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**TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST****August 13, 2017**

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St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Congregation  
Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod  
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Worship: Thursday, 6:30pm ~ Sunday, 7:45 & 10:00am

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**WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE** May the riches of God's glorious grace lead you to rejoice in the true and everlasting treasures that we have in Jesus our Savior.

**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, this I ask; oh, hear my plea – Deny me not this favor: When Satan sorely troubles me, Then do not let me waver. Keep watch and ward, O gracious Lord; Fulfill your faithful saying: All who believe By grace receive An answer to their praying. Amen. (See also the prayers on pages 10-11 of *Christian Worship*.)

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**SERVICE THEME** Our greatest wealth and riches aren't earthly treasures, but the heavenly treasures that God has stored up for us in Christ Jesus our Savior.

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

**HYMNS OF THE DAY** 353; 749; 349; 367

**PRAYER OF THE DAY** O Lord, your ears are always open to the prayers of your humble servants, who come to you in Jesus' name. Teach us always to ask according to your will that we may never fail to obtain the blessings 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.

**FIRST LESSON** 1 Kings 3:5-12  
*May we, like Solomon, choose the LORD's instruction instead of silver, knowledge rather than choice gold, for wisdom is more precious than rubies, and nothing you desire can compare with her.*

At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon during the night in a dream, and God said, "Ask for whatever you want me to give you." Solomon answered, "You have shown great kindness to your servant, my father David, because he was faithful to you and righteous and upright in heart. You have continued this great kindness to him and have given him a son to sit on his throne this very day. Now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David. But I am only a little child and do not know how to carry out my duties. Your servant is here among the people you have chosen, a great people, too numerous to count or number. So give your servant a discerning heart to govern your people and to distinguish between right and wrong. For who is able to govern this great people of yours?" The Lord was pleased that Solomon

had asked for this. So God said to him, “Since you have asked for this and not for long life or wealth for yourself, nor have asked for the death of your enemies but for discernment in administering justice, I will do what you have asked. I will give you a wise and discerning heart, so that there will never have been anyone like you, nor will there ever be.”

**PSALM 119b**

*Page 110 in the front of the hymnal*

**SECOND LESSON**

1 Timothy 6:17-21

*Being faithful to the Word of God means teaching the truth and guarding against falsehood.*

Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life. Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to your care. Turn away from godless chatter and the opposing ideas of what is falsely called knowledge, which some have professed and in so doing have wandered from the faith. Grace be with you.

**VERSE OF THE DAY**

*page 40 in the front of the hymnal*

**GOSPEL**

Matthew 13:44-46

*Treasure the precious, priceless Gospel because it alone delivers us from “the fiery furnace, where there is weeping and gnashing of teeth.”*

“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls. When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it.

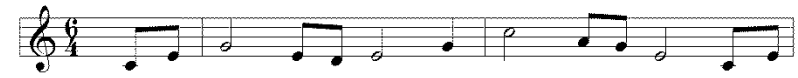
**“God’s Greatest Treasure”**

*Pastor Guse*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

**“The Love of Christ, Who Died for Me”**

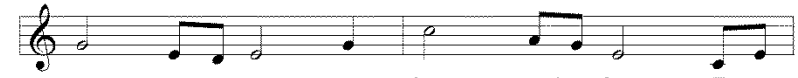
*Hymn 749*



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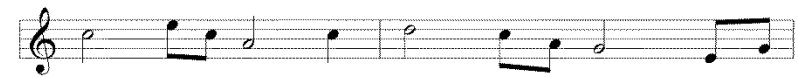
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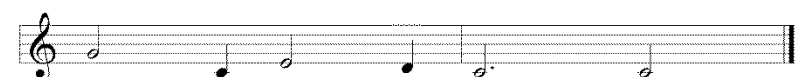
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shame - ful death to die.  
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 lives to be my friend.