

**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

Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

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**WELCOME to GOD'S HOUSE** May knowing your Savior Jesus Christ always bring you the same great joy the wisemen had upon seeing the star in the east!

**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.*

**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 one of our pastors before communing with us.

**A PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP** Your kingdom, O God, is my glorious treasure, my pearl of incomparable worth. Its value exceeds every standard of measure, surpassing the wealth of the earth. Lord, give me your grace and the power of the Spirit to value this treasure aright, that, never allured by the world, I inherit your kingdom of glory and light. Amen.

**SERVICE THEME**

*The love of Christ surpasses all understanding*

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

*Setting Two | 172-187*

**SUNDAY'S OPENING HYMN**

*Songs of Thankfulness and Praise*

1 Songs of thank - ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to  
 2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Proph - et, Priest, and  
 3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole Pal - sied limbs and  
 4 Sun and moon shall dark - ened be; Stars shall fall, the

you we raise, Man - i - fest - ed by the star  
 King su - preme, And at Ca - na, Wed - ding Guest,  
 faint - ing soul; Man - i - fest in val - iant fight,  
 heav'ns shall flee. Christ will then like light - ning shine;

To the Ma - gi from a - far, Branch of roy - al  
 In your God - head man - i - fest; Man - i - fest in  
 Quell - ing all the dev - il's might; Man - i - fest in  
 All will see his glo - rious sign. All will then the

Da - vid's stem, In your birth at Beth - le - hem.  
 pow'r di - vine, Chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine.  
 gra - cious will, Ev - er bring - ing good from ill.  
 trum - pet hear; All will see the judge ap - pear.

An - thems be to you ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
 An - thems be to you ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
 An - thems be to you ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
 You by all will be con - fessed, God in man made man - i - fest.

5 Grant us grace to see you, Lord,  
 Mirrored in your holy Word.  
 May our lives and all we do  
 Imitate and honor you  
 That we all like you may be  
 At your great epiphany  
 And may praise you, ever blest,  
 God in man made manifest.

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**PRAYER OF THE DAY** Almighty God, you gave your one and only Son to be the light of the world. Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and believed to the ends of the earth; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**FIRST LESSON**

Isaiah 62:1-5

*The prophet Isaiah pictures the Church's relationship with the Lord as an infinitely happy marriage. As our bridegroom, Christ delivers more than that for which we ask.*

For the sake of Zion I will not be silent. For the sake of Jerusalem I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth shining brightly, and her salvation burns like a torch. <sup>2</sup>Nations will see your righteousness, and all kings will see your glory. You will be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will assign to you.

<sup>3</sup>Then you will be a beautiful crown in the LORD's hand, and a royal diadem in the palm of your God. <sup>4</sup>You will never again be called Abandoned, and your land will never again be called Desolation, for you will be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land will be called Married, because the LORD delights in you, and your land will be married. <sup>5</sup>For just as a young man marries a virgin, your sons will marry you, and just as a bridegroom rejoices over a bride, your God will rejoice over you.

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

**SECOND LESSON**

Ephesians 3:14-21

*St. Paul teaches that God wants us to have a life that is fuller than we could possibly imagine.*

For this reason I kneel before the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>15</sup>from whom the entire family in heaven and on earth receives its name. <sup>16</sup>I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he would strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner self, <sup>17</sup>so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. Then, being rooted and grounded in love, <sup>18</sup>I pray that you would be able to comprehend, along with all the saints, how wide and long and high and deep his love is, <sup>19</sup>and that you would be able to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled to all the fullness of God.

<sup>20</sup>Now to him, who is able, according to the power that is at work within us, to do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, <sup>21</sup>to him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever! Amen.

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

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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John 1:14

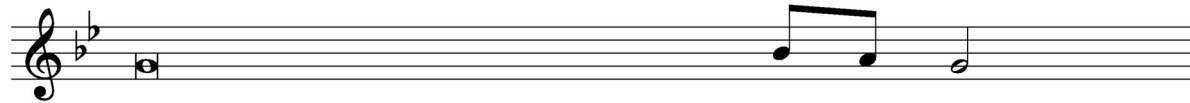


Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Tone



We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and on - ly Son,

Refrain



who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

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## GOSPEL

John 2:1-11

*To spare a newlywed couple embarrassment from having run out of wine, Mary asks Jesus to do something. Jesus delivers more than his mother asks, turning water into the choicest of wine.*

Three days later, there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee. Jesus' mother was there. <sup>2</sup>Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup>When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no wine."

<sup>4</sup>Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does that have to do with you and me? My time has not come yet." <sup>5</sup>His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

<sup>6</sup>Six stone water jars, which the Jews used for ceremonial cleansing, were standing there, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup>Jesus told them, "Fill the jars with water." So they filled them to the brim. <sup>8</sup>Then he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet." And they did.

<sup>9</sup>When the master of the banquet tasted the water that had now become wine, he did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew). The master of the banquet called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup>and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and when the guests have had plenty to drink, then the cheaper wine. You saved the good wine until now!"

<sup>11</sup>This, the beginning of his miraculous signs, Jesus performed in Cana of Galilee. He revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him.

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

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*This is My Will* | 728

## SERMON

**"Jesus Provides and Preserves Our Good Name"**

*Pastor Boehringer*

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## INSTALLATION OF NEW CHURCH OFFICERS & PRAYER

## GATHERING OF OUR OFFERING

## THE SACRAMENT

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*Please remember to fill out a communion card & give it to an usher or put it in the offering plate.*

*Your registration is a valuable aid for our pastors and elders as they carry out their work of spiritual care. Thank you!*

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

*Arise and Shine in Splendor* | 375

*Jesus Comes Today with Healing* | 668

**THANKSGIVING & BLESSING**

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**CLOSING HYMN**

*Love in Christ Is Strong and Living | 726*

**ORGANIST:**  
Kris Lindemann

**GREETERS:**  
8:00 ~ Nick (Board of Properties), Jennifer, Bentley, Rilynn, & Grayson Pitzen  
10:30 ~ Mike Dowland

I press on toward the goal,  
for the prize of the upward call of God

**in Christ Jesus.**

*Philippians 3:14*

St. Paul reminds us that there is a prize at the end of this fight. He reminds us that God has called us to that prize in heaven. Through his word and the encouragement of one another, God himself will give us the strength to FORGE AHEAD IN FAITH. We invite you to attend the Men of His Word conference to receive such strength and encouragement to FORGE AHEAD IN FAITH in your own life.

**Men of His Word Conference  
Oshkosh, Wisconsin  
Saturday, February 8, 2025**



Tickets at [menofhisword.org/oshkosh](https://menofhisword.org/oshkosh)

Early registration & group ticket discounts end on January 21  
Regular registration is January 22 - February 2  
**All registrations are closed on February 3**