

"I baptize you  
with water;  
but one who is  
more powerful than  
I is coming ..."

Luke 3:16, NRSV

# PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

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# THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD AND GREEN PARK SUNDAY JANUARY 12, 2025

## 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!

NEWS AND NOTES for this week can be found in the narthex by the door. Please take one as you leave today to stay informed about upcoming events at Peace Lutheran Church.

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

### Opening Voluntary

### Greetings

Principal Lisa Waltenberger, Green Park Lutheran School

### \*Opening Hymn

### LSB 601 All Who Believe and Are Baptized



1 All who be - lieve and are bap - tized Shall see the Lord's sal - va - tion;  
2 With one ac - cord, O God, we pray: Grant us Your Ho - ly Spir - it.



Bap - tized in - to the death of Christ, They are a new cre - a - tion.  
Help us in our in - fir - mi - ty Through Je - sus' blood and mer - it.



Through Christ's re - demp - tion they shall stand A - mong the glo - rious,  
Grant us to grow in grace each day That by this sac - ra -



hev'n - ly band Of ev - 'ry tribe and na - tion.  
ment we may E - ter - nal life in - her - it.

**\*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  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.



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

**\*Rite of Baptismal Renewal**

**P** Dear friends, we were buried into Christ by Baptism into His death and raised with Him to newness of life. I call upon you to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced the devil and all his works and ways and were made members of the Holy Christian Church. Do you renounce the devil?

**C** **Yes, I renounce him.**

**P** Do you renounce all his works?

**C** **Yes, I renounce them.**

**P** Do you renounce all his ways?

**C** **Yes, I renounce them.**

**P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?

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

**P** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord?

**C** **Yes, I 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.**

**P** Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**C** **Yes, 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.**

**P** Is it your purpose to continue steadfast in this faith and in the promise of Your Baptism and, as a member of the church, to be diligent in the use of the means of grace and prayer?

**C** **Yes, with the help of God.**

**P** Almighty God, the 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.

**C** Amen.

**P** May He who began this good work within you bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of the Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

### \*Confession

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

### \*Absolution



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

### \*Gloria Patri



**C** Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;

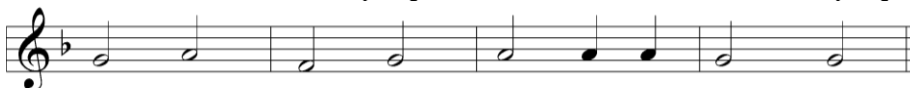


as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

### \*Kyrie



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



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

**\*Hymn of Praise**

**LSB 603 We Know That Christ Is Raised**



1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.  
2 We share by wa - ter in His sav - ing death.  
3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.



Em-braced by death, He broke its fear - ful hold;  
Re - born, we share with Him an Eas - ter life  
The Spir - it's pow - er shakes the Church of God.



And our de - spair He turned to blaz - ing joy.  
As liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ.  
Bap - tized, we live with God the Three in One.



Al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia!

**\*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**

*Isaiah 43:1-7*

<sup>1</sup>But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. <sup>2</sup>When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. <sup>3</sup>For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you. <sup>4</sup>Because you are precious

in my eyes, and honored, and I love you, I give men in return for you, peoples in exchange for your life.

<sup>5</sup>Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you. <sup>6</sup>I will say to the north, Give up, and to the south, Do not withhold; bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the end of the earth, <sup>7</sup>everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.”

**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.

**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

*Luke 3:15–22*

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



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

<sup>15</sup>As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, <sup>16</sup>John answered them all, saying, “I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. <sup>17</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

<sup>18</sup>So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. <sup>19</sup>But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reproved by him for Herodias, his brother’s wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, <sup>20</sup>added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison.

<sup>21</sup>Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, <sup>22</sup>and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

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



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

**Children’s Message** (8:00 & 10:30)

Amanda Daniels  
Junior Kindergarten Teacher  
Green Park Lutheran School

*Jesus said, “Let the little  
children come to me and do not  
hinder them, for to such belongs the  
kingdom of heaven.” Matthew 19:14*

# Hymn of The Day

LSB 605 Father Welcomes

*Refrain*

Fa - ther wel - comes all His chil - dren To His fam - 'ly  
 through His Son. Fa - ther giv - ing His sal - va - tion,  
 Life for - ev - er has been won.

1 Lit - tle chil - dren, come to Me, For My king - dom  
 2 In the wa - ter, in the Word, In His prom - ise,  
 3 Let us dai - ly die to sin; Let us dai - ly

is of these. Life and love I have to give,  
 be as - sured: Those who are bap - tized and be - lieve  
 rise with Him, Walk in the love of Christ our Lord,

*Refrain*

Mer - cy for your sin.  
 Shall be born a gain.  
 Live in the peace of God.

## Sermon

“As it Goes for Jesus, So it Goes for Us”

(Romans 6:1–11)

## Sermon Notes:

**Gathering of the Offering**

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

**Offertory Anthem (10:30)**

*Luther’s Morning Prayer*

**Green Park Choir**



**\*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.

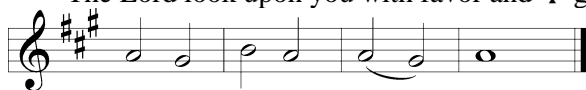
**\*Prayer of the Church**

**\*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.

**\*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 722 Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me



1 Lord, take my hand and lead me Up - on life's way;  
2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear,  
3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en And night has come,



Di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me From day to day.  
For You, the Rock of A - ges, Are al - ways near.  
I know that You will strength - en My steps toward home.



With - out Your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;  
Close by Your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,  
Then noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend;



So take my hand, O Sav - ior, And lead the way.  
For when Your hand is guid - ing, In peace I go.  
So take my hand and lead me Un - to the end.

## \*Silent Prayer

## Closing Voluntary

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Preacher: Pastor Jon Furgeson

Liturgist: Pastor Robert Brown

Readers: 10:30: Josh Dixon, Dave Rusert, Dan Griffith

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

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Elders: 5:00: Rich Behnke, Alan Hopper; 8:00: John Rastorfer, Ralph Wolters;

9:20: John Roesch, Ken Werkmeister; 10:30: Jerry Grant, Erik Lunsford

Ushers: 5:00: Team #16 – Don Hopkins, Captain; 8:00: Team #1 – Joe Sneed, Captain;

9:20: Team #11 – John Roesch, Captain; 10:30: Team #8 – Mike Murphy, Captain

Acolytes: 8:00: Nicolette Henson; 10:30: Quinn Hastie, Addi Noser

Greeters: 9:20 & 10:30: Bill Eydman

Today we recognize those baptized at Peace in 2024:

Nolan Biggs – April 28

Bella Blanc – July 7

Brynn Blanc – July 7

Carter Brinkmann – April 28

Georgia Cervera – October 20

Mabel Cervera – October 20

Elliot Diechmann – November 17

Camden Duneman – May 12

Charlotte Duneman – May 12

Baylor Fritsche – June 23

Dorothea Gregory – September 1

Eleanora Gregory – September 1

Knox Guardado – December 14

Landon Held – September 29

Teddy Herold – March 24

Austin Hughes – November 24

Conrad Kettinger – July 13

Ava Mazzaferro – June 8

Eli McAllister – January 21

Brewer Moore – May 19

Anastasia Mungle – July 14

Miller Radetic – September 15

Ezra Reynolds – January 14

Palmer Schaefer – November 9

Kinsleigh Shaner – November 9

Eleanor Webb – June 30

Peyton Williams – February 4

Maxine Wirthlin – January 6



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Green Park Lutheran School is a JK-8 school located in south St. Louis County. For over 60 years the school has served as a destination and a pillar in the community. Each day families from 20 different zip codes drive to campus for academic rigor centered in Christ.

The mission of Green Park Lutheran School is to welcome and care for all families with the love of Jesus and to academically prepare children in a challenging and enriching environment.

Green Park Lutheran School partners with families to prepare students for success by teaching them to independently work through problems and think critically in a faithful and caring environment. Green Park will prepare children spiritually, academically, socially, and emotionally through an education grounded in faith, morals and diversity.