

# *Saints Triumphant*

## *The Third Sunday of End Time*

Sunday, November 17, 2013

### **SERVICE NOTES:**

- Please note the Psalm of the day is Psalm 150. The choir will sing "Hallelujah, Praise the Lord".
  - 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** – #551 "For All the Saints"

**CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION** (hymnal, p. 26)

### **RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM**

Baptism of Ethan Henry Butler, son of David and Lindsey Butler  
Baptism of Kaiden Richard Krauser, son of David and Lindsay Krauser  
Baptism of Kelsey Janet Krauser, daughter of David and Lindsay Krauser

### **REMAIN SEATED**

***The baptismal party gathers at the font.***

**M:** In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

**M:** Our Lord Jesus Christ gave his Church the command to baptize when he said: "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you."

Scripture makes plain the universal need for Baptism. As children of Adam, we belong to a fallen race. From our parents we inherit a sinful nature and would be lost forever unless delivered by our Lord Jesus Christ. He willingly took on himself the curse of sin and by his death on the cross redeemed us and all people.

Christ's almighty Word gives Baptism its power to save. The Apostle Peter declares, "Baptism now saves you." Scripture also clearly teaches that the power and promise of Baptism is intended for young and old alike. On the day of Pentecost the apostle testified, "The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call." By water and the Spirit, we are born again and united with Christ and his people as members of the Church.

***For the baptism of infants and young children***

**M:** In bringing *these children* to Baptism, you are doing what is God-pleasing. Jesus himself invited little children to become a part of his kingdom when he said: "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." And he took the children in his arms, put his hands on them and blessed them.

***The minister marks the sign of the cross on each of those present for Baptism, saying:***

**M:** Receive the sign of the cross on the head and heart † to mark you as a redeemed child of Christ.

**PRAYER**

**M:** Let us pray.

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father, through your stern judgment the unbelieving world was destroyed by the flood, but according to your great mercy, you saved Noah and his family. You engulfed stubborn Pharaoh and his army in the waters of the Red Sea but led your people through those same waters to safety on dry land. In the waters of the Jordan your own Son was baptized and anointed with the Spirit. By these signs you foreshadowed the precious, cleansing bath which you give us in Holy Baptism.

Clinging to your command and promise, we ask that you would look with favor on **Ethan, Kaiden, and Kelsey** through this water of Baptism, drown in *them* all sin inherited from Adam and any other evil *they* may do. Set *them* apart from the unbelieving world and hold *them* safe and secure in the holy ark of the Church. Keep *them* always fervent in spirit and joyful in hope so that *they* may honor your holy name and at last receive, together with all your people, the promised inheritance of eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C:** **Amen.**

**M:** Let us confess the faith of the Church, the faith into which *these children* will be baptized, the Apostles' Creed.

**APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.**

**The third day he rose again from the dead.**

He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.  
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

*The minister says to the parents or guardians of each infant or young child presented for baptism:*

**M:** Do you desire to have your child baptized into this Christian faith?

**R:** Yes.

*The minister applies water to the one being baptized as he says:*

**M:** **Ethan Henry Butler**, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Kaiden Richard Krauser**, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Kelsey Janet Krauser**, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

*The minister, laying his hand on the one baptized, says:*

**M:** The Almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again and made a dear child of your Father in heaven. May God strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

## EXHORTATION TO PARENTS

*If the parents are present for the baptism of a child, the minister may say:*

**M:** Dear parents, our Lord Jesus Christ, in instituting Baptism, not only commanded that children should be baptized, but that they should be taught to obey everything he has commanded us. I therefore ask you:

Do you sincerely intend to bring up **Ethan** in the way of the Lord and to instruct *him* in the truths of God's saving Word so that *he* may grow in faith, serve God with a Christian life, and remain in *his* baptismal grace unto the end? If so, answer: Yes, and *we* ask God to help *us*.

**R:** Yes, and we ask God to help *us*.

**M:** Dear parents, our Lord Jesus Christ, in instituting Baptism, not only commanded that children should be baptized, but that they should be taught to obey everything he has commanded us. I therefore ask you:

Do you sincerely intend to bring up **Kaiden and Kelsey** in the way of the Lord and to instruct *them* in the truths of God's saving Word so that *they* may grow in faith, serve God with a Christian life, and remain in *their* baptismal grace unto the end? If so, answer: Yes, and *we* ask God to help *us*.

**R:** Yes, and we ask God to help *us*.

## EXHORTATION TO SPONSORS

**M:** Dear sponsors, **Ethan** has been baptized in the name of the triune God. It is your privilege and responsibility to remember *him* in your prayers, to remind *him* of *his* baptism, and, as far as possible, to give your counsel and aid that *he* may be brought up according to the teachings of Scripture. If you intend gladly and willingly to do this, then answer: Yes, and we ask God to help *us*.

**R:** **Yes, and we ask God to help us.**

**M:** Dear sponsors, **Kaiden and Kelsey** has been baptized in the name of the triune God. It is your privilege and responsibility to remember *them* in your prayers, to remind *them* of *their* baptism, and, as far as possible, to give your counsel and aid that *they* may be brought up according to the teachings of Scripture. If you intend gladly and willingly to do this, then answer: Yes, and we ask God to help *us*.

**R:** **Yes, and we ask God to help us.**

## BAPTISMAL GARMENT

***If the child is wearing a white garment, the minister may say:***

**M:** This white garment shows that Christ has taken away your sin and put on you his perfect robe of righteousness.

## BAPTISMAL CANDLE

***A baptismal candle may be lit from the paschal candle and be given to the baptized (or to the parent or sponsor of a child) by the minister who says:***

**M:** Jesus said: "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

Receive this burning light. Live always by the light of Christ, and be ever watchful for his coming, that you may meet him with joy and enter with him into the marriage feast of the Lamb in his kingdom, which shall have no end.

Light this candle again and again in years to come on anniversaries of this day, and recall what God has done for **Ethan, Kaiden and Kelsey**, through the gift of his Son and through Baptism which unites *them* with Jesus in his death to sin and resurrection to new life.

## PRAYER

**M:** Let us pray.

**M:** Merciful Father in heaven, we thank you for the gift of Baptism by which you wash away sin and give us a new and eternal life. Help us each day to remember that through Baptism you clothe us with Christ that we may stand holy and righteous before you. Look with favor on **Ethan, Kaiden and Kelsey** that *they* may be kept safe by the gift of your Spirit, grow daily in your grace, and live forever by the power of the risen Christ. Make us willing to carry out our responsibilities to all the baptized, so that all may finally come to the blessed joys of heaven, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C:** **Amen.**

***The minister dismisses the baptismal party, saying:***

**M:** Almighty God, the Father of our Lord † Jesus Christ, strengthen you by his Spirit, that Christ, dwelling in your hearts by faith, may fill you with all spiritual blessings.  
Go in peace.

**THE PRAYER OF THE DAY**

(hymnal, p. 29)

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**The Service of the Word**

**FIRST READING** – Isaiah 65:17-25

**PSALM OF THE DAY** – Psalm 150 - Choir sings “Hallelujah, Praise the Lord”

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord! Praise him in his mighty heavens.  
Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his excellent greatness.  
Praise him with the sounding trumpet; praise him with the harp and lyre.  
Praise him with dancing; praise him with the strings and flute. Hallelujah!  
Praise him with clashing cymbals; praise him with resounding cymbals.  
Now let all things that have breath praise him. Praise the Lord!

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**SECOND READING** – 2 Thessalonians 2:13-3:5

**VERSE OF THE DAY** – Alleluia! They are before the throne of God and serve him day  
and night in his temple. Alleluia!

**THE HOLY GOSPEL** – Luke 20:27-38

**GOSPEL RESPONSE** - “*In Paradisum*” (Public Domain, Gabriel Faure, ed. by Pawel Jura)

*In paradisum deducant angeli in tuo  
adventu suscipiant te martyres.  
Et perducant te in civitatem sanctam  
Jerusalem*

May the angels receive them in Paradise,  
at thy coming may the martyrs receive thee  
and bring thee into the holy city Jerusalem

*Chorus angelorum te suscipiat,  
et cum Lazaro quondam paupere  
aeternam habeas requiem.*

There may the chorus of angels receive thee,  
and with Lazarus, once a beggar,  
may thou have eternal rest.

**HYMN OF THE DAY** - #207 “The Day is Surely Drawing Near”

**THE SERMON**

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**NICENE CREED**

(hymnal, p. 31)

**OFFERING**

**OFFERING MUSIC** (Handbells) – “For All the Saints”

## RESPONSIVE READING: SAINTS TRIUMPHANT

*On the Saints Triumphant Sunday, we commemorate with the Word of God and prayer the members of St. Peter's who died with the sign of faith since the last Saints Triumphant Sunday.*

**M:** I am resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies;

**C:** **And whoever lives and believes in me will never die.** (*John 11:25-26*)

Frank Luedtke (77)                      January 20, 2013

**M:** Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.

**C:** **Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.** (*Colossians 3:1-2*)

Brandon McKinnon (29)                      April 26, 2013

**M:** I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand upon the earth.

**C:** **And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God.** (*Job 19:25-26*)

Harold Richards (84)                      July 15, 2013

**M:** Be faithful, even to the point of death.

**C:** **And I will give you the crown of life.** (*Revelation 2:10*)

Mildred Ash (99)                      November 2, 2013

## THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**M:** Lord of eternity and King of saints, all the heavens adore you. Saints and angels sing before you.

**C:** **We too join them to praise your majesty.**

**M:** You clothe us with garments of splendor. You bless us with grace and mercy in this life and eternal glory forever. What undeserved love you show us!

**C:** **We thank you, Lord, that you have made us your saints.**

**M:** Encourage us by your gracious promises. Forgive our failures to live as you desire. Strengthen the faith of all who are weak and wandering.

**C:** **Give us power to live as your faithful people.**

**M:** Your saints will triumph forever in new heavens and a new earth. The sound of weeping and crying will be heard no more. We anticipate with joy an eternity of perfect fellowship with you.

**C:** **Be with us as we work and witness for Christ, so that many more people can join us before your throne.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

**M:** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

**M:** Lord of life, the day is coming when you will come down from heaven with the voice of the archangel and the trumpet call of God. On that glorious day, the saints triumphant will rise in bright array, clothed in your perfect righteousness.

**C: Give us strength until that day when we will share fully in the glory of our Lord  
Jesus Christ. Amen.**

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

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**The Service of Holy Communion**

**THE SACRAMENT** (hymnal, p. 33)

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS -**

#550 "Behold a Host, Arrayed in White"

#607 "How Blest are They"

#728 "Jerusalem the Golden" (Public Domain, Gustav Holst).

1 Jerusalem the golden, With milk and honey blest— The sight of it  
refreshes The weary and oppressed: I know not, oh, I know not What joys  
await us there, What radiancy of glory, What bliss beyond compare: To  
sing the hymn unending With all the martyr throng, Amidst the halls of  
Zion Resounding full with song.

2 Oh, sweet and blessed country, The home of God's elect! Oh, sweet and  
blessed country That eager hearts expect, Where they who with their  
leader Have conquered in the fight Forever and forever Are clad in robes  
of white. Jesus in mercy bring us To that dear land of rest Where sings  
the host of heaven Your glorious name to bless.

3 The Christ is ever with them; The daylight is serene. The pastures of the  
blessed Are ever rich and green. There is the throne of David; And there  
from care released, The shout of them that triumph, The song of them  
that feast. To God enthroned in glory The Church's voices blend, The  
Lamb forever blessed, The Light that knows no end.

**THE THANKSGIVING** (hymnal, p. 36)

**BENEDICTION** (hymnal, p. 37)

**OFFICIANTS:**

Preacher & Celebrant: Pastor Paul Schaefer  
Communion Assistants: Larry Roller and Bruce Winkler  
Organist: Mrs. Jan Jacobi  
Choir: Senior Choir & Handbell Choir

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

Sunday	- 10:45 AM	Public School Catechism
Monday	- 7:00 PM	Divine Service
Tuesday	- 7:00 PM	Bd. of Education
Wednesday	- 8:05 AM	Chapel
	- 9:00 AM	Bible Class (End Times)
Thursday	- 6:15 PM	Handbells
	- 7:00 PM	Senior Choir
	- 7:00 PM	Adult Bible Information Class
Sunday	- 8:30 AM	Sunday School
	- 8:30 AM	Adult Bible Class
	- 9:30 AM	Divine Service

**SERVING NEXT WEEK** – Ushering: Team #2 Altar Guild: Doris Tomlin

**ATTENDANCE (Last Week)** - **Sunday:** 129      **Monday:** 7

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

**ALTAR FLOWERS** – Altar flowers are placed to the glory of God and in loving memory of David R. Gladish by the Alaniva Family.

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

**POINSETTIA ORDERS** – The order form for ordering Poinsettia's is included in today's bulletin.



**UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES -**

Wednesday, November 27, 7:00 PM Thanksgiving Eve Vespers  
Wednesday, December 4, 7:00 PM Advent Vespers  
Sunday, December 15, 6:30 PM Candlelight Service  
Tuesday, December 24, 7:00 PM Children's Christmas Eve  
Tuesday, December 24, 11:00 PM Christmas Eve Divine Service  
Wednesday, December 25, 10:00 AM Christmas Day Divine Service  
Monday, January 6, 7:00 PM Festival of the Epiphany Divine Service

**CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS** – St. Peter's School will be hosting "Christmas for Kids" on Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> (12:30 – 4:30 PM). Green copies of an invitation are available on the window sill next to the communion registry for use in inviting a friend, relative or neighbor.

**HAWK TALK** – Did you know that the Huron Valley Lutheran High School Christmas Concert will be Sunday, December 15 at 3:00 PM? The concert will feature a mix of Christmas songs from the Choir, Hawk Singers and the Band. Following the concert, please plan to stay for a meal organized by the music department. Bring the family. Invite friends and neighbors!

**FORMER BAND STUDENTS & FAMILIES** – If you still have your band portfolio/folder and you are not using it, please consider digging it out and donating it back to St. Peter's for our re-use. Just leave it on the church stage. Thanks! *Mrs. Alaniva*

**2015 EUROPE TRIP** – Enrollment is already underway for the 2015 HVL Europe Trip. The trip is scheduled to depart June 9, 2015, and will visit seven nations in Western Europe during the course of 15 days. Although the trip is primarily designed for students, adult members of the Association are also welcome to join the trip, although at a somewhat higher price. There will be an informational meeting about the trip on Wednesday, November 20 at 7:00 PM in the HVL Chapel. Information can also be found online at [hvlhs.org/Europe2015.htm](http://hvlhs.org/Europe2015.htm).

**ST. PETER'S FINANCIAL SUMMARY** – Please find a chart below showing the financial situation year to date for the 2013-2014 Fiscal Year.