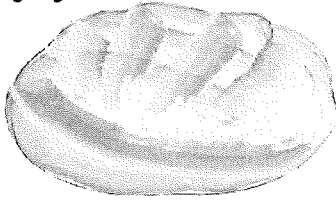


*I am
the Bread
of Life*

John 6:35



August 4, 2024
Peace Lutheran Church
Hutchinson, Minnesota

6:30pm & 8:30am HYMN 507 (Maroon): Holy, Holy, Holy (Annette Koehler)

10:30am HYMN: I Am Jesus Little Lamb

10:30am BAPTISM of Esmae Kathleen Miller

INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 145:10-21)

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

¹⁰ All your works praise you, LORD;
your faithful people extol you.

¹¹ **They tell of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your might,**

¹² **so that all people may know of your mighty acts
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.**

¹³ Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and your dominion endures through all generations.

The LORD is trustworthy in all he promises
and faithful in all he does.

¹⁴ **The LORD upholds all who fall
and lifts up all who are bowed down.**

¹⁵ The eyes of all look to you,
and you give them their food at the proper time.

¹⁶ **You open your hand
and satisfy the desires of every living thing.**

¹⁷ The LORD is righteous in all his ways
and faithful in all he does.

¹⁸ **The LORD is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth.**

¹⁹ **He fulfills the desires of those who fear him;
he hears their cry and saves them.**

²⁰ The LORD watches over all who love him,
but all the wicked he will destroy.

²¹ **My mouth will speak in praise of the LORD.
Let every creature praise his holy name
for ever and ever. (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.**

6:30pm & 8:30am HYMN OF PRAISE *Sung to the tune Hymn to Joy*

Look, the Table's spread before us, Foretaste of the feast to come.

Christ, the Lamb of God, victorious, Has for us salvation won!

Join the hymn of all creation, By His blood we are set free.

Saints of ev'ry tribe and nation, Celebrate His jubilee!

Power, riches, honor, glory, Be to God and to the Lamb.

His the vict'ry, His the story, Praise and thank the Great I AM.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Bless the Lord of earth and heav'n.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Life restored and sins forgiven!

10:30am SONG: He's Got the Whole World in His Hands

Readers: 6:30pm Lee Uldbjerg; 8:30am Annabelle Luthens; 10:30am Arlene Benshoof

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 16:2-15

²In the desert the whole community grumbled against Moses and Aaron. ³The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the LORD's hand in Egypt! There we sat around pots of meat and ate all the food we wanted, but you have brought us out into this desert to starve this entire assembly to death."

⁴Then the LORD said to Moses, "I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions. ⁵On the sixth day they are to prepare what they bring in, and that is to be twice as much as they gather on the other days."

⁶ So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, “In the evening you will know that it was the LORD who brought you out of Egypt, ⁷ and in the morning you will see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we, that you should grumble against us?” ⁸ Moses also said, “You will know that it was the LORD when he gives you meat to eat in the evening and all the bread you want in the morning, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we? You are not grumbling against us, but against the LORD.”

⁹ Then Moses told Aaron, “Say to the entire Israelite community, ‘Come before the LORD, for he has heard your grumbling.’”

¹⁰ While Aaron was speaking to the whole Israelite community, they looked toward the desert, and there was the glory of the LORD appearing in the cloud.

¹¹ The LORD said to Moses, ¹² “I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, ‘At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God.’”

¹³ That evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴ When the dew was gone, thin flakes like frost on the ground appeared on the desert floor. ¹⁵ When the Israelites saw it, they said to each other, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was.

Moses said to them, “It is the bread the LORD has given you to eat. (NIV)

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

EPISTLE READING: Ephesians 4:1-16

As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. ² Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. ³ Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. ⁴ There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism; ⁶ one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

⁷ But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it.

⁸ This is why it says:

“When he ascended on high, he took many captives and gave gifts to his people.”

⁹ (What does “he ascended” mean except that he also descended to the lower, earthly regions? ¹⁰ He who descended is the very one who ascended higher than all the heavens, in order to fill the whole universe.) ¹¹ So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, ¹² to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up ¹³ until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

¹⁴ Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming. ¹⁵ Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. ¹⁶ From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work. (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 6:22-35

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 6th chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²²The next day the crowd that had stayed on the opposite shore of the lake realized that only one boat had been there, and that Jesus had not entered it with his disciples, but that they had gone away alone. ²³Then some boats from Tiberias landed near the place where the people had eaten the bread after the Lord had given thanks. ²⁴Once the crowd realized that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into the boats and went to Capernaum in search of Jesus.

²⁵When they found him on the other side of the lake, they asked him, "Rabbi, when did you get here?"

²⁶Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw the signs I performed but because you ate the loaves and had your fill. ²⁷Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on him God the Father has placed his seal of approval."

²⁸Then they asked him, "What must we do to do the works God requires?"

²⁹Jesus answered, "The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent."

³⁰So they asked him, "What sign then will you give that we may see it and believe you? What will you do? ³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written: 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'"

³²Jesus said to them, "Very truly I tell you, it is not Moses who has given you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is the bread that comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

³⁴"Sir," they said, "always give us this bread."

³⁵Then 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. (NIV)

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

HYMN G650 (Green): I Love to Tell the Story (Shirley Wicklund)

MESSAGE

Overcoming a Food Disorder (John 6:22-35)

Pastor Bode

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.

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

Page 198, AGNUS DEI (Lamb of God)

HYMN G614 (Green): Break Thou the Bread of Like

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 727 (Maroon): On Eagles' Wings (Kevin Pfau)



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

September 8th, Sunday, 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.