

Lent 4

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

March 6, 2024

WELCOME!

We love that you are here tonight. The service is printed in this folder. Some hymns may need to be found in the blue hymnal beneath the seat 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.

USHERING DUTIES – 7TH & 8TH GRADE

As we have for more than 20 years, once again we are employing our 7^{th} and 8^{th} graders for the ushering duties for the Wednesday service throughout the Lenten season. They have been trained for these roles. We are grateful to God for those young people and love to involve them in the most important thing we do as a congregation.

WEDNESDAY LENTEN OFFERINGS

The offerings from our Wednesday Lenten services will go toward our Peace Lutheran School tuition assistance. Our Tuition Assistance Fund is entirely funded by individual gifts and supports member students who desire to send their children to Peace. There is an offering plate by the doorway.

YOU CAN GIVE OFFERINGS ELECTRONICALLY

Log on to our website – <u>www.peacewels.org</u> – and click on "Give" from the top menu.

The Bible tells us to give a <u>regular percentage</u> of our income (1 Co 16:2). We are to give from the top and not the leftovers after the bills are paid (Pr 3:9). In this way we ascribe to God his worth to us as well as our confidence in him to provide.

THE SYMBOL ON THE COVER

The letters on the cross (It looks like "ihs") are the first three letters of the name "Jesus" in Greek. The Christian Church has used this symbol for many centuries to remind us of Jesus.

Later, these three letters came to signify the Latin words: Jesus, Savior of Men. In some circles the three letters came to mean: In this (the cross) is salvation.

THE MAIN PURPOSE OF THESE WEDNESDAY SERVICES

The main reason for our Wednesday evening services during Lent is to hear the Passion History of Christ leading up to his death and burial. This year we are hearing it – segment by segment – from the Gospel of Mark.

We don't get to hear the Passion History like this in its unbroken entirety any other time of the year. This tradition helps us to prepare for the celebration of Christ's resurrection on Easter Sunday.

THE MOMENT OF CHRIST'S DEATH

In each Wednesday service the pastor delivers a brief devotion. This year the devotions will focus on significant details that took place at the moment of Christ's death.

Serving In Worship

Presider	Rev. Luke C. Werre
Keyboard	Mrs. Cathy Gresens
•	Eric Uher
	Peace Lutheran Junior Choir
с. оср с	Lisa Schoenherr, director; Sarah Bilitz, accompanist

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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 on our website homepage:

church.peacewels.org

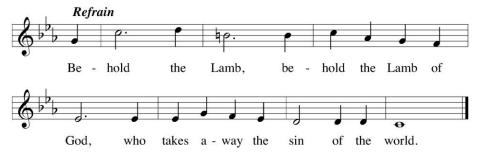
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Please note that L refers to the leader or G is group or congregation.



PSALM Psalm 22





My God, my God, why have you for<u>sa</u>ken me? Why are you so far from <u>sav</u>ing me?

I am a worm and <u>not</u> a man, scorned by men and despised by the <u>peo</u>ple.

All who see me <u>mock</u> me; they hurl insults, shak<u>ing</u> their heads:

"He trusts in the LORD; let the LORD <u>res</u>cue him. Let him deliver him, since he de<u>lights</u> in him."

Refrain

My strength is dried up, and my tongue sticks to the roof <u>of</u> my mouth; you lay me in the <u>dust</u> of death.

A band of evil men has en<u>cir</u>cled me, they have pierced my hands <u>and</u> my feet.

They divide my garments among them and cast lots for my clothing.

But you, O LORD, be <u>not</u> far off; O my Strength, come quickly to <u>help</u> me. Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the be<u>gin</u>ning, is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men.

Refrain

PASSION HISTORY READING

Mark 14:43-65

⁴³Just then, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, arrived. A crowd was with him, armed with swords and clubs. They were from the chief priests, the experts in the law, and the elders. ⁴⁴Now his betrayer had given them a signal, saying, "The one I kiss is the man. Arrest him and lead him away under guard." ⁴⁵He went right to Jesus and said, "Rabbi!" and kissed him. ⁴⁶They laid hands on him and arrested him. ⁴⁷But one of those who stood nearby drew his sword, struck the servant of the high priest, and cut off his ear.

⁴⁸Jesus responded by saying to them, "Have you come out with swords and clubs to capture me as you would a criminal? ⁴⁹Day after day I was with you, teaching in the temple courts, and you did not arrest me. But this happened so that the Scriptures may be fulfilled." ⁵⁰Then the disciples all left him and fled.

⁵¹A certain young man was following him, wearing just a linen cloth over his naked body. They seized him, ⁵²but he left behind the linen cloth and fled from them naked.

⁵³They led Jesus away to the high priest. All the chief priests, the elders, and the experts in the law gathered together. ⁵⁴Peter followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest. He was sitting with the guards and warming himself at the fire.

⁵⁵The chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were looking for testimony against Jesus in order to put him to death, but they did not find any. ⁵⁶Many testified falsely against him, but their testimonies did not agree. ⁵⁷Some stood up and gave this false testimony against him: ⁵⁸"We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple made with hands, and in three days I will build another made without hands.'" ⁵⁹Yet even on this point, their testimony did not agree.

⁶⁰The high priest stepped forward and questioned Jesus, "Have you no answer? What is this they are testifying against you?"

⁶¹But Jesus was silent and did not answer anything.

Again the high priest asked him, "Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed One?"

⁶²"I am," Jesus said. "And you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of power and coming with the clouds of heaven."

⁶³The high priest tore his robes and said, "Why do we need any more witnesses? ⁶⁴You have heard the blasphemy! What do you think?"

They all condemned him as being worthy of death. ⁶⁵Then some began to spit on him. They covered his face and struck him with their fists, saying, "Prophesy!" The guards also took him and beat him.

DEVOTION

The Moment of Christ's Death Mark 15:39 – Surely this was...

JUNIOR CHOIR

How Beautiful Words and Music by Twila Paris

How beautiful the hands that served the wine and the bread and the sons of the earth. How beautiful the feet that walked the long dusty roads and the hill to the cross. How beautiful, how beautiful, how beautiful is the body of Christ.

How beautiful the heart that bled, that took all my sin and bore it instead. How beautiful the tender eyes that choose to forgive and never despise. How beautiful, how beautiful, how beautiful is the body of Christ.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down. Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

How beautiful the feet that bring the sound of good news and the love of the King. How beautiful the hands that serve the wine and the bread and the sons of the earth. How beautiful, how beautiful, how beautiful is the body of Christ.

PRAYER

O Lord, support us all day long, till the shadows lengthen and the evening comes and the busy world is hushed and the fever of life is over and our work is done. Then, in your mercy, grant us a safe lodging and a holy rest and peace at the last; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER





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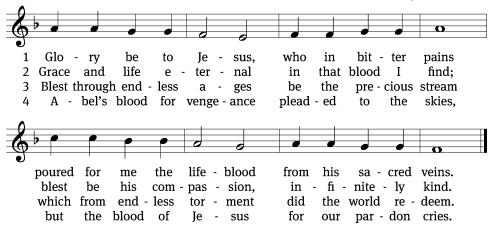


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CLOSING HYMN



- 5 Oft as earth exulting lifts its praise on high, angel hosts rejoicing make their glad reply.
- 6 Lift we, then, our voices, swell the mighty flood; louder still and louder praise the precious blood!

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