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St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Sunday, September 29, 2024

Opening Hymn- "Father Welcomes"

THE INVOCATION

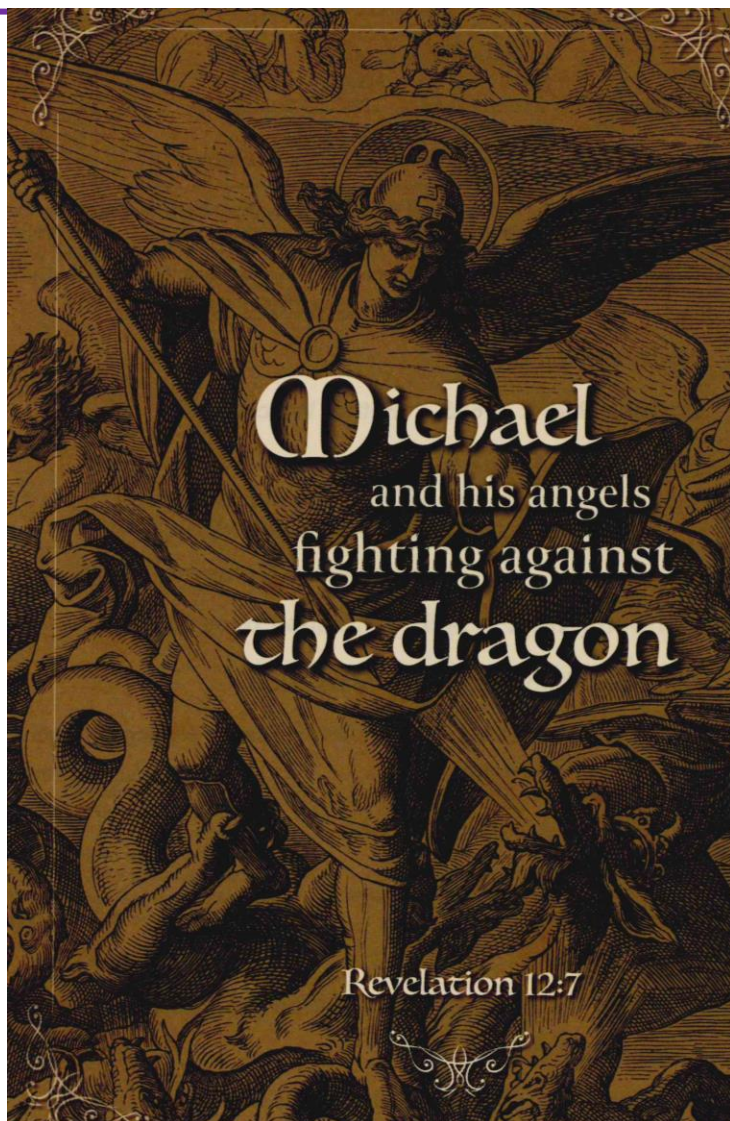
P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

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.



19th Sunday after Pentecost

O.T. Numbers 11:4-6,10-16,24-29 - The rabble with them began to crave other food, and again the Israelites started wailing and said, "If only we had meat to eat!"⁵ We remember the fish we ate in Egypt at no cost—also the cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions and garlic.⁶ But now we have lost our appetite; we never see anything but this manna!" **10-16:**¹⁰ Moses heard the people of every family wailing at the entrance to their tents. The Lord became exceedingly angry, and Moses was troubled.¹¹ He asked the Lord, "Why have you brought this trouble on your servant? What have I done to displease you that you put the burden of all these people on me?"¹² Did I conceive all these people? Did I give them birth? Why do you tell me to carry them in my arms, as a nurse carries an infant, to the land you promised on oath to their ancestors?"¹³ Where can I get meat for all these people? They keep wailing to me, 'Give us meat to eat!' ¹⁴ I cannot carry all these people by myself; the burden is too heavy for me.¹⁵ If this is how you are going to treat me, please go ahead and kill me—if I have found favor in your eyes—and do not let me face my own ruin."¹⁶ The Lord said to Moses: "Bring me seventy of Israel's elders who are known to you as leaders and officials among the people. Have them come to the tent of meeting, that they may stand there with you. **24-29** So Moses went out and told the people what the Lord had said. He brought together seventy of their elders and had them stand around the tent.²⁵ Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke with him, and he took some of the power of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied—but did not do so again.²⁶ However, two men, whose names were Eldad and Medad, had remained in the camp. They were listed among the elders, but did not go out to the tent. Yet the Spirit also rested on them, and they prophesied in the camp.²⁷ A young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp."²⁸ Joshua son of Nun, who had been Moses' aide since youth, spoke up and said, "Moses, my lord, stop them!"²⁹ But Moses replied, "Are you jealous for my sake? I wish that all the Lord's people were prophets and that the Lord would put his Spirit on them!" .

Epistle- James 5:13-20 - ¹³ Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise.¹⁴ Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord.¹⁵ And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven.¹⁶ Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.¹⁷ Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years.¹⁸ Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops.¹⁹ My brothers and sisters, if one of you should wander from the truth and someone should bring that person back,²⁰ remember this: Whoever turns a sinner from the error of their way will save them from death and cover over a multitude of sins.

Gospel- Mark 9:38-50 - ³⁸ "Teacher," said John, "we saw someone driving out demons in your name and we told him to stop, because he was not one of us."³⁹ "Do not stop him," Jesus said. "For no one who does a miracle in my name can in the next moment say anything bad about me,⁴⁰ for whoever is not against us is for us.⁴¹ Truly I tell you, anyone who gives you a cup of water in my name because you belong to the Messiah will certainly not lose their reward.⁴² "If anyone causes one of these little ones—those who believe in me—to stumble, it would be better for them if a large millstone were hung around their neck and they were thrown into the sea.⁴³ If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life maimed than with two hands to go into hell, where the fire never goes out.⁴⁵ And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life crippled than to have two feet and be thrown into hell.⁴⁷ And if your eye causes you to stumble, pluck it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell,⁴⁸ where "the worms that eat them do not die, and the fire is not quenched." Everyone will be salted with fire.⁵⁰ "Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can you make it salty again? Have salt among yourselves, and be at peace with each other."

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who, for us men for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe one holy and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Sermon Hymn: "Jesus Loves Me"

Sermon: "Savory Salt" Mark 9:50



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

Benediction

Closing Hymn: "Beautiful Savior"

SERMON REVIEW FOR September 29, 2024

"Savory Salt" Mark 9:50

Introduction: Great T_____ come in simple form.

i.e. Jesus calls His disciples the "salt of the earth"

The lessons we learn from salt

I. The importance of salt

A. To create T_____

1. Food enhanced by salt

2. Christian influence makes the a better world

3. When we lose our savior, the world is worse

B. To P_____

1. The importance of salt before refrigeration

2. God allows the world to continue, "for the sake of the E_____" i.e. Abraham and Sodom

C. The generate T_____

1. Life requires salt to survive

2. Christian W_____ creates 'hunger & thirst in others'

3. When we lose our savor, we hinder the Gospel

II. A healthy diet provides salt in N_____ ways

A. Too little salt or, too much salt are equally harmful

B_____ diet is necessary

B. Our spiritual life receives "savor" by a healthy, balanced, spiritual diet

1. The G_____ (the right food)

2. Regular use of W_____ and S_____ (the right amount)



Adult Bible meets downstairs after service,

Jr. Bible Class Meeting dates

October dates: 6th & 20th



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LWML/Ladies Aid: Next meeting is Tuesday, October 8, 2024 @ 10:00am

LWML Sunday & Collection of Mites will be Sunday October 20, 2024.

Our guest preacher for October 6th is Pastor Jason Groth, recently ordained to serve as missionary to Belize. Prior to entering seminary Jason and family were active members of Trinity, Paw Paw. He will lead worship and Bible Class. This is a good time to renew our congregations support for world missions.

October 13 Pastor Phil Quardokus will lead worship. There will be no Bible Class and Church Council will meet following the service.

Pastor Cal Kozlow of Trinity, Sturgis is on call for emergencies the first two weeks of October. Deacon Ed will contact him if need arises.

LWML IN-GATHERING FOR LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

LWML is once again collecting items for personal care kits to send to Lutheran World Relief. The items needed are listed below and must be new:

1-lightweight bath-size towel 20"x40" to 52" x 27" Dark colors

2 or 3 bath-size bars of soap 4 oz each, any brand, in original wrapping.

1- adult-sized **toothbrush** in its original packaging, toothbrushes in multi-packs may be donated.

1- **sturdy comb** (no picks or fine-tooth combs).

1-metal nail clipper (attached file optional).

We will be collecting these items starting August 25, 2024 thru October 6, 2024. You may put your items in the tub so marked in the Narthex.

According to LWR guidelines, please do not donate any items decorated with a U.S. flag, holiday symbols, patriotic or military symbols, or references to the armed forces, including camouflage

Thank you for your generosity!

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