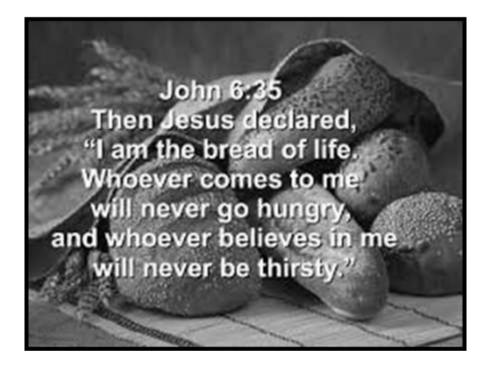
Welcome to St. Peter's Lutheran Church



Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 4, 2024 10:15 Worship Service

Guest Pastor Beverly Banyay

BELL RINGING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the → Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the \pm Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.



Text: Somerset C. Lowry, 1855-1932

Music: IN BABILONE, Oude en Nieuwe Hollantse Boerenlities en Contradansen, 1710; arr. Julius Röntgen, 1855–1932

GRFFTING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.

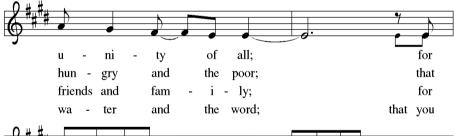








- For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
- For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for 3
- 4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the





this ho - ly house. for all who wor-ship and praise, we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace, life and for love, . . . for our work and our . . . with your nour-ish our souls bod - y and blood,



pray to the Lord. let us

play,

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST READING: Exodus 16:2-4,9-15

²The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

⁴Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not."

⁹Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.' " ¹⁰And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. ¹¹The Lord spoke to Moses and said, ¹²"I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.'"

¹³In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat."

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

PSALM 78:23-29 (Read Responsively)

- ²³So God commanded the clouds above and opened the doors of heaven.
- ²⁴raining down manna upon them to eat and giving them grain from heaven.
- ²⁵So mortals ate the bread of angels; God provided for them food enough.
- ²⁶The Lord caused the east wind to blow in the heavens and powerfully led out the south wind,
- ²⁷raining down flesh upon them like dust and flying birds like the sand of the seas,
- ²⁸letting them fall in the midst of the camp and round about the dwellings.
- ²⁹So the people ate and were well filled, for God gave them what they craved.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 4:1-16

¹ I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

⁷But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. ⁸Therefore it is said,

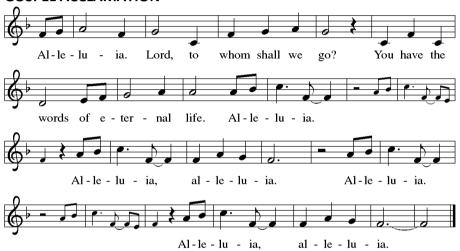
"When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people."

⁹(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? ¹⁰He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) ¹¹The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity,

to the measure of the full stature of Christ. ¹⁴We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. ¹⁵But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: John 6:24-35

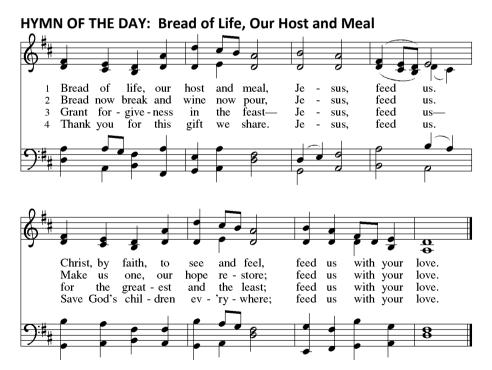
The holy gospel according to John, the 6th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**²⁴When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." ²⁸Then they said to him, "What must we do

to perform the works of God?" ²⁹Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." ³⁰So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? ³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" ³²Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." *This is the Holy Gospel of the Lord.* **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON



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APOSTLES CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Calling on the spirit of Wisdom to guide our hearts and our minds, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need. A brief silence.

O Wise One, your wisdom has been present in this world since its beginning. Pour out your wisdom into the hearts of the whole church, especially the newly baptized, lay leaders, deacons, pastors, and bishops.

The response for each petition is:

Merciful God, hear our prayer.

We lift up these prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them into your holy keeping. **Amen.**

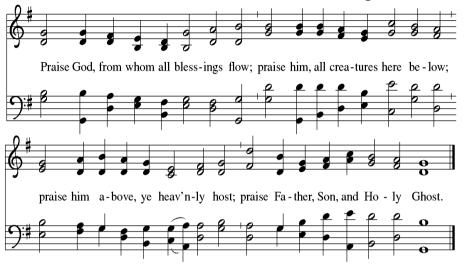
PFACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.

OFFFRING

Our offerings are made processionally, which means dropped into the plates located near the entrances to the nave.

OFFERTORY SONG: Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711

Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510-1561

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. (silence) Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

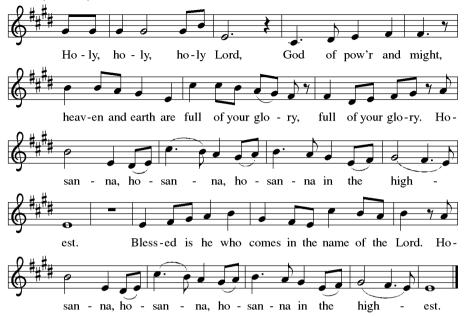
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE PROPER PREFACE (It is indeed right... join their unending hymn)





WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

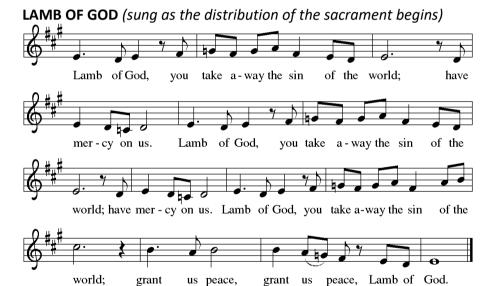


LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit let us pray as our Lord taught us:
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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Let us join together in the heavenly banquet that has no end.



COMMUNION

The Sacrament will be offered with these words:

The body of Christ, given for you. *And* The blood of Christ, shed for you. *Optional responses* **Amen** *or* **Thanks be to God** *or* **Renew us, Lord**

BLESSING

The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim with joy your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

Holy people of God, as you go on your way, may Christ go with you. May he go before you to show you the way; behind you to encourage you; beside you to befriend you; above you to watch over you; and within you to give you God's holy peace, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG: Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer (on next page)

SHARING FOR SERVING: Mission Notices and Birthdays

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, serve the Lord. Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE Marche Religieuse Charles Sergisson

The Altar Flowers are presented by Lucille Wingard in memory of her husband Paul Wingard. The eternal candle is presented by Marla Bird in honor of RJ Bird's birthday on 8/21 and Lynn Schweinegruber on 8/30.

| Frayers have been requested recently for the Following. | | | |
|---|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| | Cole Barkley | Helen Barto | Luke Clawson |
| | Michael Clawson | Brian Kenney | Lucille Wingard |
| | Troy Barkley | Pat VanDyke | Jacob Savisky |
| | Berty McMillen | Dylan Rast | Maggie Louwagie |
| | Kendra Jones | Sandy Mullins | Garrie Wearing |
| | Vickie Baker | Aiden Bartley | Alan Wobb |
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Prayers Have Reen Requested Recently for the Following:

Family of Nathan Grant The Bogacki family



Text: William Williams, 1717–1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722–1796, alt. Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

| St. Peter's Upcoming Events: | | | | |
|------------------------------|---------|------------------|--|--|
| Tues. Aug. 6 | 7:00 pm | Property Meeting | | |
| Thur. Aug. 7 | 9:00 am | Quilters Group | | |
| | 7:00 pm | Boy Scouts | | |
| Sat. Aug. 10 | 5:30 pm | Corn Roast | | |



ST. PETER'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

is a congregation of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA).

| Pastor | The Rev. Brandon Johns |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Organist & Music Director | Marlene Domhoff |
| Office Secretary | Kimberly Peaco |
| Sexton | Joe Ludwik |
| Acolyte | Myka Plank |
| Assisting Minister | Anna Plank |
| Bell Ringer | Davin Beahm |
| Greeters | Michael & Staci Bettencourt |
| Lector | Robin Van Dyke |
| Nursery | Volunteer |
| Tech Support | Adam Price |
| Ushers | Cindy & Tom Ayers |

Monthly Benevolent Cause for August

Our Monthly Benevolent Cause supports Lutheran Campus Ministries. If you would like to support this cause, please mark the **Other** line on your contribution envelope **Campus Ministries**.

<u>Thank You</u> — A special thank you from Troy and Beverly for all of the cards, calls, care and concern during this difficult time. Your thoughts and prayers are greatly appreciated.

<u>Food Cupboard</u> – This month we will be collecting **condiments.**

<u>Sight and Sound Theater</u> – Don't forget to reserve your spot!

<u>Corn Roast</u> – Saturday! Delicious corn, as well as hot dogs and drinks, will be provided. You're invited to bring a dish and friends! Bingo and prizes too!

<u>Wine and Cheese</u> – On August 23rd, we will have an evening of relaxation, with games, delightful conversation, tasty hors d'oeuvres, adult beverages, and maybe even a dip. Hope to see you at the Raupps' starting at 6:30 pm!

<u>National Night Out</u> – On 8/6 at EDCO Park, our community will be celebrating this event with a free meal and free access to the pool. The churches are hosting the meal. Our part is to supply chips and salads for 150 people. Please let Pastor know if you can help. Dinner starts at 6 pm so donations will need to be there sooner.

Welcome to St. Peter's

We are thankful that you are here to worship with other Christians today. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray that your worship experience will fill you with the grace and mercy of Almighty God through his Holy Spirit.



Newcomers and Guests

New to St. Peter's? Please sign the GUEST REGISTER behind the last pew. A handicapped accessible RESTROOM is located near the Van Buren Street entrance (through Luther Hall, past the kitchen, restroom is on the left in the foyer). You are welcome to commune with us if that is your practice.

Nursery - is staffed by a volunteer and available for children and caregivers. Exit the rear of the nave and follow the steps to the basement, the nursery is on the left. The service can be heard through an intercom in the nursery. There are activity bags in the back of the sanctuary and children's bulletins geared for children ages 5 and up are at the nave entrances.

Staying in Touch:

Our church office is open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9 am until noon. Pastor is often there also or by appointment. Please feel free to contact us by phone or internet:

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