



Peace United Church of Christ

Rev. Eric Kirkegaard

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Transfiguration

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

"Spirit Song"

arr. Tom Fettke

PLEASE DON'T SING Hymn #1 "God is Here"

C Em/G Am Em/G F F/A F/C C Am Dm G9/D

1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer
 2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long
 3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's
 4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of

C/E Dm/F Fmaj7 Gsus G C/E Em/G Am Em/G F F/A F/C C

praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure
 need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;
 flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en;
 change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the Gos - pel;

Am Dm G9/D C/E Dm/F Fmaj7 G Bb Gm6 Dm Bb6 Gm7 C7

what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the world a -
 here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es - ty of
 Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants of the
 help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's ded - i -

F2 F G Am7/E Bdim/D F/C Bm7(b5) Am/C Dm7 E7 Am C/E Em/G

round us, all our var - ied skills and arts wait the
 preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech, here, in
 Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore what it
 ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive; we, who

com - ing of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.
 new - ness and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.
 means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.
 can - not live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

Gathering Our Hearts Before God – Psalm 50:1-6

Leader: May the grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ, be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Leader: The mighty one, God the Lord, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

People: Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.

Leader: Our God comes and does not keep silence, before him is a devouring fire, and a mighty tempest all around him.

People: He calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that he may judge his people:

Leader: “Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!”

All: *The heavens declare his righteousness, for God himself is judge.*

Prayer of Invocation

Speak to us, Mighty One, for we are eager to listen. Bless us, as we cry out to you for strength and vision. You have acted in times past to save your people. Save us now. You have sent prophets to change the world. Change us now. You have granted light in Jesus Christ. Shine on us now. Let us see your glory, let us listen to your way. Lift us to the mountaintop in this time of worship and prayer. Amen.

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

The demands of our lives can become so all-consuming that we forget our origins. Our inattentiveness separates us from the knowledge of God's glory reflected in the face of Christ. In these quiet moments, apart from our everyday distractions, we seek to renew our relationship with God and to be restored to wholeness.

When the gospel is veiled from us, mighty God, we feel alone. How easy it is to lose our direction and fail to hear your call. At times, we feel as if we are perishing under the demands of the day, unable to see clearly what is most important. We become enslaved to our routines and enticed by shallow distractions. We fill all our hours with busyness that does not feed our souls, we fail to leave time for reflection and prayer. Forgive us, O God, and restore balance to our lives. Amen.

God promises light for our nighttime and guidance on our way. In Christ, God lifts the veil so we can catch a glimpse of glory. There is peace to be found in the midst of turmoil. There is freedom and quiet even amid our distractions. We are released from our slavery to things, and lifted up beyond the limitations of our habits. God forgives us and would offer new meaning to our lives. Praise God.

PLEASE JOIN IN RHYTHMICALLY PROCLAIMING Halleluja **“Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le, lu-ja”**

The Passing of the Peace

May the Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you

Epistle

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

O.T. Lesson

2 Kings 2:1-12

The Children's Time

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

PLEASE DON'T SING - Hymn 397 "The Gift of Love"

G Am G Am

G Am7 G

1 Though I may speak with brav - est fire,
 2 Though I may give all I pos - sess,
 3 Come, Spir - it, come, our hearts con - trol,

mf

Em Am7 D

and have the gift to all in - spire,
 and striv - ing so my love pro - fess,
 our spir - its long to be made whole.

G Em7 A G

and have not love, my words are vain,
 but not be given by love with - in,
 Let in - ward love guide ev - ery deed;

Am7 D C2 C G

as sound-ing brass, and hope - less gain.
 the prof - it soon turns strange-ly thin.
 by this we wor ship, and are freed.

1, 2

1, 2

Final ending

G Em C G

rit. *pp*

Gospel

Mark 9:2-9

Sermon

“Generosity of Listening” Rev. Andrew Warner

Special Music

“Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring”
arr. by Paul Michelson

Prayer of Dedication

Many: Lord, giver of all things, we give you our hands that we might reach out and help each other, our hearts that we might find compassion and understanding for all people, and our minds to create a peaceful world. Bless these gifts and continue to guide us that we might live out Your will in the world. 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

One: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

Many: We go with God's steadfast love before our eyes, God's faithfulness beneath our feet, God's justice burning in our souls. Amen!

PLEASE DON'T SING #319 “Shine, Jesus, Shine”

Unison

A D/A A E/A

1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing,
 2 Lord, I come to your awe - some pres - ence,
 3 As we gaze on your king - ly bright - ness,

A D/A A E/A D E/D

in the midst of the dark - ness shin - ing; Je - sus, light of the
 from the shad - ows in - to your ra - di - ance; by the blood I may
 so our fac - es dis - play your like - ness; ev - er chang - ing from

C#m F#m D E/D C#m F#m

world, shine up - on us, set us free by the truth you now bring us,
 en - ter your bright - ness, search me, try me, con - sume all my dark - ness,
 glo - ry to glo - ry, mir - rored here may our lives tell your sto - ry,

G Esus E G Esus E

shine on me,
 shine on me,
 shine on me,
 shine on me,
 shine on me.

Refrain A $\frac{E}{A}$ A D Bm $\frac{A}{C\#}$ Bm $\frac{B7}{D\#}$ Esus E Esus E

Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the Fa - ther's glo - ry;

A $\frac{E}{A}$ A D Bm $\frac{A}{C\#}$ Bm Bm G Esus E

blaze, Spir - it, blaze, set our hearts on fire.

A $\frac{E}{A}$ A D Bm $\frac{A}{C\#}$ Bm $\frac{B7}{D\#}$ Esus E Esus E

Flow, riv - er, flow, flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy;

A $\frac{E}{A}$ A D Bm $\frac{A}{C\#}$ Bm E7 A $\frac{D}{A}$

send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light.

1, 2 $\frac{E}{A}$ $\frac{D}{A}$ Final ending $\frac{E}{A}$ $\frac{D}{A}$ A $\frac{D}{A}$ A

SERVING TODAY

Our Worship Team:

Karla Spaits
Sherry McElhatton

Sound: Josh Spaits
Video: Eric Heidenreiter
Sexton: Roger Lindgren

Ministers: ALL OF YOU!

Lectionary for Sunday, February 21 - 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. at **Peace Church**: First Sunday in Lent - Genesis 9:8-17 • Psalm 25:1-10 • 1 Peter 3:18-22 • Mark 1:9-15

CALENDAR – WEEK OF February 14, 2021

Lectionary group at Peace Church – Contact the church if you are interested. Each week we will study the scripture for the upcoming Sunday. The group will meet on February 16th

9TH Grade Confirmation – Class will meet on Wednesday, February 24th from 4:00 – 5:15 p.m. via Zoom.

Adult Faith Formation, Book of Ruth:

First, third, and fifth Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. – This group will meet on March 2nd. We will be doing a study of the Book of Ruth.

Join in person in fellowship hall or connect by zoom:

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

Meeting ID: 919 2890 4117

Passcode: 655329

Worship at Peace Church

We have been regathered for worship in our church building since mid-October, but trying to do our part to mitigate the pandemic. We are following the risk levels from the County Health Department. While the risk level has remained “Very High” we have been limiting attendance to 20 people per service, in addition to the worship leadership. When the risk level reaches “High” we will regather at 25% (50 people). We are anticipating that this may happen this next week. *During this time, service times are: 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.*

Reservations are currently requested: Please click on the link below to let us know that you will be joining us for worship. Or call the church office 626-4011.

You are always welcome to come and see if there is space (we have consistently had lots of space at 10 a.m.)

PLEASE USE THIS LINK FOR ALL SERVICES:

<https://peaceuccservices2021.eventbrite.com> (thru 5/30/2021)

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 [GIVE](#) 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.

Scholarship Fund

Reminder to all 2020-2021 Scholarship recipients: Your first semester grades need to be turned in to the church office no later than Sunday, February 14, 2021. You can mail your transcripts to Peace Church, P.O. Box 433, Kewaskum, WI 53040 or email them to office@peace-ucc.org. Any questions? Contact the church office at 262-626-4011.

Ash Wednesday and Lent Services – It is strange to realize that we have been living in our present reality as “church” for almost a year. It was just as we had begun Lent that we needed to shift to worshiping Online. We are going to try a couple of different things to feed our souls and center us through this year’s Lenten Season.

- On Ash Wednesday, February 17, Peace Church will offer a **drive-thru Ashes and Communion** opportunity in the parking lot. Come to Peace Church between 4:00 -5:45 p.m. and pull up to the entrance to receive your ashes, communion, and a blessing from Pastor Eric.
- In the past Ash Wednesday has also meant a soup supper. This year Peace Church will host a **chili dinner to go** in the parking lot on Ash Wednesday. Chili will be in to-go containers and can be picked up from 4:00-6:30 p.m. (advanced orders are appreciated- see details on last page of the Tidings)
- There will be an **in-person Ash Wednesday service** at 6:00 p.m. If this service fills-up by the week before, then we will add a second service at 7:30 p.m. You can sign-up for the Ash Wednesday service using this link: [Peace Church Ash Wednesday](#). As always, this service will be available to view online.
- **Midweek Lenten services - Holden Evening Prayer** – For many years we have cherished this musical setting of a vespers service. Because this is a sung service, we will be recording the service in advance and then posting it online each week to be available for viewing by 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. We are planning to have reflections from this year’s confirmation students included in each of these services.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Happy Birthday	February 14 - 20
February 14	Alexander Charland, Mark Evans, Shelly Heaslip, Dylan Maechtle
February 15	Louis Berres, Kedrick Strutz,
February 16	Jeffrey Fochs, Owen Horning, Judy Lehmann
February 17	Joe Billmann (80), Lauren Chamberlain, Aidan Polzin
February 18	Brianna Taylor
February 20	Kathy Charland, Cole Loser, Mike McElhatton, Lily Van Beek

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	Michael Schmidt
Debbie Butzlaff	Gretchen Martin	Jeff Steger
Cliff and Kim Clark	Don Neitzel	Lucille Swanson
John Coulter	Dennis Novotny	Betty Skaug
Betty Fleury	Donna Ogi	Mark Steinhardt
Carol Gardner	Shirley Ogi	Alec Taylor
Marian Herriges	Judy Price	Dolores Terlinden
John Kletti	Calvin Rauch	Howard Zemlicka
Nancy Laguna	Kathy Roesel	Sharon Zolp
Jackie McCurdy	Shirley Schlice	

Friends & Family:

Rose Ambler (B. Hallen)	Jessica (DeLaurier)
Beau (Rauch)	Joe Donald (J.C. Lemke)
Jim Bertram (K. Roesel)	Judy Gambino (Bobb)
Steve Cooper (Rodenkirch)	Ronald Graff (Betty Graff)
Heather Crass (Walker/Winninghoff)	Griffin (Radeztsky)

The Joshua Haas Family (Lemke)
Riley Hahn (Rodenkirch)
Cindy Hoffman (Grundahl)
Debbie (Hallen)
Sue Karbon (Kletti)
Diane Kraus (Meinberg)
Alan Kuehl (J. Manthei)
Dane Martin (Van Ess)

Therese Rohlinger (Roesel)
Chance Prince (J.C. Lemke)
Bill Schuster (D. Stangl)
Marion Schuster (J.C. Lemke)
Betty Sook (J. Christensen)
Izzy Straub (McElhatton)
Cheryl Thill (Mertz/Stoffel)

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

Those Dealing with Cancer:

Members: Laurie Struck, Dennis Novotny, Carol Butzlaff, Dean Roe, Joan Schleif, Heidi Rodenkirch

Friends & Family:

Betty (J. Michaels)
Gary & Evelyn Beaupre
Jean Cornell (Herriges)
Nephew of Beck Ehmer
Kerri Estep (Atwater)
Nancy Gruebling (Kletti)
Paula Hader (Adler)
Sheri Theep (Van Beek)
Jan (D. Stangl)

Sue Mitchell (Rhoads)
Paige More (Pearson)
Sharon Rosbeck (Herriges)
Dennis Liepert (J. Michaels)
Karl Schleunes (K. Grundahl)
Sandra Senn (P. Behring)
Steve Siebenaler (J. Manthei)
Susan Tolonen (Lindgren)
Russell Will (Will)

Prayers of Comfort

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)

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

Chili Drive-Thru!



Peace Church will be hosting a Chili Drive-thru in February.

Date: Wednesday February 17th, 2021

Time: 4:00 PM to 6:30 PM

Peace United Church of Christ Parking Lot Entrance

All choices are in pint containers

**Chili choices include: regular chili (\$5),
gluten-free(\$6-no noodles), or vegan (\$6)**

**Proceeds will go to Peace United Church of Christ and 10% of
that will go to Dr. Albrecht Free Clinic.**

PEACE CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

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Pastor Bob Blackburn, Visitation Minister 920-279-0816

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