



**September 6, 2020**  
14th Sunday after Pentecost  
Peace Lutheran Church of Plymouth  
*An unexpected family*

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

ONE: Reconciling God, we thank you for making one human family of all the peoples of the earth. We have assigned the notion of race to human beings created in God's own divine image. We have judged God's beautiful diversity by our flawed and artificial standards. We have accepted practices in our church and society that privilege whiteness over diversity and equity. We have sinned against God and one another. Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

*silence for reflection*

ONE: God, who is rich in mercy, loves us even when we are dead in sin, and makes us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of +Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that you might walk in newness of life.

**MANY: AMEN**

GATHERING SONG  
Evans

*Holy Time/Won't You Dance With Me*

Greg

This is holy time  
We're gathered together to worship you  
To love one another  
And as we pray  
And as we sing  
And as we dance  
And as we dream  
Oh Lord I beg of you, just this one thing:

Won't you dance with me?  
Throughout the heavens and below the sea  
And upon the mountaintops  
Flow with the breeze  
Come carry me

Lord, won't you dance with me?

PRAYER OF THE DAY

ONE: You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**MANY: AMEN**

SCRIPTURE

Romans 12: 4-8

For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, <sup>5</sup>so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. <sup>6</sup>We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; <sup>7</sup>ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; <sup>8</sup>the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

ONE: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

**MANY: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Melissa Weinhandl

SONG OF THE DAY

*Will You Let Me Be Your Servant?*  
verses 1, 3, and 4

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1 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as  
 2 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, we are trav - 'lers  
 3 I will hold the Christ - light for you in the night - time  
 4 I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you laugh I'll  
 5 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as



Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to  
 on the road; we are here to help each oth - er  
 of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you,  
 laugh with you. I will share your joy and sor - row  
 Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to



let you be my ser - vant, too.  
 walk the mile and bear the load.  
 speak the peace you long to hear.  
 till we've seen this jour - ney through.  
 let you be my ser - vant, too.

**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: Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray for our shared world.

*silence*

ONE: We pray for the church. Sustain us as we share your word. Embrace us as we struggle to find our common ground. Lift up leaders with powerful and prophetic voices. Free us from stagnant faith. Hear us, O God,

**MANY: your mercy is great.**

ONE: We pray for the well-being of creation. Protect the air, water, land and living things from abuse and pollution. Direct us toward sustainable living. Hear us, O God,

**MANY: your mercy is great.**

ONE: We pray for the nations. Guide leaders in developing just policies and guide difficult conversations. Free us from partisanship that hinders relationship-building. Lead us to expansive love for our neighbor. Hear us, O God,

**MANY: your mercy is great.**

ONE: We pray for all in need. For all who are tired, feeling despair, sick, or oppressed. Take their yoke upon you and ease their burdens. Give your consolation and free us from all that keeps us bound. Hear us, O God,

**MANY: your mercy is great.**

ONE: We pray for all churches. Bless pastors, deacons, and congregational leaders. Energize children's ministry volunteers, church administrators, and those who maintain our buildings. Especially guide and strengthen all people of faith as the COVID pandemic keeps us from gathering together in beloved and familiar ways. Hear us, O God,

**MANY: your mercy is great.**

ONE: Welcome all who have died into your eternal rest and comfort us in our grief until we are joined with them in new life. Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; 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

*Love your neighbor*

Susan Eltringham

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### PRAYER JESUS TAUGHT US

ONE: Filled with joy, hope, and peace through the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray,

**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

*Sing two times.*



*Nues-tro Pa - dre nos in - vi - ta a la me - sa de la*  
 God ex - tends an in - vi - ta - tion to the ta - ble of cre -



*vi - da, don - de hay vi - no, luz y pan; y no -*  
 a - tion, where there's wine and light and bread. Here we



*so - tros nos reu - ni - mos, y lo nues - tro com - par - ti - mos, pues a -*  
 gath - er in thanks - giv - ing and we of - fer all our liv - ing. Here the



*sí - es la co - mu - ni - ón; pues a - sí - es la co - mu - ni - ón.*  
 feast of life is spread; here the feast of life is spread.

COMMUNION BLESSING

BENEDICTION

Romans 15:13

ONE: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

MANY: AMEN

You shall go out with joy — and be led forth with peace, — and the

6  
moun-tains and the hills will break forth be - fore you. There'll be shouts of joy

11  
— and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.

17  
And all the trees of the field will clap their hands. — The trees of the

23  
field will clap their hands. — The trees of the field will clap their hands,

29  
— while you go out with joy. —

DISMISSAL

Kjell- ONE: Go in Peace, serve the Lord.

MANY: **Thanks be to God!**

End the live stream.

