

# PEACE BE WITH YOU

### **CROSS OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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#### WORDS OF WELCOME

#### Pastor Dave Thomas

#### **OPENING SONG**



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#### PEACE BE WITH YOU AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

The peace of the Lord be with you always. Let us pray:

Prince of Peace, we long to know the calming, comforting assurance of your presence in our lives. Sometimes this is our experience. Other times we feel the weight of worry and the stress on uncertainty. Fill us anew, we pray, with your Spirit of Peace, and help us to be peace givers and peace makers. This we pray in the name of Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



#### FIRST LESSON

Numbers 6:24-26 (NIV)

L The first lesson is Numbers chapter 6, verses 24 to 26.

"The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace."

- L Word of God. Word of Life.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### SECOND LESSON

2 Corinthians 13:11 (The Inclusive Bible)

L The second lesson is Second Corinthians chapter 13, verse 11.

And now, sisters and brothers, I must say goodbye. Mend your ways. Encourage one another. Live in harmony and peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you.

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#### HOLY GOSPEL

#### John 14:25-27 (NRSV)

P Hear the Good News, as recorded in the Gospel of John, chapter 14.

Jesus said, "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."

- P This is good news!
- C Thanks be to God!

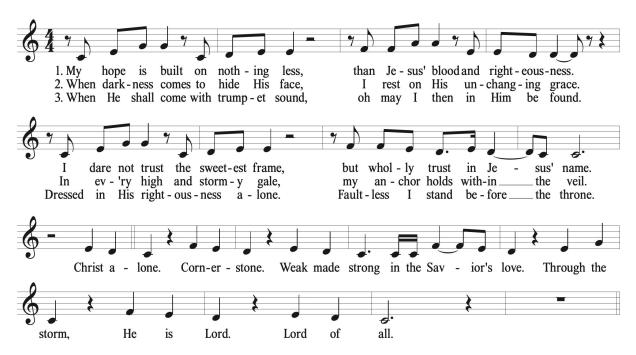
MESSAGE

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#### SONG OF THE SEASON

Cornerstone





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#### **PROFESSING OF FAITH**

#### Apostles' Creed

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 he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he 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

Each petition ends "Hear us, O Lord." The response is, "Grant us your peace."

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

#### OFFERING

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### BENEDICTION

May the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen.



#### **CLOSING SONG**



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#### SENT TO SERVE

- P Jesus said, "As I have been sent, so also I send you."By God's grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, we are called to:
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