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**9:00 A.M. Sundays: Alternating with Traditional &  
Contemporary Services (Communion - all Services)  
10:15-11:00 A.M. Sunday School; 10:30-11:00 A.M. Adult  
Bible Class (September-May)  
6:30 P.M. Wednesdays: Devotional Service with Communion**

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**TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**August 12, 2018**

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**TODAY:** 10:30 Elders' Meeting  
**MONDAY:** 6:30 Board of Education  
**WEDNESDAY:** 6:30-7:00 Devotional Service  
with Communion  
**NEXT SUNDAY:** 9:00 Traditional Service with Communion

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**ACOLYTE:** Logan Knight **READER:** Susan Clare

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**BIRTHDAYS:** TUES: Doug Stoltzmann FRI: Gayle Schneider

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**BAPTISMAL DATES:** THURS: Joanne Larson SAT: Roger Groth

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**HEARING ASSISTANCE RADIOS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX.** Please see an usher. Turn to 97.8 or 98.0 for the best reception.

**CUSHIONS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX.** You may leave them in the pews after the worship service.

**ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY:** 87.

## Contemporary Service with Communion

August 12, 2018 – 9:00 A.M.

**AS WE GATHER** – There is a great divide—a notable difference—between what we were before being given new life through Baptism and what we are now, recipients of God’s forgiving love in Christ. In today’s Epistle, Paul lists the characteristics of any Christian who is reflecting that love. It is not a list commending our successful reflections of our new nature, but a series of exhortations, writing, “Let us . . .” There is only one source of hope as we struggle—our Lord. We have been baptized into the Body of Christ, and at each reception of the Lord’s Supper we are strengthened to show the new person He has called us to be. As Elijah was strengthened by miraculous food and went on toward Horeb, the mount of God, so we are assured of God’s forgiveness as we receive Christ’s body and blood in the Lord’s Supper. He is the bread of life from heaven, who enables each of us to discard our old ways, live in the new life of God’s forgiving love, and adorn ourselves with gladness.

**WELCOME** (*Worshippers greet one another.*)(*Stand.*)

**OPENING SONG:** “Glorious Day” (*See screen.*)

**THE INVOCATION** (*See screen.*)

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

**OPENING SENTENCES** (*Psalm 34:4–5*) (*See screen.*)

Pastor: I sought the Lord, and He answered me

**People: and delivered me from all my fears.**

Pastor: Those who look to Him are radiant,

**People: and their faces shall never be ashamed.**

Pastor: Let us then go to God, confessing our sins, confident of His grace and mercy.

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION** (*See screen.*)

Pastor: Lord Jesus Christ,

**People: we confess that in our daily struggles we often lose awareness of Your presence. We neglect to be faithful in our worship; we fail to recognize the forgiveness, life, and salvation that Your body and blood provide. Renew in us a desire to hear and take to heart Your promise of eternal life.**

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Pastor: Our gracious heavenly Father sent His Son to give His life as the sacrifice for our sins. Our Lord Jesus is the bread of life from heaven, coming in the Lord's Supper to assure us of salvation until we join Him in eternity. The Holy Spirit uses Word and Sacrament to nurture our faith as we live out the new life God provides. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

**THE SALUTATION** (*See screen.*)

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY** (*See screen.*)

Pastor: Let us pray. Gracious Father, Your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world.

**People: Help us each day to put away our old nature and walk in love, as Christ has loved us,**

Pastor: through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

*(Be seated.)*

**FIRST READING:** 1 Kings 19:1-8 (ESV) (*See screen.*)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**SECOND READING:** Ephesians 4:17-5:2 (ESV) (*See screen.*)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*(Stand.)*

**HOLY GOSPEL:** John 6:35-51 (ESV) (*See screen.*)

*(Before the Reading)*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.

**People: Glory to You, O Lord.**

*(After the Reading)*

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to You, O Christ.**

*(Be seated.)*

**SERMON SONG:** “Your Great Name” *(See screen.)*

## **CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**SERMON:** “The Bread of Life”

Text: John 6:51

*(Stand.)*

**APOSTLES’ CREED** *(See screen.)*

**All: 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.**

*(Be seated.)*

## **THE OFFERING**

*(Note to our visitors: You are our guests this morning! Please do not feel the need to make a contribution to our Offering. We would ask all visitors and members to sign the Register Pad as the Offering is being collected. Also, Prayer Cards are available in the pew racks for special intercessions during the time of congregational prayer.)*

**OFFERING SONG:** “Revelation Song” *(See screen.)*

## **FOR ALL WHO DESIRE TO RECEIVE THE LORD’S SUPPER**

*We believe that Christ’s Body and Blood is present in, with and under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins. In this sacred meal Jesus gives Himself in love to His Church to build us up in faith, hope and love. Since Christ is truly present, the Sacrament is not to be received in a careless or indifferent manner. St. Paul writes: “Whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. **Examine yourselves, and only then eat of the bread and drink of the cup.**” (1 Corinthians 11.27-28)*

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*We believe that such self-examination necessarily includes the following points: 1) Do I believe that the only true God is the Triune God, Three Divine Persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, within One Divine Being? 2) Do I humbly acknowledge before God that I am indeed a sinner in need of His grace? 3) Do I believe that Jesus Christ the Son of God is my personal Lord and Savior? 4) Do I believe that in this Sacrament Christ is truly present for me for the forgiveness of my sins? 5) Do I have a sincere desire, with God's help, to live a life that is pleasing to Him?*

*For those who can answer these questions in the affirmative, we welcome you to join us at the Lord's Table. For those who have a different religious understanding, or are unclear as to the points listed above, we ask that you talk to the pastor before receiving the Sacrament.*

### **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH** (See screen.) (Stand.)

**Pastor:** Let us go to our heavenly Father, asking His blessings on the Church around the world, for all people in their various circumstances, and for ourselves. For the Church, gathered around Word and Sacrament, the visible sign of God's grace and mercy, that clergy and lay leaders be single-minded in the apostolic mission, promote the unity we have in the one Body of Christ, and reflect the inviting love of God in word and deed, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

**Pastor:** For all our brothers and sisters in Christ, that God would use Word and Sacrament to remind them of their Baptism, assure them of sins forgiven, and move them to daily acts of care and compassion that reflect His boundless love for us, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

**Pastor:** For armed forces deployed abroad, defending freedom, and for police, fire, and emergency personnel, responding to human and natural crises, that God protect and guide them as they go in harm's way, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

**Pastor:** For those who fish and farm, who develop and produce, who transport and build, that God would use their efforts to be blessings for all, providing food for the hungry and housing for the homeless, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For our congregation, that the Holy Spirit would nurture us as we seek to care for one another in all aspects of our life together, open our eyes to opportunities to share the Gospel with our neighbors through word and deed, and strengthen us to live faithfully when apart from one another, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: Heavenly Father, grant these requests and answer them in grace for the sake of Your Son, the bread from heaven, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** *(See screen.)*

Pastor: God of grace and mercy, we give thanks that You have not left us in our fallen nature but have sent us Your Son, by whose sacrifice we might have eternal life. Grant us Your Holy Spirit, that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruit of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood. Help us also to live out that new life each day until we see You face-to-face. Until that glorious day, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

### **LORD'S PRAYER** *(See screen.)*

**All: 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 WORDS OF OUR LORD**

#### **PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST** *(See screen.)*

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. *(1 Corinthians 11:26)*

**People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.** *(Revelation 22:20)*

#### **PAX DOMINI** *(See screen.)*

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**People: Amen.**

*(Be seated.)*

## **THE DISTRIBUTION**

### **DISTRIBUTION SONGS**

“White as Snow” *(See screen.)*

**BOB 241**

“Nothing but the Blood of Jesus” *(See screen.)*

**BOB 169**

“All to Us” *(See screen.)*

*(Stand.)*

### **POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING** *(See screen.)*

Assistant: Gracious God, our heavenly Father, in this Sacrament Your Holy Spirit has again assured us of the forgiveness of sins and strengthened our faith for the road ahead. Accompany us, we pray, that we walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave Himself up for us, until that day when faith gives way to sight and the new life You have given extends into all eternity; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

### **THE BENEDICTION** *(See screen.)*

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. *(Numbers 6:24–26)*

**People: Amen.**

### **CLOSING SONG:** “Jesus Messiah” *(See screen.)*

*(Be seated.)*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **DISMISSAL**

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

## **PRAYER PAGE – OUR MINISTRY OF PRAYER**

**August 12, 2018**

*(\*Added this week)*

Patrick Love, grandson of Kathy Bauer, for strength & spiritual guidance

Ken Pechuman, recovery from pneumonia and Congestive Heart Failure

Janice Goebel, sister of Phyllis Richert, recovery from foot surgery

Angie Graves, family friend of Jay & Autumn Zahn, recovering from open heart surgery (She needs a heart transplant to survive long term and is on the waiting list. Pray for complete recovery and long life.)

Deb Zwickey, friend of Gayle Schneider, for relief of pain & healing after surgery

Kathy Hatanpaa, cousin of Lois Fritsche, A.L.S.

Cole Wegner, son of Jenny Veith's cousin, Cystic Fibrosis

Jeff Riemenschneider, brother of Autumn Zahn, Parkinson's

Kellen Giddings, friend of Maverick Schiltgen, recovery from a brain tumor

Grace Hedtke, Melissa Oberdeck's Godchild, bone tumor

Breck Fewer, son of Joe & Lindsey Fewer, recovering from heart surgery

LaDonna Freitag, daughter of Faye Freitag-Schiell, for health & healing

Laurel Bonine, for health and healing

Holly Bonine, for health and healing

Loren Richert, for health & healing

Jamie Grenier, husband of Cyndi Grenier, for health & healing

Melissa Oberdeck, for health & healing

Jean Matschina, mother of Lisa Woodward, battling cancer

Lisa Veith, niece of Ken & Linda Veith, diagnosed with cancer

Jessica Polinske, for health and healing (cancer free at this time)

Alicia Cleveland, daughter of Betty Richert, Muscular Dystrophy & Leukemia

Sandy Bushinger, daughter of Hubert Schiell, cancer

Barbie Erickson, friend of the Swanson family, cancer

Loretta Freitag, sister of Faye Freitag-Schiell, cancer

Karen Carter, niece of Cheryl Richert, kidney cancer

Greg Rubenstein, husband of Marlys Albrecht, good health & healing (cancer free)

Carl Benning (requested by Alicia Benning), cancer

Nancy Wesley, friend of Gayle Schneider, treatment for recurrence of cancer

Mike Morley, friend of Bruce Albrecht, good health after cancer treatment

Richard Miller, Viola Miller's grandson, treatment for Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma

Teresa Kopps, Stage 4 breast cancer (receiving treatment)

Tim Sachi, friend of Steve & Sharon Wellner, cancer

Don Goodwin, son-in-law of Stan Simkins, cancer

Jerry Mueller, son of Evie Mueller, health & healing (cancer free at this time)

Jason Bauer, nephew of Kathy Bauer, cancer

Sue Dickey, friend of Kathy Bauer, cancer

Marilyn Stalhiem, aunt of Linda Veith, cancer

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If you would like to include the needs of a sick relative or friend in our weekly Prayer Page, call the church office at (651) 436-3357, or submit the request via E-mail: [stpeter@stpeterafton.org](mailto:stpeter@stpeterafton.org) by Wednesday afternoon. Prayer requests will be kept on our list for two months unless otherwise directed. To request a prayer for our "Prayer Chain" that you would like us to send out via E-mail, call the church office. If anyone would like to be added to this list, call the church office with your E-mail.

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**VOLUNTEERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY'S 9:00 A.M. SERVICE:**

**COFFEE HOSTS:** (Open); **USHERS:** Jerry Clare, Elder; Jerry Tank, Judy Tank; Dave Hauch; Mary Hauch; **ACOLYTE:** Lily Nelson; **READER:** Ann Domanski; **GREETERS:** (Open).

**"EMMA NORTON" IS THE MISSION-OF-THE-MONTH FOR JULY AND AUGUST.**

See the mission board in the narthex for more information. If you would like to support this Mission-of-the-Month, there are special Mission envelopes in your offering envelope box, in the pews, or on the Mission Board.

**"FOSTERING LOVE"**, a non-profit organization that serves in Washington County, provides backpacks filled with essentials and items to kids being removed from their homes and placed in foster care. We have the rest of August left to try and hit our goal of 100 of each item!!! Buy items and bring them to church to place in the Collection Box OR write a check to St. Peter, memo "Fostering Love". The Dollar Store is a great place to find all these items!! Please see Laura Nelson if you have any questions.

**POWER SHUTDOWN!** Work involved with electrical upgrades are scheduled for August 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. The work on the 15<sup>th</sup> would be just a preliminary day labeling wires and getting ready for the 16<sup>th</sup>. **The power will be out throughout all areas all day on the 16<sup>th</sup>.** Some other work may need to be happening on the 17<sup>th</sup> but power will remain on for most of the building.

**THE YOUTH GROUP IS COLLECTING "ALUMINUM CANS" FOR A FUNDRAISER.**

You may leave them by the garage door. Please just bring aluminum cans. Thank you.

**COFFEE HOSTS ARE NEEDED FOR THE REST OF AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER.**

Please sign up in the book on the kiosk.

**DO YOU HAVE A PRAYER CONCERN?**

Please contact Pastor Domanski, Cheryl Richert, Gayle Schneider or any of the Elders with your request. We will send an e-mail for you so that we can pray for that individual's needs. There is power in prayer! If you would like to be a part of this Prayer Chain, provide Cheryl with your e-mail address.

## **UPCOMING BIBLE STUDIES:**

Thanks so much for all your suggestions regarding topics for our Bible Studies resuming in September.

Beginning **Monday**, September 10<sup>th</sup>, the **7:00 a.m. Machine Shed Group** will resume with a study on the book of Galatians.

Beginning **Tuesday**, September 11<sup>th</sup>, the **10:00 a.m. Bible Study Group** will resume with a review of the week's lessons and a closer look at the LCMS's views on contemporary ethical and social issues.

**Any members** of St Peter are welcome to join the youth Confirmation Classes, beginning September 12<sup>th</sup> and meeting each **Wednesday** evening from **7:00-8:00 p.m.** We'd love to connect our post-confirmation members with the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders to foster and strengthen relationships within the church. I can also guarantee you that you will not be bored as we review the *Small Catechism* and some of the finer points of Lutheran theology along the way.

Then, on **Sunday**, September 16<sup>th</sup>, the **10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study** will resume with a short, two-week study that will review the ways in which Lutheran theology differs from other Christians in how we read the Bible. This may sound boring, but it's not! I hope to see you there!

### **Marriage Enrichment Class:**

This class isn't only for possible mentor-couples! If you're looking to make the most out of your marriage, we want you to attend! Please join us for the **8-week class** beginning **Tuesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 7:00-8:00 p.m.** I haven't heard of any couple needing childcare from the church so that they could attend, but please let me know if St. Peter can help you make these classes by providing on-site babysitters. See you then! - Pastor David

### **To all Confirmation students and parents:**

**Wednesday night** classes for Confirmation students in 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades begin Wednesday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, at **7:00 p.m.** DCE Tony Engen will be taking the **5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> graders** through Bible history, and Pastor David will be teaching the **7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders** the Lutheran Catechism. You will be receiving a schedule of classes and of serving as acolytes by next Sunday. If you did not receive this information by next Sunday, please contact the church office at (651) 436-3357 so that we can include you in these important classes!