

May 1, 2022
Third Sunday of Easter
Peace Lutheran Church of Plymouth
Paul's Conversion

GATHER

PRELUDE

All are Welcome/Come Christians, Join to Sing

Paul Tate

ANNOUNCEMENTS

+CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

ONE: In the name of the Father,
and of the ☩ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

MANY: AMEN

ONE: Let us pray. God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

MANY: AMEN

ONE: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

silence for reflection

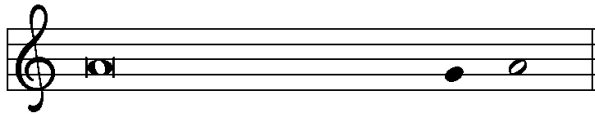
ONE: Most merciful God,

MANY: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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

ONE: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

MANY: AMEN

+KYRIE

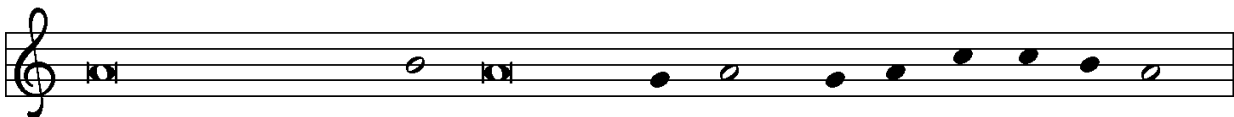


ONE: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

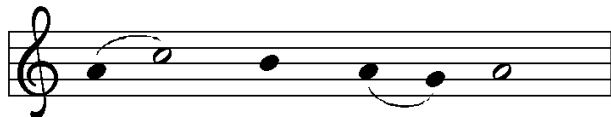


MANY: Lord, have mer - cy.

ONE:



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



MANY: Lord, have mer - cy.



ONE: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

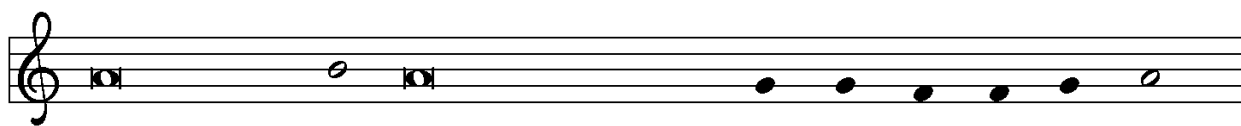


and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

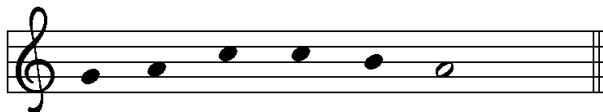


MANY: Lord, have mer - cy.

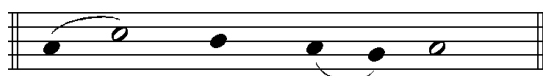
ONE:



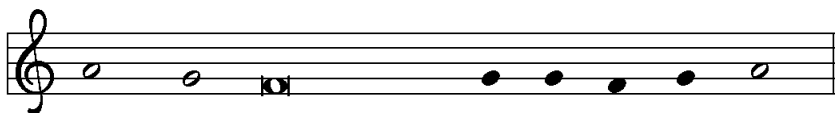
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



MANY: Lord have mer - cy.



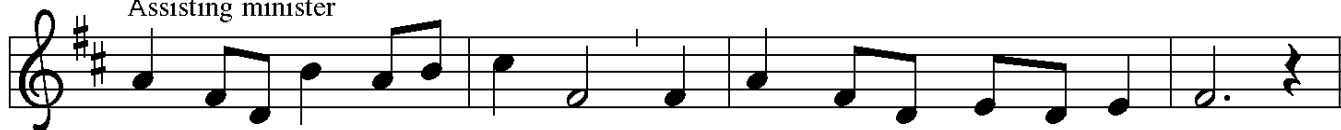
ONE: Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord.



MANY: A - men.

GLORY TO GOD

Assisting minister



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,

in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

WORD

SCRIPTURE

Acts 9: 1-19

9 Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest **2** and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. **3** Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. **4** He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, “Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?” **5** He asked, “Who are you, Lord?” The reply came, “I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. **6** But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.” **7** The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. **8** Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. **9** For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

10 Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, “Ananias.” He answered, “Here I am, Lord.” **11** The Lord said to him, “Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, **12** and he has seen in a vision[a] a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight.” **13** But Ananias answered, “Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; **14** and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name.” **15** But the Lord said to him, “Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; **16** I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name.” **17** So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul[b] and said, “Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.” **18** And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, **19** and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

ONE: Holy wisdom, holy word.

MANY: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Paul Lutter

+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 OF THE PEOPLE

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: In light of the good news of your love for us in Jesus, you teach us, O God, that what we see is not necessarily what we get. Thanks for the ways you see through our failures and flaws, our woundedness by which we are judged in the world. Thanks for the ways you take our stories and redeem and transform them. Thanks that your love for us is rooted in how you promise to be with us, always. Lord in your mercy,

MANY: hear our prayer.

ONE: Speak to us in ways that surprise and delight us, O Gracious One. Open our ears, hands, and hearts for all you have for us. Focus our attention on all the ways you are at work among us, and help us to trust you in your self-giving love. Lord in your mercy,

MANY: hear our prayer.

ONE: Set us free by your grace as we move to the sway of your Spirit's leading in our lives and in our life together. Welcome us into the wideness of your mercy. Empower and equip us to invite others into the grace of community. We thank you and pray for the parents of young children in our congregation and community. Bless and uphold them as they pour themselves out in love with every single breath, and at every single turn.. Lord in your mercy,

MANY: hear our prayer.

ONE: We pray for all the people of Peace Lutheran Church. Meet us as we are – but don't leave us where we are. Stir your imagination among us, that we meet each thing we face with hope and resilience. Bless us in this time of transition. Wake us to the hope you have given us in Christ, that we may know your healing and love again, and once more. We pray, God, for those who are in need of your care today, both silently and aloud.... Lord, in your mercy,

MANY: hear our prayer.

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 all.

MANY: And also with you.

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

MEAL

OFFERING

Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life

Ralph Vaughan William
Text: George Herbert

+OFFERTORY PRAYER

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ONE: God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

MANY: AMEN

+THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

ONE: The Lord be with you.

MANY: And also with you.

ONE: Lift up your hearts.

MANY: We lift them to the Lord.

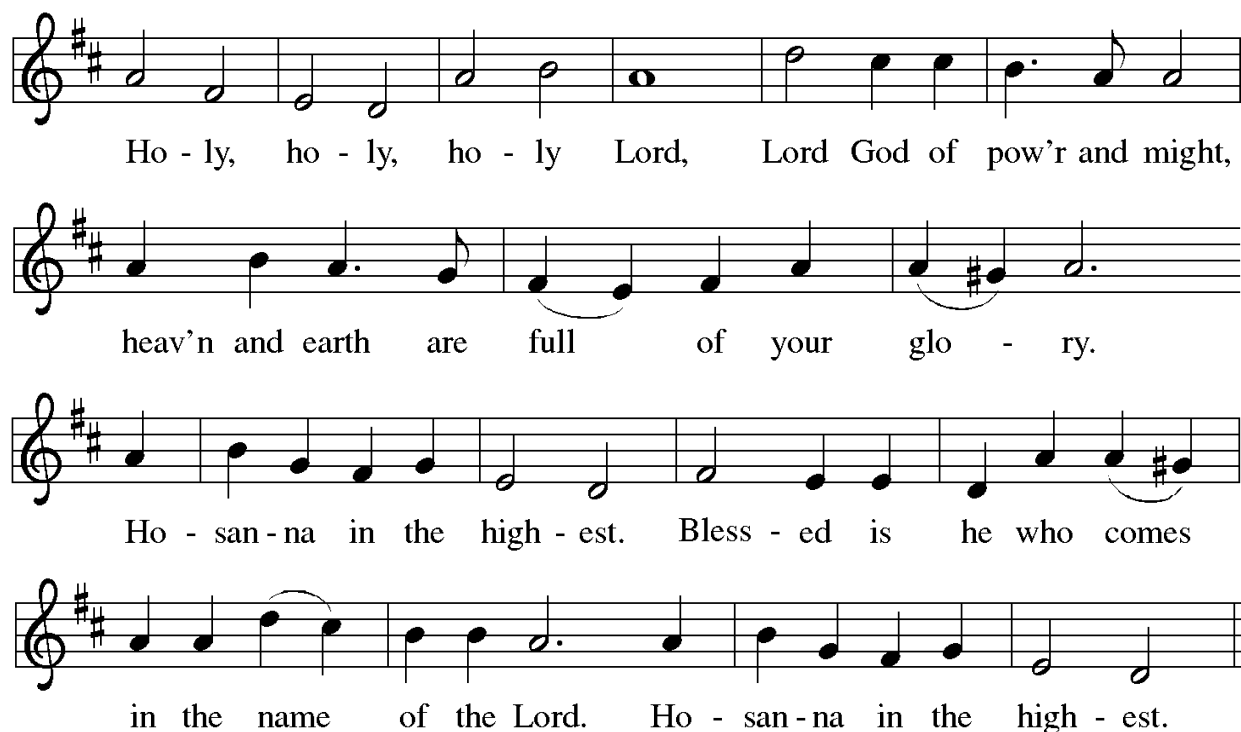
ONE: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

MANY: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

+PREFACE

ONE: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.
You call your people to cleanse their hearts
and prepare with joy for the paschal feast,
that, renewed in the gift of baptism,
we may come to the fullness of your grace.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

+HOLY COMMUNION



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

+WORDS OF INSTITUTION

+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.

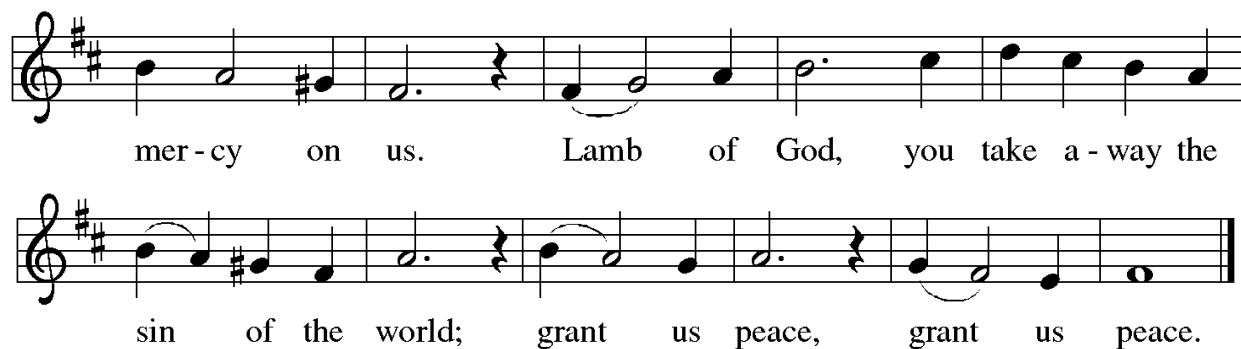
**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. AMEN**

WELCOME TO THE TABLE

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



COMMUNION BLESSING

SEND

+SENDING HYMN

All are Welcome

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+BENEDICTION

ONE: Let us pray together the Prayer of Good Courage.

MANY: 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. AMEN

+DISMISSAL

ONE: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

MANY: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune in F

David N Johnson

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ELW Setting 4

Kyrie, Glory to God, Holy, Lamb of God

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Serving today:

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Organist & Pianist

Cantor & Soloist

Lector

Usher

Greeter

Counters

Rev. Paul Lutter

Anne Phillips

David Jopke

Jenny Lutter

Matt Peterson

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEEK OF MAY 1, 2022

TODAY

9am worship

Families are encouraged to have their children in worship, but the nursery is available if needed. It will be open but not staffed; please plan to supervise your own children inside.

THE NATIONAL LUTHERAN CHOIR

Earth Sings Beauty Concert TODAY, 4pm

This concert will be the finale of the 2021-2022 season! The NLC will world premiere the award-winning commission Lament of the Earth by composer Steve Heitzeg and poet Susan Palo Cherwien. There are 3 ways to enjoy the concert; in-person, online and on the radio! **IN-PERSON** at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, Mahtomedi, MN,

Purchase tickets at: nlca.com

ON-LINE at nlca.com or

ON THE RADIO at Minnesota Public Radio's Classical MPR at 4:00 pm CDT

PLYMOUTH ROCKERS CONCERT

The Plymouth Rockers will be holding their spring concert "*Music to Sing Your Way Home*" **TODAY** at 3:00 p.m. at Wayzata High School.

www.plymouthrockers.org

YOGADEVOTION

Registration is open for the next session of Yogadevotion. Dates are May 2- June 20, no class May 30, 7 weeks, \$63. You can register at:

<https://yogadevotion.com/class/peace-lutheran-church-plymouth-yogadevotion-flow-with-emily/2022-05-02/> See the Saturday e-news for a direct link to the page.

HELLO, PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN!

I'd like to invite you to join me in the fireside room after worship on **TODAY**. You should bring your kids with you and some of the older kids will lead a few games. After the games, the nursery will be staffed, and the parents will be treated to coffee and treats (donuts? bagels? You'll just have to come and see!) The goal is for parents of young kids to get to know one another and talk together. Maybe we'll even start a small group for parents of young ones if it feels like it might be a fun and good thing for us to do. Come join us. I'll look forward to meeting you. Please let me know if you have any questions. My email is paul@peaceplymouth.org. My cell number is (507) 440-0048. I look forward to our time together. In peace, Pastor Paul Lutter

PEACEFUL NIGHTS PROGRAMMING

Dinner will be served from 5:30 - 6:00 pm. The menu on May 4 will be chicken alfredo and rigatoni.

From April 20-May 11, here's what Wednesday nights will look like:

SPRING 2022	Elementary	Pre-Confirmation	Confirmation	Adults
5:30-6:00pm	Dinner (Fellowship Hall)			
6:00pm	Music (Room 111/112)	CONNECT Lesson (Room 107/108)	Wholeheart Faith Book Study (Room 104)	Fellowship
6:30pm	Games (Fellowship Hall)			Bible Study (Fireside Room)
7:00-7:30pm	Youth Music* (Sanctuary)			
7:45-8:45pm				Adult Choir (Sanctuary) Adult Bells (Bell Room)