

Welcome to
St. Peter's Lutheran Church



4th Sunday after Pentecost

July 6, 2025

10:15 Worship Service

Pastor Brandon Johns

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.

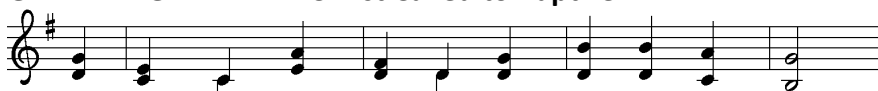
Amen.

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 ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: In Christ Called to Baptize



1 In Christ called to bap - tize, we wit - ness to grace
 2 In Christ called to ban - quet, one ta - ble we share,
 3 In Christ called to wit - ness, by grace we will preach
 4 U - nite us, a - noint us, Spir - it of love,



and gath - er a peo - ple from each land and race.
 a ha - ven of wel - come, a cir - cle of care.
 the life - giv - ing gos - pel; God's love we will teach.
 for you are with - in us, a - round us, a - bove.



In deep, flow - ing wa - ters, we share in Christ's death,
 Al - though we are man - y, we share in one bread.
 By grace may our liv - ing give proof to our praise
 E - quip us for ser - vice with gifts you be - stow.



then, ris - ing to new life, give thanks with each breath.
 One cup of thanks - giv - ing pro - claims Christ, our head.
 in cost - ly com - pas - sion re - flect - ing Christ's ways.
 In Christ is our call - ing. In Christ may we grow.



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GREETING

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.**

KYRIE

Refrain

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.

1 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
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the

u-ni-ty of all; for
hun-gry and the poor; that
friends and fam-i-ly; for
wa-ter and the word; that you

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 play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod-y and blood,

Refrain

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Cora Plank

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST READING: Isaiah 66:10-14

- ¹⁰Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her,
all you who love her;
rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her—
¹¹that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast;
that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom.
¹²For thus says the Lord:
I will extend prosperity to her like a river,
and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream;
and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm,
and dandled on her knees.
¹³As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you;
you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.
¹⁴You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice;
your bodies shall flourish like the grass;
and it shall be known that the hand of the Lord is with his
servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

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

PSALM 66:1-9 (Read Responsively)

- ¹Be joyful in God, all you lands;
be joyful, all the earth.
²**Sing the glory of God's name;
sing the glory of God's praise.**
³Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!
Because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.

**⁴All the earth bows down before you,
sings to you, sings out your name.”**

**⁵Come now and see the works of God,
how awesome are God’s deeds toward all people.**

**⁶God turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through
the water on foot,
and there we rejoiced in God.**

**⁷Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch over the nations;
let no rebels exalt themselves.**

⁸Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard.

**⁹Our God has kept us among the living
and has not allowed our feet to slip.**

SECOND READING: Galatians 6:1-16

¹My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. ²Bear one another’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. ³For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. ⁴All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor’s work, will become a cause for pride. ⁵For all must carry their own loads.

⁶Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.

⁷Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. ⁸If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. ⁹So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. ¹⁰So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

¹¹See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! ¹²It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. ¹³Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so

that they may boast about your flesh. ¹⁴May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. ¹⁵For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! ¹⁶As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Luke 10:1-11,16-20

The holy gospel according to Luke, the 10th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ²He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. ⁵Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ ⁶And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ⁷Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹cure the sick

who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' ¹⁰But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.' "

¹⁶"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

¹⁷The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" ¹⁸He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. ¹⁹See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

This is the Holy Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: Lord, You Give the Great Commission



1 Lord, you give the great com - mis - sion:	"Heal the sick and
2 Lord, you call us to your ser - vice:	"In my name bap -
3 Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly:	"This my bod - y,
4 Lord, you show us love's true mea - sure:	"Fa - ther, what they
5 Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing:	"I am with you



preach the word."	Lest the church ne - glect its mis - sion,
tize and teach."	That the world may trust your prom - ise,
this my blood."	Let us all, for earth's true glo - ry,
do, for - give."	Yet we hoard as pri - vate trea - sure
to the end."	Faith and hope and love re - stor - ing,



and the gos - pel go un - heard,	help us wit - ness
life a - bun - dant meant for each,	give us all new
dai - ly lift life heav - en - ward,	ask - ing that the
all that you so free - ly give,	May your care and
may we serve as you in - tend	and, a - mid the



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INSTALLATION OF CHURCH SECRETARY

After prayerful deliberation, we have hired Lisa French to serve in the position of Church Secretary.

Our Lord Jesus, who came among us as a servant, calls us to faith and a life of loving service to our neighbor. You come among us as one invited to join our ministry team and have particular responsibility for hospitality and community connections.

Lisa, in the presence of God and this assembly, will you commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility, in service of God, this faith community, and our neighbors?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Trusting in God's care, will you seek to grow in love for those you serve, strive for excellence in your skills, and walk alongside of us on the road of discipleship?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things, graciously give you strength and care to perform them. **Amen.**

People of God, will you receive Lisa into this ministry and will you pray for her, help and honor her for her work's sake, and in all things strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ?

We will, and we ask God to help us.

Let us pray. O God, we remember with thanksgiving the orderliness of your creation and preservation of life. Bless and accept the ministry of Lisa in the stewardship of the resources entrusted to your church: its people and their talents, its wisdom and energy from your Spirit, and its wealth from your goodness. Remind us that we are accountable to you in all things great and small; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Lisa, I now declare you installed as Church Secretary.
Almighty God bless you, and direct your days and your deeds in peace, that you may be a faithful servant of Christ. **Amen.**

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

Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation.

A brief silence.

You send your church into the world with a message of peace.
Center the whole church in this peace, and strengthen our faith by the example of all those who creatively and faithfully proclaim your good news.

The response for each petition is: God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

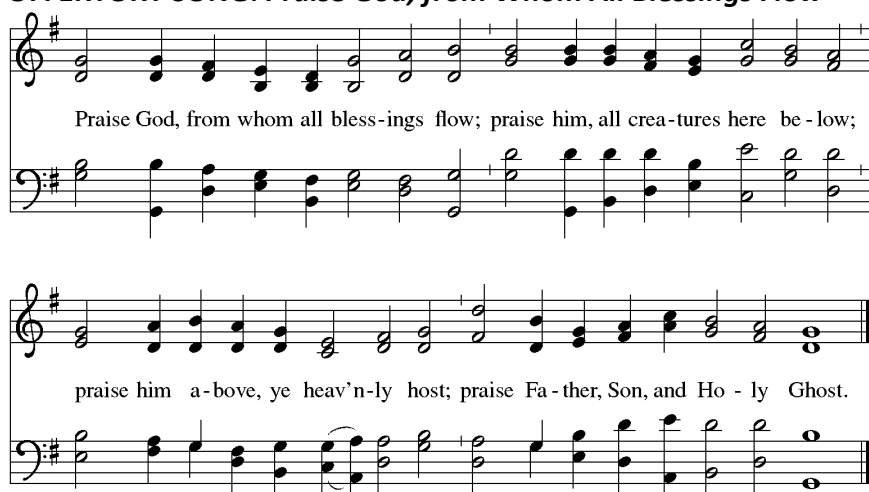
PEACE

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

OFFERING

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

OFFERTORY SONG: *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*



Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be-low;

praise him a-bove, ye heav'n-ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. (*silence*) Merciful God, **you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord. 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*)

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

LAMB OF GOD (sung as the distribution of the sacrament begins)



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

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. Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord’s face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG: Go to the World

1 Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth.
2 Go to the world! Go in - to ev - 'ry place.
3 Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless, and pray;
4 "Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,

Go preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth,
Go live the word of God's re - deem - ing grace.
the nights of tears give way to joy - ous day.
for I am with you till the age shall end,

bap - tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.
Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.
As ser - vant church, you fol - low Christ's own way.
when all the hosts of glo - ry cry, A - men!"

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

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SHARING FOR SERVING: Birthdays and Mission Notices

DISMISSAL

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

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Prayers Have Been Requested Recently for the Following:

Cole Barkley	Luke Clawson	Joe Galarneau
Stephanie Hogan	Mary Fulghum	Pr. Jack Delk
Amy Grigorovich	Berty McMillen	Gary Checkan
Jason Plank	Garrie Wearing	Sam Sample
Rick Reifenstein	Patty Marburger	Bette Lambert
Debbie Vogel	Kay Burr	

*The Altar Flowers are given by
Eilene Budisky in memory of
Ron & Dan Budisky*

*Today’s Eternal Candle is given by
Marlene Domhoff in memory of
Bob Domhoff*

St. Peter’s Upcoming Events:

Wed. July 9	10:00 am	Community Quilters
	12:00 pm	Lunch Bunch - Union Bro.
	6:15 pm	Softball (ML)
Thurs. July 10	10:00 am	Quilters
Fri. July 11	12:00 pm	500 Card Club

Meals on Wheels - St. Peter’s will be providing desserts & fruit for Meals on Wheels July 21- Aug. 8. If you are interested in donating, please speak with Colleen Prenovitz after worship.

Peach Potluck - On Sunday, July 20 after worship, we will have a special summertime fellowship gathering. Everyone is invited to stay and head to the picnic shelter for some food and fun that’s just peachy. Bring a peach-themed dish to share if able, and be prepared for mouth-watering delight.



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
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Sexton	Joe Ludwik
Asst. Minister	Karen Ferrari
Lector	Robin VanDyke
Acolyte	Carter Johns
Bell Ringer	Josh Green
Ushers	Heidi Beahm & Brian Johns
Nursery	Cheryl Thomas
Tech Support	Heidi Beahm
Greeters	Roberta Domhoff & Beverly Critchlow

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. You are welcome to commune with us if that is your practice. 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). **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 secretary is in the church office Monday-Wednesday-Friday, 9 am until noon. Pastor is often there also or by appointment.