

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod



Sunday, October 25, 2020

The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

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: #565 "There Still is Room"

Text: German hymn, 17th century; tr. William M. Czamanske, 1873–1964, alt.

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There Still Is Room



1 There still is room! His house is not yet filled;
 2 There still is time! The Mas - ter's voice still rings,
 3 Now is the time! How fast the mo - ments fly!



Not all the guests are there. Oh, bring them in! Their
 And all his her - als plead: "Oh, hide be - neath the
 How soon each hour is gone! You vir - gins, hear and



hun - ger shall be stilled With bread, yes, bread to spare.
 shel - ter of his wings A - gainst the time of need."
 heed the mid - night cry; Look for the break of dawn.



Go, call them from the lanes and by - ways,
 The gra - cious call is still ex - tend - ed;
 The Bride - groom comes; pre - pare to greet him.



From wind - ing roads and crowd - ed high - ways.
 The day of grace is not yet end - ed.
 Rise! Trim your lamps! Go out to meet him!



There still is room! There still is room!
 There still is time! There still is time!
 Now is the time! Now is the time!

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.**

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

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.

Grant, O merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.



THE WORD

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 25:6-9

⁶ On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples

a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine,
of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

⁷ And he will swallow up on this mountain
the covering that is cast over all peoples,
the veil that is spread over all nations.

⁸ He will swallow up death forever;
and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces,
and the reproach of his people he will take away from all
the earth,
for the LORD has spoken.

⁹ It will be said on that day,
“Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he
might save us.

This is the LORD; we have waited for him;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.”

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 23 – The congregation will
sing Hymn **#374** “My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

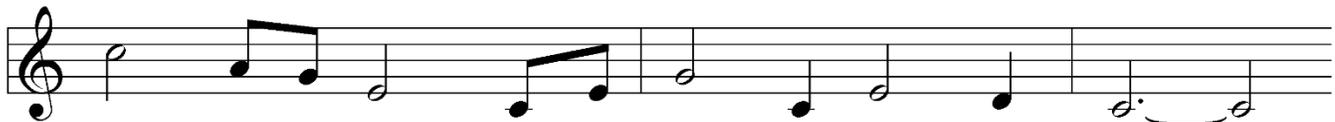
My Shepherd Will Supply My Need



1 My shep - herd will sup - ply my need— Je -
 2 When I walk through the shades of death, His
 3 The sure pro - vi - sions of my God At -



ho - vah is his name. In pas - tures fresh he
 pres - ence is my stay; One word of his sup -
 tend me all my days; Oh, may his house be



makes me feed Be - side the liv - ing stream.
 port - ing breath Drives all my fears a - way.
 my a - bode And all my work be praise.



He brings my wand - 'ring spir - it back When
 His hand, in sight of all my foes, Will
 There would I find a set - tled rest While



I for - sake his ways And leads me, for his
 still my ta - ble spread; My cup with bless - ings
 oth - ers go and come, No more a stran - ger



mer - cy's sake, In paths of truth and grace.
 o - ver - flows; His oil a - noints my head.
 or a guest But like a child at home.

SECOND LESSON: Philippians 4:4-13

⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. ⁵ Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; ⁶ do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸ Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹ What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

¹⁰ I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹ Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. ¹² I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ¹³ I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

VERSE OF THE DAY (sung by the soloist)

Alleluia. May your priests be clothed with righteousness; may your saints sing for joy. Alleluia. (Psalm 132:9)

STAND

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 22:1-14

22 And again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying,
² “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, ³ and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. ⁴ Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, “See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.”’ ⁵ But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶ while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. ⁷ The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. ⁸ Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹ Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.’ ¹⁰ And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹ “But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. ¹² And he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. ¹³ Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ ¹⁴ For many are called, but few are chosen.”



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY: #376 “Jesus, Your Blood and Righteousness”

JUSTIFICATION

376 Jesus, Your Blood and Righteousness



1 Je - sus, your blood and right - eous - ness My beau - ty
2 Bold shall I stand in that great day— Who can a
3 Lord, I be - lieve your pre - cious blood, Which at the
4 Lord, I be - lieve were sin - ners more Than sands up -
5 When from the dust of death I rise To claim my



are, my glo - rious dress; Mid flam - ing worlds, in
word a - gainst me say? Ful - ly through you ab -
ver - y throne of God For - ev - er will for
on the o - cean shore, You have for all a
man - sion in the skies, E'en then this shall be



these ar - rayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.
solved I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
sin - ners plead, For me— e'en for my soul— was shed.
ran - som paid, For all a full a - tone - ment made.
all my plea: Je - sus has lived and died for me.

6 Jesus, be worshiped endlessly!
Your boundless mercy has for me,
For me and all your hands have made,
An everlasting ransom paid.

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.**

**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.

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.

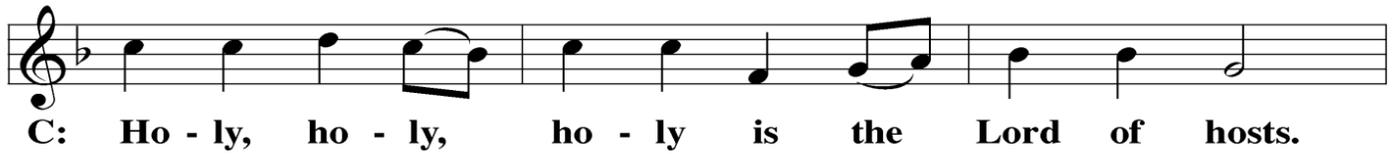


C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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.”

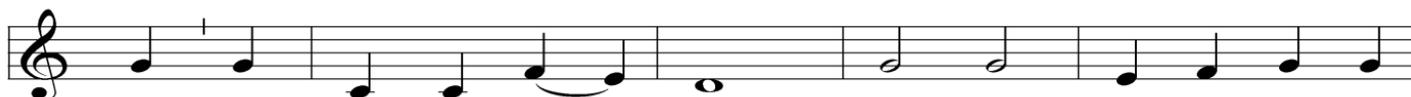
M: The peace (+) of the Lord be with you always.



C: A - men.



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



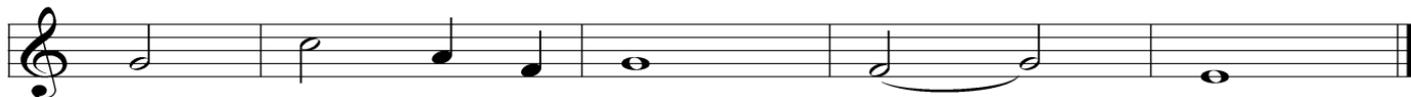
world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you



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.

BE SEATED

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION ANTHEM: “Come, We That Love the Lord”

(Public Domain: Text by Isaac Watts)

1 Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known;
Join in a song with sweet accord, and thus surround the throne.

2 Let those refuse to sing who never knew our God;
But children of the heavenly King may speak their joys abroad.

3 The men of grace have found glory begun below;
Celestial fruit on earthly ground from faith and hope may grow.

4 The hill of Zion yields a thousand sacred sweets
Before we reach the heavenly fields, or walk the golden streets.

5 Then let our songs abound, and ev'ry tear be dry;
We're marching through Emmanuel's ground to fairer worlds on high.

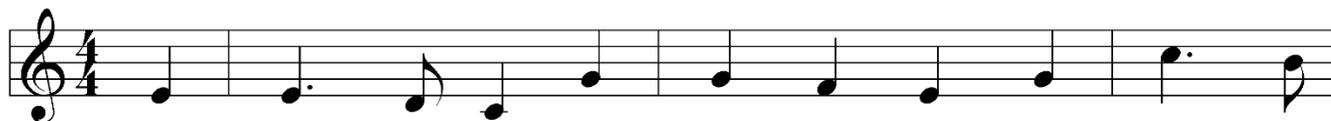
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#382 "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

#549 "Around the Throne, a Glorious Band"

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My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less



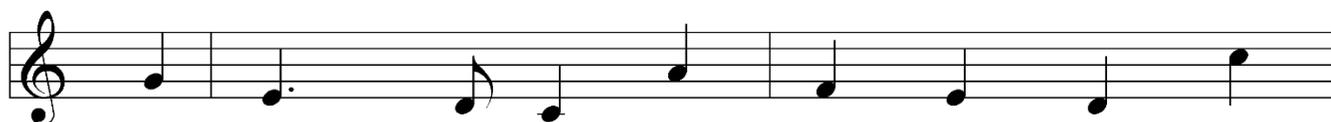
1 My hope is built on noth - ing less Than Je - sus'
 2 When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I rest on
 3 His oath, his cov - e - nant and blood Sup - port me
 4 When he shall come with trum - pet sound, Oh, may I



blood and right - eous - ness; I dare to make no oth -
 his un - chang - ing grace; In ev - 'ry high and storm -
 in the rag - ing flood; When ev - 'ry earth - ly prop
 then in him be found, Clothed in his right - eous - ness



er claim But whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
 y gale My an - chor holds with - in the veil.
 gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.
 a - lone, Fault - less to stand be - fore his throne.



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; All

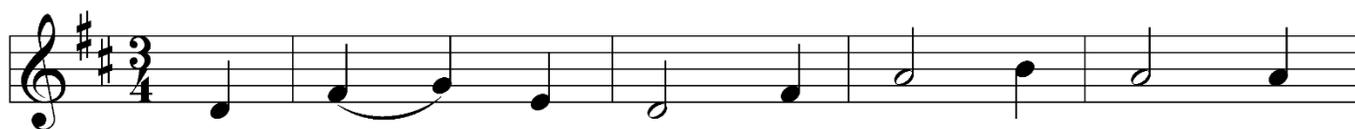


oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

Text: Edward Mote, 1797-1874, alt.

Tune: MAGDALEN (88 88 88) John Stainer, 1840-1901.

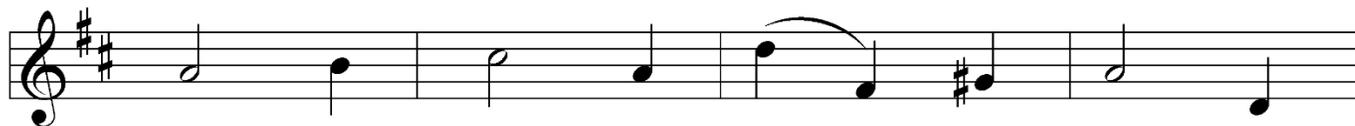
549 Around the Throne, a Glorious Band



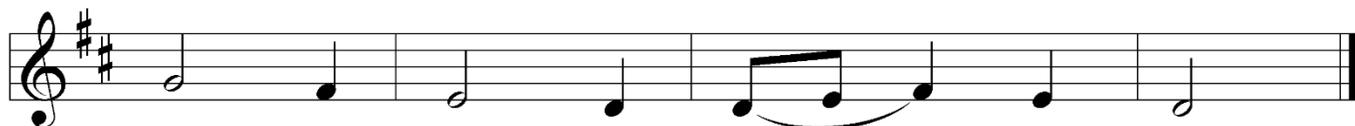
1 A - round the throne, a glo - rious band, The
 2 Through trib - u - la - tion great they came; They
 3 They see their Sav - ior face to face And
 4 "Wor - thy the Lamb, for sin - ners slain, Through
 5 Oh, may we tread the sa - cred road That



saints in count - less num - bers stand, Of
 bore the cross, de - spised the shame. From
 sing the tri - umphs of his grace. Each
 end - less years to live and reign; You
 saints and ho - ly mar - tyrs trod, Wage



ev - 'ry tongue, re - deemed to God, Ar -
 all their la - bors now they rest In
 day and night they sing his praise, To
 have re - deemed us by your blood And
 to the end the glo - rious strife, And



rayed in gar - ments washed in blood.
 God's e - ter - nal glo - ry blest.
 him the loud thanks - giv - ing raise:
 made us kings and priests to God."
 win, like them, a crown of life.

Text: Rowland Hill, 1744–1833, abr., alt.

Tune: ROCKINGHAM OLD (LM) *Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature*, London, 1778, adapt.

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.

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: Bruce Winkler and Mark Castellese

Organist and Soloist: Julie Webber

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

Today - 9:30 AM Divine Service
- 5:00 PM Reformation Celebration at Our Saviour's, Westland
Tuesday - 7:00 PM Elders Meeting
Wednesday – 10:00 AM Online Bible Class
Thursday - 7:00 Joint Board of Education/Trustees Meeting
Sunday - 9:30 AM Divine Service

Serving next week: Altar Guild – Diane Wendland
Ushering – Team 2

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.

ADULT BIBLE AND SUNDAY SCHOOL IS RESTARTING TODAY, 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 48185) invites you to a Reformation Celebration today **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.

<p>The Pastoral Staff Church Office: 734-453-3393 <u>www.splp.org</u> <u>stpeterlutheran@hotmail.com</u> Pastor: Rev. Paul Schaefer Pastor's Cellphone: 734-658-5735 Pastor's email: Peschaef5@gmail.com Music Director: Jan Jacobi Church Secretary: Carol Schwartz</p>	<p>St. Peter's Preschool Rebecca Lohmann, Director</p> <p>Michigan Lutheran Seminary (MLS) (Saginaw) 989-793-1041</p> <p>Huron Valley Lutheran High School (HVL) (Westland) 734-525-0160</p>	<p>Congregation President: Bruce Winkler Vice President: Richard Cording Council Secretary: Jim Cutler Treasurer: Seth Anderson Financial Secretaries: Steve Jacobi Van Varner Board Chairmen: Elders – Mark Castellese Stewardship/Education - Rick Carr Trustees – Nils Peterson</p>
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