

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Congregation

Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

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WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE May Christ's Holy Spirit nourish our souls as we graze in the green pasture of God's Holy Word.

Thank you for joining us for worship. If you have any questions about our service or practice, please feel free to ask one of the ushers or a pastor.

- 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 parent's room with audio feed and a window into the sanctuary is available.
- Listening devices and six large print hymnals are available, please ask an usher.
- 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.
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- Visitors, we are pleased that you have joined us this morning. 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.

A PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP Draw us to thee, for then shall we walk in thy steps forever and hasten on where thou art gone to be with thee, dear Savior. Draw us to thee; oh, grant that we may walk the road to heaven! Direct our way lest we should stray and from thy paths be driven. Amen. (See also the prayers on pages 10-11 of *Christian Worship*.)

SERVICE THEME Our Good Shepherd keeps us safely in his fold.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Service of the Word on page 38 in the front of the hymnal

OPENING HYMN

“Love Is the Gracious Gift”
Hymn 505

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: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

M: God our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

OH, TASTE AND SEE

♪ **Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.
Blessed are they who take refuge in him. Your Word,
O Lord, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens. Your
faithfulness continues forever. Oh, taste and see that the
Lord is good. Blessed are they who take refuge in him.**

M: Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Good Shepherd who laid down your life for the sheep. Lead us now to the still waters of your life-giving Word that we may abide in your Father's house forevermore; for you live and reign with him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: ♪ **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST LESSON

Ezekiel 34:25-31

The prophet describes the solace, security, and satisfaction that the Good Shepherd's flock enjoys.

²⁵Then I will establish a covenant of peace with them, and I will rid the land of wild animals, so they may live securely in the wilderness and sleep in the forests.²⁶I will make them and the area around my hill a blessing. I will send the rain showers down in their season. They will be showers of blessing. ²⁷The trees in the field will yield their fruit, and the earth will yield its produce. They will be secure on their own land and know that I am the LORD, when I break the bars of their yoke and rescue them from the hand of those who enslaved them. ²⁸No more will they be plundered by the nations, nor will wild animals devour them. They will live in security, with no one to make them afraid. ²⁹I will establish for them farmland famous for its crops, so that they will no longer be carried off by famine that is taking place in the land. They will no longer bear the scorn of the nations. ³⁰They will know that I, the LORD their God,

am with them, and that they, the house of Israel, are my people, declares the LORD God. ³¹You are my flock of sheep, the sheep of my pasture, and you are my people, and I am your God, declares the LORD God.

PSALM 23

page 72 in the front of the hymnal

SUNDAY SCHOOL IN 10:30 SERVICE

“Jesus Loves the Little Children”

LAPPY 160

Jesus loves the little children, All the children of the world.
Red and yellow, black and white, They are precious in his sight.
Jesus loves the little children of the world.

Jesus died for little children, All the children of the world.
Red and yellow, black and white, They are precious in his sight.
Jesus loves the little children of the world.

Jesus rose for little children, All the children of the world.
Red and yellow, black and white, They are precious in his sight.
Jesus loves the little children of the world.

SECOND LESSON

Revelation 7:9-17

Our Good Shepherd—the Lamb who was slain for his sheep—lives forever and lovingly tends to his flock.

⁹After these things I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people, and language, standing in front of the throne and of the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They called out with a loud voice and said: Salvation comes from our God, who sits on the throne, and from the Lamb. ¹¹All the angels stood around the throne, the elders, and the four living creatures. They fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, ¹²saying: Amen. Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and might belong to our God forever and ever. Amen. ¹³One of the elders spoke to me and said, “These people dressed in white robes, who are they and where did they come from?” And I answered him, “Sir, you know.” ¹⁴And he said to me: These are the ones who are coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed

their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵Because of this they are in front of the throne of God, and they serve him day and night in his temple. He who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. ¹⁶They will never be hungry or thirsty ever again. The sun will never beat upon them, nor will any scorching heat, ¹⁷for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd. He will lead them to springs of living water. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.

HYMN OF THE DAY

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

Hymn 374

SERMON TEXT

John 10:22-30

Jesus’ sheep follow the Good Shepherd’s voice through this life into eternal life.

²²Then the Festival of Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple area in Solomon’s Colonnade. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around Jesus, asking, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly.” ²⁵Jesus answered them, “I did tell you, but you do not believe. The works I am doing in my Father’s name testify about me. ²⁶But you do not believe, because you are not my sheep, as I said to you. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all. No one can snatch them out of my Father’s hand. ³⁰I and the Father are one.”

“Listen To The Voice Of The Good Shepherd”

Pastor Guse

1. He knows his sheep
2. He protects his sheep

APOSTLES’ CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he

rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

GATHERING OF OUR OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

HYMN

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”
Hymn 375 v 1-4

M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: ♪Amen.

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 upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C: ♪Amen. Amen. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

Hymn 375 v 5-6



ORGANIST
David Koepsell

GREETERS

7:45 ~ Marvin & Vicki Mortensen
10:30 ~ Jim & Marcia Pflum