

# Peace Lutheran Church

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## Pentecost III

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### Welcome

*To all who gather to worship the true God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If you are visiting at Peace today, please introduce yourself to the pastor, or elder at the door, and fill out the guest section of the cards in the pews.*

*For parents who feel the need to take their infants or toddlers out of the sanctuary for part of the service, there is a quiet room located at the back of the sanctuary.*

*May you experience Christ's love as you worship with us.*

### Front Lines

We as members of God's family, the Church, are always in opposition to the world; we live in it, but not according to its standards. That places us at times on the front lines in the battle for people's souls; people who are harassed and helpless to the devil's assaults through governments and society itself.

May we continue to stand up for our neighbours  
and provide the truth about their greatest need;  
the need for a saviour.

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OPENING HYMN

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OPENING VERSICLES

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OLD TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 19:2–8

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<sup>2</sup>[The people of Israel] set out from Rephidim and came into the wilderness of Sinai, and they encamped in the wilderness. There Israel encamped before the mountain, <sup>3</sup>while Moses went up to God. The LORD called to him out of the mountain, saying, “Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the people of Israel: <sup>4</sup>You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. <sup>5</sup>Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; <sup>6</sup>and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel.”

<sup>7</sup>So Moses came and called the elders of the people and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. <sup>8</sup>All the people answered together and said, “All that the LORD has spoken we will do.” And Moses reported the words of the people to the LORD.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

**EPISTLE READING: Romans 5:6–15**

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<sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—<sup>8</sup>but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup>Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. <sup>10</sup>For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. <sup>11</sup>More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

<sup>12</sup>Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned—<sup>13</sup>for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. <sup>14</sup>Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come.

<sup>15</sup>But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**PEOPLE:** Thanks be to God.

**GOSPEL READING: Matthew 9:35—10:20**

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<sup>35</sup>And Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and

healing every disease and every affliction. <sup>36</sup>When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup>Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; <sup>38</sup>therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.”

<sup>10:1</sup>And he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every affliction. <sup>2</sup>The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; <sup>3</sup>Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup>Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

<sup>5</sup>These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, “Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans, <sup>6</sup>but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup>And proclaim as you go, saying, ‘The kingdom of heaven is at hand.’ <sup>8</sup>Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay.

<sup>9</sup>Acquire no gold nor silver nor copper for your belts, <sup>10</sup>no bag for your journey, nor two tunics nor sandals nor a staff, for the labourer deserves his food. <sup>11</sup>And whatever town or village you enter, find out who is worthy in it and stay there until you depart. <sup>12</sup>As you enter the house, greet it. <sup>13</sup>And if the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it, but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. <sup>14</sup>And if anyone will not receive you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet when you leave that house or town. <sup>15</sup>Truly, I say to you, it will be more bearable on the day of judgment for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah than for that town.

<sup>16</sup>“Behold, I am sending you out as sheep in the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. <sup>17</sup>Beware of men, for they will deliver you over to courts and flog you in their synagogues, <sup>18</sup>and you will be dragged before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them and the Gentiles. <sup>19</sup>When they deliver you over, do not be anxious how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you are to say will be given to you in that hour. <sup>20</sup>For it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.”

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

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**SERMON HYMN** # 826

**SERMON** *"Harassed and Helpless"*

**OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY** # 830

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## **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Almighty, eternal God, in the Word of Your apostles and prophets, You have proclaimed to us Your saving will. Grant us faith to believe Your promises that we may receive eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. (A64)

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**CLOSING HYMN** SFD # 12

*Serving This Morning*

*Elders*

*Ushers*

*Organist*

*Ed Muth, Gary Zakel*

*Helen Mayo, Jacki McDowell*

*Connie Shuga, Andrew Vandermeersch*

*Janice Buchner*

# Be at Peace This Week

Today	After Service	___ Coffee Fellowship
Tuesday	10:00 a.m.	___ Pastor's Meeting
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	___ Church Cleaning
Saturday	10:00 a.m.	___ Turtlefest
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	___ Communion Service
	After Service	___ Strawberry Social

## *As you pray this week, please remember:*

- *Those who are suffering from illness, injuries, or recovering from surgery especially; Murray Sandham, Jim Willis, Russell & Helen Hestler, Brent Wagner (Linda & Erwin's cousin-in-law), Joseph Douglas, Ken Simmons, Melanie Cashman, Connie Shuga, Kathy Erhardt, Joyce Wilson, Heather Theissler, Joan Rothenberg, Walter Csoff.*
- *Our shut-in members.*
- *St. Peter, Simcoe and Rev. Dan Abraham.*
- *Our Canadian Parliament, Prime Minister Mark Carney, and all those serving in the Armed Forces.*
- *Missions: Rev. Walta Clercius who serves as Assistant Missionary-at-Large for LCC's French Ministries in Quebec.*
- **To pray for all people:** *Pastor Paul, Joel Rock, and all the LCC Convention Delegates in Winnipeg.*
- *All those celebrating birthdays this week; Gary Ferguson (19), Laura Vandermeersch (20).*
- *All those celebrating anniversaries this week; Pastor Paul and Rosalie Schallhorn (14), Robert and Pam Anspach (16), Kevin and Corinna Sandham (16).*

## Announcements

**Today Pastor Paul and Joel Rock** are in Winnipeg as our representatives for the Lutheran Church-Canada (LCC) National Convention. Please pray for them and the other delegates so that God can work through them to plan a course for LCC for the next four years. Also pray that God would lead them to elect faithful leaders to guide and support us.

**Thank you** to Ed Muth and Gary Zakel for leading worship today.

**The flowers on the altar** are from Pastor Paul in thanks to God for 40 years of wedded love with the most wonderful, amazing woman, Rosalie, who he gets to love even longer!

**Many, many thanks** to the hard-working volunteers who cleaned our kitchen last Wednesday: Janice Buchner, Allan Greer, Helen Mayo, Jacki McDowell, Pastor Paul and Rosalie, and Audrey Weber. It looks and smells wonderful!

**On your way out today**, please pick up a copy of the July-September edition of *Portals of Prayer*.

**Turtlefest** is this upcoming Saturday. Come see us at our booth across from Kelsey's by the clock tower. Pray for our volunteers who will be handing out VBS flyers and representing our church.

**Our Strawberry Social** will be held **Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>**, after service. Please sign up so you can enjoy this seasonal treat with some great fellowship. Suggested donation, which will go to the building fund, is \$8.00/person. Children are free.

There will be a VBS meeting on Tuesday, **June 23<sup>rd</sup>** at 6:30 p.m. All those who are volunteering should attend!

**Our 3rd Annual Circuit Sons' BBQ** is going to held here on **Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup>**, beginning at 2:00 p.m. Information and sign-up sheet is in the usual location. Cost is \$15 for those above 12, and \$5.00 for those 12 and under.

If you would like to register your child/ren or grandchild/ren for VBS, please register online. If you do not have access to a computer, please pick up a paper registration form and return to mailbox 86. [www.vbsmate.com/events/peacetillsonburg/32117](http://www.vbsmate.com/events/peacetillsonburg/32117)

**From the Board of Trustees** - If anyone that has been assigned a key fob for access to the church and perhaps is no longer in need of one, please contact Kevin Sandham to arrange its return to the church's inventory.

**Our Mission Project for May/June** is Fresh Start's Maternity Supports' Baby Bottle Drive. Fresh Start is a pregnancy support program for young women located in St. Thomas. **Please don't forget to pick up a baby bottle** on your way out and place any spare change, bills or even cheques into it. We will be collecting the bottles **back on Father's Day** in June. Thank you for your yearly support!

### **Tillsonburg Food Bank - June 2026**

Canned Fruit            Canned Vegetables            Crackers  
Granola Bars            Breakfast items            Pasta  
Soups(especially Chunky soup)

### **Stewardship - May 2026**

Current Offerings	\$16,961.95
Monthly Budget	<u>\$16,517.00</u>
Monthly Surplus	\$ 444.95
Building Fund Offerings	\$ 8,883.90
Monthly CEF Mortgage	<u>\$ 6,075.00</u>
Monthly Surplus	\$ 2,808.90

### **The Lutheran Hour - June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026**

#### **"Journey Through Depression"**

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

Depression can feel like being "stuck," but we are never truly alone. God meets us with His care and provision.

1 Kings 19:7

Sundays 8:30 a.m.	CHOK	1070 AM	Sarnia
Sundays 8:30 a.m.	CKPC	1380 AM	Brantford
Sundays 10:30 a.m.	WDCX	99.5 FM or 970 AM	Buffalo
Sundays 1:00 p.m.	Sirius XM	satellite radio 170	

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### **Serving This Month**

Altar Guild  
Envelope Stewards

Eva Becht, Jennifer Hillner  
Lou-Anne Felske, Kevin Sandham

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