

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church
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Humbled & Exalted

Luke 14:1, 7-14



Sunday, August 28, 2016
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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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)

HYMN: #350, "All Praise Be Yours"

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.

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.

O Lord Jesus Christ, preserve the congregation of believers with your never-failing mercy. Help us avoid whatever is wicked and harmful, and guide us in the way that leads to our salvation; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BE SEATED



THE WORD

(Hymnal page 29)

FIRST LESSON: Proverbs 25:6-7

⁶ Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence
or stand in the place of the great,

⁷ for it is better to be told, "Come up here,"
than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 119a (Hymnal page 109)

Refrain



Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.

Psalm tone



Blessed are they whose ways are blameless,*
who walk according to the law of the LORD.

Blessed are they who keep his statutes*
and seek him with all their heart.

You have laid down precepts*
that are to be fully obeyed.

Refrain

Oh, that my ways were steadfast*
in obeying your decrees!

Then I would not be put to shame*
when I consider all your commands.

I will praise you with an upright heart*
as I learn your righteous laws.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 13:1-8

13 Let brotherly love continue. ² Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares. ³ Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body. ⁴ Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous. ⁵ Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, “I will never leave you nor forsake you.” ⁶ So we can confidently say,

“The Lord is my helper;
I will not fear;
what can man do to me?”

⁷ Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸ Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

VERSE OF THE DAY: (soloist)

Alleluia! Your words became a joy to me, and the delight of my heart. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 14:1, 7-14

14 One Sabbath, when he went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully...⁷ Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, ⁸ “When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by

him,⁹ and he who invited you both will come and say to you, ‘Give your place to this person,’ and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place.¹⁰ But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher.’ Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you.¹¹ For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”

¹² He said also to the man who had invited him, “When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid.¹³ But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind,¹⁴ and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the just.”



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

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HYMN OF THE DAY: #524 “O Fount of Good, For All Your Love”

SERMON

STAND

NICENE CREED (Hymnal page 31)

**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

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.

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

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

(Hymnal page 33)

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 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



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



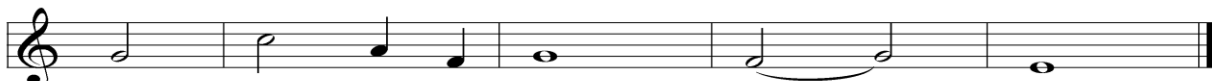
world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you



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: “A Prayer for Humility”

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Mighty God and gentle Lamb, Lord of all creation, how we long to know you, how we strive to serve you, help us now to love you even more.

(Refrain) Give us humble hearts to praise you and listening ears to hear your voice, willing hands to serve you, thankful spirits to rejoice. Lord of all, we adore you, and we bring this prayer before you: Create in us humble hearts.

When our thoughts turn proud, remind us of the grace you freely give.

When we lose our way, Lord, find us, draw us close to you again.

(Refrain) Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

#486 “Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us”

#491 “O Master of the Loving Heart”

THANKSGIVING

(Hymnal 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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Preacher and Celebrant: Pastor Paul Schaefer

Communion Assistants: Larry Roller, Scott Beckerman

Organist: Mrs. Jan Jacobi; Soloist: Mark Castellese

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER’S

Today - 9:30 AM Divine Service

Monday - 7:00 PM Divine Service

Tuesday - 6:00 – 7:30 PM Preschool Orientation
- 7:00 PM Board of Elders Meeting

Wednesday - 9:00 AM Bible Class

Thursday - 7:00 PM Senior Choir Rehearsal

Sunday - 9:30 AM Divine Service

Monday - NO Divine Service (Labor Day holiday)

SERVING NEXT WEEK - Altar Guild: Chris Ward

Ushering: Team #1

Mite Box Money is Due Sunday, September 24! Start collecting that loose change! If you care to write a check, it should be made out to: **St. Peter’s Lutheran Ladies Guild**. Mite box collections go to various mission projects approved, but not funded by the synod. Mite boxes will be available in the narthex. If you put your

name on yours, it will be returned to your mailbox for you to use again. Questions? Contact Lois Bude at loheotbu@hotmail.com.

The annual **Church Picnic** will be held September 25th at 12 noon at the pavilion at 6 Mile Road and Hines Drive. The Board of Stewardship/Education will be providing hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks. If your last name starts with A to N please bring a dish to pass; if it starts with O to Z please bring a dessert. Please bring your own table serving. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex.

Huron Valley Lutheran High School News

We invite YOU to the **HVL “Thank You” Dinner**. Please join us to celebrate our HVL High School Program and your wonderful support that makes it possible and successful! This celebration will acknowledge you and many others who contribute to the success of HVL. This event allows us to extend our appreciation to everyone in the “HVL Family.” We are inviting ALL HVL school families, association church members, alumni, donors, delegates, area pastors/teachers, etc. to attend this year’s annual HVL “THANK YOU” Dinner.

Saturday, September 10, 2016 4:45 arrive, 5:00 meal

PLACE: Wilson Barn, Livonia (corner of Middlebelt Road and West Chicago at 29350 West Chicago Street, Livonia, 48150. Parking is available at Emerson Middle School adjacent and directly east of the barn on West Chicago.)

So that we may plan for this catered dinner, please R.S.V.P. to mail@hvlhs.org or call the HVL office at 734.525.0160

HVL Installation Services for New Teachers. We are pleased to welcome two new teachers to the HVL staff for the coming school year: Mr. Jon Baumann and Mr. Neil Schlieve. Mr. Baumann has accepted a part time call to teach some of Pastor Schaeewe's courses, and Mr. Schlieve has accepted the call to be our history teacher. All are invited to the two separate installation services.

Mr. Baumann was installed at Peace Lutheran Church (9415 Merriman Road, Livonia) this Sunday, August 28, in the 9:30 service. Mr. Baumann is currently a member at Peace, is married to wife Colleen (nee Wendland), and has a son, Josiah, who is a senior at Drake and a daughter, Olivia, who is in the 5th grade. Mr. Baumann is a graduate of Martin Luther College and Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary (1992). He has taught religion at both Kettle Moraine and Evergreen Lutheran High Schools, as well as serving as a pastor in other congregations.

Mr. Schlieve will be installed at St. Paul Lutheran Church (17810 Farmington Rd, Livonia, MI 48152) on Sunday, September 11th, during the 8:30 am service. A light reception will follow the service. A basket for cards/gifts will be available. Mr. Schlieve and his family are members of St. Paul. Neil is married to Michelle (1996 MLC grad), and has a 9th grader at HVL (Logan) and a 7th grader at St. Paul's (Alexis). Mr. Schlieve graduated from MLC in 1996 and will graduate with his masters in leadership in 2018. He served for 12 years as teacher and principal at St. Matthew in Appleton, WI as well as 8 years as teacher and principal at Calvary in Thiensville, WI.

Martin Luther College is now accepting applications for one regular **part-time Administrative Assistant** in the Education Department. A comprehensive description of this position can be found at www.mlc-wels.edu/hr. Interested individuals should apply online. Applications will be accepted through 12:00 pm (noon) on Tuesday, September 6, 2016. Additional information and details can be obtained by contacting the Martin Luther College Human Resources Office at 507-354-8221, ext. 399.

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

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