

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Congregation

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Summer Service Schedule: Thursday, 6:30 pm ~ Sunday, 9:00 am

Regular Service Schedule Resumes on September 10 (8 and 10:30 am)

Bible Hour Also Resumes on September 10 (9:10 am)

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WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE May you be strengthened in your inner being through Christ's comforting Word and promises.

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 the pastor.

- Tune into KFIZ AM 1450 or FM 100.7 Sunday morning at 8:00 to hear the current weekend's sermon.
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HOLY COMMUNION Today we have the privilege of receiving Christ's true body and blood in, with and under the bread and wine of Holy Communion. Through this sacrament the Holy Spirit seals to us the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation for the strengthening of our faith. Scriptures also teach that as we commune together, we are publicly testifying to a complete unity of faith based on a confession of all of God's Word. For this reason, we respectfully request that all of those who are not members **please speak with the pastor before communing** with us. Thank you.

A PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP Jesus, Savior, pilot me over life's tempestuous sea; unknown waves before me roll, hiding rock and treacherous shoal. Chart and compass come from thee: Jesus, Savior, pilot me. As a mother stills her child, thou

canst hush the ocean wild. Boisterous waves obey thy will when thou say'st to them, "Be still!" Wondrous Sov'reign of the sea, Jesus, Savior, pilot me. Amen.

SERVICE THEME

A Church for All People

OPENING HYMN

In Christ There Is No East or West | 860 v 1-3

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Setting Two | 172-175, 178-187

Please stand.

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.
**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection.

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. 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.

Amen.

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

The Lord be with you!

And also with you!

Let us pray. Gracious God, in Christ you bring people from near and far into the fellowship of your church. Open our eyes to your saving plan, and move us to embrace all who seek your salvation so that we may rejoice together at the banquet of your love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Please be seated.

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

Through Isaiah the Lord told the world that all God-fearing people would have a place in the house of his church.

This is what the LORD says.

**All: Protect justice, and carry out righteousness,
because my salvation is coming very soon.
My righteousness is ready to be revealed.**

⁶Then the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him and to love the name of the LORD and to become his servants, every one of them who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it, those who take hold of my covenant—

**All: ⁷I will bring them to my holy mountain,
and I will make them glad in my house of prayer.**

Their whole burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be acceptable on my altar. For my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples of the world. ⁸This is the declaration of God the LORD, who gathers Israel's dispersed people: "I will gather still more people to my house besides the ones already gathered."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 2:13-22

Christ takes foreigners and strangers and, upon the foundation of God's Word, builds them into a holy temple-his church.

But now in Christ Jesus, you who once were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he himself is our peace. He made the two groups one by destroying the wall of hostility that divided them ¹⁵when he abolished the law of commandments and regulations in his flesh. He did this to create in himself one new person out of the two, in this way making peace.

¹⁶And he did this to reconcile both to God in one body through the cross by putting the hostility to death on it. ¹⁷He also came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near.

All: ¹⁸For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit.

¹⁹So then, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of God's household. ²⁰You have been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the Cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole building is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord. ²²In him you too are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

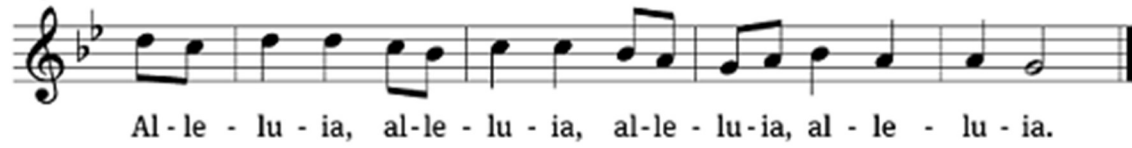
Please stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Refrain



Tone



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GOSPEL

Matthew 15:21-28

In the face of Jesus' test a Canaanite woman demonstrates great faith, proving that God's Church is meant for all people.

Jesus left that place and withdrew into the region of Tyre and Sidon. ²²There a Canaanite woman from that territory came and kept crying out, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David! A demon is severely tormenting my daughter!"

²³But he did not answer her a word. His disciples came and pleaded, "Send her away, because she keeps crying out after us."

²⁴He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."

²⁵But she came and knelt in front of him, saying, "Lord, help me." ²⁶He answered her, "It is not good to take the children's bread and throw it to their little dogs."

²⁷"Yes, Lord," she said, "yet their little dogs also eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." ²⁸Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, your faith is great! It will be done for you, just as you desire." And her daughter was healed at that very hour.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Please be seated.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord Jesus Christ, the Children's Friend | 910

"A Hard Won Faith"

Pastor Luke Boehringer

INSTALLATION OF NEW FACULTY MEMBERS

Mrs. Abi Wagner, Grade 2

Mrs. Josie Huey, Grade 4

Mr. Courtney Meyer, Principal and Grade 5

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CLOSING HYMN

In Christ There Is No East or West | 860 v 4-5



ORGANIST

Brent Nolte

GREETERS

9:00 ~ Jane Fell

About Mrs. Wagner

Abi Wagner, the daughter of Mike and Linda Mathwig, was raised in Egg Harbor, Mankato MN, and Fond du Lac where her dad accepted Divine Calls to teach. After graduating from Winnebago Lutheran Academy, she attended MPTC to pursue an Associate's Degree in Early Childhood Education. She earned her bachelor degree in Early Childhood/Elementary Education from UW Oshkosh, and after completing 6 long term subbing positions in various districts, she accepted a full-time kindergarten position in the Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah School District. She taught there 8 years until she was pleasantly surprised to receive and accept the Divine call to teach at St. Peter's Lutheran school where she can give back to the same church and school that supported her through her grade school and high school years.

Abi is married to her husband Andy, and they have been blessed with 4 children: Irelyn, Braxton, Kason, and Christian. Abi enjoys running, hiking, and being outdoors with her family. They also enjoy attending sporting events, including their own kids' baseball, softball, and soccer games. Each summer they pick a new city and MLB ballpark to explore and to cheer on the Brewers. They are excited to join the St. Peter's school family.

About Mrs. Huey

Josie Huey is the daughter of Heather O'Brien and John O'Brien. She was born and raised in Fond du Lac, WI, and has been a lifelong member of St. Peter's Lutheran. Josie and her little sister, Emma, both played volleyball and participated in the cheerleading program during their years at St. Peter's. Josie attended Winnebago Lutheran Academy for high school. There she was a cheerleader, choir member, and a member of the drama department. Josie then traveled up the hill and attended Martin Luther College in New Ulm, MN. She earned a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education along with a minor in Mathematics. To her surprise on Call Day, Josie had the joy of receiving her first divine call to serve in the public ministry at her home congregation. Josie married her husband, Joshua, this summer. They are both excited to serve St. Peter's Church and School!

About Mr. Meyer

Courtney Meyer was raised in rural Hartford, Wisconsin, his family attended St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in Iron Ridge. Courtney graduated from WLA in 1983, and attended Northwestern College in Watertown for two years. After a two-year break from college Courtney returned to college at DMLC and graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Education in 1989. Courtney was assigned to St. Andrew

Lutheran in Chicago, Illinois, to teach 7-8th grades, athletic director, assistant principal along with other duties. (Yes, to a short-term Bear's fan, i.e. Walter Payton and the Fridge.)

Amy (nee Gronholz) also graduated from DMLC in 1989 and was assigned to St. Paul's, Tomah, Wisconsin. They were married in 1990 and Amy was a piano teacher and long-term substitute teacher at St. Andrew.

In 1993 Courtney resigned his call to help his father with the family owned masonry business. During the 30-year gap in teaching in a Lutheran elementary School Courtney and Amy homeschooled their 4 daughters from grades K – 12 along with Amy conducting piano lessons from home and at Harford Music Center. These years were also spent being heavily involved in the 4-H program with county, state, national trainings and leadership opportunities in: Agriculture Education, meats evaluation, sheep industry, quiz bowl, skillathon, shooting sports, habitat evaluation, hunting skills and Natural Sciences.

Their daughters are: Cassandra (Jeremiah), Evelyn (3) Rardin, Mikayla (Michael), Hazel (2) Grimesy, Emma (Jacob), Isaiah (2) Mueller, and Lydia (attending MATC). Courtney and Amy are honored to serve in your midst as educators. To God be the Glory.

