

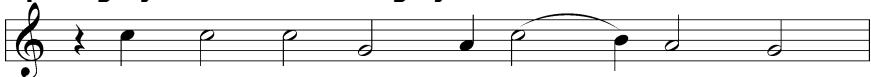
**Peace Lutheran Church of Waterford**  
**Saturday 6:30 p.m. / Sunday 10:30 a.m.**  
**Spoken Divine Service with Holy Communion**  
**Reformation Day**

**Preservice Music**

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**Announcements / Greeting / Sign Fellowship**

**Opening Hymn: LSB #656 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God**



1 A might - y for - tress is our God,  
 2 With might of ours can naught be done,  
 3 Though dev - ils all the world should fill,  
 4 The Word they still shall let re - main



A trust - y shield and weap - on;  
 Soon were our loss ef - fect - ed;  
 All ea - ger to de - vour us,  
 Nor an - y thanks have for it;



He helps us free from ev - 'ry need  
 But for us fights the val - iant One,  
 We trem - ble not, we fear no ill;  
 He's by our side up - on the plain



That hath us now o'er - tak - en.  
 Whom God Him - self e - lect - ed.  
 They shall not o - ver - pow'r us.  
 With His good gifts and Spir - it.



The old e - vil foe Now means  
 Ask ye, Who is this? Je - sus  
 This world's prince still Scowl fierce  
 And take they our life, Goods, fame,



dead - ly woe; Deep guile and great might  
 Christ it is, Of Sab - a - oth Lord,  
 as he will, He can harm us none.  
 child, and wife, Though these all be gone,



Are his dread arms in fight; On earth  
 And there's none other God; He holds  
 He's judged; the deed is done; One lit -  
 Our vic - t'ry has been won; The King -

is not his e - equal.  
 the field for - ev - er.  
 tle word can fell him.  
 dom ours re - main - eth.

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**Invocation**

- P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

**Exhortation**

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

**Confession of Sins**

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

**Absolution**

- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

**Salutation and Pray of the Day**

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Let us pray.

Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G Amen.**

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## The Readings from Holy Scripture

### Old Testament Reading

**Revelation 14:6–7**

<sup>6</sup>Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. <sup>7</sup>And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G Thanks be to God.**

### Epistle

**Romans 3:19–28**

<sup>19</sup>Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup>For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

<sup>21</sup>But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— <sup>22</sup>the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: <sup>23</sup>for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup>and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. <sup>26</sup>It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

<sup>27</sup>Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. <sup>28</sup>For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G Thanks be to God.**

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## Holy Gospel

*John 8:31–36*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>31</sup>So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." <sup>33</sup>They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?"

<sup>34</sup>Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Nicene Creed

**C** **I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✠ of the world to come.  
Amen.**

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**Sermon Hymn: LSB #644 The Church's One Foundation** sts. 1–2, 4–5



1 The Church's one foun-da-tion Is Je-sus Christ, her Lord;  
 2 E-lect from ev-'ry na-tion, Yet one o'er all the earth;  
 4 Through toil and trib-u-la-tion And tu-mult of her war  
 5 Yet she on earth has u-nion With God, the Three in One,



She is His new cre-a-a-tion By wa-ter and the Word.  
 Her char-ter of sal-va-tion: One Lord, one faith, one birth.  
 She waits the con-sum-ma-tion Of peace for-ev-er-more  
 And mys-tic sweet com-mu-nion With those whose rest is won.



From heav'n He came and sought her To be His ho-ly bride;  
 One ho-ly name she bless-es, Par-takes one ho-ly food,  
 Till with the vi-sion glo-rious Her long-ing eyes are blest,  
 O bless-ed heav'n-ly cho-rus! Lord, save us by Your grace



With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.  
 And to one hope she press-es With ev-'ry grace en-dued.  
 And the great Church vic-to-rious Shall be the Church at rest.  
 That we, like saints be-fore us, May see You face to face.

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**Sermon**

Title: The Gospel Is Free and for All!

Text: Revelation 14:6-7

**Offering** *(Please leave your offering in the plate located next to the Baptismal Font).*

**Prayer Litany**

- P** In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For reasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

**G Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

**G Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

**G Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

**G Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For . . . [*additional bids for prayer may be inserted here*] . . . let us pray to the Lord:

**G Lord, have mercy.**

**P** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

**G Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

## Service of the Sacrament

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### Lord's Prayer

**G 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass 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 and ever. Amen.**

### The Words of Our Lord

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

### Pax Domini

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**G Amen.**

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## Distribution

### The Dismissal

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

**G** Amen.

### Distribution Hymn

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### Thanksgiving

**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

**G** and His mercy endureth forever.

### Post-Communion Collect

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G** Amen.

### Benediction

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**G** Amen.

### Closing Hymn: LSB #655 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in Your Word; Curb those who  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are  
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and



by de - ceit or sword Would wrest the king - dom from Your  
lord of lords a - lone; De - fend Your ho - ly Church that  
u - ni - ty on earth; Sup - port us in our fi - nal



Son And bring to naught all He has done.  
we May sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.  
strife And lead us out of death to life.

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**Scripture Summaries: *The Son of God Has Set Us Free from Sin and Death by His Grace*** ~ *"Wisdom is justified by her deeds"* (Matt. 11:19), and the true wisdom of God, Christ Jesus, the incarnate Son, justifies us by His deeds. He prepares His way by the preaching of repentance, but He has suffered the violence of the Law and voluntarily handed Himself over to violent men, in order that we may eat and drink with Him in His Kingdom and *"remain in the house forever"* (John 8:35). He is *"a friend of tax collectors and sinners"* (Matt. 11:18–19), and He has rescued us by His grace from the slavery of sin and death. By the proclamation of His eternal Gospel *"to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people"* (Rev. 14:6), *"the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law"* (Rom. 3:21), *"that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus"* (Rom. 3:26). And by the hearing of that Gospel of Christ Jesus, *"whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith"* (Rom. 3:25), *"you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free"* (John 8:31–32).

### SERVING GOD'S PEOPLE THIS WEEKEND

OFFICIANT/PREACHER: Rev. Russell S. Tkac

CONCORDIA ORGANIST

ELDER: Saturday: Bill Krueger / Sunday: Bob Poe

COUNTER: Beth Schreiner

### CONTINUED HEALING (\*NURSING HOME)

|                  |               |                  |               |
|------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|
| Carol Chapman*   | Debbie Kittka | Tracy Lippincott | Sharon Leones |
| Rev. Paul Monson | Bill Rappuhn  | Claire Taratuta  | Monica Tkac   |
| Sue Vogt         |               |                  |               |

### CONTINUED PRAYERS

**GUIDANCE:** Melissa and family.

**OTHER CONCERNS:** Various groups, boards, and inactive members of Peace.

**PRAYER LINE:** Please call Judy Harroun at 248-682-6426 or Nancy Merrell at 248-623-0717 to activate the prayer line. Please keep us informed of the progress of people on these lists, and kindly inform the church office when someone is to be removed.