

## PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Saturday: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday: 8:00, 9:20, & 10:30 a.m.

The Rev. Dr. Jon C. Furgeson, Senior Pastor, 314-601-1039 Rev. Robert M. Brown, Associate Pastor, 618-580-8817 The Rev. Dr. Dennis A. Kastens, Pastor Emeritus Burnell L. Hackman, Director of Music Ministry Christina Stackle, Director of Christian Education Sue Velten, Director of Early Childhood

### Today we recognize those baptized at Peace in 2023:

Elijah S. – January 8

Edward H. – January 29

Shiloh W. – February 4

Lane M. – February 5

Blakely F. – February 12

Sophia S. – February 18

Vienna M. – April 1

Madilyn R. – April 30

Landon H. – June 3

Walker J. – June 11

Paige W. - June 18

Samantha K. – July 16

Arlo B. – August 6

Madeleine A. – August 27

Vincent S. – September 10

Mufaro M. – October 7

Amber S. – October 8

Crew W. – October 15

Makayla B. – November 25

Aubrey D. – November 26

Jon D. – November 26

James H. – December 3

# THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD JANUARY 14, 2024

#### THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Divine Service, Setting Three

<u>WELCOME TO PEACE!</u> 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!

**P** = Pastor \* = Stand **C** = Congregation

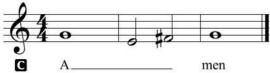
#### **Opening Voluntary**



\*Invocation

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

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.



- \*Affirmation of Our Baptism Romans 6:4, 36; Acts 2:38; Titus 3:5–6; 1 Corinthians 6:1; Mark 1:11
  - We remember our Baptism with the trinitarian invocation, recalling and confessing before heaven, earth, and hell all that God has given us in our Baptism: victory over death and the devil, forgiveness of sin, God's grace, the entire Christ, and the Holy Spirit with His gifts. How do we rightly use our Baptism?
  - We rightly use our Baptism when we live in repentance and faith in the triune God, who has made us His beloved children. (Luther's Small Catechism with Explanation [2017] Question 324).
  - When Jesus was baptized by John in the water of the Jordan River, the Father declared Jesus as His Son with whom He is well pleased. In our Baptism, Paul wrote, we were joined to our Lord's death and resurrection, enabling us to walk in newness of life. We also learn in the Small Catechism, all centered on God's Word, the lasting gifts received in Baptism including the forgiveness of sins, rescue from death and the devil, and eternal life to all who believe this. Let us reaffirm our faith in what God has done for us through Holy Baptism.

#### **Baptism** (10:30)

- **P** Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?
- **C** I do renounce them.
- **P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?
- C Yes, I believe.
- Do you believe 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?
- C Yes, I believe.
- P Do you 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?
- C Yes, I believe.

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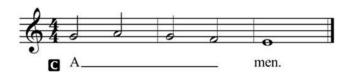
\*Confession Romans 6:1–2, 4

- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- Let us then confess our sins to God, our Father. In today's Epistle from Romans, the apostle Paul asks, "Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? . . . How can we who died to sin still live in it?"
- 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 God with our whole heart, and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
- "We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life."
- 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.

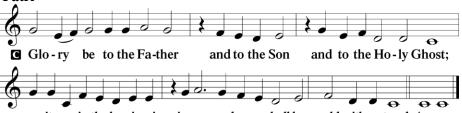
- We know that our old self was crucified with Him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin.
- For one who has died has been set free from sin.
- P The death Christ died He died to sin, once for all,
- **C** But the life He lives He lives to God.
- P So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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.

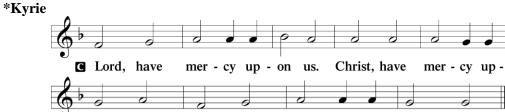
- C Amen.
- The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life + everlasting.







as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.





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





#### **Old Testament Reading**

*Genesis* 1:1–5

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup>The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

<sup>3</sup>And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. <sup>4</sup>And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup>God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

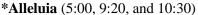
- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

**Epistle** Romans 6:1–11

<sup>1</sup>What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup>We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

<sup>5</sup>For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup>We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup>For one who has died has been set free from sin. <sup>8</sup>Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup>We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup>For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. <sup>11</sup>So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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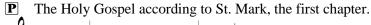
\*Alleluia (8:00)

Choir: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

You are my beloved Son; with You I am well pleased.



\*Holy Gospel Mark 1:4–11





<sup>4</sup>John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. <sup>5</sup>And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. <sup>6</sup>Now John was clothed with camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. <sup>7</sup>And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. <sup>8</sup>I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

<sup>9</sup>In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup>And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. <sup>11</sup>And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."



#### \*Apostles' Creed

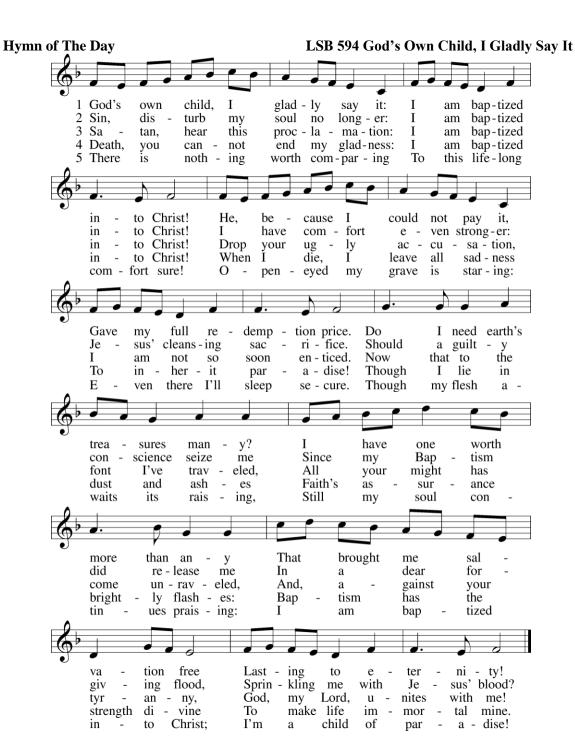
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

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

Sue Velten Director of Early Childhood



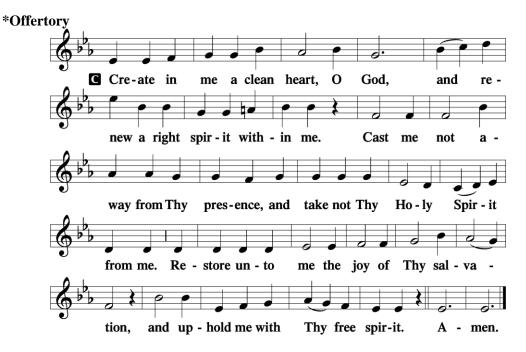
**Sermon Notes:** 

**Gathering of the Offering** Please fill out an attendance card and place in the offering plate

#### **Offertory Anthem**

(8:00) Oh, Sing to God a New Song

BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN



<sup>\*</sup>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 look upon you with favor and + give you peace.





#### \*Silent Prayer

#### **Closing Voluntary**

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#### SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP:

Preacher: Pastor Robert Brown Liturgist: Pastor Jon Furgeson

Organist: 9:20 & 10:30: Burnell Hackman; 5:00 & 8:00: Kendra Ruesler

Choir: Chancel Choir; Choir Director: Burnell Hackman, DMM

KFUO AM 850 Announcer/Audio Engineer/Video Engineer: M. Thiel/D. Gerfen/B. Uthoff

Elders: 5:00: Rich Behnke, Alan Hopfer; 8:00: John Roesch, Ralph Wolters;

9:20: Kyle Hopfer, Mark Maloy; 10:30: Erik Lunsford, Steve Shawcross

Ushers: 5:00: Bill Petrovic, Jakob Beutelmann, Kevin Beutelmann, Don Hopkins, Jim Huck,

Gary Stinnett; <u>8:00</u>: Joe Sneed, Jon Caron, Dave Dippold, Joe Doskal, Tyler Rainey, Todd Tanner; <u>9:20</u>: John Roesch, Owen Bullard, Joe Roesch, Bill Schlegel, Ed Stackle;

10:30: Mike Murphy, Caleb Mirly, Lynn Oster, Roger Rakers, Matt Thiel,

Bob Uthoff, Rob Uthoff, Ken Werkmeister

Acolytes: 8:00: Avery Caron, Danielle Watson; 10:30: Lucas Hangge, Austin Rutledge

Greeters: 8:00: Carol Gibbons; 9:20 & 10:30: Greg & Lois Ebmeyer

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 14, 2024**

<u>THE LIFE MINISTRY TEAM WILL BE TRAINING NEW MEMBERS</u> and would like to invite anyone interested in joining the team. They sponsor various (Life Affirming) activities with the congregation. If interested in joining this ministry team, contact Steve Andrews.

 $\underline{A\ COMBINED\ JANUARY/FEBRUARY\ NEWSLETTER}\ will\ be\ in\ your\ mail\ slot\ next\ weekend.$ 

<u>A NEW SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS WILL BEGIN FEBUARY 11</u> More details can be found in next week's bulletin and the newsletter.

<u>A SIX-WEEK NEW MEMBER CLASS BEGINS</u> next Sunday, January 21, noon to 1:30 p.m. in Sanctuary Hall. A light lunch is provided each week. To register, visit our website or the sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board across from the gym. Questions? Contact the church office.

<u>IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT OUR LIVESTREAM SERVICE</u> Our Sunday morning worship service is no longer livestreamed. Instead, the service is recorded and available for viewing on our YouTube Channel by noon each Sunday.

<u>MEN'S MORNING BIBLE STUDY</u> meets again this Thursday, January 18, 7:00 a.m. (note the new time). They are currently studying Martin Luther's Large Catechism. All men are invited to come and enjoy some early morning fellowship and Bible study.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR – BLOOD DRIVE COMING FEBRUARY 24 in the gym, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Watch the newsletter and website for more details.

<u>BABY BOY COLLECTION SHOWER</u> continues for our Deaconess Intern, Abby Reynolds, and her husband, Aaron, who had a baby boy, Ezra John, on December 20. Items will be collected until January 21. If you would like to donate, place gift items in the Pack-n-Play in the Commons. Monetary donations or gift cards can be placed in the collection box next to the Pack-n-Play.

MONTHLY LWML LADIES GUILD MEETING will be held this Thursday, January 18, 11:00 a.m. in Sanctuary Hall. Come for fellowship and learn about Peace LWML Ladies Guild. The February meeting will be held on Thursday, February 15, 11:00 a.m.

<u>LWML MITE BOX OFFERINGS</u> are being collected at the Welcome Center this weekend after all services. Empty your mite box or pick one up if you don't have one! This supports our many Grants funding Mission Projects.

<u>JOB OPPORTUNITY: EARLY CHILDHOOD</u> is seeking a Preschool Teacher to begin in August for the 2024-2025 school year. Class time is 8:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. Interested candidates should contact Sue Velten.

<u>EARLY CHILDHOOD OPEN HOUSE</u> will be Tuesday, February 6, 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Tour the classrooms, meet the teachers, and enjoy refreshments while learning about their programs. Registration is now open for the 2024-25 school year. For more information, please contact Sue Velten at earlychildhood@peacelutheranstl.org.

TO RENEW OR SUBSCRIBE TO THE LUTHERAN WITNESS please send your payment of \$20 to the church office, or use the special envelope included in your 2024 offering envelopes by February 2. Cash payment or checks payable to Peace. The 2024 subscription begins in April 2024.

<u>LADIES CLUB MEETS THIS TUESDAY!</u> Ladies, it's a new year, come join us this Tuesday, January 16, 7:00 p.m., at a "Get to Know You" Bingo night in Sanctuary Hall. There will be prizes and dessert, and a lot of fun!

<u>SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS URGENTLY NEEDED</u> for the continuation of our current Sunday School program. Teachers especially needed for preschool and 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Instruction will be provided. If interested, please contact Jacque McElroy or Pastor Brown.

ALASKA MISSIONS CHICKEN DINNER AND SILENT AUCTION is Sunday, February 4, in the gym. Doors open at 5:00 p.m., dinner served at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are being sold at the Commons Counter this weekend – \$12 each prior to the event, children 10 and under are free. Tickets at the door are \$14. Questions, please call Jackie Hoeferlin.

#### **CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 14, 2024**

Sunday, January 14: 11:30am – Baptismal Remembrance 11:30am – Life Ministry Book Club 3:00pm – Youth Baseball Practice 6:00pm – Pickleball Open Play 6:30pm – Sanctus Winds Rehearsal Monday, January 15: 6:00pm – Crossfire Volleyball 7:00pm – Bells of Peace Rehearsal 7:00pm – Boy Scout Troop Committee Meeting 7:00pm – St. Trinity Cemetery Board Tuesday, January 16: 9:00am – Quilters 9:00am - Plastic Mat Making 9:00am – Refit Exercise Class 3:45pm – Green Park Basketball 6:00pm – Co-Ed Volleyball 6:00pm – Property Management 7:00pm – Ladies Club 7:00pm – Southside Dart Ball League Wednesday, January 17: 9:00am – TPL Newsletter Assembly 9:30am – Banner Committee 4:00pm – Junior Confirmation 6:30pm – High School Youth Group 7:00pm – Wednesday Evening Bible Study Thursday, January 18: 7:00am – Men's Morning Bible Study 9:00am – Mary Martha Bible Study 11:00am – LWML Ladies Guild 3:45pm – Green Park Basketball 6:00pm – Crossfire Volleyball 6:00pm – Health & Safety Team – CPR/AED Renewal 7:00pm – Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm – Boy Scout Troop 584 Meeting 7:00pm – South County Republican Meeting Friday, January 19: 3:45pm – Green Park Basketball Sunday, January 21: 12:00pm – New Member Class 1:15pm – Middle School Youth Event 3:00pm – Youth Baseball Practice 6:00pm – Pickleball Open Play 6:30pm – Sanctus Winds Rehearsal

SUPER SUB SALES BEGIN SOON! Super Subs are being sold by Boy Scout Troop 584 starting January 27, benefiting camping and the Scouting program. Whole subs (16") are just \$15, and half subs (8") are \$10. Order by February 5 and pick up after any service on February 10 and 11. Contact Lisa Rainey, rainla0004@gmail.com, or (314)602-7601 with questions. Fill out the order form below and drop off, with your payment, to the church office before February 5. The order form can also be found in the January/February newsletter, or on the Commons Counter. Thank you for your support!

Super Special Suges  Heat open-faced under the broiler a bit, schmeer on "Mama Luther, and devour!
Whole Sub - (16") \$15 EACH HALF Sub - (8") \$10 EACH
Name
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Attach cash or check payable to "Boy Scout Troop 584"
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