

6th Sunday after the Epiphany

Sunday, February 23, 2014

SERVICE NOTES:

- Please note the Psalm of the day is Psalm 103. The choir will sing "Bless God's Holy Name".
- 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.

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.

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THE DIVINE SERVICE (p. 26) Service of Word and Sacrament

THE HYMN – #490 "Love in Christ is Strong and Living"

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

(hymnal, p. 26)

PRAYER AND PRAISE

(hymnal, p. 27)

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

(hymnal, p. 29)

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The Service of the Word

FIRST READING – Leviticus 19:1,2,17,18

PSALM OF THE DAY – Psalm 103 – Choir sings "Bless God's Holy Name"

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Bless the Lord, O my soul. Let all within me bless God's holy name.

The Lord crowns my life with love.

God renews my strength like the eagle's.

Bless the Lord, O my soul. Let all within me bless God's holy name.

SECOND READING – 1 Corinthians 3:10,11,16-23

VERSE OF THE DAY – Alleluia! Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Alleluia!

THE HOLY GOSPEL – Matthew 5:38-48

HYMN OF THE DAY - #492 "Son of God, Eternal Savior"

THE SERMON

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NICENE CREED (hymnal, p. 31)

OFFERING

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH (hymnal, p. 32)

THE LORD'S PRAYER (hymnal, p. 32)

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The Service of Holy Communion

THE SACRAMENT (hymnal, p. 33)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS -

#479 "Jesus, Your Boundless Love to Me"

#482 "Forgive Us, Lord"

#499 "O God of Mercy, God of Might"

THE THANKSGIVING (hymnal, p. 36)

BENEDICTION (hymnal, p. 37)

OFFICIANTS:

Preacher & Celebrant: Pastor Paul Schaefer

Organist: Mrs. Jan Jacobi

Choir: School Children

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

Today	- 10:45AM	Public School Youth Catechism
		Science Fair
	- 11:30 AM	WELS Planned Giving Counselor
Monday	- 7:00 PM	Divine Service
Tuesday	- 7:00 PM	Bd. of Education
		Bd. of Elders
Wednesday	- 8:05 AM	Chapel
	- 9:00 AM	Bible Class
Thursday	- 6:15 PM	Handbells
	- 7:00 PM	Senior Choir
Sunday	- 8:30 AM	Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
	- 9:30 AM	Divine Service
	- 4:00 PM	25 th Anniversary Service for Pastor Schaefer
	- 5:00 PM	25 th Anniversary Meal

SERVING NEXT WEEK – Ushering: Team #3 Altar Guild: Barb Helmke

ATTENDANCE (Last Week) – Sunday: 100

BACK PEWS – Please keep the back two pews for parents with young children.

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

DIVINE CALL – Mr. Lehman has accepted a Divine Call at St. Paul's Lutheran School in North Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, to teach grades 5-6 and serve as their athletic director. Please keep the Lehman's in your prayers as they make plans to move to Fond du Lac.

SCIENCE FAIR & WELS PLANNED GIVING - After church will be the Science Fair for our Day School (10:45 – 11:15) followed by a seminar from Pastor John Kenyon our WELS Planned Giving Counselor at 11:30. *Pastor Kenyon will also be at HVL at 1:00 PM if you cannot stay at St. Peter's.* Also, if you are unable to make either seminar, you can still contact him for information or for a visit at 269-422-5279, or at 414-502-9226.

PASTOR SCHAEFER'S 25th ANNIVERSARY – Pastor's 25th anniversary in the ministry celebration will be next Sunday, March 2nd. There will be a special service at 4 PM followed by a meal at 5 PM. Please attend to help make this a special day for Pastor. You may RSVP by signing up in the narthex, on SignUpGenius or by calling the church office. If anyone still wishes to make a donation for a gift for pastor, you can make out a check to the church and put a note on it that it is for his gift or anniversary expenses. You may also put cash in an envelope marked for pastor, and put it in the collection plate next Sunday.

AFRICA CALLING – The Central Africa Medical Committee is actively seeking a mature WELS or ELS member to serve the Lord as the Nurse-in-Charge for the Lutheran Mobil Clinic in Malawi, Africa. The 3 year tour of service would begin in late fall of 2014 or early spring of 2015. The Nurse-in-Charge supervises clinic staff and oversees all clinic functions. The desire to learn within another culture is essential. Due to housing, we are seeking single, female applicants at this time. Applications may be obtained by contacting Beth Evans at evans.bc57@yahoo.com or Linda Liesener at cammcontact@charter.net.

WELS KINGDOM WORKERS – There are many new opportunities to serve through Builders for Christ, Faith in Action-Domestic and Faith in Action-International. Please see the letter located at the communion registry for further information.

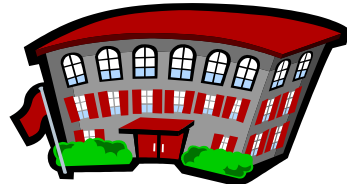
MEDITATIONS – The new Meditations are at the end of the pews for you to take home and use as daily devotions.

HVL –

- ✓ There will be a meeting of the HVL Conference of Congregations **today**, beginning at 2:00 PM. HVL delegates, pastors, and male teachers are encouraged to attend. The main item of business will be the presentation of the 2014-2015 preliminary budget. Delegates who are not able to attend are asked to inform the HVL office by calling 734-525-0160 or by emailing us at mail@HVLHS.org.
- ✓ Hawk Talk – Did you know that Huron Valley Lutheran High School will be hosting a double assembly on February 28th? HVL annually hosts two assemblies for K-8 students in our area Lutheran elementary schools and anyone else who may be interested. The two presentations on **this** Friday, will feature the “Chinese Acrobats” at 9:30 AM and “Getting Excited about Science” at 10:30 AM. The cost is \$3 per student or adult; teachers and chaperones are free. All are invited. For more information, contact HVL at 734-525-1060.

PRESCHOOL and KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE – Please see details below. Extra copies of the below details are available in the narthex for inviting a friend, relative or neighbor.

St. Peter's Lutheran



Open House
Preschool and Kindergarten
Monday, March 10
6-8 p.m.

