

St. Peder's Lutheran Church 10-04-2026

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 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost:

In today's gospel reading, Jesus tells a vineyard parable, which serves as an image of Israel, the prophets' mission, and Christ's death. For Christians, the vineyard also speaks of God's love poured out in the blood of Christ, given to us for the forgiveness of sin. Grafted onto Christ the vine at baptism, we are nourished with wine and bread so that we may share Christ's sufferings and know the power of his resurrection.

GATHERING

Prelude: Oh, What Their Joy

by David Cherwien

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: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling ELW 631

- 1 Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down!
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter ev'ry trembling heart.**

- 2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy loving Spirit
into ev'ry troubled breast;
let us all in thee inherit;
let us find thy promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.**

- 3 Come, Almighty, to deliver;
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.**

**4 Finish then thy new creation,
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee!
Changed from glory into glory,
till in heav'n we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise!**

Kyrie (Hymn of Prayer)

In peace, let us pray to the **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.******

Canticle (Hymn of Praise)

***Refrain:* Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's
people on earth. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to
God's people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we
worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your
glory. *Refrain.***

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. *Refrain.*

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. *Refrain.*

Prayer of the Day

Beloved God, **from you come all things that are good. Lead us by the inspiration of your Spirit to know those things that are right, and by your merciful guidance, help us to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

WORD

First Lesson

Isaiah 5:1-17

¹ I will sing for my beloved my love song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill.

² He dug it and cleared it of stones and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded rotten grapes.

³ And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. ⁴ What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield rotten grapes?

⁵ And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. ⁶ I will make it a wasteland; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be

overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.

⁷ For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his cherished garden; he expected justice but saw bloodshed; righteousness but heard a cry!

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

Psalm 80:7-15

**⁷ Restore us, O God of hosts;
let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.**

**⁸ You have brought a vine out of Egypt;
you cast out the nations and planted it.**

**⁹ You cleared the ground for it;
it took root and filled the land.**

****Restore us, O God, Let your face shine upon us.
Turn now, O God, and we shall be saved.****

**¹⁰ The mountains were covered by its shadow
and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.**

**¹¹ You stretched out its tendrils to the sea
and its branches to the river.**

****Restore us, O God, Let your face shine upon us.
Turn now, O God, and we shall be saved.****

**¹² Why have you broken down its wall,
so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?**

**¹³ The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it,
and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.**

****Restore us, O God, Let your face shine upon us.
Turn now, O God, and we shall be saved.****

**¹⁴ Turn now, O God of hosts,
look down from heaven;
¹⁵ behold and tend this vine;
preserve what your right hand has planted.**

****Restore us, O God, Let your face shine upon us.
Turn now, O God, and we shall be saved.****

Second Lesson: Philippians 3:4b-14

[Paul writes:] ^{4b} If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷ Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸ More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith.

¹⁰ I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹² Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal, but I press on to lay hold of that for which Christ has laid hold of me. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, I do not consider that I have laid hold of it, but one thing I have laid hold of: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal, toward the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

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

Gathering of Children: Jesus Loves the Little Children

**Jesus loves the little children
All the children of the world
From the north, south, east, and west
Jesus loves all the best
Jesus loves the little children of the world**

Gospel Acclamation

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

Holy Gospel: Matthew 21:33-46

[Jesus said:] ³³ “Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a winepress in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went away. ³⁴ When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his

produce. ³⁵ But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶ Again he sent other slaves, more than the first, and they treated them in the same way. ³⁷ Then he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' ³⁸ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.' ³⁹ So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. ⁴⁰ Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" ⁴¹ They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time."

⁴² Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'?"

⁴³ "Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces its fruits. ⁴⁴ The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces, and it will crush anyone on whom it falls."

⁴⁵ When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them.

⁴⁶ They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

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

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

ELW 712

- 1 Lord, whose love in humble service
bore the weight of human need,
who upon the cross, forsaken,
worked your mercy's perfect deed:
we, your servants, bring the worship
not of voice alone, but heart;
consecrating to your purpose
ev'ry gift which you impart.**

- 2 Still your children wander homeless;
still the hungry cry for bread;
still the captives long for freedom;
still in grief we mourn our dead.
As you, Lord, in deep compassion
healed the sick and freed the soul,
by your Spirit send your power
to our world to make it whole.**

- 3 As we worship, grant us vision,
till your love's revealing light
in its height and depth and greatness
dawns upon our quickened sight,
making known the needs and burdens
your compassion bids us bear,
stirring us to ardent service,
your abundant life to share.**

- 4 Called by worship to your service,**

**forth in your dear name we go,
to the child, the youth, the aged,
love in living deeds to show;
hope and health, good will and comfort,
counsel, aid and peace we give,
that your servants, Lord, in freedom
may your mercy know and live.**

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: Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

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: Bread of the World

Offering Prayer:

God of creation, **you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always. 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 (sung)

Back inside cover.

****Father of us all, we pray to you in Heaven. Hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread, and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil for the kingdom is yours, the power and the glory, forever! Amen, amen, amen!****

Communion Distribution

Communion Hymns: Lamb of God

ELW pg. 174

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

Grant us peace, grant us peace.

All Who Are Thirsty

ACS 981

(All who are thirsty,) come to the waters.

(All who are hungry,) come here and eat.

(All who are thirsty,) come to the waters.

There's enough for all.

Jesus Loves Me

ELW 595

**1 Jesus loves me! this I know,
for the Bible tells me so;
little ones to him belong,
they are weak, but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me,
yes, Jesus loves me,
yes, Jesus loves me,
the Bible tells me so.**

**2 Jesus loves me! he who died
heaven's gates to open wide;
he will wash away my sin,
let his little child come in.
Yes, Jesus loves me,
yes, Jesus loves me,
yes, Jesus loves me,
the Bible tells me so.**

**3 Jesus loves me! he will stay
close beside me all the way;**

**when at last I come to die,
he will take me home on high.
Yes, Jesus loves me,
yes, Jesus loves me,
yes, Jesus loves me,
the Bible tells me so.**

Communion Blessing and Prayer

Benediction

Sending Hymn: Guide My Feet

ACS 987

- 1 (Guide my feet) while I run this race.
(Guide my feet) while I run this race.
(Guide my feet) while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain.**
- 2 (Hold my hand) while I run this race.
(Hold my hand) while I run this race.
(Hold my hand) while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain.**
- 3 (Stand by me) while I run this race.
(Stand by me) while I run this race.
(Stand by me) while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain.**
- 4 (I'm your child) while I run this race.
(I'm your child) while I run this race.
(I'm your child) while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain.**

**5 (Search my heart) while I run this race.
 (Search my heart) while I run this race.
 (Search my heart) while I run this race,
 for I don't want to run this race in vain.**

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: Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him

arr. by Richard Blake

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

Serving in Worship this Morning

Greeters: Susan Schnickel & Paul Aitchison

Ushers: Susan Nielsen & Dan Vetsch

Acolyte: Walter Anderson Reader: Dave Noren

Counters: Cameron Jamison & Bob Stanich

Communion Setup: Eva Tangen & Karen Vetsch

Communion Servers: Lisa Rovick, Bob Stanich, Paul Aitchison

Communion Bread & Wine: Allison & Michael O'Day

Livestream Tech: Karen Vetsch

LSS Safehouse Oct 5: Bruce Simpson & Lisa Rovick

Social Hour hosted by Shepherding Group: 1

Announcements

Save the Date: Prayer Service Monday, November 2

We will be hosting a prayer service on the Monday prior to the midterm elections. This service has been adapted from the Heal the Nations Lenten service liturgy.

Pub Theology

Please join us for Pub Theology on Wednesday, October 7 at 6:30 p.m. We will meet at Parkway Pizza (4357 Minnehaha Ave.) Happy Hour is all day on Wednesdays at Parkway Pizza. The topic for discussion in October is: Where do our theological and personal journeys begin? According to the Old Testament: "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth" (Genesis 1:1) And according to the New Testament: "In the Beginning was the Word" (John 1:1). What do these beginnings mean, and how do we interpret them for our personal lives today?

Hearing Assistance

Did you know that we are set up with Auracast as a way to help folks who are hard of hearing? To find out more about this Bluetooth-style technology, and find out how to connect with it, scan this QR code.



We also have some receivers and headphones in the back which connect to the audio feed.

SNAP Sunday

St. Peder's and six other local congregations are joining together on Sunday, October 11 for "SNAP Sunday" to raise money for Minnehaha Food Shelf with a goal of \$4,000. 100,238 people in Hennepin County rely on SNAP to help feed their families. As benefits shrink, many will turn to food shelves like Minnehaha Food Shelf to fill the gap. Give today via the QR code.



This Week at St. Peder's:

Sunday, October 4: 9 am Worship, 10 am Coffee & Fellowship

Tuesday, October 6: 9 am Healthy Seniors Line Dancing, 6 pm Bible Study, 7 pm Prayer Service

Thursday, October 1: 7 pm Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, October 3: 9 am Healthy Seniors Open House, 2 pm Fiber Arts

Sunday, October 4: 9 am Worship, 10 am Coffee & Fellowship

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