Welcome to Petersburg Lutheran Church

March 19, 2017

We are glad you are here!

Prelude

***Opening Hymn** "*Beneath the Cross of Jesus*" **ELW#338**

Welcome

***Confession and Forgiveness** **ELW, p. 117**

Prayer of the Day: Merciful God, the fountain of living water, you quench our thirst and wash away our sin. Give us this water always. Bring us to drink from the well that flows with the beauty of your truth through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Epistle Reading **Romans 5: 1-11**

5Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace
with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, 2through whom we
have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and
we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. 3And not
only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that
suffering produces endurance, 4and endurance produces
character, and character produces hope, 5and hope does not
disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our
hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.
6 For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died
for the ungodly. 7Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a
righteous person—though perhaps for a good person
someone might actually dare to die. 8But God proves his
love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for
us. 9Much more surely then, now that we have been
justified by his blood, will we be saved through him
from the wrath of God. 10For if while we were enemies,
we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son,
much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be
saved by his life. 11But more than that, we even boast in
God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we
have now received reconciliation.

Children's Sermon

***Holy Gospel** **John 4: 5-42**

Reader: The gospel of the Lord.

Response: Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn *"Lord, Let My Heart be Good Soil"* (x 2) **ELW#512**

Sermon *"Be Nice to One Another"* Pastor Al

Hymn *"Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"* **ELW#708**

Confession of Faith: Apostles' Creed **ELW, p. 127**

Worshiping with our Gifts **ELW#686**

"We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee."

Prayers

Holy Communion **ELW#742, 697, 838, 423, 471**

Announcements

***Closing Hymn** "*Jesus Loves Me!*" **ELW#595**

Benediction

Postlude

** The Congregation is invited to stand.*