

We, the members of Peace United Church of Christ, believe that we are called to be a congregation of grace and welcome to all of God's children:

- to celebrate every person as a child of God, created in God's image.
- to love all as God has first loved us.
- to acknowledge the presence of, and offer healing to the wounds of oppression, injustice, prejudice, and hate, and to stand with those who are left out.

Following Christ's example, we welcome and include everyone in all aspects of life, leadership, and ministry of the church. We affirm persons of all races, nationalities, sexual orientations, gender identities, family structures, physical or mental abilities, political stances, faith backgrounds and socio-economic status.

In the way of Jesus, we stand against acts of hate and violence in all their forms.

Therefore, we declare ourselves to be an Open and Affirming Congregation, where an extravagant welcome and grace are extended to all, and each person's gifts are celebrated, welcomed, nurtured and blessed, that all may be one. Amen.

Approved by Peace Church 10/20/2019

Peace United Church of Christ Rev. Eric Kirkegaard 31 May 2020 Pentecost Sunday

WORSHIP SERVICE

Greetings - A Time of Centering Hymn #334 "On Pentecost They Gathered"



Invocation

- One: Mother and Father of glory, we seek to know you more fully in this time of worship. Reveal yourself to us.
- All: Grant us knowledge beyond words, a presence that transcends description, a hope that empowers faithful service. Fill us with the wonder and wisdom of the Spirit which you have promised to the church of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Turning Our Hearts to God – Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

- One: O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- Many: Yonder is the sea, great and wide, creeping things innumerable are there, living things both small and great. There go the ships, and Leviathan that you formed to sport in the sea.
- One: These all look to you to give them their food in due season:
- Many: When you give to them they gather it up; When you open your hand, they are filled with good things.
- One: When you hide your face...
- Many: They are dismayed. When you take away their breath, They die and return to their dust.
- One: When you send forth your spirit!
- Many: When you send forth your spirit, They are created; and you renew the face of the ground.
- One: May the glory of the Lord endure forever; may the Lord rejoice in his works who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke.
- All: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being. May my meditation be pleasing to

him, for I rejoice in the Lord. Bless the Lord, O my soul. Praise the Lord!

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon

- One: We join in opening ourselves to the glory of God and offering our confession: God of power, you have sent the Spirit of love.
- Many: forgive us all the times we put conditions on our love.
- One: You have sent the Spirit of joy,
- Many: forgive us all the times we are disagreeable and unwelcome witnesses.
- One: You have sent the Spirit of peace,

Many: forgive us all the times our words and actions contribute to conflict and divisions.

- One: You have sent us the Spirit of patience,
- Many: forgive us all the times we worry because we do not see instant results to prayer.
- One: You have sent us the Spirit of kindness,
- Many: forgive us all the times we have neglected people's needs.
- One: You have sent the spirit of goodness,
- Many: forgive us all the times we have willfully or thoughtlessly caused pain by our words or actions.
- One: You have sent the Spirit of faithfulness,
- Many: forgive us all the times our discipleship has lacked credibility.
- One: You have sent the spirit of gentleness,

Many: forgive us all the times we have been aggressive in our attitude toward others.

One: You have sent the Spirit of self-control,

- Many: forgive us all the times we have hurt others by our careless manner.
- One: Gracious and merciful God, grant us your forgiveness and your love that we may truly care for one another.

Many: Refresh and renew us with your Spirit so that we can be fruitful and vital disciples of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Proclamation Of God's Love And Power

One: People of God, let the winds of forgiveness blow through your soul. Know deep in your bones that God loves you and the world beyond all measure. Rise up beloved, into newness of life that is ours in Christ this day.

All: Glory be to God. Amen.

A Response Of Halleluja "Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le, lu-ja"

Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you

Lesson

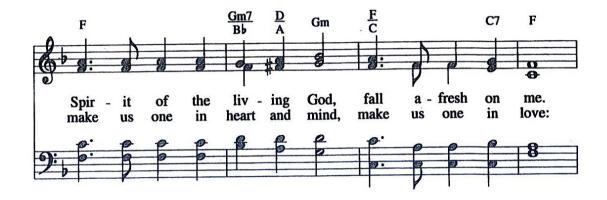
1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

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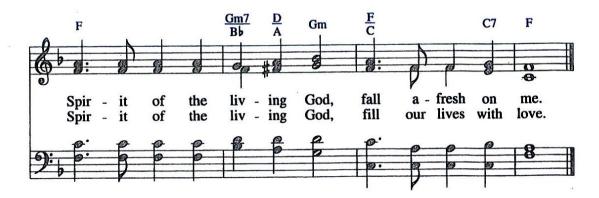
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"Spirit of the Living God"









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Lesson	Acts 2:1-24
Gospel	John 20:19-23
Sermon	"Breathed with the Love of God"

Special Music "You Raise Me Up" arr. Tina Chinn

Prayer of Dedication prepared by Doris R. Powell, Minister for Pastors and Congregational Stewardship, for the Strengthen the Church offering

One: I will sing to God as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being. For the gift of your Spirit, poured out on all –

All: We give you thanks.

One: For the passionate faith of our youth and young adults, their spirited voices speaking about your deeds of power. For exciting new programs to nurture them made possible by these gifts –

All: We give you thanks.

One: For the renewal of churches that just need a little help from us to thrive again, For the rivers of living water flowing out of their hearts once more –

All: We give you thanks.

One: For the opportunity to plant new churches offering varieties of gifts, and varieties of services, activated by the same Spirit –

All: We give you thanks.

One: For a multiracial, multicultural church – all drinking of the same Spirit, all offering an extravagant welcome, all spreading good news of our still speaking God –

All: We give you thanks and praise.

Pastoral Prayer - Lord's Prayer

"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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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. Amen."

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Prayer of Consecration

#737 Santo, Santo, Santo

Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you.

My heart is glad to say the words:

you are Holy, Lord!

Santo, santo, santo, mi corazon te adora.

Mi corazon te sabe decir: santo eres Senor.

Preparation of the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving (in unison)

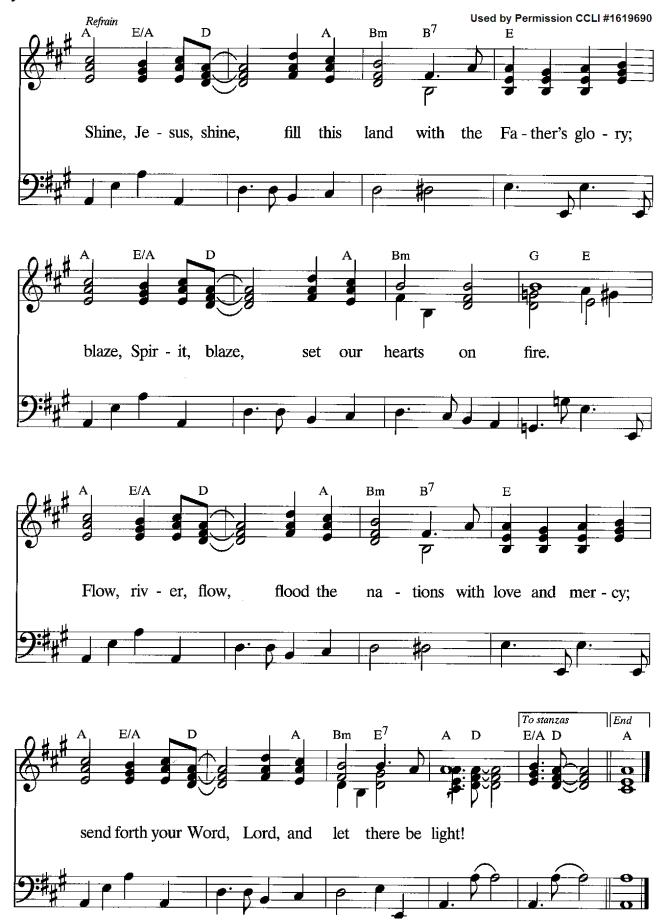
O God, in this simple meal you come to us again. You share yourself and your sustaining Spirit with our hungering souls. In the broken bread and the shared cup, the good news is proclaimed. Christ was born, Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again. Amen

Special Music

"I Believe" Chancel Choir, Christ Church, Summit, NJ Mark Miller

Benediction - Today this is offered by the leaders of the National setting of the United Church of Christ

Hymn #651 "Shine, Jesus, Shine"





Text: Graham Kendrick Music: Graham Kendrick © 1987 Make Way Music, admin. (in Western Hemisphere) Integrity's Hosanna! Music Sed by Permission CCLI #1619690 SHINE, JESUS, SHINE 99101033 and refrain

SERVING TODAY

Litanist: Laura Kirkegaard

Musicians: Sherry McElhatton, Piano, Vocal Karla Spaits, Piano, Ukulele, Vocal Berit Kirkegaard, Keyboard, Percussion Elsa Kirkegaard, Flute, Percussion Maëlle Leopardo, Violin, Percussion (Our French exchange student – living with the Kirkegaards)

Editing: Berit Kirkegaard

Ministers: ALL OF YOU!

The flowers on the altar are in honor of the Peace Church congregation from Robin Mock, as she celebrates her one year anniversary at Peace Church.

CALENDAR – WEEK OF MARCH 31

June 2 10:00 am. Lectionary Study via Zoom, see link below

All services can be accessed at Peace UCC Kewaskum <u>YouTube</u> or Peace United Church of Christ <u>Facebook</u> page

Weekly **Sunday School lessons** are available on the YouTube link found on the church website <u>www.peace-ucc.org</u> Check out some of the special guests offering messages, and get ready to have a birthday party! Also coming in June... an amazing TOY Bible STORY series with Ms. Alexia!

Adult Faith Formation, Confirmation Redux – is taking a break for the summer. We will resume in the fall.

Tuesdays at 10 am. - Lectionary group. Each week we will study the scripture for the upcoming Sunday.

Join Zoom Meeting on your computer by copying or clicking this link: <u>https://zoom.us/j/299920158</u>

Meeting ID: 299 920 158 Meeting Password: 114964

One tap mobile +13126266799,,299920158# US (Chicago) +19294362866,,299920158# US (New York)

Dial in on your telephone -+1 312 626 6799, then enter meeting ID: 299 920 158

Lectionary texts for June 7 – Trinity Sunday Genesis 1:1-2:4a and Psalm 8 • 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 • Matthew 28:16-20

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Week – Sunday, June 7, worship will be held at River Hill Park in Kewaskum. (1150 Parkview Dr.) There will be two services: 8:00 and 9:30 a.m.

Social Distancing Guidelines:

- Please conduct a self-check and stay home if you or a household member have symptoms of COVID-19 (Symptoms can include fever, cough, shortness of breath, chills, headache, muscle pain, sore throat, or loss of taste or smell. Other less common symptoms include gastrointestinal symptoms like nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea).
- If you or a household member are at higher risk for severe illness you are strongly encouraged to stay home.
- Please wear a face covering or mask.

- Please maintain a 6 feet distance from other people even if you are wearing a face covering or mask.
- We ask that you refrain from singing. Singing is a higher-risk activity, as it more forcefully expels respiratory droplets than speaking.
- Please bring your own lawn chairs.
- Please bring your own hand sanitizer.

If all goes well, we hope to have additional outdoor services in the upcoming months. If you have any questions regarding the outdoor services, please contact the church office.

Thank you Peace Church Congregation!

The Peace Church congregation has always been committed to our mission and has demonstrated that commitment over and over. We thank all of you who have continued to send in your offerings – it is very much appreciated!

We hope, that if you are able, you will continue to give to the church during this difficult time.

Here are ways to give to Peace:

- Mail your gift to church: The church address is: Peace UCC, PO Box 433, Kewaskum, WI 53040
- Give online by going to <u>GIVE</u> on our website. Scroll down to online giving and click the link and follow the directions.
- You can also set up automatic contributions with your bank. To do this just go to your bank's website or to call your local branch and they will assist you.

Thank you all...and God Bless.

Happy Birthday	May 31 – June 6
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May 31	Judy Price
June1	Jessica Loser, Mary Steinhardt
June 2	Kelli Jo Anderson, Berit Kirkegaard
June 3	Ava Polzin

Happy Anniversary May 31 – June 6

- June 1 Jason & Kelly Staffin (18)
- June 2Tim & Jamie Lauenstein (8)
- June 3 Jerry & Kathy Shoemaker (48)
- June 3 Jeff & Mary Steger (42)
- June 5 Kim & Cliff Clark (10)
- June 5 Ralph & Verna Faisst (66)

PRAYER LIST

Please let us know of any updates to the Prayer Lists

Those in Need of Healing: all shut-ins and those experiencing pain or loss

Members:

Harvey Brodzeller Debbie Butzlaff Barry Clark Marion Doms Gary Fisher Betty Graff Les Martin Marilyn McIntosh Robert Neumann Don Neitzel

Friends & Family:

Ruth Betts (M. McFadden) Caelyb (Bocher) Ron Geurts (Stern) Debbie (Hallen) Larry Haas (Lemke) Eric Haas (Lemke) Heidi (C. Manthei) Sue Heiser (Rodenkirch) Jeremy Heiser (Rodenkirch) Mason Hollbrook (Bocher) Robin Kann (Atwater) Mitch Ogi Doc Ogi Heidi Rodenkirch Carol Sedgwick Betty Skaug Cherie Singer Maggie Singer Alec Taylor Greg Vorpahl Bev Winninghoff

Valerie Knurr (Kletti) Bonnie Laufenberg (Lemke) Mrs. Muckerhide Babette Rhoads (Rhoads) Ashlyn Roecker (Becker) Ron Scheid (Liepert) Bill Schuster (D. Stangl) Charlie Straub (J. Becker) Louise Steuerwald (Bocher) Ann Thill (Mertz)

Please keep us updated. Concerns will be listed for 6 weeks.

Those Dealing with Cancer:

Members: Ron Skaug Laurie Struck

Friends & Family:

Gary & Evelyn Beaupre Kim Breit Jean Cornell (Herriges) Nephew of Beck Ehmer Kerri Estep (Atwater) Ron Geurts Paula Hader (Adler) Norm Hughes (K. Hughes) Sheri Theep (Van Beek) Dennis Jacak (Manthei/Rauch) Jan (D. Stangl) Rev. Kathryn O'Connor Kuhn (O'Connor and Kuhn) Sue Mitchell (Rhoads) Paige More (Pearson) Sharon Rosbeck (Herriges) Dennis Liepert (J. Michaels) Steve Siebenaler (J. Manthei) Susan Tolonen (Lindgren) Russell Will (Will)

Those who have entered Hospice for additional care on the journey:

Barbara Wenzlaff, Ron Skaug, John Waskiewicz, Norm Hughes

Those who have entered eternal life:

Nola (N. Horning's sister)

Those Serving our Country



Thank you to the following who are currently serving in the **Armed Forces**, for their courage, strength and dedication to keeping us safe:

Julia (Leithold) Beasley (Air Force) Sgt. Tyler Graff (Air Force – Betty Graff grandson) Spencer Guenther (Air Force – Van Ess nephew)

Kyle Henk (Army)

Matthew Jankowski (Army National Guard – Jackie McCurdy grandson) Luke Linden (Army National Guard – Joanne Amerling grandson) Major Erik Rundquist (Army) Maggie Singer (Army National Guard) Dallas Stolowski (Marine Corp. – Knoth grandson) Ryan Wunsch (Army National Guard – McElhatton son-in-law)

Samuel Zemlicka-Retzlaff (Air Force)

Our Covenanted Partner in Ministry: Rev. Gretchen Martin who serves the wider church through her work with the North Carolina Organ Donor Network.



Hi friends!!!

Be sure to tune into the Peace Church YouTube channel through the entire summer... June, July, and <u>August</u>!

Follow the <u>Sunday School</u> link at: www.peace-ucc.org

Each week, Ms. Alexia will offer a <u>fun lesson</u> and introduce you to one of the famous characters you know and love... cowboy, space ranger, slinky, T-rex and MORE!

Plus, you'll learn what toys can teach you about <u>serving God</u>, and the different people in the Bible who carried out God's purposes.

Tune in any day or time. We'll be here for you!

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On the web @ www.peace-ucc.org Find Peace on Facebook

On YouTube at: Peace UCC Kewaskum

"Peace Church exists to feed souls, grow in God's extravagant love and together serve all of God's children and creation."

PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 31, 2020

Acts 2:1-21

Pentecost Sunday Strengthen the Church Offering

All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues* as the Spirit enabled them. Acts 2:4

You might have heard someone joke, "King James English was good enough for Jesus and it's good enough for me." Today we tell the story about the first day this small ragtag group of followers of Jesus became a church, the church we still are today.

It's our story. Do you notice that this is not a story about everyone suddenly speaking the same language? It's a story about everyone speaking, all of them, all at once, the languages of each other. This is not a story about understanding each other. It's a story about understanding that each of us speak to God in our own way, and God speaks to us each in our own way.

You might have had such a Pentecost moment. It happens whenever you sit down to a meal with a youngster whose music you don't understand, but who you love just the same. It happens when you sit with a loved one, whose words have been lost to disease, but you love just the same. It happens when you pay attention to the voices of "the other side" in a political debate.

These are scary times. And in scary times, it's tempting to circle the wagons, protect ourselves, all try to do the same thing at the same time in the same way. But maybe the story of Pentecost, which is both the past of the church and the future of the church, rests in listening, just to listen, not to understand. Maybe we are not meant to understand one another, really. Maybe we are here to walk together in the same direction, knowing that God is still speaking in God's inviting, loving, challenging language to each of us, in the words that each of us, individually, can understand.

That we don't all speak the same language doesn't make us less of a community, it makes us more of one. Whether you came to this place today speaking the language of health or of illness, the language of joy or of sorrow, the language of despair or hope, the language of raking the grass or giving out warm hugs, let your prayer this Pentecost day be that your community be a place where all those languages are spoken and all are heard, even if all are not understood by all.

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