



“All of
them
were filled
with the
Holy Spirit...”

Acts 2:4

ST. PETER'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

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Prelude

Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy Name, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Pause for self examination)

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone, we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. For the sake of your son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

Opening Hymn

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

Insert

Apostolic Greeting & Kyrie

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.

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord have mercy.

P: For the Peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen

Hymn of Praise

A musical score for a hymn of praise. The score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther: We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men".

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P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

O Lord, our God, arrange the course of this world that peace may come and your tranquil Church rejoice through greater service. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading

Ezekiel 17:22-24

²²Thus says the Lord God: "I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar and will set it out. I will break off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. ²³On the mountain height of Israel will I plant it, that it may bear branches and produce fruit and become a noble cedar. And under it will dwell every kind of bird; in the shade of its branches birds of every sort will nest. ²⁴And all the trees of the field shall know that I am the Lord; I bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish. I am the Lord; I have spoken, and I will do it."

Psalm 1

¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,*
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

²**Their delight is in the law of the Lord,***

and they meditate on his law day and night.

³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season,
with leaves that do not wither,*

everything they do shall prosper.

⁴**It is not so with the wicked;***

they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes,*
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

⁶**For the Lord knows the way of the righteous,*
but the way of the wicked is doomed.**

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 5:1-17

¹For we know that if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. ²For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, ³if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. ⁴For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened — not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. ⁵He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. ⁶So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, ⁷for we walk by faith, not by sight. ⁸Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. ¹⁰For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil. [¹¹Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade others. But what we are is known to God, and I hope it is known also to your conscience. ¹²We are not commending ourselves to you again but giving you cause to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast about outward appearance and not about what is in the heart. ¹³For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. ¹⁴For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; ¹⁵and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised. ¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. ¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.]

Children's Message

Gospel Acclamation—*Alleluia Lord*

P: Please rise for the reading of the Gospel.

C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia

P: The Holy Gospel according to **St. Mark 4:26-34**

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel is read.

²⁶{Jesus} said, “The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground.
²⁷He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how.
²⁸The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear.
²⁹But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come.”
³⁰And he said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it?
³¹It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth,
³²yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”
³³With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it.
³⁴He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Sermon Song

“We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight”

Insert

Apostles’ Creed

P: Please stand as we recite together the words of the Apostles’ Creed.

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

Offertory

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Offertory Prayer

P: Let us pray. Merciful Father,

C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us — ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the Faithful

Lord, listen to your children praying,

Lord, send your Spirit in this place;

Lord, listen to your children praying,

Send us love, send us power, send us grace.

We continue to pray for the following:

Domestic Mission Partners; Church Sub-Committees:

Women's Ministry, Quilters

Chuck Cederman	Harold Haseley	Lester Walck	Carol Harbart
Britt Gamache	Mark Lendway	Alice Lange	Shane
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Those in nursing homes and shut-ins

Edna Walck	Paul Greinert	Nora Hingle	Marge Kordzikowski
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The Lord's Prayer

P: We pray as Jesus taught us, Our Father,

C: 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

Benediction and Dismissal

P: And now may the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. May the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen

Closing Hymn

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

Insert

Postlude

**GO IN PEACE, SERVE THE LORD
THANKS BE TO GOD**

WELCOME to St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church. We are glad to have you join us to worship today. We invite you to join us each Sunday at 8:30 or 10:15 a.m. (summer worship hours). If you would like to request a meeting or arrange a visit from Pastor Tom, please call his office at 731-4433 or his cell phone 990-6244.

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