



**FESTIVAL OF THE REFORMATION**  
*October 29 and November 1, 2020*



# Welcome!

The members of Saint Peter Lutheran Church welcome you! If you have no church of your own, we encourage you to worship with us again and consider making this church your home.

## **TODAY'S THEME**

*The Festival of the Reformation*

The Festival of the Lutheran Reformation of the Church emphasizes the true Church's unfailing reliance on the Word of God and unflinching testimony to it in the face of persecution. Jesus promised to pour out his Spirit on the Church that we might be God's mouth-piece even before kings. Today the Church prays that the Lord give us strength to be faithful and the peace of knowing our lives are safe in his hands.

## **Saint Peter Lutheran Church**

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### **Public Worship**

Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

Sundays at 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

### **Online streamed services**

Sundays at 10:30 a.m.

(see our Facebook page)

### **Serving Today:**

Preacher - Pr. Jack Kelly

Liturgist - Pr. Justin Heise

Organ/piano - Michelle Yotter

A/V Technician- Steve Willett

Musicians - Ryan Domras, Courtney Domras, John Springer, Matthew Springer, Alex Lindstrom, Deena Lindstrom, Ruby Lindstrom, Macord Lindstrom, Paige Winkelmann, Nora Otto, Caitlyn Otto, Stephanie Otto, Cari Kelly, Michelle Yotter

# Our Worship

## PRE-SERVICE MUSIC (SUNDAY ONLY)

SPLC Brass and Percussion Musicians

## ORDER OF SERVICE

Service of the Word & Sacrament

*Christian Worship, pg. 26*

## OPENING HYMN

“Be Still, My Soul”

*Christian Worship #415*

- 1 Be still, my soul; the Lord is on your side;  
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;  
Leave to your God to order and provide;  
In ev’ry change he faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul; your best, your heav’nly friend  
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.
- 2 Be still, my soul; your God will undertake  
To guide the future as he has the past.  
Your hope, your confidence, let nothing shake;  
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.  
Be still, my soul; the waves and winds still know  
His voice who ruled them while he lived below.
- 3 Be still, my soul, though dearest friends depart  
And all is darkened in the vale of tears;  
Then you will better know his love, his heart,  
Who comes to soothe your sorrows and your fears.  
Be still, my soul; your Jesus can repay  
From his own fullness all he takes away.
- 4 Be still, my soul; the hour is hast’ning on  
When we shall be forever with the Lord,  
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,  
Sorrow forgot, love’s purest joys restored.  
Be still, my soul; when change and tears are past,  
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

## INVOCATION

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

## CONFESSION OF SINS

P: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

**C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 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.

**C: Amen.**

P: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

## SONG OF PRAISE

“O Lord, Our Lord”

P: O Lord, our Lord, how glorious is your name in all the earth.

**C: Almighty God, merciful Father, You crown our life with your love. You take away our sin; you comfort our spirit; You make us pure and holy in your sight. You did not spare your only Son, but gave him up for us all.**

P: O Lord, our Lord, how glorious is your name in all the earth.

**C: O Son of God, eternal Word of the Father, You came to live with us; You made your Father known; You washed us from our sins in your own blood.**

P: You are the King of glory; you are the Lord!

**C: O Lord, our Lord, how glorious is your name in all the earth.**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray.

Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **The Word**

### **FIRST LESSON**

Daniel 6:10-12, 16-23

*Daniel is persecuted for his loyalty to the Word.*

<sup>10</sup> Now when Daniel learned that the decree had been published, he went home to his upstairs room where the windows opened toward Jerusalem. Three times a day he got down on his knees and prayed, giving thanks to his God, just as he had done before. <sup>11</sup> Then these men went as a group and found Daniel praying and asking God for help. <sup>12</sup> So they went to the king and spoke to him about his royal decree: "Did you not publish a decree that during the next thirty days anyone who prays to any god or man except to you, O king, would be thrown into the lions' den?"

The king answered, "The decree stands—in accordance with the laws of the Medes and Persians, which cannot be repealed."

<sup>16</sup> So the king gave the order, and they brought Daniel and threw him into the lions' den. The king said to Daniel, "May your God, whom you serve continually, rescue you!"

<sup>17</sup> A stone was brought and placed over the mouth of the den, and the king sealed it with his own signet ring and with the rings of his nobles, so that Daniel's situation might not be changed. <sup>18</sup> Then the king returned to his palace and spent the night without eating and without any entertainment being brought to him. And he could not sleep.

<sup>19</sup> At the first light of dawn, the king got up and hurried to the lions' den. <sup>20</sup> When he came near the den, he called to Daniel in an anguished voice, "Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to rescue you from the lions?"

<sup>21</sup> Daniel answered, "O king, live forever! <sup>22</sup> My God sent his angel, and he shut the mouths of the lions. They have not hurt me, because I was found innocent in his sight. Nor have I ever done any wrong before you, O king."

<sup>23</sup> The king was overjoyed and gave orders to lift Daniel out of the den. And when Daniel was lifted from the den, no wound was found on him, because he had trusted in his God.

P: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM 46**

*(Read Responsively)*

P: The mighty Lord is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

**C: God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.**

P: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,

**C: though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.**

P: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells.

**C: God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day.**

P: "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."

**All: 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.**

## **SECOND LESSON**

Galatians 5:1-6

*Freed by grace, not slaves to the law.*

<sup>1</sup> It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.

<sup>2</sup> Mark my words! I, Paul, tell you that if you let yourselves be circumcised, Christ will be of no value to you at all. <sup>3</sup> Again I declare to every man who lets himself be circumcised that he is obligated to obey the whole law. <sup>4</sup> You who are trying to be justified by law have been alienated from Christ; you have fallen away from grace. <sup>5</sup> But by faith we eagerly await through the Spirit the righteousness for which we hope. <sup>6</sup> For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision has any value. The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.

P: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **VERSE OF THE DAY**

John 8:31, 32 (Read Together)

**Alleluia. "If you continue in my Word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." Alleluia.**

## **GOSPEL**

Matthew 10:16-23

*Faithfulness to the Word means persecution.*

<sup>16</sup> I am sending you out like sheep among wolves. Therefore be as shrewd as snakes and as innocent as doves.

<sup>17</sup> "Be on your guard against men; they will hand you over to the local councils and flog you in their synagogues. <sup>18</sup> On my account you will be brought before governors and kings as witnesses to them and to the Gentiles. <sup>19</sup> But when they arrest you, do not worry about what to say or how to say it. At that time you will be given what to say, <sup>20</sup> for it will not be you speaking, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.

<sup>21</sup> "Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child; children will rebel against their parents and have them put to death. <sup>22</sup> All men will hate you because of me, but he who stands firm to the end will be saved. <sup>23</sup> When you are persecuted in one place, flee to another. I tell you the truth, you will not finish going through the cities of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise be to you, O Christ!**

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

**ACCOMPANIED BY SPLC MUSICIANS (SUNDAY ONLY)**

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

*Christian Worship #200*

- 1 **A mighty fortress is our God, A trusty shield and weapon;  
He helps us free from ev'ry need That has us now o'ertaken.  
The old evil foe Now means deadly woe;  
Deep guile and great might Are his dread arms in fight;  
On earth is not his equal.**
- 2 **With might of ours can naught be done;  
Soon were our loss effected.  
But for us fights the valiant one Whom God himself elected.  
You ask, "Who is this?" Jesus Christ it is,**



The almighty Lord. And there's no other God;  
He holds the field forever.

- 3 Though devils all the world should fill,  
All eager to devour us,  
We tremble not, we fear no ill; They shall not overpow'r us.  
This world's prince may still Scowl fierce as he will,  
He can harm us none. He's judged; the deed is done!  
One little word can fell him.
- 4 The Word they still shall let remain,  
Nor any thanks have for it;  
He's by our side upon the plain  
With his good gifts and Spirit.  
And do what they will—Hate, steal, hurt, or kill—  
Though all may be gone, Our victory is won;  
The kingdom's ours forever!

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. composite.

## Sermon

Text: Galatians 5:1-6

Theme: The Reformation in Two Words: Faith Works

## We Respond to God's Word

**APOSTLES' CREED** (*Sung to the tune of "Ode to Joy" CW # 169*)

- 1 I believe in God the Father, Maker of the heav'ns and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, our Savior,  
God's own Son, of human birth.  
Virgin-born, the Lord's incarnate,  
Whom the Spirit did conceive.  
Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Our salvation to achieve.
- 2 Crucified, was dead and buried, Down to hell in victory;  
From the dead he rose the third day;  
Up to heav'n triumphantly.

**There at God's right hand he's ruling,  
By his will the world is led.  
He will come to judge the nations,  
Both the living and the dead.**

- 3 I believe in God the Spirit, In his Church, his chosen band.  
They are joined in close communion,  
Holy in his sight they stand.  
I believe in sin forgiven; That the dead will rise again;  
I believe in life eternal. Amen! And again, Amen!**

Text by Mark Bitter

### **OFFERING (taken at the door)**

*The members of Saint Peter Lutheran Church have joined together to do the Lord's work in this community and around the world. May God bless us as we do his work! To give an offering with your smartphone, text "givesplc" to 77977 and click on the link that you receive. Offerings can be given by credit card, debit card, or your bank account. Offerings can also be given by going to our website (saintpeterlutheran.org) or mailed to 427 W. Mulberry, Saint Peter MN 56082.*

### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

#### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

## **The Lord's Supper**

**P: The Lord be with you.**

**C: And also with you.**

**P: Lift up your hearts.**

**C: We lift them up to the Lord.**

**P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.**

**C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P: Praise to the God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He protects and preserves his Church in every age and gives us confidence to lift up our heads and watch for Jesus with joy. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of God and the authority of Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

**C: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.  
The whole earth is full of your glory.  
You are my God, and I will exalt you.  
I will give you thanks,  
For you have become my salvation.  
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.  
The whole earth is full of your glory.**

#### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

P: 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.

**C: Amen.**

## **DISTRIBUTION**

*Our church practices the Biblical teaching of member communion. All those who are members of our congregation or another Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) or Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS) congregation are invited to receive Christ's body and blood in the Sacrament. If you have any questions about this practice, please contact one of our pastors, and we would be happy to discuss it with you.*

*Communion will be brought to you in your pew to minimize contact between individuals. The pastor will hand you a wafer and a individual cup. An usher will follow behind to allow you to dispose of the cup afterward. Once everyone has received the elements, the pastor will bless the entire congregation at the same time. During the distribution, please join in the hymn.*

## **DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

**"Oh God, Our Lord, Your Holy Word"**

*Christian Worship #204*

- 1 O God, our Lord, Your holy Word  
Was long a hidden treasure  
Till to its place It was by grace Restored in fullest measure.  
For this today Our thanks we say And gladly glorify you.  
Your mercy show and grace bestow  
On all who still deny you.**
- 2 Salvation true By faith in you—  
That is your gospel's preaching,  
The heart and core Of Bible lore In all its sacred teaching.  
In Christ we must put all our trust,  
Not in our deeds or labor;  
With conscience pure and heart secure  
Love you, Lord, and our neighbor.**
- 3 Lord, you alone This work have done  
By your free grace and favor.  
All who believe will grace receive  
Through Jesus Christ, our Savior.  
And though the foe would overthrow  
Your Word with grim endeavor,  
All he has wrought Must come to naught—  
Your Word will stand forever!**

**4 Since you are mine, my Lord divine,  
Death holds no dreadful terrors;  
Your precious blood, My highest good,  
Has blotted out my errors.  
My thanks to you—Your Word is true!  
Fulfill your promise ever,  
And mercy give while here I live  
And heav’nly bliss forever.**

Text: *Enchiridion . . . zum Schwartzten Horn*, Erfurt, 1527, abr.; tr. W. Gustave Polack, 1890–1950, alt.

### **PRAYER**

**P:** Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

**P:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

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.

**C: Amen.**

### **CLOSING HYMN**

"God's Word is Our Great Heritage"  
*Christian Worship* #293

**God's Word is our great heritage  
And shall be ours forever;  
To spread its light from age to age**

**Shall be our chief endeavor.  
Through life it guides our way;  
In death it is our stay.  
Lord, grant, while worlds endure,  
We keep its teachings pure  
Throughout all generations.**

Text: Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783–1872; tr. Ole G. Belsheim, 1861–1925.

## **Service Notes**

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# **Announcements**

## **Bible Study & Sunday School**

In-person Sunday school and Bible study is held at 9:15 a.m. In Sunday school we have all students age 4-8th grade meet as one group in church, as distant from each other as possible and we ask that masks be worn. This year we are covering Old Testament Bible lessons. Please go to the church website to sign up for Sunday School. Pastor Kelly leads the adults in a study on the Lutheran Reformation.

## **Women's Bible Study in Two Formats!**

In October and November there are two ways for women to dig deeper into God's Word. An in-person study of the book of Hebrews is taking place in the fellowship hall at 6:30 p.m. on Sundays. Please bring your mask and plan to be spread out. A study of favorite Psalms is meeting via Zoom on Sundays at 8:00 p.m. Please email Cari at [we5kellys@gmail.com](mailto:we5kellys@gmail.com) or call/text 224-430-3926 if you have any questions or to register. Hope to see you there!

## **Spanish Service November 1**

Our next Spanish service will be TODAY at 1:00 p.m. We will celebrate All Saints Day and consider the blessed state of Christians that have gone before us. We encourage English speakers to attend to support our Spanish-speaking members in faith.

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## W O R S H I P

Him + Her Worship is a Christian worship duo who will be teaming up with St. Peter Lutheran for a worship service next month. Based out of Minneapolis MN, husband and wife Seth and Jenna Herlich now live on the road full-time, towing their instruments and 13 foot camper around the country. With a passion for adventure and a calling to create, the duo leads narrative-driven worship nights, bringing their powerful, passionate harmonies and a timeless message of Christ's love and hope to receptive congregations and audiences in dozens of US cities.

Him + Her Worship blends Christian contemporary energy, honest singer-songwriter lyricism, cinematic textures, and indie experimentation into an exceptional and cohesive worship music experience.

Please come to either service on Sunday, November 8th to be encouraged, refreshed, and to have fun! Bring a friend or family member and come sing and worship with them!

### **Check out their story and their music:**

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/himandherworship](http://www.facebook.com/himandherworship)

Instagram: @himandherworship

Website: [www.himandherworship.com](http://www.himandherworship.com)

Youtube: Him + Her Worship

## November 1-8, 2020

<b>Sun</b>	8:00 & 10:30 a.m.	Worship
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Bible Study and Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Livestream Worship on Facebook
	1:00 p.m.	Spanish Worship Service
	6:30 p.m. (Fellowship Hall) & 8 p.m. (Zoom)	Women's Bible Study
		<b>Daylight Savings!</b>
<b>Mon</b>		NO SCHOOL - Little Lambs and SPELS
<b>Wed</b>	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study: Book of Ruth
<b>Thurs</b>	6:30 p.m.	Midweek Worship
<b>Fri</b>	6:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
<b>Sun</b>	8:00 & 10:30 a.m.	Worship: Him and Her
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Bible Study and Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Livestream Worship on Facebook
	12:00 p.m.	Church Council Meeting
	6:30 p.m. (Fellowship Hall) & 8 p.m. (Zoom)	Women's Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	YFC