

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Congregation

Building on the Rock of Jesus and His Word

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Worship: Thursday, 6:30 pm ~ Sunday, 8:00 & 10:30 am

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WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE May the Holy Spirit cause the light of the Gospel to burn brightly in your heart.

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, your boundless love to me no thought can reach, no tongue declare. Dwell in my heart eternally, and reign without a rival there. To you alone, dear Lord, I live; myself to you, dear Lord, I give. In suffering be your love my peace; in weakness be your love my power; and when the storms of life shall cease, O Jesus, in that final hour be then my rod and staff and guide and draw me safely to your side. Amen.

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**SERVICE THEME**

*From the River to the Mountain: It Begins with Baptism*

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

*Setting One | 154-171*

**OPENING HYMN**

*Word and Water, Filled with Promise | 647*

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Father in heaven, at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan, you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Keep us who are baptized into Christ faithful in our calling as your children, and make us heirs with him of everlasting life; 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**

Isaiah 49:1-6

*Through the pen of the prophet Isaiah, the Messiah himself speaks, telling us of the work he would do when he was anointed at his baptism.*

Listen to me, you coastlands. Pay attention, you faraway peoples! The LORD called me from the womb. When I was inside my mother, he mentioned my name. <sup>2</sup>He made my mouth like a sharpened sword. He hid me in the shadow of his hand. He made me a polished arrow. He concealed me in his quiver. <sup>3</sup>He said to me, "You are my servant Israel, in whom I will display my glory." <sup>4</sup>But I said to myself, "I have labored in vain. I spent my strength and came up empty, with nothing. Yet a just verdict for me rests with the LORD, and my reward is with my God."

<sup>5</sup>But now the LORD, who formed me from the womb to be his servant, to turn Jacob back to him, so that Israel might be gathered to him, so that I will be honored in the eyes of the LORD, because my God has been my strength— <sup>6</sup>the LORD said: It is too small a thing that you should just be my servant to raise up only the tribes of Jacob and to restore the ones I have preserved in Israel, so I will appoint you to be a light for the nations, so that my salvation will be known to the end of the earth.

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

**GRADES 7 & 8 IN THURSDAY SERVICE**

*“May the People Praise You, O God”*  
by Dale Witte

*Refrain: May the People praise you, O God, may all people sing praise. May the people praise you, O God, may all the people sing praise, may all the people sing praise!*

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine on us that your ways may be known on the earth, your salvation among all the nations. *Refrain*

May the nations be glad and sing for joy to the Lord, for he rules all the people with equity, and he guides all the nations on earth. *Refrain*

The land will yield its harvest and God will bless us. May God bless us still so the ends of the earth fear the Lord! *Refrain*

**SECOND LESSON**

Romans 6:1-11

*St. Paul connects our baptism to Christ, and he discusses the results of that connection in our lives.*

What shall we say then? Shall we keep on sinning so that grace may increase? <sup>2</sup>Absolutely not! We died to sin. How can we go on living in it any longer? <sup>3</sup>Or do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup>We were therefore buried with him by this baptism into his death, so that just as he was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too would also walk in a new life.

<sup>5</sup>For if we have been united with him in the likeness of his death, we will certainly also be united with him in the likeness of his resurrection.

<sup>6</sup>We know that our old self was crucified with him, to make our sinful body powerless, so that we would not continue to serve sin. <sup>7</sup>For the person who has died has been declared free from sin. <sup>8</sup>And since we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup>We know that since Christ has been raised from the dead, he will never die again. Death no longer has control over him. <sup>10</sup>For the death he died, he died to sin once and for all, but the life he lives, he lives to God. <sup>11</sup>In the same way also consider yourselves dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

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**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Jesus is the light / of the world;  
In him we have the / light of life. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**GOSPEL (Sermon Text)**

Titus 3:4-7

<sup>4</sup>But when the kindness and love of God our Savior toward mankind appeared, <sup>5</sup>he saved us—not by righteous works that we did ourselves, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and the renewal by the Holy Spirit, <sup>6</sup>whom he poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior, <sup>7</sup>so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs in keeping with the hope of eternal life.

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

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*To Jordan’s River Came Our Lord | 377*

**“Baptism: It’s More Than Meets the Eye”**

*Pastor Michael Weigand*

**NICENE CREED & PRAYER**

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**GATHERING OF OUR OFFERING**

**THE SACRAMENT**

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**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

*Awake, O Sleeper, Rise and See | 691  
Jesus Sinners Does Receive | 654*

**THANKSGIVING & BLESSING**

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**CLOSING HYMN**

*All Who Believe and Are Baptized | 692*

**ORGANIST:**

Brent Nolte

**GREETERS:**

8:00 ~ Carly, Louis, Payton & Colton Ferren

10:30 ~ Sue Repp