



PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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As We Gather

Today we commemorate the 248th anniversary of our declaration of freedom from Great Britain. Just as in the exodus, the people who fought for freedom were scared. There were times, like Valley Forge, when the situation looked hopeless, just like the situation looked hopeless when Jesus lay in the tomb for three days. However, Jesus was raised from the dead and offers us freedom—not from a mortal enemy but our worst enemies: sin, death, and the devil himself. May we rejoice every day in the freedom He gives us in Holy Baptism.

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

INDEPENDENCE DAY OBSERVED

JUNE 30, 2024

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, with, and under the bread and wine in the Sacrament of the Altar. Due to theological differences among Christians regarding beliefs about this Supper, only confirmed 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.

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

Opening Voluntary

*Pledge of Allegiance

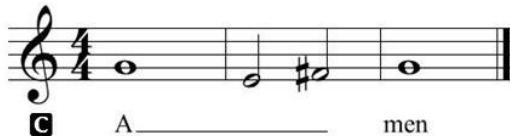
*Opening Hymn

God Bless America

God bless America, land that I love,
Stand beside her, and guide her
Through the night with a light from above,
From the mountains to the prairies,
To the oceans white with foam,
God bless America, my home sweet home,
God bless America, my home sweet home.

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

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.



Baptism (10:30)

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*Opening Sentences

Psalm 118:24, 26–27

- P** This is the day that the LORD has made;
C Let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- P** Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD!
C We bless you from the house of the LORD.
- P** The LORD is God,
C And He has made His light to shine upon us.

*Confession and Absolution

- P** Almighty and eternal God, You have blessed us with a free land, having rights and privileges others dream about. We live in a land where liberty is given to us. With freedom also comes temptation to misuse our freedom.
- C** Forgive us, Lord, for misusing freedom in selfish ways. Keep us from squandering the precious opportunities You have given to us by the many freedoms we have.
- P** For these sins and all sins, sins of thought, word, and deed; by what we have done or failed to do,
- C** We stand before You now, asking Your forgiveness, and for the help of the Holy Spirit to amend our sinful lives.
- P** Hear the Good News! God has heard your confession. He has called me, a called and ordained servant of our King, to deliver this message to you: your sins are forgiven because of Christ. Receive that forgiveness in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen! Thank You, Lord, for forgiving me. Help me, by the aid of Your Holy Spirit, to relish the freedoms You have given us as Christians and as a country.

*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

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

*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

Exodus 12:10–28

¹⁰And you shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. ¹¹In this manner you shall eat it: with your belt fastened, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. And you shall eat it in haste. It is the LORD's Passover. ¹²For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. ¹³The blood shall be a sign for you, on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you, when I strike the land of Egypt.

¹⁴“This day shall be for you a memorial day, and you shall keep it as a feast to the LORD; throughout your generations, as a statute forever, you shall keep it as a feast. ¹⁵Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread. On the first day you shall remove leaven out of your houses, for if anyone eats what is leavened, from the first day until the seventh day, that person shall be cut off from Israel. ¹⁶On the first day you shall hold a holy assembly, and on the seventh day a holy assembly. No work shall be done on those days. But what everyone needs to eat, that alone may be prepared by you. ¹⁷And you shall observe the Feast of Unleavened Bread, for on this very day I brought your hosts out of the land of Egypt. Therefore you shall observe this day, throughout your generations, as a statute forever. ¹⁸In the first month, from the fourteenth day of the month at evening, you shall eat unleavened bread until the twenty-first day of the month at evening. ¹⁹For seven days no leaven is to be found in your houses. If anyone eats what is leavened, that person will be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he is a sojourner or a native of the land.

²⁰You shall eat nothing leavened; in all your dwelling places you shall eat unleavened bread.”

²¹Then Moses called all the elders of Israel and said to them, “Go and select lambs for yourselves according to your clans, and kill the Passover lamb. ²²Take a bunch of hyssop and dip it in the blood that is in the basin, and touch the lintel and the two doorposts with the blood that is in the basin. None of you shall go out of the door of his house until the morning. ²³For the LORD will pass through to strike the Egyptians, and when he sees the blood on the lintel and on the two doorposts, the LORD will pass over the door and will not allow the destroyer to enter your houses to strike you. ²⁴You shall observe this rite as a statute for you and for your sons forever. ²⁵And when you come to the land that the LORD will give you, as he has promised, you shall keep this service. ²⁶And when your children say to you, ‘What do you mean by this service?’ ²⁷you shall say, ‘It is the sacrifice of the LORD’s Passover, for he passed over the houses of the people of Israel in Egypt, when he struck the Egyptians but spared our houses.’” And the people bowed their heads and worshiped.

²⁸Then the people of Israel went and did so; as the LORD had commanded Moses and Aaron, so they did.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Romans 6:1–11

¹What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴We 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.

⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We 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. ⁷For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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.

*Holy Gospel

John 8:31–36

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



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

³¹So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” ³³They answered him, “We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, ‘You will become free?’”

³⁴Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

*Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.

Blessing of Youth Servant Event Participants (10:30)

Hymn of The Day

LSB 895 Now Thank We All Our God



1 Now thank we all our God With hearts and hands and voice - es,
2 Oh, may this boun-teous God Through all our life be near us,
△ 3 All praise and thanks to God The Fa - ther now be giv - en,



Who won-drous things has done, In whom His world re - joic - es;
With ev - er joy - ful hearts And bless - ed peace to cheer us
The Son, and Him who reigns With them in high - est heav - en,



Who from our moth - ers' arms Has blest us on our way
And keep us in His grace And guide us when per - plexed
The one e - ter - nal God, Whom earth and heav'n a - dore;



With count - less gifts of love And still is ours to - day.
And free us from all ills In this world and the next!
For thus it was, is now, And shall be ev - er - more.

Sermon

“Spiritual Disciplines”

(Exodus 12:10–28)

Sermon Notes:

Gathering of the Offering

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

***Offertory**



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**

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.



C And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

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



It is meet and right so to do.

*Proper Preface

P We should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

*Sanctus



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.

*The Words of Our Lord

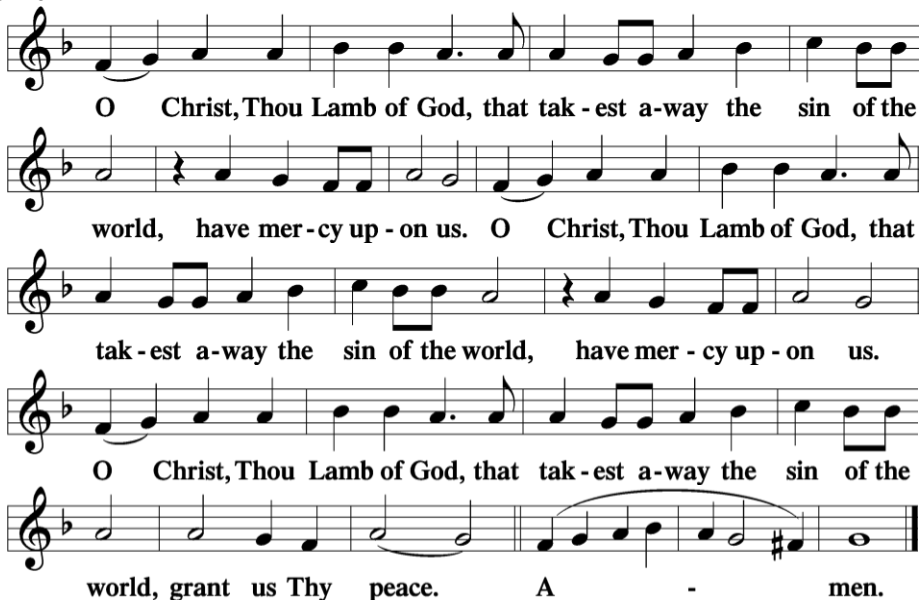
*Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



A - men.

***Agnus Dei**



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Distribution Hymn

LSB 867 Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds



1 Let chil - dren hear the might - y deeds Which God per -
 2 So make to them His glo - ries known, His works of
 3 Our sons and daugh - ters we shall tell And they a -
 4 O teach them with all dil - i - gence The truths of
 5 To learn that in our God a - lone Their hope se -
 formed of old, Which in our youn - ger
 pow'r and grace; And we'll con - vey His
 gain to theirs That gen - er - a - tions
 God's own Word, To place in Him their
 cure - ly stands, That they may nev - er
 days we saw, And which our par - ents told.
 won - ders down Through ev - 'ry ris - ing race.
 yet un - born May teach them to their heirs.
 con - fi - dence, To fear and trust their Lord,
 doubt His love But walk in His com - mands.

Distribution Hymn

LSB 717 Eternal Father, Strong to Save



1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, Whose arm hath bound the
 2 O Christ, whose voice the wa - ters heard And hushed their rag - ing
 3 Most Ho - ly Spir - it, who didst brood Up - on the cha - os
 4 O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r, Our peo - ple shield in



rest - less wave, Who bidd'st the might - y o - cean deep Its
 at Thy word, Who walk - edst on the foam - ing deep And
 dark and rude, And bid its an - gry tu - mult cease, And
 dan - ger's hour; From rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, Pro -



own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: O hear us when we
 calm a - mid its rage didst sleep: O hear us when we
 give, for wild con - fu - sion, peace: O hear us when we
 tect them where - so - e'er they go; Thus ev - er - more shall



cry to Thee For those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to Thee For those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to Thee For those in per - il on the sea.
 rise to Thee Glad praise from air and land and sea.

Distribution Hymn

LSB 966 Before You, Lord, We Bow



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,
 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!

Distribution Hymn

LSB 461 I Know That My Redeemer Lives



1 I know that my Re-deem-er lives; What com-fort
 2 He lives tri-um-phant from the grave; He lives e-
 3 He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to
 4 He lives to grant me rich sup-ply; He lives to



this sweet sen-tence gives! He lives, He lives, who
 ter-nal-ly to save; He lives all-glo-rious
 plead for me a-bove; He lives my hun-gry
 guide me with His eye; He lives to com-fort



once was dead; He lives, my ev-er-liv-ing head.
 in the sky; He lives ex-alt-ed there on high.
 soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.
 me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's com-plaint.

- 5 He lives to silence all my fears; He lives to wipe away my tears;
 He lives to calm my troubled heart; He lives all blessings to impart.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; He lives and loves me to the end;
 He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing; He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death;
 He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to His name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same;
 Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

***Nunc Dimittis**



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**

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.

***Benedicamus**

P Bless we the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

***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.



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

***Hymn to Depart**

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**

Closing Voluntary

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SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP:

Preacher and Liturgist: Pastor Robert Brown

Organist: 5:00 & 8:00: Michelle Sliger; 9:20 & 10:30: Cathy Boemler

KFUO AM 850 Announcer/Audio Engineer/Video: R. Goodman/J. Matthingly/W. Schuessler

Elders: 5:00: Jonathan Gathman, Steve Kienstra, John Rastorfer; 8:00: Rick Goodman, Mark Maloy, John Roesch; 9:20: Kyle Hopfer, John Roesch, Steve Shawcross; 10:30: Alan Hopfer, Erik Lunsford, Mark Dowell

Ushers: 5:00: Bill Petrovic, Jakob Beutelmann, Kevin Beutelmann, Don Hopkins, Jim Huck, Gary Stinnett; 8:00: Joe Sneed, Jon Caron, Dave Dippold, Joe Doskal, Tyler Rainey, Todd Tanner; 9:20: 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: Teddy Herold, Keaton Schmitt; 10:30: Aubrey DeClue, Lyla McCarty

Greeters: 8:00: Carol Gibbons; 9:20: Bruce & Jane Herzog; 10:30: Steve & Kelly Pfund

Altar Committee: Jeanne Hooss and Diane Woehr

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE JULY PRAYER JOURNAL – PRAYING THE PSALMS is available on the Commons Counter. Please take your copy home today as we continue our Summer of Prayer.

DUE TO THE 4TH OF JULY HOLIDAY, Wednesday Evening Bible Study will **not** be meeting this Wednesday, July 3. Class will resume on July 10.

BLESSING OF OUR YOUTH SERVANT EVENT PARTICIPANTS is this morning at the 10:30 service. Please keep them in your prayers as they serve in Detroit, Michigan.

YOUTH SERVANT EVENT MEETING is today, Sunday, June 30, at 11:45 a.m. in the Kitchen Meeting Room. **This meeting is for parents and youth.**

SAVE THE DATE – AUGUST 24 when Peace's Married Couples Club will be sponsoring a "Margaritaville" TRIVIA NIGHT and SILENT AUCTION. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. and trivia begins at 6:30 p.m. Tickets will go on sale beginning July 21. Any questions, contact Gina Werkmeister or Barb Decker.

ST. TRINITY CEMETERY IS HIRING Openings are available at St. Trinity Cemetery at Lemay Ferry and Reavis Barracks. Job descriptions are posted on the Commons bulletin board. For more information, contact Glenn Brinkmann or Marilyn Schuessler.

LADIES CLUB was pleased to have Lindsey Cundiff as an impromptu speaker at their June meeting. She spoke about the experiences she and her husband, Pastor Quintin Cundiff (a former fieldworker at Peace), and their son have had living in Riga, Latvia. Her talk was very informative and enjoyable...and she was sent home with lots of cookies for her family!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR INSTRUMENTAL MUSICIANS (all orchestra instruments) to play at our Farewell to Summer Orchestra and Ice Cream Social on Sunday, September 1. If you are interested, please fill out the registration form at <https://peacestmusic.org/farewell-summer/> or call Burnell Hackman in the church office.

PEACE MARRIED COUPLES CLUB BAR-B-Q is Saturday, July 20, 4:00 p.m., at Rick and Tammy Goodman’s house. The cost is \$10 per couple. You will be asked to bring either a snack, a side dish, or a dessert to share. Please RSVP to Tammy Goodman no later than July 17. Couples Club members, additional details can be found on the flyer in your mailbox.

“CHEF’S CHALLENGE” HOSTED BY FEED MY PEOPLE is Tuesday, July 23, 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Orlando’s Banquet Center, 4300 Hoffmeister Avenue. General tickets are \$50/person or \$350/table of eight. Premium tickets are \$70/person or \$490/table of eight. See www.feed-my-people.org/events for more information.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 30, 2024

- Sunday, June 30: 11:45am – Youth Servant Event Meeting for Parents & Youth
12:00pm – New Member Class
6:00pm – Pickleball Open Play
- Tuesday, July 2: 9:00am – Quilters
9:00am – Plastic Mat Making
9:00am – Refit Exercise Class
- Wednesday, July 3: 9:30am – Banner Committee
- Thursday, July 4: INDEPENDENCE DAY – OFFICE CLOSED
- Friday, July 5: OFFICE CLOSED
- Sunday, July 7: 11:30am – Life Ministry
12:00pm – New Member Class
6:00pm – Pickleball Open Play