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The Third Week of Easter Wednesday, May 8, 2019 – 6:30 p.m.

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Barbara Bradtmueller, *Preschool Director*

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: The Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated on the first, second and fourth Sundays of the month and on the corresponding Wednesday services following these Sundays. See the red fellowship folder in the pew to register your intent to receive communion and for a summary of our Biblical understanding of the Sacrament. Guests from sister Lutheran (LCMS) congregations are welcome to commune with us, while members of other church bodies are asked to speak with our 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
DIVINE SERVICE - SETTING ONE



Lighting of the Candles

Welcome

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

Opening Hymn

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

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vv. 1, 3, 5

¹ Crown Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon His throne;
Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns
All music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless king
Through all eternity.

³ Crown Him the Lord of love.
Behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified.
No angels in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bend their wond'ring eyes
At mysteries so bright.

⁵ Crown Him the Lord of heav'n,
Enthroned in worlds above,
Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n
The wondrous name of Love.
Crown Him with many crowns
As thrones before Him fall;
Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns,
For He is king of all.

* Invocation and Exhortation

P In the name of the Father and of the $\cdot\text{I}\cdot$ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

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.**

*** Confession and Absolution**

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.**

*** Introit (spoken responsively)**

Psalm 145:4-7, 9; antiphon: Ps. 145:10

All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,*
and all your saints shall bless you!

One generation shall commend your works to another,*
and shall declare your mighty acts.

On the glorious splendor of your majesty,*
and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.

They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds,*
and I will declare your greatness.

They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness*
and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.

The LORD is good to all,*
and his mercy is over all that he has made.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,*
and all your saints shall bless you!

*** Hymn of Praise**

“This is the Feast”

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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

*** Salutation and Collect**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

First Reading

Acts 9:1-22

P This is the Word of the Lord

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Reading

Revelation 5:8-14

P This is the Word of the Lord

C **Thanks be to God.**

*** Holy Gospel**

John 21:1-14

P The Holy Gospel according to John, the twenty-first chapter

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

After the reading:

P This is the Gospel of the Lord

C **Praise to You, O Christ**

Sermon Hymn

"Make Songs of Joy"

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- 1 Make songs of joy to Christ, our head; Alleluia!
 He lives again who once was dead! Alleluia!
- 2 Our life was purchased by His loss; Alleluia!
 He died our death upon the cross. Alleluia!
- 3 O death, where is your deadly sting? Alleluia!
 Assumed by our triumphant King! Alleluia!
- 4 And where your victory, O grave, Alleluia!
 When one like Christ has come to save? Alleluia!
- 5 Behold, the tyrants, one and all, Alleluia!
 Before our mighty Savior fall! Alleluia!

Please stand

- 6 For this be praised the Son who rose, Alleluia!
 The Father, and the Holy Ghost! Alleluia!

Sermon

"The Revelation of Easter" Worthy is the Lamb"

Revelation 5:8-14

*** Apostles' Creed**

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☩ 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.**

*** Prayers of the Church**

Offering

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

+ Service of the Sacrament +

* Preface

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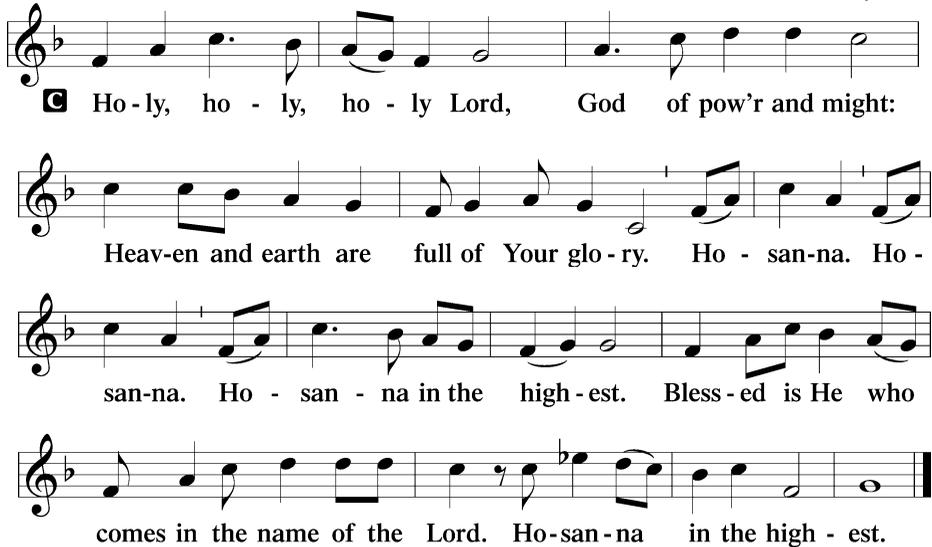
- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

* Proper Preface

It is truly good, right, and salutary ...evermore praising You and saying:

* Sanctus

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C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

* Prayer of Thanksgiving

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*** The Lord's Prayer**

C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

*** The Words of Our Lord**

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."
- P** In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

*** Pax Domini**

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- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C** Amen.

*** Agnus Dei**

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C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution

*** Post-Communion Canticle**

“Thank the Lord”

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☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

*** Post-Communion Collect**

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*** Benediction**

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- 1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world.
The star of my life is Jesus. *Refrain*
- ref* *In Him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.*
- 2 I want to see the brightness of God.
I want to look at Jesus.
Clear Sun of Righteousness, shine on my path,
And show me the way to the Father. *Refrain*
- 3 I'm looking for the coming of Christ.
I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race,
We shall know the joy of Jesus. *Refrain*

Announcements



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SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE

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Greeters: Mart and Cheryl Erickson
Usher: Mart Erickson Bill Scott
Acolyte: Payton Sells
Altar Servers: Diana Gotsch Judy Uffelman

The Flowers on the altar are given in Thanksgiving to the glory of God by the Strasen children in love for their father, Rev. Luther G. Strasen.

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

FOR HEALING:	Judy Parker, Polly Zeimet, Rollan Bentrup, Joe King, Pastor Strasen, Paul Hill (uncle of Greg Hill), Anne Rice (sister-in-law of Eric and Pam Lehman), Lynn Bradtmueller (Barb's husband), Jeremy Smith (son-in-law of the Rutkowskis), Roy Roggentin (Caryl Spira's father), and those confined at home or in care centers.
PRAYER FAMILIES:	Zach and Ale' Bultemeier, Jared Stephens, Dennis and Edith Wheeler
SCHOOLS:	Lutheran South Unity School, Peace Lutheran Preschool. Concordia Lutheran High School and our Concordia Universities & Seminaries
SHARING PEACE:	That God would open doors into our community so we may share the Gospel.
IN SYMPATHY:	For the family of James Hall (husband of Erin Hall, neighbor and friend of the Café), who went to his Heavenly Home last night.

Attendance and Stewardship Summary for April 28 and May 1:

Worship Attendance:	62/22
Adult Bible Class/Youth/Cross Trainers	14/5/3
Amount needed per week:	\$ 5,692.00
Our response last week:	\$ 4,028.50
Difference:	(\$ 1,663.50)