



## Peace Lutheran Church

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### DIVINE SERVICES

Saturday: 3:30 p.m.; Sunday: 8:00, 9:20, & 10:30 a.m.

The Rev. Dr. Jon C. Furgeson, Senior Pastor, 601-1039

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Burnell L. Hackman, Director of Music Ministry

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# THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 14, 2021

## THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

**P** = Pastor

\* = Stand

**C** = Congregation

### Opening Voluntary

### \*Opening Hymn

### LSB 571 God Loved the World So That He Gave



1 God loved the world so that He gave His on - ly  
2 Christ Je - sus is the ground of faith, Who was made  
3 God would not have the sin - ner die; His Son with  
4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son For - gives all



Son the lost to save, That all who would in  
flesh and suf - fered death; All then who trust in  
sav - ing grace is nigh; His Spir - it in the  
sins which you have done; And, jus - ti - fied by



Him be - lieve Should ev - er - last - ing life re - ceive.  
Him a - lone Are built on this chief cor - ner - stone.  
Word de - clares How we in Christ are heav - en's heirs.  
Je - sus' blood, Your Bap - tism grants the high - est good.

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

### \*Invocation

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



**C** A \_\_\_\_\_ men

**\*Introit**

*Psalm 27:3-5*

- P** The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
- C** **The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?**
  
- P** Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;
- C** **Though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.**
  
- P** One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the
- C** **Beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple.**
  
- P** For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;
- C** **He will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.**
  
- P** We come before the Lord to confess our sins.
- C** **Almighty God, we confess that it is our sins which cause all manner of separation from one another, but especially from You. Our sin is inherited from our first parents but we, ourselves, have added our own disobedience. Too often we prefer our ways over Your calling. In Your everlasting mercy and grace forgive us. Give us newness of life, life recreated by the redemption of Your only Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.**

**\*Absolution**

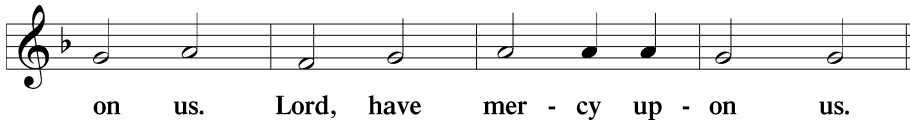
**C** A \_\_\_\_\_ men.

**\*Gloria Patri**

**C** Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;  
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

**\*Kyrie**

**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



**\*Salutation and Collect of the Day**

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Let us pray.



**C** A - men.

**Old Testament Reading**

*Numbers 21:4-9*

<sup>4</sup>From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. <sup>5</sup>And the people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food.” <sup>6</sup>Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. <sup>7</sup>And the people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. <sup>8</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.” <sup>9</sup>So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Epistle**

*Ephesians 2:1-10*

<sup>1</sup>And you were dead in the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup>in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— <sup>3</sup>among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. <sup>4</sup>But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love

with which he loved us, <sup>5</sup>even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— <sup>6</sup>and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup>so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, <sup>9</sup>not a result of works, so that no one may boast. <sup>10</sup>For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

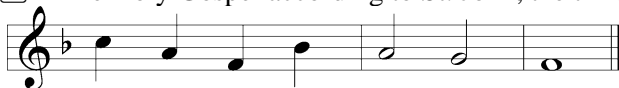
**\*Verse**

*For God so loved, the World, that He gave His only Son,  
That whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.*

**\*Holy Gospel**

*John 3:14–21*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.



**C** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>14</sup>[Jesus said:] “As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup>For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. <sup>18</sup>Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. <sup>19</sup>And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their deeds were evil. <sup>20</sup>For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. <sup>21</sup>But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his deeds have been carried out in God.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

**\*Apostles' Creed**

**C** 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 Message

Pastor Brown

Hymn of the Day

LSB 702 My Faith Looks Up to Thee



1 My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,  
 2 May Thy rich grace im - part Strength to my faint - ing heart;  
 3 While life's dark maze I tread And griefs a - round me spread,  
 4 When ends life's tran - sient dream, When death's cold, sul - len stream



Sav - ior di - vine. Now hear me while I pray; Take all my  
 My zeal in - spire! As Thou hast died for me, Oh, may my  
 Be Thou my guide; Bid dark - ness turn to day, Wipe sor - row's  
 Shall o'er me roll, Blest Sav - ior, then, in love, Fear and dis -



guilt a - way; O let me from this day Be whol - ly Thine!  
 love to Thee Pure, warm, and change - less be, A liv - ing fire!  
 tears a - way, Nor let me ev - er stray From Thee a - side.  
 trust re - move; O bear me safe a - bove, A ran - somed soul!

Sermon

“Why Christians Repent”

(John 3:14-21)

Anthem

“God Loved The World So That He Gave”

Benjamin Culli

*God loved the world so that He gave His only Son the lost to save,  
 That all who would in Him believe Should everlasting life receive.*

*Christ Jesus is the ground of faith, Who was made flesh and suffered death;  
 All then who trust in Him alone Are built on this chief cornerstone.*

*God would not have the sinner die; His Son with saving grace is nigh;  
His Spirit in the Word declares How we in Christ are heaven's heirs.*

*Be of good cheer, for God's own Son Forgives all sins which you have done;  
And, justified by Jesus' blood, Your Baptism grants the highest good.*

*If you are sick, if death is near, This truth your troubled heart can cheer:  
Christ Jesus saves your soul from death; That is the firmest ground of faith.*

*All glory to the Father, Son, And Holy Spirit, Three in One!  
To You, O blessed Trinity, Be praise now and eternally!*

**\*Offertory**



**■** Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

**\*Prayer of the Church**

**\*Lord's Prayer**

**■** 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.

### \*Benediction

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

### \*Hymn to Depart

### LSB 427 In the Cross of Christ I Glory



1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, Tow'r - ing  
2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, Hopes de -  
3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing, Light and  
4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure By the



o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of sa - cred  
ceive, and fears an - noy, Nev - er shall the cross for -  
love up - on my way, From the cross the ra - diance  
cross are sanc - ti - fied; Peace is there that knows no



sto - ry Gath - ers round its head sub - lime.  
sake me; Lo, it glows with peace and joy.  
stream - ing Adds more lus - ter to the day.  
mea - sure, Joys that through all time a - bide.

### \*Silent Prayer

### Closing Voluntary

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SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY:

Preacher: Pastor Jon C. Furgeson  
Liturgist: Pastor Robert M. Brown  
Organist: 3:30: Alice Kastens; 8:00 & 10:30: Kendra Ruesler; 9:20: Burnell Hackman  
Choir: Chancel Singers  
Choir Director: Burnell Hackman, DMM  
Sat. Cantor: Rachel Wildman  
KFUO 850 AM Broadcaster/Engineer: Kyle Hopfer/Dennis Gerfen  
Elders: 3:30: Steve Kienstra; 8:00: Jeff Akers, Dan Saufnauer; 9:20: Steve Shawcross, Rob Uthoff; 10:30: Bob Wolff, Ken Werkmeister  
Ushers: 3:30: Steve Kienstra, Art Conrad, Don McCutchen, Charles Reifschneider, Roger Uhlig; 8:00: Dan Dukesherer, Dan Hummert, Jim Johnson, Ed Stackle; 9:20: Jim Maschhoff, Glenn Brinkmann, Greg Hard, Bryan Richter; 10:30: Bryan Dressel, Bill Bryan, Lorin Dressel, Paul Huddleston, John Rastorfer, Jeff Teague

SATURDAY DRIVE-IN SERVICE Tune your radio to FM 90.1. Please be sure to record your attendance online.

SUNDAY WORSHIPERS look to the designated ushers and elders to guide you through seating and exit procedures.

ALTAR FLOWERS are from Ray Bodicky in memory of Carol Bodicky; from Mel and Betty Ohlau in honor and celebration of their 70<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on March 10; from Wayne and Marilyn Schuessler in honor and celebration of Paul Weber's 1<sup>st</sup> birthday on March 16.

KFUO AM 850 BROADCAST today is sponsored by Wayne and Marilyn Schuessler in honor and celebration of Paul Weber's 1<sup>st</sup> birthday.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS need to be called in by March 31. Call 800-847-4836 or go online to [thrivent.com/thriventchoice](http://thrivent.com/thriventchoice) and direct your dollars to Peace. Call Peace to tell them where you want your dollars to go, such as budget, Sunday School, Boar's Head, etc. Questions? Call Mike or Nancy Holdenried.

COUPLES CLUB Pictionary Peace Married Couples Club invites you to join them for a night of fellowship and fun on Saturday, March 27, 6:00p.m. in Sanctuary Hall. The goal of the game is to guess what your teammate is drawing. Please bring your own food and drink. RSVP to Heather Carlson.

MEN'S MORNING BIBLE STUDY meets this Thursday, March 18, at 6:00a.m. For this week's study, Butch Verbeck will introduce the Concordia – The Lutheran Confessions, the "Reader's Edition of the Book of Concord". Some copies will be available that morning, but those attending the Bible study are asked to bring their own copy, if they have one. Thank you.

OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL MINISTRY (Pre-K through 7<sup>th</sup> grade) is hoping to begin again for the summer. To make this happen, we need teachers for our 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade students, who will be divided into two groups: 1<sup>st</sup> grade through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and 4<sup>th</sup> grade through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Our goal is to have a team of teachers for each group, so we are looking for six people to join our ministry. Proper COVID guidelines will be followed. If you are interested, please contact Christina Stackle or Alexia Arensmeier. This past year, we have really missed having our children in the building. We are hoping we will be able to have them back!

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH EVENT Join us on Saturday, March 27, 11:00a.m.- 9p.m., for a day of fun at Top Golf, Lent meditation, and the stations of the cross (helping us prepare for the upcoming Holy Week) and an evening at the Stevens' house for dinner and a bonfire. Cost: \$25. Sign up with Christina by tomorrow, March 15.

JR. YOUTH RETREAT DAY will be on Saturday, April 10, from 4-10p.m. We will participate in a service project, play games, eat dinner, and join in with other LCMS youth from Missouri for the virtual district event (listen to amazing speakers and band) as we grow in faith. Cost: Free. Sign up by March 28.

### **CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 14, 2021**

- Sunday, March 14: 12:00 – New Member Class
- Monday, March 15: 7:00 – Boy Scout Meeting  
7:00 – Bells of Peace Rehearsal
- Tuesday, March 16: 9:00 – Quilters  
9:00 – Plastic Mat Making  
6:00 – Co-Ed Volleyball  
6:00 – Property Management
- Wednesday, March 17: 9:00 – TPL Assembly  
11:00 – Lenten Organ Recital  
11:30 – Lenten Service  
4:00 – Confirmation Class – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade only  
6:15 – Lenten Service  
7:00 – Chancel Voices Rehearsal  
7:00 – Wednesday Bible Study
- Thursday, March 18: 6:00 – Men's Morning Bible Study  
6:00 – Security Team  
6:00 – Chancel Schola Rehearsal  
7:00 – Chancel Singers Rehearsal
- Saturday, March 20: 3:30 – Drive-in Worship Service
- Sunday, March 21: 8:00/9:20/10:30 – Worship Services w/Comm  
12:00 – New Member Class

# HOLY WEEK



## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### **Palm Sunday Weekend**

Worship at 3:30p.m. on Saturday

Worship at 8:00a.m., 9:20a.m., and 10:30a.m. on Sunday

Junior Confirmation at 2:00p.m. – Reception to follow in Gymnasium

### **Maundy Thursday**

Worship at 11:30a.m. and 7:00p.m.

Holy Communion at both services

### **Good Friday**

Worship at 11:30a.m. and 7:00p.m.

### **Easter Saturday**

Drive-in Worship at 3:30p.m.

### **Easter Sunday**

Drive-in Sunrise Service at 6:30a.m.

Services in the Sanctuary at 8:00a.m., 9:20a.m., and 10:30a.m.

Holy Communion at Services in Sanctuary