

Printed Order of Service

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 13, 2020

Graphic Explanation - Forgive and be reconciled to one another.

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN....."Come, My Soul, with Every Care" LSB 779



1 Come, my soul, with ev - 'ry care, Je - sus loves to an - swer prayer;
2 Thou art com - ing to a King, Large pe - ti - tions with thee bring;
3 With my bur - den I be - gin: Lord, re - move this load of sin;
4 Lord, Thy rest to me im - part, Take pos - ses - sion of my heart;



He Him - self has bid thee pray, There - fore will not turn a - way.
For His grace and pow'r are such None can ev - er ask too much.
Let Thy blood, for sin - ners spilt, Set my con - science free from guilt.
There Thy blood - bought right main - tain And with - out a ri - val reign.

- 5 While I am a pilgrim here,
Let Thy love my spirit cheer;
As my guide, my guard, my friend,
Lead me to my journey's end.
- 6 Show me what is mine to do;
Ev'ry hour my strength renew.
Let me live a life of faith;
Let me die Thy people's death.

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INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

HYMN....."I Lay My Sins on Jesus" LSB 606

1 I lay my sins on Je - sus, The spot - less Lamb of God;
 2 I lay my wants on Je - sus; All full - ness dwells in Him;
 3 I rest my soul on Je - sus, This wea - ry soul of mine;

He bears them all and frees us From the ac - curs - ed load.
 He heals all my dis - eas - es; My soul He does re - deem.
 His right hand me em - brac - es; I on His breast re - cline.

I bring my guilt to Je - sus To wash my crim - son stains
 I lay my griefs on Je - sus, My bur - dens and my cares;
 I love the name of Je - sus, Im - man - uel, Christ, the Lord;

Clean in His blood most pre - cious Till not a spot re - mains.
 He from them all re - leas - es; He all my sor - rows shares.
 Like fra - grance on the breez - es His name a - broad is poured.

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OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 50:15-21

¹⁵When Joseph’s brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, “It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him.” ¹⁶So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, “Your father gave this command before he died, ¹⁷‘Say to Joseph, Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.’ And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father.” Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, “Behold, we are your servants.” ¹⁹But Joseph said to them, “Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? ²⁰As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. ²¹So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones.” Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE: Romans 14:1-12

¹As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions. ²One person believes he may eat anything, while the weak person eats only vegetables. ³Let not the one who eats despise the one who abstains, and let not the one who abstains pass judgment on the one who eats, for God has welcomed him. ⁴Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand.

⁵One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. ⁶The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. ⁷For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. ⁸If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord’s. ⁹For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

¹⁰Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; ¹¹for it is written,

“As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall confess to God.”

¹²So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 18:21-35

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eighteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²¹Peter came up and said to [Jesus], “Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?” ²²Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven.

²³“Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. ²⁵And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. ²⁶So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ ²⁷And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, ‘Pay what you owe.’ ²⁹So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ ³⁰He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. ³¹When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. ³²Then his master summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?’ ³⁴And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. ³⁵So also my

heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

APOSTLES' CREED

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.

HYMN OF THE DAY "Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying" LSB 826



1 Hark, the voice of Je - sus cry - ing, "Who will go and work to - day?
2 If you can-not speak like an - gels, If you can - not preach like Paul,
3 If you can-not be a watch-man, Stand - ing high on Zi - on's wall,
4 Let none hear you i - dly say - ing, "There is noth-ing I can do,"



Fields are white and har-vests wait-ing— Who will bear the sheaves a-way?"
You can tell the love of Je - sus, You can say He died for all.
Point - ing out the path to heav - en, Of - f'ring life and peace to all,
While the mul - ti - tudes are dy - ing And the Mas-ter calls for you.



Loud and long the Mas-ter call-eth; Rich re - ward He of - fers thee.
If you can - not rouse the wick - ed With the judg - ment's dread a - larms,
With your prayers and with your boun-ties You can do what God com-mands;
Take the task He gives you glad - ly, Let His work your plea - sure be;



Who will an - swer, glad - ly say - ing, "Here am I, send me, send me"?
You can lead the lit - tle chil - dren To the Sav - ior's wait - ing arms.
You can be like faith - ful Aar - on, Hold - ing up the proph - et's hands.
An - swer quick - ly when He call - eth, "Here am I, send me, send me!"

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SERMON "Complete in Christ - Are You Talking?"
Colossians 4:2-6

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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.**

BENEDICTION

- P** 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.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN....."Spread the Reign of God the Lord" LSB 830



1 Spread the reign of God the Lord, Spo - ken, writ - ten, might-y Word;
2 Tell how God the Fa - ther's will Made the world, up - holds it still,
3 Tell of our Re-deem - er's grace, Who, to save our hu - man race
4 Tell of God the Spir - it giv'n Now to guide us on to heav'n,



Ev - 'ry - where His crea - tures call To His heav'n - ly ban - quet hall.
How His own dear Son He gave Us from sin and death to save.
And to pay re - bel - lion's price, Gave Him - self as sac - ri - fice.
Strong and ho - ly, just and true, Work - ing both to will and do.

- 5 Enter, mighty Word, the field;
Ripe the promise of its yield.
But the reapers, oh, how few
For the work there is to do!
- 6 Lord of harvest, great and kind,
Rouse to action heart and mind;
Let the gath'ring nations all
See Your light and heed Your call.

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Sermon Outline - September 13, 2020

“Complete in Christ – Are You Talking?”
Colossians 4:2-6

1. _____

Devoted

2. _____ the _____

Clearly sharing Christ

3. _____ with _____

Thirsting for Jesus

Prayer Page - September 13, 2020



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Worship - Community - Mission

ST PETER PRAYER PAGE

Thanksgiving for the gift of:

Josiah Jacob Drew (born to Ben & Rebecca Drew;
grandson of Jim & Karla Bohling)

Healing:

Bernard Betten (Father of Don Betten, Kent Betten &
Bev Harms)

For peace, patience & protection as they wait to get their adopted daughter, Ruby, from China:

Brett & Jessica (Betten) Brown and their family

Ongoing health concerns:

Lodean Voss (father of Todd Voss), Allen Schardt, Abby
(Harms) Warm, Patti Mueller, Chase Laaker (battling
seizures), Cammie (Cahill) Freitag, Doug Grupe, Kylie
Noojin (daughter-in-law of John & Tammy), Lynn
Eitzman (battling cancer), Whitney Watson (breast cancer
- Rod & Cindy's daughter-in-law), Aaron Fiet (Dale
Endorf's brother-in-law), Robin Sedlachek, Marlene
Weideman, Donna Genung, Bridget Schnuelle
(daughter of Brenda Betten)

Birthdays this week:

Dale Bohling, William Finke, Heath Finke, Donna
Genung, Rowen Sedlachek, Alan Holle

Baptismal birthdays this week:

Wedding anniversaries this week:

Logan & Desirae Schardt (5 years on September 12)
Tyson & Jill Bauer (15 years on September 17)

▪ **Prayer requests from our missionaries, Rev. Dale
and Suzanne Kaster:** Pray that the Holy Spirit would
open up hearts to the Gospel in the Czech Republic

▪ **That God would use each of us** at St. Peter to
encourage one another and to love those we come
into contact with

▪ **For Deshler Lutheran School:** That our staff,
families, and congregations would focus on our 20-21
year theme: "Sent to Serve" - Matthew 20:28

▪ **For our missionaries:** The hundreds of men and
women serving overseas bearing witness, showing
mercy and living life together in and by our Lord,
Jesus Christ, with others around the world

▪ **For our country; President Donald Trump;** all
leaders; our service men and women; Chaplains; for
peace, guidance & safety in our land

▪ **Members/Relatives/Friends in service or in
active service:** Jacob Noojin (son of John & Tammy);
Mark Baden (son of Marvin & Sharon); Peter Magnus
(nephew of John & Tammy Noojin); Brandon Lee (nephew
of Galen & Melissa Sasse); Isaac Ralston (grandson of
Virgil & Lola); TJ & Emily Wiebe, (brother & sister-in-law
of Jocelyn Berggren)

▪ **For Hope Pregnancy Center:** That God would bless
this ministry as it reaches out to families in our local
area and defends life

For our members in assisted living, nursing home & care centers:

Mary Loontjer, Dale & Darlene Bohling, MLH, Deshler
Larry Schardt, Blue Valley Care Home, Hebron
Sandra Meyer, Region 5 Group Homes, Hebron
Roger Finke, Lakeview Assisted Living, Firth
Nick Bartling, Life Care Center of Elkhorn, Omaha



FAITH PRAYER PAGE

In Nursing Home:

Mary Ehlers

Health Issues:

Lisa Johnson (daughter-in-law of Lyle & Lynda Johnson)
Marla Braithwait
Cammie Freitag
Pastor Richard Gudgel

Birthdays:

Ella Murray - Sunday, September 13
Jeanne Ritchey - Wednesday, September 16

Anniversaries:



Announcements

St. Peter Lutheran, Deshler and Faith Lutheran, Hebron
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 13, 2020

WELCOME! We pray that God will bless you through the power of His Word. If you are a guest or visitor, we are so thankful you joined us. If you would like to hear more about Jesus or our congregations at St. Peter and Faith, please contact Pastor Brian. A Live Stream of the service takes place at 9:45 a.m. on St. Peter's Facebook and YouTube pages. Full printed services and announcements are available for you in the Narthex. Please visit stpeterdeshler.org for updated news and events.

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General Announcements

Serving at St. Peter	Serving at St. Peter	Serving at St. Peter	Serving at Faith
Pastor - Brian Francik	Screen - Sharon Houtwed	Acolyte - Claire Sasse	Pastor - Brian Francik
Elder - Dale Schardt	Usher - Tyler Harms	Sound - Steve Harms	Organist - Cheryl Walsh
Organist - Joyce Schmidt		Flowers - Barb Schardt	

Memory Verse of the Week

“Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.” (1 Corinthians 15:58)

Weekly Devotion - Email a request to Pastor Brian if you would like to receive (by email) weekly messages based on the Memory Verse of the Week.

Food Ministry Opportunity - We want to support and encourage the Warren and Mary Ehlers family as they walk the journey of Mary's recovery in the nursing home. To help with this, the food ministry team will be providing meals for Warren at home twice a month. Food ministry team members will prepare a meal and deliver in non-returnable containers/dishes to Pastor Brian and Shamlynn's home. Meals will then be divided into single serving containers, frozen, and delivered by Shamlynn. If you would like to join this opportunity, please contact Shamlynn Francik @ 402-710-6635 or shamlynn.francik@gmail.com. Please continue to keep the Ehlers family in your daily prayers. If you know of other food ministry opportunities in our communities please let Shamlynn know.

St. Peter Announcements

OFFERING REPORT	Received September 13	Needed Weekly	Year to Date	IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE
General Fund	2,210.00	6,350.52	155,288.41	Attendance - 75
General Fund - Direct Deposit	1,000.00		32,200.00	Communion Attendance - 50
General Fund - Online (Tithely)			1,052.43	Visitors - 12
NE District/Missions	35.00		2,240.00	EQUIP - 24
Special Mission (Kasters)			970.00	

Direct Deposit Offerings- Automatic withdrawal is available as a way to give your offerings here at St. Peter. Signup forms are available in the Narthex, or if requested can be mailed or emailed to you. If you have any questions, please contact our treasurer, Sara Kresser, at 402-984-2453 or fourleafclover9@hotmail.com.

Giving Online - You have the opportunity to give online using a debit or credit card. Click on the "Give" tab on www.stpeterdeshler.org, then select "Click to Give."

Join Us for "Equip" Wednesdays @ 6:30 p.m.

"He is the one who gave these gifts to the church: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, and the pastors and teachers. Their responsibility is to EQUIP God's people to do His work and build up the church, the body of Christ, until we come to such unity in our faith and knowledge of God's Son that we will be mature and full grown in the Lord, measuring up to the full stature of Christ." (Ephesians 4:11-13, NLT)

We invite you to join us for "EQUIP" each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at St. Peter. This is something new at St. Peter. It's a time for families and individuals to be equipped to grow in and live out their faith in Christ. "EQUIP" includes some contemporary worship songs, Bible Study, prayer, and time with other growing Christians. **We will NOT be live streaming "EQUIP."** Bring your Bible and something to write with and join us as we grow and mature together.

Flowers shared with us are in loving memory of Florence Schmidt.

October Calendar/Newsletter Deadline is Friday, September 18.

New Display Cabinet - Stop and take a look at the new display cabinet at the back of the church. It was custom made by Harvey Sorge and displays the old marble baptismal font that was part of our church for many years. The cabinet also displays the set of silver communion ware that was also used by this congregation. We would love to know more about these pieces that may be as much as one hundred years old. Does anyone know where they came from? Who purchased them? Let us know if you have any information or stories about them.

Sunday School Update - We are going to wait to start Sunday school this Fall until October. We are continuing to monitor the COVID guidelines that are in place and will be seeking to have Sunday school in accordance with those guidelines. Thank you for your patience and understanding. Please contact Lynn Bohling if you would like to help with Sunday school.

Looking For A New Bell Choir Director - After much prayer, Jamie Calkins has decided to step away from being the director of the bell choir. (She will still direct the vocal choir). We thank the Lord for Jamie and all the years of playing and directing she has put into the bell choir. We are looking for someone who would be interested in directing the bell choir. We don't know what that will look like with COVID, but we are hoping to get a director in place. Please pray about whether God is leading you to serve in this way. If you have any questions, please talk to Jamie or Pastor Brian.



Food Ministry - We are offering a ministry of providing and delivering meals to people going through major changes in life (major illness, death in the family, new baby, loss of a job, etc.) This is a way to serve, not only our members, but people in the community as well. If you would like more information or to sign up to be on the Food Ministry Team, please contact Shamlynn Francik at (402) 710-6635 or shamlynn.francik@gmail.com. If you know of people at church or in the community that we should reach out to, please contact Shamlynn.

Text Alerts - If you would like to be put on a text alert list in regard to church notices, please email Pastor Brian the following information: *Name, Cell Phone Number* (include area code), *Cell Phone Carrier* (e.g. Verizon, US Cellular). Pastor's email is pastorbfrancik@gmail.com

Are You On Facebook? - Check out the St. Peter, Faith, and Deshler Lutheran School Facebook pages, like, and follow them to get updates on your feed. We are continuing to find ways to encourage the body of Christ in the technology world.

Available In The Narthex All Week - Sunday Bulletins, Pastor Brian's Weekly Message, *My Devotions, Portals of Prayer*, Text Alert Signup Sheets, Cloth masks and hand sanitizer

Best Choice Upc's - Simply cut the UPC symbol from any Best Choice label . . . Drop the labels in the Best Choice jar on the table beside the mailbox . . . Deshler Lutheran School earns \$30 in cash for each bundle of 1,000 UPC's collected

Video Of Service - A DVD of each Sunday service is available in the white basket on the mailbox shelf around 10:00 a.m. on the following Thursday. All videos are available for anyone to take home, watch, and return.

St. Peter Calendar

Sun., Sept. 13	9:00 AM	Contemporary Worship Songs
	9:45 AM	Worship Service
Mon., Sept. 14	7:00 PM	Agape Readers
Wed., Sept. 16	5:30 PM	Midweek Confirmation
	6:30 PM	EQUIP
Thurs., Sept. 17	9:15 AM	DLS Chapel
	6:30 PM	Bible Study @ Faith
Fri., Sept. 18	- - - - -	Pastor's Day Off
	9:00 AM	October Newsletter Deadline
	1:00 PM	Bulletin Folders
Sun., Sept. 20	9:00 AM	Contemporary Worship Songs
	9:45 AM	Worship Service

The St. Peter worship services and prayer time are live-streamed via the St. Peter Facebook page and YouTube channel.

Faith Announcements

Volunteer Needed: Before the storage shed can be painted, there is a bit of trim that has rotted around the doorways. If anyone has the skills to remove/replace trim, please contact Dick or Brad for further info. Thank you!

Communion at Faith: Communion will be held every 1st & 4th Sunday of the month.

Acolyte Schedule at Faith: We will have acolytes serve on Communion Sundays (the 1st & 4th Sundays):
September 27: Rebecca Burda

Sunday School at Faith: Begins TODAY following church service!

Bible Study at Faith: Pastor Brian will continue with his once/month Bible Study beginning on Thursday, September 17 at 6:30 p.m. The study is "How to Experience God in Prayer." It will be just Bible Study....**no** meal.

You have the opportunity to give online using a debit or credit card. Download an app on your phone or computer called: **Tithe.ly**. **Select Faith Lutheran Church Hebron, NE.** Click 'Give Now'. Your giving will automatically send a notification to Amy, church treasurer, who will send your giving to the finance committee to be recorded.

Direct Deposit Information: To set up an Automatic Deposit on a weekly or monthly basis to go directly to the church's account at Thayer County Bank, please contact Amy at 402-560-4083 and she will get you the form.

Faith Calendar

Sun., Sept. 13	8:30 AM	Worship Service
	9:30 AM	Sunday School Starts TODAY
	9:45 AM	Live Stream St. Peter Service
Thurs., Sept. 17	6:30 PM	Bible Study "How to Experience God in Prayer"
Fri., Sept. 18	- - - - -	Pastor's Day Off
Sun., Sept. 20	8:30 AM	Worship Service
	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	9:45 AM	Live Stream St. Peter Service

Deshler Lutheran School Announcements

2020-2021 School Theme: "Sent To Serve!"



The school year theme this year is another good one—"Sent to Serve!" —and comes from Matthew 20:28, which reads as follows: "The Son of Man came not to be served, but to serve and give His life as a ransom for many." It amazing to think that God loved us so much, even with all our sin, that He sent Jesus to this earth to serve. What an amazing God we have! Not only that, but just as Jesus was "Sent to Serve!" so are each one of us.

Throughout the school year, we will focus on both aspects of our theme. May we all remember that we have been "Sent to Serve!"

Mid-term September 16

First quarter mid-term is next Wednesday, September 16. Mid-term reports will be sent home on Monday, September 21.

Deshlerfest Band Exhibition September 19

The JH Band will be participating in a marching band exhibition in Deshler on September 19.

5-6 Classroom Chapel on September 24

Mrs. Voss's 5-6 classroom will be leading chapel on Thursday, September 24 @ 9:15. Parents of 5-6 students are highly encouraged to attend. Guests are welcome to join us as well. Please bring a mask and practice social distancing.

DLS Health Screening

DLS School Nurse Karen Schardt will be conducting health screening for all students on September 28 & 29. Parents will be informed of any potential health concerns.

Cold Rainy Weather

Means that it is a great time to check out RightNow Media. RightNow Media is a Bible-based "Netflix" for your whole family. Be sure to activate your FREE membership from DLS.



Calling On Prayer Warriors for DLS

DLS asks you to faithfully lift up Deshler Lutheran in your prayers throughout 20-21 school year. We ask that the Holy Spirit would work in mighty ways in the lives of all our students, teachers, families, and community through the school ministry of DLS! May God continue to bless us with

His provision, protection, and guidance. Thank you!

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