⁷ and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. ²⁸ In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹ After all, no one ever hated their own body, but they feed and care for their body, just as Christ does the church— ³⁰ for we are members of his body.³¹ “For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.” ³² This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the church. ³³ However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband. (NIV)

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▲ CARIBBEAN HALLELUJAH (*We will sing this twice.*)

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

Halle, halle, hallelujah. Hallelujah, hallelujah.

GOSPEL READING: Mark 7:1-13

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 7th chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

The Pharisees and some of the teachers of the law who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus ² and saw some of his disciples eating food with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed. ³ (The Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they give their hands a ceremonial washing, holding to the tradition of the elders. ⁴ When they come from the marketplace they do not eat unless they wash. And they observe many other traditions, such as the washing of cups, pitchers and kettles.)

⁵ So the Pharisees and teachers of the law asked Jesus, “Why don’t your disciples live according to the tradition of the elders instead of eating their food with defiled hands?”

⁶ He replied, “Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you hypocrites; as it is written:

“These people honor me with their lips,

but their hearts are far from me.

⁷ They worship me in vain;

their teachings are merely human rules.’

⁸ You have let go of the commands of God and are holding on to human traditions.”

⁹ And he continued, “You have a fine way of setting aside the commands of God in order to observe your own traditions! ¹⁰ For Moses said, ‘Honor your father and mother,’ and, ‘Anyone who curses their father or mother is to be put to death.’

¹¹ But you say that if anyone declares that what might have been used to help their father or mother is Corban (that is, devoted to God)— ¹² then you no longer let them do anything for their father or mother. ¹³ Thus you nullify the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And you do many things like that.” (NIV)

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

6:30pm & 8:30am HYMN 750 (Maroon): If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee (Paul Otte)

10:30am SONG: G612 (Green): There Is a Redeemer

MESSAGE "I Did it My Way—Not" (Ephesians 5:22-33) Pastor Miller

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

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

Welcome to worship at Peace. Holy Communion is for those who believe as we do in this Sacrament of the Altar. We believe it is the true body and blood of Jesus Christ, in, with, and under the bread and wine, given for the forgiveness of our sins. If you have questions, please speak to the Pastor or an Elder.

10:30am SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

HYMN G688 (Green): Let Us Break Bread Together

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.

HYMN 537 (Maroon): Beautiful Savior (Hazel Sitz)





Sunday School and Confirmation Registration is online.
Sign up now!

September 4th, Wednesday, 5:00pm Confirmation parent meeting

September 8th, Sunday, 10am Installation of Pastor Weber
(one worship service that weekend)
Children and Youth will sing. Indoor picnic lunch to follow.

September 11th, Wednesday, 6th-8th grade Confirmation classes
begin after school (with busing)

September 15th, Rally Sunday Family Fun Day, 9:40am.
Parents meet with Paster Weber at 10:00am.
Children and Youth sing at 10:30am worship.

September 18th, Wednesday, 11:45am Lunch Bible Studies begin.

September 22nd, Sunday, 9:40am Adult Bible Studies begin.