

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 Epiphany Light of the Gospel warm your heart with Christ’s love.

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 Confirm in us your gospel, Lord, your promise of salvation. And make us keen to hear your Word and follow our vocation: To spend our lives in love for you, to bear each other’s burdens, too. And then, at last, when death shall loom, O Savior, come and bear your loved ones safely home. Amen.

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**SERVICE THEME** *From the River to the Mountain: The Devil’s Work Undone*

**ORDER OF WORSHIP** *Setting One | 154-171*

**OPENING HYMN** *Hail to the Lord’s Anointed | 384*

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**  
Almighty and everlasting God, look with mercy on our weaknesses, and in all our dangers and needs stretch out the right hand of your majesty to help and defend us; 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 40:27-31*  
*When the devil’s temptations make us tired and accusations make us weary, the LORD promises to renew our strength.*

Why do you speak, O Jacob? O Israel, why do you say, “My way is hidden from the LORD, and justice for me is ignored by my God”? <sup>28</sup>Do you not know? Have you not heard? The LORD is the eternal God. He is the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired, and he will not become weary. No one can find a limit to his understanding. <sup>29</sup>He is the one who gives strength to the weak, and he increases the strength of those who lack power. <sup>30</sup>Young men grow tired and become weary. Even strong men stumble and fall. <sup>31</sup>But those who wait for the LORD will receive new strength. They will lift up their wings and soar like eagles. They will run and not become weary. They will walk and not become tired.

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

**ADULT CHOIR IN 10:30 SERVICE**

*“The Potter’s Hand”*

by Darlene Zschech

Beautiful Lord, wonderful Savior, I know for sure all of my days are held in your hand, crafted into your perfect plan.

You gently call me into your presence, guiding me by your Holy Spirit. Teach me, dear Lord, to live all of my life through your eyes. I’m captured by your Holy calling.

Set me apart, I know you’re drawing me to yourself. Lead me, Lord, I pray.

*Refrain: Take me, mold me, use me, fill me. My life is safe in the Potter’s hand. Call me, guide me, lead me, walk beside me. My life is safe in the Potter’s hand, the Potter’s hand.*

**SECOND LESSON (Sermon Text)**

1 Peter 5:6-11

*Our enemy the devil may stalk us like a hungry lion hunting prey, but the God of all grace cares for us and promises deliverance.*

Therefore, humble yourselves under God’s powerful hand so that he may lift you up at the appointed time. <sup>7</sup>Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. <sup>8</sup>Have sound judgment. Be alert. Your adversary, the Devil, prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour. <sup>9</sup>Resist him by being firm in the faith. You know that the same kinds of sufferings are being laid on your brotherhood all over the world.

<sup>10</sup>After you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who called you into his eternal glory in Christ Jesus, will himself restore, establish, strengthen, and support you. <sup>11</sup>To him be the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen.

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**

Mark 1:29-39

*The devil loves to see God’s children suffer. Jesus undoes the devil’s work.*

They left the synagogue and went with James and John to the home of Simon and Andrew. <sup>30</sup>Simon’s mother-in-law was lying in bed, sick with a fever. Without delay they told Jesus about her. <sup>31</sup>He went to her, took her by the hand, and raised her up. The fever left her, and she began to serve them. <sup>32</sup>That evening, when the sun had set, the people kept bringing to him all who were sick and demon-possessed. <sup>33</sup>The whole

town gathered at the door. <sup>34</sup>He healed many people who were sick with various diseases and drove out many demons. But he did not allow the demons to speak, because they knew who he was.

<sup>35</sup>Jesus got up early in the morning, while it was still dark, and went out. He withdrew to a solitary place and was praying there. <sup>36</sup>Simon and his companions searched for him, <sup>37</sup>and, when they found him, they said to him, “Everyone is looking for you!”

<sup>38</sup>He told them, “Let’s go somewhere else, to the neighboring villages, so that I can preach there too. In fact, that is why I have come.” <sup>39</sup>Then he went throughout the whole region of Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons.

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

**HYMN OF DAY**

*I Walk in Danger All the Way | 836*

**You are in Good Hands with God**

*Pastor David Haag*

1. When you humble yourself under his powerful hand.
2. When you rely on the strength of his hands.

**NICENE CREED & PRAYER**

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**GATHERING OF OUR OFFERING**

**THE SACRAMENT**

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**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

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**CLOSING HYMN**

*Abide, O Dearest Jesus | 924*

**ORGANIST:** Brent Nolte

**GREETERS:** 8:00~ Tracy & Eric Freiberg  
10:30~ Tom & Joan Mrazek