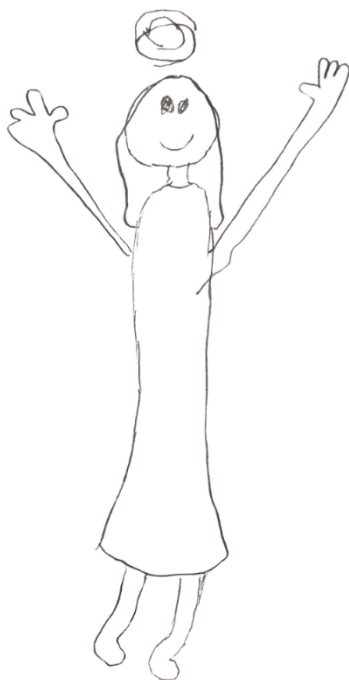




St. Peder's Evangelical Lutheran Church August 2, 2026

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 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost:

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.

Artwork by Addie Albing.

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome, Peace, and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Gathering Hymn

All Who Hunger Gather Gladly

ELW 461

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

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.**

WORD

First Lesson

Isaiah 55:1-5

¹ Hear, everyone who thirsts; come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread and your earnings for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. ³ Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.

⁴ See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples.

⁵ Now you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

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

Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21



- ⁸ The Lord is gracious and full | of compassion,
slow to anger and abounding in | steadfast love.
- ⁹ **Lord, you are | good to all,
and your compassion is over | all your works.**
- ¹⁴ The Lord upholds all | those who fall
and lifts up those who | are bowed down.
- ¹⁵ **The eyes of all wait upon | you, O Lord,
and you give them their food | in due season.**
- ¹⁶ You open | wide your hand
and satisfy the desire of every | living thing.
- ¹⁷ **You are righteous in | all your ways
and loving in | all your works.**
- ¹⁸ You are near to all who | call upon you,
to all who call up- | on you faithfully.
- ¹⁹ **You fulfill the desire of | those who fear you;
you hear their | cry and save them.**
- ²⁰ You watch over all | those who love you,
but all the wicked you | shall destroy.
- ²¹ **My mouth shall speak the praise | of the Lord;
let all flesh bless God's holy name forev- | er and ever.**

Second Lesson

Romans 9:1-5

¹ I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—² I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³ For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own brothers and sisters, my own flesh and blood. ⁴ They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; ⁵ to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Christ, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

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

Gathering of Children

Gospel Acclamation

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Holy Gospel

Matthew 14:13-21

¹³ Now when Jesus heard [about the beheading of John the Baptist,] he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵ When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” ¹⁶ Jesus said to them, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” ¹⁷ They replied, “We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.” ¹⁸ And he said, “Bring them here to me.” ¹⁹ Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰ And all ate and were filled, and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹ And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

We Come to the Hungry Feast

ELW 479

Apostles' Creed

Back cover of hymnal.

Prayers of the People: Response: Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Offering: *In this moment, we reflect upon the many gifts in our lives – our time, our talent, 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 use your smartphone to take a picture of this QR code or click on it if you are reading this online.*



Gift of Music

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

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Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Back inside cover.

Communion Distribution

Communion Hymns: *Lamb of God*

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All Who Are Thirsty

ACS 981

Leader All

All who are thirst - y, come to the wa-ters. All who are hun - gry,
come here and eat. All who are thirst - y, come to the wa-ters.
There's e - nough for all.

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp). The first staff is for the Leader and the second and third staves are for the All. The lyrics are written below the notes.

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

ELW 484

Communion Blessing and Prayer

Benediction

Sending Hymn

Allelujah, We Sing Your Praises

ELW 535

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

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**Serving in Worship this Morning**

**Greeters:** Kristi Lahti-Johnson & Chuck Johnson

**Ushers:** Dan Vetsch & Butch Vossen

**Acolyte: Reader:** Bob Stanich

**Counters:** Marcia Rocheleau & Darrick Jensen

**Communion Setup:** Judy Hogan & Steve Simmons

**Communion Servers:** Bob Stanich, Bruce Simpson, & Peter Juhl

**Communion Bread & Wine:** Lisa Jensen

**Livestream Tech:** Darrick Jensen

**LSS Safehouse Aug 3:** Daniel Petersen & Kristin Lehrstrom

**Social Hour hosted by Shepherding Group: 8**

**Announcements**

**August Potluck**

The August potluck has been moved to Tuesday, August 18 due to the Primary Election on August 11. Join us at 12 p.m. Bring a dish to share, all are welcome!

**Pastoral Care**

Pastor Bryan will be out of the office this week, August 2-8. For urgent Pastoral needs, please contact Pastor Brenda Froiland at 651-270-4960. There will not be bible study or a prayer service this Tuesday, August 4.

**Mystery Loves Company Book Fair**

Sisters In Crime, one of our building tenants, will be holding a book fair here at St. Peder's on Saturday, August 8 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event features 25 local mystery authors available to chat with you and offer their books for sale. All are invited.

### **Bright Stars of Bethlehem**

Linda Edens from Bright Stars of Bethlehem will be joining us August 9th to discuss the upcoming trip to the Holy Land. Please join in on the conversation, whether you're able to go in January or not, and learn about the exciting opportunities we have to learn, travel, and experience solidarity with the people of Israel and Palestine.

### **Open Eye Theatre's Driveway Tour Puppet Show**

The Driveway Tour Puppet Show is coming to St. Peder's on August 12 at 7 p.m. in the courtyard with Jeremy and the Giant King! Bring a blanket or chair, if it rains we'll be in the fellowship hall.

### **Calling all singers!**

Do you have a love for singing and service? Holy Cross Lutheran Church (1720 E Minnehaha Pkwy) is launching a funeral choir that will rehearse weekly and be available to sing for funerals and memorial services across the South Minneapolis area and beyond. Rehearsals are Tuesdays, 1:00-2:15 PM beginning September 8 at Holy Cross. For more information contact Mark Fideldy – [admin@holycrossmpls.org](mailto:admin@holycrossmpls.org).

### **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.

*\*This week's coffee hour proceeds are being donated to the Walker West Music Academy.\**

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

**Sunday, August 2:** 9 am Worship, 10 am Coffee & Fellowship

**Wednesday, August 5:** 9 am Quilters

**Saturday, August 8:** 10 am Sisters in Crime Book Fair

**Sunday, August 9:** 9 am Worship, 10 am Coffee & Fellowship



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