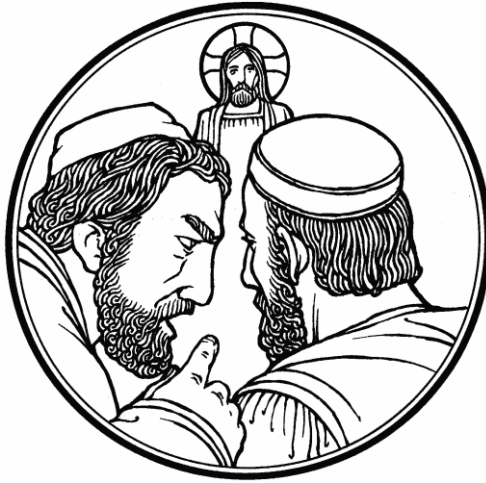


**Pentecost 12 (August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024)**  
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## Opening Hymn: 610 Lord Jesus, Think on Me

*Stand*

*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

You open | your hand;\*

you satisfy the desire of every | living thing.

**Oh, taste and see that the | LORD is good!\***

**Blessèd is the man who takes ref- | uge in him!**

Oh, fear the LORD, | you his saints,\*

for those who fear him | have no lack!

**The young lions suffer want and | hunger;\***

but those who seek the LORD lack | no good thing.

**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.

You open | your hand;\*

you satisfy the desire of every | living thing.

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

## Gloria in Excelsis

- P** Glory be to God on high:  
**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.  
 Gracious Father, Your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Grant that Christ, the bread of life, may live in us and we in Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*1 Kings 19:1–8*

<sup>1</sup>Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. <sup>2</sup>Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, “So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow.” <sup>3</sup>Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there.

<sup>4</sup>But he himself went a day’s journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, “It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers.” <sup>5</sup>And he lay down and slept under a broom tree. And behold, an angel touched him and said to him, “Arise and eat.” <sup>6</sup>And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. And he ate and drank and lay down again. <sup>7</sup>And the angel of the LORD came again a second time and touched him and said, “Arise and eat, for the journey is too great for you.” <sup>8</sup>And he arose and ate and

drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

*Ephesians 4:17—5:2*

<sup>17</sup>This I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. <sup>18</sup>They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. <sup>19</sup>They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. <sup>20</sup>But that is not the way you learned Christ!— <sup>21</sup>assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, <sup>22</sup>to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, <sup>23</sup>and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, <sup>24</sup>and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

<sup>25</sup>Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. <sup>26</sup>Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, <sup>27</sup>and give no opportunity to the devil. <sup>28</sup>Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. <sup>29</sup>Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. <sup>30</sup>And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup>Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. <sup>32</sup>Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

<sup>1</sup>Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. <sup>2</sup>And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

**Alleluia**

*LSB 190*

**C** Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

## Holy Gospel

*John 6:35–51*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.

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

<sup>35</sup>Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. <sup>36</sup>But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. <sup>37</sup>All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. <sup>38</sup>For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. <sup>39</sup>And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. <sup>40</sup>For this is the will of my Father, that

everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.”

<sup>41</sup>So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” <sup>42</sup>They said, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven?’” <sup>43</sup>Jesus answered them, “Do not grumble among yourselves. <sup>44</sup>No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. <sup>45</sup>It is written in the Prophets, ‘And they will all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— <sup>46</sup>not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. <sup>47</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. <sup>48</sup>I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup>Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. <sup>50</sup>This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. <sup>51</sup>I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

**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: 534 Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor

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

### Recognition of SPI Staff

*Stand*

### Prayer of the Church

- P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- P** For the whole Church on earth, that by the Spirit's power all the baptized may become imitators of God as beloved children and walk in love, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- P** For pastors, including me your unworthy servant, and those who assist them, especially those suffering from conflict, burnout or depression, that our Lord would give them strength and courage through the example of Elijah and the prophets and apostles as well as comfort through the forgiveness of sins, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- P** For this congregation, that we may be given grace to believe that we belong to one another through Christ and so put away all falsehood and malice, speaking His truth in love, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- P** For all families and homes, that one generation may tell to the next the wonderful works of God in Christ, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- P** For the nation, that all may live in harmony, neither suffering from want nor fearing danger, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- P** For the sick, including:
- Kay Brown (Sister of Dave and Lynn Matthews)
  - Lynn and Lori Matthews
  - Troy Stults (Son of Andy and Brenda Wolf)
  - Eldora Fuelling
  - Cheryl Caffee
  - Shelly Gerke (Wife of Troy Gerke)
  - Jim Thieme
  - Glen Deatruck for healing from a fall
  - Keith and Suzy Scherer

Susan Gerke (Sister of Steve and Jim Fuelling)

Sandy Werling

Lynn Funk (Father of Mindy Reynolds)

Dorothy DeLong (Mother of Dan DeLong)

that they would never doubt that God hears their prayers; and for all others who suffer from any kind of hardship, that the Lord would relieve their pain and provide for them, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For all who receive Christ's body and blood this day, that reconciled to each other they may rejoice to receive the Lord's forgiveness through this precious gift, be strengthened in times of doubt, and be nourished in body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** Almighty God, heavenly Father, You sent Your Son to be the bread of life. Together with all the faithful who have gone before us, we give You thanks and praise. Keep us steadfast in the faith, so that when our last hour comes, we may rejoice with them at the marriage feast in His kingdom, which has no end. 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 162*

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us 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 Church

**P** Almighty God, grant to Your Church Your Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes down from above, that Your Word may not be bound but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that in steadfast faith we may serve You and, in the confession of Your name, abide unto the end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**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 give you peace.
- C** **Amen, amen, amen.**

## Hymn to Depart: 652 Father, We Thank Thee

In His Service Today:

**Preacher:** The Rev. Leonard Tanksley

**Liturgist:** The Sem. Nathan Kieser

**Organist:** Mrs. Vickie Hammond

**Deacons:** Nathan Scherer (Head), Louie Fuelling, Dan DeLong, Joe Werling

**Elders:** John Fuelling (Head), Andy Wolf, Fred D. Fuelling, Steve Fuelling

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**OFFERINGS:** Unavailable, will be included next week

**\*NOTE: Needed each week to meet the ministry needs of St. Peter: \$5,700.00.\***



You may also donate your offerings online by scanning the QR code with your phone.

**A Decatur Circuit Forum is Scheduled for Sunday, September 15 at 2:00 p.m. at St. John, Bingen.** At this meeting, the church's delegates will elect the next Circuit Visitor. Also on the agenda are two presentations: Pastor Peter Brock will give an update on the work in Tanzania (with recent pictures) and Pastor Don Sauls will share information and updates about the work of Compassionate Ministries. All the members of our circuit congregations are invited to come and hear about the Lord's work supported by our circuit churches.

**Congratulations!** Tory & Stephany Fuelling became the parents of a baby boy, Rooks John Fuelling on Wednesday July 24, 2024. Rooks has two big brothers, Archer and Adler. Proud grandparents are John & Suzy Fuelling.

**Thank you** St. Peter Congregation for the prayers and cards that I received during my brief illness~ Bill Werling

**Sweet Corn for Sale:** The SPI 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> graders are selling sweet corn **TODAY** after church service. Proceeds going towards their Washington D.C. trip in 2026.



**Reminder:** Information for the September Newsletter is due by Tuesday August 20<sup>th</sup>.  
Thank You

**Open Position:** St. Peter Fuelling Church is looking for a Cemetery Trustee. This is a voluntary position and is open to all members. Duties include but not limited to: measuring and plotting burial spots and keeping a log of whose buried where. Please contact Dave Bischoff or Duane Franz with questions, or if interested. Thank you!

Looking for another way to help support SPI school, try the PaperGator! What is that you ask? Why it is a simple way to not only help the school, but also the environment. There is a green dumpster at SPI school on the east side of the property. The items that can be collected are: school/office paper, newspaper, junk mail, hard & soft cover books, magazines, shredded paper (bagged in clear plastic), paperboard(cereal boxes, butter boxes, etc.), Cardboard(12x12 or smaller, & NOT Corrugated), & wrapping paper (no foil or sparkles). When you have a pile of the approved items, take them to the school and put them into the PaperGator dumpster. It is that easy. The proceeds are going towards the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade class trip to Washington D.C.

**CHURCH CALENDAR WEEK OF August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

TODAY	9:00 am	Divine Service
TUESDAY	7:00 pm	Elder's Meeting
WEDNESDAY	10:00 am	Bible Study
THURSDAY	9:00 am	Ladies Aid Quilting
SUNDAY	9:00 am	Divine Service w/Holy Communion

**SEMINARY FOOD CO-OP THEME for AUGUST & SEPTEMBER** - "BAKING": During the months of August and September we will be collecting BAKING items. These items will be delivered to the Seminary the first of October. Some suggestions are but not limited to: flour, sugar(white, brown, powdered), Oil(vegetable, canola), non-stick spray, spices, corn starch, baking powder, Brownie mix, cake mix, icing, foil, plastic wrap. 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. Items can be placed in the gray and white bag at Church. **Thank you for all your donations!**

**3 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** at St. Peter Church on Saturday morning September 14<sup>th</sup> to help with serving Brunch for the LWML Devotion and Program about the Tanzania Mission by Pastor Brock.  
Please let Karen Franz (260-341-4787) know if you can help. Everything should be finished up before 12 noon.

Upcoming Decatur LWML events are:

**Saturday, September 14** is the Fall Gathering at St. Peter Fuelling. Our speaker will be Rev. Peter Brock who will give us an update on the Tanzania Children's Home. A free-will offering will go towards the Tanzanian Mission.

**Saturday, October 5** is the SRD (Spiritual Resource Department) Workshop at St. Paul - Preble. We will be marking Bibles for prisons and local missions.

### **Get tickets now for Getty Music concert at CLHS**

Listen and sing with the uplifting hymns from Getty Music during a special concert at 7 PM October 28 at Concordia Lutheran High School, 1601 St. Joe River Drive, Fort Wayne, Ind. Hymn-writers, Keith and Kristyn Getty, and special guests, Matt Boswell and Matt Papa, are bringing their Fall Tour to Fort Wayne for one unique night. The concert is locally hosted by Concordia Lutheran High School, Foundations of Truth, Holy Cross Lutheran Church & School, and Worship Anew. All proceeds will be used to support the identification and the nurture of current and future leaders of congregational singing.

Tickets are now on sale at [gettymusic.com/tour](http://gettymusic.com/tour). Tickets range from \$20-\$45 with floor and bleacher seating available.

GriefShare is a Christian caring group of people that has direction and purpose. You'll get practical teaching and advice on grief-related topics. Emmanuel Soest at 9909 Wayne Trace will be starting on Saturday, August 17 at 10:00 am and continue through November 9. Each session lasts about 2 hours. If you are new to the program you can register at <http://www.GriefShare.org>. If you have attended it before and would like to go through it again, you may use the workbook you already have. We will be using the 3.0 Workbooks, which will be handed out at the first session. You may also register with me at [mh9744@gmail.com](mailto:mh9744@gmail.com) or call me.

-Mary Hines 705-0454 or 483-1487.

# SPI V. WYNEKEN BBQ COOK-OFF!

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17- 2PM



**JOIN OUR SCHOOLS AND FIVE  
CHURCHES FOR FOOD,  
FELLOWSHIP, AND FUN!**

**Location:** The grove at St. John Bingen  
(across from Wyneken)

**Food:** BBQ, water, and lemonade provided;  
families are invited to bring a side dish  
or dessert, and beverages of their choosing

**Activities:** Inflatables, corn-hole,  
volleyball, ladder golf, or bring your own  
outdoor games or even a deck of cards!

**FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!**



**ST. PETER-IMMANUEL  
LUTHERAN SCHOOL**



**People's choice  
and  
Panel judging!**

- Activities begin at 2pm with food and judging starting at 4pm!
- Food warmers and coolers will be provided to help keep any dishes you bring -ready to serve
- Please consider bringing your own lawn chairs, tables, and tableware, if possible, as a limited amount will be available

**\* A FREE-WILL DONATION WILL BE TAKEN TO HELP  
SUPPORT THE PARENT TEACHER LEAGUES OF OUR SCHOOLS**