

**St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church
16th Sunday after Pentecost
September 11-12, 2021
Service of Holy Communion**

PRELUDE

Today's hymn sing worship is in celebration of God's Work, Our Hands weekend. These hymns will proclaim the Word of God to us in place of the usual scripture readings and sermon. Director of Music Bob Battiste will share a few remarks about the songs prior to our singing of them. Today, let us make a joyful noise to the Lord with singing!

GATHERING

WELCOME

INVOCATION

We gather in the name of the Father, †the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

INTRODUCTION to the GATHERING SONG

GATHERING SONG

"We All Are One in Mission"

#576

1. **We all are one in mission; we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.
A single great commission compels us from above
to plan and work together that all may know Christ's love.**
2. **We all are called for service, to witness in God's name.
Our ministries are diff'rent; our purpose is the same:
to touch the lives of others with God's surprising grace,
so ev'ry folk and nation may feel God's warm embrace.**
3. **Now let us be united, and let our song be heard;
now let us be a vessel for God's redeeming Word.
We all are one in mission; we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.**

GREETING

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

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together.

O God, through suffering and rejection you bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the gospel we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross, and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

CHOIR ANTHEM *"God's Work, Our Hands"* Wayne Wold

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

INTRODUCTION and HYMN *"Listen, God is Calling"* #513

REFRAIN:

Listen!

**listen, God is calling, through the Word inviting,
offering forgiveness, comfort and joy.**

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1. Jesus gave his mandate: **Share the good news**
that he came to save us **and set us free. Refrain**
2. Let none be forgotten **throughout the world.**
In the triune name of God **go and baptize. Refrain**
3. Help us to be faithful, **standing steadfast,**
Walking in your precepts, **led by your word. Refrain**

INTRODUCTION and HYMN *"Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises"* #535

REFRAIN:

**Hallelujah! We sing your praises, all our hearts are filled with gladness.
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1. **Christ the Lord to us said; I am wine, I am bread, I am wine, I am bread,
give to all who thirst and hunger.
Christ the Lord to us said; I am wine, I am bread, I am wine, I am bread,
give to all who thirst and hunger. REFRAIN**
2. **Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt, strong in faith, free of doubt
Tell to all the joyful gospel.
Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt, strong in faith, free of doubt
Tell to all the joyful gospel. REFRAIN**

INTRODUCTION and HYMN *"We Are Called"* #720

1. **Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!
We are called to be light for the kingdom, to live in the freedom of the city of God.
We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly;
we are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God.**
2. **Come! Open your heart! Show your mercy to all those in fear!
We are called to be hope for the hopeless so hatred and blindness will be no more
We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly;
we are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God.**

- 3. Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be one!
 God will reign, and we'll walk with each other as sisters and brothers, united in love
 We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly;
 we are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

Petitions end: Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEAL

OFFERING *is brought forward*

OFFERING SONG *"Accept O Lord the Gifts We Bring"*

#691

- 1. Accept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to place upon your table.
 We do not worship as we ought but only as we're able.**
- 2. The vines were planted, seeds were sown. They grew in your good pleasure.
 What once was common, daily food becomes a holy treasure.**
- 3. Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we lift in prayer before you.
 Lord, by your grace now come to us, as humbly we adore you.**

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. God of abundance,
you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING *(spoken)*

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

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

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.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN *"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"* #674

1. Let us talents and tongues in employ, reaching out with a shout of joy;
bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and heard.
Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!
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2. Christ is able to make us one, at the table he sets the tone,
teaching people to live, to bless, love in word and in deed express.
Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!
Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!
3. Jesus calls us in, sends out bearing fruit in a world of doubt,
gives us love to tell, bread to share; God (Immanuel) ev'rywhere!
Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!
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COMMUNION HYMN *"Baptized and Set Free"* #453

1. We are people created, chosen by God;
then we're washed ever gently, in mercy and love.
Sin has power no more. Jesus opened the door
to a fountain bringing healing and wholeness and more.
2. We are fed and we're nourished, filled and refreshed.
Then our hunger returns and again we are blessed.
For whatever the need, God is greater indeed:
endless ocean, always deeper than all of our need.
3. We are nourished by water, all living things,
and by life that the Spirit abundantly brings.
As we journey toward home, may your presence be known:
precious river, ever-flowing, now carry us home.
4. Now with praise and thanksgiving, we join the song.
All are welcome! We gather to sing loud and strong.
Not enslaved but set free! From now on, all will be
one in Jesus, one in water, baptized and set free!

TABLE BLESSING

At the conclusion: Amen

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *At the conclusion: Amen*

SENDING

BENEDICTION *At the conclusion: Amen*

INTRODUCTION to the SENDING SONG

SENDING SONG *"This Little Light of Mine"* #677

1. **This little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine;
this little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine;
this little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**
2. **Ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'a let it shine;
Ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'a let it shine;
Ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'a let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**
3. **Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'a let it shine;
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'a let it shine;
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'a let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**
4. **This little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine;
this little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine;
this little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE