PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

July 14, 2024

WELCOME!

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

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.

THEME: YOU WILL BE MY WITNESSES ... WITH MY OWN AUTHORITY

When Jesus ascended into heaven, he declared to his Church: You will be my witnesses. This is his plan for reaching the world with the gospel. It is not optional for us. It is our ultimate calling as believers. But Jesus has not abandoned us to fulfill this task on our own. He is present with us and equips us to witness for him. In today's Bible readings, Jesus equips us by sending us out with his own authority. It was not our idea to call people to repentance. Nor do we have the authority in ourselves to pronounce people forgiven. It is Christ's message and Christ's authority in the message that we speak. When we speak, we speak on his behalf. Christ also promises that his message carries power to change hearts.

PLEASE RESPECT OUR PRACTICE OF "CLOSE COMMUNION"

Christ says the Sacrament is an expression of unity (1 Co 10:16-17). We WANT to be unified with you on the basis of Christ and His doctrine! Honesty compels us to ask you to WAIT before communing with us: 1) until you've had a chance to find out what we teach; 2) until you make your unity with us evident by membership at Peace. Regular classes are conducted for this purpose (837-5346). WELS & ELS guests please sign a Connection Card and give it to an usher before communing. Thank you.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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Hymns

Opening Hymn	524	Rejoice, the Lord Is King
Psalm of the Day	Psalm 71	page 71 in the blue hymnal
Hymn of the Day	897	Lord Jesus, You Have Come
Communion Hymns	7 16	O Christ, Who Called the Twelve
	743	I Hear the Savior Calling
Closing Hymn	930	Go, My Children, with My Blessing

Scripture Lessons

First Lesson	Amos 7:10-15
Second Lesson	Titus 1:5-9
Gospel Lesson	Mark 6:7-13

Sermon Mark 6:7-13

Sent out by Jesus

TILL I DECLARE YOUR POWER TO THE NEXT GENERATION

Sometimes we are so preoccupied with the many problems on our own plates we have all we can do just to survive the day. Even so, Christ does not want us to forget the assignment He gave us to be His witnesses. Notice, the psalm-writer of **Psalm 71** hasn't lost this as his ultimate aim. Christ gives us His authority as witnesses, but we will also need His support to make it possible.

The closing hymn will be played by Cameron Slocum. Cameron is entering 9^{th} grade this year.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Presider	Rev. Luke C. Werre
	Rev. Shaun Arndt
Keyboard	
Projection Slides	Kavla Frank

FIRST READING Amos 7:10-15

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent a message to Jeroboam king of Israel:

Amos has conspired against you in the midst of the house of Israel. The land is not able to endure all of his words. ¹¹This is what Amos says: "Jeroboam will die by the sword, and Israel will certainly go into exile away from its own soil."

¹²Then Amaziah said to Amos, "You seer, get out of here! Flee to the land of Judah. You may eat food and prophesy there. ¹³But you must never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the sanctuary of the king and the national temple."

¹⁴Then Amos responded to Amaziah:

I was not a prophet, nor was I a son of a prophet. Rather, I was a sheep breeder and I took care of sycamore fig trees. ¹⁵But the LORD took me from tending flocks, and the LORD said to me, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 71

SECOND READING Titus 1:5-9

The reason I left you in Crete was so that you would set in order the things that were left unfinished and appoint elders in every city, as I directed you. ⁶Such a man is to be blameless, the husband of only one wife, and to have believing children who are not open to a charge of wild living or disobedience. ⁷Indeed an overseer, since he is God's steward, must be blameless, not arrogant, not quick-tempered, not a drunkard, not violent, not eager for dishonest gain. ⁸Instead, he must be hospitable, loving what is good, self-controlled, upright, devout, and disciplined. ⁹He must cling to the trustworthy message as it has been taught, so that he will be able both to encourage people by the sound teaching and also to correct those who oppose him.

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Please stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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GOSPEL Mark 6:7-13

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¹²They went out and preached that people should repent. ¹³They also drove out many demons. They anointed many sick people with oil and healed them.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

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