

# 3rd Sunday after Pentecost



**St Peter's Lutheran Church**  
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Welcome to All in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord!

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### Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

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### Welcome & Announcements

### Confession & Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

P: In the Name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C: Amen**

P: Lord Jesus, you show us the Father's love and grace. Lord, have mercy. **C: We confess our failure to love others as you love us. Lord, have mercy.**

P: Lord Jesus, you defeated death and give life to all who keep your word. Christ, have mercy. **C: We confess that we ignore your word and miss out on abundant life. Christ, have mercy.**

P: Lord Jesus, you pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, with gifts for the good of all. Lord, have mercy. **C: Forgive us when we do not use our gifts and forget the needs of others. Lord, have mercy.**

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **C: Amen**

### 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.**

Hymn  
Of  
Praise  
#383  
Green

### Rise Up, O Saints of God!

1 Rise up, O saints of God! From vain am - bi - tions turn;  
2 Speak out, O saints of God! De - spair en - gulf's earth's frame;  
3 Rise up, O saints of God! His king - dom's task em - brace;  
4 Give heed, O saints of God! Cre - a - tion cries in pain;  
5 Com - mit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod

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Christ rose tri - um - phant that your hearts with no - bler zeal might burn.  
 as heirs of God's bap - tis - mal grace, his word of hope pro - claim.  
 re - dress sin's cru - el con - se - quence; give jus - tice larg - er place.  
 stretch forth your hand of heal - ing now, with love the weak sus - tain.  
 and quick - ened by the Spir - it's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!

Text: Norman O. Forness, b. 1936  
 Music: FESTAL SONG, William H. Walter, 1825–1893  
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### Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray. . . . God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

### The Liturgy of the Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

### First Reading — *Exodus 19:2-8a*

*A reading from Exodus*

<sup>2</sup>[The Israelites] had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain.<sup>3</sup> Then Moses went up to God; the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, “Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: <sup>4</sup>You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. <sup>5</sup>Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, <sup>6</sup>but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites.” <sup>7</sup>So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. <sup>8a</sup>The people all answered as one: “Everything that the LORD has spoken we will do.”

P: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 100

<sup>1</sup>Be joyful in the LORD, <sup>1</sup>all you lands; serve the LORD with gladness and come before his presence <sup>1</sup>with a song.

<sup>2</sup>Know this: The LORD him-<sup>1</sup>self is God; he himself has made us,  
and we are his; we are his people and the sheep<sup>1</sup> of his pasture.

<sup>3</sup>Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his<sup>1</sup> courts with praise;  
give thanks to him and call up-<sup>1</sup>on his name.

<sup>4</sup>For the LORD is good; his mercy is<sup>1</sup> everlasting;  
and his faithfulness endures from<sup>1</sup> age to age.

## **Second Reading — Romans 5:1-8**

*A reading from Romans*

<sup>1</sup>Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup>through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.

<sup>3</sup>And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. <sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. <sup>8</sup>But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

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

## **Gospel Acclamation #611a**

*The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.*

*The cantor will sing the alleluia once alone and then the congregation repeats it.*



*Alleluia.* The kingdom of God<sup>1</sup> has come near;\* repent, and believe in<sup>1</sup> the good news. *Alleluia.*

[Mark 1:15]

## **Holy Gospel — Matthew 9:35–10:8-23**

P: The holy gospel according to St. Matthew.    **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>35</sup>Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. <sup>36</sup>When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup>Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; <sup>38</sup>therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." <sup>10:1</sup>Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples

and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. <sup>2</sup>These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; <sup>3</sup>Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup>Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. <sup>5</sup>These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, <sup>6</sup>but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup>As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' <sup>8</sup>Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. <sup>9</sup>Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, <sup>10</sup>no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff, for laborers deserve their food. <sup>11</sup>Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. <sup>12</sup>As you enter the house, greet it. <sup>13</sup>If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. <sup>14</sup>If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. <sup>15</sup>Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town. <sup>16</sup>"See I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. <sup>17</sup>Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; <sup>18</sup>and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. <sup>19</sup>When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; <sup>20</sup>for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. <sup>21</sup>Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; <sup>22</sup>and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. <sup>23</sup>When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes."

P: The gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

### The Message

*The assembly is seated. Silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

### In Christ Called to Baptize

Hymn  
of the  
Day  
#575  
ELW

1	In	Christ	called	to	bap - tize,	we	wit - ness	to	grace
2	In	Christ	called	to	ban - quet,	one	ta - ble	we	share,
3	In	Christ	called	to	wit - ness,	by	grace	we	will
4	U - nite	us,	a -	noint	us,	O	Spir - it	of	love,

and gath - er a peo - ple from each land and race.  
a ha - ven of wel - come, a cir - cle of care.  
the life - giv - ing gos - pel; God's love we will teach.  
for you are with - in us, a - round us, a - bove.

In deep, flow - ing wa - ters, we share in Christ's death,  
Al - though we are man - y, we share in one bread.  
By grace may our liv - ing give proof to our praise  
E - quip us for ser - vice with gifts you be - stow.

then, ris - ing to new life, give thanks with each breath.  
One cup of thanks - giv - ing pro - claims Christ, our head.  
in cost - ly com - pas - sion re - flect - ing Christ's ways.  
In Christ is our call - ing. In Christ may we grow.

Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947  
Music: ST. DENIO, Welsh traditional; arr. John Roberts, 1807-1876, alt.  
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## Apostles' Creed

God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**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**

### **Prayers of the Church**

P: Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers to the Father for the church, the world, and all people in need.

*A brief silence.*

P: For the church here and around the world, that you would seek out disciples and send them out with authority to proclaim good news, bring healing where there is pain, and counter the forces of evil. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: For the earth and all its creatures, that you would equip farmers, farm workers, and all who labor on the land to produce a harvest. Nourish crops with ample rainfall and abundant sunshine. Restore lands ruined by pollution or misuse. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: For those who govern, that you would empower them to seek peaceful solutions to conflict and embolden them to advocate for all who are oppressed. Work through systems of government to establish justice throughout the world. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: For those who feel helpless, alone, abandoned, or who suffer in any way, that you would accompany them. Embrace any who long for successful treatment for mental illness or freedom from addiction. Heal those who are sick, especially those we name now..... Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: For fathers and father figures, that you would strengthen them and give them courage to lead their children in faith. Console all who long to be fathers, children estranged from their fathers, anyone grieving the death of a father, and fathers who have lost a child. Draw near to all for whom this day stirs up difficult emotions. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: For all the saints, that you would accept our thanks for their example and faith. Receive into your eternal care all those who have died, and fill us with hope as we yearn for Christ's coming. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: Receive our prayers and answer us, O Father, in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. **C: Amen.**

### **Peace**

*Because of Jesus' death and resurrection. God does not hold our sins against us. This is true peace, Like Jesus with his disciples, pastor shares the word of reconciliation from God to us.*

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

*We share Christ's forgiving and reconciling love with one another, binding ourselves to one another as community. As we are at peace with God, so we are also at peace with one another.*

**Thanksgiving** We respond to God's abundant grace and mercy

### Support God's Mission

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### Thanksgiving For the Word

P: O God of abundant life, we give thanks to you that you give us life through your Word, our Lord Jesus Christ. Open our ears, minds, and hearts to abide in your Word as branches abide in Christ the Vine, so that the fruit we bear in our lives might give you glory and lead others to experience your love. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever. **C: Amen.**

### The Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us how to pray.

**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.**

### Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

### Benediction

P: Almighty God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **C: Amen.**



**Closing  
Hymn**  
#722  
Blue

**Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises**  
*Haleluya! Pelo tsa rona*

*Refrain— sung twice each time*

Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa ro - na, di tha -  
Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your prais - es, all our

bi - le ka - o - fe - la. Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa  
hearts are filled with glad - ness. Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your

*End*

ro - na, di tha - bi - le ka - o - fe - la.  
prais - es, all our hearts are filled with glad - ness.

1 Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread,  
2 Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt,

*Repeat stanza, then sing refrain*

I am wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hun - ger.  
strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joy - ful gos - pel.

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**Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

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## A Tribute Gift was given to the General Fund

In memory of *Annie E. Rohrbaugh*, by her granddaughter, Annette Roderick.

## Community Ice Cream Party — Saturday, JUNE 24, 5:00-7:00 PM

At St. Peter's Lutheran — *Rain or Shine — Bring your own lawn chairs.*

**Live Music:** Emigsville Band — **Free** Ice Cream [Sarah's Creamery]

Corn Hole—Sidewalk Chalk

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*As disciples and stewards of Jesus Christ, we, the members of St. Peter's Lutheran Church are committed to the preaching and teaching of the Word of God to all people. We will reach out to one another and to others, giving and receiving, in worship, fellowship, and witness to Jesus Christ!*

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## **We belong to:**

- ◆ The one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
  - ◆ The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America—  
Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton.
  - ◆ The Lower Susquehanna Synod—Bishop James Dunlop.
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  - ◆ We are partners with the Iyunga Parish in Tanzania, Pastor Jimmy Mwakomile, and the Konde Diocese, Bishop Edward Mwaikali
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Friday  
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