

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Congregation

Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

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Worship: Thursday, 6:30 p.m. ~ Sunday, 7:45 & 10:30 a.m.

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**WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE** May the glory of God's gospel shine ever more brightly in your heart!

**VISITORS** We are pleased that you have joined us this morning to lift your voice with ours in praising the only true God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. If you are from this area and are looking for a church home, please feel free to inquire about our congregation through the pastors, one of the ushers, or one of the members. If you are a visitor from out of town, please be sure to introduce yourself to one of the pastors after the service. We welcome all of you to come and worship with us again.

**RADIO MINISTRY** Our congregation has a radio ministry to serve our sick and homebound and to reach the souls of our community. Tune into KFIZ AM 1450 each Sunday morning at 8:00 to hear the current weekend's sermon.

**PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE** and all other electrical devices to help minimize distractions during Divine Worship. Thank you.

**TO ASSIST YOU** Just ask an usher! We have six **large print hymnals** available. **Personal public address systems** are available for the hearing impaired. **Children's bulletins** suitable for preschool-age through grade 4 are available. A **cry room with audio feed** and a **window into the sanctuary** is available for parents who find it necessary to carry their children out of the sanctuary during the service. It is located to the left as you enter the narthex. **Family restrooms** are available in the multi-purpose room off the narthex or on the right side of the large hallway leading to the school wing.

**A PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP** Lord Jesus Christ, be present now; our hearts in true devotion bow. Your Spirit send with grace divine, and let your truth within us shine. Unseal our lips to sing your praise; our souls to you in worship raise. Make strong our faith; increase our light that we may know your name aright. Amen. (See also the prayers on pages 10-11 of *Christian Worship*.)

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**SERVICE THEME** On the Mount of Transfiguration we see Moses, the giver of God's law; Elijah, the defender of God's law; and Jesus, the One who fulfilled God's law for us.

**ORDER OF WORSHIP** *Service of the Word* on page 38 in the front of the hymnal

**HYMNS OF THE DAY** 95; 712 (back of bulletin); 85

**PRAYER OF THE DAY** Lord God, before the suffering and death of your one and only Son, you revealed his glory on the holy mountain. Grant that we who bear his cross on earth may behold by faith the light of his heavenly glory and so be changed into his likeness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**LESSON** Exodus 24:12, 15-18  
*Just like Moses entered the Majestic Glory on Mount Sinai, so also he appeared in glory on the Mount of Transfiguration.*

The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and stay here, and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and commands I have written for their instruction." When Moses went up on the mountain, the cloud covered it, and the glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai. For six days the cloud covered the mountain, and on the seventh day the LORD called to Moses from within the cloud. To the Israelites the glory of the LORD looked like a consuming fire on top of the mountain. Then Moses entered the cloud as he went on up the mountain. And he stayed on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

**PSALM 150** page 122 in the front of the hymnal

**ADULT CHOIR IN 7:45 SERVICE** "This Is My Beloved Son"

Long, long ago, the prophets spoke to ancient generations. But in these days, God shows His ways and through the Son He's spoken. The Son is in God's likeness, in glory and in brightness, in high authority.

*Refrain:* You are my Son, beloved one, you are my first begotten. The heavens you made, your hand has laid the very earth's foundation. The Son is in God's likeness, in glory and in brightness, in high authority. The Son, your sins has lightened, He sits upon the right hand of power and majesty. \* The first begotten One, this is my high and holy Son.

On earth one day, John, Peter, James followed Him up a mountain. Before their eyes, His face would shine with light as bright as morning. His garment shone and brightened. The disciples were so frightened, their faces on the ground. A bright cloud overwhelmed them, a voice came forth to tell them, "Now listen to this one, for this is my beloved Son!"

*Refrain:* \* For this is my Son, for this is my beloved Son. This is my Son.

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### GRADES 5-6 IN 10:30 SERVICE

"There Is A Redeemer"

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son, precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

*Refrain:* Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your Son and leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names, precious Lamb of God, Messiah, hope for sinners slain.

When I stand in glory, I will see his face; there I'll serve my King forever in that holy place. *Refrain*

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### GOSPEL

Matthew 17:1-9

*Before his sufferings and death, Jesus revealed his glory as God, showing that he would willingly endure his holy passion for the sin of the entire world.*

After six days Jesus took with him Peter, James and John the brother of James, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light. Just then there appeared before them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus. Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, a bright cloud enveloped them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell facedown to the ground, terrified. But Jesus came and touched them. "Get up," he said. "Don't be afraid." When they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus instructed them, "Don't tell anyone what you have seen, until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

### SERMON TEXT

2 Peter 1:16-21

*In fulfillment of Old Testament Scripture, on the Mount of Transfiguration Jesus was revealed in glory as the One who was to come—the eternally begotten Son of God.*

We did not follow cleverly invented stories when we told you about the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when the voice came to him from the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice that came from heaven when we were with him on the sacred mountain. And we have the word of the prophets made more certain, and you will do well to pay attention to it, as to a light shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation. For prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

### The Morning Star Shines Brightly...

Pastor Zuberbier

1. On the Holy Mountain.
2. Through the pages of Scripture.

### AFTER THE BLESSING

*Farewell to Alleluia*

P: Brothers and sisters in Christ, when we next gather for worship, it will be Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent. On that day we will begin our solemn journey to the Savior's cross. While the joy of faith remains undiminished throughout the year, our rejoicing during Lent is muted and quiet. For centuries, therefore, the Christian churches have omitted their most jubilant songs during this season, including the word *alleluia*, which means, "Praise the Lord."

Now for a time we say farewell to *alleluia*. We do this to prepare ourselves for the quieter days of Lent. The *alleluias* will return on Easter dawn as we gather to shout our praise to the risen Lord.

#### Alleluia, Song of Triumph (Tune of CW 122)

Alleluia, song of triumph, sound of joy that cannot die;  
Alleluia is the anthem ever dear to choirs on high;  
Saints adorned in robes of glory join the great angelic cry.

Alleluia we are singing, voicing hymns in pure accord,  
With Christ's holy Church united, justified, redeemed, restored,  
And with all his faithful people raise our songs to praise the Lord.

Alleluia cannot always be our song while here below;  
 Alleluia our transgressions make us for a while forego.  
 For the solemn time is coming when our tears for sin must flow.

May our hymns be filled with longing – hear us, Holy Trinity –  
 As we look to your blest Easter, here, and then eternally,  
 When we shall once more be singing alleluia joyfully!

**ORGANIST** David Koepsell

**GREETERS**

7:45 ~ Guy and Sue Repp

10:30 ~ Marilyn Gruber

*This Week at St. Peter's*  
[www.stpetersfdl.net/calendar](http://www.stpetersfdl.net/calendar)

TODAY	9:00am	Adult Bible Class/Sunday School/DoC
	4:00pm	Skating at the Spectrum
	5:00pm	United Volleyball
	7:00pm	Financial Peace
TUESDAY	7:00pm	Communicating Christ
WEDNESDAY	3:30pm	Ash Wednesday Worship with Communion
	4:30pm	Lenten Supper until 5:30
	5:30pm	Adult Choir
	6:30pm	Ash Wednesday Worship with Communion
THURSDAY	6:30pm	Worship with the Lord's Supper
	6:30pm	WLA Spelling Bee
FRIDAY	1:00pm	3-5 Grade Spring Drama
	6:30pm	3-5 Grade Spring Drama
SATURDAY	8:00pm	Alcoholism Awareness Support Group

*Daily Bible Readings*

02/26 Heb.8	03/02 Heb. 10:19-39
02/27 Heb. 9:1-15	03/03 Heb. 11:1-22
02/28 Heb.9:16-28	03/04 Heb. 11:23-40
03/01 Heb. 10:1-18	

*Last Week's Stewardship*

Worship: 109 + 155 + 421 = 685  
 Midweek Bible Class: 11 + 9 = 20

Bible Class: 84  
 Sunday School: 17

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
First Fruits to the Lord:		
Thank offerings in support of the unified budget	\$22,312.93	
Other receipts in support of the unified budget	1,895.00	
Total receipts in support of the unified budget	24,207.93	\$184,671.76
Requirement to support the unified budget	29,278.07	234,224.56
Overage (Shortfall)	(5,070.14)	(49,552.80)
Improvement Fund	704.50	
WLA Forward in Trust	103.00	
Honoring the LORD!	120.00	
WLA Tuition Assistance	20.00	
Parking Lot/Athletic Fields	600.00	

*Our Parking Lot/Athletic Fields (soccer and softball) project cost is \$153,565.77. To date, \$149,996.62 has been received, leaving \$3,569.15 to be gathered.*

**MEDITATIONS AND FORWARD IN CHRIST** The March issue of *Forward in Christ* and new *Meditations* (starts today) are available in the narthex.

**ASH WEDNESDAY** is this Wednesday, March 1. Join us for worship at either 3:30 or 6:30 as we focus on this year's Lenten theme: *Repent, Turn to Jesus!* Our pastors will be exchanging pulpits for our midweek services with the pastors of Good Shepherd of Fond du Lac, Trinity of Dundee, and St. Paul's of Mount Calvary. This week our theme will be *Repent: Turn to Jesus and Not to Yourself* with Pastor Zuberbier as preacher.

**LENTEN SUPPERS** Each Wednesday between the two midweek Lenten services, one of our congregation's organizations or service groups will serve supper in the commons. Come, eat, and enjoy fellowship with your brothers and sisters in Christ between 4:30 and 5:30. A freewill offering will be gathered at each meal. LGP and DoC will co-host the first meal, serving hamburgers and hot dogs with beans, chips, and ice cream bars.

**DIVINE CALL** At our annual meeting on Sunday, February 12, the congregation issued a divine call to Ms. Elizabeth Johnson to teach 4<sup>th</sup> grade next school year. Ms. Johnson currently serves at Christ the King, Palm Coast, Florida. Please keep her in your prayers as she deliberates where she might best serve the Lord in his teaching ministry.

**ROLLER SKATING PARTY** Our youth group is hosting a skating party this afternoon, from 4:00-6:00 at the Spectrum. All school and church families are welcome to attend. Only those skating will have to pay the skate rental fee which is \$4.50.

**SPECIAL BULLETINS** If you would like to give a special bulletin cover for a Holy Week or Easter Season service, please contact Courtney Turdo. Prices depend on the count needed for the service and range from \$25 to \$70.

**HOT LUNCH ASSISTANT COOK** St. Peter's hot lunch program is looking to hire an assistant cook for the 2017-18 school year. Hours would be 7:45-1:45 every school day when hot lunch is served. Requirements are an ability to lift 30-40 lb. cases, chop vegetables, assist in food prep, a cheerful but firm attitude with students, a willingness to become food safety certified, and to take over as head cook if the need arises. If interested please talk to Pam Zuberbier, or email her at pamzuberbier@stpetersfdl.net to set up an interview.

**FIDDLER ON THE ROOF** will be presented by Luther Preparatory School on March 10, 11, and 12 at 7:00pm in the Luther Prep Auditorium. Call 261-4352 weekdays between 8:00 to 4:00 to reserve tickets for \$8.00. General Admission bleacher tickets are \$6.00.

**TRANSPORT CHAIRS** Evening Circle has purchased 2 new transport chairs for the narthex entry. You are encouraged to use these for anyone who may have difficulty walking from the parking lot to the pew. An usher will be happy to assist you and return the chair to its place in the entry. There is also a wheel chair in the usher's room for use in medical emergencies.



**A LOOK IN OUR LIBRARY** Come check out our new items in the church library! We have recently added to our collection of DVD's, adult non-fiction, and have many new fiction titles for adults, teens, and children. Don't forget to prepare yourself during this season with one of our Lenten devotional books. Take a look at the display board in the narthex and see what we have to offer!

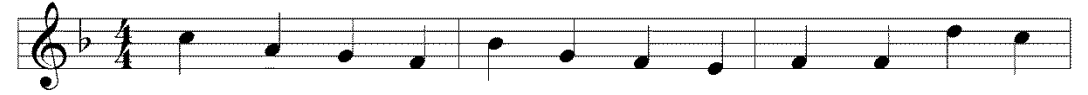
**LUTHER PREP SACRED SPRING CONCERT** will be Sunday, March 12 at 2:00pm in the Luther Prep Gymnasium.

**SECOND IMPRESSIONS THRIFT STORE** is now open Thursdays and Fridays 10:00am to 6:00pm and Saturdays 10:00am to 3:00pm. Donations are accepted Mondays and Tuesdays 10:00am to 4:00pm and also during store hours. With spring cleaning projects right around the corner, it's a great time to think about donating the extra items that you no longer need. Items in particular that we could use more of include; tools and hardware, toys, arts & crafts, children's and men's shoes. To volunteer, or for additional information call 907-9900.

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Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain



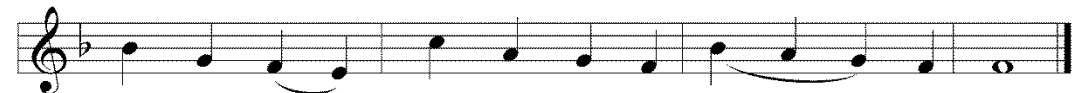
1 Je - sus, take us to the moun-tain Where, with Pe - ter,  
 2 What do you want us to see there That your close com -  
 3 What do you want us to hear there That your dear dis -  
 4 Take us to that oth - er moun-tain Where we see you  
 5 We who have be - held your glo - ry, Ris - en and as -



James, and John, We are daz - zled by your glo - ry,  
 pan - ions saw? Your di - vin - i - ty re - vealed there  
 ci - ples heard? Once a - gain the voice from heav - en  
 glo - ri - fied, Where you shout - ed, "It is fin - ished!"  
 cend - ed Lord, Can - not help but tell the sto - ry,



Light as blind - ing as the sun. There pre - pare us  
 Fills us with the self - same awe. Clothed in flesh like  
 Says of the in - car - nate Word: "Lis - ten, lis - ten,  
 Where for all the world you died. Hear the stunned cen -  
 All that we have seen and heard, Say with Pe - ter,



for the night By the vi - sion of that sight.  
 ours you go, Matched to meet our dead - liest foe.  
 ev - 'ry - one; This is my be - lov - ed Son!"  
 tu - ri - on: "Tru - ly this was God's own Son!"  
 James, and John: "You are God's be - lov - ed Son!"

*The hymn writer reminds us that the glimpse of glory seen in Jesus' transfiguration foreshadows the ultimate glory of Christ displayed at Calvary, hidden under the cross.*

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