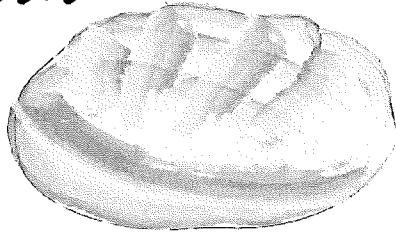


*I am
the Bread
of Life*

John 6:35



August 11, 2024
Peace Lutheran Church
Hutchinson, Minnesota

6:30pm & 8:30am HYMN 803 (Maroon): Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee (*Jacquelyn Dixon*)
10:30am SONG: This Is the Day

INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP, Psalm 34

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

¹ I will extol the LORD at all times;
his praise will always be on my lips.

² **I will glory in the LORD;
let the afflicted hear and rejoice.**

³ Glorify the LORD with me;
let us exalt his name together.

⁴ **I sought the LORD, and he answered me;
he delivered me from all my fears.**

⁵ Those who look to him are radiant;
their faces are never covered with shame.

⁶ **This poor man called, and the LORD heard him;
he saved him out of all his troubles.**

⁷ The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him,
and he delivers them.

⁸ **Taste and see that the LORD is good;
blessed is the one who takes refuge in him. (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 712 (Maroon): Seek Ye First

- 1. Seek ye first the kingdom of God, And His righteousness;
And all these things shall be added unto you. Hallelu, Hallelujah!**
- 2. Ask, and it shall be given unto you; Seek, and you shall find.
Knock, and it shall be opened unto you. Hallelu, Hallelujah!**
- 3. Man shall not live by bread alone, But by every word
That proceeds out from the mouth of God. Hallelu, Hallelujah!**

Readers: 6:30pm Dick Higgins; 8:30am Bev Luke; 10:30am Sharon Christensen

OLD TESTAMENT READING: 1 Kings 19:1-8

Now Ahab told Jezebel everything Elijah had done and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ²So Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah to say, "May the gods deal with me, be it ever so severely, if by this time tomorrow I do not make your life like that of one of them."

³Elijah was afraid and ran for his life. When he came to Beersheba in Judah, he left his servant there, ⁴while he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness. He came to a broom bush, sat down under it and prayed that he might die. "I have had enough, LORD," he said. "Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors." ⁵Then he lay down under the bush and fell asleep.

All at once an angel touched him and said, "Get up and eat." ⁶He looked around, and there by his head was some bread baked over hot coals, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again.

⁷The angel of the LORD came back a second time and touched him and said, "Get up and eat, for the journey is too much for you." ⁸So he got up and ate and drank. Strengthened by that food, he traveled forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God. (NIV)

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EPISTLE READING: Ephesians 4:17-5:2

¹⁷So I tell you this, and insist on it in the Lord, that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their thinking. ¹⁸They are darkened in their understanding and separated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them due to the hardening of their hearts. ¹⁹Having lost all sensitivity, they have given themselves over to sensuality so as to indulge in every kind of impurity, and they are full of greed.

²⁰That, however, is not the way of life you learned ²¹when you heard about Christ and were taught in him in accordance with the truth that is in Jesus. ²²You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; ²³to be made new in the

attitude of your minds; ²⁴ and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.

²⁵ Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor, for we are all members of one body. ²⁶ "In your anger do not sin":

Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, ²⁷ and do not give the devil a foothold. ²⁸ Anyone who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need.

²⁹ Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. ³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹ Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. ³² Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

^{5:1} Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children ² and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. (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: John 6:35-51

³⁵ Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. ³⁶ But as I told you, you have seen me and still you do not believe. ³⁷ All those the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away. ³⁸ For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me. ³⁹ And this is the will of him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all those he has given me, but raise them up at the last day. ⁴⁰ For my Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day."

⁴¹ At this the Jews there began to grumble about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." ⁴² They said, "Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I came down from heaven'?"

⁴³ "Stop grumbling among yourselves," Jesus answered. ⁴⁴ "No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws them, and I will raise them up at the last day. ⁴⁵ It is written in the Prophets: 'They will all be taught by God. Everyone who has heard the Father and learned from him comes to me. ⁴⁶ No one has seen the Father except the one who is from God; only he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷ Very truly I tell you, the one who believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸ I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹ Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, yet they died. ⁵⁰ But here is the bread that comes down from heaven, which anyone may eat and not die. ⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.'" (NIV)

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Children's Message

SONG G703 (Green): Days of Elijah (George Moehring)

MESSAGE "Do We Run?" (1 Kings 19:1-8) 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 SONG: 10,000 Reasons

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.
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HYMN: Just a Closer Walk With Thee (Delores Reiner)

**1. I am weak but Thou art strong; Jesus, keep me from all wrong;
I'll be satisfied as long As I walk, let me walk close to Thee.**

*Refrain: Just a closer walk with Thee, Grant it, Jesus, is my plea,
Daily walking close to Thee, Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.*

**2. Thro' this world of toil and snares, If I falter, Lord, who cares?
Who with me my burden shares? None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee. Refrain.**

**3. When my feeble life is o'er, Time for me will be no more;
Guide me gently, safely o'er To Thy kingdom shore, to Thy shore. Refrain.**