



## **PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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# SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (INDEPENDENCE DAY OBSERVED)

JULY 5, 2026

## THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

**WELCOME TO PEACE!** If you are a guest, please fill out the Visitor side of one of the attendance cards found in the pew rack. Let us know if you would like us to contact you. We are happy to have you worshipping with us today!

**CHRIST'S BODY AND BLOOD**, for the forgiveness of sins, are truly present in Sacramental Union with the bread and wine in the Sacrament of the Altar. Due to theological differences among Christians regarding beliefs about this Supper, only communicant members of an LCMS church are invited to the Lord's table. Ask a pastor if you have questions or concerns. Please register your taking of communion on your attendance card.

**NEWS AND NOTES** for this week can be found on the Commons Counter. Please take one home to stay informed about upcoming events at Peace Lutheran Church.

**P** = Pastor      \* = Stand      △ = Stand for Trinitarian stanza      **C** = Congregation

**Prelude (8:00/10:30)**

**The American Spirit**  
*arranged by Jeff Cranfill*

**\*Opening Hymn**

**Christ, by Heavenly Hosts Adored**



1. Christ, by heav'n - ly hosts a - dored, Gra - cious, might - y, sov - 'reign Lord,
2. On our fields of grass and grain Send, O Lord, the kind - ly rain,
3. Give us rul - ers faith - ful, true, Such as love and hon - or you;



God of na - tions, King of kings, Head of all cre - a - ted things,  
And through - out this spa - cious land Crown the la - bors of each hand.  
Let the pow - ers you or - dained Be in rich - teous - ness main - tained.



By the Church with joy con - fessed, God the Son for - ev - er blessed,  
Let your kind pro - tec - tion be O - ver com - merce on the sea.  
In the peo - ple's hearts in - crease Love of pi - e - ty and peace.



Plead - ing at your throne we stand, Save Your peo - ple, bless our land.  
O - pen, Lord, your boun - teous hand; Bless your peo - ple, bless our land.  
Thus u - nit - ed, we shall stand One wide, free, and hap - py land.



## \*Kyrie

Mark 10:47

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

## \*Gloria in Excelsis

Luke 2:14; John 1:29

Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -  
 on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.  
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,  
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

### 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

*Zechariah 9:9–12*

<sup>9</sup>Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. <sup>10</sup>I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. <sup>11</sup>As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. <sup>12</sup>Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

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

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle

*Romans 7:14–25a*

<sup>14</sup>We know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. <sup>15</sup>I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. <sup>16</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. <sup>17</sup>So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. <sup>18</sup>For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. <sup>19</sup>For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. <sup>20</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.

<sup>21</sup>So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. <sup>22</sup>For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, <sup>23</sup>but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. <sup>24</sup>Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? <sup>25</sup>Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

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

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## \*Alleluia



**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.



## Hymn of the Day

## LSB 966 Before You, Lord, We Bow

8:00/10:30 – Choir sings Stanza 3



1 Be - fore You, Lord, we bow, Our God who reigns a - bove  
2 The na - tion You have blest May well Your love de - clare,  
(Choir) 3 May ev - 'ry moun - tain height, Each vale and for - est green,  
4 Earth, hear your Mak - er's voice; Your great Re - deem - er own;  
5 And when in pow'r He comes, Oh, may our na - tive land



And rules the world be - low, Bound-less in pow'r and love. Our thanks  
From foes and fears at rest, Pro - tect - ed by Your care. For this  
Shine in Your Word's pure light, And its rich fruits be seen! May ev -  
Be - lieve, o - bey, re - joice, And wor-ship Him a - lone. Cast down -  
From all its rend - ing tombs Send forth a glo - rious band, A count -



we bring In joy and praise, Our hearts we raise To You, our King!  
bright day, For this fair land—Gifts of Your hand—Our thanks we pay.  
'ry tongue Be tuned to praise And join to raise A grate - ful song.  
your pride, Your sin de - plore, And bow be - fore The Cru - ci - fied.  
less throng, With joy to sing To heav'n's high King Sal - va - tion's song!

**Sermon**

“Thanks be to God!”

(Romans 7:14–25a)

**Sermon Notes:**

**Gathering of the Offering**

*Please fill out an attendance card and place it in the offering plate*

## Offertory Anthem (8:00/10:30)

## God of Our Fathers

*God of our fathers, whose almighty hand leads forth in beauty all the starry band  
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies: our grateful songs before Your throne arise.*

*Your love divine has led us in the past; in this free land by You our lot is cast;  
Oh, be our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay; Your Word our law, Your paths our chosen way.*

*From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence make Your strong arm our ever sure defense.  
Your true religion in our hearts increase; Your bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.*

*Refresh Your people on their toilsome way; lead us from night to never-ending day;  
Fill all our lives with heaven-born love and grace until at last we meet before Your face.*

### \*Offertory

*Psalm 51:10-12*

**C** 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

*Matthew 6:9-13*

**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.

# SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

## \*Preface

**P** The Lord be with you.

*2 Timothy 4:22*



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

**P** Lift up your hearts.

*Colossians 3:1*



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

*Psalms 136*



**C** It is meet and right so to do.

## \*Proper Preface

## \*Sanctus

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



## \*Nunc Dimittis

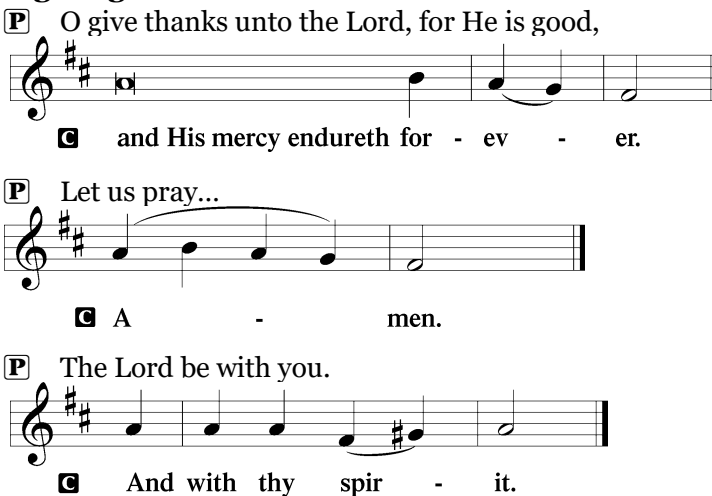
Luke 2:29-32



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -  
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,  
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy  
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

## \*Thanksgiving

Psalm 107:1



**P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.  
**P** Let us pray...  
**C** A - men.  
**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And with thy spir - it.

2 Timothy 4:22

**\*Benedicamus**

*Psalm 103:1*

**P** Bless we the Lord.



**C** Thanks be to God.

**\*Benediction**

*Numbers 6:24-26*

**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.

**\*Closing Hymn**

**LSB 965 God Bless Our Native Land**



1 God bless our na - tive land; Firm may she ev - er stand  
2 So shall our prayers a - rise To God a - bove the skies;



Through storm and night. When the wild tem-pests rave, Rul - er of  
On Him we wait. Thou who art ev - er nigh, Guard-ing with



wind and wave, Do Thou our coun - try save By Thy great might.  
watch-ful eye, To Thee a - loud we cry: God save the state!

**\*Silent Prayer**

**Postlude (8:00/10:30)**

**God of Our Fathers**

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SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP:

Preacher: Pastor Robert Brown

Liturgists: Pastor Jon Furgeson, Seminarian Stephen Guzik

Organist: Justin Knabach

Music: Chancel Choir, Orchestra of Peace

Music Director: Justin Knabach

KFUO AM 850 Announcer/Audio Engineer/Video Engineer: J. McCreary/B. Dressel/A. Hopfer

Elders: 5:00: Jeff Akers, Bob Wolff; 8:00: Rick Goodman;

9:20: Aaron Baese, Mark Dowell; 10:30: Rob Uthoff, Ken Werkmeister

Ushers: 5:00: Team #13 – Craig Owen, Captain; 8:00: Team #2 – Tom Johnson, Captain;

9:20: Team #12 – Chris Hosty, Captain; 10:30: Team #5 – Kyle Sandersfeld, Captain

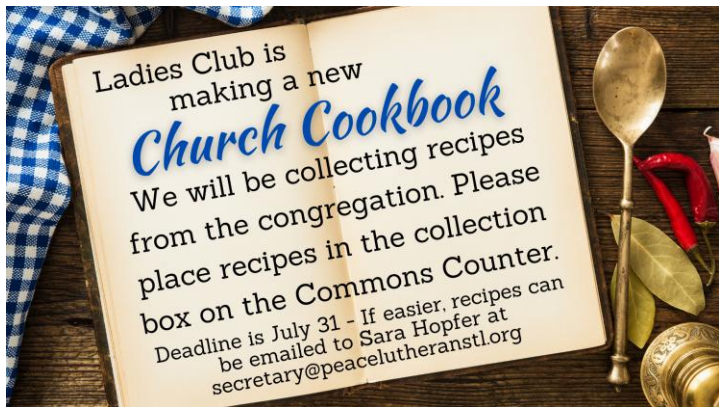
Altar Committee: Saturday: Al and Linda Wentzel; Sunday: Angie Fischer, Bonna Mayer

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Ladies Club  
Join us at  
**SUNSET  
OVERLOOK**  
Columbia, Illinois

**Monday, July 13 - 6:00 p.m**  
Carpooling from church is available if needed



Ladies Club is making a new **Church Cookbook**  
We will be collecting recipes from the congregation. Please place recipes in the collection box on the Commons Counter.  
Deadline is July 31 - If easier, recipes can be emailed to Sara Hopfer at [secretary@peacelutheranstl.org](mailto:secretary@peacelutheranstl.org)



Attendance Prizes *Aloha Nights* Dress up Just for Fun  
**Trivia Night & Silent Auction**  
**Saturday August 22**  
Peace Lutheran Church In the Gym  
Doors Open at 6:00pm - Trivia Begins at 6:30pm  
\$20/per person Tables of 8-10  
Bring your own snacks & beverages  
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# **Happy 250<sup>th</sup> Birthday, America!**

**Blessed is the  
nation whose God  
is the Lord,  
the people whom  
he has chosen as  
his heritage!**

**Psalm 33:12**