



July 19, 2026
Peace Lutheran Church
Hutchinson, Minnesota

6:30pm & 8:30am HYMN 528 (Maroon): Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing
10:30am SONG: 10,000 Reasons

INVOCATION and CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 119:57-64)

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

⁵⁷ You are my portion, LORD;

I have promised to obey your words.

⁵⁸ **I have sought your face with all my heart;
be gracious to me according to your promise.**

⁵⁹ I have considered my ways
and have turned my steps to your statutes.

⁶⁰ **I will hasten and not delay
to obey your commands.**

⁶¹ Though the wicked bind me with ropes,
I will not forget your law.

⁶² **At midnight I rise to give you thanks
for your righteous laws.**

⁶³ I am a friend to all who fear you,
to all who follow your precepts.

⁶⁴ **The earth is filled with your love, LORD;
teach me your decrees. (NIV)**

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

CONFESSION: Proverbs 9:10 reminds us that "the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding." Let us confess together and align our hearts with His truth.

Holy God, we stand in awe of Your majesty.

We confess that we often rely on our own human wisdom.

We chase the understanding of this world instead of seeking Your face.

Forgive us for the times we have forgotten Your holiness.

Today, we posture our hearts in reverent awe of You.

We declare that You are the source of all truth and knowledge.

Fill our minds with divine insight and our hearts with spiritual understanding.

Guide our steps so that our lives bring glory to 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 G704 (Green): Make Me a Servant (We will sing this twice.)

“Make me a servant, humble and meek, Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.

And may the prayer of my heart always be:

“Make me a servant, make me a servant, make me a servant today.”

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Reader: 6:30pm Lee Uldbjerg; 8:30am Gwen Wichman; 10:30 Sharon Christensen

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Ecclesiastes 6:1-12

There is an evil that I have seen under the sun, and it lies heavy on mankind: ²a man to whom God gives wealth, possessions, and honor, so that he lacks nothing of all that he desires, yet God does not give him power to enjoy them, but a stranger enjoys them. This is vanity; it is a grievous evil. ³If a man fathers a hundred children and lives many years, so that the days of his years are many, but his soul is not satisfied with life's good things, and he also has no burial, I say that a stillborn child is better off than he. ⁴For it comes in vanity and goes in darkness, and in darkness its name is covered. ⁵Moreover, it has not seen the sun or known anything, yet it finds rest rather than he. ⁶Even though he should live a thousand years twice over, yet enjoy no good—do not all go to the one place?

⁷All the toil of man is for his mouth, yet his appetite is not satisfied. ⁸For what advantage has the wise man over the fool? And what does the poor man have who knows how to conduct himself before the living? ⁹Better is the sight of the eyes than the wandering of the appetite: this also is vanity and a striving after wind.

¹⁰Whatever has come to be has already been named, and it is known what man is, and that he is not able to dispute with one stronger than he. ¹¹The more words, the more vanity, and what is the advantage to man? ¹²For who knows what is good for man while he lives the few days of his vain life, which he passes like a shadow? For who can tell man what will be after him under the sun? (ESV)

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

EPISTLE READING: Romans 8:18-27

¹⁸For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. ¹⁹For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. ²⁰For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope ²¹that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²²For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. ²³And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

²⁶ Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. ²⁷ And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. (ESV) This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

▲ GOSPEL ALLELUIA

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

Thy word is path to follow, a light to show the way.

Thy word is a path to follow, a light to show the way.

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

10:30am Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 13:24-30

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 13th chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²⁴ He put another parable before them, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field, ²⁵ but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. ²⁶ So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. ²⁷ And the servants of the master of the house came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have weeds?' ²⁸ He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' So the servants said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' ²⁹ But he said, 'No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. ³⁰ Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, "Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"" (ESV)

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

Children's Message

HYMN 387 (Maroon): Joy to the World

Message

"Christmas in July?"

Pastor Weber

Hebrews 13:8, Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

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

8:30am SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

HYMN 570 (Maroon): Just As I Am

HYMN 783 (Maroon): Take My Life and Let It Be

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: Just a Closer Walk with Thee

**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.
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.
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.**

**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.
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.**



We will be including as many "favorite hymn" requests as possible this summer. If you submitted a request in the past, we still have it. If you want to ask for something new, stop by the office and see Connie or Dr. Joan.