

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Congregation  
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**WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE** May the Good Shepherd strengthen us in the green pastures of his Word.

*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 a pastor.*

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- Visitors, we are pleased that you have joined us this morning. Please feel free to inquire about our congregation through the pastors, one of the ushers, or one of the members. If you are a visitor from out of town, please be sure to introduce yourself to one of the pastors after the service. We welcome all of you to come and worship with us again.

**A PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP** O Lord, in prayer you spent the night, then sent the twelve at morning's light. Our hearts at your request are stirred to ask for heralds of your Word: Send preachers forth and each one bless with courage, zeal, and holiness. Keep pastors faithful, strong, and true, not working for themselves but you. Endow them with the grace they need, the lambs to serve, the sheep to feed, the precious flock to lead and guide – the Shepherd thus is glorified. Amen.

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**SERVICE THEME** Together we thank the Lord that from generation to generation he has supplied his Church with faithful pastors and confessors like St. Timothy.

**BELLS**

**OPENING HYMN***Before the Marvel of This Night* | **LAPPY page 20**

Before the marvel of this night Adoring, fold your wings and bow.  
Then tear the sky apart with light, And with your news the world endow.  
Proclaim the birth of Christ and peace, That fear and death and sorrow cease:  
Sing peace, sing peace, sing gift of peace, Sing peace, sing gift of peace!

Awake the sleeping world with song; This is the day the Lord has made.  
Assemble here, celestial throng; In royal splendor come arrayed.  
Give earth a glimpse of heav'nly bliss, A teasing taste of what they miss:  
Sing bliss, sing bliss, sing endless bliss, Sing bliss, sing endless bliss!

The love that we have always known, Our constant joy and endless light,  
Now to the loveless world be shown, Now break up on its deathly night.  
Into one song compress the love That rules our universe above:  
Sing love, sing love, sing God is love, Sing love, sing God is love.

**GREETING**Pastor/**Congregation**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**And also with you.**

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION****SONG OF PRAISE***Father, I Adore You* | **LAPPY page 67**

Father, I adore you, lay my life before you. How I love you!  
Jesus, I adore you, lay my life before you. How I love you!  
Spirit, I adore you, lay my life before you. How I love you!

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O almighty God, you have always given your Church faithful shepherds to feed and nourish your flock. Grant that all pastors may rightly preach your Word and administer your sacraments that your people may be guided in the way that leads to eternal life: through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**LESSON**

Acts 16:1-5

*After setting an example of tried and true Christian character, Timothy was presented for service in God's mission fields.*

Paul arrived in Derbe and in Lystra, where there was a disciple named Timothy, who was the son of a believing Jewish woman, but his father was a Greek. <sup>2</sup>The brothers in Lystra and Iconium spoke well of him. <sup>3</sup>Paul wanted Timothy to accompany him, so he took him and circumcised him on account of the Jews who lived in those places, because they all knew that his father was a Greek. <sup>4</sup>As they traveled through the towns, they delivered the resolutions decided by the apostles and elders in Jerusalem for the people to keep. <sup>5</sup>So the churches were strengthened in the faith and increased in number day by day.

**RESPONSE***God Loves Me Dearly* | LAPPY page 93:1 & 4

God loves me dearly, grants me salvation;  
God loves me dearly, loves even me.

*Refrain: Therefore I'll say again: God loves me dearly,  
God loves me dearly, loves even me.*

Jesus, my Savior; himself did offer;  
Jesus, my Savior, paid all I owed. *Refrain*

**GOSPEL**

John 21:15-17

*Timothy spent his life feeding Jesus' lambs and sheep.*

<sup>15</sup>When they had eaten breakfast, Jesus asked Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" "Yes, Lord," he said, "you know that I care about you." Jesus told him, "Feed my lambs." <sup>16</sup>A second time Jesus asked him, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said, "Yes, Lord, you know that I care about you." Jesus told him, "Be a shepherd for my sheep." <sup>17</sup>He asked him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you care about me?" Peter was grieved because Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you care about me?" He answered, "Lord, you know all things. You know that I care about you." "Feed my sheep," Jesus said.

**HYMN OF THE DAY***It Is Well with My Soul* | LAPPY page 154

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,  
When sorrows like sea billows roll –  
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,  
It is well, it is well with my soul.

*Refrain: It is well with my soul. It is well, it is well with my soul.*

My sin – oh, the joy of this glorious thought –  
My sin, not in part, but the whole,  
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more:  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! *Refrain*  
And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;  
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend;  
Even so, it is well with my soul. *Refrain*

**SERMON**

2 Timothy 1:1-7

*The faith of this faithful pastor and confessor was passed down to Timothy from his grandmother and mother. May the Lord continue to bless his church with faithful parents who insure that the Gospel chain from generation to generation is not broken.*

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, in accordance with the promise of life, which is in Christ Jesus, <sup>2</sup>To Timothy, my child, whom I love: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. <sup>3</sup>I thank God, whom I serve with a clean conscience as my ancestors did, as I constantly remember you in my prayers night and day. <sup>4</sup>When I remember your tears, I long to see you, so that I may be filled with joy. <sup>5</sup>I remember your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am convinced that it also lives in you. <sup>6</sup>For this reason I am reminding you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands. <sup>7</sup>For God did not give us a timid spirit, but a spirit of power and love and sound judgment.

**“Strive to Be a Timothy”***Pastor Zuberbier*

1. Sincere in faith.
2. Bold in spirit.

**SERMON RESPONSE**

*Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* | **LAPPY page 262:1**

Savior, like a shepherd lead us; Much we need your tender care.  
In your pleasant pastures feed us; For our use your folds prepare.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, You have bought us; yours we are.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, You have bought us; yours we are.

**PRESENTING OF OUR OFFERING**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**LORD’S PRAYER**

**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.**

**SERMON HYMN**

*Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* | **LAPPY page 262: 2 & 3**

We are yours; in love befriend us; Be the guardian of our way.  
Keep your flock; from sin defend us; Seek us when we go astray.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Hear your children when they pray.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Hear your children when they pray.

Ever let us seek your favor; Ever let us do your will.  
Blessed Lord and only Savior, With your love our hope fulfill.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, You have loved us; love us still.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, You have loved us, love us still.

**CLOSING COLLECT**

**BLESSING**

**CLOSING HYMN**

*Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee* | **LAPPY page 164**

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flow’rs before thee, Op’ning to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, Drive the dark of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee; Earth and heav’n reflect thy rays;  
Stars and angels sing around thee, Center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flow’ry meadow, flashing sea,  
Chanting bird, and flowing fountain Call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest,  
Well-spring of the joy of living, Ocean depth of happy rest!  
Ever singing, march we onward, Victors in the midst of strife;  
Joyful music leads us sunward In the triumph song of life.

**ORGANISTS**

David Koepsell/Pam Zuberbier

**GREETERS**

7:45 ~ Deb Jaeger  
10:30 ~ Judine Schicker



**Weekly Announcements**

**AT HOME WITH THE LORD** Our faithful God and Father called home to himself the soul of our brother in faith, James Gibson, who departed from this life to life eternal on Friday, January 15, 2021 at the age of 63 years, 8 months and 5 days. Visitation will be 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm on Saturday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, at Zacherl Funeral Home. May his family and friends find comfort in the truth and promises of God’s Word.

**MEMORIAL** A special gift has been given to SPLS Tuition Assistance in memory of Ellen Pflum. A special gift has been given to the General Fund in memory of David Henke.

**DIVINE CALL** Mr. Ben Raddatz has announced he is accepting the call to serve at St. Peter's as Principal and part time sixth grade teacher. Please keep Mr. Raddatz and his family in your prayers as they transition their ministry to the Fond du Lac area.

**ST. PETER'S THREE AND FOUR-YEAR OLD PRESCHOOL** The School Board has made adjustments to our preschool program for the 2021-22 school year. We will be offering a combined class for children three and four years old. We are planning for a total of twenty-four students. The hours will be 8:00 am to 3:00 pm Monday through Friday. There is an option for half days. There will be twelve spots open for full days (\$3000 per year) and twelve for half days (\$1500 per year). The wife of our new principal, Kathrine Raddatz, will be our new preschool teacher, since Mrs. Westphal is retiring. If you are interested in applying for your child, please contact our acting principal, Mr. Hinds at 922-1160 ext. 302.

**HELP NEEDED** Are you looking for a new opportunity? How about a chance to interact with the children of our school? The School Board is looking to hire two individuals to assist in our Before and After School Care Program. There will be flexibility offered for these positions regarding the particular days and hours available. The program runs from approximately 7:00 am – 8:00 am and 3:00 pm – 5:30 pm Monday through Friday during the school year. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Chris Jerabek, School Board President, at [cjerabek07@gmail.com](mailto:cjerabek07@gmail.com).

**CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS** We are currently unable to send contribution statements via email due to software limitations. If you normally receive your statement via email, please look for it in your member mailbox. If you would like it mailed to you or if you did not receive a statement please email Anna Gilgenbach at [annagilgenbach@stpetersfdl.net](mailto:annagilgenbach@stpetersfdl.net) or Ashley Will at [ashleywill@stpetersfdl.net](mailto:ashleywill@stpetersfdl.net) or call the office at 920-922-1160.

**ANNUAL VOTERS MEETING** The Annual Voters Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, February 14 immediately following the 10:30 service.

**WLA BLOOD DRIVE** Wednesday, February 3, WLA will host a blood drive from 10:30-2:00. Please call the WLA office at 921-4930 to schedule an appointment for donating blood.

*Last Week's Stewardship*

Worship: 113 + 98 + 125 = 336

Communed: 94 + 82 + 61 = 237

Midweek Bible Class: 11 + 10 = 21

*Daily Bible Readings*

01/24 Isaiah 60	01/28 Isaiah 66
01/25 Isaiah 61:1-63:6	01/29 Matthew 1
01/26 Isaiah 63:7-64:12	01/30 Matthew 2
01/27 Isaiah 65	

*First Fruits to the Lord 2021:*

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
Thank offerings in support of the unified budget	\$25,182.05	
Other receipts in support of the unified budget	2,100.00	
Total receipts in support of the unified budget	27,282.05	\$67,318.73
Requirement to support proposed unified budget	32,079.96	96,239.88
Overage (Shortfall)	(4,797.91)	(28,921.15)
Honoring the Lord!	275.00	
Improvement Fund	730.05	
WLA Forward in Trust	150.00	
SPLS Tuition Assistance	50.00	

*This Week at St. Peter's*  
[www.stpetersfdl.net/calendar](http://www.stpetersfdl.net/calendar)

MONDAY		Pastors Conference
WEDNESDAY	10:00 am	Bible Class
	6:30 pm	Bible Class
	7:00 pm	Communicating Christ
THURSDAY	6:30 pm	Worship