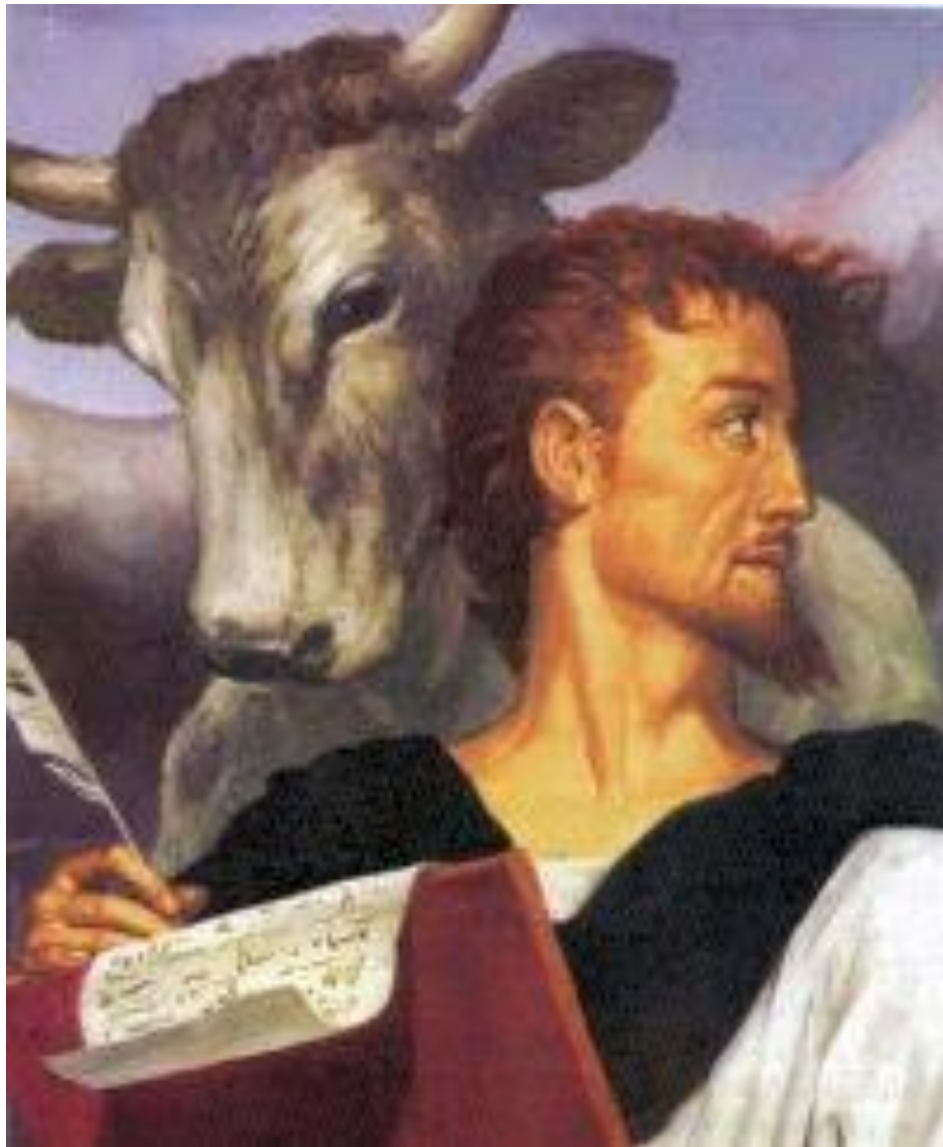


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Sunday, October 18, 2020
The Festival of St. Luke, Evangelist

St. Luke and the Winged Ox: *A symbol of St. Luke the Evangelist, anticipated by Ezekiel 1:10. The ox, recognized as the animal of sacrifice, was applied to St. Luke because his Gospel emphasizes the atonement made by Christ's sacrifice of himself on the Cross.*

Service Notes:

- The following psalms in the front of the hymnal (page 64f) will aid you in your meditation before receiving the Lord's Supper: Psalms 34, 42-43, 51, 84, 116, 150. Prayers for preparation for worship are on pages 10 and 11 in the hymnal. A form for preparation for Communion is on page 156.
- Please sign the friendship registry in the pews before the service or during the offering. If you have a prayer request or would like Pastor Schaefer to visit or call you, please note your request.

Holy Communion will be celebrated today. Our guests are kindly asked to note that it is our practice to first become a member of our communion fellowship before communing with us. Please speak to our pastor about becoming a member of our communion fellowship.

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT (Hymnal page 26)

OPENING HYMN: #554 "Oh, How Blest Are They"

STAND

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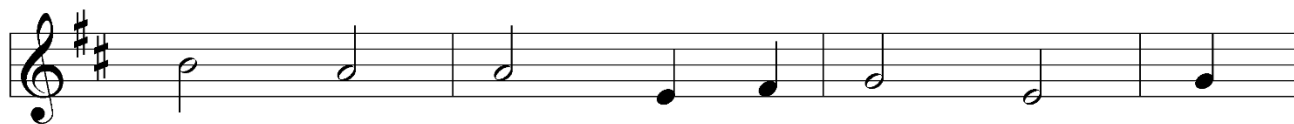
Oh, How Blest Are They



1 Oh, how blest are they whose toils are
 2 We are still as in a dun - geon
 3 They mean - while are in their cham - bers
 4 Christ has wiped a - way their tears for -
 5 Come, O Christ, and loose the chains that



end - ed, Who through death have un - to God as -
 liv - ing, Still op - pressed with sor - row and mis -
 sleep - ing, Qui - et and set free from all their
 ev - er; They have that for which we still en -
 bind us; Lead us forth and cast this world be -



cend - ed! They have a - ris - en From
 giv - ing; Our un - der - tak - ings Are
 weep - ing; No cross or sad - ness There
 deav - or. To them are chant - ed Songs
 hind us. With you, th' A - noint - ed, Finds



the cares which keep us still in pris - on.
 but toils and trou - bles and heart - break - ings.
 can hin - der their un - trou - bled glad - ness.
 that ne'er to mor - tal ears were grant - ed.
 the soul its joy and rest ap - point - ed.

Text: Simon Dach, 1605–59, abr.; tr. Henry W. Longfellow, 1807–92, alt.

Tune: O WIE SELIG (10 10 5 10) Johann Störks . . . Schlag-Gesang-Und Noten-Buch, Stuttgart, 1744.

M: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of
 God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

LORD, HAVE MERCY (*Kyrie*)

M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



C: Christ, have mer - cy.

M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



C: A - men.

M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

C: O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in
all the earth. Al - might - y God, mer - ci - ful Fa - ther,
you crown our life with your love. You take a - way our sin;
you com - fort our spir - it; you make us pure and
ho - ly in your sight. You did not spare your on - ly Son,
but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord,
how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.
O Son of God, e - ter - nal Word of the Fa - ther,
you came to live with us; you made your Fa - ther known;
you washed us from our sins in your own blood. You are the
King of glo - ry; you are the Lord! O Lord, our Lord,
how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you called Saint Luke the physician to reveal in his gospel the love and healing power of your Son. Grant that by hearing and believing your Word we may be healed of all sin and serve you with willing hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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THE WORD

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 43:8-13

⁸ Bring out the people who are blind, yet have eyes,
who are deaf, yet have ears!

⁹ All the nations gather together,
and the peoples assemble.

Who among them can declare this,
and show us the former things?

Let them bring their witnesses to prove them right,
and let them hear and say, It is true.

¹⁰ "You are my witnesses," declares the LORD,
"and my servant whom I have chosen,
that you may know and believe me
and understand that I am he.

Before me no god was formed,
nor shall there be any after me.
¹¹ I, I am the LORD,
and besides me there is no savior.
¹² I declared and saved and proclaimed,
when there was no strange god among you;
and you are my witnesses," declares the LORD, "and I am God.
¹³ Also henceforth I am he;
there is none who can deliver from my hand;
I work, and who can turn it back?"

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 139b

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Refrain



I will praise you, O Lord, for I am won - der - ful - ly made.

Psalm tone



O LORD, you created my inmost being;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.

I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made;
your works are wonderful, I know that full well.

My frame was not hidden from you;
your eyes saw my unformed body. **Refrain**

All the days ordained for me*
were written in your book before one of them came to be.

How precious to me are your thoughts, O God!*

How vast is the sum of them!

Were I to count them,*

they would outnumber the grains of sand.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son*

and to the Holy Spirit,

as it was in the beginning,*

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain: I will praise you, O Lord, for I am wonderfully made.

SECOND LESSON: 2 Timothy 4:5-11

⁵ As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

⁶ For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷ I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸ Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that Day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing.

⁹ Do your best to come to me soon. ¹⁰ For Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. ¹¹ Luke alone is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is very useful to me for ministry.

VERSE OF THE DAY (sung by the soloist)

Alleluia! I will proclaim your name to my people; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you. Alleluia! (Hebrews 2:12)

STAND

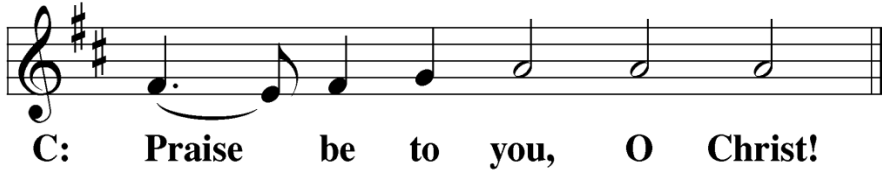
GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 1:1-4; 24:44-53

¹ Inasmuch as many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the things that have been accomplished among us, ² just as those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word have delivered them to us, ³ it seemed good to me also, having followed all things closely for some time past, to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, ⁴ that you may have certainty concerning the things you have been taught.

^{24:44} Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” ⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶ and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷ and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹ And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

⁵⁰ And he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. ⁵¹ While he blessed them, he parted

from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵² And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, ⁵³ and were continually in the temple blessing God.



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HYMN OF THE DAY: #552 “By All Your Saints Still Striving”

Text: Horatio B. Nelson, 1823–1913, st. 1-4, 6-27, alt.; Harlyn J. Kuschel, b. 1945, st. 5.

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1 By all your saints still striv - ing, For
2 For Luke, be - loved phy - si - cian, All
3 Then let us praise the Fa - ther And

all your saints at rest, Your ho - ly name, O
praise, whose Gos - pel shows The heal - er of the
wor - ship God the Son And sing to God the

Je - sus, For - ev - er - more be blessed. You
na - tions, The one who shares our woes. Your
Spir - it, E - ter - nal Three in One, Till

rose, our King vic - to - rious, That they
wine and oil, O Sav - ior, Up - on
all the ran - somed num - ber Who stand

might wear the crown And ev - er shine in
our spir - its pour, And with true balm of
be - fore the throne As - cribe all pow'r and

splen - dor Re - flect - ed from your throne.
Gil - ead A - noint us ev - er - more.
glo - ry And praise to God a - lone.

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Tune: KUORTANE (76 76 D) Finnish folk tune, c. 19th century.

SERMON

STAND

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**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son
of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from
true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from
heaven,**

**was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin
Mary,
and became fully human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with
the Scriptures.**

**He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and
the dead,**

and his kingdom will have no end.

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son is
worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead and the (+) life of the world to come. Amen.

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR
THE SUNDAYS AFTER PENTECOST (Hymnal Page 127)**

M: O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.

C: We praise you for every grace and blessing.

M: Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.

C: Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.

M: We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state and local governments.

C: Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.

M: Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.

C: Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.

M: Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of your created order.

C: Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.

M: Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.

C: Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.

C: Almighty God, our Father, Your blessed Son called Luke the physician to be an evangelist and physician of the soul. Grant that the healing medicine of the Gospel and the Sacraments may put to flight the diseases of our soul that with willing hearts we may ever love and serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M: Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare.

C: Amen.

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LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from (+) evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Please use this time for personal preparation or meditation before the Lord's Supper. A form to assist you can be found on page 156 in the front part of the hymnal.



THE SACRAMENT (Page 33)

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing.

He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:

C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.

The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.

I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -

va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.

The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is the new testament in my (+) blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

M: The peace (+) of the Lord be with you always.



C: A - men.



C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



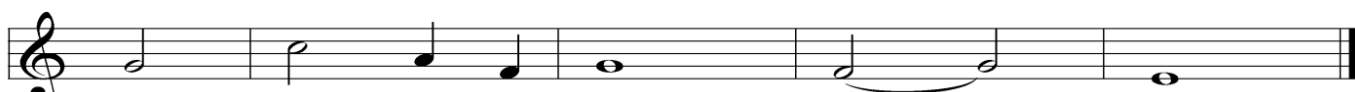
world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; grant us your peace. A - men.

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DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION ANTHEM: "God Has Called Us"

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Refrain: God has called us, and how can we but raise our voices,
echoing God's praise?

God has called us, and let us answer with our lives.

God has changed us, and how can we but live as servants of the
Spirit's gift?

God has changed us, and let us worship with our lives.

God has charged us, and how can we but ask for wisdom for the Christly task?

God has charged us, and let us labor with our lives. Refrain

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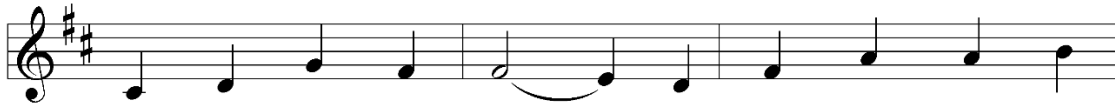
#564 “There is a Balm in Gilead”

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On Galilee's High Mountain



1 On Gal - i - lee's high moun - tain Christ
 2 The Lord, who, born of Mar - y, Came
 3 His strength with - in my weak - ness Will
 4 And not a - lone to na - tions In
 5 Lord, gath - er all your chil - dren, Wher -



gave the great com - mand In words of strength and
 down as man and died, Who preached to all who
 make me bold to say How his re - deem - ing
 far - a - way re - treats, But ev - 'ry - where I
 ev - er they may be, And lead them on to



prom - ise Which all can un - der - stand: "All
 lis - tened, For us was cru - ci - fied. This
 pow - er Trans - forms my stub - born clay. His
 broad - cast His love through crowd - ed streets. The
 heav - en To live e - ter - nal - ly With



pow'r to me is giv - en To do what
 Lord, our liv - ing broth - er, In pow'r at
 touch of fire ig - nites me; With cour - age
 lives that my life touch - es, How - ev - er
 you, our lov - ing Fa - ther, And Christ, our



I shall choose. There - fore I send my
 God's right hand Has cho - sen us to
 I am sent, My tongue - tied si - lence
 great or small— Let them through me see
 broth - er dear, Whose Spir - it guards and



chil - dren; Their wit - ness I will use."
 car - ry His truth to ev - 'ry land.
 bro - ken, With grace made el - o - quent.
 Je - sus, Who served and saved us all.
 gives us The joy to per - se - vere.

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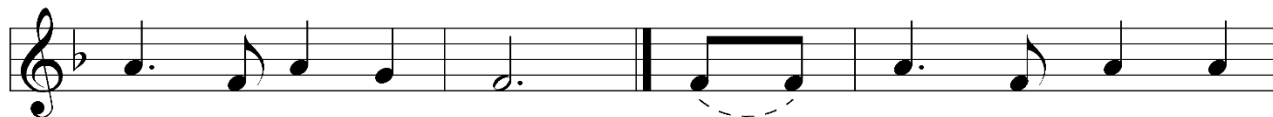
There Is a Balm in Gilead

Refrain

There is a balm in Gil - e - ad to make the wound - ed



whole; There is a balm in Gil - e - ad to



heal the sin - sick soul.

1 Some - times I feel dis -
 2 If you can - not preach like



cour - aged And think my work's in vain, But
 Pe - ter, If you can - not pray like Paul, You can

Refrain

then the Ho - ly Spir - it Re - vives my soul a - gain.
 tell the love of Je - sus And say he died for all.

Text: African-American spiritual, abr.

Tune: BALM IN GILEAD (Irregular) African-American spiritual.

STAND**THANKSGIVING** (page 36)



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud - ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



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Communion Assistants: Ron Bude and Mark Castellese

Organist: Mrs. Jan Jacobi; Soloist: Lois Bude

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER’S

Today - 9:30 AM Divine Service

Wednesday – NO Online Bible Class

Sunday - 9:30 AM Divine Service

- 10:45 AM Adult Bible Class and Sunday School

Serving next week: Altar Guild – Margaret Seppanen

Ushering – Team 1

IMPORTANT PLEASE NOTE: We ask that you disperse in the sanctuary (practice social distancing). For Holy Communion we will have smaller communion tables so that you are able to spread out along the communion rail. Offerings will be gathered at the entrance to the sanctuary. Pastor and communion assistants will practice handwashing and/or other safe practices. The congregation is encouraged to wear protective equipment based on their own personal level of comfort during these unusual times. Ushers will assist by ushering you from the pew following the service. Please do not gather in the narthex. The church building will receive a thorough cleaning and disinfecting every week.

If you are unable to attend yet, Pastor Schaefer will be glad to make arrangements with you for private Communion. We are posting the entire service on our website after each service.

Pastor Vacation – Pastor Schaefer is on vacation October 15-23. If a pastoral emergency should occur, please contact Rev. Tom Schroeder, Good Shepherd, Novi (248)348-2613.

Thanks to Rev. Emeritus Doug Hartley who is officiating today. We are grateful for his continued help to our congregation and other congregations. Pastor Hartley is retired from full time ministry but helps out congregations throughout the area.

ADULT BIBLE AND SUNDAY SCHOOL IS RESTARTING, OCTOBER 25

Adult Bible Class and Children's Sunday School will run from approximately 10:45 - 11:30 AM. Adult Bible Class will be in the church basement, and Sunday School will be in the school. Social distancing will be practiced, also feel free to wear a mask. Please join us as we take time to delve deeper into God's Word. The adult class will continue with a review of Luther's Catechism. Each class is a stand alone unit, so if you miss a unit, you won't be lost!

STEEPLE BELL PROJECT

The Trustees have decided to complete the purchase of a new digital bell controller system to restore our steeple bells to working order. The total cost of the project is about \$5800; so far we have received about \$1400 in designated gifts. If you would care to support this project with a *special gift*, please designate an amount on your offering envelope. Thanks in advance for your generosity.

REFORMATION CELEBRATION

Our Saviour Lutheran Church (33333 Warren Road, Westland) invites you to a Reformation Celebration on **Sunday, October 25**. We will begin with Vespers at 5:00 PM, followed by a bratwurst dinner at 5:30 PM. At 6:30 PM, there will be a Luther Lecture to consider a part of the Lutheran Reformation. This year's lecture will be **"What Good Are Good Works?"** based on Luther's *Treatise on Good Works* written 500 years ago (1520).

We hope that all guests of our Reformation celebration will gain a greater appreciation for the confessions and the confession of the Evangelical Lutheran Church. A free-will offering will be taken to offset meal expenses.

In order to be sure that we will have enough food for all who attend, please RSVP to welsnovi@aol.com no later than October 23. Be sure to include how many will be in your party.

NOTE: As current events dictate, we will encourage the wearing of masks and will be practicing social distancing.

PASTORAL CARE & MERCY – Please remember with prayers, cards and visits those whose needs have been reported.

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