

St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church  
 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
 November 21, 2021, 10:30  
 Service of Holy Communion

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**PRELUDE**

**GATHERING**

**CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Have mercy on us, O God.

**We confess that we have sinned against you and against our neighbor. We have built walls instead of tables and have turned away the stranger. We have sought glory for ourselves and have treasured that which does not satisfy. Help us to love as you love, to welcome those you send, and to treasure mercy and justice. Turn us from our ways to your ways, and free us to serve those in need. Amen.**

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in † Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

**Amen.**

**GATHERING SONG**

*“Lead On O King Eternal”*

#805

1. **Lead on, O King eternal! The day of march has come;  
 hence-forth in fields of conquest your tents will be our home.  
 Through days of preparation your grace has made us strong;  
 and now, O King eternal, we lift our battle song.**
2. **Lead on, O King eternal, till sin’s fierce war shall cease,  
 and holiness shall whisper the sweet amen of peace;  
 for not with swords loud clashing, nor roll of stirring drums,  
 but deeds of love and mercy the heav’nly kingdom comes.**
3. **Lead on, O King eternal: we follow, not with fears,  
 for gladness breaks like morning where’er your face appears.  
 Your cross is lifted o’er us; we journey in its light;  
 the crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might.**

**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.**

**KYRIE**

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In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

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

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the wellbeing of the church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

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

**Lord, have mercy.**

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

**Amen.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE**

*"This is the Feast"*

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**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

1. **Worthy is Christ, the lamb who was slain,  
whose blood set us free to be people of God.  
Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing and glory are his.  
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**
2. **Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:  
blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.  
This is the feast of victory for our God,  
for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray together.

**Almighty and ever-living God, you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**WORD****CHILDREN'S MESSAGE****FIRST READING**

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

*As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 93** (8:00 am)

The LORD is king, he is robed in majesty;  
 the LORD is robed, he is girded with strength.  
 He has established the world;  
 it shall never be moved;

**your throne is established from of old;  
 you are from everlasting.**

The floods have lifted up, O LORD,  
 the floods have lifted up their voice;  
 the floods lift up their roaring.

**More majestic than the thunders of mighty waters,  
 more majestic than the waves of the sea,  
 majestic on high is the LORD!**

Your decrees are very sure;  
 holiness befits your house, O LORD,  
 forevermore.

**CHOIR ANTHEM** (10:30 only)*"Rejoice! Give Thanks! Sing!"*

Arr. Joseph Martin

**SECOND READING**

Revelation 1:4b-8

*Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

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**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

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

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia**

**GOSPEL**

John 18:33-37

The Holy Gospel, according to St. John, the 18<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born,*

*and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.”*

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

*“Rejoice, for Christ Is King”*

#430

1. **Rejoice, for Christ is king! Your Lord and king adore;  
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore:  
lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
rejoice, again I say, rejoice!**
2. **Our Savior Jesus reigns the God of truth and love;  
when he had purged our stains, he took his seat above:  
lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
rejoice, again I say, rejoice!**
3. **His kingdom cannot fail; he rules o’er earth and heav’n;  
the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv’n:  
lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
rejoice, again I say, rejoice!**
4. **He sits at God’s right hand till all his foes submit  
and bow to his command and fall beneath his feet;  
lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
rejoice, again I say, rejoice!**

### **APOSTLES’ CREED**

With the whole church let us confess our faith:

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.  
On the third day, he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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 INTERCESSION

Eternal God, you hold firm amid the changes of this world. Hear us now as we pray for the church, the world, and everyone in need.

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

God our hope and strength, we entrust to you all for whom we pray. Remain with us always, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**Amen.**

## PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MEAL

#### 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. Holy God,

**the earth is yours and everything in it, yet you have chosen to dwell among your creatures. Come among us now in these gifts of bread and wine, and strengthen us to be your body for the world through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

#### GREAT THANKSGIVING *(sung)*

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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.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,**

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**Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

## 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 HYMNS***"Lamb of God"*

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**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.**

*"Beautiful Savior"*

#838

1. **Beautiful Savior, King of creation, Son of God and Son of Man!  
Truly I'd love thee, truly I'd serve thee, light of my soul, my joy, my crown.**
2. **Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodland, robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, he makes our sorrowing spirit sing.**
3. **Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight, bright the sparkling stars on high;  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels in the sky.**
4. **Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine!**

*"What Feast of Love"*

#487

1. **What feast of love is offered here, what banquet come from heaven?  
What food of everlasting life, what gracious gift is given?  
This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heaven.  
Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the manna given!**
2. **What light of truth is offered here, what covenant from heaven?  
What hope of everlasting life, what wondrous word is given?  
This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heaven.  
Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is given!**
3. **What wine of love is offered here, what crimson drink from heaven?  
What stream of everlasting life, what precious blood is given?  
This, this is Christ the king, the sweetest wine of heaven.  
Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is given!**

**TABLE BLESSING***At the conclusion: Amen***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION***At the conclusion: Amen***SENDING****BENEDICTION***At the conclusion: Amen.*

**SENDING SONG***"Jesus Shall Reign"*

#434

1. Jesus shall reign where e'er the sun  
does its successive journey run;  
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,  
till moons shall wax and wane no more.
2. To him shall endless prayer be made,  
and praises throng to crown his head;  
his name like sweet perfume shall rise  
with ev'ry morning sacrifice.
3. People and realms of ev'ry tongue  
dwell on his love with sweetest song;  
and infant voices shall proclaim  
their early blessings on his name.
4. Blessings abound where'er he reigns:  
the pris'ners leap to lose their chains,  
the weary find eternal rest,  
and all who suffer want are blest.
5. Let ev'ry creature rise and bring  
peculiar honors to our king;  
angels descend with songs again,  
and earth repeat the loud amen.

**DISMISSAL**

Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**