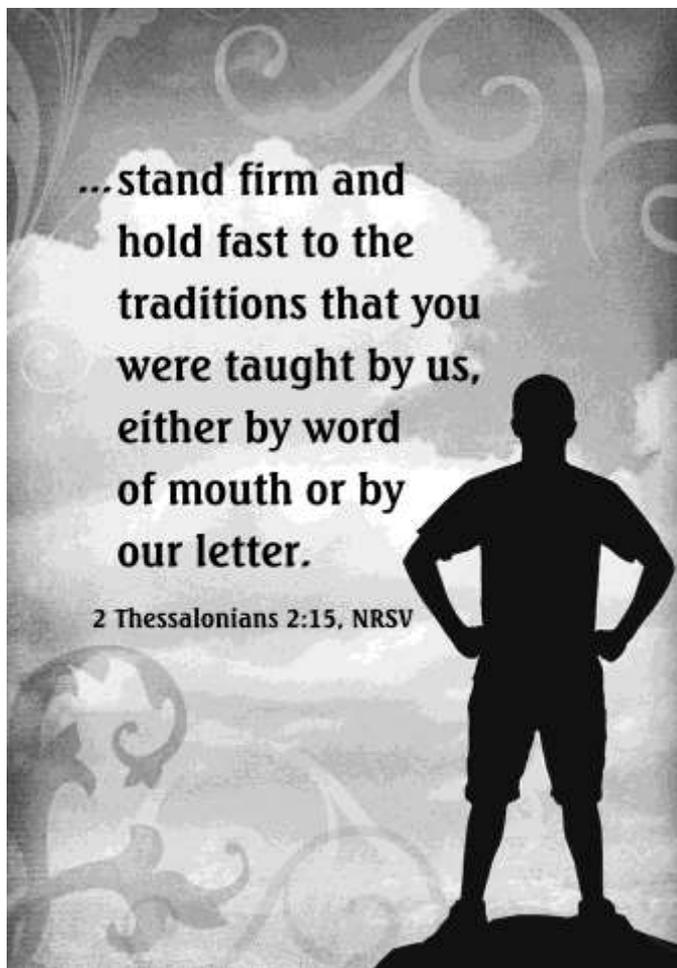




OUR SAVIOR'S

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Fourth Sunday of Easter – May 8, 2022



Welcome to Our Savior's

We are delighted to have you worship with us. May God bless your time with us richly.

Prayer Before Communing

Lord Jesus, you have invited me to come and receive your holy Sacrament. I believe that in the bread and wine you give me your true body and blood to eat and drink. Forgive my sins and nourish my faith through this precious meal. I long for the comfort that comes with your promises; I yearn for the assurance of your faithful love. Bless me now as I receive you by faith.

Prayer After Communing

Thank you, dear Savior, for nourishing my faith with the Sacrament of your body and blood. Lift my heart with your forgiveness, renew my confidence in your grace, empower my love for others, and lead me to long for the eternal banquet of heaven.

Serving Today

- Minister – Pastor Kevin Schnake
- Organist – Marie Kurth
- Ushers – Bill Unruh, Tony Sulko
(Next Sunday – Rick & Karen Leopold)

Acknowledgments

Setting One from Christian Worship

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Our Worship

470 Like the Golden Sun Ascending

CW 470

- 1 Like the golden sun ascending,
breaking through the gloom of night,
on the earth its glory spending
so that darkness takes to flight,
thus my Jesus from the grave
and death's dismal, dreadful cave
rose triumphant Easter morning
at the early purple dawning.
- 2 Thanks to you, O Christ victorious!
Thanks to you, O Lord of life!
Death has now no power o'er us,
you have conquered in the strife.
Thanks because you did arise
and have opened paradise!
None can fully sing the glory
of the resurrection story.
- 3 You have died for my transgression,
all my sins on you were laid.
You have won for me salvation,
on the cross my debt was paid.
From the grave I shall arise
and shall meet you in the skies.
Death itself is transitory;
I shall lift my head in glory.
- 4 For the joy your advent gave me,
for your gospel's great reward,
for your baptism which has saved me,
for your supper and your Word;
for your death, the bitter scorn,
for your resurrection morn:
Lord, I thank you and extol you,
and in heav'n I shall behold you.

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Stand

In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. 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 T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

Glory Be to God

CW 157



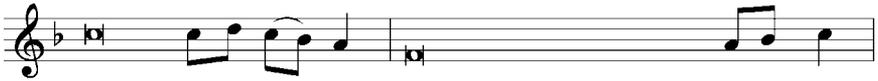
Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



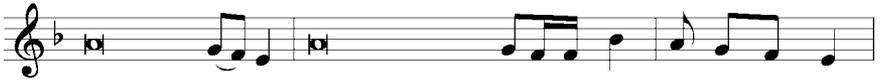
we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;



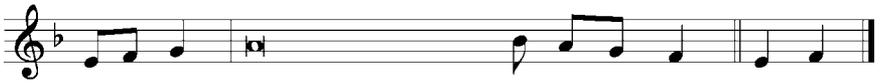
have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.



For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the



Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

The Word

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O God, you made the dawn of this day shine with the glory of our Lord's resurrection. Grant that we who have been raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit may faithfully follow and cling by faith to our risen Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

First Reading

Joshua 1:6–9

⁶Be strong and courageous, because you will lead these people to inherit the land I swore to their ancestors to give them.

⁷“Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go. ⁸Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful. ⁹Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

2 Thessalonians 2:13–17

¹³But we ought always to thank God for you, brothers and sisters loved by the Lord, because God chose you as firstfruits to be saved through the sanctifying work of the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴He called you to this through our gospel, that you might share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

¹⁵So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the teachings we passed on to you, whether by word of mouth or by letter.

¹⁶May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, ¹⁷encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

813 He Will Hold Me Fast

CW 813

- 1 When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
when the tempter would prevail, he will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold thro' life's fearful path,
for my love is often cold— he must hold me fast.
He will hold me fast; he will hold me fast;
for my Savior loves me so, he will hold me fast.

- 2 Those he saves are his delight; Christ will hold me fast;
precious in his holy sight, he will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost; his promises shall last;
bought by him at such a cost, he will hold me fast.
He will hold me fast; he will hold me fast;
for my Savior loves me so, he will hold me fast.

- 3 For my life he bled and died; Christ will hold me fast;
justice has been satisfied; he will hold me fast.
Raised with him to endless life, he will hold me fast
till our faith is turned to sight when he comes at last!
He will hold me fast; he will hold me fast;
for my Savior loves me so, he will hold me fast.

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Sermon

2 *Thessalonians* 2:13–17

“Hold on to Jesus, Our Risen Savior!”

Stand

Nicene Creed

**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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and became truly human.**

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,
who in unity with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy Christian 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.**

Be seated

Prayer of the Church

Lord of life, fill our hearts with joy during this season, for you have risen and conquered the grave. Imprint the message of victory on our hearts and implant it in our minds. Through the good news of your resurrection renew our hope and revive our faith. Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

By baptizing us into your name, you have connected us to your death and rising. You have put our sin to death and have given us a new life. Enable us each day to think of ourselves as dead to sin and alive to you, so that we may walk in newness of life in all we do. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

In this fallen world, death and sorrow surround us. Touch the hearts of those who grieve the loss of a Christian they love. Direct their eyes to your empty tomb and ease their pain by reminding them that their loved ones will one day rise again. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Lord, many people grieve without hope. Let the message of resurrection reach them and awaken faith in their hearts. Use us as your instruments to bring the word of life to their souls and the message of hope to their hearts. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Stay by the side of all who are suffering. In your wise mercy, heal those who are sick, receiving treatment for illness, recovering from illness or surgery, or hurting in body or mind. [*Special prayers.*] Remind them that your victory over death is a fact, and comfort them with your promise to raise them and give them and all believers new, glorified bodies like yours. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence. *Silent prayer*

Risen Savior, feed our faith with the message of your resurrection. Come to us in your Word and in the feast of your Sacrament to sustain and strengthen us until we feast with you in eternal glory.

Amen.

Offering

The Sacrament

Stand

Preface

CW 165

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who by his willing sacrifice on the cross took away the sins of the world and by his glorious resurrection restored everlasting life. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of heavenly hosts:

heav'n and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he, blessed is he,

blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born

of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

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.

Words of Institution

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 T 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 T 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.

Amen.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us your peace. Amen.

Distribution

563 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

CW 563

- 1 My hope is built on nothing less
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare to make no other claim,
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand.
- 2 When darkness veils his lovely face,
I rest on his unchanging grace;
in ev'ry high and stormy gale
my anchor holds within the veil.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand.
- 3 His oath, his covenant and blood
support me in the raging flood;
when ev'ry earthly prop gives way,
he then is all my hope and stay.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand.
- 4 When he shall come with trumpet sound,
oh, may I then in him be found,
clothed in his righteousness alone,
faultless to stand before his throne.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand.

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570 God Loved the World So That He Gave

CW 570

- 1 God loved the world so that he gave
his only Son the lost to save
that all who would in him believe
should everlasting life receive.

- 2 Christ is the solid rock of faith,
who was made flesh and suffered death.
All who confide in him alone
are built on this chief cornerstone.
- 3 God would not have the sinner die;
his Son with saving grace is nigh.
His Spirit in the Word declares
that we in Christ are heaven's heirs.
- 4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son
forgives the sins that you have done.
You're justified by Jesus' blood;
baptized, you are a child of God.
- 5 If you are sick, if death is near,
this truth your troubled heart can cheer:
Christ Jesus saves my soul from death;
this is the anchor of my faith!
- 6 Glory to God the Father, Son,
and Holy Spirit, Three in One!
To you, O blessed Trinity,
be praise now and eternally!

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Stand

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Blessing

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 T give you peace.

Amen.

518 Christ Be My Leader

CW 518

- 1 Christ be my leader by night as by day;
safe through the darkness, for he is the way.
Gladly I follow, my future his care,
darkness is daylight when Jesus is there.
- 2 Christ be my teacher in age as in youth,
drifting or doubting, for he is the truth.
Grant me to trust him; though shifting as sand,
doubt cannot daunt me; in Jesus I stand.
- 3 Christ be my Savior in calm as in strife;
death cannot hold me, for he is the life.
Nor darkness nor doubting nor sin and its stain
can touch my salvation: with Jesus I reign.

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***Thank you for worshiping with us!
May God richly bless your week.***

This Week's Opportunities for Growing in Christ

Today	9:00 AM 10:15 AM	Worship with Communion Sunday School & Bible Class
Monday	6:00 PM	Coordinating Council
Tuesday	11:00 AM 11:30 AM	Cliff Froehlich funeral OWLS Lunch at Gorski's
Wednesday	6:30 PM	Small Group Bible Study
Thursday	1:00 PM	Ladies' Aid
Sunday 5/15	9:00 AM 10:15 AM	Worship Sunday School & Bible Class

Serving the Pastoral Vacancy

Beginning May 1st, Pastor Jeff Mahnke from St Peter Lutheran Church is serving as Our Savior's vacancy pastor. Should you need his pastoral guidance and service, call / text him anytime at 715.297.0132. His email address is pastorm@mysaintpeter.org.

Assisting in Leading Our Worship Services

Pastor Kevin Schnake and Vicar Sam Helwig from St Peter are part of a rotation to help lead the 9:00 am worship service. Today we welcome Pastor Schnake, who has been serving at St Peter since August of 2020. He graduated from Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in 2009, and his first Divine Call was to Trinity Lutheran Church in Omak, Washington. His wife's name is Adriann, and they have been blessed with three daughters: Lydia, Eva, and Joanna.

Requesting A Seminary Graduate

Our Savior's is requesting a pastoral candidate from the senior class of 2022 at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. According to Pastor Mike Jensen, the president of the Western Wisconsin District, there are currently 140 pastoral vacancies in our Synod, and he's expecting about 100 churches, including Our Savior's, to ask for a graduate from a class of 25 men. We rejoice to know that the risen and ascended Lord is in control and that he is guiding his Church here on earth. Let's pray boldly that we be granted a graduate, if it is God's will. The Seminary's Call Day service will be held on Thursday, May 26th, at 10:00 am.

Remember in Your Prayers

- Pauline Froehlich, moving to Three Oaks in Marshfield
- Judy Wisneski, recovering from surgery at Aspirus
- Family of Gerald “Jerry” Unruh, brother of Bill Unruh. Gerry went home to heaven on April 30.
- Family of Marvin Bishop, brother of Bob Bishop. Marvin was a veteran and passed away on May 2.

Asleep in Jesus

On Tues., May 3rd, God in his mercy called home to himself the soul of Cliff Froehlich. A Christian funeral will be held this Tuesday at 11:00 am, with visitation beginning at 10 am until the time of service. May God grant peace and comfort to Pauline, Don and all who mourn.

“Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.” “Yes,” says the Spirit, “they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them.”

Revelation 14:13

Memorials

We thank Bill & Sue Unruh and Ellen Fitzke for their gifts given in memory of Lucille Schulz. Blessed be her memory. Thanks be to God for the love which led to these gifts.

New address

Carol Smith recently moved to Applegate. Her new address is 3001 Westhill Dr Apt 218B. Her phone number has not changed.

Ladies Aid May Meeting

The Our Savior’s Ladies Aid will meet on Thursday, May 12th, at 1:00 pm. Pastor Mahnke will lead a brief Bible study on 1st Corinthians 15, the Great Resurrection chapter of the Bible.

Organization of WELS Lutheran Seniors (OWLS)

For our May meeting on Tuesday, May 12, we are looking forward to fellowship and food at Gorski’s restaurant on Orbiting Dr in Mosinee at 11:30 AM. If you are planning to join us, please call Ruth at 715-573-2142 to reserve a place.

Ascension Day Worship & School Closing Service

Thursday, May 26 is Ascension Day. Join us for a special combined Ascension Day and school closing worship service at 6:30 p.m.

Ice Cream Social: Thank you, volunteers!

Please join us for ice cream and fellowship following the Ascension Day/School Closing worship service on May 26. We'd especially like to invite and offer special thanks to all our volunteers who keep our school and church running smoothly.

Forward in Christ, Meditations & Portals of Prayer

The latest issues are available in the narthex and in the office link.

Northside Ministries Clothing Drive

The Ladies' Aid is collecting clean clothing in good repair which will be donated to Northside Lutheran Ministry, our WELS ministry in inner city Milwaukee. Donations may be placed in the church basement by Sunday, May 15.

Talent Night at Our Savior's School

On Monday, May 23 at 6:00 pm our students will present songs, skits, and talents. Afterwards, we'll celebrate a successful school year with treats and fellowship. Join us for an evening of fun and entertainment!

Area Divine Call News

Mr. Jarred Beduze, Northland's Vice Principal and Athletic Director, has accepted a Divine Call to serve as the Vice Principal at Winnebago Lutheran High School in Fond du lac, WI. NLHS is requesting an MLC graduate and hopes to secure two part-time teachers for next school year. Tarah Beduze will soon be resigning her Divine Call as the director of Key to Life Christian Childcare Center in Weston. St Peter is also requesting an MLC graduate to replace her.

Our Stewardship of God's Gifts: May 1, 2022

<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Vision</u>	<u>Debt</u>	<u>Plate</u>	<u>Missions</u>	<u>Easter</u>
\$2,410.00	\$200.00	\$262.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$37.00
<u>Memorials</u>	<u>Publications</u>	<u>Flowers</u>	<u>School Fees</u>	<u>BoxTops for Ed</u>	
\$20.00	\$5.00	\$40.00	\$99.00	\$29.50	

Attendance: Sunday, May 1 – 74 online – 29 Total = 103

2022 WELS Night At American Family Field

A Lamers motor coach will travel to American Family Park in Milwaukee to watch the Brewers play the Pittsburgh Pirates on Friday, July 8th at 7:10 pm. The bus will leave the St. Peter Schofield Campus at 2:30 pm and return at approximately 2:00 am. Approximate price for transportation and game ticket is \$52-65 per person (depends on how many people go). Payments are due on game day before getting on the bus. Sign up in the narthex by Sunday, June 5th, to secure your spot!



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