



**Peace Lutheran Church
Order of Worship**

**Eight Sunday after Pentecost
July 26, 2020
10:00 am**

Disciples of Peace Serving Today

Officiating	Pastor Al Cassel
Assistant Minister	Dan Weichart
Music	Michael English
Audio Visual Technician	Matt McNutt

+ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Al Cassel

***GATHERING SONG**

Come Now Is the Time to Worship

***PRAYER OF GATHERING**

P: Let us pray. Lord God, as we gather this day, we are grateful for your Good News. While we are aware that sin is our rebellion against you, forgiveness is the means by which you reconcile with us. Help us to not only treasure your forgiveness but allow us to be forgiving in our relationships with one another. In Jesus Name we pray.

C: **Amen.**

THE LESSON

2 Corinthians 4:1-18

Dan Weichart

Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart. Rather, we have renounced secret and shameful ways; we do not use deception, nor do we distort the word of God. On the contrary, by setting forth the truth plainly we commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ.

But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed. We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body. For we who are alive are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that his life may also be revealed in our mortal body. So then, death is at work in us, but life is at work in you.

It is written: "I believed; therefore, I have spoken." Since we have that same spirit of faith, we also believe and therefore speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus from the dead will also raise us with Jesus and present us with you to himself. All this is for your benefit, so that the grace that is reaching more and more people may cause thanksgiving to overflow to the glory of God.

Therefore, we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So, we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

R: Here ends the lesson.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

C: Here we come, here we stand, broken lives, needful hands; to be washed by your word; may our voices be heard as we sing Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

GOSPEL OF OUR LORD

Matthew 5:13

Pastor Al Cassel

A. The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

“You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***MESSAGE**

Pastor Al Cassel

***SONG OF THE DAY**

I Give You My Heart

THE APOSTLES' CREED

A: Please join with me as we make profession of our Easter faith.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

***THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

A: Gathered, as God's people in Christ Jesus, let us pray for God's creation, those in need, and all the church.

Brief silence for personal prayer.

A: . . . Hear us, O God,

C: your mercy is great.

A: Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

P: Let us pray... Come Holy Spirit Come,

C: Awaken in us a bold spirit this day! We are grateful for the many gifts you have placed in our hearts as well as in our hands. As we have received, we gladly share in a spirit of thanksgiving and praise. May the gifts we offer this day not only bless the world as well as your church, but may we be blessed in the offering. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

***WE SHARE THE LORD'S SUPPER**

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

***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.**

COMMUNION

***PASTORAL PRAYER**

Pastor Al Cassel

P: **The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.**

C: **Amen.**

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Dan Weichart

P: Spirit of Joy, Spirit of Peace,

C: **Fill our hearts with a renewed sense of your presence. Let us not be timid in our faith, but may we be empowered by your Holy Spirit to be your apostles as you send us out into a broken and fear-filled world. Let the Spirit of Love be revealed in all we do, as we give witness to the promised reign of your kingdom. Alleluia! Amen.**

***THE BLESSING**

P: And now may the Lord bless us and keep us. May the Lord make his face shine on us and be gracious to us. And may the Lord look upon us with favor and give us peace in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen!**

***SENDING SONG**

Send Us Out

***SENDING**

Dan Weichart

A: Go in peace as people of peace.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

***SENDING MUSIC**

Send Us Out

Lyrics

Gathering Song

Come Now Is the Time to Worship

Come, now is the time to worship

Come, now is the time to give your heart

Come, just as you are to worship

Come, just as you are before your God

Come

One day every tongue will confess You are God

One day every knee will bow

Still the greatest treasure remains for those

Who gladly choose You now

*Come, now is the time to worship
Come, now is the time to give your heart
Come, just as you are to worship
Come, just as you are before your God
Come*

*One day every tongue will confess You are God
One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure remains for those
Who gladly choose You now*

*Come, now is the time to worship
Come, now is the time to give your heart
Come, just as you are to worship
Come, just as you are before your God
Come, come, come, oh come*

Song after Sermon:

I Give You My Heart

*This is my desire
To honor You
Lord, with all my heart
I worship You
All I have within me
I give You praise
All that I adore
Is in You
Lord, I give You my heart
I give You my soul
I live for you alone
And every breath that I take
Every moment I'm awake
Lord, have Your way in me*

*This is my desire
To honor You
Lord, with all my heart
I worship You
All I have within me
I give You praise
All that I adore
Is in You
Lord, I give You my heart*

*I give You my soul
I live for you alone
Every breath that I take
Every moment I'm awake
Lord, have Your way in me
Lord, I give You my heart
I give You my soul, I live for You alone
Every breath that I take, every moment I'm awake
Lord, have Your way in me*

Sending Song

Send Us Out

Send us out in the power of your Spirit,
to shine your light in the way we live.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit,
as we've received, may we freely give
Send us out,
send us out,
send us out for your glory.
Let all we do
be praise to you.
send us out for your glory

Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to show your love everywhere we go.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit,
Lord, fill us up so we overflow.

Send us out,
send us out,
send us out for your glory.
Let all we do
be praise to you.
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