### **WELCOME**

Welcome. May your worship strengthen your faith and growth in His grace. Visitors, please sign the Guest Book in the Narthex.

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Easter initiates a new day. It anticipates a new heaven and a new earth. The risen Christ makes all things new. In the mystery of holy baptism God has made new people of us. Today Jesus invites us to see each other in a new light - through the lens of love!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- The PLC Council has called a Special Meeting of the congregation for 11:30am Sun June 01, to determine disbursement of Pastor Appreciation funds.
- As Pastor Bill approaches his retirement, PLC begins its search for a new pastor. If you are interested in serving on the Pastor Search Committee, please talk with a Council member or contact Council pres Cal DR (712-470-5294).
- We acknowledge the vital importance of our children's engagement in learning Christian faith and service, and for this instruction we thank the Youth Sunday School teachers of the past year Jolene H, Ali R, Steve R, Daniel B, Cal DR, Lindsey DZ, Amanda B; and coordinators Ryan R and Trent R.
- Six Confirmands will participate at their Affirmation of Baptism during worship on Pentecost Sunday June 8<sup>th</sup>. We will also recognize our HS graduate Alina H. Please plan to be present as we rejoice with them and their families.
- There are special worship gatherings over the Memorial Day weekend at Central Church, Memory Gardens SC, and here at PLC. Pastor Bill will officiate at the service at Central Church on Sun May 25 7pm. All are invited to attend. See *Schedule*.
- Thank you to all who were present at the Spring Clean-up / Work Day yesterday at PLC.

### **DEACONS' PRAYER LIST**

Our church leadership; Luke Helmers family; Evert DeBondt, Lorene Franken, Lura Gayer, Arlene Miller, Orville Rehder, Shirley Rehder, Irene Sneller (CrPointe Estates SC); all in need.

### **SERVING TODAY (and next week)**

Lectors: Trent R (MaryAnne L) Deacon: Joe R (Darrell V)
Praise Team sings today (sings) A/V: Steve R, Ryan R (Tim S, Ryan R)
Acolyte: Alina H (Sophie DZ) Organ: Becky S (Matt L)

## **READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK (ESV)**

Acts 16:9-15; Psalm 67; Revelation 21:10 - 22:5

### **SCHEDULE**

Today Gideon Society presents during worship
Mon 05/19 10:30am PLC worship re-broadcast Ch 12 (Premier)
Sun 05/25 07:00pm Memorial Day worship at Central Church SC

Pastor Bill officiating

Mon 05/26 09:30am Memorial Day service, Memory Gardens SC

Brig Gen Cooling presiding

11:00am Memorial Day service at PLC cemetery

Sun 06/01 11:30am Special Meeting of congregation

Mon 06/02 07:00pm Council meeting Sun 06/08 10:15am Pentecost Sunday

Confirmands' Affirmation of Baptism

HS Graduate Recognition

Sun 08/10 10:15am Sunday in Exile - no services

Sun 08/24 10:15am Outdoor Worship Children's Park SC

Potluck lunch

Sun 09/07 Sunday Schools resume

### PRAYER FOR LOCAL CONGREGATION

Christ the King Catholic Church Father Mauro Sancehz

### **About Our Church**

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Watch Sun worship live on Facebook streaming, YouTube or re-broadcast Mondays 10:30am Channel 12 (Premier)

# PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH LCMC



May 18, 2025

Fifth Sunday of Easter Rev. William Loefke, Pastor

Faith Alive Service 10:15am

Adult and Youth Sunday School

in Summer Recess

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Faith Alive Worship Hour!

**Praise Team** 

A time preparation for worship

**Announcements** 

Mission Moment
The Gideons International

Call to Worship

Gathering Hymn #648

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"
"God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in him."

I John 4:16

Confession and Forgiveness

Prayer of the Day

O God, You give us Your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in His resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of Your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Children's Ministry of Music Youth Sunday School First Lesson
Acts 11:1-18

Responsive Reading
Psalm 148

Epistle Lesson
Revelation 21:1-6
Congregation Response to Epistle Reading:
"Thanks be to God!"

Congregation Sings Hymn #40 "You Are My God"

Announcement of the Holy Gospel

John 13:31-35

"Glory to You, O Lord"

Congregation Response to Gospel Reading
"Praise to You, O Christ"

Sermon

"Through the Lens of Love" Sermon Notes available in Narthex

Hymn of the Day #429
"They'll Know We Are Christians"
"By this everyone will know that you are My disciples, if you love one another." John 13:35

Apostle's Creed

Sharing of God's Peace

Offertory

Blessings of Tithes and Offerings

Hymn #815 "Doxology"

Prayers Of The People

Reader: "God, in Your mercy,"
Congregation: "Hear our prayer."

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Sending Hymn #423 "The Bond of Love"

"We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love each other." I John3:14

Dismissal

Pastor: "Dynamic Love!
Dynamic Ministry! God's Holy Word!"
Congregation: "Thanks be to God!"

Postlude

Offerings are received when the plate is passed during worship.

May Benevolence

Sleep In Heavenly Peace, Sioux City IA

May God bless your generous gifts.