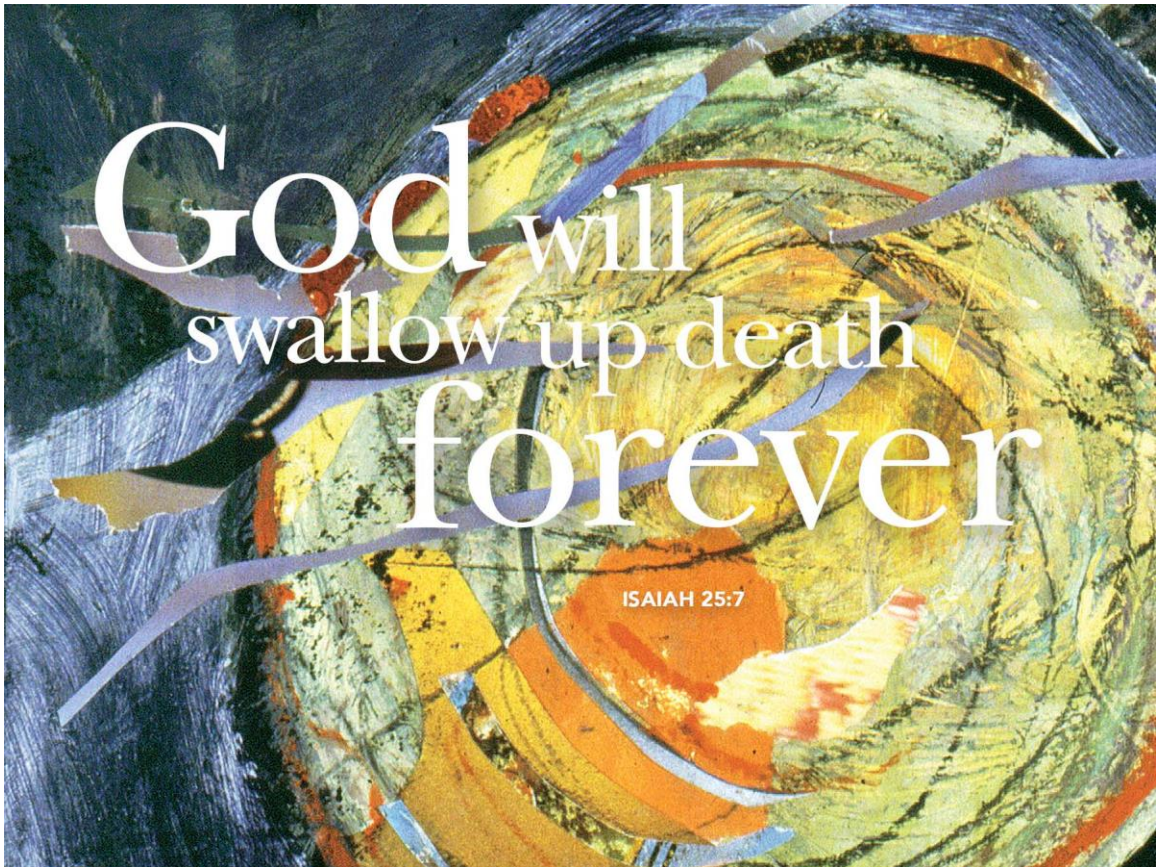


All Saints Sunday



ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

November 4, 2018

Holy Communion

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Welcoming all to know and love Jesus.

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GATHERING SONG *Shall We Gather at the River*

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GREETING

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING: Isaiah 25:6-9

Isaiah sees a vision of the end of days, when the Lord will gather all God's people on God's holy mountain and will prepare for them a rich feast. At this banquet the Lord will wipe the tears from all eyes. And there will be no more sorrow, for God will destroy death itself.

⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

⁷And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the sheet that is spread over all nations;

⁸he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,

for the LORD has spoken.

⁹It will be said on that day,

Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.

This is the LORD for whom we have waited;

let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 24

¹The earth is the LORD's and all | that is in it,
the world and those who | dwell therein.

²**For the LORD has founded it up- | on the seas
and established it up- | on the rivers.**

³Who may ascend the mountain | of the LORD,
and who may stand in God's | holy place?

⁴**Those of innocent hands and puri- | ty of heart,
who do not swear on God's being, nor do they pledge by | what is false.**

⁵They shall receive blessing | from the LORD
and righteousness from the God of | their salvation.

⁶**Such is the generation of those who seek | you, O LORD,
of those who seek your face, O | God of Jacob.**

⁷Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O ever- | lasting doors,
that the King of glory | may come in.

⁸**Who is this | King of glory?
The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, might- | y in battle!**

⁹Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O ever- | lasting doors,
that the King of glory | may come in.

¹⁰**Who is this | King of glory?
Truly, the LORD of hosts is the | King of glory.**

SECOND READING: Revelation 21:1-6a

Here is a vision of the new heaven and new earth in which God resides fully with God's people so that mourning, despair, and pain have been eradicated. These renewing words from the God who spans all of time are trustworthy and true.

¹I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among mortals.
He will dwell with them;
they will be his peoples,
and God himself will be with them;
⁴he will wipe every tear from their eyes.
Death will be no more;
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
for the first things have passed away.”

⁵And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.”
Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” ^{6a}Then he said to me,
“It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL: John 11:32-44

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Through the raising of Lazarus, Jesus offers the world a vision of the life to come, when death and weeping will be no more.

³²When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” ³³When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. ³⁴He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” ³⁵Jesus began to weep. ³⁶So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” ³⁷But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?” ³⁸Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” ⁴⁰Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” ⁴¹So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” ⁴³When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” ⁴⁴The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

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REMEMBERING THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

With the people of God gathered here and throughout the world, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

Lord God, Sovereign of all creation, draw us into your presence, and transform us to be a holy people. Bless us through your word and holy meal to show your uncommon love to others. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Move us to reinvigorate polluted waters and air, renew idle fields, and revive natural habitats that have been destroyed. Open our eyes to the bounty you have given us, and inspire us to tend to it. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Fill our public servants and we who elect them to office with your wisdom. Let your justice flow through our governments and institutions. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Unbind those who are burdened by illness or grief, especially the congregation of Tree of Life synagogue, those on our prayer list and those we name before you in our hearts. Wipe away the tears of those who cannot see your life through the weight of their affliction. Be with those who will die today. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Strengthen and bless this congregation's ministries of outreach, healing, and hospitality, especially the ministries of giving Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets, and taking communion to those who are sick or homebound. Make us eager to receive those you send to us. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We bless you for the lives of the saints who now rejoice in your salvation face-to-face. Join us with all whom you have made righteous, and preserve us in eternal life. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Enfold all things in your compassion, O God, and bring us into your life through the faithfulness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

PEACE

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

DIALOGUE

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD'S PRAYER

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING OF COMMUNION

BLESSING

SENDING SONG *For All the Saints*

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DISMISSAL

SERVING TODAY: Greeter: Ann Beier; Ushers: Tim Evans & Dwight Dundas; Acolytes: Olivia Jones & Courtney Green; Scripture Reader: Krista Rickel; Communion Assistant: Gwen Anderson; Projectionist: Chris Jebrael.

MONEY COUNTERS: Chuck Butler and Joanne Niederhauser

ATTENDANCE: Saturday 20; Sunday 89

ANNIVERSARIES: 11/7 Doug & Jeri Black 26 years

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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.

Our annual meeting will be held on Sunday after the 9:30 am worship service. Please prayerfully consider the next steps for our congregation and plan on attending the meeting.

The worship services on November 10 and 11 will feature the Service of Oils and Healing. As a part of this service, the Oils of Healing are placed on the foreheads of worshippers as a reminder that all healing, physical, spiritual and emotional, comes from God. Please invite family and friends who may welcome the healing power of God.

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. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board outside of Pastor Ken's office.

On November 10th, our Sunday School and parents are invited to join in the Kim Behn Annual 5K Fun Run. See the fliers in the lobby for details.

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.

The Attic Angels committee would like to thank Dick and Theresa Eisen for the wonderful job they did painting the lobby this past week. Thanks also to Jennifer MacDonald for cleaning the woodwork and furniture. We are grateful to have our welcoming space refreshed and updated.

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. The movie will be shown here on Saturday, December 1 at 6:00 pm. All are welcome to come enjoy the movie and fellowship.

IN NEED OF PRAYER Dennis Rocker, Mary Forys, Janice Convis, Guy MacIntosh, Sue Kasemeyer, Paul & Ruth Reylts, 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. (Please call or email the office at speterelca@sbcglobal.net to update information.)

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

| <u>Monday</u> | <u>Tuesday</u> | <u>Wednesday</u> | <u>Thursday</u> | <u>Friday</u> | <u>Saturday</u> | <u>Sunday</u> |
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| Mallard's Landing 11 am | Council Meeting 7 pm | Prayer 9:30 am Bible Study 10 am Confirmation 6:30 pm | Choir 7 pm | Pastor's day off | Worship, Healing service 5 pm | Sunday School, Worship, Healing, 9:30 am New member class 10:45 am |