

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost



ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

November 11, 2018

Service of the Word for Healing

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Welcoming all to know and love Jesus.

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Renee Evans, organist

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

GATHERING SONG *O God of Every Nation*

ELW 713

GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, where hearts are fearful and constricted, grant courage and hope. Where anxiety is infectious and widening, grant peace and reassurance. Where impossibilities close every door and window, grant imagination and resistance. Where distrust twists our thinking, grant healing and illumination. Where spirits are daunted and weakened, grant soaring wings and strengthened dreams. All these things we ask in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM *Let us Pray for Peace*

Keesecker/ Kraft

Pr. Joyce, soloist

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING: Micah 4:1-5

¹In days to come
the mountain of the LORD's house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be raised up above the hills.
Peoples shall stream to it,
²and many nations shall come and say:
"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways

and that we may walk in his paths."

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

³He shall judge between many peoples,
and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away;
they shall beat their swords into plowshares,
and their spears into pruning hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more;

⁴but they shall all sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees,
and no one shall make them afraid;
for the mouth of the LORD of hosts has spoken.

⁵For all the peoples walk,
each in the name of its god,
but we will walk in the name of the LORD our God
forever and ever.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

¹Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph | like a flock;
shine forth, you that are enthroned up- | on the cherubim.

²**In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, | and Manasseh,
stir up your strength and | come to help us.**

³Restore | us, O God;
let your face shine upon us, and we | shall be saved.

⁴**O LORD| God of hosts,
how long will your anger fume when your | people pray?**

⁵You have fed them with the | bread of tears;
you have given them bowls of | tears to drink.

⁶**You have made us the derision | of our neighbors,
and our enemies laugh | us to scorn.**

⁷Restore us, O | God of hosts;
let your face shine upon us, and we | shall be saved.

¹⁷**Let your hand be upon the one at | your right hand,
the one you have made so strong | for yourself.**

¹⁸And so will we never turn a- | way from you;
give us life, that we may call up- | on your name.

¹⁹**Restore us, O LORD| God of hosts;
let your face shine upon us, and we | shall be saved.**

SECOND READING: James 5:13-20

¹³Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. ¹⁴Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. ¹⁶Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. ¹⁷Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. ¹⁹My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, ²⁰you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: Mark 10:46-52

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁴⁶They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. ⁴⁷When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁸Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁹Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." ⁵⁰So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." ⁵²Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *How Long, O God*

ELW 698

INTRODUCTION TO SERVICE OF HEALING

LITANY FOR VETERANS

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and especially for all who are suffering or are in any affliction.

Loving God, our source and our final home, we give you thanks for the gifts of life on earth, for our human bodies and all you have created. In your great mercy,
hear us, O God.

God of peace and reconciliation, bring an end to the sickness of the world, especially violence, terrorism, war, and their causes. We pray for those affected by violence, and for those fleeing violence in search of safety. In your great mercy,
hear us, O God.

Holy God, your Spirit came upon us in the waters of baptism and brought us into the communion of saints. Renew in us the grace of baptism, by which we share in Christ's death and resurrection. Guide the newly baptized, especially Maverick Eisen, as they begin their baptismal journeys. In your great mercy,
hear us, O God.

Mighty God, your Son Jesus brought healing and wholeness to all. Bring your healing presence now to all who are sick or in pain. Grant hope to all who are discouraged or in despair. We pray especially for those on our prayer list, and those we name before you in our hearts. In your great mercy,
hear us, O God.

Almighty God, source of human knowledge, give skill, wisdom, and compassion to all who provide medical care. In your great mercy,
hear us, O God.

Loving God, our creator and redeemer, give gentleness and courage to family members, friends, and caregivers of those who suffer. In your great mercy,
hear us, O God.

God of the journey, protect all who travel, and all who make their living driving, piloting, or navigating. Give strength to those who patrol and safeguard roads, skies, and waterways. We pray especially for St. Clair High School band members as they travel next weekend. In your great mercy,
hear us, O God.

Eternal God, we thank you for all the faithful departed. Heal the pain of all who grieve.
In your great mercy,
hear us, O God.

God of great and abundant mercy, with your presence sustain all for whom we pray.
Drive away their suffering, give them firm hope, and strengthen their trust in you; through
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

LAYING ON OF HANDS AND ANOINTING

CONGREGATIONAL SONG *Healer of Our Every Ill*

ELW 612

PRAYER

BLESSING

PEACE

OFFERING *Does Jesus Care?*

Campbell / Hall

Nancy Diebold, violin

LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

SENDING SONG *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

ELW 733

DISMISSAL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome those who are visiting with us. Please take time to sign the registration book or the guest register in the lobby and introduce yourself to Pastor Ken. We hope that you will find our worship edifying and our congregation warm and receptive. We are glad that you are here.

DVD copies of the 9:30 a.m. worship service can be produced for those who are shut-in or others who would like a copy. Let us know in advance if there is a service that you would like recorded.

Maverick Matthew Eisen is being baptized at Saturday's service. Maverick's parents are Matt & Autumn Eisen and his sponsors are Elizabeth Manoyian, Kyle Wesch and Megan Wesch. We welcome Maverick into the fellowship of St. Peter's.

Pastor Joyce will be installed as our Pastor of Youth and Family Ministries on Sunday, November 18 at our 9:30 am service. Pastor Rol Troike will be here to preach and install Pastor Joyce.

Pastor Ken will be offering a 2-week class for those interested in becoming members of St. Peter's on Sundays, November 11 and 18. Please let Pastor Ken know if you are interested.

St. Clair area churches will join in a Thanksgiving worship service on Tuesday, November 20 at 7 pm. This year the community will gather at First Congregational UCC. Participating congregations include St. Peter's, First United Methodist Church, and Holy Family Episcopal.

Giving Tree: This year we are helping six local families with Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets and Christmas gifts. We supply the entire holiday meal to each family along with children's gifts of coats, shoes, boots, pajamas, socks, underwear, pants, top, and a toy (or fun item). The Giving Tree will be put up November 14 at 11 am following the Wednesday Bible study. Envelopes for contributions to our food baskets are in your mailbox today. If you can assist in any way, contact Robin Bell.

Advent Bible Study: The movie *It's a Wonderful Life* is a timeless Christmas classic. This movie is the basis of an Advent Bible study called *To Live Again*. This four week study will be offered twice during Advent: on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am starting on November 28, and Sunday mornings starting on December 2 at 10:45 am during Advent. If you are interested in the study, please sign up on the bulletin board outside of Pastor Ken's office by November 11. The cost of the book is \$7. The movie will be shown here on Saturday, December 1 at 6:00 pm. All are welcome to come enjoy the movie and fellowship.

The deadline for the December newsletter is November 15.

The 10th Annual St. Clair Lighted Santa Parade will be held on Friday, November 16 at 6 pm.

IN NEED OF PRAYER Dennis Rocker, Mary Forys, Janice Convis, Guy MacIntosh, Sue Kasemeyer, Paul & Ruth Reyelts, Delores Cook, Vi Dunn, Will Tanner, Clyde Moore, Louis Eisen, Loretta Lukasak, Suzanne Morris, Elizabeth MacDonald, Sharon Ann Wheeler, Patty Armstrong, Adeline Harsch, Pat Greenwood, Don Schroeder, Patricia Jones, Marc Dease, Stacey Yax, Ruth Morris, Bernie Nummer, Carole Stiefvater, Ed Myers, Jeremy Bryan, James Mitchell, Marlene Hand, Tom Peters. (Please call or email the office at stpeterelca@sbcglobal.net to update information.)

SERVING TODAY: Greeter: Karen Boden; Ushers: Tim Evans & David Vogel, Acolyte: Case VanSingel & Zach Mathews; Scripture Reader: Lauren Maier; Projectionist: Carter Stevens.

MONEY COUNTERS: Chuck Butler and Joanne Niederhauser

ATTENDANCE: Saturday 26; Sunday 89

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Prayer 9:30 am Bible Study 10 am Confirmation 6:30 pm	Choir 7 pm	Pastor's day off	Worship, Communion 5 pm	Sunday School, Worship, Communion, Pr. Joyce installation 9:30 am New member class 10:45 am