

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



*Sunday, August 13, 2017*  
*The Tenth 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: #254 "The Day Full of Grace"**

*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 mer - cy.

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



**C:** Christ, have mer - cy.

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



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

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



C: A - men.

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



C: O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in



all the earth. Al - might - y God, mer - ci - ful Fa - ther,



you crown our life with your love. You take a - way our sin;



you com - fort our spir - it; you make us pure and



ho - ly in your sight. You did not spare your on - ly Son,



but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord,  
 how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.  
 O Son of God, e - ter - nal Word of the Fa - ther,  
 you came to live with us; you made your Fa - ther known;  
 you washed us from our sins in your own blood. You are the  
 King of glo - ry; you are the Lord! O Lord, our Lord,  
 how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** Let us pray.

O Lord, your ears are always open to the prayers of your humble servants, who come to you in Jesus' name. Teach us always to ask according to your will that we may never fail to obtain the blessings you have promised; 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: 1 Kings 3:5-12**

<sup>5</sup> At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, “Ask what I shall give you.” <sup>6</sup> And Solomon said, “You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant David my father, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you. And you have kept for him this great and steadfast love and have given him a son to sit on his throne this day. <sup>7</sup> And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of David my father, although I am but a little child. I do not know how to go out or come in. <sup>8</sup> And your servant is in the midst of your people whom you have chosen, a great people, too many to be numbered or counted for multitude. <sup>9</sup> Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, that I may discern between good and evil, for who is able to govern this your great people?”

<sup>10</sup> It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. <sup>11</sup> And God said to him, “Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches or the life of your

enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, <sup>12</sup> behold, I now do according to your word. Behold, I give you a wise and discerning mind, so that none like you has been before you and none like you shall arise after you.

## **PSALM OF THE DAY:** Psalm 119b

The soloist will sing “Teach Me, O Lord” (Thomas Attwood, Public Domain)

Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes, and I shall keep it unto the end.

## **SECOND LESSON:** Romans 8:28-30

<sup>28</sup> And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. <sup>29</sup> For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. <sup>30</sup> And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

## **VERSE OF THE DAY** (sung by the soloist)

Alleluia. Your words became a joy to me, and the delight of my heart. Alleluia. (Jeremiah 15:16 cf. RSV)

**STAND**

## **GOSPEL LESSON:** Matthew 13:44-52

<sup>44</sup> “The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

<sup>45</sup> “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, <sup>46</sup> who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

<sup>47</sup> “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind. <sup>48</sup> When it was full, men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into containers but threw away the bad. <sup>49</sup> So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous <sup>50</sup> and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

<sup>51</sup> “Have you understood all these things?” They said to him, “Yes.” <sup>52</sup> And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house, who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

***BE SEATED***

**HYMN OF THE DAY: #418 “My God Will Never Leave Me”**

**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**

*STAND*

### **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.**



## 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



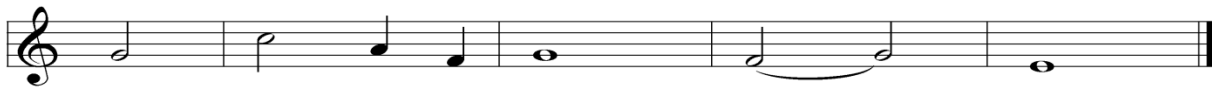
world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you



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

### DISTRIBUTION ANTHEM: "Jesus is Our Joy, Our Treasure"

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Jesus is our Joy, our Treasure;  
Jesus is our Truth, our Light.  
Jesus is our Love, our Pleasure;  
Jesus is our Hope, our Might.  
Oh, how blessed is thy name,

Son of God, we thee acclaim.  
Others oft our spirit sadden;  
Jesus grieving hearts doth gladden.  
Jesus health to souls restoreth;  
Jesus is their strong Support.  
Jesus mercies rich outpoureth;  
Jesus doth all guilt deport.  
Though grim death will close our eyes,  
Christ is risen, will bid us rise.  
He death's cruel shackle breaketh,  
Us to life eternal waketh.

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:**

**#459** "O God, My Faithful God"

**#346** "In You is Gladness"

**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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### **OFFICIANTS:**

Preacher and Celebrant: Pastor Paul Schaefer

Communion Assistants: Mark Castellese and Larry Roller

Organist: Mrs. Jan Jacobi; Soloist: Lois Bude

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

- Today - 9:30 AM Divine Service  
-10:45 AM Lemonade on the Lawn  
- 6:00 PM Luther Lecture Series at Good Shepherd, Novi
- Monday - 7:00 PM Divine Service
- Wednesday – 9:00 AM Bible Class
- Saturday – 6:00 PM Pool Party at Jacobi residence
- Sunday - 9:30 AM Divine Service  
-10:45 AM Lemonade on the Lawn
- Monday - 7:00 PM Divine Service

Serving next week: Altar Guild – Shenal Smith; Ushering – Team 4

**DIVINE CALL**--The Lord has called through the congregation Pastor Justin Cloute to be associate pastor here at St. Peter's. Pastor Cloute is presently serving Living Savior Lutheran Church in Missoula, Montana. He is married to Rachel and the Lord has blessed them with four children. Please keep Pastor Cloute and his family in your prayers as he deliberates where the Lord would have him continue his service.

**LUTHERFEST 500**--We will take a door offering on August 27 to support Lutherfest 500, the area wide celebration of the 500th Anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation. Remember the event is October 28 at Huron Valley Lutheran High School. Watch your emails and bulletins for more information.

**FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK:** To follow St. Peter's on Facebook, go to the page, [www.facebook.com/StPetersLutheranPlymouth](http://www.facebook.com/StPetersLutheranPlymouth) and click the thumbs up "Like" button below the photo. New items frequently are posted.

**HELP NEEDED:** We need a volunteer to help run our Parents and Tots program. It runs Wednesday mornings during the school year. Please speak to Becky Lohrmann or Pastor Schaefer if you are interested or would like more information. Thanks for your help.

**FROM THE CHURCH SECRETARY** – Please update your personal information on the forms on the table in the narthex. The updates are needed for a new church directory.

**POOL PARTY** – The Board of Stewardship and Education is sponsoring a family fun night on **Saturday, August 19, at 6:00 PM** at the Jacobi residence (18890 Valencia Street, Northville-- south off Seven Mile between Beck Road and Sheldon Road). Please bring a salad or dessert. Hot dogs, bratwurst, pop, chips, and table service will be provided. Please bring your own beach towels if you want to swim. If you don't care to use the pool, come anyway for some Christian fellowship.

**SENIOR CHOIR AND HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSALS START SOON!** Please give prayerful consideration to joining our group(s). We meet every Thursday – Handbells from 6:30 to 7:00 PM and Senior Choir from 7:00 to 8:00 PM. We sing or ring in church about three times a month. Rehearsals start on **August 24** in the church balcony. We hope to see you then!

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

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