

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church
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“Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep which was lost.”

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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: #339 "Today Your Mercy Calls Us"

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.

Lord, we pray that your mercy and grace may always go before and follow after us that, loving you with undivided hearts, we may be ready for every good and useful work; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BE SEATED



THE WORD (Hymnal page 29)

FIRST LESSON: Exodus 32:7-14

⁷ And the LORD said to Moses, “Go down, for your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves. ⁸ They have turned aside quickly out of the way that I commanded them. They have made for themselves a golden calf and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said, ‘These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!’” ⁹ And the LORD said to Moses, “I have seen this people, and behold, it is a stiff-necked people. ¹⁰ Now therefore let me alone, that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, in order that I may make a great nation of you.”

¹¹ But Moses implored the LORD his God and said, “O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you have brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a

mighty hand? ¹² Why should the Egyptians say, ‘With evil intent did he bring them out, to kill them in the mountains and to consume them from the face of the earth’? Turn from your burning anger and relent from this disaster against your people. ¹³ Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, to whom you swore by your own self, and said to them, ‘I will multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your offspring, and they shall inherit it forever.’” ¹⁴ And the LORD relented from the disaster that he had spoken of bringing on his people.

PSALM OF THE DAY: 51a – The choir sings *Miserere Mei Domine* (Public Domain, Orlando Lassus [1532-1594])

*Miserere mei Domine secundum magnam misericordiam tuam.
Dele Domine iniquitatem meam.*

(Have mercy upon me, O Lord, according to your great mercy. Blot out, O Lord, my iniquity.)

SECOND LESSON: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

¹² I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, ¹³ though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴ and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵ The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶ But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an

example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷ To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

VERSE OF THE DAY: (Choir)

Alleluia! The Lord will rescue me from every evil and will bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-10

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. ² And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, “This man receives sinners and eats with them.”

³ So he told them this parable: ⁴ “What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? ⁵ And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. ⁶ And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’ ⁷ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

⁸ “Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? ⁹ And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ ¹⁰ Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

BE SEATED

GOSPEL RESPONSE: “King of Glory, King of Peace”

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King of glory, King of peace, I will love thee;
and that love may never cease, I will move thee.
Thou hast granted my request, thou hast heard me.
Thou didst note my working breast, thou hast spared me.
Wherefore with my utmost art I will sing thee;
and the cream of all my heart I will bring thee.
Though my sins against me cried, thou didst clear me;
and alone, when they replied, thou didst hear me.
Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee.
In my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise thee.
Small it is in this poor sort to enroll thee;
e'en eternity's too short to extol thee.

HYMN OF THE DAY: #304 “Jesus Sinners Does Receive”

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



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.



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:

#374 “My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

Evangelical Lutheran Hymnary #505

“O Lord, Who in Thy Love Divine”

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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-joyce 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: Larry Roller and Mark Castellese

Organist: Mrs. Jan Jacobi; Choir: Senior Choir

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

Today	- 9:30 AM	Divine Service
	-10:45 AM	Sunday School and Adult Bible Class
Monday	- 7:00 PM	Divine Service
Wednesday	- 9:00 AM	Bible Class – meeting in school
	-10:00 AM	School kitchen cleaning
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
	- Noon	Church Picnic (6 Mile and Hines Drive)
Monday	- 7:00 PM	Divine Service

Registration deadline for Boy Pioneer Campout [Glenn Schultz (734) 751-3769]

SERVING NEXT WEEK - Altar Guild: Caryn Williams; Ushering: Team #3

LUTHERFEST 500

October 31, 2017 marks the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther nailing the 95 Theses to the Castle Church door in Wittenberg, sparking what became the Lutheran Reformation. We celebrate this annually on the Sunday before October 31 at a festival service. (This year's Reformation Rally will be Sunday, October 30 at St. John's in Westland. More details will come later.)

For the 500th anniversary, we want to do something a little more grand. We want our celebration to be an event which covers the entire weekend leading into October 31. In addition to our festival service on Sunday (October 29, 2017), we are planning an Octoberfest-type celebration we are calling Lutherfest 500 to be hosted at Huron Valley Lutheran High School on Saturday, October 28, 2017.

In order for this celebration to happen in October 2017, we are already assembling committees to organize, to promote, and to operate the Lutherfest 500 celebration. Committees will include Logistics and Facilities; Publicity; Food & Beverage; Entertainment & Decoration; and Set-Up / Clean-Up Crews. Not only will this be an opportunity for Lutherans to celebrate, we also hope it might be an opportunity for Lutherans to welcome others to celebrate with us and, God willing, learn more about our Lutheran confession. It will also be an opportunity for our congregations to join together and work together for a great festival.

Interested? There will be an organizational meeting on Sunday, September 25 at 7:00 PM. It will be held at Our Saviour Evangelical Lutheran Church (33333 Warren Road) in Westland. We will talk about what we hope our event will be, and then go through the steps that we need to follow to make it happen. To make this event all that it can be, we need many people helping us. Please join us!

For more information, or if you are unable to attend but want to be included, you can contact Pastor Tom Schroeder at welsnovi@aol.com.

Nancy Winkler and Chris Ward are organizing a **School Kitchen Cleaning Day** on **Wednesday, September 14**, at 10:00 AM. Thanks to those who cleaned the church kitchen on September 7. Remember that any St. Peter's organization may use supplies in either the school or church kitchen.

The church kitchen cleaning resulted in many articles that were left after church meals. The workers put these things, along with extraneous vases and glassware that are not needed in the kitchen, on tables in the church basement. Please claim anything you recognize, as well as other objects you might be able to use in your own home. There is a large set of china also available in the cupboards for anyone who needs extra dishes. Things that are not taken by September 25 will be donated to various organizations.

The annual **Church Picnic** will be held next Sunday, September 18th 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 service. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex.

Sunday School and Bible Class start today, September 11, immediately after the divine service (approximately 10:45 to 11:30 AM). Please bring your children to Sunday School in the school, and join the adults in the church basement for a four to six unit class about “Millennialism.” If you would be willing to help teach or assist for Sunday School (or simply would like more information), please contact Pastor Schaefer at **734-658-5735**. Thanks to those who have volunteered to help, for your willingness to serve our Lord and our young people in this way!!

The **Boy Pioneers** will be hosting the annual **archery camp out** at the Killarney Lutheran Camp September 23-25, (Friday evening - Sunday morning). You may also come Saturday and Sunday, or Saturday only. All boys K-8 and dads are welcome; other area WELS churches also participate. This is tent, trailer, & RV camping; electricity is provided, with KOA style bathrooms. Besides archery, there will be hiking, campfires, snacks, an outdoor learning activity, and of course fellowship and time in God’s word on Saturday evening. Cost is \$25 per participant; this includes all campground fees, meals, snacks, drinks, and archery supplies. Camp Killarney is located at 1200 Chisholm Rd, Onsted, MI 49265. Sunday morning you may depart at your convenience, although breakfast will be available. **To register (by September 19th)** or for further questions, please e-mail or call Glenn Schultz: glschultz@wowway.com, (734) 751-3769

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

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