

*St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church*  
*Founded 1856*  
*1343 Penniman Avenue*  
*Plymouth, ME 48170*  
*Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod*



*Sunday, August 27, 2023*  
*The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

## 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.

- Guests, please sign the guest registry in the narthex.

- If you have a prayer request or would like Pastor Schaefer to visit or call you, please talk to him (734-658-5735).

**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

### OPENING HYMN: #108 "Jesus, Refuge of the Weary"

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1 Je - sus, Ref - uge of the wea - ry, Blest Re - deem - er,  
2 Dare we pass that cross un - heed - ing, Breath - ing no re -  
3 Je - sus, may our hearts be burn - ing With more fer - vent



whom we love, Foun - tain in life's des - ert drea - ry,  
pent - ant vow, As we see you wound - ed, bleed - ing,  
love for you! May our eyes be ev - er turn - ing



Sav - ior from the world a - bove, Oh, how oft your  
See your thorn - en - cir - cled brow? Since your sin - less  
To be - hold your cross a - new, Till in glo - ry,



eyes, of - fend - ed, Gaze up - on a sin - ner's fall! Yet, up -  
death has brought us Life e - ter - nal, peace, and rest, On - ly  
part - ed nev - er From the bless - ed Sav - ior's side, Grav - en



on the cross ex - tend - ed, You en - dured the pain of all.  
what your grace has taught us Calms the sin - ner's deep dis - tress.  
in our hearts for - ev - er, Dwell the cross, the Cru - ci - fied!

Text: Girolamo Savonarola, 1452–98; tr. Jane F. Wilde, 1826–96, alt.

Tune: O DU LIEBE MEINER LIEBE (87 87 D) *Erbaulicher Musicalischer Christen-Schatz*, Basel, 1745, alt.

**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.

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.

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift of grace that we come into your presence and offer true and faithful service. Grant that our worship on earth may always be pleasing to you, and in the life to come give us the fulfillment of what you have promised; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**BE SEATED**



**THE WORD**

**FIRST LESSON:** Isaiah 56:1,6-8

56 Thus says the LORD:

“Keep justice, and do righteousness,  
for soon my salvation will come,  
and my righteousness be revealed.

<sup>6</sup>“And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,  
to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD,  
and to be his servants,  
everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it,

and holds fast my covenant—  
<sup>7</sup> these I will bring to my holy mountain,  
 and make them joyful in my house of prayer;  
 their burnt offerings and their sacrifices  
 will be accepted on my altar;  
 for my house shall be called a house of prayer  
 for all peoples.”

<sup>8</sup> The Lord GOD,  
 who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares,  
 “I will gather yet others to him  
 besides those already gathered.”

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*Refrain*



*Psalm tone*



How good and pleasant it is\*  
 when brothers live together in unity!

For there the LORD bestows his blessing,\*  
 even life foreevermore. **Refrain**

Praise the LORD, all you servants of the LORD\*  
 who minister in the house of the LORD.

Lift up your hands in the sanctuary\*  
and praise the LORD.

May the LORD, the maker of heaven and earth,\*  
bless you from Zion.

**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:*** Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

## **SECOND LESSON:** Romans 11:13-15, 28-32

<sup>13</sup> Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry <sup>14</sup> in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. <sup>15</sup> For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead?

<sup>28</sup> As regards the gospel, they are enemies of God for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. <sup>29</sup> For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. <sup>30</sup> For just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, <sup>31</sup> so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now



receive mercy. <sup>32</sup> For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all.

## **VERSE OF THE DAY** (sung by the soloist)

Alleluia! Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. Alleluia! (Hebrews 11:1)

**STAND**

## **GOSPEL LESSON:** Matthew 15:21-28

<sup>21</sup> And Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup> And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon.” <sup>23</sup> But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, “Send her away, for she is crying out after us.” <sup>24</sup> He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” <sup>25</sup> But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” <sup>26</sup> And he answered, “It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs.” <sup>27</sup> She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.” <sup>28</sup> Then Jesus answered her, “O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire.” And her daughter was healed instantly.



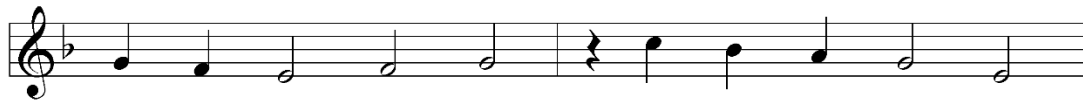
**BE SEATED**

# HYMN OF THE DAY: #413 “When in the Hour of Utmost Need”

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1 When in the hour of ut - most need We know not  
2 Then is our com - fort this a - lone That we may  
3 For you have prom - ised, Lord, to heed Your chil - dren's  
4 And so we come, O God, to - day And all our  
5 So that with all our hearts we may To you our



where to look for aid, When days and nights of  
meet be - fore your throne; To you, O faith - ful  
cries in time of need Through him whose name a -  
woes be - fore you lay. Be with us in our  
glad thanks - giv - ing pay, Then walk o - be - dient



anx - ious thought Nor help nor coun - sel yet have brought,  
God, we cry For res - cue in our mis - er - y.  
lone is great, Our Sav - ior and our ad - vo - cate.  
an - guish still; Free us at last from ev - 'ry ill,  
to your Word And now and ev - er praise you, Lord.

Text: Paul Eber, 1511–69, abr., adapt.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.  
Tune: WENN WIR IN HÖCHSTEN NÖTEN SEIN (LM) Louis Bourgeois, c. 1510–c. 1561.

## SERMON: “Hungry, Thirsty, and Filled”

Sermon Text: Matthew 5:6

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
for they will be filled.

**STAND**

## NICENE CREED

**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.**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR  
THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**M:** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

**M:** O Lord, bless this congregation and church. Grant that it may be a house of prayer and we a people of prayer. Lord, in Your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

**M:** O Lord, grant that the Church may steadfastly proclaim Your irrevocable gifts and calling, that the disobedient may receive mercy and that those who hear would become grafted onto Jesus Christ, the true vine. Lord, in Your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

**M:** O Lord, bless all honest work and occupations, and grant that we may use well the fruits of our labors. Give us generosity for those in need. Bless the tithes and offerings that accompany our sacrifice of praise. Lord, in Your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

**M:** O Lord, grant that the government and those who protect us might keep justice and do righteousness for Your name's sake and according to Your will. Lord, in Your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

**M:** O Lord, care for those who cry to You, whether beset with grief, sorrow, pain or trouble. Be pleased for Christ's sake to

answer them according to Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C: hear our prayer.**

**M:** O Lord, bless all who are about to receive Christ's body and blood from this altar. Grant that these crumbs from Your table may strengthen us in faith and love, united with You and our neighbors. Lord, in Your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

**M:** All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever. **C: Amen.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

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

*Silent prayer.*

**M:** Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare.

**C: Amen.**

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**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.

### **BE SEATED**

*Please use this time for personal preparation or meditation before the Lord's Supper. A form to assist you is on page 156 in the front part of the hymnal.*

**NOTE:** *Please be prepared to receive the host in your outstretched hand, rather than in your mouth.*

### **STAND**



## **THE SACRAMENT**

**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*)



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.



You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.



I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -



va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

## 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



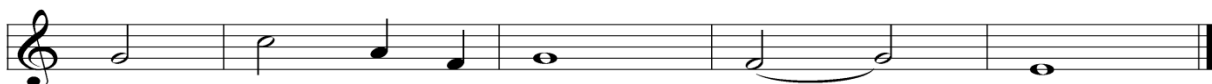
world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you



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.



## **DISTRIBUTION**

### **DISTRIBUTION ANTHEM: “Your Days and Ways to God Surrender”**

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Your days and ways to God surrender,  
and let his wisdom be your light.  
He stands beside you, strong but tender,  
and guides your steps through storm and night.  
Upon a rock you build your life when you rely on Jesus Christ.

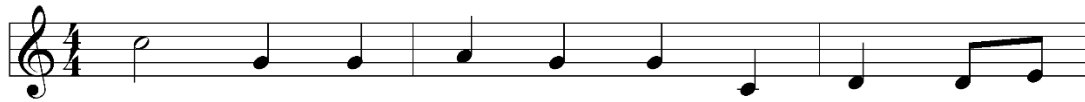
Why do you wallow in this worry?  
Why tightly clutch this pain and fear?  
Do you forget that on this journey you're not alone?  
Your God is near!  
The many midnight tears you spill just make the darkness darker still.

Wait for his hand to write your story, his gracious will, your destiny.  
What looks like gloom he turns to glory;  
what's hidden now he will reveal.  
Who holds your future and your past  
knows what you need before you ask.

Then wake with joy and expectation,  
for God is good and heaven is sure.  
Sing, pray, and work in your vocation,  
and sleep in peace, your heart secure.  
Surrender all to his good grace; he keeps you safe in his embrace.

# DISTRIBUTION HYMN: #406 "This is the Threefold Truth"

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1 This is the three - fold truth on which our  
2 Made sa - cred by long use, new - mint - ed  
3 On this we fix our minds as, kneel - ing  
4 By this we are up - held when doubt or  
5 This is the three - fold truth which, if we



faith de - pends; And with this joy - ful  
for our time, Our lit - ur - gies sum  
side by side, We take the bread and  
grief as - sails Our Chris - tian faith and  
hold it fast, Chang - es the world and



cry wor - ship be - gins and ends:  
up the hope we have in him:  
wine, take him, the Cru - ci - fied:  
love, and on - ly grace a - vails:  
us and brings us home at last:

## *Refrain*



Christ has died! Christ is ris - en! Christ will come a - gain!

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## THANKSGIVING (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.



**C:** A - men.

**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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Communion Assistant: Ron Bude

Organist: Jan Jacobi; Soloist: Scott Beckerman

## THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

Today - 9:30 AM Divine Service

10:45 AM Lemonade on the Lawn

Wednesday – NO Online Bible Class

Thursday – 7:00 Senior Choir Practice in the Church Balcony

Sunday - 9:30 AM Divine Service

10:45 AM Lemonade on the Lawn

Serving next week: Altar Guild – Chris Ward

Ushering – Team 2

**Altar Flowers** are given to the glory of God.

**Senior Choir** will be starting our weekly practices this Thursday August 31 at 7:00 PM. Please consider joining our group. We especially need sopranos!

**Pastor vacation** – Pastor Schaefer is on vacation from August 26 through September 1. If a pastoral emergency should occur, please contact Rev. Tom Schroeder, Good Shepherd, Novi (248)348-2613. Pastor Emeritus Mark Porinsky is officiating today, Sunday August 27. There will be no evening service on August 28. **Thank you** to Pastor Porinsky for leading our Divine Service today.

**The 2023 Church picnic** will be on Sunday, September 24th from 11 to 2 at St. Peter's. The Board of Stewardship and Education will provide hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks. A Sign-up Genius will be sent out for salads and desserts. Please plan on joining us for this event!

## **WELS Women's Retreat**

(attendance not limited to WELS members)

**September 29, 30, and October 1, 2023**

**FaHoLo Conference Center, 3000 Mt. Hope Rd,  
Grass Lake, MI**

**Topic: If God is in Control, Why Am I Such a Basketcase?**

**Hosted by: the Ladies of St. Jacob Lutheran Church**

**Spiritual Advisor: Pastor Kurt Uhlenbrauck, St. Jacob Lutheran Church**

For details, see the information and registration forms on the narthex display table.

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

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