

# *The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost*

Sunday, October 25, 2015

## **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.

-Where you see (†) in the service is a laudable practice to make the sign of the cross.

**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.

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.

## **THE SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT**

**CALL TO WORSHIP:** "O Church Arise" *by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend*

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Piano: Josh Gensmer

O Church, arise, and put your armor on; hear the call of Christ our Captain.  
For now the weak can say that they are strong in the strength that God has given.  
With shield of faith and belt of Truth, we'll stand against the devil's lies:  
An army bold, whose battle cry is love, reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war: to love the captive soul, but to rage against the captor.  
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole, we will fight with faith and valor.  
When faced with trials on every side, we know the outcome is secure.  
And Christ will have the prize for which He died, an inheritance of nations.

Come, see the cross where love and mercy meet, as the Son of God is stricken.  
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet, for the Conqueror has risen!

So Spirit, come, put strength in every stride. Give grace for every hurdle,  
That we may run with faith to win the prize of a servant good and faithful.  
As saints of old still line the way, retelling triumphs of His grace,  
We hear their calls and hunger for the day when with Christ we stand in glory

**OPENING HYMN – #479 "Jesus, Your Boundless Love to Me"**

## STAND

**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 mercy**

**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 mercy**

**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 mercy**

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

**C: Amen**

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

**The Gloria in Excelsis:** *The congregation will sing where indicated by "All."*  
(Words and music are on the next 2 pages.)  
Organ: Megan Frey

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in recognition of her seventy years as a chorister by  
St. James' Anglican Church, Stratford, Ontario*

Gloria

Lynn Trapp

**Refrain: All**

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to His peo - ple on earth.

**Choir or Cantor:** *Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship You, we give You thanks,  
we praise You for Your glory.*

**All:** **REFRAIN**

**Choir or Cantor:** *Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
You take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.*

**All:** **REFRAIN**

**All:**

For You a - lone are the Ho - ly One,

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You a-lone are the Lord, You a-lone are the Most  
High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly  
Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther.

*Final Refrain: All*  
Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and  
peace to His peo-ple on earth.  
A-men. A-men.

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord, keep your household, the Church, in continual godliness and set us free from all adversities that, under your protection, we may serve you with true devotion and holy deeds; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen**

## THE WORD

### FIRST READING – Isaiah 53:10-12

*Yet it was the LORD's will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the LORD makes his life a guilt offering, he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the LORD will prosper in his hand. After the suffering of his soul, he will see the light of life and be satisfied; by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities. Therefore I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.*

### PSALM OF THE DAY – Psalm 46

The choir will sing “Be Still and Know That I am God” by *Edward Wetherill*

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Be still and know that I am God. I am exalted among the nations. I am exalted in the earth. Amen.

### SECOND READING – Hebrews 4:9-16

*There remains, then, a Sabbath-rest for the people of God; for anyone who enters God's rest also rests from his own work, just as God did from his. Let us, therefore, make every effort to enter that rest, so that no one will fall by following their example of disobedience. For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account. Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has gone through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet was without sin. Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.*

### VERSE OF THE DAY

STAND

### THE HOLY GOSPEL – Mark 10:35-45

*Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him. “Teacher,” they said, “we want you to do for us whatever we ask.” “What do you want me to do for you?” he asked. They replied, “Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory.” “You don't know what you are asking,” Jesus said. “Can you drink the cup I drink or be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with?” “We can,” they answered. Jesus said to them, “You will drink the cup I drink and be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with, but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared.” When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John. Jesus called them together and said, “You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”*

**C: Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*BE SEATED*

**GOSPEL RESPONSE** - "By Faith" *by Keith and Kristyn Getty and Stuart Townend*

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Organ: Hannah Compton

By faith we see the hand of God, in the light of creation's grand design,  
In the lives of those who prove his faithfulness, who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth, with the power of His promise in their hearts,  
Of a holy city built by God's own hand, a place where peace and justice reign.

Refrain: We will stand as children of the promise.

We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward.

Till the race is finished and the work is done, we'll walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith the prophets saw a day, when the longed-for Messiah would appear,  
With the power to break the chains of sin and death, and rise triumphant from the grave!

By faith the church was called to go, in the power of the Spirit to the lost,  
To deliver captives and to preach good news, in every corner of the earth. (Refrain)

By faith this mountain shall be moved, and the power of the gospel shall prevail!  
For we know in Christ all things are possible, for all who call upon His name. (Refrain)

**HYMN OF THE DAY** – #181 "Come, Oh, Come, Life-Giving Spirit"

### **THE SERMON**

STAND

### **NICENE CREED**

**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**

BE SEATED

**OFFERING & OFFERING ANTHEM – “Set Me as a Seal” by *Julius C. Miller, III***

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Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm; for love is strong as death.  
Many waters cannot quench love, neither floods can drown it.

STAND

## **THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**M:** Gracious God and Father, we praise you for the countless blessings, which we receive from your hand: the beauties of creation and the bounties of the earth, the joy of life and the pleasure of friendship, the good of work and the gift of rest, the privilege to share happiness and sorrow with one another. Above all we praise and thank you for your saving Word and for your Son's body and blood, which you give us to eat and to drink in the sacrament. Through these means of grace, you send the Holy Spirit into our hearts and unite us to Jesus and to the whole Christian Church on earth.

**C:** **Strengthen us through this heavenly food; increase our trust in Christ and our love for one another.**

**M:** Great God and Lord, without your continuing help we easily waver in our faith, lose courage, and grow careless in our watchfulness. The times and days are perilous. Give us strength to face the evils of each day with fresh confidence. Open our lips to speak of your grace, and move us to use the gifts that you give us to share your Word of salvation with all people. Protect and prosper the family, the school, the government, and all good institutions that you have established for the benefit of society. Remember in mercy those who are sick and suffering, and bring your healing to troubled homes and lives.

**C:** **Move us to pray for those in need and to help them with deeds of kindness.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

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

*Silent prayer*

**M:** Now, eternal God and Father, keep us in the saving faith and so enable us to overcome all things through our Lord Jesus Christ.

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

**THE SACRAMENT**

*Our Lord Jesus has given us a holy supper in which we receive his true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. In this supper we celebrate the gift of his redemption, we bear witness to the fellowship we share as confessors of the truth, and we proclaim his death until he returns.*

**M:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** **And also 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.



## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

*Sanctus*

### 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 my blood of the new testament, 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:** **Amen**

### O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

*Agnus Dei*

### BE SEATED

### DISTRIBUTION & DISTRIBUTION ANTHEMS

"Saints of God" by *Lee Dengler*

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Piano: Laura Dey

You are the saints of God, a royal priesthood, a holy nation. You are God's chosen people.

You are the saints of God, a royal priesthood, a holy nation.

You are the people, the people of God, that you may declare the wondrous deeds of God who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.

Now let us lay aside every weight and sin that holds so tightly.

Let us run with perseverance the race that's set before us, looking to Jesus Christ, the perfecter of the faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross; and now is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. Alleluia!

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!

What more can He say than to you He has said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not! I am with you. O be not dismayed, for I am your God, and will still give you aid.

I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand." Amen.

“Be Still, My Soul” (*Public Domain, arr. Diane Bish*)

Organ: Bethany Schmeling

Be still my soul; the Lord is on your side. Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain.  
Leave to your God to order and provide. In every change he faithful will remain.  
Be still my soul; your best, your heavenly friend through thorny ways leads to a  
joyful end.

Be still, my soul; your God will undertake to guide the future as he has the past.  
Your hope, your confidence, let nothing shake. All now mysterious shall be bright at last.  
Be still, my soul; the waves and winds still know his voice who ruled them while he  
lived below.

Be still, my soul; the hour is hastening on when we shall be forever with the Lord,  
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone, sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.  
Be still, my soul; when change and tears are past, all safe and blessed we shall  
meet at last.

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

#484, “Brothers, Sisters, Let Us Gladly

#518, “Forth in the Peace of Christ, We Go”

#350, “All Praise Be Yours”

## THANKSGIVING

STAND

### THANK THE LORD

**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:** **Amen**

**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.

**C:** **Amen. Amen. Amen**

**CLOSING HYMN** (sung by choir): "God's Word is Our Great Heritage"

God's Word is our great heritage and shall be ours forever.  
To spread its light from age to age shall be our chief endeavor.  
Through life it guides our way; in death it is our stay.  
Lord, grant, while worlds endure, we keep its teachings pure throughout all generations.

**OFFICIANTS**

Preacher and Celebrant: Pastor Paul Schaefer  
Communion Assistants: Richard Cording and Mark Castellese  
Organist: Jan Jacobi

Choir: Michigan Lutheran Seminary Concert Choir; Leonard Proeber, Director

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**THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S**

Monday	- 7:00 PM	Divine Service
Tuesday	- 6:30 PM	Fellowship
	- 7:00 PM	Ladies' Bible Study
Wednesday	- 8:05 AM	Chapel
	- 9:00 AM	Wednesday Bible Class
Thursday	- 6:30 PM	Handbells
	- 7:00 PM	Senior Choir
Sunday	- 9:30 AM	Divine Service
	- 10:45 AM	Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
Monday	- 7:00 PM	Divine Service

**SERVING NEXT WEEK -** Altar Guild: Shenal Smith Ushering: Team #3

**BACK PEWS** – Please keep the back two pews for parents with young children.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** – A special vase of flowers has been placed to the glory of God and in loving memory of Vikki Brown by Bill and Brenda Hogue.

**MESSENGER ARTICLES** – Messenger Articles are due **today**, October 25<sup>th</sup>.

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

## **HURON VALLEY LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL –**

- ✓ **Hawk Talk** – Did you know that college recruiters ask to visit Huron Valley Lutheran High School because of our high academic standards? Every school year, recruiters from such colleges as Central Michigan and the University of Michigan, as well as our WELS affiliated Wisconsin Lutheran College (Milwaukee) and Martin Luther College (New Ulm, MN), visit HVL and speak to our students. Visit [www.hvlhs.org](http://www.hvlhs.org) for more information on HVL's curriculum. To keep up to date with HVL, sign up for the weekly E-News at [hvlhs.org/hvl-e-news](http://hvlhs.org/hvl-e-news).

**ATTENTION INSTRUMENTALISTS** - The WELS Band of Southeast Michigan is beginning its seventh season. Instrumentalists from eighth grade through adult are invited to participate. Rehearsals are held on Sunday evenings from 7:00 – 8:30 at HVL High School, beginning November 1. We will be rehearsing music for the Christmas Concert on December 13. New members are always welcome. For more information, contact Steve Grosinske ([sgrosinske@hvlhs.org](mailto:sgrosinske@hvlhs.org)).

**PEW REGISTRIES** - As an effort to better reach out to those members we haven't seen for some time, we are using pew registries to record church attendance and communion. Please remember to sign the registry and pass it down your row during the offering. The pew registry will replace recording communion participation currently done in the Narthex.

**MICHIGAN LUTHERAN SEMINARY CHOIR** – The MLS Concert Choir is here today singing during our service. They will also be singing for the area Reformation service this afternoon, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Livonia.

**Please join the choir members for a congregational potluck after the church service, at approximately 11:00 a.m. The Board of Stewardship will be providing fried chicken and drinks.**

**DOOR OFFERING** – A door offering will be taken today for the MLS Choir.

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME** – Daylight Savings Time ends **next Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**. Make sure you set your clocks back one hour before going to bed Saturday night.

**UPDATE ON CCC SAA PROCESS** - One of the recommendations from this process was to develop a mission and values statement for St. Peters. The following statement was developed and presented at the 10/13/15 Voter's meeting for feedback. We welcome your thoughts and suggestions - - please provide them to any member of the church council.

### **St. Peter's Mission Statement**

Make disciples of all nations through the teaching and use of God's infallible word (both the gospel and the law), and sacraments.

### **Core Values of St. Peter's**

#### **Testify To and Uphold the Scriptures**

Testify to and uphold the truth of God as fully revealed in the inspired, inerrant, infallible Holy Scriptures and as articulated in the Lutheran confessions.

#### **Evangelize**

Reach out with the gospel to evangelize those who are not part of Christ's family, both in our community and throughout the world.

#### **Nurture Faith**

Help each other grow and mature in faith through public worship, Bible-based education for all ages, and continued study of God's word.

#### **Christian Service**

Gladly serve the Lord, His Church, and His World, and encourage and equip each other to apply our faith through Christian service.

**To summarize our progress on the CCC SAA recommendations**, action items were established on 15 issues. Three of the issues have been completed. The church council, Pastor, and the boards are currently addressing 9 of the remaining 12 issues. An update has also been posted on the bulletin board in the church basement. If you have any questions, please contact Scott Beckerman.

**Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you** James 4:8

Please join us for women's Bible study...

**God is in the Laundry Room**  
**8 Sessions About Seeking God**

This will be a great opportunity to grow through the study of God's word and from time spent with fellow sisters in Christ.



**Too Busy?????**

The author of the study, Susan Senechal, was a reluctant Bible study attendee too. Like many of us, she has felt the pinch of time and thought she had too much to do. She writes:

“As a wife and a mother, I long to see lasting significance in the repetitive chores I do. I long to know there is more to life than an endless grocery list and reappearing fuzz balls under the bed. Because I work outside the home, my free time is in short commodity and is, therefore, precious to me. I want to spend my time with things of significance, and I found that significance in the words of Jeremiah 29:13: *You will seek Me and find Me when you seek Me with all your heart.* When I sought Him in my daily tasks, I found God everywhere, even in the laundry room. It is my prayer that God will lead you to see Him in your daily routines as well”.

Please join us for our next session:

**October 27th**



**Fellowship: 6:30-7:00, Lessons: 7:00-8:30/9:00**  
**All sessions at the Jenkins' home.**  
**Friends & family welcome!**