



**Saint Peter's Lutheran Church**

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\* Indicates to stand as you are able. P=Pastor, C=Congregation, A=Assisting Minister, L=Lector

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*PRELUDE*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**\*P:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **\*C: Amen.**

**\*P:** Drawn to Christ and seeking God’s abundance, let us confess our sin.

**\*P:** God, our provider, help us.

**\*C: It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

**\*P:** Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God’s mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **\*C: Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN:.....”Listen, God is Calling”.....ELW 513**

**APOSTOLIC GREETING**

**\*P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **\*C: And also with you.**

**KYRIE SETTING 8.....P. 184-185**

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

\*P: Let us pray. God of the covenant, in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

\*C: Amen.

## GOD SPEAKS TO US

First Reading.....Ezekiel 2:1-5

L: A reading from Ezekiel chapter 2.....**(Sierra Pressley)**

<sup>1</sup> [A voice] said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.<sup>2</sup> And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. <sup>3</sup> He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. <sup>4</sup> The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord GOD." <sup>5</sup> Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God**

## Psalm 123

<sup>1</sup> To you I lift up my eyes,  
to you enthroned in the heavens.

<sup>2</sup> **As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,  
so our eyes look to you, O LORD our God, until you show us your mercy.**

<sup>3</sup> Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy,  
for we have had more than enough of contempt,

<sup>4</sup> **too much of the scorn of the indolent rich,  
and of the derision of the proud.**

Second Reading.....**2 Corinthians 12:2-10**

L: A reading from 2 Corinthians Chapter 12.....**(Sierra Pressley)**

<sup>2</sup> I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God

knows. <sup>3</sup> And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—<sup>4</sup> was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. <sup>5</sup> On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. <sup>6</sup> But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, <sup>7</sup> even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. <sup>8</sup> Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, <sup>9</sup> but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. <sup>10</sup> Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

L: The word of the Lord    **C: Thanks be to God**

### Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
 words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

\*P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fifth chapter.

\***C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

\*The Holy Gospel.....**Mark 6:1-13**

<sup>1</sup> [Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. <sup>2</sup> On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, “Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! <sup>3</sup> Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of

James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. <sup>4</sup> Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." <sup>5</sup> And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. <sup>6</sup> And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. <sup>7</sup> He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. <sup>8</sup> He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; <sup>9</sup> but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. <sup>10</sup> He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. <sup>11</sup> If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." <sup>12</sup> So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. <sup>13</sup> They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

\*P: The Gospel of our Lord.      **\*C: Praise to you, O Christ**

## **Children's Sermon**

**The Sermon.....Pastor Sue Lynn White**

**\*Hymn of the Day....."How Firm A Foundation".....ELW 796**

**\*APOSTLES' CREED.....(Assistant Minister: Sierra Pressley)**

**\*A: Let us profess our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed.**

**\*C: I believe in God, the Father almighty creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.\* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

\*A: One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we join our voices in prayer.

Glorious God, you bend down to wash the feet of your disciples. Let the servant church arise in our teaching, our praying, our healing, and our doing. Make all your faithful people powerful in weakness and strong in grace. In your mercy, **\*C: hear our prayer.**

Life-giving God, your fingers trace the heavens and your hands mold the earth. Where there is drought, bring nourishing rain. Where there is devastation from fire or flood, bring relief. Sustain the well-being of every living thing. In your mercy, **\*C: hear our prayer.**

Merciful God, you speak and the nations listen. Open those who govern to the cries of all who journey with no food or shelter, particularly people fleeing violence, those seeking freedom, and those in search of community. In your mercy, **\*C: hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, your embrace brings wholeness to those who are troubled. Anoint Marlene Shue, John Trexler, Guy & Betty Puckett, Jim & Phyllis Cornelison, Frank King, Jerry Sides, Ernie & Linda Cooper, Phil & Carol Boyette, Brenda H. Trexler, Kathy Brown, Debbi Duke, Ellen Troutman, Lynn DeBerry, Kent Cozart, Nancy Monroe, George Lentz, Audrey Basinger and the family and friends of Rose Swicegood as they mourn her death as well as all who suffer in any way with the oil of healing and grant them renewal. In your mercy, **\*C: hear our prayer.**

Welcoming God, in your presence strangers become companions and enemies become neighbors. Open our doors to those we have so easily shut out, particularly people who are different from us or who are marginalized by church or society. In your mercy, **\*C: hear our prayer.**

Eternal God, you gather us into your house of many dwelling places. We give you thanks for our faithful departed (*especially*). Inspire us by their lives of faith until, with them, we rest forever at our journey's end. In your mercy, **\*C: hear our prayer.**

\*P: Holy God, holy and merciful: into your outstretched arms we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. \*C: **Amen.**

### PEACE

\*P: The peace of Christ be with you always.  
 \*C: **And also with you.**  
 \*P: Let us share the peace with one another.

### THE OFFERING

Anthem.....”I Love to Tell the Story”  
 Offering Hymn.....“Take My Life: v2&4”.....ELW 583

#### Take My Life, That I May BE

ELW 583

Refrain

Take my life, that I may be  
 con - se - crate - ed, Lord, to thee;  
 take my mo - ments and my days;  
 let them flow in cease - less praise. less praise.

To verses Last time

Verses

Take my sil - ver and my gold,  
 Take my will and make it thine;  
 not a mite would I with - hold;  
 it shall be no lon - ger mine;  
 take my in - tel - lect and use  
 take my heart, is is thing own;  
 ev - 'ry pow'r as though shalt choose.  
 it shall be they roy - al throne. To Refrain

### OFFERING PRAYER

\*A: Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.  
 \*C: **Amen.**

## MEAL

### PREFACE DIALOGUE

\*P: The Lord be with you

\*C: **And also with you.**

\*P: Lift up your hearts.

\*C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

\*P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

\*C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

\*P: It is indeed our duty and our joy... and join their unending hymn:

\*C: **Holy, Holy, Holy**

### Holy holy holy

Setting 8



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho -  
san - na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### LORD'S PRAYER

\*P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught.

\*C: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give  
us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we**



**forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen**

### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

**\*P:** Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

**\*C:** **Thanks be to God.**

### **DISTRIBUTION**

### **COMMUNION BLESSING**

**\*P:** The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. Amen.

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**\*A:** Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

**\*C:** **Amen.**

### **SENDING OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

### **BLESSING**

**\*P:** The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ☩ be upon you now and forever.

**\*C:** **Amen.**

**\*SENDING HYMN....."To Be Your Presence".....ELW 546**

### **THE DISMISSAL**

**\*A:** Rooted in the love of Christ

**\*C:** **We grow in grace and joyfully branch into a broken World!**

**\*P:** Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**\*C:** **Thanks be to God.**

*\*Silent Prayer and Chiming of the Trinity Postlude*