Order of Service – June 9, 2024, 10:00AM 3rd Sunday After Pentecost

Preaching & Presiding: Pastor Rick

Music Team: Erica, Lynn, Lyndsay, Rebecca, Janelle, Mel, Kathy and Robin

Welcome to worship!

If you are a visitor today, please pick up a gift bag and learn more about our programs at the Welcome Table at the back of the narthex. Grab a coffee and mingle following the service. A family friendly area is available in the Gateway to sit with other parents or to allow your children to enjoy some snacks following the worship service and Sunday school. If your children require a quiet place during the service, feel free to take them to the narthex near the fireplace area or into the Gateway Room where we have few quiet toys for them to enjoy.

If you are a visitor, we welcome you to come forward for communion. If your children have gone through communion instruction, they are welcome as well. If they are not taking communion, please bring them forward for a blessing. If you would like personal prayer this morning, you are invited to meet with our prayer team in the narthex either before or after you have taken communion. Individual prayer is also available following the service.

Today's worship service, including our children's time is live streamed and recorded for future viewing on St. Peter's YouTube channel. Sitting further back out of the filming area is an option.

PRELUDE HYMN: Hymn of Heaven

How I long to breathe the air of Heaven, Where pain is gone and mercy fills the streets; To look upon the one who bled to save me, And walk with Him for all eternity.

Chorus:

There will be a day when all will bow before Him.
There will be a day when death will be no more
Standing face to face with He who died and rose again.
Holy, holy is the Lord!

And ev'ry prayer, we prayed in desperation; The songs of faith we sang through doubt and fear, In the end we'll see that it was worth it When He returns to wipe away our tears.

Chorus:

And on that day we join the resurrection, And stand beside the heroes of the faith. With one voice, a thousand generations Sing worthy is the Lamb who was slain. Forever He shall reign.

Chorus:

So, let it be today we shout the hymn of Heaven. With angels and the saints, we raise a mighty roar. Glory to our God who gave us life beyond the grave. Holy, holy is the Lord. Holy, holy is the Lord. Holy, holy is the Lord.

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OPENING HYMN: Open Wide the Gate of Heaven

Open wide the gate of heaven, Let the glorious Victor in, For to Him alone 'tis given, Who hath quelled the boast of sin To ascend the azure height, Circled with all-conquering might.

Night and darkness flew before Him, Sin and death before Him fell; Angel hosts in bliss, adore Him! Who hath spoiled the depths of hell, And ascends the azure height, Circled with all-conquering might.

Ah, the mocking and deriding,
Ah, the Cross on which He hung,
And the night, God's presence hiding,
While the darts of hell were flung,
Now He mounts the azure height,
Circled with all-conquering might.

Hail Him now, His task completed, All He strove for man to win; Victor, Who the foe defeated Death, and hell, and vanquished sin, For He mounts the azure height, Circled with all-conquering might.

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OPENING PRAYER

All: Lord God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we invite your presence into our worship this morning and consecrate this time to you. Be glorified in the preaching, in the singing, our praying and our meditation on your word. We ask all this in Jesus' name. Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, beseeching Him, in the name of our Lord Jesus, to forgive the iniquity of our sin.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open All desires known, from You no secrets are hid Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts By the power of your Spirit That we love and magnify your name

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P: If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

[Silence for reflection]

P: Most merciful God...

All: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. Amen

THE GREETING

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: and also with you.

KYRIE

Kyrie eleison, Lord have mercy (2x) Christe eleison, Christ have mercy (2x) Kyrie eleison, Lord have mercy (2x) Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy

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GLORIA

Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria! Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria! We praise you! We bless you! We worship you! We glorify you! Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria! Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria! Amen! Amen! Amen! Amen! Amen! Amen!

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PRAYER OF THE DAY 3rd Sunday After Pentecost: O God, the strength of those who hope in you: Be present and hear our prayers; and because in the weakness of our mortal nature we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, so that in keeping your commandments we may please you in will and deed; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

CHILDREN'S STORY: Pastor Rick

CHILDREN'S SONG: Peace Like a River

I've got peace like a river (3x) In my soul (repeat)

I've got joy like a fountain (3x) In my soul (repeat)

I've got love like an ocean (3x) In my soul (repeat)

I've got peace like a river I've got joy like a fountain I've got love like an ocean In my soul (repeat)

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FIRST READING: Genesis 3:8-15 NIV

⁸ Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹ But the LORD God called to the man, "Where are you?" ¹⁰ He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid." ¹¹ And he said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?" ¹² The man said, "The woman you put here with me—she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it." ¹³ Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate." ¹⁴ So the LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, "Cursed are you above all livestock and all wild animals! You will crawl on your belly and you will eat dust all the days of your life. ¹⁵ And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring^[a] and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel."

PSALM 130 NIV

¹Out of the depths I cry to you, LORD;

² Lord, hear my voice. Let your ears be attentive to my cry for mercy.

³ If you, LORD, kept a record of sins, Lord, who could stand?

⁴ But with you there is forgiveness, so that we can, with reverence, serve you.

- ⁵ I wait for the LORD, my whole being waits, and in his word I put my hope.
- ⁶ I wait for the Lord more than watchmen wait for the morning, more than watchmen wait for the morning.
- ⁷ Israel, put your hope in the LORD, for with the LORD is unfailing love and with him is full redemption.
- ⁸ He himself will redeem Israel from all their sins.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 NIV

¹³ It is written: "I believed; therefore I have spoken." Since we have that same spirit of faith, we also believe and therefore speak, ¹⁴ because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus from the dead will also raise us with Jesus and present us with you to himself. ¹⁵ All this is for your benefit, so that the grace that is reaching more and more people may cause thanksgiving to overflow to the glory of God. ¹⁶ Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. ¹⁷ For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. ¹⁸ So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal. **5** For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not built by human hands.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia! Lord to whom shall we go, shall we go? (2x) You have the words of eternal life, O Lord (2x) Alleluia! Lord to whom shall we go Shall we go, shall we go?

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GOSPEL: Mark 3:20-35 NIV

²⁰ Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat. ²¹ When his family lal heard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, "He is out of his mind." ²² And the teachers of the law who came down from Jerusalem said, "He is possessed by Beelzebul! By the prince of demons he is driving out demons." ²³ So Jesus called them over to him and began to speak to them in parables: "How can Satan drive out Satan? ²⁴ If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵ If a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand. ²⁶ And if Satan opposes himself and is divided, he cannot stand; his end has come. ²⁷ In fact, no one can enter a strong man's house without first tying him up. Then he can plunder the strong man's house. ²⁸ Truly I tell you, people can be forgiven all their sins and every slander they utter. ²⁹ but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never be forgiven; they are guilty of an eternal sin." 30 He said this because they were saying, "He has an impure spirit." 31 Then Jesus' mother and brothers arrived. Standing outside, they sent someone in to call him. ³² A crowd was sitting around him, and they told him, "Your mother and brothers are outside looking for you." ³³ "Who are my mother and my brothers?" he asked. 34 Then he looked at those seated in a circle around him and said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! 35 Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother."

PRE-SERMON HYMN: Is He Worthy?

Do you feel the world is broken? We do.

Do you feel the shadows deepen? We do.

But do you know that all the dark won't stop the light from getting through? We do.

Do you wish that you could see it all made new? We do.

Is all creation groaning? It is.
Is a new creation coming? It is.
Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst? It is.
Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? It is.

Jesus loves me this I know For the Bible tells me so Little ones to Him belong They are weak but He is strong

Does the Father truly love us? **He does.**Does the Spirit move among us? **He does.**And does Jesus our Messiah hold forever those He loves? **He does.**Does our God intend to dwell again with us? **He does.**

Yes, Jesus loves me Yes, Jesus loves me Yes, Jesus loves me The Bible tells me so

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SERMON: Pastor Rick

OFFERTORY HYMN: (WOV #746)

Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend me, bringing comfort to my anxious soul. Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you send me draw me nearer to my heavenly goal Love divine, beyond all mortal measure, brings to naught the burdens of my quest Savior, lead me to the home I treasure, where at last I'll find eternal rest

Day by day, I know you will provide me strength to serve and wisdom to obey I will seek your loving will to guide me o'er the paths I struggle day by day I will fear no evil of the morrow, I will trust in your enduring grade Savior, help me bear life's pain and sorrow till in glory I behold your face

Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my burdens grow too great to bear Oh, what joy to know that you will hear me when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer Day by day, no matter what betide me, you will hold me ever in your hand Savior, with your presence here to guide me, I will reach at last the promised land.

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Blessed are you.

All: O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your Goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of Him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Nicene Creed LBW p. 64

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; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. 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.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic 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.

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

P: The Peace of the Lord be with you always. All: And also with you.

PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY OF GOD

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

P: Lift up your hearts

All: We lift them to the Lord

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
All: It is right to give him thanks and praise

PROPER PREFACE

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, God of pow'r and might
Heaven and earth are full of you glory (repeat)
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might
Heaven and earth are full of you glory

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION (LBW p. 110)

LORD'S PRAYER: Our Father, who art in Heaven...

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION SONGS:

Jesus the Very Thought of You (LBW #316)

Jesus the very thought of You fills us with sweet delight; But sweeter far your face to view and rest within your light.

No voice can sing, no heart can frame, nor can the mind recall A sweeter sound than your blest name, O Saviour of us all!

O Hope of ev'ry contrite soul, O Joy of all the meek, How kind you are to those who fall! How good to those who seek!

O Jesus, be our joy today; Help us to prize your love; Grant us at last to hear your say: "Come, share my home above!"

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Hymn of Heaven

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Chorus:

There will be a day when all will bow before Him There will be a day when death will be no more Standing face to face with He who died and rose again Holy, holy is the Lord!

And ev'ry prayer we prayed in desperation
The songs of faith we sang through doubt and fear
In the end we'll see that it was worth it
When He returns to wipe away our tears
Chorus:

And on that day we join the resurrection And stand beside the heroes of the faith With one voice a thousand generations Sing worthy is the Lamb who was slain Forever He shall reign **Chorus:**

So, let it be today we shout the hymn of Heaven With angels and the saints, we raise a mighty roar Glory to our God who gave us life beyond the grave Holy, holy is the Lord (3x)

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COMMUNION BLESSING

Communion Prayer

Benediction

Announcements (See below for details)

CLOSING HYMN: Hallelujah

We know that there's a God above who fills us with His grace and love And, Lord, we've come to say we're thankful to You You've pulled us from the miry clay and walked beside us when we stray With blood-stained hands, you've saved us - hallelujah! Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah

We hold this life in jars of clay, these bodies that just waste away With golden threads you mend us, bring us to You You take the pieces, then You do what no one can – You make us new Restoring life within us - hallelujah! Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah

We love you, Lord, with all our heart, your Son gave us a brand, new start You've broken down the walls and brought us near You It goes like this: the Fall, the Cross, our sin atoned and Satan's loss Then Heaven's Gates flung wide – oh, hallelujah! Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah

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Soon and Very Soon

Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King! (3x) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King!

No more crying there, we are going to see the King (3x) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King!

No more dying there, we are going to see the King (3x) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King!

Soon and very soon, We are going to see the King (3x)

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King!

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THE SENDING

P: Go in Peace.
C: Serve the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Week-at-a-Glance:

June 10 – Mon, 9 AM-Noon: Pastor Rick's office hours June 12 – Wed, 10 AM: Grandparenting and the Faith

June 12 – Wed, 9 AM: Staff Meeting

June 16 – Sun, 10 AM: Worship, Lunch to follow and Sunday School (Last day of S.S.)

Month in Advance:

June 17 – Mon, 9 AM-Noon: Pastor Rick's office hours

June 18 – Tues, 7 PM: Getting to Know You at the Bergh's

June 19 – Wed, 9 AM: Staff Meeting

June 22 – Sat. 8 AM: Men's Breakfast

June 23 – Sun,10 AM: Worship and Coffee to follow

June 24 – Mon, 9 AM-Noon: Pastor Rick's office hours

June 26 – Wed, 9 AM: Staff Meeting

June 30 – Sun, 10 AM: Worship and Coffee to follow

Prayer for St. Peter's

Please remember to keep praying for the church, our pastors, leaders, members and their families.

Sunday School Wind up and BBQ lunch to follow

The last day of Sunday school is June 16. We are thankful to all our teachers and leaders who have been so faithful in teaching our children. We will thank them at our service and then following worship, all of us are invited to stay for a hot dog lunch and enjoy the fellowship. Plan to stay.

Grandparenting and Faith- June 12, Wednesday @ 10 AM

Join us for our last time together before the summer break. Topic: Family Discipleship 101- a practical process to teach faith to our little ones. We will also discuss exciting plans for the fall as we tweak our ministry and encourage catechesis in our congregation. What is catechesis? Instruction in the faith. Please come if you have not attend previously and see how beneficial this could be for you as you pass on your faith to the little ones around you.

Vacation Bible Camp – Getting Ready

Snack donations will be needed for our Vacation Bible Camp Aug. 12 - 16! Registrations are now full, and 50 children will be participating. If you'd like to help out by bringing in snack items, please sign up on the sheet on the counter in the narthex. Details are there. We're very grateful for your support - thank you!

Outdoor Firepit Service

If you are interested in participating in Outdoor Firepit Service, please speak to the pastors or let the office know.

Men's Breakfast - June 22 @ 10 AM

Join other men in the church for discussion around, Non-Violent Apologetics. What is that? Come and learn as Pastor Rick shares a different method of sharing the faith based upon Jesus interaction with people and how he presented the truth that set people free.

Getting to Know You – June 25, Tuesday @ 7 PM

Last year, Erica and Pastor Rick invited people to their home to get to know them and hear their stories. We have so many new people in the church. They would love to open up their home again on Tuesday evenings. One of the side benefits is that you get to know each other as well! There is one evening left, June 25. Thank you for all who have made the effort to attend previously. These have been amazing events. We are so blessed to have so many amazing brothers and sisters in Christ. Sign-up sheets can be found at the welcoming table.

Let's Talk About God

A new video devotional resource worth exploring...

Look forward to an email coming into your inbox each Tuesday.

Dig into this past week's Sunday morning sermon and children's message.

Continue to grow and share your faith with those nearest to you. These videos include:

- Visual and musical enhancements
- Text captions reinforcing key points (including scripture references)
- Pictures, graphs, maps and so much more to help support the message and bring it to life.

Share it with family, friends and neighbours.

Use the videos to have further conversations about the scriptures.

Use the videos to talk with your children and grandchildren about God.

Learn Guitar – Every Sunday after Worship

Starting at very beginner level and aiming at grade 4 children and up to and including adults. This is a group class, not private lessons, and we just learn basic chords and strumming, but it's free. Some kids can have troubles playing guitar, others have no troubles. But if you are interested, talk to Pastor Bart.

St. Peter's Women's Bible Study Group - July 9 Tuesday @ 10 AM

Second Chances: New Beginnings, Rebirth and Starting Over

Bible Camps

Don't miss out on registering for one of our church Bible camps! Please find information on the bulletin board. You can also check them out directly:

- Hasting Lake Lutheran Bible Camp (www.hastinglake.com)
- Mulhurst Lutheran Bible Camp (https://www.mulhurstcamp.ca/)
- Wilderness Ranch Camp (https://www.wildernessranchalberta.com/)

Men's Ministry at St. Peter's

An emphasis on men's ministry is being talked about at St. Peter's. Pastor Rick, along with other men, will be working hard to develop a strong and vibrant men's ministry for all ages – to be introduced this coming fall. He is pleased that five men have agreed to be part of the planning of this ministry: Kyle Phillips, George Forster, Fred Schickedanz, Donovan Saltvold and Morris Airey. Please pray for them as they meet to discuss a future men's ministry focus at St. Peter's. Our first big event is a men's retreat scheduled for the weekend of November 1-3, 2024, at River's Edge Bible Camp.

Steve Bell Workshop at St. Peter's - September 20-21, 2024

This amazing opportunity will take place on September 20-21, Friday evening and an all-day Saturday workshop. Come and explore the depth and mystery of the Trinity with musician and liturgist, Steve Bell. Join Pastor Rick and Mike Gawryletz to be part of the planning and implementation of this important event. We require some volunteers to make this happen. This is rare opportunity to have Steve Bell come to a small venue and to have him all to ourselves. You won't want to miss out on this!