

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Divine Service III LSB pages 184-202

L = Liturgist \* = Stand C = Congregation

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\*OPENING HYMN**

*Beautiful Savior*

LSB 537

1. **Beautiful Savior, King of Creation,  
Son of God and Son of Man! Truly I'd love Thee,  
Truly I'd serve Thee, Light of my soul, my Joy, my crown.**
2. **Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands,  
Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring; Jesus is fairer,  
Jesus is purer, He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.**
3. **Fair is the sunshine, Fair is the moonlight,  
Bright the sparkling stars on high; Jesus shines brighter,  
Jesus shines purer, Than all the angels in the sky.**
4. **Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,  
Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor,  
Praise, adoration, Now and forevermore be Thine!**

**\*INVOCATION AND GENERAL CONFESSION**

L: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **✠ Amen.**

BAPTISM (10:30)

L: Jesus, King of Glory, who ascended into heaven in the sight of Your Apostles;

C: **Jesus, who is seated in glory at the right hand of the Father;**

L: Jesus, to whom all power is given in heaven and on earth and whose kingdom is forever;

C: **Jesus, who has opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers, we gather to worship You.**

L: Jesus, who has gone to prepare a place for us and who will come again in glory;

C: **Hear our prayer and confession, as we confess our sins unto You.**

L: Most merciful God,

C: **We confess that we have not been obedient to You. We have not loved You with our whole heart and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We often have broken the bonds which bind us together as brothers and sisters. Because of the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us our sins. By the power of the Holy Spirit, renew us and restore us to a right relationship with You and with one another. Hear our confession for Jesus' sake. Amen.**

**\*THE ABSOLUTION**

C: **✠ Amen.**

**\*THE GLORIA PATRI** (Taken from LSB, page 186)

C: **✠ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

**\*THE KYRIE**

**C: ♪ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**\*THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

L: The Lord be with you.

**C: ♪ And with thy spirit.**

L: Let us pray.

**C: ♪ Amen.**

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING for the seventh Sunday after Pentecost is from Isaiah 44:6-8, pages 604-605:

<sup>6</sup>Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: "I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god. <sup>7</sup>Who is like me? Let him proclaim it. Let him declare and set it before me, since I appointed an ancient people. Let them declare what is to come, and what will happen. <sup>8</sup>Fear not, nor be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? And you are my witnesses! Is there a God besides me? There is no Rock; I know not any."

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: ♪ Thanks be to God.**

THE EPISTLE READING is from Romans 8:18-20, 26-28; page 944:

<sup>18</sup>For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. <sup>19</sup>For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. <sup>20</sup>For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected. <sup>26</sup>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. <sup>27</sup>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. <sup>28</sup>And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**\*ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

**C: ♪ Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**\*THE HOLY GOSPEL - according to St. Matthew, the thirteenth chapter, verses 24-30 and 36-43, pages 818-819:**

**C: ♪ Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>24</sup>He put another parable before them, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field, <sup>25</sup>but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. <sup>26</sup>So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. <sup>27</sup>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?' <sup>28</sup>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?' <sup>29</sup>But he said, 'No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. <sup>30</sup>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.'" <sup>36</sup>Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." <sup>37</sup>He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. <sup>38</sup>The field is the world, and the good seed is the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, <sup>39</sup>and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. <sup>40</sup>Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. <sup>41</sup>The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers, <sup>42</sup>and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. <sup>43</sup>Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: ♪ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

**\*THE APOSTLES' CREED**

(5:00, 8:00, 9:20)

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.

**CHILDREN'S SONG** (Sung as the children come forward)

(8:00 & 10:30)

1. Let me learn of Jesus; He is kind to me!  
Once He died to save me, Nailed upon the tree.
2. When I go to Jesus, He will hear me pray,  
Make me pure and holy, Take my sins away.
3. Oh, how good is Jesus! May He hold my hand  
And at last receive me, To a better land.

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** (8:00 & 10:30)

Marilyn Wiesehan

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Come, My Soul, with Every Care*

**LSB 779**

1. Come, my soul, with ev'ry care, Jesus loves to answer prayer;  
He Himself has bid thee pray, Therefore will not turn away.
2. Thou art coming to a King, Large petitions with thee bring;  
For His grace and pow'r are such None can ever ask too much.
3. With my burden I begin: Lord, remove this load of sin;  
Let Thy blood, for sinners spilt, Set my conscience free from guilt.
4. Lord, Thy rest to me impart, Take possession of my heart;  
There Thy blood-bought right maintain And without a rival reign.
5. While I am a pilgrim here, Let Thy love my spirit cheer;  
As my guide, my guard, my friend, Lead me to my journey's end.
6. Show me what is mine to do; Ev'ry hour my strength renew.  
Let me live a life of faith; Let me die Thy people's death.

**THE SERMON**

Rev. Todd Wilken

**THE OFFERING** - *During the offering all worshipers are asked to fill out the blue or ivory cards found in the pew rack. Please pass cards down to center aisle. They will be collected immediately after the offering.*

**VOLUNTARY**

**\*THE OFFERTORY** LSB page 192

♩ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

**\*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

**\*LORD'S PRAYER** (Found on the inside back cover of the hymnal.)

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

L: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: **♩ Amen, amen, amen.**

**\*THE RECESSIONAL HYMN**

*Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing*

**LSB 924**

- 1. Lord, dismiss us with Your blessing, Fill our hearts with joy and peace;  
Let us each, Your love possessing, Triumph in redeeming grace.  
O refresh us; O refresh us, Trav'ling through this wilderness.**
- 2. Thanks we give and adoration For Your Gospel's joyful sound.  
May the fruits of Your salvation In our hearts and lives abound.  
Ever faithful, ever faithful To Your truth may we be found.**

**\*SILENT PRAYER/POSTLUDE + + + + + + + + +**

**SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY:**

Preacher: Rev. Todd Wilken

Liturgist: Pastor Jon C. Furgeson and Pastor Dennis A. Kastens

Organist: 5:00 & 9:20: Kendra Ruesler; 8:00 & 10:30: Alice Kastens

KFUO 850 AM Broadcaster/Engineer: Bob Uthoff/Jeanette Mattingly

**NEWS AND NOTES:**

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 23, 2017

**TODAY'S EDUCATION HOUR:** 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

**Adult Bible Class (Lower Commons):** Augsburg Confession

**Bible Study for 18 - 25 Year Olds (Former Sanctuary Overflow Room)**

**Women's Bible Class (Office Conf. Rm.):** led by Janice McCreary

**Youth Bible Class:** led by Christina Stackle, DCE

**8th Grade:** Rick Goodman & Mike Renner

**7th Grade:** Greg Wirtel & Louise Oster

**PLEASE SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES.**

**HEARING ASSIST TRANSMITTERS** are available from the ushers. Ear pieces are available although we suggest you bring your own.

**FOOD & DRINK consumption** should be kept inside the Gym.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are from Robert & Becky Guempel in celebration of their 2nd Wedding Anniversary on July 24; also from Jim & Donna Stabile in celebration of their grandsons', Ethan and Alex Stabile's, 1st Birthday.

**BAPTISM** (10:30) Julianna Marie Springett, daughter of Timothy R. and Kristina N. née Braden Springett. Sponsors: William J. & Terri A. née Seitrich Springett, Sr.

**REV. TODD WILKEN** is in the pulpit today. Welcome!

**AUGUST NEWSLETTER** is in your mail slot.

**ADULT INQUIRY** sessions begin Sunday, August 20, 6:00-8:00 p.m. for those wishing to audit or become Peace members. Sign up is posted on the Commons bulletin board.

**A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL WHO SUPPORTED THE ALASKA MISSION TRIP** - We invite you to stop by the tables in the Gym, before and after services, this weekend to see and learn about the activities that took place on our recent mission trip to Hooper Bay, Alaska.

COUPLES CLUB / THRIVENT GARAGE SALE is Saturday, August 5th, 7:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Drop off clean, gently used items (unbroken) at the ramp located on the west parking lot (until Saturday, July 29th).

EDUCATORS TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED in the upcoming September newsletter. We anticipate that Peace has about 75 active educators (Preschool, K-12, University) and at least 55 retired educators. If you are an educator, please indicate your name, current position (including retired) and employer, on the back of your worship attendance card today, or as soon as possible. (We featured nearly 110 last year.)

UPCOMING PICNIC AND BAND CONCERT What could be better on a warm August Sunday afternoon than a picnic and band concert in an air-conditioned gym? Join us on Sunday, August 6 for an *All-American Picnic and Band Concert*. Doors open at 5:45 with picnic fare being served. We'll strike up the band at 5:15 pm. During the event we will be collecting gently used band instruments to be given to deserving children in the St. Louis area. We hope you can join us!

65 EDUCATORS On Sunday, August 13, 8:00 and 10:30, we wish to salute over 65 Peace members teaching or administering in various public, private, and parochial schools. If your name is missing below, please indicate today on your attendance card. (If you are a retired educator, likewise indicate because we will publish a list of nearly 55 retired members that day. See list which follows below.)

Sarah Andrews, April Baese, Chris Beaumont, Anita Behnke, Tami Behnke, Gretchen Bluette, Dr. Alan Borcharding, Carrie Brumm, Amelia Burgess, Brenda Chitwood, Jennifer Christ, David Dau, Terri Dees, Christine Dillender, Mary Eaton, Jacqueline Gathman, Debbie Genovese, Eric Glessner, Tammy Goodman, John Hicks, Jackie Hoeflerlin, Stephanie Holler, Kala Jacobsmeyer, Paula Justus, Joe Karasek, Kelly Kienstra, Linda Kienstra, Michael Kreitler, Marlene Kruse, April & Eric Lappe, Derek McCarty, Joy McRoy, Amy Menke, Michelle Mieger, Doug Morris, Carrie Paul, Aryn Posados, Kelley Powell, Debbie Prange, Viola Preusser, Kathy Pritchard, Terry Rastorfer, Carol Reinitz, Brent Rueter, Brian & Ann Ryherd, Pam Sanders, Leigh Anne Schaper, Kimberly Schmidt, Julie Shawcross, Kevin Sheets, Jane Siebe, Paul Stabile, Becky Stevens, Kristen Stroisch, Jeffrey Teague, Stephanie Torbeck, Cheryl Twillman, Rob Uthoff, Sue Velten, Lynn Voss, Sara Watson, Marlene Wussler, Tracy Zaretsky.

55 FORMER EDUCATORS Carol Adkins, Alexia Arensmeier, Carol Banes, Joyce Birk, Fred Blank, Bill Bryan, Jocelyn Cazzell, Susan Conrad, Virginia Dinyer, Patrick Doyle, Bill & Kala Eydman, Ellen Fassold, Roberta Fitzgerald, Jan Flosi, Virginia Gerharter, Carol Gibbons, Bill & Linda Hentchel, Richard Herzog, Kay Kassel, Alice Kastens, Anita Kipp, Mary Jane Knoernschild, Lindsey Koelmel, Linda Kohm, Larry & Myra Lackey, Vicki McConnell, Dorothy Meyer, Jill Meyer, Yvonne Morris, Lynn & Louise Oster, Gregory & Suzanne Pavelski, Bill Petrovic, Pat Riethmeier, Dr. Wilbert Rosin, Karen Schaffner, Jackie Schramm, Virginia Schweigert, Dean & Judy Seyfert, Dr. Larry Sorth, Donna Stabile, Edward Stackle, Carol Terry, Janet Thompson, Jackie Uthoff, Maryann VanDermeulen, Mary Widitz, Marilyn Wiesehan, Ellen Wuerffel, Marlene Wussler.

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF JULY 23, 2017:

Tue: 9:00 Quilters  
6:00 Men's Club  
Wed: 6:15 Youth Handbell Camp  
7:00 Wednesday Bible Study  
Fri: 7:15 Winds of Peace Rehearsal  
Sat: 5:00 Worship Service  
Sun: 8/9:20/10:30 Worship Service