

faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰since God had provided something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect. ¹Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, ²looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. ³Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

(Please stand)

Alleluia Verse "Seek Ye First"

Holy Gospel

Luke 12:49-56

⁴⁹[Jesus said:] "I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! ⁵⁰I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished! ⁵¹Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. ⁵²For from now on in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three. ⁵³They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law." ⁵⁴He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you say at once, 'A shower is coming.' And so it happens. ⁵⁵And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat,' and it happens. ⁵⁶You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

(Please be seated)

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day "Ancient Words"

Today's Message

(Please stand)

Apostles' Creed

Prayer of the Church

Offertory

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Sharing of the Peace

(Please be seated)

Closing Hymn "God Of Wonders"

Postlude "Your Grace Is Enough"

Attendance Record 8/10-8/16

Sunday Early Service.....41
Adult Bible Study.....16
Sunday Late Service.....97

Serving in God's House

August 17th

Elder on duty Harold Carlson
Organist Charlene Pfanstiel
Audio Paul Sellers
Greeter Elaine Polly
Greeter Jeff Polly
Usher Eugene Custer
Lay Reader Renelle Mooney
Acolyte Hunter Kunkee
Acolyte Will Kunkee
Powerpoint Tina Cummins

Late Service

Greeter Donna Hall
Greeter Jim Hall
Usher Ben Schow
Lay Reader Rylee Mooney
Acolyte Paxton Messinger
Acolyte
Powerpoint
Live Stream Ryker Mooney

August 24th

Elder on duty Fritz Hubert
Organist Charlene Pfanstiel
Audio Harold Carlson
Greeter Nancy Rippen
Greeter
Usher Eugene Custer
Lay Reader Jerry Calvin
Acolyte Cason DeWester
Acolyte
Powerpoint Harold Carlson

Late Service

Greeter Pat Penner
Greeter
Usher Curt Swanhorst
Lay Reader Curt Swanhorst
Acolyte Maxson Stewart
Acolyte Zander Stewart
Powerpoint Gary Hunkins
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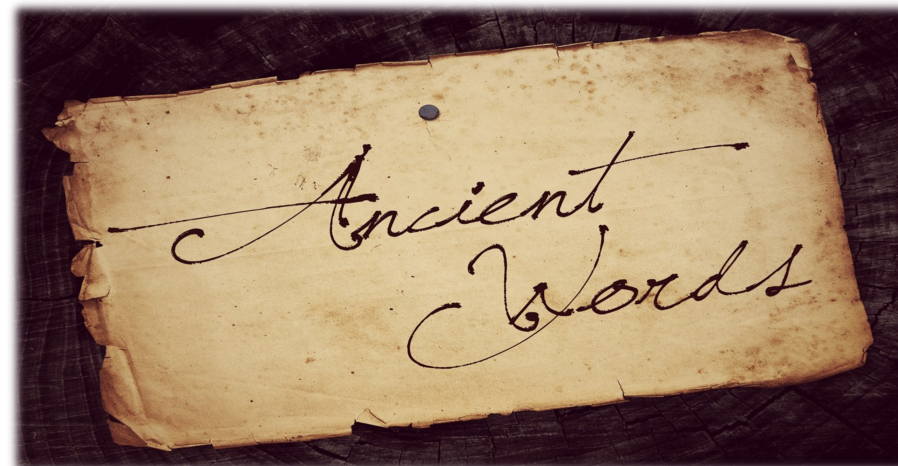
Pastor Lonnie Felcher

August 17, 2025

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

*W*elcome! Here at Peace Lutheran Church, our mission is to share with loving concern, the true Word and gracious love of God with one another, our community, and our world.

May God bless you this morning as you worship with us.



Calendar of Events

Monday, August 18th

Pastor out of the office

Tuesday, August 19th

Wednesday, August 20th

6:00pm.....SOR Teacher meeting

Thursday, August 21st

1:00pm.....Bible study

Friday, August 22nd

Saturday, August 23rd

Sunday, August 24th

Pastor out of the office

8:00am.....Communion Worship

9:15am.....Adult Bible study

9:15am.....Men's Bible study

10:30am.....Communion Worship

Blended Worship

Prelude “*I Could Sing Of Your Love Forever*”

Opening Hymn “*It Is You*”

(Please stand)

Invocation

Confession And Absolution

Introit *Psalm 55:1, 12–14, 16; antiphon: v. 22*

Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you;

he will never permit the righteous to be moved.

Give ear to my prayer, O God,

and hide not yourself from my plea for mercy!

For it is not an enemy who taunts me—then I could bear it;

it is not an adversary who deals insolently with me—then I could hide from him.

But it is you, a man, my equal,

my companion, my familiar friend.

We used to take sweet counsel together;

within God’s house we walked in the throng.

But I call to God,

and the LORD will save me.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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he will never permit the righteous to be moved.

Hymn Of Praise “*Gloria In Excelsis*”

Collect Of The Day

(Please be seated)

First Reading *Jeremiah 23:16–29*

¹⁶Thus says the LORD of hosts: “Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes. They speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the LORD. ¹⁷They say continually to those who despise the word of the LORD, ‘It shall be well with you’; and to everyone who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, ‘No disaster shall come upon you.’” ¹⁸For who among them has stood in the council of the LORD to see and to hear his word, or who has paid attention to his word and listened? ¹⁹Behold, the storm of the LORD! Wrath has gone forth, a whirling tempest; it will burst upon the head of the wicked. ²⁰The anger of the LORD will not turn back until he has executed and accomplished the intents of his heart. In the latter days you will understand it clearly. ²¹“I did not send the prophets, yet they ran; I did not speak to them, yet they prophesied. ²²But if they had stood in my council, then they would have proclaimed my words to my people, and they would have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their deeds. ²³“Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God afar off? ²⁴Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the LORD. ²⁵I have heard

what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, ‘I have dreamed, I have dreamed!’ ²⁶How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, ²⁷who think to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot my name for Baal? ²⁸Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? declares the LORD. ²⁹Is not my word like fire, declares the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?”

Epistle *Hebrews 11:17–12:3*

¹⁷By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, ¹⁸of whom it was said, “Through Isaac shall your offspring be named.” ¹⁹He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back. ²⁰By faith Isaac invoked future blessings on Jacob and Esau. ²¹By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, bowing in worship over the head of his staff. ²²By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones. ²³By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king’s edict. ²⁴By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh’s daughter, ²⁵choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. ²⁶He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward. ²⁷By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible. ²⁸By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them. ²⁹By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as if on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned. ³⁰By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies. ³²And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets— ³³who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, ³⁴quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. ³⁵Women received back their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, so that they might rise again to a better life. ³⁶Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword. They went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, mistreated— ³⁸of whom the world was not worthy—wandering about in deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. ³⁹And all these, though commended through their