

Peace Lutheran Church

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Baptism

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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.

Viewpoint

There are moments in life that take our breath away. When pondering all that God has done to save us, that should be one of those moments, but rarely is. May God help us to change our viewpoint on this matter.

OPENING HYMN

verses 1-3 # 592

SERVICE OF HOLY BAPTISM

p. 268-271

BAPTISMAL HYMN

verses 4-5 # 592

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 51:1–6

p. 777

¹“Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness, you who seek the LORD: look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. ²Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, that I might bless him and multiply him. ³For the LORD comforts Zion; he comforts all her waste places and makes her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.

⁴“Give attention to me, my people, and give ear to me, my nation; for a law will go out from me, and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples. ⁵My righteousness draws near, my salvation has gone out, and my arms will judge the peoples; the coastlands hope for me, and for my arm they wait. ⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but my salvation will be forever, and my righteousness will never be dismayed.”

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING: Romans 11:33—12:8**p. 1205**

³³Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

³⁴“For who has known the mind of the Lord,
or who has been his counsellor?”

³⁵“Or who has given a gift to him
that he might be repaid?”

³⁶For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

^{12:1}I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

³For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, ⁵so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. ⁶Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; ⁷if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; ⁸the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 16:13–20**p. 1044**

¹³Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” And they said, ¹⁴“Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” ¹⁵He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” ¹⁶Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” ¹⁷And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. ¹⁸And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. ¹⁹I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” ²⁰Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**SERMON HYMN****# 804**

SERMON *"The Riches and Wisdom and Knowledge of God"*

OFFERING**OFFERTORY HYMN****SOS # 21****PRAYERS**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life that we may boldly confess Him to be the Christ and steadfastly walk in the way that leads to life eternal; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. (A74)

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

848

Serving This Morning

Elder

Ushers

Organist

Joel Rock

Tyler Allison, Allan Greer

Linda Pinter, Audrey Weber

Janice Buchner

Be at Peace This Week

Today	After Service	___ Coffee Fellowship
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	___ Church Cleaning
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	___ Divine Service
	After Service	___ Beans & Weiners Fellowship

As you pray this week, please remember:

- *Those who are suffering from illness, injuries, or recovering from surgery especially; Jeanette Anspach, Eric Dykxhoorn, Pat Mueller, Ed Muth, Walt Mason, Nancy Barber, Joel Rock, Alyssa Kenter, Kathleen (Erwin's Friend), Murray Sandham, Russell & Helen Hestler, Donna (Connie's Friend), Ken Simmons, Connie Shuga, Kathy Erhardt, Joyce Wilson, Heather Theissler, Joan Rothenberg, Walter Csoff.*
- *Our shut-in members.*
- *LCC East Regional Pastor Rev. Marvin Bublitz and Regional Mission and Ministry Council.*
- *Our Tillsonburg City Council and Mayor Deb Gilvesy.*
- *Missions: Rev. Henry Everlert Ramirez who serves as pastor for two congregations in the Leon area, Nicaragua.*
- ***To pray for all people:*** *Deep Sea Divers and Oceanographers.*
- *All those celebrating birthdays this week; Allan Greer (23), Scott MacIntyre (25), Ed Muth (26), Marion Knab (26), Paul Livingstone (26).*

Announcements

We celebrate with Nathan and Melanie Cashman on the baptism of their son, Jackson, this morning. May God bless them with faith and strength the rest of their lives!

Thank you to Don Martin for decorating the altar with flowers and providing cake for after service to celebrate his 98th birthday!

Anyone interested in revamping the flowerbeds around the church will be asked to attend our first committee meeting sometime after Labour Day. The first meeting(s) will be about brainstorming for ideas around potential changes. Direct any questions to Kevin Sandham.

Coffee fellowship next Sunday, August 30th will be a little different. We will feature a lunch of baked beans and weiners along with a bun and dessert. Of course coffee and the usual drinks will be available. Funds collected will be going to aid the Helping Hands food bank who are in desperate need as clients prepare to send their children back to school.

Seminary Guild dues are in September. Linda Pinter will be collecting them in the month of August so they can be sent for the first of September. They are still \$10.00 and if any new people want to join, please contact Linda at 519-688-3771.

The Lutheran Hour - **August 30th, 2026**

"Tell Me a Story!"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale Meyer

Archives August—God lavishly sows the seed of His Word.

Responses vary.

Mark 4:1-20, 26-34

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

On the web in mp3 or by podcast at www.lutheranhour.ca

in text form or Canada Radio Player at www.LLL.ca or The Lutheran Hour

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Serving This Month

Altar Guild
Envelope Stewards

Linda Pitter, Audrey Weber
Doug & Carol Hamather, Marilyn Valcke

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