

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Congregation

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Summer Service Schedule: Thursday, 6:30 pm ~ Sunday, 9:00 am
Member Congregation of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

*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 the joy of being included in God's plan of salvation fill your heart today and always.

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.

A PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP Lord of the living harvest that ripens o'er the plain, where angels soon will gather their sheaves of golden grain, accept our hands to labor, our hearts to trust and love, and be with us to hasten your kingdom from above. As laborers in your vineyard, Lord, give us work to do, content to bear the burden of weary days for you, to ask no other wages when you will call us home than to have shared the labor that makes your kingdom come. Amen

SERVICE THEME

A Church That Really Knows Jesus

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Setting Two | 172-182, 171

OPENING HYMN

Joyously I'll Praise My Savior | 611

PRAYER OF THE DAY Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life that we may boldly confess him to be the Christ and steadfastly walk in the way that leads to life eternal; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 15:15-21

When the prophet Jeremiah grew tired of carrying his cross and complained, the Lord called on him to repent and promised salvation.

O LORD, you understand.
Remember me and care for me.
Take vengeance for me on those who persecute me.
You are slow to anger.
Do not take me away.
Keep in mind that for your sake I bear disgrace.
¹⁶Your words came to me, and I devoured them.
Your words became my joy,
the delight of my heart,
because I bear your name,
O LORD God of Armies.
¹⁷I did not sit with the band of partygoers,
nor did I celebrate with them.
I sat alone, because your hand was upon me.
You filled me with indignation.
¹⁸Why is my pain unending?
Why is my wound incurable, refusing to heal?
Will you be as deceptive as an intermittent stream to me,
like a source of water that a person can't depend on?
¹⁹Therefore this is what the LORD says.
If you repent, I will take you back,
so that you may stand before me.
If what you say is worthwhile and not worthless,
you will be my spokesman.
They must turn to you,
but you must not turn to them.
²⁰I will make you like a bronze wall to this people.
They will fight against you,
but they will not overcome you,
because I am with you to save you
and to rescue you, declares the LORD.
²¹I will rescue you from the hand of the wicked,
and I will deliver you from the grasp of the ruthless.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM OF THE DAY

Your Praises, God, I'm Bringing | 138

SECOND LESSON

Romans 8:18-25

St. Paul teaches God's Church that no cross can compare with the crown of glory that is waiting.

For I conclude that our sufferings at the present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is going to be revealed to us. ¹⁹In fact, creation is waiting with eager longing for the sons of God to be revealed. ²⁰For creation was subjected to futility, not by its own will, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in the hope ²¹that even creation itself will be set free from slavery to corruption, in order to share in the glorious freedom of the children of God.

²²For we know that all of creation is groaning with birth pains right up to the present time. ²³And not only creation, but also we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we eagerly await our adoption as sons, the redemption of our body. ²⁴Indeed, it was for this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is not hope, because who hopes for what he already sees? ²⁵But if we hope for something we do not see, we eagerly wait for it with patient endurance.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Your words are my joy and my heart's delight.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

Matthew 16:21-26

Jesus calls his Church to walk in his path; first comes the cross, then comes the crown.

From that time, Jesus began to show his disciples that he had to go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders, chief priests, and experts in the law, and be killed, and on the third day be raised again.

²²Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "May you receive mercy, Lord! This will never happen to you."

²³But Jesus turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a snare to me because you are not thinking the things of God, but the things of men."

²⁴Then Jesus said to his disciples, "If anyone wants to follow me, let him deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. ²⁵In fact whoever wants to save his life will

lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. ²⁶After all, what will it benefit a person if he gains the whole world, but forfeits his soul? Or what can a person give in exchange for his soul?"

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

HYMN OF THE DAY

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken | 694

"Be Patient! Better Things Are Coming"

Pastor Mike Weigand

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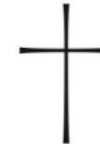
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CLOSING HYMN

Lord, Now You Let Your Servant | 951



ORGANIST
David Koepsell

GREETERS
9:00 ~ Travis and Brindah Birkholz & Carley