



Sunday, April 26, 2020
Third Sunday of Easter
Live Stream Worship 9:00a
Peace Lutheran Church of Plymouth

PRELUDE

Your River, O God
verses 1 & 3

Hans Peterson & Larry Olson

Refrain

Your riv - er, O God, is full of wa - ter, wa - ter a -
live with jus - tice and grace. Your riv - er, O God, it
flows with mer - cy for ev' - ry child through ev' - ry
time and place.

Verse

Ev' - ry birth on this earth speaks the
Come and hear all who fear, you are
As we grow may we know waves of
mys - ter - y. Ev' - ry heart,
not a - lone. Come and see,
hope sur - round. As we live

to Refrain

from the start, light for all to see.
be set free, rest here in your home.
may we give love that has no bounds.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: God of abundance, the land we walk on is holy ground.

Send forth your grace to help us heal the wounds of this world.

Open up the soil of our hearts to your word of life.

May we be strengthened by this time together and grow into who you are creating us to be.

MANY: AMEN

OPENING SONG


Come and See
verse 1 and 2

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Refrain



Come and see what God has done. The earth is a - live;



thanks to the sun. Ev' - ry plant that grows ev' - ry ri - ver that flows what a




mir - a - cle gift of cre - a - tion!

Verse



The song of a wren, the flight of a hawk, a ba - by's first bond with her
Pon - der the vast - ness of the night sky. The dis - tance you see is a -
Look at a seed, it knows what to do; new life will spring forth from its
Peo - ple of Faith, Grace beck - ons you home to E - den in all of its



moth - er; first flow - ers of spring a - rise and sing. The
maz - ing. The light trav - els o - ver thou - sands of years be -
fall - ing. And we as peo - ple of the Di - vine can
splen - dor. Do you hear the call? Re - new the earth! With



world is filled with won - der!
fore you see it star - gaz - ing.
lis - ten as we know our call - ing.
care now gar - den and tend her.

to Refrain

CONFESSION

ONE: Sisters and brothers, we come to the God of mercy mindful that the creation upon which we all depend is suffering. The immense beauty surrounding us, the complex web of life supporting us has been broken by our hands. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

silence for reflection

Loving God, you have placed us as stewards within your creation, but we have poisoned the waters, exhausted the soils and polluted the air. We have spoiled the life giving resources upon which we all depend. As Jesus' disciples, we are called to feed the hungry, clothe the naked and tend to the sick. Instead, we take the wealth of the world into our own houses and leave your children in need. God of all life,

MANY: we confess our part in a broken world.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

ONE: As surely as the rain comes forth to water the earth, God's mercy comes to us as a gift, abundant and freely given. The same God who created the cosmos and raised Jesus from death to life brings healing and forgiveness to the world today. You are loved, you are restored. In Christ, you are forgiven all your sins.

MANY: Thanks be to God.

SONG OF PRAISE

Praise to You


Hans Peterson & Larry Olson

verse 3

Refrain



Praise to you, O Great Cre - a - tor, Ma - ker of the land and sky.




Praise to you, O Liv - ing Wat - er, hope and breath of ev' - ry life.

Verse



We are lost and we are long-ing, wand'-ring in the wild - er - ness,
Hear the cries of all cre - a - tion, how the tears like ri - vers flow
May we live your way of jus-tice, may we walk your way of peace.

to Refrain



search - ing for your hol - y pres-ence and the rea - son we ex - ist.
for your touch of grace and heal - ing and the love that leads us home.
May we see your sac - red vi - sion, may we know your sweet re - lease.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

ONE: Let us pray. The eyes of all look to you, O God. Turn our hearts and minds to your open hand that provides for every living thing, so that we may know your generosity and participate in the healing and restoration of all that you have made, in Jesus' name we pray.

MANY: AMEN

SCRIPTURE

Acts 3:1-10

One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the hour of prayer, at three o'clock in the afternoon. 2 And a man lame from birth was being carried in. People would lay him daily at the gate of the temple called the Beautiful Gate so that he could ask for alms from those entering the temple. 3 When he saw Peter and John about to go into the temple, he asked them for alms. 4 Peter looked intently at him, as did John, and said, "Look at us." 5 And he fixed his attention on them, expecting to receive something from them. 6 But Peter said, "I have no silver or gold, but what I have I give you; in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, stand up and walk." 7 And he took him by the right hand and raised him up; and immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. 8 Jumping up, he stood and began to walk, and he entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God. 9 All the people saw him walking and praising God, 10 and they recognized him as the one who used to sit and ask for alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

ONE: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

MANY: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Kjell M. Ferris



Since time be - gan, through cent - ur - ies God's
A moth - ers womb, a brand new life God's
Signs of hope, a voice of peace God's



love is ev - er - last - ing. To dis - tant un - known
love is ev - er - last - ing. An emp - ty tomb, the
love is ev - er - last - ing. The pro - phet's cry for



gal - ax - ies God's love is ev - er - last - ing.
ri - sen Christ God's love is ev - er - last - ing.
war to cease God's love is ev - er - last - ing. For the



Splen - dor springs forth 'cross the land God's
Weep - ing may last and for the night God's
down and out and high and proud God's



love is ev - er - last - ing. A - bun - dance, shar - ing
love is ev - er - last - ing. But joy breaks forth with
love is ev - er - last - ing. Come all you peo - ple



hand in hand God's love is ev - er - last - ing. Your
morn - ing light God's love is ev - er - last - ing.
shout out loud God's love is ev - er - last - ing.



love (your love) is last - ing, your love is ev - er - last - ing. Your



love (your love) is last - ing, your love is ev - er - last - ing.

APOSTLES' CREED

ONE: With the whole church, let us confess our faith in the Triune God.

MANY: **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
 On the third day Christ rose again;
 he ascended into heaven,
 he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
 and will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. AMEN**

PRAYERS

ONE: With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation...

silence

ONE: Come to our aid as the coronavirus spreads globally, heal those who are sick, and protect their families and friends from being infected. Lord in your mercy,

MANY: hear our prayer.

ONE: People all around the globe are giving of themselves on behalf of this world. Strengthen those in the medical profession and all who commit themselves to the work of ending this pandemic. Sustain all workers and business owners who suffer loss of livelihood due to shut-downs and closures. Lord in your mercy,

MANY: hear our prayer.

ONE: Holy Spirit, you work among us in ways we do not understand. We name before you, aloud and in our hearts, those we know who are in need of your healing and comfort ...

ONE: Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

MANY: AMEN

SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you always.

MANY: And also with you.

ONE: Let us share a sign of God's peace with one another.

Kjell - speaks about how to give on the Peace website, IOCP

Stef - plays video from IOCP

OFFERING

God of Stars and Distant Planets

Hans Peterson & Larry Olson

PRAYER JESUS TAUGHT US

ONE: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us,

MANY: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,

now and forever. AMEN

BENEDICTION



vs. 1 Filled — with the Ho - ly — Spir - it
 vs. 1 *Lleno del Es - pi - ri - tu — San - to*
 vs. 2 Of - fer - ing a hand — to a stran - ger
 vs. 3 Wa - ters of mer - cy have found us
 vs. 4 Cross-ing ev' - ry bound'-ry, ev' - ry na - tion

go now with God,
va - mos con Dios,



go now with God. In - to the world — as a serv - ant
va - mos con Dios. En-tran - do al mun - do pa - ra ser - vir
 Trust-ing in the ris - en — sav - ior
 Grace — on the jour - ney sur - rounds us
 Danc-ing in the gift of lib - er - a - tion



go now with God,
va - mos con Dios,

go now with God.
va - mos con Dios.

Go — now,
Va - mos,



go — now,
va - - - mos,

go — now with God.
va - mos con Dios.



Go — now,
Va - mos,

go — now,
va - mos,

go — now with God.
va - mos con Dios.

DISMISSAL

ONE: Go in Peace, serve the Lord.

MANY: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

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