

*St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church*  
*Founded 1856*  
*1343 Penniman Avenue*  
*Plymouth, ME 48170*  
*Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod*



*Sunday, March 17, 2024*  
*The Fifth Sunday in Lent*

**Service Notes:**

- The following psalms in the front of the hymnal (page 64f) will aid you in your meditation before receiving the Lord's Supper: Psalms 34, 42-43, 51, 84, 116, 150. Prayers for preparation for worship are on pages 10 and 11 in the hymnal. A form for preparation for Communion is on page 156.
- Guests, please sign the guest registry in the narthex.
- If you have a prayer request or would like Pastor Schaefer to visit or call you, please talk to him (734-658-5735).

**Holy Communion** will be celebrated today. Our guests are kindly asked to note that it is our practice to first become a member of our communion fellowship before communing with us. Please speak to our pastor about becoming a member of our communion fellowship.

## **THE COMMON SERVICE (page 15)**

### **OPENING HYMN: #122 "Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious**

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LENT

# 122 Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle



1 Sing, my tongue, the glo - rious bat - tle;  
2 Tell how, when at length the full - ness  
3 Thus, with thir - ty years ac - com - plished,  
4 Faith - ful cross, true sign of tri - umph,  
5 Un - to God be praise and glo - ry;



Sing the end - ing of the fray. Now a -  
Of th' ap - point - ed time was come, He, the  
He went forth from Naz - a - reth, Des - tined,  
Be for all the no - blest tree; None in  
To the Fa - ther and the Son, To th' e -



bove the cross, the tro - phy, Sound the loud tri -  
Word, was born of wom - an, Left for us his  
ded - i - cat - ed, will - ing, Did his work and  
fo - liage, none in blos - som, None in fruit your  
ter - nal Spir - it hon - or Now and ev - er -



um - phant lay. Tell how Christ, the world's Re -  
Fa - ther's home, Blazed the path of true o -  
met his death; Like a lamb he hum - bly  
e - qual be, Sym - bol of the world's re -  
more be done— Praise and glo - ry in the



deem - er, As a vic - tim won the day.  
be - dience, Shone as light a - midst the gloom.  
yield - ed On the cross his dy - ing breath.  
demp - tion, For your bur - den makes us free.  
high - est While the time - less a - ges run.

Text: Venantius Fortunatus, c. 530–609, abr.; tr. John M. Neale, 1818–66, alt.

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**STAND**

**M:** In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

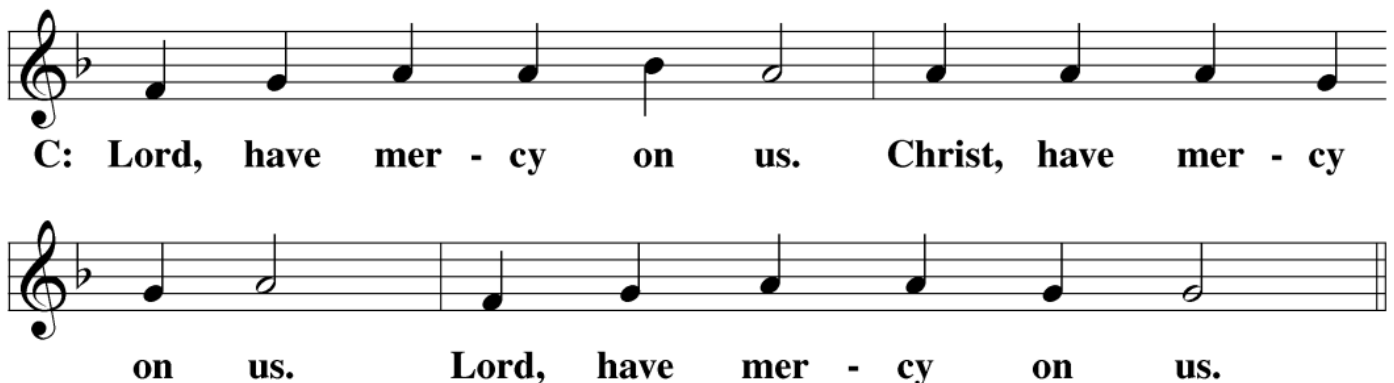


**CONFESSION OF SINS**

**M:** Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**C:** Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

**LORD, HAVE MERCY (Kyrie)**



**M:** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.



## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** The Lord be with you.



**M:** Let us pray.

Eternal God and Father, help us to remember Jesus, who obeyed your will and bore the cross for our salvation that through his anguish, pain, and death we may receive forgiveness of sins and inherit eternal life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**BE SEATED**



## THE WORD

### **FIRST LESSON: Jeremiah 31:31-34**

<sup>31</sup> “Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, <sup>32</sup> not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. <sup>33</sup> For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup> And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, ‘Know the LORD,’ for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”

**PSALM OF THE DAY:** Psalm 143 – The congregation will sing Hymn #468 “My God, My Father, Make Me Strong.”

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# 468 My God, My Father, Make Me Strong



1 My God, my Fa - ther, make me strong, When  
 2 Draw from my tim - id eyes the veil To  
 3 With con - fi - dent and hum - ble mind In  
 4 What seems im - pos - si - ble I dare; Yours  
 5 Heav'n's mu - sic chimes the glad days in; Hope



tasks of life seem hard and long, To greet them  
 show, where earth - ly for - ces fail, Your pow'r and  
 ser - vice free - dom I will find, Pray - ing through  
 is the call and yours the care. Your wis - dom  
 soars be - yond death, pain, and sin; Faith shouts in



with this tri - umph song: Your will be done.  
 love must still pre - vail— Your will be done.  
 ev - 'ry toil as - signed: Your will be done.  
 shall the way pre - pare— Your will be done.  
 tri - umph, Love must win— Your will be done!

Text: Frederick Mann, 1846–1928, abr., alt.

Tune: ES IST KEIN TAG (888 4) Johann D. Mayer, 1636–96, alt.

## SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 5:7-9

<sup>7</sup> In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. <sup>8</sup> Although he was a son, he learned obedience

through what he suffered. <sup>9</sup> And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him,

### **VERSE OF THE DAY** (cantor sings)

The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. (Mark 10:45)

### **STAND**

*After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:*



### **GOSPEL:** John 12:20-33

<sup>20</sup> Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. <sup>21</sup> So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” <sup>22</sup> Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. <sup>23</sup> And Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. <sup>24</sup> Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. <sup>25</sup> Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. <sup>26</sup> If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.



<sup>27</sup> “Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour’? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. <sup>28</sup> Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven: “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” <sup>29</sup> The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” <sup>30</sup> Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not mine. <sup>31</sup> Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. <sup>32</sup> And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” <sup>33</sup> He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

## NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of  
God,**

**eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from  
true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from  
heaven,**

**was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin  
Mary,  
and became fully human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with  
the Scriptures.**

**He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and  
the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who in unity with the Father and the Son is  
worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic  
Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness  
of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the (+) life of the world to come. Amen.**

***BE SEATED***

**GOSPEL RESPONSE: “Glorify Thy Name”(cantor sings)**

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Father, we love you, we worship and adore you, glorify your  
name in all the earth.

Jesus, we love you, we worship and adore you, glorify your name in all the earth.

Spirit, we love you, we worship and adore you, glorify your name in all the earth.

## **HYMN OF THE DAY: #110 “My Song is Love Unknown”**

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LENT

110

# My Song Is Love Unknown



1 My song is love un - known, My Sav - ior's love to  
2 He came from his blest throne Sal - va - tion to be -  
3 Some - times they strew his way And his sweet prais - es  
4 Why? What has my Lord done? What makes this rage and  
5 They rise and needs will have My dear Lord made a -



me, Love to the love - less shown That they might  
stow, But such dis - dain! So few The longed - for  
sing, Re - sound - ing all the day Ho - san - nas  
spite? He made the lame to run; He gave the  
way. A mur - der - er they save; The Prince of



love - ly be. Oh, who am I That for my  
Christ would know! But oh, my friend, My friend in -  
to their King. Then "Cru - ci - fy!" Is all their  
blind their sight. Sweet in - ju - ries! Yet they at  
life they slay. Yet cheer - ful he To suff'r - ing



sake My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?  
deed, Who at my need His life did spend!  
breath, And for his death They thirst and cry.  
these Them - selves dis - please And 'gainst him rise.  
goes That he his foes From death might free.

6 In life no house, no home  
My Lord on earth might have;  
In death no friendly tomb  
But what a stranger gave.  
What may I say?  
Heav'n was his home  
But mine the tomb  
Wherein he lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing;  
No story so divine,  
Never was love, dear King,  
Never was grief like thine.  
This is my friend,  
In whose sweet praise  
I all my days  
Could gladly spend!

# SERMON

## STAND

### PSALM 51 RESPONSE (page 20)



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

## BE SEATED

**RECEIVED INTO COMMUNICANT MEMBERSHIP by rite of confirmation: Kayla Bright**

## STAND

### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR THE SEASON OF LENT

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**M:** Heavenly Father, you loved the world and gave your Son to liberate us from sin and death by his obedient death on the cross.

**C:** We confess that without your love we are lost.

**M:** Lord of the Church, we thank you for the treasure of the gospel. By your Spirit, keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

**C: Strengthen our determination to do what pleases you, no matter what the danger or the cost.**

**M:** Let us pray for those who carry a cross in the name of Christ and face ridicule and persecution for the sake of the kingdom: missionaries and chaplains, young people who stand up for what is right in the face of pressure to do what is wrong, and all who pay a high price for their faith and their values as Christians.

**C: By your Spirit, O Lord, grant them patience and endurance.**

**M:** Let us pray for those who carry heavy burdens in life: the sick and the chronically ill, the depressed and the lonely, those torn by conflict in personal relationships, those victimized by war and injustice, and all who face the terrors of life with a heavy heart.

**C: Grant them peace, O Lord, and in your mercy, be their guardian and friend, their comfort and hope.**

**M:** Let us pray for those who care for others: pastors and counselors; physicians and nurses; social workers and caring friends; all who feed the hungry, comfort the hurting, and stand beside the dying.

**C: Strengthen them in their work, O Lord, and do not let them become weary in doing good.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

**M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.**

*Silent prayer.*

**M: Help us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Keep us faithful even to the point of death, that we may receive the crown of life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

**C: Amen.**

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## **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.**



**THE SACRAMENT (page 21)**

## PREFACE

**M:** The Lord be with you.



**C:** And al - so with you.

**M:** Lift up your hearts.



**C:** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

**M:** Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



**C:** It is good and right so to do.

**M:** It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross, so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree would in turn by a tree be overcome. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:



## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (*Sanctus*)



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -



na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -



na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**M:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is the new testament in my (+) blood, which is poured out for you for the

forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

**M:** The (+) peace of the Lord be with you always.



C: A - men.

## O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (*Agnus Dei*)




C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;



have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us your peace. A - men.

**BE SEATED**

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1. In Christ alone my hope is found. He is my light, my strength, my song; This cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are

stilled, when strivings cease! My comforter, my all in all, Here in the love of Christ I stand.

2. In Christ alone – who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe. This gift of love and righteousness. Scorned by the ones he came to save. Till on that cross, as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied; For ev'ry sin on him was laid. Here in the death of Christ I live.
3. There in the ground his body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain; Then bursting forth in glorious day. Up from the grave he rose again! And as he stands in victory, Sin's curse has lost its grip on me. For I am his and he is mine – Bought with the precious blood of Christ.
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the pow'r of Christ in me; From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man Can ever pluck me from his hand; Till he returns or calls me home. Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

## **DISTRIBUTION HYMN: #387 “Drawn to the Cross”**

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387

## Drawn to the Cross



1 Drawn to the cross, which you have blessed With heal - ing  
 2 How well you know my griefs and fears, Your grace a -  
 3 Wash me and take a - way each stain; Let noth - ing  
 4 To pledge my la - bor will - ing - ly, Which shall so



gifts for souls dis - tressed, To find in you my  
 bused, my mis - spent years; So now to you with  
 of my sin re - main. For cleans - ing through your  
 sweet a ser - vice be That an - gels well might



life, my rest, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.  
 con - trite tears, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.  
 cross and pain, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.  
 en - vy me, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.

Text: Genevieve M. Irons, 1855–1928, alt.

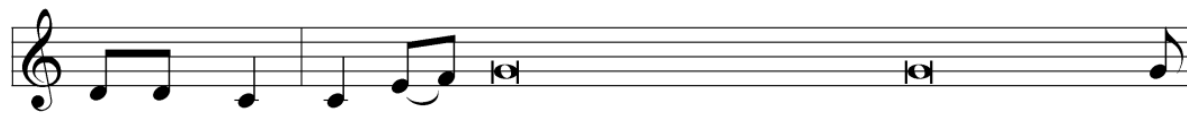
Tune: JUST AS I AM (888 6) Joseph Barnby, 1838–96.

## THANKSGIVING (page 24)

STAND

SONG OF SIMEON (*Nunc dimittis*)

C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac - cord - ing



to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre -

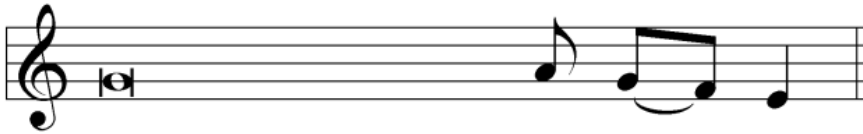


pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the



Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

**M:** O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



**C:** And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C:** A - men.

**M:** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



**C:** A - men. A - men. A - men.

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Communion Assistant: Ron Bude

Organist: Mrs. Jan Jacobi; Soloist: Stephanie Wright

### THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

- Today - 9:30 AM Divine Service  
-10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class
- Wednesday - 9:30 AM Morning Bible Class  
- 6:00 PM Pre-Service Meal  
- 7:00 PM Lenten Midweek Service:  
"God on Trial: Sympathy" (Luke 23:26-34)
- Thursday - 7:00 PM Senior Choir
- Sunday - 9:30 AM Divine Service  
- 10:45 AM Congregational Reception for Preschool Families

**Altar Flowers** are provided to the glory of God

**Sanctuary Easter flowers** – order forms are in narthex.

You may pick up yours after second Easter service.

**Serving March 24:** Altar Guild - Diane Wendland, Ushers: 2

**Maundy Thurs Mar 28:** Altar - Nancy Winkler; Ushers: 3

**Good Fri Mar 29:** Altar – None, no communion; Ushers: 4

**Vigil Sat Mar 30:** Altar Guild - Arlette Stobbe; Ushers: 1

**SERVICE OF LOVE** – St. Peter's Church and Preschool has the opportunity to donate to Ypsilanti's Hope Clinic Pantry. We are collecting items until **Monday, April 15**. Please donate **cleaning supplies**: dish soap, laundry detergent, paper towels, and toilet paper; **baby care items**: diapers, pull-ups, and wipes (no clothes or blankets); **non-perishable food**; and **hygienic items**: toothpaste, toothbrushes, and dental floss. Please place items in the church narthex or basement or the school hallway. Contact Becky Lohrmann, 734-417-0428 or [lohrmannr@yahoo.com](mailto:lohrmannr@yahoo.com). Thank you!

**Ladies Guild Mite Boxes** are due Sunday, March 31, in the narthex. Make checks payable to St Peter Lutheran Ladies Guild.

**PASTORAL CARE & MERCY** – Please remember with prayers, cards and visits those with reported needs.

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