

# Now Thank We All Our God

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

# St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church

PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN

Sunday, October 9, 2016

#### **Service Notes**

The following psalms in the front of the hymnal (page 64) 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 Participants**

Presiding Minister Rev. Joel M. Tullberg
Organist Mrs. Jan Jacobi
Soloist Doris Tomlin

**Communion Assistants** Ron Bude and Scott Beckerman

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# Service of Word and Sacrament

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# **Opening Hymn**

All Praise to God Who Reigns Above

Christian Worship — 236

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

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.



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.



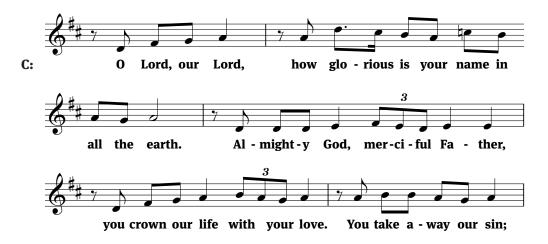
M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



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



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





### **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

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First Lesson Ruth 1:1-19a

In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land, and a man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. <sup>2</sup> The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there.

- <sup>3</sup> But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons.
- <sup>4</sup> These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. They lived there about ten years, <sup>5</sup> and both Mahlon and Chilion died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband.
- <sup>6</sup> Then she arose with her daughters-in-law to return from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the fields of Moab that the LORD had visited his people and given them food. <sup>7</sup> So she set out from the place where she was with her two daughters-in-law, and they went on the way to return to the land of Judah. <sup>8</sup> But Naomi said

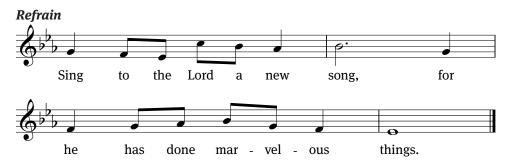
to her two daughters-in-law, "Go, return each of you to her mother's house. May the LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. <sup>9</sup> The LORD grant that you may find rest, each of you in the house of her husband!" Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. <sup>10</sup> And they said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people."

<sup>11</sup> But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters; why will you go with me? Have I yet sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? <sup>12</sup> Turn back, my daughters; go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. If I should say I have hope, even if I should have a husband this night and should bear sons, <sup>13</sup> would you therefore wait till they were grown? Would you therefore refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, for it is exceedingly bitter to me for your sake that the hand of the LORD has gone out against me." <sup>14</sup> Then they lifted up their voices and wept again. And Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her.

<sup>15</sup> And she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." <sup>16</sup> But Ruth said, "Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God. <sup>17</sup> Where you die I will die, and there will I be buried. May the LORD do so to me and more also if anything but death parts me from you." <sup>18</sup> And when Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more. <sup>19</sup> So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem.

### **Psalm of the Day**

#### Psalm 111





Great are the works of the LORD;\*
they are pondered by all who delight in them.

Glorious and majestic <u>are</u> his deeds,\* and his righteousness endures for<u>ever</u>.

He has caused his wonders to be re<u>mem</u>bered;\*
the LORD is gracious and com<u>pas</u>sionate. *Refrain* 

The works of his hands are faith<u>ful</u> and just;\* all his precepts are trust<u>worthy</u>.

He provided redemption for his <u>people</u>;\* he ordained his covenant forever.

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of <u>wis</u>dom;\* all who follow his precepts have good under<u>stand</u>ing.

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son\* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the beg<u>inning</u>,\* is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men. *Refrain* 

**Second Lesson** 

2 Timothy 2:8-13

Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, <sup>9</sup> for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound! <sup>10</sup> Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. <sup>11</sup> The saying is trustworthy, for:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;  $^{12}$  if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he also will deny us;  $^{13}$  if we are faithless, he remains faithful — for he cannot deny himself.

### Verse of the Day

2 Peter 3:18

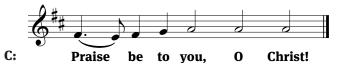
The soloist sings the Verse of the Day.

Alleluia! This is the Lord, we trusted in him; let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation. Alleluia!

Stand

Gospel Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup> And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance <sup>13</sup> and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." <sup>14</sup> When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. <sup>15</sup> Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; <sup>16</sup> and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup> Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? <sup>18</sup> Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" <sup>19</sup> And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."



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### **Gospel Response**

#### Now Thank We All Our God

Words by Martin Rinkart (1586-1649) Music by J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices. Who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices. Who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way. With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

### Hymn of the Day

**Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old**Christian Worship — 520

#### Sermon

Stand

#### Nicene Creed (page 31)

C: 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

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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.



M: Lift up your hearts.



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



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



### **Words of Institution**

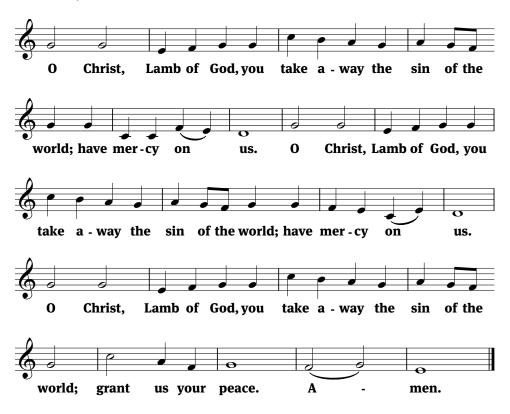
M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

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



Be seated.

### **Distribution**

### **Distribution Hymns**

# Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

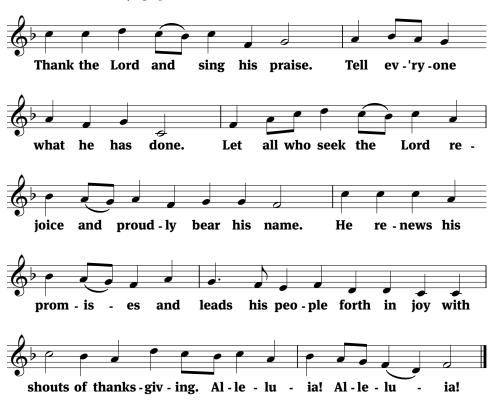
Christian Worship — 82

Oh, Bless the Lord, My Soul

Christian Worship — 238

Stand

### Thank the Lord (page 36)



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.



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.



### **Pastoral Care & Mercy**

Please remember with prayers, cards and visits those who needs have been reported.

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

Today - 9:30 AM Divine Service

-10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class - 2:00 PM HVL Conference of Congregations

Monday - 4:00 PM Youth Catechism

-7:00 PM Divine Service

Wednesday - 9:00 AM Bible Class (in the school)

Thursday - 6:30 PM Handbell Choir rehearsal

-7:00 PM Senior Choir rehearsal

Saturday - 5:00 PM Oktoberfest at Winkler residence

Sunday - 9:30 AM Divine Service

- 10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

- 1:00 – 2:30 PM Trunk or Treat

Monday - 4:00 PM Youth Catechism

- 7:00 PM Divine Service

**SERVING NEXT WEEK -** Altar Guild: Gretchen Castellese

Ushering: Team #4

As you may know, our synod is working on a new hymnal, tentatively scheduled for release in 2023. The Technology Committee of the **WELS Hymnal Project** has asked St. Peter's congregation to evaluate possible designs for the new hymnal, using our full service bulletins. Please look over the bulletins for October 2, 9, 16, and 23, and keep them at home for future reference. We hope you will fill out a brief survey after October 23; it will be available in online and paper form. Please ask Pastor Schaefer or Jan Jacobi if you have any questions.

**JOB OPPORTUNITY** - St. Peter's is currently renting out gym time to a few organizations. On Tuesdays, 5pm-9pm, a cheerleading organization uses the facility. We'd like to know if there is a St. Peter's teenager that would like to earn some money (\$5/hr) and be on site at St. Peter's while that group is in the building. This person would simply be a contact for the group; no real interaction is necessary. We'd provide a list of Trustee contact numbers for the monitor to use should an issue arise. If you're interested and want more details, please contact Howard Alaniva 734-612-4480 (voice or text) or ha2431@att.com.

There will be a meeting of the **Huron Valley Lutheran High School Conference of Congregations** today, October 16, beginning at 2:00 PM at the high school. At this first meeting of the 2016-2017 school year, representatives from the Board of Regents will present their plans for the coming school year. Area delegates, pastors and male teachers are asked to attend. Thank you!

**OKTOBERFEST** – The Oktoberfest location will be at the home of Bruce and Nancy Winkler, 48055 Basswood Court, Plymouth. The festivities will occur on **October 22, at 6 PM.** The Bude and Beckerman families will provide the food (beer, brats, dessert, and much more). The cost is \$10.00 per person. Please sign up by today, October 16. There is a signup sheet in the church narthex.

Please come to **TRUNK OR TREAT** on Sunday, October 23, from 1:00pm to 2:30 PM in the church parking lot. We invite people to decorate their trunks and pass out treats. Please sign up in the narthex or contact Rebecca Lohrmann at 734-417-0428. We could also use additional donations of candy if you are not able to participate. Thanks!

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