St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church
Founded 1856
1343 Penniman Hvenue
Plymouth, MI 48170
Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod



Sunday, October 31, 2021
The Festival of the Lutheran Reformation

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.

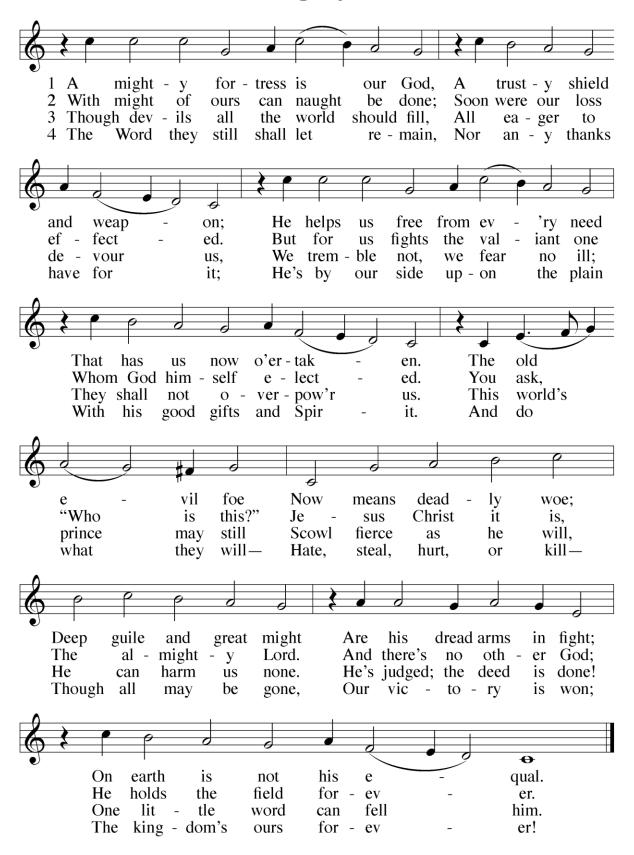
THE COMMON SERVICE (page 15)

OPENING HYMN: #200 "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

Text and Tune: Martin Luther (1483-1546)

200

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. composite.

Tune: EIN FESTE BURG (87 87 55 56 7) Martin Luther, 1483–1546.

STAND

M: In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

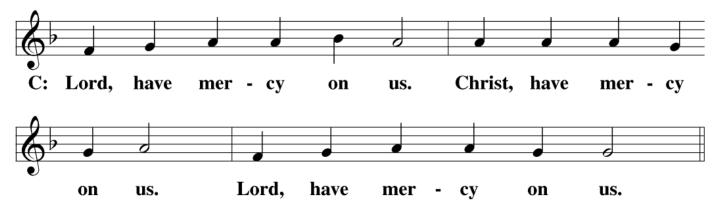


CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

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.

LORD, HAVE MERCY (Kyrie)



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.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord:





PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Let us pray.

Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; through your Son, 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: Jeremiah 18:1-11

18 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: ² "Arise, and go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words." ³ So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. ⁴ And the vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as it seemed good to the potter to do.

⁵ Then the word of the LORD came to me: ⁶ "O house of Israel, can I not do with you as this potter has done? declares the LORD. Behold, like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. ⁷ If at any time I declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, ⁸ and if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will relent of the disaster that I intended to do to it. ⁹ And if at any time I declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, ¹⁰ and if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will relent of the good that I had intended to do to it. ¹¹ Now, therefore, say to the men of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: 'Thus says the LORD, Behold, I am shaping disaster against you and

devising a plan against you. Return, every one from his evil way, and amend your ways and your deeds.'

PSALM OF THE DAY: PSALM 46 — The choir will sing "God is Our Refuge" Contributors: Hal H Hopson, Heinrich Schütz (1585-1672)

Tune: © 1989 Sacred Music Press, a division of The Lorenz Corporation (Admin. by Music Services) Text: © 1989 Sacred Music Press, a division of The Lorenz Corporation (Admin. by Music Services). Reprinted, recorded, and podcast with permission under One Licenses #A-722670 and R-101103.

God is our refuge, in distress a helper true.

Though the earth should shake and mountains fall, fear shall not consume our hearts.

Though mountains shall fall in the depths of the seas, Though its waters be raging and hills fall away, God the Lord is with us. The Lord is our refuge.

SECOND LESSON: Revelation 14:6,7

⁶ Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷ And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

VERSE OF THE DAY (sung by the choir)

Alleluia! If you continue in my Word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free. Alleluia! (John 8:31-32 cf.)

STAND

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 13:5-11

⁵ And Jesus began to say to them, "See that no one leads you astray. ⁶ Many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. ⁷ And when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. This must take place, but the end is not yet. ⁸ For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. These are but the beginning of the birth pains.

⁹ "But be on your guard. For they will deliver you over to councils, and you will be beaten in synagogues, and you will stand before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them. ¹⁰ And the gospel must first be proclaimed to all nations. ¹¹ And when they bring you to trial and deliver you over, do not be anxious beforehand what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit.



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

GOSPEL RESPONSE: _ "God is My Strong Salvation" © 1980 Harold Flammer, Inc. all rights reserved.

God is my strong salvation; I will not be afraid. My soul shall glory in him. The Lord Jehovah is my song.

Oh, be joyful in God my salvation. Sing his praises in all the earth. Oh, be joyful. Sing alleluia.

Behold, God is my strength and song. Therefore with joy shall I draw water from the wells of salvation. Alleluia!

HYMN OF THE DAY: #204 "O God, Our Lord, Your Holy

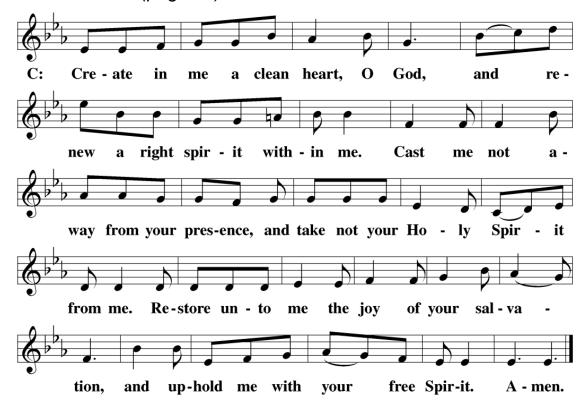
Word" Contributors: W. Gustave Polack; Text: © 1941, Concordia Publishing House. Reprinted and podcast with permission under One License #A-722670. All rights reserved.

204 O God, Our Lord, Your Holy Word



Text: Enchiridion . . . zum Schwartzen Horn, Erfurt, 1527, abr.; tr. W. Gustave Polack, 1890–1950, alt.
Tune: O HERRE GOTT, DEIN GÖTTLICH WORT (447 447 D Iambic) Enchiridion . . . zum Schwartzen Horn,
Erfurt, 1527.

SERMON STAND



PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR THE FESTIVAL OF THE LUTHERAN REFORMATION

M: Almighty and eternal God, when the time had fully come, you sent your Son to take our place under the demands of the law and to endure the just punishment for our sins. For our sake you accepted his sacrifice on the cross and raised him from death to glorious splendor.

C: Bless the Lord, my soul, and forget not all his benefits. (Psalm 103:2)

M: When the time had fully come, you bestowed your Spirit on your people as a testimony that you had called them to proclaim the gospel to every creature. Equipped and encouraged, they carried the Word of salvation into all the world.

C: The Lord reigns. Let the earth be glad; let the distant shores rejoice. (Psalm 97:1)

M: When the time had fully come, you raised up your servant Martin Luther to restore the pure and right teaching of the Scriptures to a troubled Church. You renewed your people with the light of your love, and your holy church grew and prospered throughout the world.

C: God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. (Psalm 46:1)

M: When the time had fully come, you made our forefathers bold to take their stand on the truth of your Word. You have blessed their sons and daughters and have enabled us to preserve and proclaim the saving gospel.

C: Sing to the Lord, for he has done glorious things; let this be known to all the world. (Isaiah 12:5)

M: Let this be a time, O Lord, when you renew us again by Word and sacrament, when you reform our hearts and minds, and when you restore to us the joy of fellowship and service. Grant to us in this age and in this place the courage of the apostles, the steadfastness of the reformers, and the dedication of those who have gone before us.

C: May the Lord our God be with us as he was with our fathers; may he never leave us nor forsake us. (1 Kings 8:57)

- M: May this be a time, O Lord, for confession and repentance. Forgive us for the apathy that harms our faith and hinders our works. Forgive us for boasting of our past achievements and for blaming others for our present problems. Rid us of indifference to public worship and Bible study. Destroy the distrust that plagues us, and shatter every thought and word that harms the unity of the Spirit and the bond of peace.
- C: Create in us pure hearts, O God, and renew steadfast spirits within us. (Psalm 51:10)
- **M:** Let this be a time, O Lord, when we recommit and reconsecrate ourselves to the ministry of the gospel. Let us find joy in our unity, zeal for our work, and success in our labor.
- C: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine on us, that his ways may be known on earth, his salvation among all nations. (Psalm 67:1-2)

 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. **Amen.**

© 1999 Northwestern Publishing House. Reprinted by permission.

LORD'S PRAYER © 1993 Northwestern Publishing House. Reprinted by permission.

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.

BE SEATED

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

NOTE: Please be prepared to receive the host in your outstretched hand, rather than in your mouth.

STAND



THE SACRAMENT (Page 21)

PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.

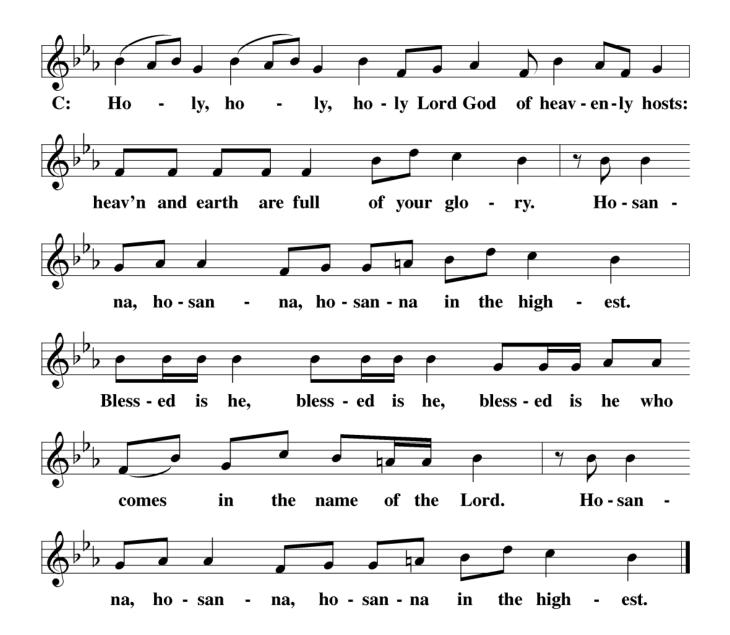


M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who preserves his Church to the end of time when he will come again to judge all people and take his own to glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

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."

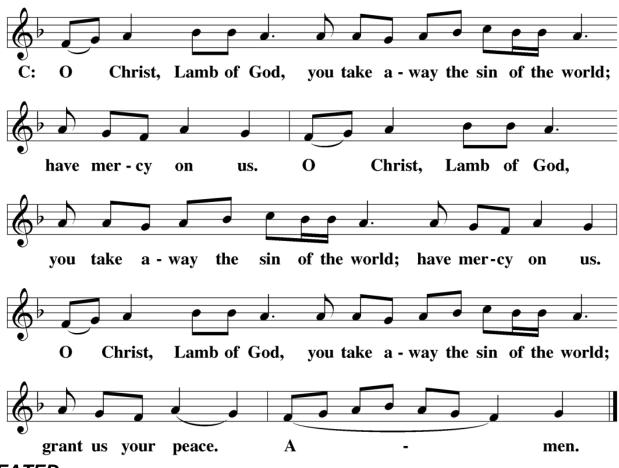
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is the new testament in my (+) blood, which is poured out for you for the

forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (Agnus Dei)



BE SEATED

DISTRIBUTION DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

#390 "Salvation Unto Us Has Come" Text: Paul Speratus (1484-1551)

#203 "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" Text: Martin Luther

390

Salvation unto Us Has Come

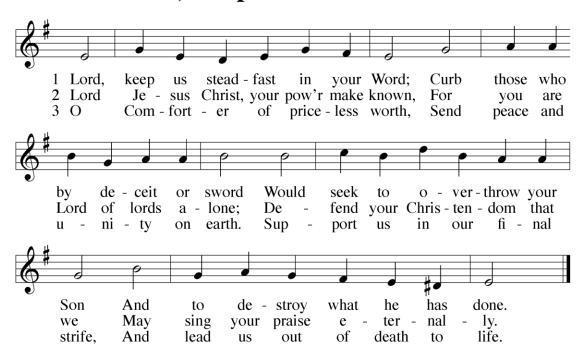


6 All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise
To Father, Son, and Spirit,
The God who saved us by his grace—
All glory to his merit!
O Triune God in heav'n above,
You have revealed your saving love;
Your blessed name be hallowed!

Text: Paul Speratus, 1484-1551, abr.; tr. composite.

Tune: Es IST DAS HEIL (87 87 887) Etlich Cristlich lider, Wittenberg, 1524, alt.

203 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word



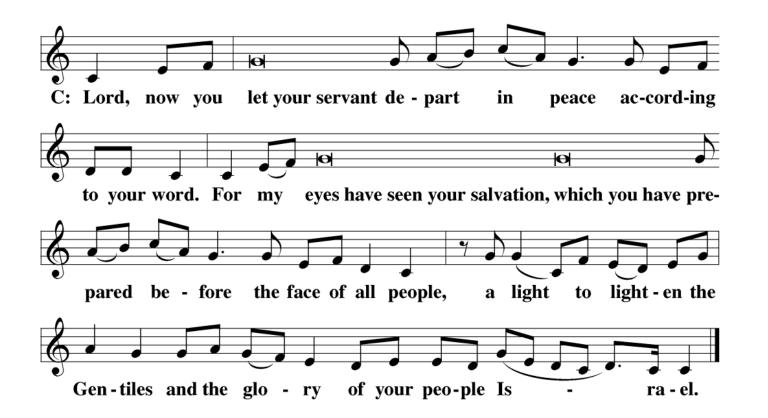
Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. composite.

Tune: ERHALT UNS, HERR (LM) Klug, Geistliche Lieder zu Wittemberg, Wittenberg, 1543, alt.

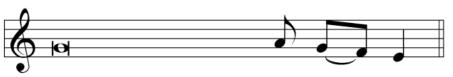
THANKSGIVING (page 24)

STAND

SONG OF SIMEON (Nunc dimittis)



M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: 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.



The Common Service ©1993 Northwestern Publishing House, all rights reserved. Reprinted and podcast with permission under One License #A-722670. All rights reserved.

The Holy Bible, English Standard Version Copyright © 2001 by Crossway Bibles, a publishing ministry of Good News Publishers.

OFFICIANTS:

Preacher and Celebrant: Pastor Paul Schaefer
Communion Assistants: Steve Wendland and Mark Castellese
Organist: Mrs. Jan Jacobi; Choir: Senior Choir

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

Today - 9:30 AM Divine Reformation Service

-10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

Tuesday –7:00 PM Board Meetings: Education/Stewardship and Trustees

- 8:00 PM Church Council Meeting

Wednesday – 9:03 AM Online Bible Class

Thursday – 7:00 PM Senior Choir Rehearsal

Sunday - 9:30 AM Divine Service

-10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

Serving next week: Altar Guild – Nancy Winkler; Ushering – Team 4

Altar flowers are donated to the glory of God and in honor of Ed Jacobi's birthday.

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

The Pastoral Staff Church Office: 734-453-3393

www.splp.org

stpeterlutheran@hotmail.com

Pastor: Rev. Paul Schaefer Pastor's Cellphone:

734-658-5735 Pastor's email:

Peschaef5@gmail.com Music Director: Jan Jacobi Church Secretary: Tracy Pitt St. Peter's Preschool

Rebecca Lohrmann, Director

Michigan Lutheran Seminary (MLS)

(Saginaw) 989-793-1041

Huron Valley Lutheran High School (HVL)

(Westland) 734-525-0160

Congregation President: Bruce

Winkler

Vice President: Richard Cording Council Secretary: Jim Cutler Treasurer: Seth Anderson

Financial Secretaries: Steve Jacobi

Van Varner Board Chairmen:

Elders – Ron Bude

Stewardship/Education -

Rick Carr

Trustees - Nils Peterson