

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church
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Sunday, January 15, 2017
The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

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: #101 "Behold the Lamb of God"

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*)

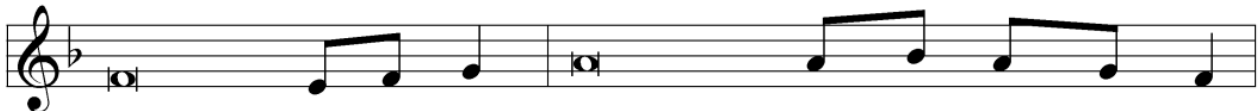
C: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

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: A - men.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

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



C: Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor-ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther al - mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the



sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the



sin of the world; re - ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of



God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on-ly are holy;



you on - ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,



are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you gave your one and only Son to be the light of the world. Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and believed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

BE SEATED



THE WORD

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 49:1-6

49 Listen to me, O coastlands,
and give attention, you peoples from afar.
The LORD called me from the womb,
from the body of my mother he named my name.
² He made my mouth like a sharp sword;
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;
he made me a polished arrow;
in his quiver he hid me away.
³ And he said to me, “You are my servant,
Israel, in whom I will be glorified.”
⁴ But I said, “I have labored in vain;
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;
yet surely my right is with the LORD,
and my recompense with my God.”
⁵ And now the LORD says,
he who formed me from the womb to be his servant,
to bring Jacob back to him;
and that Israel might be gathered to him—
for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD,
and my God has become my strength—
⁶ he says:
“It is too light a thing that you should be my servant
to raise up the tribes of Jacob
and to bring back the preserved of Israel;
I will make you as a light for the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.”

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 89

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I will sing, O my Lord, of your great love forevermore.
I'll sing strong and let it soar through every generation.

I'll declare with every breath: Your love is sure through every test.

I'll make known your faithfulness to every generation.
Blessed are those who know the shout, who raise the song and joyful sound.

Blessed are those who live to praise; they walk in light through all their earthly days. (Repeat)

And when my days to sing are gone and have no breath to sing the song,

The young will raise their voices strong to sing the everlasting song through every generation.

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid by your faith in his excellent word.

What more can he say than to you he hath said, to you who for refuge to Jesus hath fled?

I'll declare with every breath: you are strong through every test.

I'll make known your faithfulness to every generation.

SECOND LESSON: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

1 Paul, called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother Sosthenes,

² To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴ I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵ that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge— ⁶ even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you— ⁷ so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸ who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

VERSE OF THE DAY (sung by the choir)

Alleluia! He said to me, “You are my servant in whom I will display my splendor.” Alleluia! (Isaiah 49:3)

STAND

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



C: Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!

GOSPEL: John 1:29-41

²⁹ The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰ This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.’ ³¹ I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel.” ³² And John bore witness: “I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. ³³ I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ ³⁴ And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God.”

³⁵ The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶ and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God!” ³⁷ The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸ Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, “What are you seeking?” And they said to him, “Rabbi” (which means Teacher), “where are you staying?” ³⁹ He said to them, “Come and you will see.” So they came and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. ⁴⁰ One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹ He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which means Christ).



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

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: “Lamb of God”

The choir and congregation will sing the
gospel response.

HYMN OF THE DAY: #86 "The Only Son from Heaven"

SERMON

STAND

PSALM 51 RESPONSE (page 20)



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from your pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re-store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it. A - men.

BE SEATED

OFFERING

STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR THE EPIPHANY SEASON (page 124)

M: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God and Mary's son, in the fullness of time you came into our world to save us from sin and death.

C: You ushered in the day of grace so long foretold.

M: Beloved Son of the Father, revered by the Magi, baptized by John, you came preaching and teaching, healing and comforting, forgiving and encouraging:

C: You brought the light of life to those walking in darkness, and the joy of salvation to those doomed to death.

M: Prince of peace, shine like a beacon for us and the people of our world. Let the good news of salvation be heard in the remotest corners of the earth. Open our own lips to speak your name to those around us who still live without faith or hope:

C: Arouse us and our missionaries to flood the world with the light of your gospel.

M: Lord of the Church, let your peace rule our hearts that we may use our gifts to serve you and each other in willing gratitude and joy. Watch over our loved ones near and far, that they may remember your love and rejoice in your salvation. Strengthen the faith of the sick and the disheartened. Give hope to those in despair and comfort those who mourn:

C: Be gracious to all and lead us to reflect your love in everything we say and do.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M: Finally, bring us and all your believers to the heavenly home where we will stand in the full light of your glory and with all your saints and angels sing the everlasting song of triumph.

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 21)

PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up un - to the Lord.

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



C: It is good and right so to do.

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 lived among us as a human being and revealed his glory as your only Son, full of grace and truth. 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*)



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -



na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -



na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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 HYMNS:

#27 "O Jesus, Lamb of God, You Are
#463 "Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult"

THANKSGIVING (page 24)

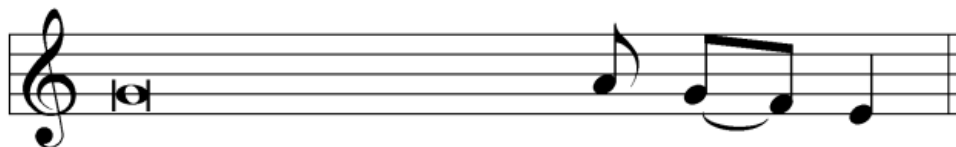
STAND

SONG OF SIMEON (*Nunc Dimittis*)



C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing
to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre-
pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the
Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of your peo-ple Is - ra - el.

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.



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OFFICIANTS:

Preacher and Celebrant: Pastor Paul Schaefer
Communion Assistants: Dan Lanning, Ron Bude
Organist: Mrs. Jan Jacobi; Choir: Senior Choir;
Flute: Kimberly Beckerman

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

- Today - 9:30 AM Divine Service
-10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class
- 7:00 PM Lutherfest meeting at HVL
- Wednesday - 9:00 AM Bible Class
-4:00 PM Youth Catechism
- Thursday - 6:30 PM Handbell Choir rehearsal
-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 – Thea Bude; Ushering – Team 3

LUTHERFEST 500 MEETING AT HURON VALLEY LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

Progress is being made toward our *Lutherfest 500* celebration. **We will be meeting again today, Sunday, January 15 at 7:00 PM at HVL** to continue our preparations. We are looking for people to help in the following areas. The most pressing concerns involve the Logistics & Facilities Committee, though all committees will report on progress and plan their next steps.

PUBLICITY & EVANGELISM – Web site design and upkeep; Advertising via Facebook and other media; Outreach to other WELS churches and the community at large.

FOOD & BEVERAGE – Catering concerns: Food items, beverages, other meal needs, costs.

ENTERTAINMENT & DECORATION – Decorations for school and tent; Music; Games and rides; Reformation Walk.

LOGISTICS & FACILITIES – Fair grounds layout; Parking issues; Tent rental; Equipment (tables, chairs, space heaters, port-a-potties, etc.) rental.

While we will need people attending these monthly meetings to report, plan, and prioritize, we will also need people who are willing to make phone calls and gather information for us. If you are willing to do this, please contact Pastor Schroeder at welsnovi@aol.com. He will give details on what calls need to be made and what information we need to gather. For any other questions, you may also contact Pastor Schroeder. Mark your calendars: *Lutherfest 500* will be on Saturday, October 28 at HVL.

Good Shepherd, Novi Luther Lecture Series – A series of lectures and discussions will be presented to consider who Martin Luther was, what he taught, and what he accomplished. Except for May 7, the meetings will be held on the

second Sunday of the month, at 6:00 PM, through October. The church is located at 41415 W. Nine Mile Road (corner of Meadowbrook). For more information, take an information card from the table in the narthex or call 248.349.0565.

BIBLE CLASS (Starts today) **Idols We Never Knew We Had**

A wood-carved animal figurine. A chiseled stone statue. A golden goddess. Do you have an idol-worship area set up in your home? We would say “Definitely not! I don’t bow down to idols!” But sometimes we do worship idols and make them our gods, not even realizing they are there. Our upcoming study will bring to light these idols that hide themselves so easily in our homes and hearts, and through God’s guidance and power we’ll get help to avoid worshiping these false gods.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR--Please plan to attend these important events. We would like to have as many of the congregation involved as possible.

SCHEDULE FOR CONGREGATIONAL MEETING, FEBRUARY 19

9:30 DIVINE SERVICE

10:45-11:30 BIBLE CLASS

11:30-12:10 CONGREGATIONAL UPDATE (Re: calling 2nd pastor)

12:10-1:00 PM POTLUCK AND FELLOWSHIP (Please bring a side dish and/or dessert to share, chicken provided by the Board of Stewardship)

1:00 PM PRESIDENT SEIFERT (MICHIGAN DISTRICT PRESIDENT) RE: Questions about the calling process.

The Board of Stewardship and Education will be hosting a chili/game night on Saturday January 28th at 6PM. Just bring your favorite chili and a board game for a night of fellowship. Drinks and tableware will be provided. A signup sheet is posted in the narthex.

Poinsettias are on a table in the church basement. Take some, if you wish, even if you did not order any.

The Board of Trustees is working to clean up the school building in a variety of ways. In line with that, we have gathered up all the computer hardware that is no longer needed. If any members have a need for this equipment it will be available during January. The available equipment has been placed on a table in the far end classroom. Please contact the St. Peter’s office or Howard Alaniva (734-612-4480) if you’d like to acquire a monitor, display, keyboard or any combination. Equipment not picked up by 1-31-17 will be appropriately disposed of and/or recycled.

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

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