

*St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church*  
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*Sunday, October 29, 2017*  
*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"

*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.



**BE SEATED**



**THE WORD**

**FIRST LESSON:** Isaiah 25:6-9

<sup>6</sup> 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.

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

<sup>8</sup> 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.

<sup>9</sup> 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 soloist will sing “The Lord is My Shepherd” ©1996 MorningStar Music Publishers, all rights reserved.

Refrain: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters. He revives my soul and guides me along right pathways for his Name’s sake. (Refrain)

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. (Refrain)

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

(Refrain)

## **SECOND LESSON: Philippians 4:4-13**

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

<sup>8</sup> 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. <sup>9</sup> What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

<sup>10</sup> 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. <sup>11</sup> Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. <sup>12</sup> 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. <sup>13</sup> 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**





**BE SEATED**

**GOSPEL RESPONSE: “O Kingly Love, That Faithfully”**

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O Kingly Love, that faithfully didst keep thine ancient promises, didst bid the bidden come to thee,  
The people thou didst choose to bless.

(Refrain): This day we raise our song of praise adoring thee,  
That in the days when alien sound had all but drowned thine ancient, true, and constant melody, thy mighty hand did make a trumpet none could silence or mistake;  
Thy living breath did blow for all the world to hear, living and clear.

The feast is ready; come to the feast!  
The good and the bad, come and be glad!  
Greatest and least, come to the feast!

O lavish Love, that didst prepare a table bounteous as thy heart that men might leave their puny care and taste and see how good thou art: (Refrain)

O seeking Love, thy hurrying feet go searching still to urge and call the bad and good on every street to fill thy boundless banquet hall. (Refrain)

O holy Love, thou canst not brook man's cool and careless enmity;  
O ruthless Love, thou wilt not look on man robed in contempt of thee.

Thine echoes die; our deeds deny thy summoning.  
Our darkling cry, our meddling sound have all but drowned

that song that once made every echo ring.

Take up again, oh, take the trumpet none can silence or  
mistake, and blow once more for us and all the world to  
hear, living and clear.

The feast is ready; come to the feast!

The good and the bad, come and be glad!

Greatest and least, come to the feast!

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

**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.**



**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



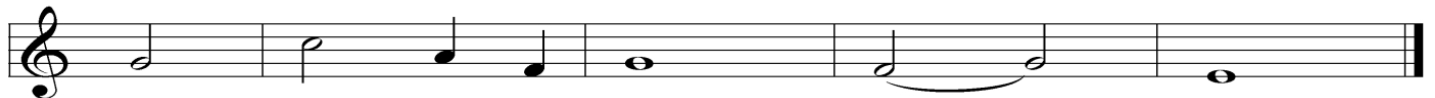
world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you



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 HYMNS:**

**#382** "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

**#549** "Around the Throne, a Glorious Band"

**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: James Cutler and Dan Lanning

Organist: Mrs. Jan Jacobi; Soloist: Mark Castellese

### THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

- Today - 9:30 AM Divine Service  
- 10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class  
- 4:00 PM Reformation Rally at Huron Valley Lutheran High School
- Tuesday - 7:00 PM Board of Elders Meeting
- Wednesday - 9:00 AM Bible Class
- 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  
- 4:00 PM Michigan Reformation Service in Saginaw

Serving next week: Altar Guild – Kim Harris Ushering – Team 3

**THE AREA REFORMATION RALLY** to celebrate the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation will be held at Huron Valley Lutheran High School (33740 Cowan Road, Westland) today, Sunday, October 29 at 4:00 PM. Featured will be a mass choir, children's choir, the HVL Hawk Singers, and instrumentalists. The preacher will be Rev. Guy Purdue of Our Saviour, Westland; the liturgist will be Rev. Thomas Schroeder of Good Shepherd, Novi.

**A Joint Reformation Service hosted by all Michigan Congregations** of the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod will be held on November 5 at 4:00 PM at the Dow

Event Center, 303 Johnson Street in Saginaw. Highlights include participation by the choirs of all three WELS high school in Michigan; a mass choir and children's choir; numerous instrumentalists; worship with hundreds of fellow WELS members. More details and directions can be found on the narthex table and on Facebook: *500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reformation Michigan District WELS*.

**Attention Instrumentalists** The WELS Band of Southeast Michigan is beginning its ninth season. Instrumentalists from eighth grade through adult are invited to participate. Rehearsals are held on Sunday evenings from 7:00 – 8:30 at HVL High School, beginning November 12. We will be rehearsing music for the Christmas Concert on December 17. New members are always welcome. For more information, contact Steve Grosinske ([sgrosinske@hvlhs.org](mailto:sgrosinske@hvlhs.org)).

**CALL MEETING REPORT:** St. Peter's congregation through its Voters' Assembly last evening called the Reverend David J. Meyer to be our associate pastor. Pastor Meyer currently is serving Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in South Attleboro, Massachusetts. He is married to Anna and the Lord has blessed them with three children. Please keep Pastor Meyer in your prayers as he considers where the Lord of the Church would have him continue serving.

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

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