



Reach out to all

Embrace His Gifts

Announce His coming

Commit to Christian Living

Honor His Word

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church

Sunday, June 21, 2026

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Opening Hymn: Just as I am, Without One Plea

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

P: Let us then confess our sins to God the Father

C: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**



4th Sunday after Pentecost

Jermiah 20:7-13 You deceived me, Lord, and I was deceived; you overpowered me and prevailed. I am ridiculed all day long; everyone mocks me. 8 Whenever I speak, I cry out proclaiming violence and destruction. So, the word of the Lord has brought me insult and reproach all day long. 9 But if I say, "I will not mention his word or speak anymore in his name," his word is in my heart like a fire, a fire shut up in my bones. I am weary of holding it in; indeed, I cannot. 10 I hear many whispering, "Terror on every side! Denounce him! Let's denounce him!" All my friends are waiting for me to slip, saying, "Perhaps he will be deceived; then we will prevail over him and take our revenge on him." 11 But the Lord is with me like a mighty warrior; so my persecutors will stumble and not prevail. They will fail and be thoroughly disgraced; their dishonor will never be forgotten. 12 Lord Almighty, you who examine the righteous and probe the heart and mind, let me see your vengeance on them, for to you I have committed my cause. 13 Sing to the Lord! Give praise to the Lord! He rescues the life of the needy from the hands of the wicked.

Romans 6:12-23 ¹²Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires. ¹³Do not offer any part of yourself to sin as an instrument of wickedness, but rather offer yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer every part of yourself to him as an instrument of righteousness. ¹⁴For sin shall no longer be your master, because you are not under the law, but under grace. ¹⁵What then? Shall we sin because we are not under the law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶Don't you know that when you offer yourselves to someone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one you obey—whether you are slaves to sin, which leads to death, or to obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷But thanks be to God that, though you used to be slaves to sin, you have come to obey from your heart the pattern of teaching that has now claimed your allegiance. ¹⁸You have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness. ¹⁹I am using an example from everyday life because of your human limitations. Just as you used to offer yourselves as slaves to impurity and to ever-increasing wickedness, so now offer yourselves as slaves to righteousness leading to holiness. ²⁰When you were slaves to sin, you were free from the control of righteousness. ²¹What benefit did you reap at that time from the things you are now ashamed of? Those things result in death! ²²But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life. ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in ^[a] Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gospel: Matthew:10:5, 21-33 Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down: ²¹“You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, ‘You shall not murder,^[a] and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment.’ ²²But I tell you that anyone who is angry with a brother or sister^{[b][c]} will be subject to judgment. Again, anyone who says to a brother or sister, ‘Raca,’^[d] is answerable to the court. And anyone who says, ‘You fool!’ will be in danger of the fire of hell. ²³“Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you,

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.

Sermon Hymn: # 424 - "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

Sermon :” The Measure of a Man’s Faith” Mathew 8:5-13



Pray for our country, for our military, for our healthcare workers & first responders, for those that are sick, for those in need, for those who have lost loved ones, for our home-bound, for wisdom for our leaders, and for all of your concerns. Prayers of Strength and Comfort for the Ukrainian People and wisdom for all NATO Members. Pray for all your concerns.

The Lord’s Prayer

Prayers for those in need



Service of the Sacrament

Benediction Closing Hymn: # 935 – Lift High the Cross

SERMON REVIEW FOR June 14, 2026

The Measure of a Man’s Faith” Mathew 8:5-13

“Introduction Father’s Day! Real Men Honor God!

Matthew present a real man – A Centurion who was:

- An U _____ man
- With an U _____ request
- Who had a strong F _____

I. How do we measure Faith?

A. It is not measured by _____

1. Q _____ (you need more faith)
2. T _____ (I’ve always been a Christian”)
3. Who you K _____ (My spouse, parents, grandparents are Christians”

B. Faith is a R _____

1. God’s underserved G _____
 - a. We cannot come home to Him (sin divides)
 - b. God must come to us. (pure G _____)
2. Personal trust is the only valid response to Jesus.
 - a. The Centurion C _____ “Jesus is God”
 - b. Faith is measured by M _____ of trust

II. Mature faith focuses on Jesus A _____!

A. We are constantly tempted to look away from Jesus by all that surrounds (Both G _____ & E _____)

B. A Mature Christian refuses to be D _____

1. We seek to K _____ more about Him &
2. Be more L _____ Him.



ADULT BIBLE CLASS meets today.



June - Comfort Dog Ministry

A dog is a friend who brings a calming influence, allowing people to open up their hearts and receive help for what is affecting them. These are trained Comfort Dogs for Lutheran Church Charities. They interact with people at churches, schools, nursing homes, hospitals, events and in disaster situations.



The ground level door will be open on Sunday mornings for those who wish to avoid climbing the hill. Also shortly after service begins both doors will be locked for security reasons.



Belize Missionary



There is a newsletter out on the table in the Narthex. You may read it or take one with you.

Alleluia



**All of them were
filled with
the Holy Spirit!**

Acts 2.4