

## **St. Peder's Lutheran Church 06-21-2026**

**Welcome to St. Peder's! All people are welcome to fully participate in worship, regardless of race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, age, physical and mental abilities, and socio-economic status. If you are a visitor, please fill out a visitor card available in the pews or fill out the guestbook in the entryway. We would love to know who you are and what brings you in today! We offer large print and braille copies of our bulletin for those with vision impairment. For your convenience, we also offer opportunities to worship online!**

### **Introduction to the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost:**

**God does not promise that the path of the disciple will be easy. Jeremiah feels the pain of rejection from those who do not want to hear what he has to say. Jesus declares that his words may bring stark division. Even so, we need not be afraid for God accounts for each hair on our heads. Though we may experience rejection, frustration, division, and death, God's grace and love make us a new creation each day. Marked with the cross and filled with holy food, we are sent from worship to witness to Christ in the world.**

### **GATHERING**

**Prelude: The River**

**St. Peder's Choir**

**Welcome, Peace, and Announcements**

**Opening Prayer**

**O Lord, we have come into this Your house to hear what You, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, will speak unto us. We pray**

**You so to open our hearts by Your Holy Spirit that, through Your word, we may learn to repent of our sins, to believe in Jesus in life and in death, and to grow day by day in grace and holiness. Hear us in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**Gathering Hymn: Morning Has Broken**

**ELW 556**

- 1 Morning has broken like the first morning;  
blackbird has spoken like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!**
  
- 2 Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven,  
like the first dewfall on the first grass.  
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,  
sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.**
  
- 3 Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning,  
born of the one light Eden saw play!  
Praise with elation, praise ev'ry morning,  
God's recreation of the new day!**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

**Compassionate God, \*\*we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.\*\***

**Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the**

**name of God, Creator, † Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love. \*\*Amen.\*\***

### **Prayer of the Day**

**Teach us, good Lord God, \*\*to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.\*\***

### **WORD**

### **First Lesson**

### **Jeremiah 20:7-13**

**<sup>7</sup> O Lord, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me. <sup>8</sup> For whenever I speak, I must cry out; I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the Lord has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. <sup>9</sup> If I say, "I will not mention him or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. <sup>10</sup> For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him and take our revenge on him." <sup>11</sup> But the Lord is with me like a terrifying warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. <sup>12</sup> O Lord of hosts, you test the righteous; you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.**

**13 Sing to the Lord; praise the Lord! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.**

**Word of the Lord. C. \*\*Thanks be to God.\*\***

### **Psalm 69:7-10, 16-18**

**7 Surely, for your sake I have suffered reproach,  
and shame has covered my face.**

**\*\*8 I have become a stranger to my own kindred,  
an alien to my mother's children.\*\***

**9 Zeal for your house has eaten me up;  
the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen upon me.**

**\*\*10 I humbled myself with fasting,  
but that was turned to my reproach.\*\***

**16 Answer me, O Lord, for your love is kind;  
in your great compassion, turn to me.**

**\*\*17 Hide not your face from your servant;  
be swift and answer me, for I am in distress.\*\***

**18 Draw near to me and redeem me;  
because of my enemies deliver me.**

### **Second Lesson: Romans 6:1b-11**

**1<sup>b</sup> Should we continue in sin in order that grace may increase? 2 By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? 3 Do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 Therefore we were buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life.**

**5 For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like**

his. <sup>6</sup> We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, so we might no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup> For whoever has died is freed from sin. <sup>8</sup> But if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup> We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup> The death he died, he died to sin once for all, but the life he lives, he lives to God. <sup>11</sup> So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord. C. **\*\*Thanks be to God.\*\***

## Gathering of Children

## Gospel Acclamation

**\*\*Alleluia, alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia!\*\***

## Holy Gospel: Matthew 10:24-39

[Jesus said to the twelve:] <sup>24</sup> “A disciple is not above the teacher nor a slave above the master; <sup>25</sup> it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

<sup>26</sup> “So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered and nothing secret that will not become known. <sup>27</sup> What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. <sup>28</sup> Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, fear the one who can destroy both soul

and body in hell. <sup>29</sup> Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. <sup>30</sup> And even the hairs of your head are all counted. <sup>31</sup> So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

<sup>32</sup> “Everyone, therefore, who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven, <sup>33</sup> but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

<sup>34</sup> “Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace but a sword. <sup>35</sup> For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law, <sup>36</sup> and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household.

<sup>37</sup> “Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me, <sup>38</sup> and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. <sup>39</sup> Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

The Word of the Lord. C. **\*\*Thanks be to God.\*\***

**Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day: For Everyone Born A Place at the Table**

**1 For everyone born, a place at the table,  
For everyone born, clean water and bread,  
A shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,  
For everyone born, a star overhead,**

**and God will delight when we are creators of justice  
and joy,**

**Compassion and peace: yes, God, will delight when  
we are creators of justice, justice and joy.**

**Morning has broken like the first morning;**

**2 For woman and man, a place at the table,  
And all those between, beyond, and besides,  
Expanding our world, dismantling power,  
Each valued for what their voice can provide.**

**and God will delight when we are creators of justice  
and joy,**

**Compassion and peace: yes, God, will delight when  
we are creators of justice, justice and joy.**

**Morning has broken like the first morning;**

**3 For gay, bi, and straight, a place at the table,  
A covenant shared, a welcoming space,  
A rainbow of race and gender and color,  
For queer, trans and ace, the chalice of grace.**

**and God will delight when we are creators of justice  
and joy,**

**Compassion and peace: yes, God, will delight when  
we are creators of justice, justice and joy.**

**Morning has broken like the first morning;**

**4 For just and unjust, a place at the table,  
A chance to reform, repent and rebuild,  
Protecting the wronged, without shame or pressure,  
For just and unjust, God's vision fulfilled.**

**and God will delight when we are creators of justice  
and joy,**

**Compassion and peace: yes, God, will delight when  
we are creators of justice, justice and joy.**

**Morning has broken like the first morning;**

**5 For everyone born, a place at the table,  
To live without fear, and simply to be,  
To work, to speak out, to witness and worship,  
For everyone born, the right to be free,  
and God will delight when we are creators of justice  
and joy,**

**Compassion and peace: yes, God, will delight when  
we are creators of justice, justice and joy.**

**Morning has broken like the first morning;**

### **Apostles' Creed**

**\*\*I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and  
earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of  
the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,  
died and was buried. He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he  
is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come  
again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy  
Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the  
life everlasting. Amen\*\***

### **Prayers of the People**

**Response: God of grace, \*\*hear our prayer.\*\***

## Offering

In this moment, we reflect upon the many gifts in our lives – our time, our talents, and our treasures. In sharing these gifts, you bless others in the name of God’s glory. If you would like to donate digitally, please click on or use your smartphone to take a picture of this QR code.



Gift of Music: The Light Within

St. Peder’s Choir

## Offering Prayer:

Loving God, **\*\*we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance.**

**We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. Amen.\*\***

## MEAL

## Invitation to Communion:

**The Lord be with you. \*\*And also with you.\*\***

**Life up your hearts. \*\*We lift them to the Lord.\*\***

**Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. \*\*It is right to give our thanks and praise.\*\***

## Words of Institution

Lord’s Prayer

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**\*\*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. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For**

thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.\*\*

## Communion Distribution

Communion Hymns: Now the Feast and Celebration ELW 167

### Refrain

Now the feast and celebration,  
all of creation sings for joy  
to the God of life and love and freedom;  
praise and glory forevermore!

1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain,  
whose blood has freed and united us  
to be one great people of God. *Refrain*

2 Power and riches, wisdom and might,  
all honor and glory to Christ forever. *Refrain*

3 For God has come to dwell with us,  
to make us people of God;  
to make all things new. *Refrain*

## God Welcomes All

ACS 978

God welcomes all, strangers and friends;  
God's love is strong and it never ends.

## This Little Light of Mine

ELW 677

1 This little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

**2** Ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

**3** Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

## **Communion Blessing and Prayer**

### **Benediction**

**Sending Hymn: My Life Flows on in Endless Song** **ELW 763**

**1** My life flows on in endless song;  
above earth's lamentation,  
I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn  
that hails a new creation.

### ***Refrain***

**No storm can shake my inmost calm  
while to that Rock I'm clinging.  
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth,  
how can I keep from singing?**

**2** Through all the tumult and the strife,  
I hear that music ringing.  
It finds an echo in my soul.  
How can I keep from singing? ***Refrain***

**3 What though my joys and comforts die?  
The Lord my Savior liveth.  
What though the darkness gather round?  
Songs in the night he giveth. *Refrain***

**4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,  
a fountain ever springing!  
All things are mine since I am his!  
How can I keep from singing? *Refrain***

### **Sending**

**Knowing God is behind us, \*\*we are rooted in our heritage.\*\***

**Knowing God goes before us, \*\*we embrace the future.\*\***

**Knowing Christ forgives us, \*\*we joyfully live the gospel\*\***

**We engage the world around us \*\*with open hearts, open hands, and open doors. Thanks be to God! Amen.\*\***

### **Postlude: Blue Stem**

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**Serving in Worship this Morning**

**Greeters: Eva Tangen & Karen Vetsch**

**Ushers: Craig Rocheleau & Steve Simmons**

**Acolyte: Eden Hunsberger Reader: Allison O'Day**

**Counters: Annalise Munnich & Karen Vetsch**

**Livestream Tech: Darrick Jensen**

**Communion Setup: Kristi Lahti-Johnson & Eva Tangen**

**Communion Servers: Karen Vetsch & Lisa Rovick**

**Communion Bread & Wine: Darrick Jensen**

**LSS Safehouse June 22: Peter & Sheryl Juhl**

**Social Hour hosted by Shepherding Group: 2**

**Announcements**

**Thank You from Longfellow/Seward Healthy Seniors**

Longfellow Seward Healthy Seniors is excited to be joining you in the St. Peder's church building! We are grateful for all of the hard work your community put into preparing our office space. We provide free services to older adults in the neighborhood, including health screenings, social activities, food support, transportation and more. Come say hello any time!

**Conference Room**

St. Peder's has welcomed Longfellow Seward Healthy Seniors to our building. They will be renting the two classrooms on the bottom floor to use as their offices. They will also, on occasion be using the conference room. This will require us to coordinate use of that space between church business and activities and the needs of Longfellow Seward Healthy Seniors. If you plan to use the conference room, please reach

out to Office Coordinator, Frances at [office@stpeders.org](mailto:office@stpeders.org) or 612-722-8000 to confirm the space will be available and to add your event to the shared calendar.

### **St. Peder's Library**

Let us know your favorites! We're starting a list of member recommendations of the best books in St. Peder's library. Input from all ages is welcome! Add your name and titles to the list on the library table.

### **People's Pride**

Join us for People's Pride at Powderhorn Park on Saturday, June 27. A group will meet at St. Peder's at noon to travel together; Karen Vetsch will be driving, and biking is encouraged as an option. All are welcome-wear St. Peder's shirts or swag as a visible sign of support.

*\*This week's coffee hour proceeds are being donated to the Youth Fund.\**

### **This Week at St. Peder's:**

**Sunday, June 21: 9 am Courtyard Worship, 10 am Coffee & Fellowship**

**Tuesday, June 23: 6 pm Bible Study, 7 pm Prayer Service**

**Sunday, June 28: 9 am Worship, 10 am Coffee & Fellowship**

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live the gospel with open hearts, open hands and open doors.*

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