

A graphic featuring a dark blue cross at the top, with a series of concentric circles in shades of blue and teal below it. The text "HOW THE CHURCH ACTS" is written in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters across the center of the circles.

HOW THE CHURCH ACTS

WELCOME!

Families are valued here! Thank you for trusting us with your time and spiritual care. Kids activity sheets and crayons are available on tables as you enter worship.

Two family-friendly rooms are located to the left and right of the main level sanctuary. One room is exclusively for nursing moms while the other is available for families who might need a quieter environment or simply more space to move during worship.

Kids Care is available during the 10:45 AM worship service in the Kids Ministry hallway. Little ones (Birth–Pre-K) will be welcomed into an engaging and fun experience. They will learn how much God loves them, what a special creation they are, and how Jesus wants to be their best friend forever!

Prelude

Announcements

Welcome

Please stand

Passing of the Peace

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven



1 Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; To His feet your
2 Praise Him for His grace and fa - vor To His peo - ple
3 Fa - ther-like He tends and spares us; Well our fee - ble



trib - ute bring; Ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,
in dis - tress; Praise Him still the same as ev - er,
frame He knows; In His hand He gent - ly bears us,



Ev - er - more His prais - es sing: Al - le - lu - ia,
Slow to chide and swift to bless: Al - le - lu - ia,
Res - cues us from all our foes. Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in His faith - ful - ness.
al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet His mer - cy flows.

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Invocation

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

C Amen.

Confession and Absolution with the Apostles' Creed

P Brothers and sisters in Christ, We come before our holy and merciful God to confess our sins and to confess our faith, today using the words of the Apostles' Creed. The creed proclaims who God is—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—and what He has done to save us. As we speak these words of faith, let us also prepare our hearts to acknowledge where we have fallen short and to receive His grace.

P Do you believe in God the Father?

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C **I believe 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.**

P Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

C **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.**

P Almighty and most merciful God,

C **We confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. Though we have confessed the faith of the Church, we have often failed to live as Your people. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, that we may walk in Your ways and live to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for you, and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

4 An - gels, help us to a - dore Him; You be - hold Him
face to face; Sun and moon, bow down be - fore Him,
All who dwell in time and space. Al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

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Please be seated

Offering & Connect



First Reading

Acts 11:19–26; 13:1–3; 14:19–28

Now those who had been scattered by the persecution that broke out when Stephen was killed traveled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus and Antioch, spreading the word only among Jews. ²⁰ Some of them, however, men from Cyprus and Cyrene, went to Antioch and began to speak to Greeks also, telling them the good news about the Lord Jesus. ²¹ The Lord's hand was with them, and a great number of people believed and turned to the Lord. ²² News of this reached the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. ²³ When he arrived and saw what the grace of God had done, he was glad and encouraged them all to remain true to the Lord with all their hearts. ²⁴ He was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and faith, and a great number of people were brought to the Lord. ²⁵ Then Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul, ²⁶ and when he found him, he brought him to Antioch. So for a whole year Barnabas and Saul met with the church and taught great numbers of people. The disciples were called Christians first at Antioch.

Now in the church at Antioch there were prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen (who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch) and Saul. ² While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, “Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.” ³ So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off.

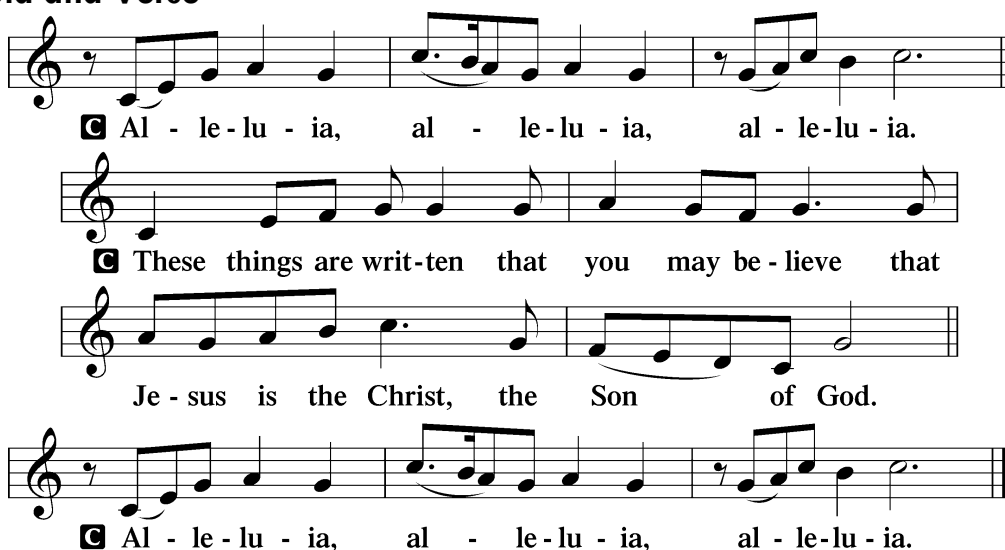
Then some Jews came from Antioch and Iconium and won the crowd over. They stoned Paul and dragged him outside the city, thinking he was dead. ²⁰ But after the disciples had gathered around him, he got up and went back into the city. The next day he and Barnabas left for Derbe. ²¹ They preached the gospel in that city and won a large number of disciples. Then they returned to Lystra, Iconium and Antioch, ²² strengthening the disciples and encouraging them to remain true to the faith. “We must go through many hardships to enter the kingdom of God,” they said. ²³ Paul and Barnabas appointed elders for them in each church and, with prayer and fasting, committed them to the Lord, in whom they had put their trust. ²⁴ After going through Pisidia, they came into Pamphylia, ²⁵ and when they had preached the word in Perga, they went down to Attalia. ²⁶ From Attalia they sailed back to Antioch, where they had been committed to the grace of God for the work they had now completed. ²⁷ On arriving there, they gathered the church together and reported all that God had done through them and how he had opened a door of faith to the Gentiles. ²⁸ And they stayed there a long time with the disciples.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Alleluia and Verse



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 10:1-9

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter.
- C** Glory to You, O Lord.

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them two by two ahead of him to every town and place where he was about to go. ² He told them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. ³ Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. ⁴ Do not take a purse or bag or sandals; and do not greet anyone on the road. ⁵ “When you enter a house, first say, ‘Peace to this house.’ ⁶ If someone who promotes peace is there, your peace will rest on them; if not, it will return to you. ⁷ Stay there, eating and drinking whatever they give you, for the worker deserves his wages. Do not move around from house to house. ⁸ “When you enter a town and are welcomed, eat what is offered to you. ⁹ Heal the sick who are there and tell them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C** Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated

Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying



1 Hark, the voice of Je - sus cry - ing, "Who will go and work to - day?
 2 If you can-not speak like an - gels, If you can - not preach like Paul,
 3 If you can-not be a watch-man, Stand - ing high on Zi - on's wall,
 4 Let none hear you i - dly say - ing, "There is noth-ing I can do,"



Fields are white and har-vests wait-ing— Who will bear the sheaves a-way?"
 You can tell the love of Je - sus, You can say He died for all.
 Point - ing out the path to heav-en, Of - f'ring life and peace to all,
 While the mul - ti-tudes are dy - ing And the Mas-ter calls for you.



Loud and long the Mas-ter call-eth; Rich re-ward He of - fers thee.
 If you can - not rouse the wick-ed With the judg-ment's dread a - larms,
 With your prayers and with your boun-ties You can do what God com-mands;
 Take the task He gives you glad-ly, Let His work your plea-sure be;



Who will an-swer, glad - ly say - ing, "Here am I, send me, send me"?
 You can lead the lit - tle chil-dren To the Sav-ior's wait - ing arms.
 You can be like faith-ful Aar-on, Hold - ing up the proph - et's hands.
 An - swer quick-ly when He call-eth, "Here am I, send me, send me!"

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Sermon

God, Whose Almighty Word



1 God, whose al - might - y word Cha - os and
 2 Lord, who once came to bring, On Your re -
 3 Spir - it of truth and love, Life - giv - ing,
 △ 4 Ho - ly and bless - ed Three, Glo - ri - ous



dark - ness heard And took their flight: Hear us, we
 deem - ing wing, Heal - ing and sight, Health to the
 ho - ly dove, Speed forth Your flight; Move on the
 Trin - i - ty, Wis - dom, love, might! Bound - less as



hum - bly pray, And where the Gos - pel day
 sick in mind, Sight to the in - ly blind:
 wa - ter's face, Bear - ing the lamp of grace,
 o - cean's tide, Roll - ing in full - est pride,



Sheds not its glo - rious ray, Let there be light!
 Oh, now to hu - man-kind Let there be light!
 And in earth's dark - est place Let there be light!
 Through the earth, far and wide, Let there be light!

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Prayers

We pray for our sick and hospitalized.

We pray for Central Texas and all those who the floods have impacted.

The Lord's Prayer

☐ 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.

Benediction

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- C** Amen.

Go Tell It on the Mountain

- ref Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and ev'rywhere;
Go tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ was raised!
1. The Holy Spirit gathered a multitude to spread
The news of God's salvation and this is what they said: *refrain*
 2. The Church faced opposition as God's Word spread abroad
But they remained encouraged as all their paths they trod *refrain*
 3. Today we all are gathered God's holy Church to be
And as that Church we're sent out to love humanity *refrain*

Lindsey Fugill

Postlude

St. Peter's is a place where you can breathe and belong. So we'd love for you to join us for coffee and donuts in the school lobby! Afterward, stick around for Sunday Morning Bible Groups – there's a place for everyone!

SERMON NOTES

Main Idea: The church is called to go and make disciples, both near and far.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUTH MINISTRY

Trek Memphis Mission Trip Jul 27-Aug 2 (7th-8th Graders)

Please pray for our youth as they serve in the community of Memphis. Prayers for safe travels, incredible experiences, and being stretched in their faith and relationship with God and each other.

LCMS National Youth Gathering New Orleans July 18-24 (9th-12th Graders)

Prayers for all participants (73 students and 16 adults) - May God strengthen and deepen our faith and relationships with one another. We ask for safe travels, good health, and energy and endurance.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE GROUP SPECIAL: DR. RICH RUDOWSKE ON ACTS 28



Join us as we wrap up our Sunday Morning Bible Group (SMBG) series on the Book of Acts on Sunday July 27 with a special session taught by a guest speaker Rev. Dr. Rich Rudowske. Dr. Rudowske brings a wealth of missional insight and a passion for God's Word. As Executive Director of Lutheran Bible Translators, he has served around the world, including five years in Botswana helping the Shekgalagari language community translate the New

Testament into a previously unwritten language. He also contributes globally as vice-chair of the Forum of Bible Agencies International and as part of the Every Tribe Every Nation alliance working toward Bible access for all people by 2033. Come hear how the final chapter of Acts connects with God's global mission today—and what it means for us here and now.

SUMMER 2025 CAMPUS LOGISTICS - "OPERATION NO SURPRISE"

- **Playground Project** - goal is to wrap up by or before July 31
- **The building will be closed** during the day on Fridays through July 25
- **Sanctuary Roof Project** - goal is to wrap up by or before July 31
- **Indiana Lutheran Principals Conference**, July 14-15.



20th ANNIVERSARY - SPRINT WITH THE SPIRIT 5K

Registration is now open! Saturday, August 16 @ 8am.
Scan the QR code to register! Race Day registration opens at 7:00am





YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE

Pastor John & Mike Hinkfoot, Executive Director of Ministries

The Call Committee is underway. Everything's a go—youth events are happening as planned!

- Our top priority remains the youth, their relationship with Jesus, and maintaining our culture of **"everyone is welcome/everyone has a seat at our table."** We continue to embody 1 Thessalonians 2:8: *"So we cared for you. Because we loved you so much, we were delighted to share not only the gospel of God but our lives as well."*
- The search for a new Director of Youth Ministry has begun. The Youth Ministry Call Committee (youth and adults) is set to meet the weekend of July 13. More information is forthcoming. Please keep this process in your prayers.
- **Venture** - National Youth Gathering is set for this month. Darin Wettschurack has volunteered to lead the trip, with support from Trish Kelly, Lisa Witte, and Aaron Littmann.
- Venture Lake Night is set for Sunday, **August 10**.
- **Praise the Lord** - Weekly Venture meetings will be coordinated by **Mark Kelly**, Sherpa.
- Venture GCT - Launches in September; details forthcoming from Lisa Witte.
- Trek Mission Trip to Memphis is set to take place as planned later this month, led by Bethany Hayes and four amazing Sherpas.
- Explore (confirmation) - Launching a new format on **Sunday, August 10**, at noon, in the Den, with lunch provided. Contact Bethany with questions.
- Trek - New location and meeting weekly starts on, yep, you guessed it, **Sunday, August 10**. Questions? Contact Bethany Hayes.
- **HELP NEEDED** -- Please consider joining the Youth Ministry Prayer Team. We are seeking brothers and sisters in Christ to join our prayer team, **to stand in the gap for the youth of our church and community**. Please get in touch with Molly Humes or leave a message (name, phone number, and email address).
Molly's phone: 812-372-1571 or email: MHumes@stpeters-columbus.org.

LUNCH & LEARN THURSDAYS

Thursdays, through July 31, 11:30am – 2:00pm in room 2164

Join us for a light lunch followed by a 7-week Bible study, *Walking with God in the Desert*, led by Eric Pankow. The study explores God's deliverance from sin, life's desert journeys, and the sustaining power of His Word—featuring video-based insights from the geography and archaeology of Israel's wilderness.



Lunch and Learn

SERVING

Preacher: Pastor Tim Carter

Worship Leader: Pastor John Cordrey

Organist: Lindsey Fugill

WEEKLY WORSHIP SERVICES

Contemporary: 6pm Saturdays and 10:45am Sundays

Traditional: 8am Sundays and 7pm Wednesdays

TO SUBMIT A PRAYER REQUEST

Call 812-372-1571 x2121 or complete the Prayer Request Form at: stpeterscolumbus.org

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