

Peace United Church of Christ

Rev. Eric Kirkegaard 1 November 2020 Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost – All Saints Day 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.

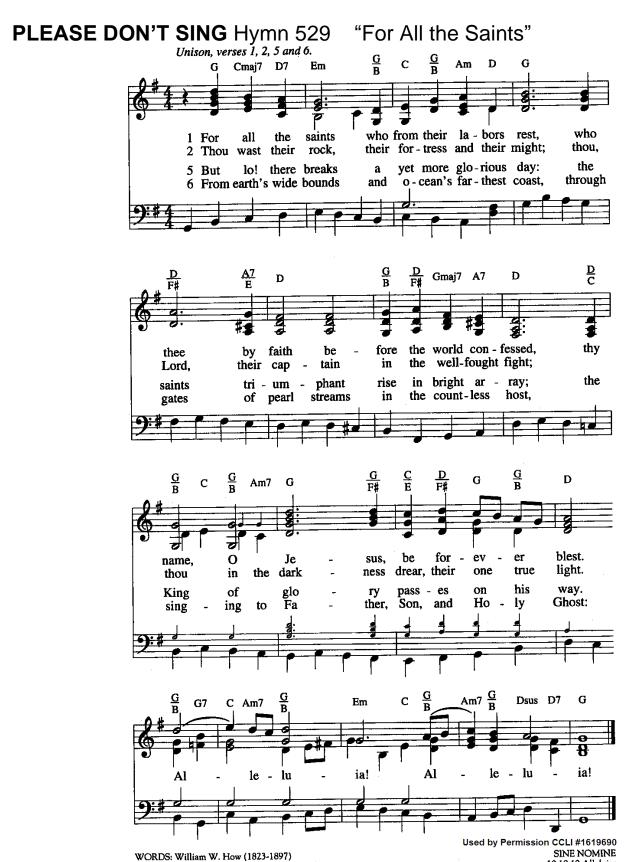
Therefore, we declare ourselves to be an Open and Affirming Congregation, where an extravagant welcome and grace are extended to all, and each person's gifts are celebrated, welcomed, nurtured and blessed, that all may be one. Amen.

Approved by Peace Church 10/20/2019

WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

"Faith of Our Fathers" arr. Lorie Line



MUSIC: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

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Being Gathered to God – reflecting on Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord because his faithful love lasts forever!

People: That's what those who are redeemed by the Lord say, the ones God redeemed from the power of their enemies, the ones God gathered from various countries, from east and west. north and south.

Leader: We have wandered lost, and you have reached out and led us by a straight way.

All: Give thanks to the Lord because his faithful love lasts forever!

The Prayer of Invocation and Our Lord's Prayer

O God, thank you for those times when we are able to listen beyond the words, beyond the actions, in order to hear your truth. Unfold the struggles of our souls that we might grow again in your presence. Give us minds quick to discern truth and error. Give us hearts quick to follow your revealed will. Give us such love for you that falseness may not lure us and we might embrace and live your truth. Help us to let go of ourselves enough to be gathered into your ways. Together we pray: "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."

Confessing and Receiving Forgiveness

One: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our heart by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may love you

more dearly and know your healing love more deeply. Let us join in confessing our sins.

All:

God of all mercy, we confess before you and each other that we have been unfaithful to you. We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways with that perfect love which casts out all fear; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

One:

Hear these words of forgiveness: If you repent and believe in God's redeeming mercy, your sins are forgiven. Trust in God's promises and begin anew your life with God and all people, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen

PLEASE JOIN IN RHYTHMICALLY PROCLAIMING Halleluja

"Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le, lu-ja"

The Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you And also with you

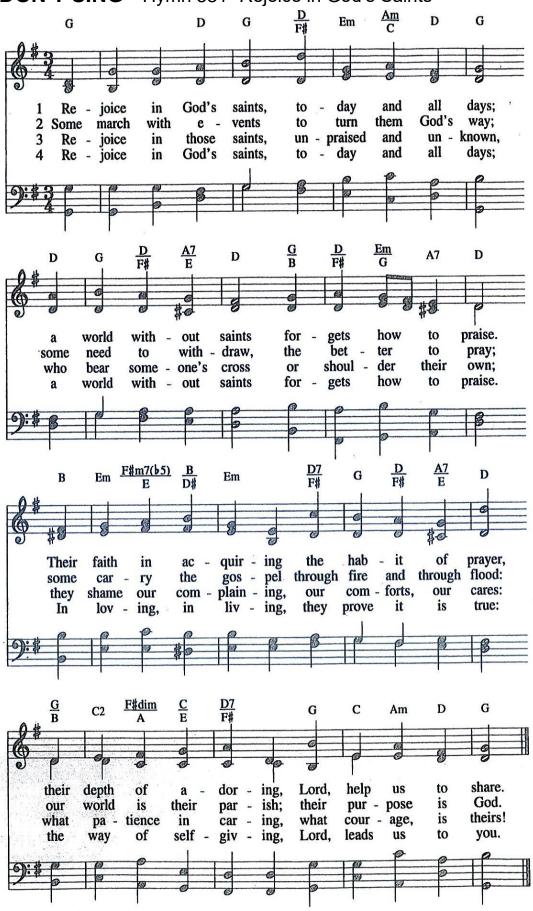
OT Lesson

Joshua 3:7-4:7

The Children's Time

PLEASE DON'T SING Hymn #437 "Jesus Loves Me, This I Know"

PLEASE DON'T SING - Hymn 531 "Rejoice in God's Saints"



WORDS: Fred Pratt Green (1903-2000) MUSIC: William Croft (1678-1727) Words © 1973 Hope Publishing Company HANOVER 10.10.11.11. Gospel Lesson

Matthew 23:1-22 Matthew 5:1-12

Sermon

"Can We Imagine a Different Way?"

Special Music

"In Christ Alone"

arr. Lorie Line

Prayer of Dedication

Many:

God of abundant love, with thanksgiving we return a portion of our gifts to you. God, we offer ourselves, our labors, our love, all that we are, to you and to your world. Bless our offerings and guide us in your service. 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, mi corazon te adora.

Mi corazon te sabe decir: santo eres Senor.

Sharing Christ's Story

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

Pastoral Prayer

A Time of Remembrance:

One: At the rising of the sun and its going down,

All: we remember them.

One: At the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter,

All: we remember them.

One: At the opening of the buds and the rebirth of spring,

All: we remember them.

One: At the blueness of the skies and in the warmth of summer,

All: we remember them.

One: When we are lost and sick at heart,

All: we remember them.

One: When we have decisions that are difficult to make,

All: we remember them.

One: When we have achievements that are based on theirs,

All: we remember them.

All: As long as we live, they too will live, for they are now a part

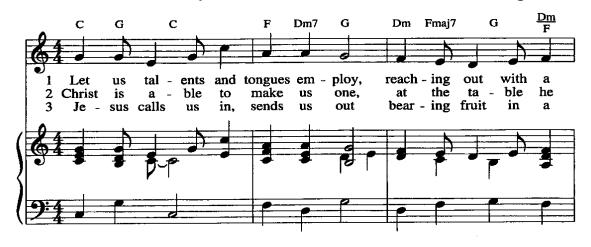
of us, as we remember them.

Benediction

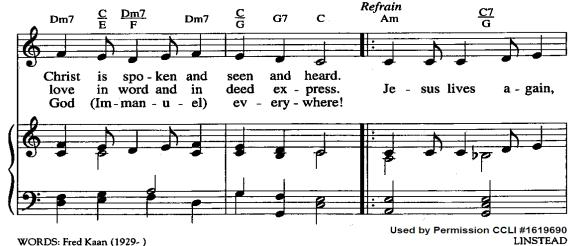
One: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God! Alleluia and Amen.

PLEASE DON'T SING → Hymn 698 "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

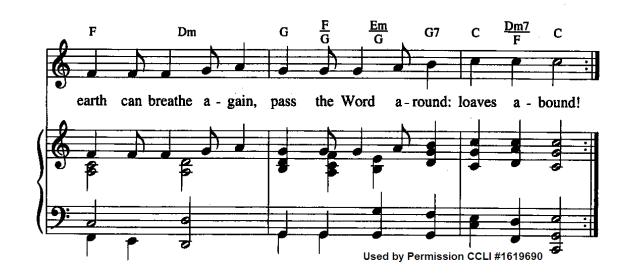






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MUSIC: Jamaican folk tune; adapt. Doreen Potter (1925-1980)
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SERVING TODAY

Our Worship Team:

Karla Spaits Sherry McElhatton Elsa Kirkegaard

Ministers: ALL OF YOU!

<u>Lectionary texts for November 8</u> – Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25 and Psalm 78:1-7 • Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-16 or Amos 5:18-24 and Wisdom of Solomon 6:17-20 or Psalm 70 • 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 • Matthew 25:1-13

CALENDAR – WEEK OF NOVEMBER 1

Lectionary group at Peace Church – November 3 - 10:00 a.m. Contact the church if you are interested. Each week we will study the scripture for the upcoming Sunday.

Adult Faith Formation, Confirmation Redux Resumes:

First, third, and fifth Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. - We will continue studying the confirmation materials used by our 9th grade confirmands.

Join in person in fellowship hall or connect by zoom:

https://zoom.us/j/91928904117?pwd=SFIDNzF0ZmwrNINydCtpQXFPWE9EQT09

Meeting ID: 919 2890 4117

Passcode: 655329

9TH **Grade Confirmation** – 9th Grade Confirmation classes will be held on Wednesday, November 4 from 4:00 – 5:15 p.m. via Zoom.

7th & 8th Grade Confirmation classes will be held on Sundays at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom. The Fall session runs from September 13 – October 25. If you have any questions, please contact Eric Walker.

Sunday School Students and Families: Have you checked out the Peace Church YouTube channel lately? There are new intro videos for classes, Read With Me books, and previously recorded lessons. Some even have special guests that are pretty entertaining!!! We'll let you know as soon as it is safe to return to our classrooms! In the meantime, stay safe, stay positive!!!

Worship at Peace Church

We are currently regathered for worship in our church building. Service times have changed to: 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Reservations are requested: Please click on either the 8:00 worship link (first link below) or the 10:00 worship link (second link below) to reserve your spot at worship. Or call the church office 626-4011. While the risk level is "Very High" we will be limiting attendance to 20 people per service, in addition to the worship leadership.

8:00 am. worship- https://peaceucc800worship.eventbrite.com
10:00 am. worship- https://peaceucc10amworship.eventbrite.com

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.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Happy Birthday	November 1 - 7
November 1	Nova Smith, Debra Stern
November 2	Rachel Schemelin
November 3	Susan Horning
November 4	Celia Anderson, Marlene Domasky (86)
November 5	Kathleen Franke, Donna Ogi (92)
November 6	Alexander Bayer, Rachel Mielke, Paul Reinders (98)

Happy Anniversary November 1 - 7

November 1 Steven & DeAnna Schiefelbein (17)

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 Marilyn McIntosh Betty Skaug

Debbie Butzlaff Don Neitzel Mark Steinhardt

Barry Clark Dennis Novotny Alec Taylor
John Coulter Donna Ogi Greg Vorpahl

Carol Gardner Mitch Ogi Rev. Bill Wiederanders

Betty Graff Nancy Panzer Bev Winninghoff

Marian Herriges Chris Rode Sharon Zolp

Nancy Laguna Carol Sedgwick Les Martin Lucille Swanson

Friends & Family:

Rose Ambler (B. Hallen)

Ruth Betts (M. McFadden)

Jeremy Heiser (Rodenkirch)

Mason Hollbrook (Bocher)

Caelyb (Bocher) Robin Kann (Atwater)

Jessica (DeLaurier)

Judy Gambino (Bobb)

Ron Geurts (Stern)

Arnold Gudex (C. Gudex)

Bonnie Laufenberg (Lemke)

Babette Rhoads (Rhoads)

Ashlyn Roecker (Becker)

Therese Rohlinger (Roesel)

Norbert Gudex (C. Gudx)

Cindy Hoffman (Grundahl)

Debbie (Hallen)

Larry Haas (Lemke)

Ron Scheid (Liepert)

Bill Schuster (D. Stangl)

Charlie Straub (J. Becker)

Izzy Straub (McElhatton)

Louise Steuerwald (Bocher)

Heidi (C. Manthei)

Ann Thill (Mertz)

Sue Heiser (Rodenkirch)

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

Those Dealing with Cancer:

Members: Laurie Struck, Dennis Novotny, Carol Butzlaff

Friends & Family:

Gary & Evelyn Beaupre Jan (D. Stangl)

Jean Cornell (Herriges)

Nephew of Beck Ehmer

Sue Mitchell (Rhoads)

Paige More (Pearson)

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Kerri Estep (Atwater) Sharon Rosbeck (Herriges)

Nancy Gruebling (Kletti)

Paula Hader (Adler)

Dennis Liepert (J. Michaels)

Steve Siebenaler (J. Manthei)

Norm Hughes (K. Hughes) Susan Tolonen (Lindgren)

Sheri Theep (Van Beek) Russell Will (Will)

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

Marion Doms, Rev. Kathryn O'Connor Kuhn, Robert Neumann

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.

We are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses... The special people who have touched our lives form a chain of witnesses that stretches through the ages. The blessings and the burdens continue year after year, often blurring together in the movement of time...

a moment, a year, a decade, a lifetime...

We take the time to hold all of those saints close to our hearts in the affirmation of a love that never ends.

And we offer special prayers for those who have joined the heavenly chorus in this last year:

Ida Beduhn Dave Clark Peggy Cosgrove LaVerne "Connie" Fehrer Arthur Fleury Doris Fisher Dale Grebe Norm Hughes Jonsey Korth Fern Kreif Barbara O'Connor Charles "Doc" Ogi Robert Scannell Lee Schmidt Cherie Singer Ron Skaug John Waskiewicz Barbara Wenzlaff Velma Casev Richard Gibson Dan Lauder Nola Helen Rilling Doris Schladweiler Jon Spencer Jim Widmer

and all those un-named whom we hold in our hearts...

Peace Church Brat Fry



Peace UCC will be hosting a drive through brat fry to support the Peace Pantry on: Saturday, Nov 7th 9am 2pm

You may drive in and order OR call ahead and we will have your order ready to go! **text or call: 262-483-7811 (Kathy Charland) Remember to add your name and time of pick up!

Mark 1 sandwich per line please

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Chips: \$1.00 Fritos, Cheetos, nacho, ranch Dorito, potato chips	#
Soda: \$1.00 Coke, diet coke, sprite,	#
Water \$1.00	#

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