



St. Peter's Lutheran Church & School

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August 16, 2026 – 8:00am & 10:30am

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THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 16, 2026 – 8:00am & 10:30am

PRELUDES

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”...arr. J.G. Walther

Organ

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”...arr. Brian Davis

Flute Trio

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

#790

(Stanzas 1-3)

✠ DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING FOUR ✠

(LSB, pg. 203)

(We rise.)

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore, You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our

sinful condition. Together as His people, let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination.)

P Almighty God,
C Have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shipped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting Father,

C You give Your children many blessings even though we are undeserving. In every trial and temptation grant us steadfast confidence in Your loving-kindness and mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(We are seated.)

ANTHEM

"Be Thou My Vision"

Flute Trio

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

¹Thus says the LORD: "Keep justice, and do righteousness, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed.

⁶"And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants, everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it, and holds fast my covenant— ⁷these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples." ⁸The Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares, "I will gather yet others to him besides those already gathered."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

“Great is Thy Faithfulness”

Flute Trio

EPISTLE READING

Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32

¹I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ²God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

¹³Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry ¹⁴in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. ¹⁵For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead?

²⁸As regards the gospel, they are enemies of God for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. ²⁹For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰Just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. ³²For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

(We rise.)

ALLELUIA and VERSE





HOLY GOSPEL READING

Matthew 15:21-28

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifteenth chapter.
C Glory to You, O Lord.

²¹Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²²And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon.” ²³But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, “Send her away, for she is crying out after us.” ²⁴He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” ²⁵But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” ²⁶And he answered, “It is not right to take the children’s bread and throw it to the dogs.” ²⁷She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” ²⁸Then Jesus answered her, “O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C Praise to You, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

- C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth
 and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both
the living and the dead,
Whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

(We are seated.)

HYMN OF THE DAY “Healer of Our Every Ill” *(With One Voice #738)*

Refrain: *(Soloist)*

Healer of our ev’ry ill, light of each tomorrow,
Give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.

Refrain: (All)

**Healer of our ev'ry ill, light of each tomorrow,
Give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.**

(Soloist)

1. You who know our fears and sadness, grace us with your peace and gladness;
Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts.

Refrain: (All)

**Healer of our ev'ry ill, light of each tomorrow,
Give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.**

(Soloist)

2. In the pain and joy beholding how your grace is still unfolding,
Give us all your vision, God of love.

Refrain: (All)

**Healer of our ev'ry ill, light of each tomorrow,
Give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.**

(Soloist)

3. Give us strength to love each other, ev'ry sister, ev'ry brother;
Spirit of all kindness, be our guide.

Refrain: (All)

**Healer of our ev'ry ill, light of each tomorrow,
Give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.**

(Soloist)

4. You who know each thought and feeling, teach us all your way of healing;
Spirit of compassion, fill each heart.

Refrain: (All)

**Healer of our ev'ry ill, light of each tomorrow,
Give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.**

SERMON

“Foreign Policy”

Texts: Isaiah 45:1, 6-8 & Matthew 15:21-28 – Pastor Adam McDowell

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP and GATHERING OF OUR OFFERINGS

VOLUNTARY

“Jesus Comes Today with Healing”

arr. David Polley

OFFERTORY PRAYER

- P** 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.

(We rise.)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** With bold trust in God’s unfailing provision, let us pray for the Church, for all people according to their needs, and for all of God’s creation.

(A brief silence.)

- P** Lord God, who gathers the outcasts and makes Your house a house of prayer for all peoples, unite believers throughout the world in the one faith. Preserve Your Church in the truth of Your Word, and make her a faithful witness to the mercy and salvation found in Christ alone. Lord, in Your mercy,
C Hear our prayer.

- P** God of all nations, who causes the earth to yield its increase, sustain and preserve Your wondrous creation. Raise up wise and faithful stewards to protect the natural world from carelessness and destruction, and safeguard endangered species and their habitats *(especially...)*. Lord, in Your mercy,
C Hear our prayer.

- P** Righteous Lord, who calls all people to do justice and hold fast to what is right, guide the nations of the world and all who exercise authority. Turn their hearts toward the outcast and the vulnerable. Grant wisdom to leaders of nations, congregations, and communities, that they may govern and serve with justice, humility, and compassion. Lord, in Your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

P Faithful God, who has not rejected Your people and whose gifts and calling are irrevocable, comfort all who are lonely, grieving, or burdened by chronic pain. Grant healing according to Your gracious will to all who suffer from illness of body, mind, or spirit (*especially...*). Sustain them in faith and surround them with compassionate care. Lord, in Your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

P Almighty Father, Your Son heard the persistent cry of the Canaanite woman and praised her faith. Look with mercy upon all who call to You in need. Strengthen those who feel forgotten, excluded, or unworthy, and assure them that Your compassion is greater than every fear and Your grace is sufficient for every sinner. Lord, in Your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

P Gracious God, who welcomes all peoples into Your presence, bless this congregation, its visitors, and all who are new to this community of faith. Help us to recognize Christ in every person whom You place before us. Draw us together in love, strengthen us in unwavering faith, and make us eager to welcome others in Your name. Lord, in Your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

(Here other intercessions may be offered.)

P Almighty and everlasting God, receive these prayers and all the petitions of Your people, trusting not in our own worthiness but in Your abundant mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

PREFACE

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.

PROPER PREFACE

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;



LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us 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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.

AGNUS DEI



You take the sin of the world a - way;
 You take the sin of the world a - way;

O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,

Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
 And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

(We are seated.)

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“Jesus Comes Today with Healing”

#620

“Jesus Shall Reign”

#832

“God Loved the Word So That He Gave” *(We rise for stanza 6.)*

#571

(We rise.)

DISMISSAL

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

C Amen.

NUNC DIMITTIS

C 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All



part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the

glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;

A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is

to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -

peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICAMUS, BENEDICTION, and DISMISSAL

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

P Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

(We are seated.)

CLOSING HYMN

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

#790

(Stanzas 4-5)

POSTLUDE

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

arr. Paul Manz