



**Peace United Church of Christ**  
Rev. Eric Kirkegaard  
August 28, 2022  
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

*Our mission: Love like Jesus...*

Welcome all, love all, grow in faith together, and seek justice for all.  
*“Just as I have loved you, you should love each other.” – John 13:34*

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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

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*Our vision: “Peace Church exists to feed souls,  
grow in God's extravagant love and  
together serve all of God's children and creation.”*

***Welcome visitors! Please take a moment to complete a Guest Information card in the pew racks in front of you. Please place the completed card in the offering plate.***

***Prayer Requests - As we gather together as one family in Jesus Christ, we covenant to hold one another’s joys and concerns. Please share your prayers with us by writing them on the “Prayer Request” slip found in the pew in front of you and return them to the usher or place them in the offering plate. Thank you.***

\* Stand if you are able

PRELUDE

“Minute in G”

arr. Lorie Line

GREETINGS - ANNOUNCEMENTS – PRAYER REQUESTS

\*HYMN 111

“When Morning Gilds the Skies”

Turning to God - Psalm 81:1, 10-16

One: Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob.

All: **“I am the Lord your God, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide and I will fill it.”**

One: Open your mouth wide and God will fill it!

All: **“But my people did not listen to my voice; Israel would not submit to me. So I gave them over to their stubborn hearts, to follow their own counsels.”**

One: God cried out: “O that my people would listen to me, that Israel would walk in my ways! ...

All: **I would feed you with the finest of the wheat, and with honey from the rock I would satisfy you.”**

***Confession of Sin***

Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

All: **Merciful God, we know that you love us and that you call us to fullness of life, but around us and within us we see the brokenness of the world and of our ways. We turn to our own desires instead of centering ourselves in your humble ways. We sin against you in thought, word, and deed, through what we do, and what we leave undone. Forgive our willful neglect of your word, our insensitivity to the needs of others, and our failure to feel the spirit that is within us. Amen.**

*Silence*

**Assurance of Pardon**

In Jesus Christ, God knows and receives us as we are. God offers us forgiveness and invites us into a life that truly is life! Listen, give thanks, and live.

\*Hymn Response 338 “King of Kings”

***“King Of Kings And Lord Of Lords,  
Glory Hallelujah***

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Glory Hallelujah***

***Jesus, Prince Of Peace,  
Glory Hallelujah***

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Glory Hallelujah***

\*The Passing of the Peace

Peace be with you  
**And also with you**

**Epistle** [Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16](#) (Page 918)

The Children's Time- As the children come forward, we sing "Jesus Loves Me, This I Know" vs. 1

**Hymn 124** ["Open Your Hearts"](#)

**OT Lesson** [Proverbs 25:6-7](#) (Page 501)

**Gospel** [Luke 14:1-14](#) (Page 797)

**Sermon** "Look Deeper..."

**Special Music** "Down in the River to Pray" arr. Lorie Line

### ↑Prayer of Dedication

**God of wonder, you have poured out your blessings before us. We give you thanks for all that you give to us. We remember with our offerings that everything is a gift from God. We challenge ourselves to live the power of that gift. Amen.**

### Pastoral Prayer – Silent 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."**

### Benediction

Leader: Go in Peace, serve the Lord.

Many: **Thanks be to God! Alleluia and Amen.**

\*Hymn 393 ["Blest Be the Tie that Binds"](#)

### Postlude

**Lectionary for September 4:** Jeremiah 18:1-11 and Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 • Deuteronomy 30:15-20 and Psalm 1 • Philemon 1:1-21 • Luke 14:25-33

**Serving Today:** Musicians: Sherry McElhatton, Lia Piittmann, Mia Dornacker, Elsa Kirkegaard

Litanist: Jerry O'Connor Video: David Dorn



The flowers on the altar today are in honor of Della Lehmann's 82<sup>nd</sup> birthday. Happy Birthday Della!

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## ***BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES***

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### **Happy Birthday August 28 – September 3**

- Aug 29 Nancy Horning, Nancy Laguna (82)  
Aug 31 Jackson Brei, Nora Brei, Della Lehmann (82),  
Rosemarie Maeder (87), Jerry O'Connor (87)  
Maggie Singer (21)  
Sept 1 James Manthei, Karen Taylor,  
Sept 2 Mugs McFadden  
Sept 3 Charles Ogi

### **Happy Anniversary August 28 – September 3**

- Aug 30 Dan & Kathy Rundquist (47)  
Aug 31 Scott & Sarah Augustin (20)  
Sept 1 Greg & Julaine Ogi (44)  
Sept 2 Julia & Christopher Beasley (4)  
Heidi & Matthew Leithold (33)  
Greg & Val Vorpahl (22)
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## ***NEWS & NOTES***

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### **Calendar for the Week of August 28**

- 8/30 Lectionary 10 a.m.  
8/24 XYZ Cards  
9/3 Peace Church Brat Fry @ Piggly Wiggly in Kewaskum  
10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Volunteers still needed!!

**Peace Church Brat Fry at Piggly Wiggly** – Peace Church will be hosting a brat fry at the Kewaskum Piggly Wiggly on Saturday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Brats, hamburgers, and hot dogs will be served from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. **We need volunteers to help with this event. Start-up time is 9:00 a.m. and clean-up should be done by 3:00 p.m.** Proceeds will go to the Peace Food Pantry. Please call the church office to sign-up.



**In Search of...**Peace Church is looking for a donation of new or gently used bean bag chairs! Drop off at church! Thanks!

**Peace Church Fall Clean-Up Day** – the Peace Church Trustees will be holding a Fall Clean-Up Day on Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> from 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. Sign-up now to help in one of many ways in beautifying our church – pruning shrubs, painting the gazebo, washing external windows, misc. outside clean-up of the church grounds. Call the office at 262-626-4011 to volunteer!

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## ***PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK***

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*Current prayers will be listed for one week unless otherwise indicated. Requests may be emailed to [office@peace-ucc.org](mailto:office@peace-ucc.org) or by calling the office at 262-626-4011. You may also share your prayer requests by writing them on the “Prayer Request” slip found in the pew in front of you and return them to the usher or place them in the offering plate.*

### **Prayers for Healing:**

We pray for Christ Gudex, who is suffering with heart issues and is consulting with doctors regarding treatment. Christ was hospitalized this past week at St. Agnes Hospital in Fond du Lac.

We pray for Harvey Brodzeller, who underwent successful back surgery last week Friday. Harvey has also been dealing with a wound on his foot, and found out on Tuesday (8/23), that the wound has healed.

## **Contact Peace Church**

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*Church Office: Robin Mock, 262-626-4011 - [office@peace-ucc.org](mailto:office@peace-ucc.org)*

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*Peace Church Prayer Chain - [office@peace-ucc.org](mailto:office@peace-ucc.org)*

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[Peace UCC Kewaskum](#)*



As students, teachers, and staff return  
to school, please join us for a

Blessing of  
**TEACHERS, STAFF, STUDENTS  
& BACKPACKS**

**\*Rally Day – First Day of Sunday School\***



Sunday, September 11, 2022  
During 9:30 Worship  
Peace Church - Kewaskum  
(Bring your backpack!)

# Come Sing With Us!

The Chancel Choir and men's choir will be starting rehearsals soon, and they need you! Music has always been an important part of the ministry of Peace Church, and we need you to help keep this program alive. All voices and singing abilities are welcome and encouraged to join us.



Chancel choir rehearsals will begin on Tuesday, September 13th, at 6:30 pm in the choir room. Men's rehearsal will also start on the 13th at 6:00 pm, followed by the Chancel rehearsal.

Choir practice is held weekly, usually for an hour. Depending on our numbers and availability, Chancel Choir will sing twice a month, and the Men's Choir will sing once a month.

Please consider singing with us.

There are a lot of nice voices in our congregation. Let's all come together to make beautiful music unto the Lord!

If you have any questions, please see Bill Stangl or text him at 262-483-0699.