

*St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church*  
*Founded 1856*  
*1343 Penniman Avenue*  
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*Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod*



Anyone who does not carry his cross and follow me  
cannot be my disciple.

John 14:27

*Sunday, September 4, 2016*  
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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: #437 "I Trust, O Christ, in You Alone"**

*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.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.


  
**C:      A                      -                      men.**

*BE SEATED*



## THE WORD

(Hymnal page 29)

**FIRST LESSON:** Proverbs 9:8-12

- <sup>8</sup> Do not reprove a scoffer, or he will hate you;  
reprove a wise man, and he will love you.
- <sup>9</sup> Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be still wiser;  
teach a righteous man, and he will increase in learning.
- <sup>10</sup> The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom,  
and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.
- <sup>11</sup> For by me your days will be multiplied,  
and years will be added to your life.
- <sup>12</sup> If you are wise, you are wise for yourself;  
if you scoff, you alone will bear it.

**PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 19 (Hymnal page 70)**

*Refrain*

Lord, you have the words of  
ev - er - last - ing life.

*Psalm tone*

The heavens declare the glory of God;\*

The heavens declare the glory of God;\*  
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

Their voice goes out into all the earth,\*  
their words to the ends of the world.

## *Refrain*

The law of the LORD is perfect,\*  
giving joy to the heart.

The commands of the LORD are radiant,\*  
giving light to the eyes.

They are more precious than gold;\*  
they are sweeter than honey.

By them is your servant taught;\*  
in keeping them there is great reward.

## *Refrain*

May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart\*  
be pleasing in your sight, O LORD, my Redeemer.

**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*

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## **SECOND LESSON: Philemon 1:1,10-21**

<sup>1</sup> Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,  
To Philemon our beloved fellow worker

<sup>10</sup> I appeal to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I became in my imprisonment. <sup>11</sup> (Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me.) <sup>12</sup> I am sending him back to you, sending my very heart. <sup>13</sup> I would have been glad to keep him with me, in order that he might serve me on your behalf during my imprisonment for the gospel, <sup>14</sup> but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your goodness might not be by compulsion but of your own accord. <sup>15</sup> For this perhaps is why he was parted from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, <sup>16</sup> no longer as a bondservant but more than a bondservant, as a beloved brother—especially to me, but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

<sup>17</sup> So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would receive me. <sup>18</sup> If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. <sup>19</sup> I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will repay it—to say nothing of your owing me even your own self. <sup>20</sup> Yes, brother, I want some benefit from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ.

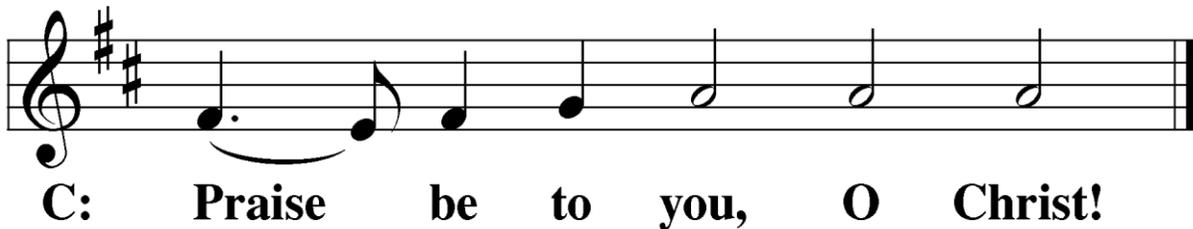
<sup>21</sup> Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

**VERSE OF THE DAY:** (spoken by pastor)

Alleluia! If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. Alleluia!

## **GOSPEL: Luke 14:25-33**

<sup>25</sup> Now great crowds accompanied him, and he turned and said to them, <sup>26</sup> “If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. <sup>27</sup> Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. <sup>28</sup> For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? <sup>29</sup> Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, <sup>30</sup> saying, ‘This man began to build and was not able to finish.’ <sup>31</sup> Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? <sup>32</sup> And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. <sup>33</sup> So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.



*BE SEATED*

**HYMN OF THE DAY: #464 “Jesus Christ, My Pride and Glory”**

**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.

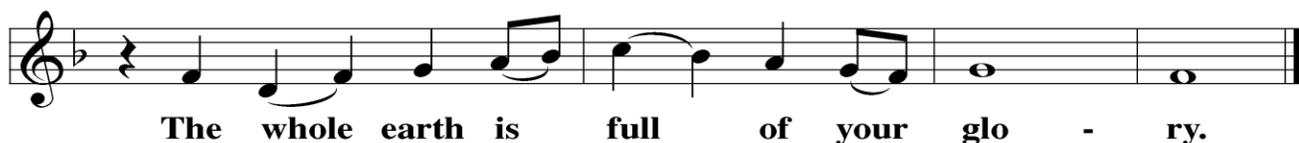
**M:** Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing.

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



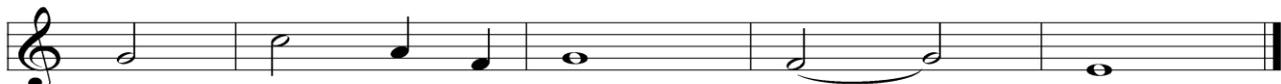
world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you



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.

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## DISTRIBUTION

### DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

#452 “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”

#453 “Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spoke”

## 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.



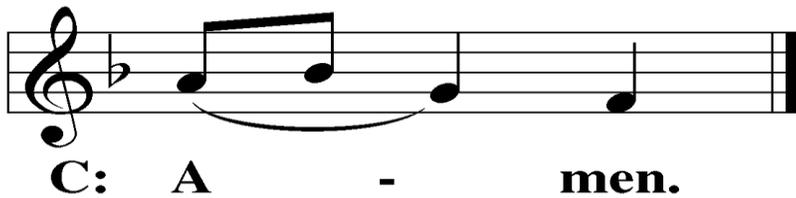
He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



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.



**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: Mark Castellese and Ron Bude

Organist: Mrs. Jan Jacobi

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

- Today - 9:30 AM Divine Service  
- Noon Camp Killarney Pig Roast
- Monday - NO Divine Service (holiday)
- Tuesday - 7:00 PM Board Meetings: Trustees and Stewardship/Education  
- 8:00 PM Church Council Meeting
- Wednesday- 9:00 AM Bible Class  
- 10:00 AM Kitchen cleaning (starts in the church basement)
- Thursday - 6:30 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal  
-7:00 PM Senior Choir Rehearsal
- Friday - 5:00 PM Spangler-Bateson wedding rehearsal
- Saturday - 2:00 PM Spangler-Bateson wedding  
- 4:45 PM HVL "Thank You" dinner (29350 West Chicago Street, Livonia)
- Sunday - 8:30 AM Installation Service for Mr. Neil Schlieve (new HVL History professor) at St. Paul Lutheran Church (17810 Farmington Rd, Livonia)  
- 9:30 AM Divine Service  
-10:45 AM Sunday School and Bible Class
- Monday - 7:00 PM Divine Service

**SERVING NEXT WEEK** - Altar Guild: Diane Wendland; Ushering: Team #2

**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](mailto:loheotbu@hotmail.com).

The annual **Church Picnic** will be held 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. (Note that the date in the August 28 bulletin was incorrect.)

**The Handbell Choir** starts rehearsals this Thursday, September 8 at 6:30 PM. If you can read music, please join us. We have lost three members, and need more ringers.

**Kitchen cleaning** – Anyone who wants to help clean the church kitchen, and perhaps the school kitchen: please join Nancy Winkler and Chris Ward on **Wednesday, September 7** from 10:00 AM to 12 Noon. See you there!

**Sunday School and Bible Class start next Sunday**, 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.” Pastor Schaefer has been unable to secure teachers for the upcoming Sunday School year. We need three teachers and a few substitutes to successfully run the program. We want to offer three grade levels: Preschool (ages 3-4), Kindergarten-2nd Grade, and Grades 3-5. If you would be willing to help (or simply would like more information), please contact him quickly at **734-658-5735**. Thanks in advance 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 19<sup>th</sup>) or for further questions, please e-mail or call Glenn Schultz: [glschultz@wowway.com](mailto:glschultz@wowway.com), (734) 751-3769

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

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