

108 West Maple Street Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin Thank you for worshiping with us. May God bless your day!



"My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸ I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹ My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all. No one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. ³⁰ I and the Father are one." John 10:27-30 Pentecost IV

St. Peter's Ev. Lutheran Church

We Exist to Share Christ!

TO OUR VISITORS: Thank you for joining us for our worship today. It is a pleasure to have you with us and please come again soon. May God bless you through this celebration!

IF YOUR CHILD becomes restless during the service, you are welcome to make use of the Parenting Room which is located just off the front entryway to the church.

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LARGE PRINT Worship Folders (with entire liturgy) found in entryway to the church.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION about St. Peter's and its activities, please speak with one of the pastors to arrange an appointment or call the church office at 920-743-4431 during the week.

Our Communion Practice: (Personal preparation for Holy Communion: Hymnal pg. 295)



We practice "member" communion, also called "close" communion. If you are a guest and are not yet a member of our fellowship/congregation, we invite you to learn more about us *before* joining us at the communion table. To learn more about our faith and fellowship, **speak with either pastor**. If you are a member of St. Peter's or one of our

sister congregations of the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod and wish to commune, please make out a communion card from the pew and hand it to the usher at communion. Thank you!

Worship Focus: On the Want for Workers

In recent weeks we learned that everyone who has seen the grace of God will, whenever the opportunity arises, serve as a witness for Christ. However, Scripture teaches that there is also a need for individuals for whom gospel proclamation is their full-time focus. There are many different terms for these workers: shepherds, pastors, teachers, ministers, missionaries, etc. These workers are called by God himself through the Church to proclaim law and



gospel in some public capacity. Called workers carry out their calling, not because of what they might gain from the flock, but because of what the flock might gain from Jesus through public ministry. Jesus taught there will always be a want for such workers. "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few" (Luke 10:2). So, this is a topic worthy of our undivided attention.

Order of Worship:	The Service: Setting Three, p.188			
Hymns:	898; 901; 750; 896; 774			
Psalm:	67A			



Order of Service for Fourth Sunday of Pentecost

Opening Hymn

898 Send, O Lord, Your Holy Spirit

Stand

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord. Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Absolution

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Glory to God in the Highest



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The Word

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Proper 9 (Year C)

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. Continue to send your messengers to preserve your people in true peace, that, by the preaching of your Word, your church may be kept free from all harm and danger; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading Ezekiel 2:9-3:11 Ezekiel was called to proclaim the word of the Lord to his fellow exiles, regardless of whether they listened or failed to listen.

⁹Then I looked, and I saw a hand stretched out toward me, and in it there was a rolled-up scroll. ¹⁰He unrolled it in front of me, and there was writing on both sides. Written on it was: Laments, Groaning, and Woe.

3 Then he said to me, "Son of man, eat what you have received. Eat this scroll, and then go, speak to the house of Israel."²I opened my mouth, and he fed me the scroll. ³Then he said to me, "Son of man, feed your stomach and fill your belly with this scroll that I am giving you." I ate, and in my mouth it was sweet like honey. ⁴He then said to me, "Son of man, go now to the house of Israel and speak my words to them.⁵ For you are not being sent to a people who have incomprehensible speech or a difficult language, but you are being sent to the house of Israel. ⁶ Nor are you being sent to many peoples who have incomprehensible speech and difficult languages, whose words you cannot understand. Certainly, if I were to send you to such people, they would listen to you, ⁷ But the house of Israel will not be willing to listen to you because they are not willing to listen to me, because the whole house of Israel is hard-headed and hard-hearted. ⁸ Look. I have made your face just as hard as their faces and your forehead just as hard as their foreheads. 9 have made your forehead like the hardest stone, harder than flint. Do not fear them, and do not be intimidated by their looks, for they are a rebellious house." ¹⁰ Then he said to me, "Son of man, receive into your heart all my words that I will speak to you, and hear them with your ears. ¹¹ Go now to the exiles, to your own people. You shall speak to them and say to them, 'This is what the LORD God says,' whether they listen or they do not."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day



May God be gracious to us and / bless us and make his face / shine on us so that your ways may be / known on earth, your salvation among all / nations.

May the peoples / praise you, God;

may all the peoples / praise you.

May the nations be glad and / sing for joy,

for you rule the peoples with equity and guide the nations / of the earth. Refrain

The land yields its / harvest;

God, our God, / blesses us.

May God / bless us still,

so that all the ends of the earth will / fear him.

Glory be to the Father and / to the Son and to the Holy / Spirit,

as it was in the be- / ginning,

is now, and will be forever. / Amen. Refrain

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Second Reading 1 Peter 5:1-4 Ministers are to shepherd God's flock exactly as Jesus, the Chief Shepherd, would himself.

Therefore, as a fellow elder and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and as one who also shares in the glory that is about to be revealed, I appeal to the elders among you: ² Shepherd God's flock that is among you, serving as overseers, not grudgingly but willingly, as God desires, not because you are greedy for money but because you are eager to do it. ³ Do not lord it over those entrusted to your care, but be examples for the flock. ⁴ And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive an unfading crown of glory.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel Acclamation - Setting 3



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Gospel

John 10:22-30 We eagerly listen to the voice of Jesus and follow.

Then the Festival of Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³ and Jesus was walking in the temple area in Solomon's Colonnade. ²⁴ So the Jews gathered around Jesus, asking, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly." ²⁵ Jesus answered them, "I did tell you, but you do not believe. The works I am doing in my Father's name testify about me. ²⁶ But you do not believe, because you are not my sheep, as I said to you. ²⁷ My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸ I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹ My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all. No one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. ³⁰ I and the Father are one."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Hymn of the Day

901 O Christians, Haste

Sermon

John 10:22-30

Your Good Shepherd is Your God

- I. Secure in His Divinity
- II. Shepherded in His Care

Stand at conclusion of sermon

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Be seated

Prayer of the Church

Offering

Offering plates are located in the entryways to the sanctuary. You may mail your gifts to our church office or securely contribute online through a link found on our website, stpeterslutheran.net, or with the QR code to the right.

Please sign the Friendship/Guestbook and pass it on to others in the same pew. Then pass the book back to its original position. Please leave the sheet attached in the booklet.



Online Giving

Offering Hymn

750 We Give Thee but Thine Own

(Please stand as the offering is brought forward to the altar)



The Sacrament

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock until he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy



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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are you, Lord God, eternal King and gracious Father. In love you made us the crown of your creation. In mercy you planned our salvation. In grace you sent your Son to redeem us from sin.

We remember and give you thanks that your eternal Son, Jesus Christ, became flesh and made his dwelling among us, that he willingly placed himself under law to redeem those under law, that he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death on a cross, that he has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood in this Sacrament. Forgive our sins, increase our faith, strengthen our fellowship, and deepen our longing for the day when Christ will welcome us to his eternal feast. Praise and thanks and honor and glory be to you, O God our Father, and to your Son and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in Heaven Hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours now and forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my + body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my + blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **Amen**.

Lamb of God



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Be seated

Distribution

Distribution Hymn

Personal Prayers for before and after communion can be found inside the front cover of the hymnal. Please Note: In the center of the tray are individual cups that are half wine/half water.

Stand

Thanksgiving

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving-kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

Be seated

Closing Hymn

774 God Bless Our Native Land

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Assistants in Worship (June 5/6)	Last Week
Preacher – Seminarian Joel Sauer	Weekend Services: 301
Presiding Minister - Pastor Joel T. Sauer	General: \$11,564
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The Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Pamela DeMelle, in memory of her brother, Marty Schram, who was born on the Fourth of July.

The Internet Broadcast is sponsored by the children of Pastor and Stacey Schroeder, in celebration of their 30th wedding anniversary on July 8, 2025. We love you, Mom and Dad! Psalm 103:2: "*Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits.*"

The Worship Folder is sponsored in memory of Craig Stephenson who would have been 40 on July 10 by Mom, Kurt & Kayla.

Sunday	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Saturday	Sunday
(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)
7:30 AM Worship w/Comm 10:05 AM Worship w/Comm. Broadcast Online / Radio 11:00 AM Youth Group			6:30 AM Breakfast Bible Study at St. Peter's Social Hall	5:30 PM Shepherding Meeting		5:00 PM Worship	7:30 /10:05AM Worship 10:05 AM Worship Broadcast Online / Radio

This Week at St. Peter's

Current Bible Studies:

Wednesday: 6:30 – 7:00 am

Breakfast Bible Study in St. Peter's Social hall (taught by Pastor Sauer)

Church News

Pastor Schroeder - Call News After prayerful consideration and deliberation, I am **returning the call** to Our Saviour's Lutheran and will continue to serve at St. Peter's. We are truly blessed, and I appreciate working together with you here for the good of the Church. *"For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations."* (Psalm 100:5)

Out of Office Pastor Schroeder will be out of the office from July 5-July 11.

Special Song Service Next Weekend We welcome **Chris Driesbach** to share his music with us next Saturday and Sunday (in all three services.) **A door offering will be gathered** in support of Chris. There will be CD's available as well. Thank you, Chris! We look forward to the song service.

Kate & Mack's Summer Adventure - Soccer Bible VBS St. Peter's is again co-hosting our

VBS with St. John's Lutheran Church (Valmy). Our Camp is scheduled for **this NEXT week, July 14-18, 2025 from 9am-12pm at John Miles Park** in Sturgeon Bay. The theme for this year's vacation bible school (VBS) is "Kate & Mack's Summer Adventure" with some Soccer focus, where each day the program takes you to a different area of the world; Africa, Americas, Asia, Europe, & the Pacific. They will learn fun facts, play international games & make a fun craft from each area we



study. This year's Bible theme verse is: "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." Matthew 28:19 (NIV) (*Registration forms are by both church entrances, as well as at the SCRIP Table)

Christian Education Endowment Fund Now is the time to apply to the Christian Education Endowment Fund. This fund is available to members of our congregation for Christian education in grade school, high school, or college. Please contact the church office to pick up a form. **The deadline for turning in the application is September 6.**

GriefShare Loss of a Spouse will be held on **Sunday, August 10 from 1-3pm**. Do you dread the lonely days and nights? Wonder what to do with your spouse's belongings? Feel like your brain is in a fog? Unsure of how you'll go on? Help is here and hope is possible. At a Loss of a Spouse seminar you'll discover: Other people understand and have found ways to make it through – Why it won't always hurt so much – Reasons for hope – & Practical tips for coping with the death of a spouse. Mark your calendars now and share an invitation with anyone who may benefit from this standalone, two-hour GriefShare seminar coming in August and held in the Social Room.

Save The Date!!! Sunday, August 17, 2025, we are having a picnic for St. Peter's Church and School. Along with enjoying the fellowship opportunity, we are acknowledging three of our staff members. Mrs. Emily Symons and Mrs. Tracie Yant for their 10 years of service at St. Peter's School. Also, Mrs. Morgan Routhieaux will be installed as our half time teacher for 7 & 8 grade. So much to praise God for as he blesses our church and school. Stay tuned for more details.

Sponsoring a bulletin, Radio or Internet Broadcast If you would like to sponsor an upcoming worship folder, radio broadcast, or internet worship broadcast, please call the church office. Sponsoring helps to defray costs for printing bulletins, radio and internet broadcasting fees.



John 10:22-30

Your Good Shepherd is Your God

Summary: Who is Jesus? Jesus Himself tells us who He is – not a life coach or political leader. He tells us that He is your Good Shepherd and your God. He has come to give you assurance of eternal security and salvation rather than temporary earthly concerns. Let us listen to Jesus' voice, follow Him, and find eternal life and safety in His hands.

If you wish to review the sermon, please visit www.stpeterslutheran.net

Sermon Notes

What Law was specified in this sermon? (How was your sin pointed out?)

What Gospel was specified in this sermon? (How was Jesus' forgiveness applied to you?)

Key Takeaways:

Opening Hymn

898 Send, O Lord, Your Holy Spirit



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- **Worship Helps** Ready your soul for worship each week with these study questions...and answers...related to the appointed readings for the week.

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