



# **Peace United Church of Christ**

Rev. Eric Kirkegaard

7 February 2021

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

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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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## *WORSHIP SERVICE*

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Prelude

“March Jubilant”

arr. Lorie Line

**PLEASE DON'T SING**

“Shout to the North”

Turning to God

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

**Many: And also with you.**

One: Come! Bring your whole selves into this place. Bring your pain, your joy and hope, your dreams!

**Many: We accept the invitation. We come together as a community of faith to be with each other as whole children of God.**

One: God invites us into the sanctuary in time for a period of prayerful waiting.

**Many: We accept the invitation. We celebrate the stories of faith, which guide us through our days, giving us the courage to be and move, and act as Christians.**

One: Listen! To the Word of God who is with us on our journey, wherever that leads. We must have faith to stay the course and know that He is with us.

**Many: We accept the invitation. We give heartfelt thanks for being in this place. Let us worship God!**

Prayer of Invocation

Come, O Creator, be with us today, in this place, at this time. Be with us as we take time to slow down our lives enough to wait and listen. Give us wisdom and courage to hear your Word!

Prayer of Confession

**Holy God, silence beyond silence, and Word beyond words, calm our fluttering and flustered hearts as we open them to your power and presence. We have much to confess as we speak the truth of our lives; we need your wisdom and patience. We have sinned against you and against humanity**

when we have refused to accept the fullness of life in one another. We have made the differences between us monumental barriers to understanding; when they should be embraced as celebrations of your wondrous and diverse creation. We have followed our fears rather than our faith. We shrink behind prejudice and narrow perceptions. We say we want peace but then we have done things that encourage violence. You, O God, call us to faithfulness in each and every moment, yet our hearts are often closed to your nudge upon our lives. Receive now our earnest prayers of confession, which spring from our deepest being into your merciful ear . . .

Time for silent confession

Hear us as we pray the prayer your Son taught us

***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.***

Words of Assurance

As dawn comes after the long night, so, too, does forgiveness shine when we acknowledge before God and one another those things that separate us from God's love. This is the good news that we believe—we have been made new once again! Let us take this newness and know that God's love frees us to love one another, even as we love ourselves.

**Thanks be to God, whose steadfastness is for all generations!**

**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**

Gospel Lesson

Mark 1:29-39

The Children's Time

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

PLEASE DON'T SING - Hymn 630

"Healer of Our Every Ill"

*Refrain (Unison)*

D Em7 D G A7 D Bm A Bm A G A

Heal-er of our ev-ery ill, light of each to - mor - row,

F#m Em Bm Em7 F#7 G D Em D A C# A7 D

give us peace be - yond our fear, and hope be - yond our sor - row.

Bm F#m A G

1 You who know our fears and sad - ness, grace us with your  
 2 In the pain and joy be - hold - ing, how your grace is  
 3 Give us strength to love each oth - er, ev - ery sis - ter,  
 4 You who know each thought and feel - ing, teach us all your

*to Refrain*

F Em D F# G Bm A C# A7

peace and glad - ness. Spir - it of all com - fort, fill our hearts.  
 still un - fold - ing. Give us all your vi - sion, God of love.  
 ev - ery broth - er. Spir - it of all kind - ness, be our guide.  
 way of heal - ing. Spir - it of com - pas - sion, fill each heart.

Psalm  
OT Lesson

Psalm 147:1-11, 20c  
Isaiah 40:21-31

Sermon

“Glimmers of Promise”

Special Music

“Jesus Loves Me”

arr. by Lorie Line

Prayer of Dedication

**Many: You have encouraged us, O God, to listen to your message of hope and peace. We respond with gratitude. So, as you have given us gifts, and as we have come to know that we are your beloved daughters and sons, we offer a portion of all we have so that others may receive. May your peace and justice fill the earth. 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.*

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 hungry 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 – Silent Prayer

## Benediction

**All:** Christ beside us, Christ before us, Christ beneath us,  
Christ above us, surround us with your presence and  
inspire us with your purpose. Confirm us in your love,  
and send us out into the world in peace to serve.  
Alleluia and Amen!

## PLEASE DON'T SING #231 "Arise, Your Light Is Come"

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a treble clef staff with a melody and a bass clef staff with a bass line. Above the first staff are the chords: N.C., A, D, A, D, A, E/B, B7, E. Below the first staff are four lines of lyrics. The second system also has a treble clef staff with a melody and a bass clef staff with a bass line. Above the second staff are the chords: A, E/G#, D/F#, A/E, Bm/D, D#m7(b5), E, A/C#, D, A/C#, Esus, E7, A. Below the second staff are three lines of lyrics.

N.C. A D A D A  $\frac{E}{B}$  B7 E

1 A - rise, your light is come! The Spir - it's call o - bey; show  
2 A - rise, your light is come! Fling wide the pris - on door; pro -  
3 A - rise, your light is come! All you in sor - row born, bind  
4 A - rise, your light is come! The moun-tains burst in song! Rise

A  $\frac{E}{G\#}$   $\frac{D}{F\#}$   $\frac{A}{E}$   $\frac{Bm}{D}$  D#m7(b5) E  $\frac{A}{C\#}$  D  $\frac{A}{C\#}$  Esus E7 A

forth the glo - ry of your God which shines on you to - day.  
claim the cap-tive's lib - er - ty, good ti - dings to the poor.  
up the bro - ken - heart - ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.  
up like ea - gles on the wing, God's power will make us strong.

WORDS: Ruth Duck (1947- )  
MUSIC: William H. Walter (1825-1893)  
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FESTAL SONG  
S.M.

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## SERVING TODAY

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Our Worship Team:

Karla Spaits  
Sherry McElhatton

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

Ministers: ALL OF YOU!



Lectionary for Sunday, February 14 - 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. at **Peace Church**: Transfiguration Sunday - 2 Kings 2:1-12 • Psalm 50:1-6 • 2 Corinthians 4:3-6 • Mark 9:2-9

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## *CALENDAR – WEEK OF February 7, 2021*

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**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 9th

**9<sup>TH</sup> Grade Confirmation** – Class will meet on Wednesday, February 12<sup>th</sup> 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 February 16<sup>th</sup>. 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 follow the risk levels from the County Health Department. While the risk level is “Very High” we will be limiting attendance to 20 people per service, in addition to the worship leadership.

*Service times have changed to: 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.*

Reservations are requested: Please click on the link below to reserve your spot at 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 10a.m.)

PLEASE USE THIS LINK FOR ALL SERVICES AFTER JANUARY 1  
<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](mailto: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.

**Board of Christian Education News:** the Peace Church Board of Christian Education will hold its next meeting on Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. via Zoom.

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## ***BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES***

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### **Happy Birthday**

February 7

February 8

February 9

February 10

February 11

February 12

### **February 7 - 13**

Bonnie Rindt

Holly Henk, Colleen Roe (85), Ethan Singer

Jennifer Bayer, Amanda Herbst, Melissa Polzin,  
Ashley Thull

Maddie Dumproff

Julaine Ogi, Sharon Rauch, Ari Schemelin

Nelle Ogi

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## *PRAYER LIST*

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**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)	Debbie (Hallen)
Beau (Rauch)	Sue Karbon (Kletti)
Jim Bertram (K. Roesel)	Diane Kraus (Meinberg)
Steve Cooper (Rodenkirch)	Alan Kuehl (J. Manthei)
Heather Crass (Walker/Winninghoff)	Dane Martin (Van Ess)
Jessica (DeLaurier)	Therese Rohlinger (Roesel)
Joe Donald (J.C. Lemke)	Chance Prince (J.C. Lemke)
Judy Gambino (Bobb)	Bill Schuster (D. Stangl)
Ronald Graff (Betty Graff)	Marion Schuster (J.C. Lemke)
Griffin (Radeztsky)	Betty Sook (J. Christensen)
The Joshua Haas Family (Lemke)	Izzy Straub (McElhatton)
Riley Hahn (Rodenkirch)	Cheryl Thill (Mertz/Stoffel)
Cindy Hoffman (Grundahl)	

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**

To Cathy Stern and family on the death of Cathy's brother, Ron Geurts, on Sunday, January 24, 2021.

To Jim and Patty Reigle and family on the death of their daughter-in-law Denise "DiDi" Reigle, on Friday Jan 29, 2021

**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.**

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### **PEACE CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION**

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Pastor Bob Blackburn, Visitation Minister 920-279-0816

Gayle Van Ess, Faith Formation Coordinator 262-339-0304

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

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