

Peace Lutheran Church

**Last Sunday of the Church Year**

Saturday, November 24, 2024 + 6:00 PM & Sunday, November 25, 2024 + 8:00 AM

**PRESERVICE MUSIC**

**WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BIBLE VERSE OF THE WEEK** “For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.”

*Luke 19:10*

**INVOCATION**

L: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

**OPENING HYMN**

“From All That Dwell Below the Skies”

**LSB 816**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

L: Jesus tells us in today’s Gospel lesson, “The Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost.” (Luke 19:10) O God, we confess that—

C: **We can be lost like Zacchaeus.**

L: Lost in a world of greed, stockpiling and hoarding.

C: **And so we confess to You, Lord—**

L: Our discontent with your provision.

C: **We acknowledge before to You, Lord—**

L: Our meager generosity.

C: **We lay bare to You, Lord—**

L: Our plans keep more and give less.

C: **We reveal to You, Lord—**

L: Our unwillingness to trust your promises in Christ Jesus.

**ALL: Forgive us, dear Savior, and make us bold and faithful stewards of your gifts.**

*[Time is given for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination]*

L: Almighty God in his mercy has given his Son to die for you and for his sake forgives you all your sin. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by his authority, I forgive you all your sin in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. His return is certain. His promises are sure. And his love is never-ending.

**ALL: Amen.**

**RESPONSE**

“Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart”

**LSB 806**

**PRAYER FOR THE DAY**

L: Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, you still come to seek and save lost people. Rescue us from our sin and point us to your cross. Then, being governed by your bountiful goodness, empower us to live joyfully and generously; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**ALL: Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT**

Proverbs 3:5-10

Trust in the LORD with all your heart,  
and do not lean on your own understanding.  
In all your ways acknowledge him,  
and he will make straight your paths.  
Be not wise in your own eyes;  
fear the LORD, and turn away from evil.  
It will be healing to your flesh  
and refreshment to your bones.  
Honor the LORD with your wealth  
and with the first fruits of all your produce;  
then your barns will be filled with plenty,  
and your vats will be bursting with wine.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE READING**

1 Timothy 6:17-19

As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL**

Luke 19:1-10

[Jesus] entered Jericho and was passing through. And there was a man named Zacchaeus. He was a chief tax collector and was rich. And he was seeking to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was about to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried and came down and received him joyfully. And when they saw it, they all grumbled, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor. And if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**SERMON HYMN****"God, We See What You Have Given"**

1 God, we see what you have given. Signs of grace are everywhere!  
All around are gifts from heaven—Gifts enough for all to share.  
We are stewards of your bounty. Called to give as we've received.  
And your blessings have been plenty. From the day we first believed.

2 We are stewards of the richness. That you send from heav'n above.  
For in Christ, you gave up greatness. Humbly showing us your love.  
In a manger—gift from heaven! On a cross—with love and pain!  
You proclaimed we are forgiven. Now you send us in your name.

3 We are stewards, sent out sharing, Offering you our very best.  
Through our serving and our caring, May we give as we've been blessed.  
God of love, may faithful living, Be much more than Sunday talk.  
Send us loving, serving, giving. Help us daily walk the walk!

**SERMON****"Money's Generous Side"**

Pastor Dave Karolus

Luke 19:1-10

## NICENE CREED

## OFFERING & HYMN

“Christ the Eternal Lord”

*LSB 829*

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

### LORD’S PRAYER

### BENEDICTION

L: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you His peace.

C: Amen.

### CLOSING PRAYER

L: As we bring our commitments forward to Praise God in worship regularly, prepare to live out our life to His glory, and Produce disciples for His kingdom, let us pray.

**ALL: O Lord, in this moment of dedication and commitment, we reflect on our commitment to You in the past and our desire to worship, to live, and to give to You in the future. We reflect upon the overwhelming love and generosity You have shown to me personally and to this church. Help us to become more faithful, more generous, and more cheerful givers to Your glory. For all You have done and continue to do in and through us, we thank you Lord Jesus. Amen.**