

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

November 23, 2023

WELCOME!

We love that you are here today! Our service can be found in the blue hymnal beneath the chair in front of you.

Restrooms are located in the hallway to the right as you exit the worship space, as well as across the hall as you enter into the school.

Quiet room Parents may use the library in the back of this worship space which still enables you to hear/see the service.

A **Connection Card** and pen are found in the pocket of the chair in front of you. Time will be provided to fill it out during the service. You may drop it in the wicker basket along the wall after the service.

TODAY'S FOCUS

President George Washington issued a proclamation on October 3, 1789, designating Thursday, November 26 as a national day of thanks. In his proclamation Washington declared that the necessity for such a day sprung from the Almighty's care of Americans prior to the Revolution, assistance to them in achieving independence, and help in establishing the constitutional government. (Taken from <http://www.mountvernon.org>) Since that time, Thanksgiving Day has been repeatedly ratified by congress as a national holiday. As citizens of America *and* citizens of heaven we Christians wholeheartedly concur in giving thanks to God for His many blessings to our nation. In fact, the entire Christian life is an expression of thanksgiving to God.



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Morning Prayer..... pg. 207 in the blue hymnal

Hymns	Opening Hymn	609	<i>We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer</i>
		805	<i>Eternal Father, Strong to Save</i>
	Sermon Hymn	773	<i>O Lord of Nations</i>
	Closing Hymn	597	<i>Now Thank We All Our God</i>

Scripture Lesson Isaiah 10:5-19

Sermon *The Great Governing Hand of God*

ABOUT THE SERVICE

Today’s service, “Morning Praise,” is based on the “Order of Matins” celebrated by the Christian Church for many centuries. It contains two creeds originally in Latin and set to music:

- 1) *The Venite* - “O Come, Let Us Sing,” and
- 2) *The Te Deum* - “We Praise You, O God.”

These creeds not only declare who God is, but also express all that belongs to Him, all that He does for us, and the praise that we owe Him. This is a fitting service to use on Thanksgiving Day.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR MESSAGE

Each semester we offer a basic Bible-information course. We will begin a new class in January. Please fill out a Connection card, drop it in the offering plate during the service and someone will contact you.

<p>YOU CAN MAKE A ONE-TIME OFFERING ON YOUR PHONE</p>
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<p>Send a text message to (608)480-1612 with the amount you would like to contribute (example: 25). Within a few seconds, you’ll be sent a text with a link to register. Click on the link and enter your name (the name on your debit card) and debit or card information. Once your registration is complete, you will receive a text verification and a receipt of your donation via email. For future giving, send a text with the amount you wish to give, and it will process automatically. Thank you for your support of Peace’s ministry.</p>

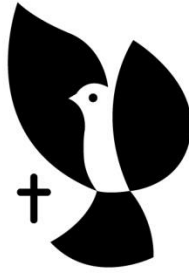
THE OFFERING TODAY

Today’s offering will go toward the tuition expenses of our Peace students attending Martin Luther College. Whatever we give can be matched up to \$1200 per student through the Congregational Partner Grant Program of MLC. May God bless their studies and one day use them productively in His Kingdom.

Martin Luther College is a dedicated WELS training school for our future pastors and teachers. Our future teachers graduate with a bachelor’s degree. Our future pastors go on to earn their master’s degree at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, Mequon, WI.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Presider..... Rev. Luke C. Werre
Keyboard..... Mrs. Lynn Proeber



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LUTHERAN CHURCH

Mission Statement

As men, women and children united in faith and worship by the Word of God, we are **committed to making disciples**, using the gospel to win the lost for Christ, and nurturing believers for Christian service, all to the glory of God.

Service Times

Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 am; Monday 6:30 pm

The most recent service is also on our website homepage:

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SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 10:5-19

⁵“Woe to the Assyrian, the rod of my anger,
in whose hand is the club of my wrath!
⁶I send him against a godless nation,
I dispatch him against a people who anger me,
to seize loot and snatch plunder,
and to trample them down like mud in the streets.

⁷But this is not what he intends,
this is not what he has in mind;
his purpose is to destroy,
to put an end to many nations.

⁸“Are not my commanders all kings?” he says.
⁹“Has not Kalno fared like Carchemish?
Is not Hamath like Arpad,
and Samaria like Damascus?”

¹⁰As my hand seized the kingdoms of the idols,
kingdoms whose images excelled those of Jerusalem and Samaria—

¹¹shall I not deal with Jerusalem and her images
as I dealt with Samaria and her idols?’ ”

¹²When the Lord has finished all his work against Mount Zion and Jerusalem, he will say, “I will punish the king of Assyria for the willful pride of his heart and the haughty look in his eyes.

¹³For he says:

“ ‘By the strength of my hand I have done this,
and by my wisdom, because I have understanding.
I removed the boundaries of nations,
I plundered their treasures;
like a mighty one I subdued their kings.

¹⁴As one reaches into a nest,
so my hand reached for the wealth of the nations;
as people gather abandoned eggs,
so I gathered all the countries;
not one flapped a wing,
or opened its mouth to chirp.’ ”

¹⁵Does the ax raise itself above the person who swings it,
or the saw boast against the one who uses it?
As if a rod were to wield the person who lifts it up,
or a club brandish the one who is not wood!

¹⁶Therefore, the Lord, the LORD Almighty,
will send a wasting disease upon his sturdy warriors;
under his pomp a fire will be kindled
like a blazing flame.

¹⁷The Light of Israel will become a fire,
their Holy One a flame;
in a single day it will burn and consume
his thorns and his briers.

¹⁸The splendor of his forests and fertile fields
it will completely destroy,
as when a sick person wastes away.

¹⁹And the remaining trees of his forests will be so few
that a child could write them down.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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