EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 14, 2024

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Congregation

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WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE May the Lord lead us into a deeper appreciation of his mercy and grace in Christ.

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 pastors.

A PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP Lord, speak to us that we may speak in living echoes of your tone. As you have sought, so let us seek your straying children, lost and lone. Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach the precious truths which you impart, and wing our words that they may reach the hidden depths of many a heart. Amen.

SERVICE THEME

Meaningful Ministry: Sent with God's Own Authority

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OPENING HYMN

Lord Jesus Christ, Our Savior King | 899

PRAYER OF THE DAY O Lord, you granted your prophets strength to resist the temptations of the devil and courage to proclaim repentance. Give us pure hearts and minds to follow your Son faithfully even into suffering and death; 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 Amos 7:10-15

Wicked Amaziah questions the prophet's right to rebuke the king. Amos explains that he has authority only because the LORD told him to speak on God's behalf.

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent a message to Jeroboam king of Israel: Amos has conspired against you in the midst of the house of Israel. The land is not able to endure all of his words. "This is what Amos says: "Jeroboam will die by the sword, and Israel will certainly go into exile away from its own soil."

¹²Then Amaziah said to Amos, "You seer, get out of here! Flee to the land of Judah. You may eat food and prophesy there. ¹³But you must never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the sanctuary of the king and the national temple."

¹⁴Then Amos responded to Amaziah:

I was not a prophet, nor was I a son of a prophet. Rather, I was a sheep breeder and I took care of sycamore fig trees. ¹⁵But the LORD took me from tending flocks, and the LORD said to me, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM OF THE DAY

The LORD is My Light | 27

SECOND LESSON (sermon text)

Titus 1:5-9

St. Paul establishes qualifications for those who serve in public ministry and stresses that their authority comes from holding firmly to God's Word.

The reason I left you in Crete was so that you would set in order the things that were left unfinished and appoint elders in every city, as I directed you. ⁶Such a man is to be blameless, the husband of only one wife, and to have believing children who are not open to a charge of wild living or disobedience. ⁷Indeed an overseer, since he is God's steward, must be blameless, not arrogant, not quick-tempered, not a drunkard, not violent, not eager for dishonest gain. ⁸Instead, he must be hospitable, loving what is good, self-controlled, upright, devout, and disciplined. ⁹He must cling to the trustworthy message as it has been taught, so that he will be able both to encourage people by the sound teaching and also to correct those who oppose him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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"A Minister is God's Steward"

Pastor Peter Lindemann

1. Like Paul

HYMN OF THE DAY

- 2. Like Titus
- 3. Like our Pastors



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For the Spirit God gave us does not make us tim - id,



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GOSPEL Mark 6:7-13

Before Jesus sends the Twelve out to do ministry, he gives them his authority.

Jesus called the Twelve and began to send them out two by two. He gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸He instructed them to take nothing for their journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their money belts. ⁹They were to put on sandals but not to wear two coats. ¹⁰He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave that area. ¹¹Any place that will not receive you or listen to you, as you leave there, shake off the dust that is under your feet as a testimony against them."

¹²They went out and preached that people should repent. ¹³They also drove out many demons. They anointed many sick people with oil and healed them.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

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GREETER 9:00 ~ Jane Fell