



Peace United Church of Christ
Rev. Eric Kirkegaard
July 2, 2023
Fifth 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**

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

***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.

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WORSHIP SERVICE

PRELUDE

“Eternal Father”

Line

GREETINGS/PRAYER REQUESTS

HYMN 647 “We Have Come to Join in Worship”

PRAYING WITH THE PSALMIST – Psalm 13

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

All: And also with you.

One: How long, O Lord? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me?

All: **How long must I bear pain in my soul, and have sorrow in my heart all day long?**

One: How long shall my enemy be exalted over me?

All: **Consider and answer me, O Lord my God! Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep the sleep of death,**

One: And my enemy will say, “I have prevailed”; my foes will rejoice because I am shaken.

All: **But I trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord, because he has dealt bountifully with me.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

One: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

All: **But if we confess our sin, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

One: Let us confess our sin before God and one another.

All: **Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to fully trust in your ways. Our brokenness and our attachment to the physical world has clouded our ability to see you at work in our midst. Lord, we stumble at the challenge of doing your will. We resist embracing and sharing in the profound generosity of your love. Hear again our confession: we sin against you in thought word and deed, by what we do and by what**

we fail to do. We do not love our neighbors as ourselves. We do not allow ourselves to be loved in the fullness of your grace. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Silence for reflection and private confession before God.

Assurance of Pardon

One: Trust in the promise of a God whose mercy and love are endless. Trust in a God who always provides abundantly for us. Trust in a God who seeks to daily transform our lives and our souls. Brothers and sisters in Christ, believe the good news of the gospel:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***RESPONSE 338** "King of Kings"

***THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Peace be with you.

And also with you.

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 10:40-42 Page 745

The Children's Time - As the children come forward, please sing
Hymn 437 "Jesus Loves Me" vs. 1

HYMN 559 "Here I Am, Lord"

LESSON Genesis 22:1-14 Page 15

SERMON

SPECIAL MUSIC "All are Welcome" Haugen

***DOXOLOGY #34**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

All: Lord, you ask us to trust in you, to believe in you. We seek to answer "here we are" with our hearts, our actions, our love. Beloved God, at every moment all that we are is laid before you. Bless our lives, bless our gifts, and guide us in Your service. Amen.

PASTORAL 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.”

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 Señor.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

DURING COMMUNION:

HYMN 695 *“As We Gather at Your Table”*

Vs. 1 bread, Vs. 2 cup, Vs. 3 response after

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

BENEDICTION

One: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

All: **May God take our lips and speak through them; take our minds and think through them; take our hearts and set them on fire. Amen!**

HYMN 730 “My Eyes Have Seen the Glory”

POSTLUDE

Serving Today: Musicians: Sherry McElhatton, Lia Piittmann;
Litanist: Mugs McFadden; Video: David Dorn

Today’s Altar Flowers are in honor of all those who have volunteered for Peace Church Sunday School

Lectionary for July 9 - Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67 and Psalm 45:10-17 or Song of Solomon 2:8-13 • Zechariah 9:9-12 and Psalm 145:8-14 • Romans 7:15-25a • Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

NEWS & NOTES

Happy Birthday July 2 - 8

- July 3 Nancy Panzer (86), Jason Staffin
July 5 Idelle Breitbach (84), Karen Kletti, Hunter Loser
July 7 Hannah Preder
July 8 Sarah Augustin, Joan Schleif (84)

Happy Anniversary – July 2 - 8

- July 3 Karen & John Staehler (58)
July 6 Albert & Sue Hembel (49)
Joshua & Taylor O'Brien-Flasch (11)
July 7 John & Karen Kletti (44)

Calendar for the Week of July 2, 2023

- 7/3 & 7/4 4th of July Holiday – Office Closed
7/5 XYZ Cards, Sacred Space Worship
7/6 Youth Breakfast

Midweek worship! We are going to try something a little different and create sacred space on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Services will be less formal, more interactive, some different music. Come and be a part of experiencing/imagining how we create a new worship experience at Peace UCC.



VBS 2023

BLASTING OFF

JULY 31 – AUGUST 4, 2023

PEACE CHURCH

8:30 – 11:30 A.M.

REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 8:00 A.M.

REGISTRATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE

**IN THE FRONT AND BACK ENTRANCES TO THE CHURCH OR
AT PEACE CHURCH'S WEBSITE.**

Mark Your Calendar – Church Picnic – August 6th at River Hill Park! Worship Service will be at 9:00 a.m. followed by lunch, music, raffles, and kid activities. Tickets on sale the day of the picnic or at church. \$15.00 for adults, \$10 ages 6-11, children 5 & under are free. New this year is a family ticket for \$50 – 2 adults and up to 5 children.



Feed Our Kids

**FREE
BREAKFAST
AND A TAKE-HOME LUNCH!**

**Tuesdays and Thursdays starting on July 6th
from 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.**

Peace Church - 320 Main Street, Kewaskum

Children 5 & under must be accompanied by a caregiver*
*Caregivers eat free too!

REGISTER AT
CHARLAND22056@GMAIL.COM
OR CALL 262-626-4011



PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK

Current prayers will be listed for one week unless otherwise indicated. Requests may be emailed to 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:

For Tim Tauent and family. Tim's parents were in a car accident that took the life of his mother and hospitalized his father with multiple injuries. Tim is a dear friend of Marnie Winninghoff.

Hello Peace UCC Members & Friends,

PLEASE RESPOND

It is time to begin planning your very helpful donation(s) for the 2023 PIGNIC Raffle.

Please bring YOUR item(s) to the church CHOIR ROOM on or before SUNDAY July 9th.

We need basket donations OR individual item(s).

BIG thanks to those who have already donated!

CONTACT: Kathy & Jerry Shoemaker via Peace Office 262-626-4011 [office@peace-](mailto:office@peace-ucc.org)

ucc.org THANKS!

UNACCEPTABLE: Adult Clothing, Rummage Sale Items, Furniture, Vintage Dish Sets.

ACCEPTABLE: Re-Gifting of new unopened/undamaged gifts.

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| Cash | Gift Card: Gas, Store, Credit, Service, Grocery |
| Garden or Home Art | Electronic equip. or games |
| Autographed Items | Bird house, feeder, seed |
| Food, Snack Basket | Picnic Supplies, Coolers, Utensils. |
| Theme Basket Child or Adult | Make-Up Beauty items |
| Pet items/supplies | Toys Games-Indoor/Outdoor |
| Tickets to Events or Attractions: | Game Equipment Indoor/Outdoor |
| Packer, Brewer, Bucks, Badger Gear | Golf-Eat-Entertainment-Travel |
| Sweatshirt, Hat, T-Shirt | Company Product Basket |
| Bikes, Scooters, Skates | Hunting -Fishing gear/supplies |
| Holiday basket | Car supplies |
| Tools, Supplies | Cleaning, Kitchen, Bathroom supplies |
| Handmade Items Wood, Ceramic, Cloth, Painting, Scarves, Hats, Mittens | |
| Quilted, Crochet, Cross-Stitched Items. | |

PIGNIC BUCKET RAFFLE DONATED ITEMS

For our 2023 PIGNIC place YOUR donated item(s) in the Choir room.

Attach this tag to YOUR item(s).

Kathy & Jerry Shoemaker via Peace Office 262-626-4011 office@peace-ucc.org

Donor: _____ Phone: _____

Please PRINT Item(s) or Service(s) Value (Optional)

THANK YOU!