

August 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 7:00 pm Worship Service	2	3	4
5 8:30 Worship 9:45 Bible Study & Sunday School	6	7	8 7:00 pm Worship Service	9	10	11
12 8:30 Worship 9:45 Bible Study & Sunday School	13	14 6:30 pm Church Council Meeting	15 <i>Vacation Bible School</i> 7:00 pm Worship Service	16 <i>Vacation Bible School</i> Bible School 5:45 pm to 8:00 pm	17 <i>Vacation Bible School</i> Bible School 5:45 pm to 8:00 pm	18 <i>Bethesda Carnival</i> 11:00 am to 1:00 pm
19 <i>Nadashy Furenell</i> 8:30 Worship 9:45 Bible Study & Sunday School	20	21 4:30 pm CGES Meeting	22 7:00 pm Worship Service	23	24	25
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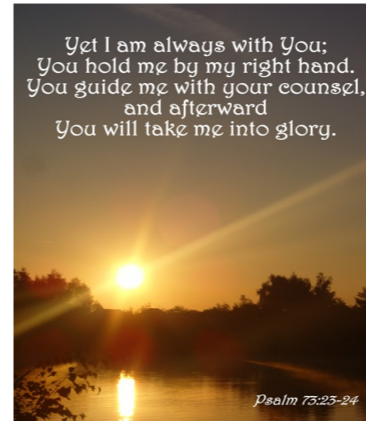
St. Peter's Lutheran Church

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St. Peter's Worship Schedule:
Worship Service -8:30 AM
Bible Class &
Sunday School-9:45 AM

Summer Services
Wednesdays - 7:00 PM

Jehovah Worship Schedule
Worship Service-10:15 AM
Adult Bible Study-11:30 AM



Lord, Thee I love with All My Heart
(LSB 708)

This month's article will focus on a German Lutheran hymn "Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart".

While Martin Luther has needed no introduction of his "A Mighty Fortress.", Martin Schalling is a much less well-known figure. Therefore, a few words about the author of "Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart" would be appropriate.

Martin Schalling was born on April 21, 1532, in Strasburg. He was, therefore, almost 50 years younger than Luther. The Reformation had gained a foothold in Strasburg about 12 years prior to Schalling's birth. Consequently, he was very much a child of the Reformation and sought an education at the University of Wittenberg, where he became a favorite student of Melancthon.

In truth, Schalling's life was neither more nor less distinguished than that of many pastors of his time. He is remembered today only because he wrote the text of one of the classic Lutheran hymns, "Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart," this being the only hymn Schalling apparently wrote. Curiously, this hymn is not well-known among Americans.

It has had virtually no use among non-Lutheran Protestants or among Roman Catholics, and it has been notably absent from many of the earlier American Lutheran hymnals. Despite the neglect with which it has apparently been treated on this side of the Atlantic, however, "Lord, Thee I Love", is one of the great sixteenth-century hymns, one of the more prominent and beloved hymns in the German Lutheran tradition.

Martin Schalling drew his inspiration for this, his only hymn, from the Psalter, his text being based upon Psalm 18 ("I will love thee, O Lord, my strength") and Psalm 73 ("Truly God is good to Israel"). Psalm 18, the fourth longest of the psalms, is a "royal psalm", probably applicable to any king coming to the throne as a servant of the Lord. The text of this psalm, with minor variations, also appears in 2 Samuel 22, where David celebrates his deliverance from his enemies and from the hands of Saul. The psalm shows the relationship between the psalmist and God, setting forth the evils besetting the psalmist, and continues with God's response to the psalmist's plea for help and a dramatic description of the awesome power of God and the rescue of God's servant. It ends in the form

of a doxology which places the psalmist's triumph over his enemies. Psalm 73 resembles Job, since the psalmist is lamenting his misfortune and the apparent good fortune of the wicked: but the psalmist is shown God's justice and the ultimate end for the wicked. At the end of the psalm, he declares his belief in God's wisdom and mercy.

Schalling probably wrote this hymn sometime between 1567 and 1570, but he did not write the tune. Unlike the psalmist, Schalling expresses an unshakable faith. There is no envy of the wicked, nor is there any real sense of despair. This essential difference between the two psalms and the hymn which they inspired reflects the Christian assurance of a Savior and Redeemer. He realizes that salvation through faith is the ultimate promise of his Savior.

Article: "The Earliest Lutheran Hymn Tradition as Illustrated by Two Classic Sixteenth-Century German Chorales" by Vincent A. Lenti-taken from "The Hymn" April 1999, Vol. 50, No. 2

Lord, Thee I love with all my heart; I pray Thee, ne'er from me depart, With tender mercy cheer me. Earth has no pleasure I would share. Yea, heav'n itself were void and bare If Thou, Lord, wert not near me. And should my heart for sorrow break, My trust in Thee can nothing shake. Thou art the portion I have sought;

Thy precious blood my soul has bought. Lord Jesus Christ, my God and Lord, my God and Lord, Forsake me not! I trust Thy Word.
(Verse 1)



Serving this Month

Greeters

August 5 Steve & Helen Mikle

Scripture Readers

August 5 Becki Hamilton

August 12 Anneke van Oosterom

August 19 Howard Klingbeil

August 26 Rod Nelson

Altar Guild

Mary Fryer

Inside Our Church

Summer Worship Services: Summer worship services are at 7:00 pm on Wednesdays. The last summer worship service for this year is Wednesday, August 29. at 7:00 pm. All are welcome to attend!

Bethesda Bible Church Vacation Bible School: Bethesda Bible Church is sponsoring VBS for 2018. The theme is **Shipwrecked: Rescued by Jesus**. Dates are August 15-17 and the time is from 5:45 pm to 8:00 pm. Ages 3-12 are welcome. If you would like to participate and/or volunteer, please register at www.bethesdatc.org Bethesda is also sponsoring a **free carnival** on Saturday, August 18 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Snow cones, games and prizes, a bouncy house, fun and food! Please see www.bethesdatc.org for more information!

Outdoor Movie: St. Peter's is sponsoring an outdoor movie, "Paddington 2" (the 2nd of the Paddington Bear series) on Friday, September 21 at 7:00 pm. Popcorn, water, and lemonade will be provided. Please bring a chair or blanket to sit on and insect repellent. In the event of rain, the movie will be shown in the church basement. All are welcome to attend!

Church Basement Ladies: A production of the Church Basement Ladies "You Smell Barn" will be held on Sunday, October 14 at 2:00 pm. It will be held at the Ames Center in Burnsville. We will meet at the church to car pool. The cost is \$33.00 per ticket. If you would like to attend, please turn in in your money to Gerry Morse by Sunday, September 9. Also, if you will require handicapped accessible seating, please let her know that as well. Family and friends are invited! If you have any questions, please contact Gerry at 651-227-4790.

Inside Our Community

Save the Date: Dean and Susie Nadasdy cordially invite you to attend a Service of Farewell and Thanksgiving as Dean retires from fulltime pastoral ministry. The service will be held on Sunday, August 19, at 4:00 pm, at Woodbury Lutheran Church, 7380 Afton Road, Woodbury, MN. Light refreshments will follow the service. Please send letters and cards to Debra Connolly at debra.connolly@mnsdistrict.org or to Debra Connolly, Minnesota South District, 14301 Grand Avenue So, Burnsville, MN 55306

Mobile Menders—The Mobile Menders are a group of volunteer sewers and menders that do basic clothing repair to keep you wearing your favorite items. They can add buttons, do hemming, fix zippers, etc. If you have something that needs repair, bring the clean item(s) to West 7th during their sewing clinic to get fixed. Most items can be fixed on the spot or some can be left to be picked up another time.

When: Monday, August 20

Where: West 7th Community Center , 265 Oneida St.

5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Prayer List

Rod Nelson; Rose Reich; Adam McDonald (grandson of Midge Bendix)

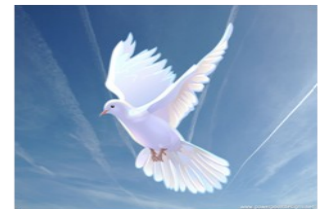
Birthdays

- 8 Tim Kreitz
- 9 Norma Cheesebrow
- 9 Dave Huber
- 15 Barb Kappelhoff
- 15 Roxanne Knudsen
- 25 Valerie Peterson
- 26 Connor Lehner



Baptism Birthdays

- 1 Alan Malcolm
- 31 Norma Cheesebrow
- 31 Brian Kreitz



June Financial Summary

	General	Koins 4 Kids	Savings Account	Total
Week 1	\$2,896.50	\$0.00	\$20.00	\$2,916.50
Week 2	\$1,509.50	\$3.49	\$ 0.00	\$1,512.99
Week 3	\$1,292.50	\$3.90	\$ 0.00	\$1,296.40
Week 4	\$ 793.00	\$7.52	\$3.00	\$ 803.52
Week 5	\$1,572.00	\$1.00	\$0.00	\$1,573.00
Total				\$8,102.41

