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Energized to Evangelize (by God's Love)

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St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church

WELCOME to Worship today! What a joy to be together in Christ! Please fill out the "Member" or "Guest" side of our Communication Card located in the pew racks. Please place them in the offering plate or hand to an elder during the singing of the first hymn. Prayer request cards are also available. Again, welcome!

THE LORD'S SUPPER is offered **today** to all Confirmed members of our congregation.

+ For personal preparation for communion, use the following prayers:

Before communion (communing): Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this Holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

After Communion (Thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament): Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen

+ Lutherans who are in good standing with their own congregations of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod (LCMS) are welcome to join with us in receiving this blessed meal.

+Guests are asked to speak with the Pastor or elder **before** communing that they may properly understand the Lutheran teaching on the Lord's Supper.

+ Children, Teens, and Adults who have not yet completed confirmation instruction are invited to come forward with their row and cross their arms in front of their chest to receive a blessing from the Pastor during distribution.

+ Alcohol-Free White Wine is available from the center of the individual cup tray.

+ Gluten-Free wafers are located in the silver dish at the center of the altar for you to pick up as you come forward. Standard wafers will be distributed to other communicants during the Distribution of the Supper.

+ Communion at the pew is available at the start of Distribution to those who sit in the second pew on either side.

+ Those with wheelchairs or walkers are invited to come forward with others who are communing. However, anyone who wishes to receive Communion at your seat please speak to an Elder or the Pastor prior to the start of Worship.

AS WE GATHER

Passion to Proclaim: Energized to Evangelize (by God's Love)

ENERGIZED -- given the enthusiasm and energy to do something. The 12 disciples were sent by Jesus to share the news of salvation among the people of Israel. Israel rejected Him and had him crucified. Today telling the world about Jesus is given to us, His people. Today, we are proclaiming the Gospel to the world, both Jews and Gentiles alike. We have a large job. Sent to proclaim! How's your energy? Are we energized to proclaim the Gospel and impact generations?

Prelude Welcome/Announcements Ringing of the Bell

Please stand & face the processional cross

Processional Hymn - 837 Lift High the Cross

Refrain: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name.

- 1 Come, Christians, follow where our Captain trod,
Our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. **Refrain**
- 2 Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine. **Refrain**
- 3 All newborn soldiers of the Crucified
Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died. **Refrain**
- 4 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
As Thou hast promised, draw us all to Thee. **Refrain**
- 5 Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell
Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell. **Refrain**
- 6 So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory! **Refrain**

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Stand

Invocation/Confession and Absolution

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C** **who made heaven and earth.**
- P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**
- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

Service of the Word

Psalm 28:6-9

- P** Blessed be the Lord!
- C** **For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.**
- P** The Lord is my strength and my shield;
in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;
- C** **my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.**
- P** The Lord is the strength of his people;
- C** **he is the saving refuge of his anointed.**
- P** Oh, save your people and bless your heritage!
- C** **Be their shepherd and carry them forever.**
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Kyrie *(spoken)*

- P** Lord,
C **have mercy on us.**
- P** Christ,
C **have mercy on us.**
- P** Lord,
C **have mercy on us.**

Gloria in Excelsis 948 All Glory Be to God Alone sts 1-3

- 1 All glory be to God alone, Forevermore the highest one,
Who did our sinful race befriend And grace and peace to us extend.
Among us may His gracious will All hearts with deep thanksgiving fill.
- 2 We praise You, God; Your name we bless And worship You in humbleness;
From day to day we glorify The everlasting God on high.
Of Your great glory do we sing, And to Your throne our thanks we bring.
- 3 Lord God, our King on heaven's throne, Our Father, the Almighty One.
O Lord, the sole-begotten One, Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's Son,
True God from all eternity, O Lamb of God, to You we flee.

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**
- P** Let us pray.
Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in
our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to
support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through
Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the
Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever
C **Amen.**

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 1:4-10

The Call of Jeremiah

Now the word of the Lord came to me, saying,
"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,
and before you were born I consecrated you;
I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Behold, I do not know how to speak, for I am only a youth." But the Lord said to me,
"Do not say, 'I am only a youth';
for to all to whom I send you, you shall go,
and whatever I command you, you shall speak.
Do not be afraid of them,
for I am with you to deliver you,
declares the Lord."

Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth. And the Lord said to me,

"Behold, I have put my words in your mouth.
See, I have set you this day over nations and over kingdoms,
to pluck up and to break down,
to destroy and to overthrow,
to build and to plant."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Romans 15:14-21

Paul the Minister to the Gentiles

I myself am satisfied about you, my brothers, that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge and able to instruct one another. But on some points I have written to you very boldly by way of reminder, because of the grace given me by God to be a minister of Christ Jesus to the Gentiles in the priestly service of the gospel of God, so that the offering of the Gentiles may be acceptable, sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In Christ Jesus, then, I have reason to be proud of my work for God. For I will not venture to speak of anything except what Christ has accomplished through me to bring the Gentiles to obedience—by word and deed, by the power of signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God—so that from Jerusalem and all the way around to Illyricum I have fulfilled the ministry of the gospel of Christ; and thus I make it my ambition to preach the gospel, not where Christ has already been named, lest I build on someone else's foundation, but as it is written,
"Those who have never been told of him will see,
and those who have never heard will understand."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Stand

948 All Glory Be to God Alone *sts 5 (sung)*

You only are the Holy One And over all are Lord alone.
O Jesus Christ, we glorify You and the Spirit, Lord Most High;
With Him You evermore shall be One in the Father's majesty.

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Holy Gospel

Matthew 10:5-14

Jesus sends out the twelve Apostles

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the tenth chapter.

G **Glory to You, O Lord.**

These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, "Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. And proclaim as you go, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay. Acquire no gold nor silver nor copper for your belts, no bag for your journey, nor two tunics nor sandals nor a staff, for the laborer deserves his food. And whatever town or village you enter, find out who is worthy in it and stay there until you depart. As you enter the house, greet it. And if the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it, but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. And if anyone will not receive you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet when you leave that house or town.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

G **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Creedal Hymn: 953 We All Believe in One True God

- 1 We all believe in one true God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Ever-present help in need, Praised by all the heav'nly host;
All He made His love enfolds, All creation He upholds.
- 2 We all believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Mary's son,
Who descended from His throne And for us salvation won;
By whose cross and death are we Rescued from all misery.
- 3 We all confess the Holy Ghost, Who from both in truth proceeds,
Who sustains and comforts us In all trials, fears, and needs.
Blessèd, holy Trinity, Praise forever be to Thee!

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Sermon – Rev. Martin Keller

Hymn: 856 O Christ, Who Called the Twelve

- 1 O Christ, who called the Twelve To rise and follow You,
Forsaking old, familiar ways For ventures bold and new:
Grant us to hear Your call To risk security
And, bound in heart and will to You, Find perfect liberty.
- 2 O Christ, who taught the Twelve The truth for ages sealed,
Whose words and works awakened faith, The ways of God revealed:
Instruct us now, we pray, By Your empow'ring Word.
True teacher, be for all who seek Their light, their life, their Lord.
- 3 O Christ, who led the Twelve Among the desolate
And broke as bread of life for all Your love compassionate:
Lead us along the ways Where hope has nearly died
And help us climb the lonely hills Where love is crucified.
- 4 O Christ, who sent the Twelve On roads they'd never trod
To serve, to suffer, teach, proclaim The nearer reign of God:
Send us on ways where faith Transcends timidity,
Where love informs and hope sustains Both life and ministry.
- 5 O Christ, the apostles' Lord, The martyrs' strength and song,
The crucified and risen King To whom the saints belong:
Though generations pass, Our tribute still we bring,
Our hymns a sacrifice of praise, Our lives an offering.

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The Gathering of our Tithes and Offerings

Stand

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

Stand

Preface

- P** The Lord be with you.
- G And also with you.**
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- G We lift them to the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- G It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Grant us Your Spirit, gracious Father, that we may give heed to the testament of Your Son in true faith and, above all, firmly take to heart the words with which Christ gives to us His body and blood for our forgiveness. By Your grace, lead us to remember and give thanks for the boundless love which He manifested to us when, by pouring out His precious blood, He saved us from Your righteous wrath and from sin, death, and hell. Grant that we may receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a gift, guarantee, and pledge of His salvation. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

P In the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, at His command, and with His own words, we receive His testament:

The Words of Our Lord

507 Holy, Holy, Holy *(sung)*

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

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Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

G Amen.

Agnus Dei

434 Lamb of God, Pure and Holy *(sung)*

Lamb of God, pure and holy, Who on the cross didst suffer,
Ever patient and lowly, Thyself to scorn didst offer.
All sins Thou borest for us, Else had despair reigned o'er us:
Thy peace be with us, O Jesus! O Jesus!

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Sit

Distribution of the Elements

Distribution Hymn: 628 Your Table I Approach

- 1 Your table I approach; Dear Savior, hear my prayer.
Let not an unrepentant heart Prove hurtful to me there.
- 2 Lord, I confess my sins And mourn their wretched bands;
A contrite heart is sure to find Forgiveness at Your hands.
- 3 Your body and Your blood, Once slain and shed for me,
Are taken at Your table, Lord, In blest reality.
- 4 Search not how this takes place, This wondrous mystery;
God can accomplish vastly more Than what we think could be.
- 5 O grant, most blessèd Lord, That earth and hell combined
May not about this sacrament Raise doubt within my mind.
- 6 Oh, may I never fail To thank You day and night
For Your true body and true blood, O God, my peace and light.

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Distribution Hymn: 783 Take My Life and Let It Be

- 1 Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
- 2 Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of Thy love;
Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee.
- 3 Take my voice and let me sing Always, only for my King;
Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from Thee.
- 4 Take my silver and my gold, Not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect and use Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.
- 5 Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart, it is Thine own, It shall be Thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store;
Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee.

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Distribution Hymn: 682 God of the Prophets, Bless the Prophets' Sons

- 1 God of the prophets, bless the prophets' sons;
Elijah's mantle o'er Elisha cast.
Each age its solemn task may claim but once;
Make each one nobler, stronger than the last.
- 2 Anoint them prophets, men who are intent
To be Your witnesses in word and deed,
Their hearts aflame, their lips made eloquent,
Their eyes awake to ev'ry human need.
- 3 Anoint them priests, strong intercessors they,
For pardon and for love and hope and peace,
That, through their pleading, guilty sinners may
Find Jesus' mercy and from sin release.
- 4 Anoint them kings, yes, kingly kings, O Lord.
Anoint them with the Spirit of Your Son.
Theirs not a jeweled crown, a bloodstained sword;
Theirs, by sweet love, for Christ a kingdom won.
- 5 Make them apostles, heralds of Your cross;
Forth let them go to tell the world of grace.
Inspired by You, may they count all but loss
And stand at last with joy before Your face.

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Stand

Post-Communion Hymn: 617 O Lord, We Praise Thee

- 1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and adore Thee,
In thanksgiving bow before Thee.
Thou with Thy body and Thy blood didst nourish
Our weak souls that they may flourish:
O Lord, have mercy!
May Thy body, Lord, born of Mary,
That our sins and sorrows did carry,
And Thy blood for us plead
In all trial, fear, and need:
O Lord, have mercy!

- 2 Thy holy body into death was given,
Life to win for us in heaven.
No greater love than this to Thee could bind us;
May this feast thereof remind us!
O Lord, have mercy!
Lord, Thy kindness did so constrain Thee
That Thy blood should bless and sustain me.
All our debt Thou hast paid;
Peace with God once more is made:
O Lord, have mercy!
- 3 May God bestow on us His grace and favor
That we follow Christ our Savior
And live together here in love and union
Nor despise this blest Communion!
O Lord, have mercy!
Let not Thy good Spirit forsake us;
Grant that heav'nly-minded He make us;
Give Thy Church, Lord, to see
Days of peace and unity:
O Lord, have mercy!

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Post-Communion Collect

- P** Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through
this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would
strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love
toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives
and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.**

Benedicamus

- P** Let us bless the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.
- C Amen.**

Sit

Closing Hymn: 826 Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying

- 1 Hark, the voice of Jesus crying,
 "Who will go and work today?
Fields are white and harvests waiting—
 Who will bear the sheaves away?"
Loud and long the Master calleth;
 Rich reward He offers thee.
Who will answer, gladly saying,
 "Here am I, send me, send me"?
- 2 If you cannot speak like angels,
 If you cannot preach like Paul,
You can tell the love of Jesus,
 You can say He died for all.
If you cannot rouse the wicked
 With the judgment's dread alarms,
You can lead the little children
 To the Savior's waiting arms.
- 3 If you cannot be a watchman,
 Standing high on Zion's wall,
Pointing out the path to heaven,
 Off'ring life and peace to all,
With your prayers and with your bounties
 You can do what God commands;
You can be like faithful Aaron,
 Holding up the prophet's hands.
- 4 Let none hear you idly saying,
 "There is nothing I can do,"
While the multitudes are dying
 And the Master calls for you.
Take the task He gives you gladly,
 Let His work your pleasure be;
Answer quickly when He calleth,
 "Here am I, send me, send me!"

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Silent Prayer

Postlude

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