



August 6th, 2023, 9:00 am 10th Sunday after Pentecost

worship notes:

Welcome to our church family today as we celebrate the presence of the risen Jesus Christ, in our lives and in our world. Today's music is found in the **ELW** (red hymnal). Children's activity bags are available in the back of the sanctuary. Hearing devices can be found as you enter the sanctuary. An usher will be happy to help! We pray that you will experience God's redeeming love and grace as you worship with us. Please stay and enjoy coffee & conversation after worship in the Fellowship Hall!

about the readings:

In today's first reading God invites all who are hungry or thirsty to receive food and drink without cost. Jesus feeds the hungry multitude and reveals the abundance of God. At the eucharistic table we remember all who are hungry or poor in our world today. As we share the bread of life, we are sent forth to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry.

St. Peter's Lutheran Church

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GATHERING

PRELUDE

"Schmucke dich O Liebe Seele"
by Johann Sebastian Bach (translation: Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness)
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WELCOME + ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.

Congregation: Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors. Merciful God, **we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.** *(silence for reflection)*

Righteous God, **we confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.** *(silence for reflection)*

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN

"We Come to the Hungry Feast" **ELW#479**

GREETING

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

KYRIE

"In peace let us pray to the Lord" **ELW Setting 3, pg. 138**

HYMN OF PRAISE

"This is the Feast" **ELW Setting 3, pg. 140**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Glorious God, **your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

BLESSING OF CAMPERS

Miss Ann

WORD

FIRST READING **Isaiah 55:1-5**

SECOND READING **Romans 9:1-5**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *“Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?”*
ELW Setting 3, pg. 142

GOSPEL READING: **Matthew 14:13-21**

Before: **Glory to you, O Lord** *After:* **Praise to you, O Christ**

MESSAGE **Pastor David Weeks**

HYMN OF THE DAY *“Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service”* **ELW #712**

NICENE CREED *“We believe in one God...”* **ELW pg.104**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
*after each petition: Hear us, O God, **your mercy is great.***

PEACE
The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

MEAL

OFFERING *“The Holy City”* by Stephen Adams
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OFFERING PRAYER
God of field and forest, sea and sky, **you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

- All are invited and welcome to participate in Communion.
- Communicants should approach the altar down the center aisle and return by the side aisles. Ushers will guide you.
- Non-alcoholic juice is available. Gluten-free communion wafers are available.
- Please notify the ushers if you would like Communion from your seat.

COMMUNION HYMN *“Lamb of God”* **ELW Setting 3, pg. 146**
“You Satisfy the Hungry Heart” **ELW#484**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
Let us pray. **We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

SENDING SONG

“*Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*” **ELW#674**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the harvest. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

“*Prelude in Major*”
by Johann Sebastian Bach
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Prayer Ministry

Contact the church office to submit names of people to be included in our Sunday prayers. Please provide an update if situations improve or renew request bi-monthly.

Today we pray especially for:

Paula B. (daughter of Judy), Bernice C., Tom D. (brother of Julia), Carl E. (friend of Pete & Susan),
Marilyn F., Ron H., Daryl K., Tami L., Christopher L. (son of Sonja), Inez N., Larry O.,
Scott Q. (relative of Carmen), Jaynie R. (daughter of Jeff & Stephanie),
Roya S. (great niece of Pete and Diane), Karen W. (cousin of Carmen, Char), Jon W., Thelma W.

(last names are withheld for on-line privacy.)

*If you would like a visit or phone call from Pastor David,
please contact the Church Office at 645-8252.*

Today’s Worship and Fellowship Leaders

Reader: Mary Bleckwehl

Ushers: Mona + Lael Weselmann

Communion: Sheryl Kleppe + Jolene Manzey + Michon Weeks

Hospitality: Mary Boyum + Ramona Pumper

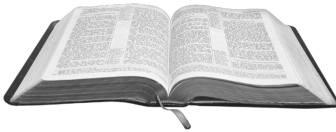
Organist: Joanne Rodland

Song leader/Soloist: Pete Pedersen

Live Streaming: Megan Culhane

Would you like to follow along with today’s readings?

For today’s lesson
and gospel texts,
scan with your smart
phone’s camera:



Thank you!

Thank you for all you do to serve Jesus here at St. Peter’s.
In addition to giving in worship, you may mail or drop off
your offering, set up auto payment through Vanco or bill pay,
or use the included QR code for Vanco.

*“If the only prayer you said was thank you,
that would be enough.”*
— Meister Eckhart



Announcements

*Be sure to subscribe to receive weekly emails from us!
You can do so on our website at www.northfieldstp.org/email*

Time + Talent Forms

For the Son of Man came not to be served, but to serve.... Jesus

God has blessed each of us with gifts. Together, we are the Body of Christ, called to serve the world. Time & Talent forms for the 2023-2024 year are now available. We invite you to take a step of faith and indicate how you want to share your God-given gifts here at St. Peter's and beyond. We value and appreciate all gifts and offerings. There are no gifts so small that God cannot bless and use them.

Forms are available at the welcome desk to fill out. An online form is available as well. You can access the link through our weekly emails.

Sonshine Youth Events | Wednesday, August 9th + 23rd

8.9 | Feed My Starving Children Service Project | Arrive at Bethel at 3:30pm, the bus will depart at 3:45pm. After packing food at Feed My Starving Children in Eagan from 4:30-6:15 the youth will go to a local park/church to eat dinner and play outside. The bus will return to Bethel at 8:15pm.

8.23 | Scavenger Hunt | Downtown Northfield, Pick-up and drop-off at The Blast | 6:30-8pm. Bring \$5 for ice cream.

Northfield Noontime Organ Recital | Wednesday, August 9th | 12:15-12:45

8.9 | Joanne Rodland (organ) + Donna Paulsen (piano), Northfield United Methodist Church
(1401 S Maple St.)

Sunday Summer School Outing | Sunday, August 13th

Join us for a summer outing to the Apple Valley Aquatic Center on Sunday, August 13th at 11am. Kids and families with swimmers, or beginners, of all levels will enjoy this water park featuring pools, splash pads w/water falls, slides and a lazy river. Cost is \$13 per person. We'll meet there. Concessions available or pack a lunch/snacks.

St. Paul Saints Game Excursion | Sunday, August 20th

Sign-up sheet located on the welcome desk.

Tickets \$50/person (includes bus fare)

Bus will load at St. Peters at 12:15 and depart for St. Paul at 12:30.

Interested In Joining A Music Group?

Worship Choir practices begin on September 6th, 7 pm.

Jubilee Bells practices begin on September 13th, 5:30 pm.

Sunday School Teachers Needed

We need Sunday School classroom teacher volunteers for the upcoming school year. You can be assigned to a classroom all year or be added to a rotation. Your choice! All lesson materials will be provided. Miss Ann will lead the Large Group Opening at the beginning of the hour followed by music w/Miss Zoe and then classroom time. Please contact Miss Ann at cariannstrauch@northfieldstp.org if you are able to help.



Kids' Corner

Pentecost 10

- Today is the **10th Sunday** after Pentecost.
- During this season, we read stories called **parables**.
- Parables are **stories** that Jesus told.
- Parables help us **learn about God** and grow in faith.

Draw a tree—the symbol for Pentecost—inside this storybook.

