PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES June 29, 2025 - 9:00 am



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"Preach. Teach. Reach."

Prelude

WELCOME

Please rise.

GATHERING SONG



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Greeting

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

C Almighty God, we praise you that your blessed apostles Peter and Paul glorified you by their martyrdoms. Grant that your church throughout the world may always be instructed by their teaching and example, be knit together in unity by your Spirit, and ever stand firm upon the one foundation who is Jesus Christ our Lord, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated.

FIRST READING

Acts 12:1-11

Psalm 87:1-3, 5-7

King Herod had James killed and had Peter put in prison, under heavy guard. In what Peter first believes is only a vision, an angel leads him past unseeing guards, out of the prison, and to freedom.

- ¹About that time King Herod laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church. R ²He had James, the brother of John, killed with the sword. ³After he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. (This was during the festival of Unleavened Bread.)⁴ When he had seized him, he put him in prison and handed him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending to bring him out to the people after the Passover. ⁵ While Peter was kept in prison, the church prayed fervently to God for him. ⁶ The very night before Herod was going to bring him out, Peter, bound with two chains, was sleeping between two soldiers, while guards in front of the door were keeping watch over the prison.⁷ Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him, saying, "Get up quickly." And the chains fell off his wrists. ⁸ The angel said to him, "Fasten your belt and put on your sandals." He did so. Then he said to him, "Wrap your cloak around you and follow me." ⁹ Peter went out and followed him; he did not realize that what was happening with the angel's help was real; he thought he was seeing a vision. ¹⁰ After they had passed the first and the second guard, they came before the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went outside and walked along a lane, when suddenly the angel left him.¹¹ Then Peter came to himself and said, "Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hands of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting."
- R The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

- R ¹On the holy mountain stands the city God has founded;
- C ² the LORD loves the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.
- R ³Glorious things are spoken of you, O city of our God.
- C ⁵Of the city it shall be said, "Everyone was born in Zion, and the Most High shall sustain the city."
- R ⁶Enrolling the nations, the LORD records: "These also were born there."
- C ⁷ The singers and the dancers will say, "All my fresh springs are in you."

SECOND READING

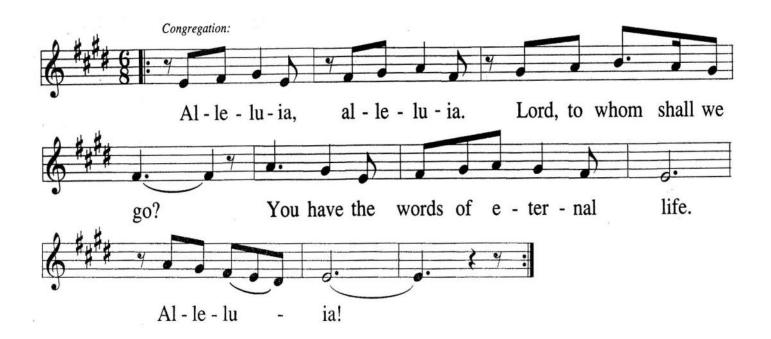
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

Paul has faithfully persevered in the mission the Lord had given to him. Near life's end he rests in the promise of eternal life, confident that the Lord who has rescued him in the past will bring him into the heavenly kingdom.

- R ⁶ As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷ I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.
 ⁸ From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. ¹⁷ But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. ¹⁸ The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.
 R The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Please rise.

GOSPEL VERSE



- P The Holy Gospel according to John, the 21st chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Jesus invites Simon Peter to declare his love for him three times, in a manner reminiscent of the three times that Peter earlier denied Christ. Jesus commissions him to feed his sheep and predicts that he will die as a martyr for God.

- P ¹⁵ When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶ A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." ¹⁷ He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. ¹⁸ Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." ¹⁹ (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."
- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Sermon

Pastor Bryan Lagerstam

Please rise.



HYMN OF THE DAY



Music: ST. CATHERINE, Henri F. Henry, 1818–1888; James G. Walton, 1821–1905, refrain

THE CREED

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. 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.

Please be seated.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation.

A brief silence.

R We pray for the church. As you raised up apostles like Peter and Paul, raise us up to share your life-giving gospel. Enrich the proclamation of bishops, pastors, deacons, and all the baptized. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

R We pray for the earth. As you rescued Paul from the lion's mouth, rescue your creation from harm. Sustain fragile ecosystems; watch over dwindling numbers of insects, birds, and fish; and open our hearts to regard this earth as a gift. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

R We pray for the nations. As you bid Peter to feed your sheep, bid our leaders to feed all in need and work for their good. Make peace in places of conflict, and bring justice to each community. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

R We pray for this assembly. As you freed Peter from prison, free us from lethargy and fear. Loose the chains of timidity and doubt, and teach us to pray fervently. Strengthen the ministry of prison chaplains and ministries, and accompany all who are incarcerated and their families. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

P We pray for all who suffer. As you stood by Paul and gave him strength, stand by all who know loneliness, and give strength to all who know persecution. Comfort those in grief and heal those who are sick especially family and friends of June Chadwick, Lisa Thompson, Mark Gehrke, Marie McCoy, Tim Lothe, Bill Schmidt, Pat McCallum, Mary Brantmeyer, Dennis Steward, Brittany Miller, Kim Sprecher, Dwayne Schultz, and all those we name upon our lips or in our hearts. Channel our restlessness into your work in the world. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

P We give thanks for all who rest in your eternal mercy. As you reserved a crown of righteousness for Paul, reserve for us a place in your heavenly kingdom, and bring us to life that knows no end. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

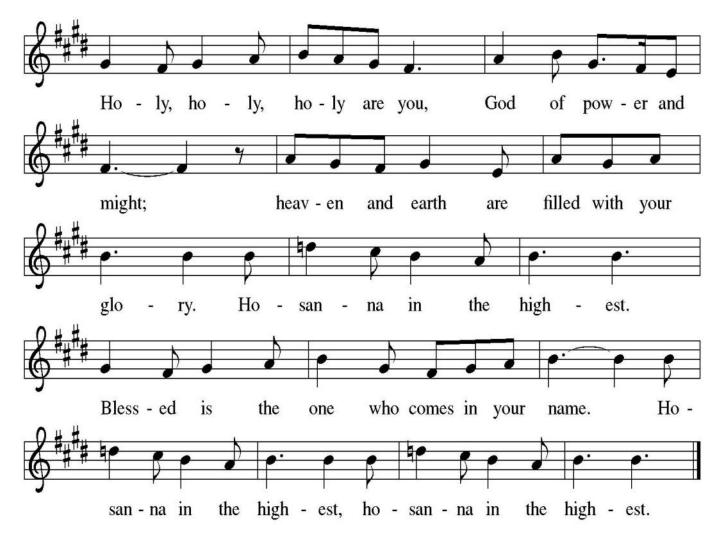
- P Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- C Amen.

Sharing of the peace

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **C** And also with you. (*Greet one another with God's peace.*)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give him thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right, our duty, ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C 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.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Please rise.

COMMUNION BLESSING

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

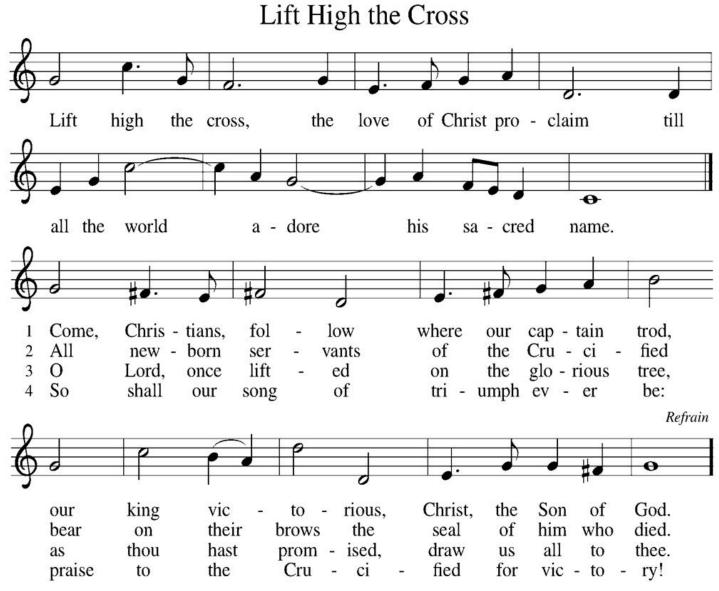
- P Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.
- C Amen.

Blessing

- P The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit + bless you and give you peace.
- C Amen.



SENDING SONG



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Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

- Р Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.
- С Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IF YOU ARE VISITING TODAY: Thank you for joining us at Burke for worship and fellowship! Please sign a card in the pew and/or the visitor book in the narthex.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

We teach that Jesus is truly present in the bread and the wine. All are invited to the table to share God's grace. Grape juice is available in the center of the tray for those who desire it, as well as gluten-free wafers.

> Please fill out a communion card and place it in the offering plate if you are communing today.

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PRAYERS & CARES

A Nursery (Youth Room) for children under six is located down the hallway near the church offices. Activity bags are available in the Narthex for children at worship.

Our Prayer List: Contact the church office with prayer concerns. Unless otherwise advised, names remain on our list for two weeks.

Family and Friends of June Chadwick

Lisa Thompson Marie McCoy Bill Schmidt Mary Brantmeyer Dennis Steward Mark Gehrke Tim Lothe Pat McCallum Brittany Miller



Congregational Opportunities

QUILTING: Every 1st, 3rd, & 5th Wednesday at 9:00am for June, July, and August. BAND PRACTICE: Will be on hiatus for the summer. BIBLE STUDY: Will be on hiatus for the summer. JAM: Will be on hiatus for the summer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bulletin Announcements: Bulletin deadline is noon on Tuesdays. Send them to burkelutheran@att.net or drop them off at the office.

Hospitalized?: Please let the hospital staff know you are a member of Burke Lutheran Church so we are notified.

CALL TO ACTION

July Food Pantry Focus: July focus is: "Fruits," such as canned fruit, fruit leather, juice boxes, etc. Please place your non-perishable goods in the 'Donations' basket in the entryway and it will be delivered to the pantry.

Birthday Bags for River Food Pantry.

List of contents and bags are located in the entryway.

Light of Life & Sunday Bulletin Articles

If you have news you'd like to see in the Sunday bulletin announcements and/or Light of Life newsletter:

1. Email your submissions to burkelutheran@att.net (please indicate in the subject line whether it is for the bulletin, LOL or both), or

2. Mail to church, 5720 Portage Rd, Madison, WI 53718, or

3. Turn it into the church office.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Noon on Tuesdays LIGHT OF LIFE DEADLINE: 20th of the month

THIS WEEK AT BURKE

Tuesday, July 1		Special Council Meeting, 6:00p
Wednesday, July 2	Quilting, 9:00a	
Sunday, July 6	Worship, 9:00a	

WORSHIP LEADERS

	June 29 - 9:00am Service	July 6 - 9:00am Service	
Organist/Pianist	Susie Kittel Moore	Gloria Lundquist	
Music Leaders	Gloria Lundquist	Chris Grefe David Wisner	
Communion Assistant	Gloria Lundquist	Barb Hennings	
Communion Prep	Gloria Lundquist	Jean Schnick	
Lay Reader	Sharon Hughes	Jean Schnick	
Usher Team	Roger Kittleson	Bob Lenzendorf David Hanson	
Coffee Hour	Pot Luck	Donuts	
Counters	Rose Haney Deb Brown	Gloria Lundquist Rose Haney	

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

	Sunday 9:00am	Total	35
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