

*St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church*  
*Founded 1856*  
*1343 Penniman Avenue*  
*Plymouth, ME 48170*  
*Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod*



*Sunday, June 28, 2020*  
*The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost*  
*Confirmation Sunday*

## **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: #578** "Saints of God, the Dawn is Brightening"

**STAND**

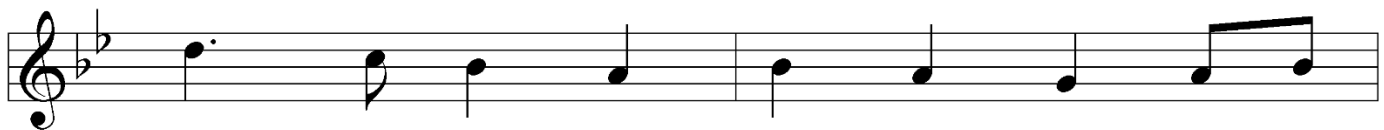
# 578 Saints of God, the Dawn Is Brightening



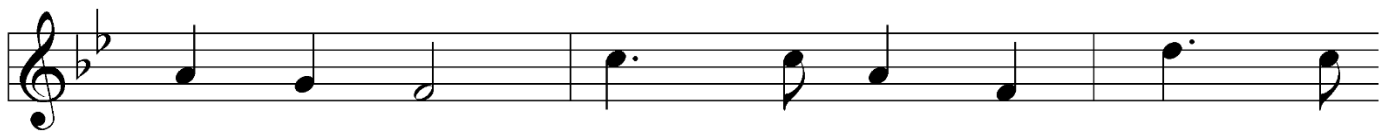
1 Saints of God, the dawn is bright - 'ning, Prom -  
 2 Now, O Lord, ful - fill your plea - sure, Breathe  
 3 Soon shall end the time of weep - ing; Soon



ise of our com - ing Lord. O'er the earth the  
 up - on your cho - sen band, And with Pen - te -  
 the reap - ing time will come, Heav'n and earth to -



fields are rip - 'ning; Loud - er rings the  
 cos - tal mea - sure Send forth reap - ers  
 geth - er keep - ing God's e - ter - nal



Mas - ter's word: Pray for reap - ers, Pray for  
 o'er our land, Faith - ful reap - ers, Faith - ful  
 har - vest - home. Saints and an - gels, Saints and



reap - ers In the har - vest of the Lord.  
 reap - ers, Gath - 'ring sheaves for your right hand.  
 an - gels Shout the world's great har - vest - home.

Text: Mary H. Maxwell, 1814-c. 1890, abr., alt.

Tune: REGENT SQUARE (87 87 87) Henry T. Smart, 1813-79.

**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.

# O LORD, OUR LORD



## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** Let us pray.

O God, protector of all the faithful, you alone make strong; you alone make holy. Show us your mercy and forgive our sins day by day. Guide us through our earthly lives that we do not lose the things you have prepared for us in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**BE SEATED**



## THE WORD

**FIRST LESSON:** Exodus 19:2-8a

<sup>2</sup> They set out from Rephidim and came into the wilderness of Sinai, and they encamped in the wilderness. There Israel encamped before the mountain, <sup>3</sup> while Moses went up to God. The LORD called to him out of the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the people of Israel: <sup>4</sup> 'You yourselves have seen what I did to

the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. <sup>5</sup> Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; <sup>6</sup> and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel."

<sup>7</sup> So Moses came and called the elders of the people and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. <sup>8</sup> All the people answered together and said, "All that the LORD has spoken we will do."

**PSALM OF THE DAY:** Psalm 100

The congregation will sing Hymn **#233** "All People that on Earth Do Dwell"



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All People that on Earth Do Dwell



1 All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, Sing to the  
 2 Know that the Lord is God in - deed; With - out our  
 3 Oh, en - ter then his gates with praise; Ap - proach with  
 4 For why? The Lord, our God, is good; His mer - cy  
 5 To Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, The God whom



Lord with cheer - ful voice. Him serve with fear; his praise  
 aid he did us make. We are his folk; he doth  
 joy his courts un - to. Praise, laud, and bless his name  
 is for - ev - er sure. His truth at all times firm -  
 heav'n and earth a - dore, From us and from the an -



forth - tell; Come ye be - fore him and re - jice.  
 us feed, And for his sheep he doth us take.  
 al - ways, For it is seem - ly so to do.  
 ly stood And shall from age to age en - dure.  
 gel host Be praise and glo - ry ev - er - more.

Text: William Kethe, d. c. 1593, alt.

Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH (LM) *Trente quatre Pseaumes de David*, Geneva, 1551.

**SECOND LESSON:** Romans 5:6-11

<sup>6</sup> For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup> For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— <sup>8</sup> but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup> Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be

saved by him from the wrath of God. <sup>10</sup> For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. <sup>11</sup> More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

### **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**

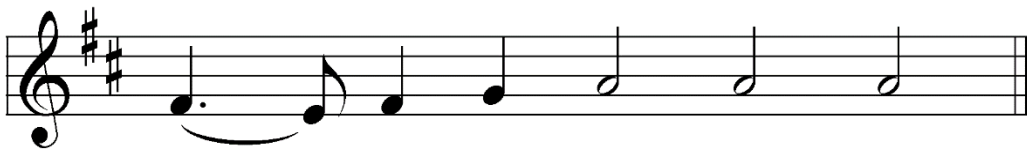
### **GOSPEL LESSON:** Matthew 9:35 – 10:8

<sup>35</sup> And Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction. <sup>36</sup> When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup> Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; <sup>38</sup> therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

**10** And he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every affliction. <sup>2</sup> The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and

John his brother; <sup>3</sup> Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup> Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

<sup>5</sup> These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, “Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans, <sup>6</sup> but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup> And proclaim as you go, saying, ‘The kingdom of heaven is at hand.’ <sup>8</sup> Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

***BE SEATED***

**HYMN OF THE DAY: #346 “In You is Gladness”**

1 In you is glad - ness A - mid all sad - ness,  
2 If he is ours, We fear no pow - ers,

Je - sus, Sun - shine of my heart. By you are  
Not of earth or sin or death. He sees and

giv - en The gifts of heav - en; You the true  
bless - es In worst dis - tress - es; He can change

Re - deem - er are. Our souls are wak - ing; Our bonds  
them with a breath. Where - fore the sto - ry Tell of

are break - ing. Who trusts you sure - ly Has built se -  
his glo - ry With hearts and voic - es; All heav'n re -

cure - ly And stands for - ev - er. Al - le - lu -  
joic - es In him for - ev - er. Al - le - lu -

ia! Our hearts are pin - ing To see your shin - ing,  
ia! We shout for glad - ness, Win o - ver sad - ness,

Dy - ing or liv - ing To you are cling - ing  
Love him and praise him And still shall raise him

Now and for - ev - er. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Glad hymns for - ev - er. Al - le - lu - ia!

# SERMON

## THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION

**M:** Brothers in Christ, our Lord Jesus said to his disciples: “All authority in heaven and earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.

In obedience to the Lord’s command, you have been baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. You have been taught the precious truths of the Christian faith as confessed by the Evangelical Lutheran Church. You know what God has given you by his grace and what he expects of you as his dear child. You now have the privilege of receiving the Lord’s body and blood in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

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You are here to make a public profession of your Christian faith. The Apostle Paul writing to the Romans, said: “If you

confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

Therefore, lift up your hearts to the God of all grace and joyfully answer these questions.

**M:** Do you this day, in the presence of God and this congregation, acknowledge that in Baptism, God gave you the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation?

**R: I do.**

**M:** Do you reject the devil along with all his lies and empty promises?

**R: I do.**

**M:** Do you believe in God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit

### **The Apostles' Creed**

**R: I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit  
Born of the Virgin Mary,  
and became fully human.  
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
Was crucified, died, and was buried.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven  
And is seated at the right hand of God the  
Father almighty.**

**From there he will come to judge the living and the  
dead,**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints  
the forgiveness of sins.  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**M:** Do you believe the books of the Bible to be the inspired and inerrant Word of God?

**R: I do.**

**M:** Do you believe that the teaching of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, as you have learned to know it from Luther's Small Catechism, is the true and correct one?

**R: I do.**

**M:** Do you intend to continue steadfast in this teaching and to endure all things, even death, rather than fall away from it?

**R: I do so intend, with the help of God.**

**M:** Do you intend faithfully to conform all your life to the teachings of God's Word, to be faithful in the use of Word and Sacrament, and in faith and action remain true to the Triune God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—as long as you live?

**R: I do so intend, by the grace of God.**

**M:** Since it is God alone who enables us both to will and to do his good pleasure, it is right for us, dear friends in Christ, to call on him for these confirmands, that he would graciously complete the good work which he has begun in them. Let us bow our heads and pray.

Almighty God, in baptism you made these brothers members of the body of your dear Son, Jesus Christ. You washed them by his blood, buried them with him in his death, and gave them new life his resurrection. Renew them by the Holy Spirit, which you poured out on them generously through Jesus Christ our Savior. Let them live out their lives as heirs of eternal life. Lead them to serve your Church in holiness and righteousness all their days. Keep them in fellowship with all who wait for the return of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**M:** Brothers in Christ, what we as a Christian congregation have here asked our heavenly Father to confer on all of you, we now ask him to give each of you individually.

**John Joshua Creaney—Ephesians 2:8-9**

**Dominick Michael Smith—John 8:31-32**

## **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.



## 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:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (*Sanctus*)



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.

## O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (*Agnus Dei*)

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.

**BE SEATED**

## **DISTRIBUTION AND DISTRIBUTION ANTHEM:**

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1 O Christ, who called the Twelve To rise and follow you,  
Forsaking old, familiar ways For ventures bold and new:  
Grant us to hear your call To risk security  
And, bound in heart and will to you, Find perfect liberty.

2 O Christ, who taught the Twelve  
The truth for ages sealed,  
Whose words and works awakened faith,  
The ways of God revealed:  
Instruct us now, we pray, By your empow’ring Word.  
True teacher, be for all who seek  
Their light, their life, their Lord.

3 O Christ, who sent the Twelve On roads they’d never trod  
To serve, to suffer, teach, proclaim The nearer reign of God:  
Send us on ways where faith Transcends timidity,  
Where love informs and hope sustains Both life and ministry.

4 O Christ, th’apostles’ Lord,  
The martyrs’ strength and song,  
The crucified and risen King To whom the saints belong:  
Though generations pass, Our tribute still we bring,  
Our hymns a sacrifice of praise, Our lives an offering.

## **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:**

**#559** “Lord of the Living Harvest”

**#597** “May God the Father of Our Lord”

## 559

## Lord of the Living Harvest



1 Lord of the liv - ing har - vest That rip - ens  
 2 As la - b'ers in your vine - yard, Lord, give us  
 3 Be with us, God the Fa - ther; Be with us,



o'er the plain, Where an - gels soon will gath - er  
 work to do, Con - tent to bear the bur - den  
 God the Son And God the Ho - ly Spir - it,



Their sheaves of gold - en grain, Ac - cept our hands to  
 Of wea - ry days for you, To ask no oth - er  
 Most bless - ed Three in One. Make us your faith - ful



la - bor, Our hearts to trust and love, And be with  
 wa - ges When you will call us home Than to have  
 ser - vants You right - ly to a - dore, And fill us



us to has - ten Your king - dom from a - bove.  
 shared the la - bor That makes your king - dom come.  
 with your bless - ing Both now and ev - er - more.

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811-75, abr., alt.

Tune: AURELIA (76 76 D) Samuel S. Wesley, 1810-76.

597

# May God the Father of Our Lord



1 May God the Fa - ther of our Lord, Who  
 2 In Je - sus Christ may you be blessed And  
 3 The Ho - ly Spir - it give you pow'r, The  
 4 May God the Fa - ther, God the Son, And



called you by his ho - ly Word, Per -  
 brought to his e - ter - nal rest. The  
 strength of prayer in ev - 'ry hour, The  
 God the Spir - it, Three in One, Pre -



fect, es - tab - lish, set - tle you, Keep  
 work he has in you be - gun, He  
 wis - dom, knowl - edge, fear of God, That  
 serve you blame - less till in grace You



you through faith for - ev - er true.  
 will per - form till all is done.  
 lifts a - bove his chas - t'ning rod.  
 stand be - fore his ho - ly face.

Text: Dorothy I. Scharlemann, b. 1912.  
 Tune: TALLIS' CANON (LM) Thomas Tallis, c. 1505-85.

## THANKSGIVING (page 36)

**STAND**

**THANK THE LORD**



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



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice 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.





**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. Sunday Adult Bible Class and Sunday School will resume at a later date.

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

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