

**Pentecost 2 (June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023)**  
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## Opening Hymn: 688 “Come, Follow Me,” the Savior Spake

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

- 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.**  
**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.

## Introit

The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and sum- | mons the earth\*  
from the rising of the sun to its | setting.  
**Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, I will testify a- | gainst you.\***  
**I am | God, your God.**  
Not for your sacrifices do I re- | buke you;\*  
your burnt offerings are continually be- | fore me.  
**I will not accept a bull | from your house\*  
or goats | from your folds.**  
For every beast of the for- | est is mine,\*  
the cattle on a | thousand hills.  
**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.**  
The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and sum- | mons the earth\*  
from the rising of the sun to its | setting.

## Kyrie

- C** Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

*LSB 186*

## Gloria in Excelsis

- P** Glory be to God on high:

*LSB 187*

**C** and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.  
 We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,  
 we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
 O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.  
 O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
 that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
 Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.  
 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.  
 For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.  
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,  
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God, You sent Your Son, Jesus Christ, to seek and to save the lost. Graciously open our ears and our hearts to hear His call and to follow Him by faith that we may feast with Him forever in His kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

### Old Testament Reading

*Hosea 5:15—6:6*

<sup>15</sup>I will return again to my place,  
 until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face,  
 and in their distress earnestly seek me.  
<sup>16</sup>“Come, let us return to the LORD;  
 for he has torn us, that he may heal us;  
 he has struck us down, and he will bind us up.  
<sup>2</sup>After two days he will revive us;  
 on the third day he will raise us up,  
 that we may live before him.  
<sup>3</sup>Let us know; let us press on to know the LORD;  
 his going out is sure as the dawn;  
 he will come to us as the showers,  
 as the spring rains that water the earth.”  
<sup>4</sup>What shall I do with you, O Ephraim?  
 What shall I do with you, O Judah?  
 Your love is like a morning cloud,  
 like the dew that goes early away.  
<sup>5</sup>Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets;  
 I have slain them by the words of my mouth,  
 and my judgment goes forth as the light.  
<sup>6</sup>For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,  
 the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

*Romans 4:13–25*

<sup>13</sup>The promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup>For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup>For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

<sup>16</sup>That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, <sup>17</sup>as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. <sup>18</sup>In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, “So shall your offspring be.” <sup>19</sup>He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. <sup>20</sup>No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup>fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. <sup>22</sup>That is why his faith was “counted to him as righteousness.” <sup>23</sup>But the words “it was counted to him” were not written for his sake alone, <sup>24</sup>but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, <sup>25</sup>who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

**Alleluia**

*LSB 190*

**C** Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

## Holy Gospel

*Matthew 9:9–13*

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

**C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>9</sup>As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he rose and followed him.

<sup>10</sup>And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples. <sup>11</sup>And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” <sup>12</sup>But when he heard it, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. <sup>13</sup>Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.’ For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## Apostles’ Creed

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life † everlasting. Amen.

*Sit*

**Hymn of the Day: 487 Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain**

**Sermon**

*Stand*

**Offertory**

*LSB 192*

**C** Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

*Sit*

**Offering**

*Stand*

**Prayer of the Church**

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.  
O Lord, You strike down and You heal. Though we justly deserve Your wrath for our sin, revive us and raise us up, that we may live before You forever. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Almighty God, You desire steadfast love and that Your people would know You. Bless pastors, teachers and all church workers, that Your Word would sound forth in abundance. Open the ears of all who hear to acknowledge Your steadfast love. Be also with those who work this weekend to prepare for our Synod's convention. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Father in heaven, by Your grace Abraham did not weaken in faith but trusted Your promises. Strengthen parents to persist in their callings and train their children in Your Word and ways. Defend them from discouragement and apathy, and convince them that You are able to do what You have promised. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Creator of all things, You call into existence what does not exist and govern it for good. Remember those You have given authority among the nations, that the laws they administer might reflect Your order and maintain peace. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Heavenly Father, Your Son came to heal the sick and forgive sinners. Hear our prayers for those who suffer in any way including:

Kay Brown (Sister of Dave and Lynn Matthews) for strength as she receives therapy

Bob Hegerfeld

Ron Franz for strength and healing

Lynn and Lori Matthews

Troy Stults (Son of Andy and Brenda Wolf)

Eldora Fuelling

Larry Hockemeyer (Father of Lori Conrad)

Cheryl Caffee

Herb and Sharon Banning

Dave Schnitz (grandfather of Gavin and Cooper Scherer)

Shelly Gerke (Wife of Troy Gerke)

Cathy Runyon

Restore them according to Your gracious will, and strengthen their faith in Your faithfulness and love. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Father in heaven, You made childless Abraham the father of many nations when his body was as good as dead, giving him faith to trust in the promised Christ. Strengthen our faith also to trust Your promises despite our weaknesses and troubles. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Holy Father, receive our thanks for Your kindness to Abraham, Sarah and all the saints who have gone before us. Preserve us in faith and in righteousness, that we, too, may give You glory now and forever. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

*LSB 241*

**L** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

**C** **Our Father who art in heaven,**

**hallowed be Thy name,**

**Thy kingdom come,**

**Thy will be done on earth**

**as it is in heaven;**

**give us this day our daily bread;**

**and forgive us our trespasses**

**as we forgive those**

**who trespass against us;**

**and lead us not into temptation,**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.**

### **Collect for the Word**

**P** O holy and most merciful God, You have taught us the way of Your commandments. We implore You to pour out Your grace into our hearts. Cause it to bear fruit in us that, being ever mindful of Your mercies and Your laws, we may always be directed to Your will and daily increase in love toward You and one another. Enable us to resist all evil and to live a godly life. Help us to follow the example of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and to walk in His steps until we shall possess the kingdom that has been prepared for us in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

### **Benediction**

*LSB 202*

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.

**C** **Amen, amen, amen.**

### **Hymn to Depart: 856 O Christ, Who Called the Twelve**

#### **In His Service Today:**

**Preacher:** The Rev. Leonard Tanksley

**Liturgist:** The Sem. Adam Thiel

**Organist:** Mrs. Jackie Sanderson

**Deacons:** Matt Braun (Head), Fred M. Fuelling, Matt Rogusz, Louie Fuelling

**Elders:** Rod Busick (Head), Jim Fuelling, John Fuelling, Andy Wolf

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OFFERINGS:** Vanco- \$174.23; Missions- \$50.00; Bereavement- \$895.00; Home Purpose- \$5,800.00.

**\*NOTE: Needed each week to meet the ministry needs of St. Peter: \$6,500.00.\***

#### **Dear Family of St. Peter,**

Thank you for the many beautiful cards and heartfelt expressions of sympathy and the many generous memorials given in honor of Rhonda Jean. We wish to thank Pastor Tanksley for all the hospital visits and for the beautiful funeral service and burial. Thank you to the luncheon committee for providing a great meal which enables family and friends to freely visit with each other. All of your kind words and prayers were very much appreciated by the family of Rhonda Jean.

-The Family of Rhonda Jean Busick

Ken & Sophie, Sister Tammy, and Nephews and Niece Ryan, Connor, Lily, and Carson

**ST. PETER IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL** is searching for a teacher for their 3rd & 4th Grade classroom for the coming school year. Interested persons should contact Mr. Greg Becker, Principal, at 260-623-0297 or [principal@spilutheran.org](mailto:principal@spilutheran.org) regarding qualifications and a job description.

**JULY/AUGUST NEWSLETTER DEADLINE** will be Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup>.

**SPI BOARD OF EDUCATION** will meet on Monday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

**CHURCH ELDERS** will meet on Tuesday, June 13<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

**SEMINARY FOOD CO-OP THEME for JUNE - "SAUCES"**: During the month of June we will be collecting "Sauces" for the Seminary Food Co-op. Suggestions are but not limited to: ketchup, mustard, mayo, BBQ sauce, soy sauce, marinades, salad dressing, buffalo/wing sauce. Other items that are always in demand are breakfast cereal (excluding Chex) and tomato products. All your donations are greatly appreciated by the Seminary and are a great benefit to the students and their families. Many report that **75-85%** of their grocery needs are met at the Co-Op. Items can be placed in the gray and white bag at Church. Thank you for all your donations.

**CHURCH CALENDAR WEEK OF JUNE 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

TODAY	9:00 am	Divine Service
	-----	Bible Study
MONDAY	7:00 pm	SPI Board of Education
TUESDAY	7:00 pm	Church Elders Meeting
WEDNESDAY	10:00 am	Bible Study
THURSDAY	9:00 am	Quilting
	9:30 am	Pastor's Study Group at Bingen
FRIDAY	-----	July/August Newsletter Deadline
SUNDAY	9:00 am	Divine Service with Holy Communion
	-----	Bible Study