



And he said to all, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and

TAKE UP HIS CROSS DAILY AND FOLLOW ME."

Luke 9:23

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

We are so blessed to have you worship with us today and we pray that the message of God's love that you hear today will be a blessing to your faith and life. If Peace Lutheran Church can serve your spiritual needs in any way or if you simply have questions about us and what we teach, please do not hesitate to contact us. Our contact information is on the back of this service folder. Or for more information, see our website at www.peacelutherantrinity.com.

- **Restrooms** are located to the left of the worship space.
- **Children's Sunday School** Sunday School is for children ages 3-12 and is offered at the end of worship. Children can go to the classrooms behind the worship space following the closing the hymn.
- **Connection Cards** If you would like to receive more information about Peace Lutheran, be sure to fill out a Connection Card. You can find them at the Guest Services table. You can return the card in the offering plate. If you are visitor you can also take your connection card to the Guest Services table and pick up a free gift – *Meditations or Forward in Christ*.

SERVICE NOTES

"Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me" (Mt 16:26). Our sinful nature bristles under Jesus' words. Our sinful nature likes to do things our own way. But Jesus says that when we deny self, die to self, and follow Christ above all else, we gain life. God strengthen us to follow Christ above all else.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Presiding Minister
Guitarist (Recording)

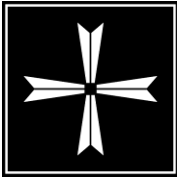
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DIVINE SERVICE I

Divine Service I is a version of the Common Service. It is designed to focus us on Christ found in the Word and the Sacrament.

OPENING HYMN

Father, We Praise You | 581

Please stand



1 Fa - ther, we praise you, now the night is o - ver.
2 Mon - arch of all things, fit us for your man - sions;
3 All - ho - ly Fa - ther, Son, and e - qual Spir - it,



Ac - tive and watch - ful, stand - ing now be -
Ban - ish our weak - ness, health and whole - ness
Trin - i - ty bless - ed, send us your sal -



fore you, Sing - ing, we of - fer prayer and
send - ing. Bring us to heav - en, where your
va - tion; Yours is the glo - ry, gleam - ing



med - i - ta - tion; Thus we a - dore you.
saints u - nit - ed Joy with - out end - ing.
and re - sound - ing Through all cre - a - tion.

Text: attr. Gregory I, 540–604; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867–1936, alt.
Tune: CHRISTE SANCTORUM (11 11 11 5) *Antiphoner*, Paris, 1681.

INVOCATION & INTROIT

Psalm 37

M: In the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

M: Delight yourself in the Lord and he will give you the desires of your heart.

C: Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him and he will do this:

M: He will make your righteousness shine like the dawn, the justice of your cause like the noonday sun.

C: Be still before God the Lord and wait patiently for him;

M: Do not fret when men succeed in their ways,

C: when they carry out their wicked schemes.

M: The salvation of the righteous comes from the Lord;

C: he is their stronghold in time of trouble.

CONFESSION

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me, a sinner.

ABSOLUTION

M: God our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

♪ **Speak, O Lord, as we come to you
To receive the food of your Holy Word.
Take your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All your purposes for your glory.**

♪ **Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail,
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.**

♪ **Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time,
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on your promises,
And by faith we'll walk as you walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, as your Church is built
And you fill the earth with your glory.**

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, preserve the congregation of believers with your never failing mercy. Help us avoid whatever is wicked and harmful, and guide us in the way that leads to salvation; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

C: **Amen.**



The Word

FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 15:15-21

Jeremiah endured much persecution. He was ready to give up cross-bearing, self-denial. Instead of removing the crosses, God calls for him to repent and lean on his mercy.

You understand, O LORD; remember me and care for me. Avenge me on my persecutors. You are long-suffering—do not take me away; think of how I suffer reproach for your sake. ¹⁶When your words came, I ate them; they were my joy and my heart's delight, for I bear your name, O LORD God Almighty. ¹⁷I never sat in the company of revelers, never made merry with them; I sat alone because your hand was on me and you had filled me with indignation. ¹⁸Why is my pain unending and my wound grievous and incurable? Will you be to me like a deceptive brook, like a spring that fails? ¹⁹Therefore this is what the LORD says: "If you repent, I will restore you that you may serve me; if you utter worthy, not worthless, words, you will be my spokesman. Let this people turn to you, but you must not turn to them. ²⁰I will make you a wall to this people, a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you but will not overcome you, for I am with you to rescue and save you, "declares the LORD. ²¹"I will save you from the hands of the wicked and redeem you from the grasp of the cruel."

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 31

As we faithfully serve God and others, there will inevitably be crosses to bear. Let this Psalm be our prayer.

M: In you, O Lord, I have taken refuge;

C: deliver me in your righteousness.

M: Be my rock of refuge,

C: a strong fortress to save me.

M: Into your hands I commit my spirit;

C: redeem me, O Lord, the God of truth.

M: My times are in your hands;

C: save me in your unfailing love.

M: How great is your goodness,

C: which you have stored up for those who fear you.

M: You heard my cry for mercy

C: When I called to you for help.

M: Surely it is God who saves me;

C: I will trust in him and not be afraid.

M: For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,

C: And he will be my Savior.

SECOND LESSON

Romans 8:18-25

Amidst present sufferings, we have the hope of future glory

consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. ¹⁹ For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed. ²⁰ For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God.

²² We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. ²³ Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies.

²⁴ For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.

GOSPEL

Matthew 16:21-26

please stand

M: The Gospel according to Matthew chapter 16.

From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, chief priests and teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life.

²² Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. "Never, Lord!" he said. "This shall never happen to you!" ²³ Jesus turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the things of God, but the things of men." ²⁴ Then Jesus said to his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ²⁵ For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me will find it. ²⁶ What good will it be for a man if he gains the whole world, yet forfeits his soul? Or what can a man give in exchange for his soul?"

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

APOSTLES CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**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. Amen.**

be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

Take My Life and Let It Be | 469



1 Take my life and let it be Con - se -
2 Take my hands and let them move At the
3 Take my voice and let me sing Al - ways,
4 Take my sil - ver and my gold; Not a
5 Take my will and make it thine; It shall



cra - ted, Lord, to thee. Take my mo - ments
im - pulse of thy love. Take my feet and
on - ly for my King. Take my lips and
mite would I with - hold. Take my in - tel -
be no long - er mine. Take my heart— it



and my days; Let them flow in cease - less praise.
let them be Swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
let them be Filled with mes - sag - es from thee.
lect and use Ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.
is thine own; It shall be thy roy - al throne.

6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour
At thy feet its treasure store.
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–79.
Tune: PATMOS (77 77) William H. Havergal, 1793–1870.

SERMON

Matthew 16:21-26

Theme: First the Cross, then the Crown

OFFERING

The Bible says, "Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops." –Proverbs 3:9. God wants us to give of our first and the best of the resources he provides for us.

Peace Lutheran offers a secure Give by Text option. To donate via text, send the dollar amount you wish to give, including a dollar sign, to 888-314-2975. Example: \$40. You will receive a registration link.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

O Lord our God, we come to You with hearts filled with gratitude and praise. **For the light of another day we give You thanks.** For making us Your children through Christ, **we praise Your holy name.** For giving us Your word as a source of joy, accept our praise.

Let us never think too highly of ourselves. **Let us put aside our thoughts of pride and look to You as our sole source of Salvation.** Send us Your Holy Spirit that as members of Your body we may fulfill our purpose with greater zeal. **Remembering Your mercy toward us, may we be more merciful toward others.** Keep us united in the faith that we may carry out our responsibilities with greater cheerfulness. **Help us find meaning and joy in our lives by making us more willing to lose our lives in Your service.**

Bless our nation with peace and unity, and use us to help alleviate the suffering of humanity.
We ask all this in the name of Him who denied Himself so that he might save us.

We now come before you with the thoughts and concerns of our own hearts... Silent prayer.

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.

CLOSING HYMN

Brothers, Sisters, Let Us Gladly | 484



1 Broth-ers, sis - ters, let us glad - ly Give to
2 By his mer - cy, by his boun - ty, By the
3 Gra - cious Lord, ac - cept our ser - vice For the



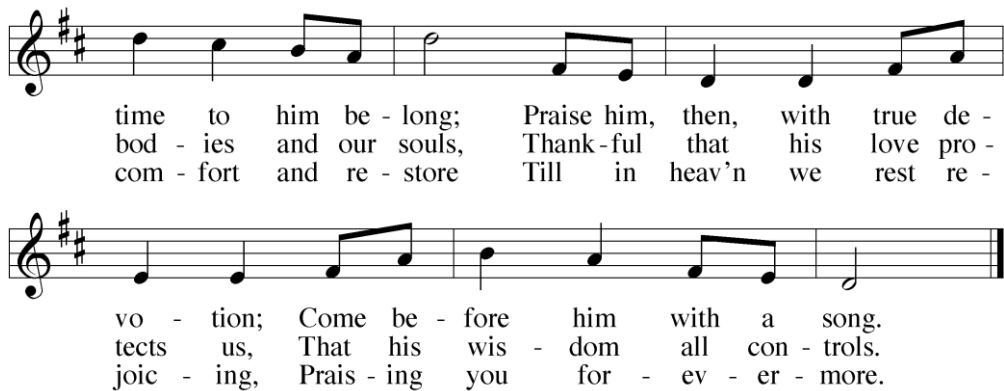
God our all, our best— Ser - vice heart - y, thor-ough,
gift of Christ, his Son, What great good - ness he has
sake of Christ, your Son; Lo, our hope a - bides now



hon - est, With a liv - ing love im - pressed.
shown us, What high mar - vels he has done!
on - ly In the right - eous - ness he won.



All our du - ty, all our striv - ing, All our
Let us to him prompt-ly, free - ly, Yield our
Bless and save us; help and guide us; Watch to



time to him be - long; Praise him, then, with true de -
 bod - ies and our souls, Thank - ful that his love pro -
 com - fort and re - store Till in heav'n we rest re -
 vo - tion; Come be - fore him with a song.
 tects us, That his wis - dom all con - trols.
 joic - ing, Prais - ing you for - ev - er - more.

Text: Henry Bateman, 1802-72, alt.

Tune: NETTLETON (87 87 D) *Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second*, Harrisburg, 1813, alt.

BLESSING

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look on you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C: Amen.

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NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUTH CONFIRMATION CLASS, FALL 2020

Begins, Sunday, September 13 | 5:29 PM

Classes are scheduled to begin on Sunday, September 13, at 5:29 pm at the Longleaf Office. In-Person classes go from 5:29 PM to 7:00 PM. The address is: 3030 Starkey Blvd (Suite 227), Trinity, 34655. Pastor will send an email and text if plans change due to COVID-19. The plan is to keep classes, whether in-person or online, on Sunday evenings. Please plan to block out this time for Youth Confirmation Class. More details can be found on our website: <https://peacelutherantrinity.com/category/news-announcements/>.



FRUITS OF FAITH

Worship Attendance 8/16:	37
Worship Attendance 8/23:	39
Cumulative gifts given in August 2020:	\$12,602
Budgetary funds needed for August 2020:	\$15,770
Cumulative gifts given in July 2020:	\$12,308
Budgetary funds needed for July 2020:	\$15,770
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Total cong. commitment for "Building Peace for the Future":	\$159,942
Total gifts and pledges received to date:	\$166,310

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, AUG. 30	10:00 am	Worship @ Trinity Elementary School
	11:09 am	Bible Study/Children's Sunday School
MONDAY	12:00 pm	Volunteers Needed @ YMCA of Trinity (12-2 PM)
	7:00 pm	Elders Mtg.
WEDNESDAY	1:30 pm	<i>Cross Connections</i> Bible Study Online
	7:00 pm	<i>Cross Connections</i> Bible Study Online
THURSDAY	2:00 pm	CAP Class
SUNDAY, SEPT. 6	10:00 am	Worship @ Trinity Elementary School
	11:15 am	Bible Study/Children's Sunday School



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Mission Statement

*Peace Lutheran's mission is to build a Christ-centered community on God's Word
Growing in God's grace
Telling of his love to all people*

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