

Peace Ev. Lutheran Church

(Concordia Lutheran Conference)

Central Avenue at 171st Place
Oak Forest, Illinois

The Rev. David T. Mensing, Pastor

New Year's Eve

December 31, 2018



Hymn 121: "For Thy Mercy and Thy Grace"

The Opening Liturgy (Hymnal, p. 41ff.)

Selected Scripture Lesson: Colossians 3:1-17

℣: "But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us!"

℟: "Thanks be to Thee, O Lord!"

Hymn 115: "O Blessed Day When First Was Poured"

The Sermon — Standard Gospel Text: Luke 2:21

Theme: Our New Year's Comfort and Assurance

Lies in the NAME of Our Redeemer

I. Our Savior from the demands of God's Law;

II. Our Savior from the curse of God's Law;

III. Our Savior from eternity already according to God's decree.

Offering... "to probe the sincerity of your love." (II Cor. 8:8)

Hymn 125: "The Old Year Now Hath Passed Away"

Communion Exhortation (Hymnal, p. 47) and Liturgy (p. 24ff.)

Hymn 110: "Across the Sky the Shades of Night" (sung during the distribution of the Sacrament). Please note our Scriptural practice of Close Communion. (See the back cover of our bulletin.)

Benediction of the Lord

Congregation: "Amen, Amen, Amen."

Announcements

For spiritual care during the week, particularly in case of serious illness or emergency, please take a moment to call Pastor Mensing at his **study** here at church, **532-4288**, at **home** at the parsonage, **532-9035**, or on his **cell**, **601-3943**.

VISITORS are always welcome to attend our services here at Peace. Please register in our Guest Book, and leave also your address and telephone number if you would like the Pastor to contact you further. And please come again!

NEXT SUNDAY, January 6th **Feast of the Epiphany**

— 8:30 a.m., **Sunday School** and **Adult Bible Class** for ALL

— 10:00 a.m., **The Divine Worship Service** also for all, with **Holy Communion** for our members who announced beforehand and examined themselves according to I Corinthians 11:28.

— 2:30 p.m., **Sunday School Teachers' Training Class**

Our Pastor's Weekly Schedule:

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. are the Pastor's general "**Office Hours.**" Unless he is running an errand, attending a meeting elsewhere, making a pastoral call at a hospital or nursing home, or is at lunch, he will normally be "on site."

In addition...

Monday, January 7th

— 4:00 p.m., **Confirmation Class** (Aaron & Jonah)

— 6:00 p.m., **Confirmation Class** (Nathan)

— 7:00 p.m., **Confirmation Class** (Samuel)

Tuesday, January 8th

(NO Scheduled Meetings or Classes)

Wednesday, January 9th

(NO Scheduled Meetings or Classes)

Thursday, January 10th

— 11:00 a.m., **Confirmation Class** (Nathan)

— 12:00 noon, **Confirmation Class** (Samuel)

— 4:00 p.m., **Confirmation Class** (Aaron & Jonah)

Friday, January 11th

(NO Scheduled Meetings or Classes)

Saturday, January 12th

Pastor's Preparation Time for Sunday; also for special meetings and such consultations as are of an urgent nature. Please call ahead if possible.

Next Sunday, January 13th

All services as usual with the fellowship potluck luncheon and **Voters' Meeting** following.