



May 17, 2026
Ascension Service
Peace Lutheran Church
Hutchinson, MN

6:30pm, 8:30am HYMN 793 (Maroon): Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven
10:30am SONG: Jesus, Firm Foundation

INVOCATION & CALL TO WORSHIP, PSALM 47

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

Clap your hands, all peoples!

Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

**²For the Lord, the Most High, is to be feared,
a great king over all the earth.**

**³He subdued peoples under us,
and nations under our feet.**

**⁴He chose our heritage for us,
the pride of Jacob whom he loves.**

**⁵God has gone up with a shout,
the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.**

**⁶Sing praises to God, sing praises!
Sing praises to our King, sing praises!**

**⁷For God is the King of all the earth;
sing praises with a psalm!**

**⁸God reigns over the nations;
God sits on his holy throne.**

**⁹The princes of the peoples gather
as the people of the God of Abraham.**

**For the shields of the earth belong to God;
he is highly exalted! (ESV)**

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

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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.**

6:30pm, 8:30am This is the Feast (Maroon, Divine Setting One, page 155)

Refrain: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
Whose blood set us free to be people of God. (Refrain)**

**Power, riches, wisdom and strength,
And honor, blessing and glory are His. (Refrain)**

**Sing with all the people of God,
And join in the hymn of all creation.
Blessing, honor, glory and might,
Be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. (Refrain)**

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. (Refrain)

10:30am SONG: You Are Mine

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Readers: 6:30pm Lee Uldbjerg; 8:30am Mary Haag; 10:30am Sharon Christenson

FIRST READING: Acts 1:1-11

In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, ² until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³ He presented himself alive to them after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.

⁴ And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you heard from me; ⁵ for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

⁶ So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷ He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." ⁹ And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.

¹⁰ And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, ¹¹ and said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.” (ESV)

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

SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:15-23

¹⁵ For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, ¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, ¹⁸ having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might ²⁰ that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. ²² And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all. (ESV)

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

▲ 6:30pm & 8:30am GOSPEL ALLELUIA

Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia. (repeat)

All praise to God, the Father, All praise to God, the Son

All praise the Holy Spirit, who binds the Church in one!

Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia. (repeat)

▲ 10:30am:

Alleluia, Alleluia. Give thanks to the Risen Lord,

Alleluia, Alleluia, Give thanks to His name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of creation.

Alleluia, Alleluia. Give thanks to the Risen Lord,

Alleluia, Alleluia, Give thanks to His name.

Gospel Reading: Luke 24:44-53

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 24th chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

⁴⁴ Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” ⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶ and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷ and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹ And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

⁵⁰ And he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. ⁵¹ While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵² And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, ⁵³ and were continually in the temple blessing God. (ESV)

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



Children's Message

6:30pm & 8:30am: HYMN 493 (Maroon): A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing, Verses 1-4

10:30am SONG: This Is Amazing Grace

SERMON "You Are My Witnesses" 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.



10:30am RECOGNITION OF HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Page 198 Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)

HYMN 618 (Maroon): I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table

HYMN 801 (Maroon): How Great Thou Art

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 493 (Maroon): A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing, Verses 5-6

10:30am SONG: Go Light Your World