



# **Peace United Church of Christ**

Rev. Eric Kirkegaard

7 June 2020

Trinity Sunday

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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

Prelude

Greetings - A Time of Centering

↑ Hymn #35

## "Morning Has Broken"

*Unison*

C G7 D C Dm F G7 Am C G B

1 Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing,  
2 Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from heav - en,  
3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing

Am G F Dm C Gsus G

black - bird has spo - ken like the first bird.  
like the first dew - fall on the first grass.  
born of the one light E - den saw play!

C G7 C Fmaj7 G F C Am C7 Dm7 G7 D

Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the morn - ing!  
Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet gar - den,  
Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - ery morn - ing,

C G B Am7 Dm7 F G7 C

Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!  
sprung in com - plete - ness where his feet pass.  
God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

## Turning Our Hearts to God – Psalm 8

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

**Many: And also with you.**

One: O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise.

**Many: When I behold your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?**

One: Yet you have made them a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned them with glory and honor.

**Many: You made them masters over the works of your hands; you put everything under their feet: all flocks and herds, and the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas.**

**All: O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

Invocation

**God, you have always reached out to your children; In Word, Flesh, and Spirit you have tried to help us understand your love for us. We come now to worship you again. Gather us as one family; gather us in your care.**

**You are a mystery beyond our understanding, and you are as close as our own breath. Lead us deeper in our journey with you. 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.”***

## Prayer of Confession

One: God of creation, you give us the spirit of wisdom, humility, compassion, and unity.

**All: Forgive us all the times that we fail to explore our questions, to claim our doubts, and to open ourselves to your answers.**

**Forgive us for when we have looked on others as less important than ourselves.**

**Forgive us for all the times that we have created division and failed to treat our neighbors as ourselves.**

**Forgive us all the times when we have failed to reach out to those who are on the margins of society... and of our own lives.**

One: Your Holy Spirit, gives us the assurance that we are your beloved children with whom you are well pleased, you assure us that each of us is awesomely and wondrously made.

**All: Forgive us all the times we have looked on ourselves as less than the people that you created us to be. Gracious and merciful God, healing and holy Christ, comforting and sustaining Spirit, for all that we have done and for all that we have failed to do, grant us your forgiveness and your love that we may truly care for ourselves and one another.**

## Assurance of Forgiveness

One: To all who seek forgiveness through confession of sin and commitment to change, God responds with mercy and grace. Ever and always, God welcomes us home to live with joy in the world, to look with hope toward the time ahead.

**Many: 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

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

The Children’s Time – Please do not send the children forward, but do join in singing ♪ Hymn #437 “Jesus Loves Me, This I Know” vs. 1

Lesson

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 28:16-20

Sermon

“Are They Benedictions or Commands?”

Special Music

“Down in the River to Pray”

arr. Lorie Line

Prayer of Dedication (in unison)

**Come creator God, come redeeming Son, come Holy Spirit, come. Inhabit our lives, unbind our souls, claim us again as your children and your witnesses! Bless all that we offer you, and send us forth as witnesses for You. Amen.**

The Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,**

**Praise God, all creatures here below:**

**Praise God for all that love has done:**

**Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.**

Blessing and Celebrating the Class of 2020 – *Charles Anderson, Joshua Bocher, Joseph Bocher, JohnMark Bocher, Lauren Chamberlain, Maddie Dumproff, Jonathon Gill, Sarah Jankowski, Dylan Meachtle, Anna Peterson, Hunter Roehrig, Brandon Schreffler, Brady Stern*

**Gracious God, we celebrate the blessings that each of these students offer to us and to the world. Watch over these your beloved children in all their days to come. Bless them and help them to always know the support and the love that this family of God holds for them. Grant that**

**their faith, our care, and God's love may always be a steady rock wherever their journeys may lead them. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

Pastoral Prayer

Benediction - from 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

One: Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

One: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

**Many: We go to love and to serve, for we are the church.**

Announcements

♪ Hymn

“Go Make Disciples”

*(music next page)*

F C/E F Gm F/A C

Go, make dis - ci - ples, bap - tis - ing them,

Dm C Bb Bb/C F

teach - ing them. Go, make dis -

C/E F Gm F/A

ci - ples, for I am with you 'til the

Bb C Bbmaj7 Am

end of time. Go, be the salt of the earth.

Gm Fmaj7 Dm

Go, be the light for the world. Go, be a



Am Bmaj7 C/Bb

cit - y on a hill so all can see that you're

Bb/C C F C/E F

serv - ing me. Go, make dis - ci - ples.

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## Postlude

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## *SERVING TODAY*

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### Our Worship Team:

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

Ministers: ALL OF YOU!

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## CALENDAR – WEEK OF JUNE 7

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June 9            10:00 am. Lectionary Study via Zoom, see link below  
7:00 PM – Consistory Zoom Meeting

All services can be accessed at Peace UCC Kewaskum [YouTube](#)  
or Peace United Church of Christ [Facebook](#) page

Weekly **Sunday School lessons** are available on the YouTube link found on the church website [www.peace-ucc.org](http://www.peace-ucc.org) 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:

<https://zoom.us/j/299920158?pwd=WTdLNEx4dXExRHFteFB3RVBjQzN1dz09>

Meeting ID: 299 920 158

Password: 114964

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Lectionary texts for June 14 – Genesis 18:1-15, (21:1-7), Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19 or Ex. 19:2-8a, Psalm 100, Romans 5:1-8, Matthew 9:35-10:8, (9-23)

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## *ANNOUNCEMENTS*

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### **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.

### *BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES*

#### **Happy Birthday     June 7 – June 13**

June 7     Bill Stangl

June 8     Jackie McCurdy

June 10    Tracy Hauch, Andrew Jankowski, Mikaela Seely,  
Reeve Thull

June 11    Doug Christensen, Bruce Steinhardt

June 12    John Lemke, Cherie Singer, Kylie Van Beek

June 13    Terry Buss, Mary Glenn, Stephanie Henk

## **Happy Anniversary June 7 – June 13**

- June 7 Paul & Shirley Reinders (62)  
June 8 Mike & Sherry McElthattton (35)  
June 9 Mark & Kim Bocher (30)  
June 10 Derek & Cheryl Peterson (25), Howard & Connie Zemlicka (59)  
June 11 Joe & Mary Billmann (54)  
June 12 Duane & Vicki Fenrick (44), Russ & Rose Marie Knoth (50),  
Pat & Al Schnepf (22)

## **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	Mitch Ogi
Debbie Butzlaff	Doc Ogi
Barry Clark	Heidi Rodenkirch
John Coulter	Carol Sedgwick
Marion Doms	Betty Skaug
Gary Fisher	Cherie Singer
Betty Graff	Maggie Singer
Les Martin	Alec Taylor
Marilyn McIntosh	Greg Vorpahl
Robert Neumann	Bev Winninghoff
Don Neitzel	

### **Friends & Family:**

Ruth Betts (M. McFadden)	Valerie Knurr (Kletti)
Caelyb (Bocher)	Bonnie Laufenberg (Lemke)
Ron Geurts (Stern)	Mrs. Muckerhide
Debbie (Hallen)	Babette Rhoads (Rhoads)
Larry Haas (Lemke)	Ashlyn Roecker (Becker)
Eric Haas (Lemke)	Ron Scheid (Liepert)
Heidi (C. Manthei)	Bill Schuster (D. Stangl)
Sue Heiser (Rodenkirch)	Charlie Straub (J. Becker)
Jeremy Heiser (Rodenkirch)	Louise Steuerwald (Bocher)
Mason Hollbrook (Bocher)	Ann Thill (Mertz)
Robin Kann (Atwater)	

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

**Those Dealing with Cancer:**

**Members:** 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, John Waskiewicz, Norm Hughes

**Prayers of Comfort:**

To Betty Skaug and her family, on the death of Ron Skaug, who died on June 2, 2020.

Helen Lauder of Gateway Café, whose husband, Dan Lauder recently passed away.

To Nancy Horning and family, on the death of her sister, Nola.

**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)

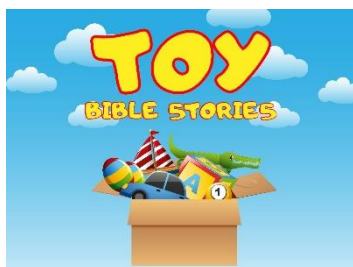
Matthew Jankowski (Army National Guard – Jackie McCurdy grandson)

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.



## Summer Sunday School

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

Follow the Sunday School link at: [www.peace-ucc.org](http://www.peace-ucc.org)

Each week, Ms. Alexia will offer a fun lesson 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 serving God, 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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## PEACE CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

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