

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY FEBRUARY 24, 2019

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Divine Service III LSB pages 184-202

L = Liturgist * = Stand C = Congregation

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***HYMN OF INVOCATION**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LSB 790

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear Now to His temple draw near,
Joining in glad adoration!
2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning
And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen All that is needful has been
Sent by His gracious ordaining?
3. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen Sound from His people again;
Gladly forever adore Him!

10:30 Green Park Choristers

Here We Are Now

Terry K. Dittmer

***INVOCATION AND GENERAL CONFESSION**

L: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **✠ Amen.**

L: Blessed be the Holy Trinity and the undivided Unity.

C: **Let us give glory to Him because He has shown us His mercy.**

L: Let us now confess our sins to God our Father.

C: **Almighty God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. Forgive us when our pride and selfishness have led us to misuse Your gifts. Forgive us for questioning Your care for us when seeming misfortunes and difficulties come our way. Forgive us when we have treated Your love lightly, and have refused to love others as You have loved us. Forgive us for trying to live our lives without You. Have mercy on us, O God, for the sake of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.**

***THE ABSOLUTION**

C: **✠ Amen.**

***THE GLORIA PATRI** (Taken from LSB, page 186)

C: **✠ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

***THE KYRIE**

C: **✠ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

***THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** Taken from Lutheran Service Book pp. 187-189 (8:00)

♫ Glory be to God on high, And on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

***THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

L: The Lord be with you.

C: **♫ And with thy spirit.**

L: Let us pray.

C: **♫ Amen.**

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING for the seventh Sunday after Epiphany is from Genesis 45:3-15, page 39:

³ And Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph! Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, for they were dismayed at his presence. ⁴ So Joseph said to his brothers, "Come near to me, please." And they came near. And he said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. ⁵ And now do not be distressed or angry with yourselves because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶ For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are yet five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. ⁷ And God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. ⁸ So it was not you who sent me here, but God. He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. ⁹ Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt. Come down to me; do not tarry. ¹⁰ You shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, and your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. ¹¹ There I will provide for you, for there are yet five years of famine to come, so that you and your household, and all that you have, do not come to poverty.' ¹² And now your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see, that it is my mouth that speaks to you. ¹³ You must tell my father of all my honor in Egypt, and of all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." ¹⁴ Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, and Benjamin wept upon his neck. ¹⁵ And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them. After that his brothers talked with him.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **♫ Thanks be to God.**

8:00 & 10:30 Chancel Choir

God's Own Child I Gladly Say It

Arr: Jeffrey Blersch

THE EPISTLE READING is from 1 Corinthians 15:21-25, 30-42, pages 961-962:

²¹ For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²² For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³ But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴ Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. ²⁵ For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ³⁰ Why are we in danger every hour? ³¹ I protest, brothers, by my pride in you, which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die every day! ³² What do I gain if, humanly speaking, I fought with beasts at Ephesus? If the dead are not raised, "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die." ³³ Do not be deceived: "Bad company ruins good morals." ³⁴ Wake up from your drunken stupor, as is right, and do not go on sinning. For some have no knowledge of God. I say this to your shame. ³⁵ But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" ³⁶ You foolish person! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. ³⁷ And what you sow is not the body that is to be, but a bare kernel, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. ³⁸ But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. ³⁹ For not all flesh is the same, but there is one kind for humans, another for animals, another for birds, and another for fish. ⁴⁰ There are heavenly bodies and earthly bodies, but the glory of the heavenly is of one kind, and the glory of the earthly is of another. ⁴¹ There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for star differs from star in glory. ⁴² So is it with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable; what is raised is imperishable.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

***ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

C: ♪ Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

***THE HOLY GOSPEL** - according to St. Luke, the sixth chapter, verses 25-38, page 862:

C: ♪ Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

²⁵ “Woe to you who are full now, for you shall be hungry. “Woe to you who laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep.” ²⁶ “Woe to you, when all people speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets. ²⁷ “But I say to you who hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸ bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹ To one who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from one who takes away your cloak do not withhold your tunic either. ³⁰ Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back. ³¹ And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them. ³² “If you love those who love you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³ And if you do good to those who do good to you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴ And if you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to get back the same amount. ³⁵ But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil. ³⁶ Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful. ³⁷ “Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸ give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you.”

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: ♪ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

***THE APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SONG (Sung as the children come forward)

(8:00 & 10:30)

- 1. We will glorify the King of kings, We will glorify the Lamb;
We will glorify the Lord of lords, Who is the great I AM.**
- 2. He is Lord of heaven, Lord of earth, He is Lord of all who live;
He is Lord above the universe, All praise to Him we give.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (8:00 & 10:30)

Christina Stackle

HYMN OF THE DAY

Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing

LSB 737

- 1. Rejoice, my heart, be glad and sing, A cheerful trust maintain;
For God, the source of ev'rything, Your portion shall remain.**
- 2. He is your treasure, He your joy, Your life and light and Lord,
Your counselor when doubts annoy, Your shield and great reward.**
- 3. Why spend the day in blank despair, In restless thought the night?
On your Creator cast your care; He makes your burdens light.**
- 4. Did not His love and truth and pow'r Guard ev'ry childhood day?
And did He not in threat'ning hour Turn dreaded ills away?**
- 5. Upon your lips, then, lay your hand, And trust His guiding love;
Then like a rock your peace shall stand Here and in heav'n above.**

THE SERMON

“God’s Will in a Broken World”

(Genesis 45:3-15)

THE OFFERING - *During the offering all worshipers are asked to fill out the blue or ivory cards found in the pew rack. Please pass cards down to center aisle. They will be collected immediately after the offering.*
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***THE OFFERTORY** LSB page 192

✪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

***LORD'S PRAYER** (Found on the inside back cover of the hymnal.)

***THE BENEDICTION** C: **✪ Amen. Amen. Amen.**

***THE CLOSING HYMN** *You Are the Way; through You Alone* **LSB 526**

1. **You are the way; through You alone Can we the Father find;
In You, O Christ, has God revealed His heart and will and mind.**
2. **You are the truth; Your Word alone True wisdom can impart;
You only can inform the mind And purify the heart.**
3. **You are the way, the truth, the life; Grant us that way to know,
That truth to keep, that life to win Whose joys eternal flow.**

***SILENT PRAYER / POSTLUDE** + + + + +

SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY:

Preacher: Pastor Jon C. Furgeson

Liturgist: Pastor Dennis A. Kastens

Organist: 5:00 & 9:20: Alice Kastens; 8:00 & 10:30: Kendra Ruesler

Choir Dir.: Burnell Hackman, DMM; Debbie Prange

KFUO 850 AM Broadcaster/Engineer: Janice McCreary/Terry Hutton

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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TODAY'S EDUCATION HOUR: 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

Adult Bible Class (Lower Commons): The Gospel of Luke

Women's Bible Class (Office Conf. Rm.): led by Janice McCreary

Youth Bible Class: led by Christina Stackle, DCE

8th Gr: Rick Goodman & Mike Renner; **7th Gr:** Greg Wirtel & Cindy Neff

ALTAR FLOWERS are from Bob and Mary Lou Mullen, in honor of Pastor and Alice Kastens's 24 years of serving the Lord here at Peace Lutheran Church.

LIVE BROADCAST over KFUE radio (850 AM dial) of Peace's 8 a.m. service today is sponsored by Bob and Mary Lou Mullen in celebration of the anniversary of Pastor Kastens being installed at Peace Lutheran Church on February 19, 1995.

MARCH NEWSLETTER is in your mail slot.

GREEN PARK LUTHERAN SCHOOL Sunday at Peace is March 10.

IN OUR PRAYERS: David Schlechte, Jan Yaeger, Jerry Bridges, Fred and June Seiller, Bob and Sharon Hammon, Adam Lowry, Gus Zuniga, Martha Faris, Greg Taff, Laura Weaver Hogan, Charles Gruber, Barrett Phillipps, David Schmitt, Ray Spindler, Mary Siebert, Eldon Jones, Jerry Schramm, Helen Hagen, James Ralston.

LUTHERAN-SOUTH WIND SYMPHONY, Concert Band, and Jazz Band will perform Friday, March 8, 7:00 p.m. at the high school, located at 9515 Tesson Ferry Rd. The 53-piece Wind Symphony will perform works by Gustav Host, David Holsinger and “Disney at the Oscars.” The Concert Band will perform works by Jared Spears and Johann Sebastian Bach. The Jazz Band will present the sounds of “Jazz Greats” spanning the generations.

EASTER PLANTS: Easter lilies and dark pink azaleas will decorate the chancel April 20 and 21 for Easter. Complete the form below and place in the offering. **Please place your order by Sunday, March 17. Make checks payable to Peace Lutheran Church and earmark “Easter Plants”.** Contact Marlene Wussler if you have any questions.

MUSIC MINISTRY TRIVIA NIGHT & SILENT AUCTION Don’t miss your chance to get your Trivia Tickets. Final two weeks for tickets. Trivia Night is Friday, March 8 at 7:00 p.m. right here at Peace. Help support our youth attending the National Youth Gathering and have a fun evening. Tickets are \$20/person. Don’t forget to drop off your Silent Auction items this week. Any questions, contact Jan Flosi.

ADULT CO-ED VOLLEYBALL (18 YRS+) We encourage you to join us as we embark on a season of fitness and fellowship every Tuesday from 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. in the Gym. Only requirement is your smile! Please contact Julie Stinnett if you have questions.

CREATION SCIENCE CONFERENCE Saturday, March 2, 8:00 - 4:30, at Concordia Seminary featuring Creation Scientists, Dr. Steven Austin, and Dr. Robert Carter. Early bird registration \$20 (includes lunch); at door \$30. Information: <http://mocreacion.org/Truth/Conf/> or call 314-397-5874.

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 24, 2019:

Today:	6:30	Sr. Youth Small Groups
	7:00	Elders Meeting
Mon:	5:00	Chimes of Peace Rehearsal
	6:30	Cub Scouts
Tue:	9:00	Quilters
	6:00	Men’s Club
	6:30	Coed Volleyball
Wed:	4:00	5/6/7/8 gr. Conf. Class
	7:00	Wednesday Bible Study
	7:00	Bells of Peace Rehearsal
Thu:	6:00	Men’s Bible Study
	9:00	Mary/Martha
	6:30	ESL Classes
	7:00	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Sat:	5:00	Worship Service w/Comm
Sun:	11:30	Youth Board
	6:30	Sr. Youth Small Groups