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The Second Sunday in Lent Sunday, March 17, 2019 – 9:00 a.m.

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Rose Murphy, *Dir of Family & Youth / Café Ministry*
Becky Rutkowski, *Secretary (M-W-F)*
Nancy Herber, *Secretary (Tu-Th)*
Peace Lutheran Preschool, 456-6605
Barbara Bradtmueller, *Preschool Director*

Tymothy Benzinger, *Fieldworker*
Gary Gerke, *Choir Director*
Krista Koch, *Organist*
Zach Bultemeier, *Accompanist*
Lutheran South Unity School, 744-0459
Sheila Nehrenz, *LSUS Interim Principal*

Welcome! We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us and especially to those who may be visiting. We pray that as you worship, you will be strengthened by our Lord's love and grace. Please sign our Red Friendship Book at the end of the Pew. If you are our guest, please introduce yourself to the Pastor after the service. Gift bags for our visitors hang on the welcome wall in the Narthex.

Our Mission: "Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church exists to reach the lost and to provide for spiritual growth and nurture of our family of believers through education and ministry of Word and Sacraments."

Education Programs: Pre-K program, ages 3-5, August through May here in Peace's education wing, and along with Bethlehem, Mt. Calvary and Zion Lutheran churches, we operate Lutheran South Unity School (K-8) located at 5401 South Calhoun Street.

Holy Communion: If you are a communicant member of an LCMS congregation we welcome you to receive Christ's body and blood at this altar. If you are unsure of your beliefs or are of another confession, you are also welcome to kneel at the communion rail for a blessing. Please cross your arms over your chest to receive God's blessing of Peace from the Pastor.

If you are unable to approach the Communion rail please let an usher know and Pastor will serve you at your seat. *We offer gluten free wafers for those who need them - please notify the Elder at the Communion rail.*

Hospitalization: If you or a family member is hospitalized, or is scheduled for surgery, please notify the church office or Pastor Spira at 445-0555. Even though you mention a church affiliation at check in, hospital staff rarely has time to contact the churches.

Nursery and Children's Bulletins: A nursery for small children is available in Room 222 (The Nursery/Playroom). Children's bulletins may be obtained from an usher.

Large Print Bulletins Available: If you need a large print bulletin let the ushers know.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Matins



Lighting of the Candles

Pre-Service Music

“Amazing Grace”

Parish Handbell Choir

Welcome

*(For those who are able, please stand for the portions of the service that are marked with an *)*

* Opening Hymn

“How Firm a Foundation”

Hymnal page 728

* Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

* Confession and Absolution

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **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.**

P 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.

C Amen.

* Versicles

Hymnal page 219

*** Antiphon (Lent)** *Hymnal page 220*
L The Lord has redeemed His people.
C **O come, let us worship Him.**

*** Venite** *Hymnal page 220*

Old Testament Reading *Jeremiah 26:8-15*

Choral Anthem **“Surely He has Borne Our Sorrows”** *Parish Choir*

Surely, surely He hath borne our sorrows and our failures.
Surely, He has carried every heartache, He has walked our path of grief.
Surely, surely, He has promised to be with us to the end,
He’s with us to the end and by His stripes, we all are healed.
All we like sheep have gone astray; we’ve turned each one to our own way:
we’ve turned each one to our own each selfish thought, every prideful word.
But the Lord has laid on Him the transgressions of us all!
Surely, surely, He has borne our sorrows and our failures.
Surely, He has carried every heartache, He has walked our path of grief.
Surely, surely, He has promised to be with us to the end, and by His stripes,
we’ll know Him. And by His stripes, we all are healed.

Epistle Reading *Philippians 3:17-4:1*

*** Holy Gospel** *Luke 13:31-35*

Responsory for Lent *Hymnal page 222*

Hymn **“Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart”** *Hymnal page 708*

Sermon **“Taking Sides”** *Luke 13:31-35*

*** Canticle** **“First Song of Isaiah”** *Hymnal page 927*

*Note: Congregation sings the refrain and the choir chants the verses.
All join together on the Gloria*

Offering

“O Jesus, My Savior”

Parish Choir

(We encourage our visitors and members to sign the red Fellowship booklet located in each pew)

O Jesus, my Savior, I know you are mine,
 for you all the pleasures of earth I resign.
 Of all that is pleasing, I love you the best;
 without you I'm wretched, but with you I'm blest.
 O Jesus, my Savior, with you I am blest,
 my life and salvation, my joy and my rest.
 Your name be my theme, and your love be my song;
 your grace whall inspire both my heart and my tongue.

In mansions of glory and endless delight,
 I'll ever adore you in heaven so bright;
 and singing your praises, before you I'll bow;
 if ever I loved you, my Jesus, tis now.

* **Kyrie** *Hymnal page 227*

* **Lord’s Prayer** *Hymnal page 227*

* **Collect for the Day** *Hymnal page 228*

P O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

* **Prayer of the Church** *Hymnal page 228*

* **Collect for Grace** *Hymnal page 228*

* **Benedicamus and Benediction** *Hymnal page 228*

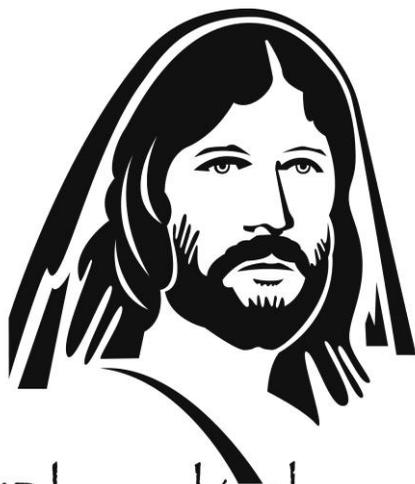
* **Closing Hymn** **“O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe”** *Hymnal page 666*

Announcements



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“Blessed is the one
who comes in the name
of the Lord.”

LUKE 13:35, NRSV

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE

Preacher: Rev. Paul Spira Fieldworker: Tymothy Benzinger

Elder: Mart Erickson

Organist: Krista Koch Accompanist: Zach Bultemeier Handbells: Brenda Gensic

Lesson Reader: Larry Bower

Greeters: Nancy Lohr Pam Flory Sandy Henry

Ushers: Dick Rutkowski Bob Michael Natalie Brandon
 Sarah Brandon Mamed Ramazanli Ivy Harkenrider
 Greg Hill

Acolyte: Maddie Strasen

Nursery: Nancy Thieme

Service Recorder: Chris Till

Counters: Nancy Thieme Dick and Becky Rutkowski

Altar Servers: Stacey Jackson Jeri Miller

The Flowers on the altar are given in Thanksgiving to the glory of God by Ken and Ann White in honor of their twelve grandchildren.

Prayers: Please keep the following people in your prayers this week:

FOR HEALING:	Ron Dunn, Rollan Bentrup, Joe King, Pastor Strasen, Bruce Stegmann, Jacob (Polly Zeimet's brother), Jeremy Smith (son-in-law of the Rutkowskis), and those confined at home or in care centers
PRAYER FAMILIES:	Dick Burkholder, Don Dixon, Casey and Bekah Heingartner
MISSIONS:	A Hope Center; The Burmese Missions in Fort Wayne; LCMS World Mission; and missionaries Rev. David Bush (Macau), Jamielynn Tinkey (Dominican Republic) and Rachel Meyer (Uganda)
SHARING PEACE:	That Sharing Peace Café would be a place where Christ's love is shown and our neighbors are blessed to know Him.
IN SYMPATHY:	For the family of Harriet Timmons, mother of Diana Gotsch, who went to her Heavenly Home on Monday.

Attendance and Stewardship Summary for March 10 and 13

Worship Attendance:	65/42
Adult Bible Class/Youth/Cross Trainers	22/2/6
Amount needed per week:	\$ 5,692.00
Our response last week:	<u>\$ 6,382.80</u>
Difference:	\$ 690.80