

St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Our mission:

to spread the Word of Salvation through Christ, honor God, serve others, and grow in faith.

Welcome. Does the Lord really care? Fear and worry can make it difficult for us to trust that God really sees us in our trouble and wants to help us. Jesus calmed a storm with a single command, proof to his disciples not only of his power over natural forces but also his concern for their wellbeing (and ours!). You can trust in Jesus at all times, but especially when times are rough.

Welcome guests! We are delighted you are with us for worship this morning. Please introduce yourself to Pastor Jon, sign the guest book next to the front doors, and let us know how we can be of service to you. The order of service is printed in this bulletin starting on page 2. A cryroom is available at the back left of the sanctuary for families with young children if there is a need.

Communion Note: We believe that our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us. Because unworthy reception of the sacrament can be harmful, those who are not yet instructed, are uncertain or doubtful, or hold to a different confession should speak to the Pastor before participating.

Divine Service, Setting Four LSB page 203

Prelude: "Wie schoen leuchtet der Morgenstern" – J. G. Walther

Words of Welcome

Invocation (page 203)

P: In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.



Baptism of Gabriella Elizabeth Allardice (p. 268)

Baptismal Hymn: 593 See This Wonder in the Making



Prayer of the Day (page 205)

P: The Lord be with you.

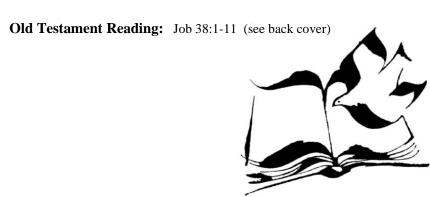
C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

Almighty God,

in Your mercy guide the course of this world so that Your church may joyfully serve You in godly peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.



Psalm: Psalm 124



¹ If it had not been the LORD who was on our side—*

let Israel now say—

² if it had not been the LORD who was on our side*

when people rose up a- gainst us,

³ then they would have swallowed us | up alive.*

when their anger was kindled a- | gainst us;

4then the flood would have swept us away,*

the torrent would have gone over us;

the raging waters. would have gone*

- Blessèd | be the LORD,* who has not given us as prey | to their teeth!
- ⁷We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowlers:*
 - the snare is broken, and we | have escaped!
- *Our help is in the name of the LORD,* who made heaven and earth.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Epistle Reading: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13 (see back cover)

Alleluia and Verse (page 205)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Reading: Mark 4:35-41

Acclamations (spoken): Glory to you, O Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon

Hymn of the Day: 715 Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me

Sermon

Peace! be still

Prayers After each petition of the prayer

P: Lord in your mercy, C: Hear our prayer.

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Prayer Request List (Names are placed on the list by request only.)

For comfort:

Gibbs family Death of Linda Teschke
Ellis family Death of Anna Marie Teschke
Halstead family Death of Doris Teschke

For those with health concerns:

Betty Kay FosterRoseKay ComptonPhillip TrivettPat DietzZaneUrsulaValerie NebbieBeverlyPete SeroneBrennanGrant and Noah

Rev. Gwisock Lee

For those with cancer:

Rosalie Reinbacher Lance Rich deDufour Lynn Rose Bonecki Dick Butterfoss Rich Knechel Aaron Kline Carol Tezla Karen Shevchuk Jason Kathy Kathy Lamkin Mary Ann Barbara Mary Ellen Andrea(Andy) Hoteling Nancy Gilliand Anna Mantel Linda Trudy Kaleigh Moore Steve Saumsiegle Doris **Brad Hoppe** Gunter Jerry Gerry Campbell Jane Fry

For those with needs around the world:

War in Europe
Prayers for peace and forgiveness
Family of Olga Nichols living in Ukraine
Prayers for health, safety, and provision
Prayers for God's guidance in U.S. response

For those serving in the armed forces:

LJ Lupinacci Carrick Porter Nate Fiske Jake Grube Jim Buckman (son)

Daniel Gewecke James Bannon

For St. Peter Lutheran Nursery School:

For the nursery school staff and families For Nursery School summer programs

Birthdays:

Bryan Hill June 23 Richard Thieme June 23 Steven Reside June 24 Bill Kianka June 25

Haethyr Johnson June 27

Anniversaries:

Rick and Sherry Wright Jun 25

Offering

Instrumental Offertory: "Siciliana" – M. Burbridge

Order of Holy Communion (page 208)

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 Him thanks and praise.

P: It is truly good right, and salutary... evermore praising You and saying:

C: Holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored; Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name. Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord; Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

P: Blessed are You, O Lord our God... Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

C: Our Father, who art in heaven...

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed...

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

C: O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Distribution

Distribution Hymn: 743 Jesus, Priceless Treasure

Nunc Dimittis

C: O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace, For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace; A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill, The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.

All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son, All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One; For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be, God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.



Benedicamus and Benediction (page 212)

P: Let us bless the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Lord bless you and...

Closing Hymn: 718 Jesus, Lead Thou On

Announcements

Dismissal

P: Go in peace! Serve the LORD!

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude: "Voluntary in G" – H. Heron



<u>TAKE IT FURTHER</u>: Today's Baptismal Hymn, LSB 593 Jaroslav Vajda (1919-2008), author of "See This Wonder in the Making," was driven by a desire to provide a more contemporary hymn specifically related to infant baptism. Born in Lorain, Ohio to a Lutheran pastor of Slovak descent, he received his M. Div. from Concordia St. Louis and served as a pastor in several congregations until 1963. He then worked as a magazine editor and book developer for Concordia Publishing House. Although the author/translator of over 250 hymns, he did not begin writing hymns until age 50. The LSB includes ten of his hymns, including LSB 922 "Go, My Children, with My Blessing" and LSB 445 "When You Woke That Thursday Morning."

-Concordia Publishing House. Lutheran Service Book: Companion to the Hymns. (2019), p. 671-672

Memory Verse Challenge: Titus 3:4-5a (or for a special challenge 3:4-7)

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to His own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by His grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Announcements – Week of June 23, 2024

Need assistance? The Church Office is staffed each week Tues, Wed. and Thurs. from 1:00 - 3:00



Worship, Sunday School, and Bible Study

Welcome! Serving in worship today are: Fred Grube (communion and reader), Dave deDufour and Kevin Lauricella (ushers), Lesley deDufour (live-streaming), Andy Wright (acolyte), Judy Grube and Lesley deDufour (coffee and communion set-up and clean-up).

Today's service will be live streamed on You Tube at the following link: https://youtube.com/live/EROGY2ES16U?feature=share If you miss the service live, watch it whenever you like! The services are also posted after the fact to the church's website.

Wednesday Zoom Bible Study. Our weekly Zoom bible study is on break for the summer. You're encouraged to join our Sunday morning study of Genesis or choose a book of the bible to read independently.

Sunday Bible Study. This Sunday we'll continue our study of God's Grace in Genesis. We'll read <u>Genesis</u> 6 & 7 and learn about God's plan to rid the world of sin by a great flood. But God's grace can be found in His plan to preserve Noah and his family. **To prepare, read Genesis 6 and 7**.

Weekly Schedule:

MONDAY (6/24)	5:30pm Planning Council
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TUESDAY (6/25) 6:00am Men's Breakfast @ Orlando's SUNDAY (6/30) 8:15am Bible Study/SS; 9:30am Worship

Men's, Women's, Senior's, Youth and Family Ministry

Prayer Shawl Ministry. The Prayer Shawl ministry team continues to meet every other week, creating gifts to share. Consider joining them!

Prayer Chain. The Prayer Chain is ready to receive your prayer requests. Simply call Barbara Greenberg at (609) 512-1928 to start or update a prayer.

Service and Other

Operation Christmas Child. Christmas in July! Our annual shoebox packing event is scheduled for Sunday, July 28th following the worship service. Please plan to stay a few minutes after church to help to pack up our 100 boxes to share the message of Christ with children around the world. What a great way to reach out to those who are in such need.

Door Offering for Youth Mission Trip. Next Sunday, June 30 Juliet Behnfeldt and Joey Dunbar will speak after the service about their upcoming mission trip to Tennessee with the Appalachian Service Project (July 20-27). We'll have an opportunity to support them with a door offering. The trip costs \$300 per participant, so any help is appreciated! (Checks can be made out directly to the youth.)

St. Peter's is Saved to Serve! Check out how you are shining Christ's light at work, in civic and social organizations, in your recreation, etc. and see where God is sending us out each Sunday after worship and through the week!

Flowers. If you would like to have flowers placed on the altar in honor of someone, in thanksgiving for God's grace, or for a special occasion, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board to do so. Suggested donation is \$25. You may take the flowers home following the service on the day you select.

Flowers are placed on the altar today by the Reside family in honor of Steven's birthday.

Lambertville Food Pantry. Please grab some non-perishable items at the grocery store to add to our food pantry collection box in the narthex. **June's collection is <u>Baking and Cooking</u>** – flour, sugar, salt, cooking oil, vinegar, baking powder, baking soda, cinnamon, etc

Website and Facebook. Our website is at www.stpeternj.org, and our Facebook page is Saint Peter Lutheran Church - the link is: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Saint-Peter-Lutheran-Church/337705479662612. Come check us out!

Faithfulness Report: Attendance: 6/16: 63 in person, 4 online Gen Fund (plate and elec): \$4438 Nursery School Bibles: \$50

Other Important web links:

NJ District LCMS
The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod
LCMS World Relief and Human Care
The "Lutheran Hour" Broadcast

njdistrict.org lcms.org lcms.org/ca/worldrelief

lhm.org



You are invited to the fellowship hall following the service to celebrate the baptism of Gabriella Allardice.

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Old Testament Reading: Job 38:1–11

¹Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind and said:

- 2 "Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?
- 3 Dress for action like a man; I will question you, and you make it known to me.
- ⁴ "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

Who determined its measurements—
surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

- On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone,
- 7 when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for iov?
- 8 "Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb,
- 9 when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band.

¹⁰ and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors,

11 and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther,

and here shall your proud waves be stayed'?"

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 6:1–13

¹Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. ²For he says,

"In a favorable time I listened to you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you."

Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. ³We put no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, 5beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; 6by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; ⁷by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; 8through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; 10as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.

¹¹We have spoken freely to you, Corinthians; our heart is wide open. ¹²You are not restricted by us, but you are restricted in your own affections. ¹³In return (I speak as to children) widen your hearts also.

Holy Gospel: Mark 4:35-41

35On that day, when evening had come, [Jesus] said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." 36And leaving the crowd, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. And other boats were with him. 37And a great windstorm arose, and the waves were breaking into the boat, so that the boat was already filling. 38But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion. And they woke him and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" 39And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" And the wind ceased. and there was a great calm. 40He said to them, "Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?" 41And they were filled with great fear and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even wind and sea obey him?"