

**St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Congregation***Building on the Rock of Jesus and His Word**Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod*

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Church Services: Thursday, 6:30 pm ~ Sunday, 9:00 am

NEXT SUNDAY**Regular Service Schedule Resumes (8 and 10:30 am)**
Bible Hour Also Resumes (9:10 am)

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WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE May God bless us as together we grow in our knowledge of and love for Jesus and his Word.

We are glad you are here!

If you have any questions about our service or practice,
please feel free to ask one of the ushers or the pastors.

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.

SERVICE THEME *Followers of Christ: Follow from the Heart*

ORDER OF WORSHIP *Setting One | 154-171*

OPENING HYMN *May We Your Precepts, Lord, Fulfill | 697*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; 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

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

God is serious about his law because he knows that when his children follow the law carefully, the result is blessing and honor.

So now, Israel, listen to the statutes and the ordinances that I am teaching you, and carry them out so that you may live and so that you may enter the land that the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving to you and take possession of it. ²Do not add to the word that I am commanding you, and do not subtract from it, so that you keep the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you.

⁶Keep them and put them into practice, because in this way your wisdom and your understanding will be recognized by all the people who hear about all these statutes; and they will say, "This great nation is certainly a wise and understanding people," ⁷because what other great nation is there that has a god as close to it as the LORD our God is to us whenever we call on him? ⁸What other great nation is there that has statutes and ordinances as righteous as this entire law that I am presenting to you today?

⁹But guard yourselves and guard your whole being diligently, so that you do not forget the things that your eyes have seen and so that those things do not disappear from your heart all the rest of the days of your life. Make them known to your children and to your children's children.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND LESSON

Romans 9:30-10:4

Followers of Christ obey the law, not to attempt to become righteous, but to show heartfelt love to the God who declares us righteous through faith in Jesus.

What shall we say then? That Gentiles, who were not pursuing righteousness, have obtained righteousness, a righteousness that is by faith. ³¹But Israel, while pursuing the law as a way of righteousness, did not reach it. ³²Why? Because they kept pursuing it not by faith, but as if it comes by works. They stumbled over the stumbling stone. ³³Just as it is written: Look, I am putting a stone in Zion over which they will stumble and a rock over which they will fall. The one who believes in him will not be put to shame.

^{10:1}Brothers, my heart’s desire and prayer to God on behalf of the Israelites is that they may be saved. ²Indeed, I testify about them that they have a zeal for God, but it is not consistent with knowledge. ³Since they were ignorant of the righteousness from God and sought to establish their own righteousness, they did not submit to the righteousness from God. ⁴For to everyone who believes, Christ is the end of the law, resulting in righteousness.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

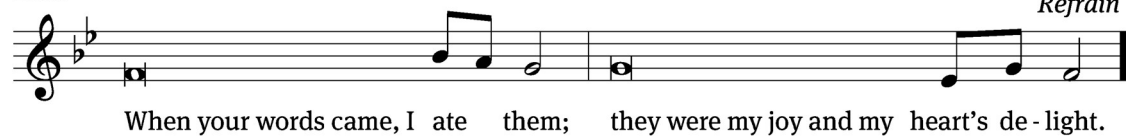
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GOSPEL Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
The Pharisees established traditions which they thought safeguarded obedience to God, but they missed God’s desire for heartfelt love.

The Pharisees and some of the experts in the law came from Jerusalem and gathered around Jesus. ²They saw some of his disciples eating bread with unclean (that is, unwashed) hands. ³In fact, the Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they scrub their hands with a fist, holding to the tradition of the elders. ⁴When they come from the marketplace, they do not eat unless they wash. And there are many other traditions they adhere to, such as the washing of cups, pitchers, kettles, and dining couches. ⁵The Pharisees and the experts in the law asked Jesus, “Why do your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders? Instead they eat bread with unclean hands.” ⁶He answered them, “Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you

hypocrites. As it is written: ‘These people honor me with their lips, but their heart is far from me. ⁷They worship me in vain, teaching human rules as if they were doctrines.’ ⁸You abandon God’s commandment but hold to human tradition like the washing of pitchers and cups, and you do many other such things.” ...

¹⁴He called the crowd to him again and said, “Everyone, listen to me and understand. ¹⁵There is nothing outside of a man that can make him unclean by going into him. But the things that come out of a man are what make a man unclean. ...

²¹In fact, from within, out of people’s hearts, come evil thoughts, sexual sins, theft, murder, ²²adultery, greed, wickedness, deceit, unrestrained immorality, envy, slander, arrogance, and foolishness. ²³All these evil things proceed from within and make a person unclean.”

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

HYMN OF THE DAY

O God, My Faithful God | 740

“The Devil’s in the Details”
Pastor Luke Boehringer

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CLOSING HYMN

Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways | 705

ORGANIST: Erin Achey
GREETER: 9:00 ~ Ann Trewin