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2nd Sunday after Pentecost
Peace Lutheran Church of Plymouth

PRELUDE

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Breathing goes into scripture

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 55:10-12

ONE: Scripture from the fifty-fifth chapter of Isaiah, verses 10-12.

As the rain and the snow
 come down from heaven,
and do not return to it
 without watering the earth
and making it bud and flourish,
 so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater,

so is my word that goes out from my mouth:
 It will not return to me empty,
but will accomplish what I desire
 and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.

You will go out in joy
 and be led forth in peace;
the mountains and hills
 will burst into song before you,
and all the trees of the field
 will clap their hands.

ONE: Holy wisdom, holy word.
MANY: Thanks be to God.



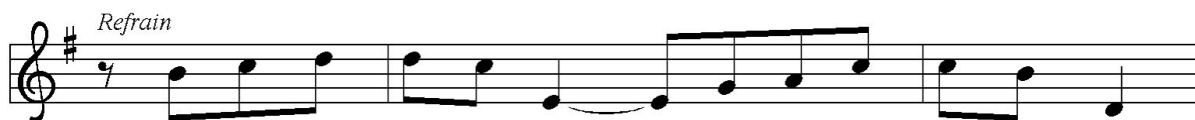
1 Light dawns on a wea - ry world when eyes be - gin to
 2 Love grows in a wea - ry world when hun - gry hearts find
 3 Hope blooms in a wea - ry world when crea-tures, once for -



see all peo - ple's dig - ni - ty. Light dawns on a
 bread and chil - dren's dreams are fed. Love grows in a
 lorn, find wil - der - ness re - born. Hope blooms in a



wea - ry world: the prom-ised day of jus - tice comes.
 wea - ry world: the prom-ised feast of plen - ty comes.
 wea - ry world: the prom-ised green of E - den comes.



Refrain

The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;



the hills and moun-tains shall break forth with sing - ing!



We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,



as all the world in won-der ech - oes sha - lom.

CONFESSION

ONE: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

MANY: AMEN

ONE: God of all times and all places, let the power of the Holy Spirit move among us.

We have sinned, knowingly and unknowingly, and people are suffering because of what we have done
and what we have not done.

We are sorry for the ways we have failed to love your people and for the ways we have kept our
neighbors from thriving, especially people of color.

Your mercy is great and your love is steadfast, so we humbly repent and name our sins before you, aloud
and in our hearts.

silence for reflection

ONE: God, We kneel before you and we place our sins at the foot of the cross.

Give us the courage to speak up when we would be silent.

Help us to work to achieve justice and equity for all of your children.

Grant us the faith to follow your guidance, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

MANY: AMEN


WORDS OF ASSURANCE

ONE: We are all God's children. We will not always be perfect. We will second-guess ourselves, we will
try, and sometimes we will fail.

Take heart! God is rich in mercy and justice. The Bible tells us that Jesus loves us. By God's grace our
sins are washed away and we are saved.

Be still and know that Jesus is walking the path of life with us, forgiving all of our sins.

MANY: AMEN

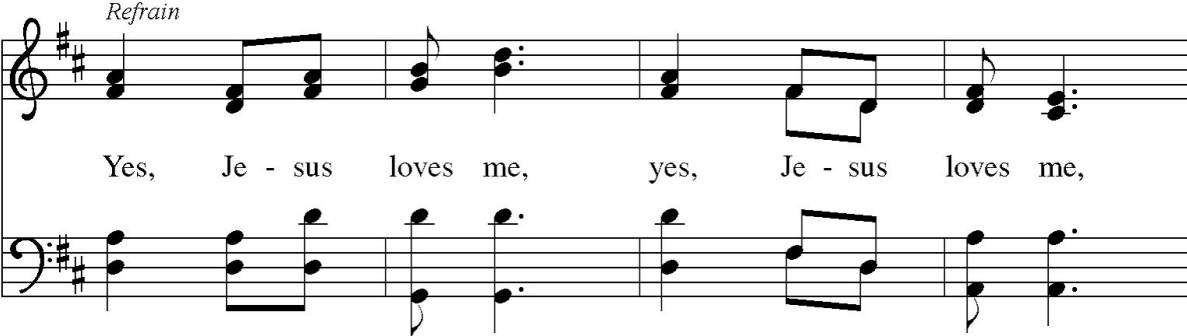


1 Je - sus loves me! this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so;
2 Je - sus loves me! he who died heav - en's gates to o - pen wide;
3 Je - sus loves me! he will stay close be - side me all the way;



lit - tle ones to him be - long, they are weak, but he is strong.
he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.
when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high.

Refrain



Yes, Je - sus loves me, yes, Je - sus loves me,



yes, Je - sus loves me, the Bi - ble tells me so.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

ONE: O God, our liberation,

we seek the power of your spirit that we might live in fuller union with you, ourselves, and our sisters and brothers. Also grant that we may gain courage to love and understand each other.

MANY: AMEN

SCRIPTURE

Job 4:1-11

Then Eliphaz from Teman spoke up:

“Would you mind if I said something to you?

Under the circumstances it’s hard to keep quiet.

You yourself have done this plenty of times, spoken words
that clarify, encouraged those who were about to quit.

Your words have put stumbling people on their feet,
put fresh hope in people about to collapse.

But now you’re the one in trouble—you’re hurting!

You’ve been hit hard and you’re reeling from the blow.

But shouldn’t your devout life give you confidence now?

Shouldn’t your exemplary life give you hope?

7-11 “Think! Has a truly innocent person ever ended up on the scrap heap?

Do genuinely upright people ever lose out in the end?

It’s my observation that those who plow evil
and sow trouble reap evil and trouble.

One breath from God and they fall apart,
one blast of his anger and there’s nothing left of them.

The mighty lion, king of the beasts, roars mightily,
but when he’s toothless he’s useless—

No teeth, no prey—and the cubs
wander off to fend for themselves.

ONE: Holy wisdom, holy word.



MANY: Thanks be to God.

SERMON



Rev. Kjell M. Ferris and Rob Winkler




1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
3 Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged— take it to the Lord in prayer.
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; oh, what need - less pain we bear—
Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share?
Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness— take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so - lace there.



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 our whole human family that is in turmoil and burdened with illness and injustice, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all God's creation...

silence

ONE: Gracious and loving God, your prophets show us how to love: to loosen the bonds of injustice and to free the oppressed. Empower us to create just religious, economic, and judicial systems for people of color. Lord in your mercy,

MANY: hear our prayer.

ONE: As our nation suffers from multiple traumas, our hearts hurt. Help people to reach out to one another, and seek out the help of mental health professionals. Bless our conversations about mental health and show us your light, love, and hope in the midst of hard times. Lord in your mercy,

MANY: hear our prayer.

ONE: People all around the globe are giving of themselves on behalf of this world. Strengthen all who commit themselves to ending the COVID-19 pandemic. Sustain all workers and business owners who suffer loss of livelihood due to closures. Lord in your mercy,

MANY: hear our prayer.

ONE: Heal our self-centeredness and indifference that makes us worry only when violence or virus threatens us. Strengthen all who commit themselves to ending racial inequity. Move us to action, helping our neighbors and the world you love. 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.

OFFERING

Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil

arr. Sherri Hansen

PRAYER JESUS TAUGHT US

ONE: Grounded in our fierce faith in the God of Life, 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

ONE: O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

MANY: AMEN

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of six lines of music, each with a corresponding line of lyrics in Spanish and English. The lyrics are: 'En - via - do soy de Dios, mi ma - no lis - ta es - tá' / 'The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give, pa - ra cons - truir con él un mun - do fra - ter - nal.' / 'to make of all the earth a bet - ter place to live. Los án - ge - les no son en - via - dos a cam - biar' / 'The an - gels are not sent in - to our world of pain un mun - do de do - lor por un mun - do me - jor;' / 'to do what we were meant to do in Je - sus' name; me ha to - ca - do a mí ha - cer - lo rea - li - dad.' / 'that falls to you and me and all who are made free. A - yú - da - me, Se - ñor, a ha - cer tu vo - lun - tad.' / 'Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will to - day.'

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DISMISSAL

ONE: Go in Peace, serve the Lord.

MANY: Thanks be to God!

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