





## GATHERED BY THE LONG ARMS OF THE CROSS

*The Confession of St. Peter*

January 18, 2026

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### Welcome to St. Peter!



**Guests to our community are welcome here.** We greet you warmly and invite you to ask an usher or one of our members for any assistance you may require.

**Please use the Record of Fellowship to indicate your presence with us this morning and provide us with up-to-date contact information.**

**Prayer requests** may be added to the green-colored form, “Our Gathering Prayers,” next to the guest book near the front entrance.

**Personal Assisted Listening Devices** with adjustable volume control are available from the usher.

**Doxological Hymns** conclude with a doxological verse (words of praise addressed to the Triune God) and are so indicated with a  $\Delta$ . Children are invited to pick up a hand bell from the greeters at the entryway to ring on these verses.

**Bible story bags** are available for young children to use during the service. They can be found on the “tree” in the narthex.

**A Special Welcome to Children** Please relax and enjoy your time here. Jesus knows that children tend to wiggle and squawk a bit, so please don’t feel embarrassed by it. Your children are welcome at St. Peter. We know that your children are a gift to the Church, so we will do our best to welcome, smile, encourage, help, and bless you all. We rejoice in Jesus’ words, “Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these” (Luke 18:16).

Should you need a quiet space, we have a **Cry Room** at the back of the sanctuary available for use by parents with small children. For parents needing more space, a larger **Family Room** is partitioned off in the Sunday School Wing where the service is streamed on a television monitor. Just ask an usher for assistance.

**Restrooms** are located to the right of the front entrance through the coatroom.

**Electronic Devices** You are invited to disconnect from the world and be open for God’s connection with you. Please turn off your devices during the worship service.

## AS WE ARE GATHERED BY THE CROSS

Today, we take our cue from the namesake of our congregation, St. Peter. The Confession of St. Peter reverberates in our ears, beckoning our mouths to confess in word and our lives to respond in deed. Peter's confession of Christ's nature, revealed not by men but by God, is a foundation upon which Christ built the church. Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of the living God. Many of the crumbling spires in western Christendom are attributable to the fact that people have simply stopped believing that Jesus is the Christ. If human beings thought that God was present in these places, if they believed that Jesus spoke to them the Truth of right now and eternity, they would be there on Sunday morning, supporting and worshiping and serving. Too many churches, however, have built upon the sandy foundations of whatever popular winds might be blowing through culture and society. This Sunday calls us back to our first love (Rev 2:4) and the confession upon which the church was built, that Jesus is the Christ.

**P—PASTOR;** **C—CONGREGATION;** **A—CANTOR/CHOIR;** **L—LECTOR/LEADER**

*Lutheran Service Book: Divine Service – Setting One pp. 151*

## ☩ In the Name of Jesus ☩

### GATHERING

#### PRELUDE (ORGAN)

*Stand*

#### INVOCATION

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

*Matthew 28:19b; [18-20]*

#### CONFESSİON AND ABSOLUTİON

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
**C** **But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.** *1 John 1:8-9*

*Kneel/Sit*

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.  
**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways 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 Christ, 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.

[John 20:19-23]

*Stand and turn toward the processional cross*

## GATHERING HYMN

- 1** All for Christ I have forsaken  
And have taken up my cross;  
Worldly joy, its fame and fortune,  
Now I count as worthless dross.
- 2** Who is sweeter than Christ Jesus?  
No good thing in Him I lack!  
Hand to plow, at peace I follow  
Where He leads me . . . why look  
back?

**5** Though the road ahead be thorny,  
Though dark clouds all light obscure,  
Though my cross-shaped path grows steeper,  
With the Lord, I am secure.

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## KYRIE ~ Lord, Have Mercy

*Mark 10:47*

**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,  
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here  
their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



**C** A - men.

## HYMN OF PRAISE

*Gloria in Excelsis ~ Glory to God in the Highest*

*Luke 2:14; John 1:29*

**P** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.



**C** Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



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



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.

For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,  
 You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,  
 in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

## APOSTOLIC GREETING AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P** The grace of our Lord  Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. *2 Timothy 4:22*

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray. Heavenly Father, You revealed to the apostle Peter the blessed truth that Your Son Jesus is the Christ. Strengthen us by the proclamation of this truth that we too may joyfully confess that there is salvation in no one else; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

***Joyful Confession*** Do we, too often, *grumpily* confess that Jesus is the only way to heaven, speaking our “no” to anyone whose confession or faith we consider inadequate? What do you imagine a joyful confession of this truth would look like? Did the authors of the prayer imagine that we have joy, that a joyful confession means we are sharing good news with others and not a denunciation or disapproval of them? The progression in Peter’s epistle today might be the key to the joyful confession of this truth.

*Sit*

## READINGS AND RESPONSES

### FIRST LESSON – *Acts 4:8–13*

#### *The Servant of the LORD*

<sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>8</sup>Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders, <sup>9</sup>if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, <sup>10</sup>let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. <sup>11</sup>This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has

become the cornerstone. <sup>12</sup>And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”

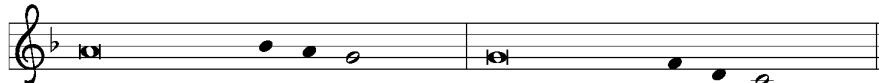
<sup>13</sup>Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated, common men, they were astonished. And they recognized that they had been with Jesus.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord:  
**C** Thanks be to God.

***PSALM 118:19–29***

*Tone 2, 1 Flat (ELW)*

(Sung as indicated by **A**-CANTOR/CHOIR and **C**-CONGREGATION)



***BLESSÈD IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD***

**A** ANTIPHON: *Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD!* (v. 26a)

**A** <sup>19</sup>*Open to me the gates of / righteousness,\*  
that I may enter through them  
and give thanks / to the LORD.*

**C** <sup>20</sup>**This is the gate / of the LORD;\***  
**the righteous shall enter / through it.**

**A** <sup>21</sup>*I thank you that you have / answered me\*  
and have become my sal- / vation.*

**C** <sup>22</sup>**The stone that the builders re- / jected\***  
**has become the / cornerstone.**

**A** <sup>23</sup>*This is the LORD's / doing;  
it is marvelous / in our eyes.*

**C** <sup>24</sup>**This is the day that the / LORD has made;\***  
**let us rejoice and be / glad in it.**

**A** <sup>25</sup>*Save us, we pray, / O LORD!\**  
*O LORD, we pray, give / us success!*

**C** <sup>26</sup>**Blessèd is he who comes in the name / of the LORD!\***  
**We bless you from the house / of the LORD.**

**A** <sup>27</sup>*The LORD is God,  
and he has made his light to shine up- / on us.\*  
Bind the festal sacrifice with cords,  
up to the horns of the / altar!*

**C** <sup>28</sup>**You are my God, and I will give / thanks to you;\***  
**you are my God; I will ex- / tol you.**

**A** 29 *Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;\*  
for his steadfast love endures for- ever!*

**C** **Glory be to the Father and to the + Son\***  
**and to the Holy | Spirit**  
**as it was in the be-| ginning,\***  
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

**A** ANTIPHON: *Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD! (v. 26a)*

## SECOND LESSON – 2 Peter 1:1–15

### Greeting

<sup>1</sup>Simeon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ, to those who have obtained a faith of equal standing with ours by the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ:

<sup>2</sup>May grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.

### Make Your Calling and Election Sure

<sup>3</sup>His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, <sup>4</sup>by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire. <sup>5</sup>For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, <sup>6</sup>and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, <sup>7</sup>and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. <sup>8</sup>For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins. <sup>10</sup>Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to make your calling and election sure, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall. <sup>11</sup>For in this way there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

<sup>12</sup>Therefore I intend always to remind you of these qualities, though you know them and are established in the truth that you have. <sup>13</sup>I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to stir you up by way of reminder, <sup>14</sup>since I know that the putting off of my body will be soon, as our Lord Jesus Christ made clear to me. <sup>15</sup>And I will make every effort so that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord:

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

**GOSPEL VERSE (CHOIR AND CONGREGATION)**

arr. David von Kampen

**REFRAIN:**



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

**A** Whoever would save his life will lose it,  
but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it.

Mark 8:35

**C REFRAIN**

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**HOLY GOSPEL – Mark 8:27–35**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the 8<sup>th</sup> chapter:



**C** Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

**Peter Confesses Jesus As the Christ**

<sup>27</sup>And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” <sup>28</sup>And they told him, “John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets.” <sup>29</sup>And he asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Christ.” <sup>30</sup>And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him.

**Jesus Foretells His Death and Resurrection**

<sup>31</sup>And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup>And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup>But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.”

<sup>34</sup>And he called to him the crowd with his disciples and said to them, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup>For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel’s will save it.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord:



*Sit*  
**SERMON**

## Peter: Hope for Us

*Stand*

### HYMN OF THE DAY

**1** Church of God, elect and glorious,  
Holy nation, chosen race;  
Called as God’s own special people,  
Royal priests and heirs of grace:  
Know the purpose of your calling,  
Show to all His mighty deeds;  
Tell of love that knows no limits,  
Grace that meets all human needs.

**2** God has called you out of darkness  
Into His most marv’lous light;  
Brought His truth to life within you,  
Turned your blindness into sight.  
Let your light so shine around you  
That God’s name is glorified  
And all find fresh hope and purpose  
In Christ Jesus crucified.

### Church of God, Elect and Glorious – LSB 646

**3** Once you were an alien people,  
Strangers to God’s heart of love;  
But He brought you home in mercy,  
Citizens of heav’n above.  
Let His love flow out to others,  
Let them feel a Father’s care;  
That they too may know His welcome  
And His countless blessings share.

**4** Church of God, elect and holy,  
Be the people He intends;  
Strong in faith and swift to answer  
Each command your Master sends:  
Royal priests, fulfill your calling  
Through your sacrifice and prayer;  
Give your lives in joyful service—  
Sing His praise, His love declare.

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## RITE OF COMMISSIONING OF A STEPHEN MINISTER

*The Stephen Leaders and Stephen Ministers  
Gather by the Cross with Ronnie Zarate.*



### ADDRESS

**P** Ronnie, you have been equipped to serve as a Stephen Minister at St. Peter Lutheran Church. Hear these words we find in Scripture from Paul to the Corinthian Christians:

*“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God” (2 Corinthians 1:3–4).*

### COMMISSIONING

*[addressing the Stephen Minister]*

**P** Ronnie, we ask you now to join in serving our Lord and those in our congregation and neighborhood who need to be comforted.

**Stephen Leader 1 (SL1):** As the Lord Jesus has responded to your needs, we ask you to strive to be responsive to the needs of others.

Are you prepared to meet those requests that we ask of you?

If so, please answer, *“Yes, with the help of God.”*

**Stephen Minister (SM): Yes, with the help of God.**

**SL2** Are you prepared to nurture the skills you have learned and use them in service to others—to support, encourage, build up, and comfort people in all their needs?

If so, please answer, *“Yes, with the help of God.”*

**SM Yes, with the help of God.**

*[addressing the congregation]*

**P** Members of St. Peter Lutheran Church, will you pray for Ronnie and all our Stephen Ministers, reaffirming your commitment to welcome our Stephen Ministers to work with you as you face struggles, challenges, and needs in your life, that you might receive support and help from your Christian brothers and sisters? If so, please answer, *“Yes, with the help of God.”*

**C Yes, with the help of God.**

*[addressing the Stephen Minister]*

**P** Ronnie, are you prepared to serve as a Stephen Minister at St. Peter Lutheran Church? If so, please answer, “*Yes, with the help of God.*”

**SM Yes, with the help of God.**

**BLESSING** *[for the Stephen Minister]*

**P** May the Lord Jesus, who has graciously called you His disciple, now strengthen you by His Spirit for your ministry in and to His world.

**SL1** As God has loved us in Jesus the Christ, may God bless you as you share with others the love you have received from God.

**C** Amen.

*Stand*

### **NICENE CREED**

**P** God has made us His people through Baptism into Christ.

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

**C** 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;  
by the power of the Holy Spirit

He became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

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.

With the Father and the Son, He is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy \*catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life <sup>†</sup> of the world to come. Amen.

\*The ancient text reads “catholic,” meaning the whole Church as it confesses the wholeness of Christian faith.

*Sit or Kneel*

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

After each petition is said:

**P** Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** hear our prayer.



## GREETING OF PEACE *Matthew 5:22-24; Ephesians 4:1-3*

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you.  
**C** And also with you.

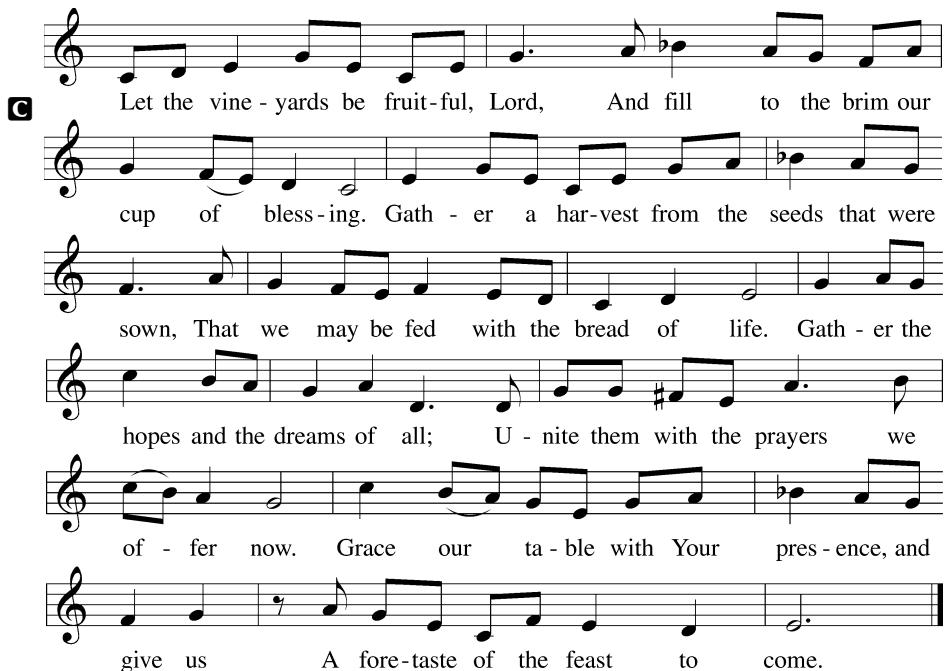
*We greet one another in the name of the Lord by saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of forgiveness and reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace and in preparation for reception of the Holy Supper.*

*Sit*

## OFFERTORY

*Psalm 104:14-15; Isaiah 25:6; 1 Corinthians 5:7*

*(Please STAND as the elder and usher bring the gifts forward to the altar.)*



**C** Let the vine - yards be fruit-ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our  
cup of bless-ing. Gath - er a har-vest from the seeds that were  
sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the  
hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we  
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and  
give us A fore-taste of the feast to come.

*Source: LSB 955*

## LORD'S SUPPER

### GREAT THANKSGIVING

#### PREFACE

**P** The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22



**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

[Colossians 3:1]



**C** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

[Psalm 136]



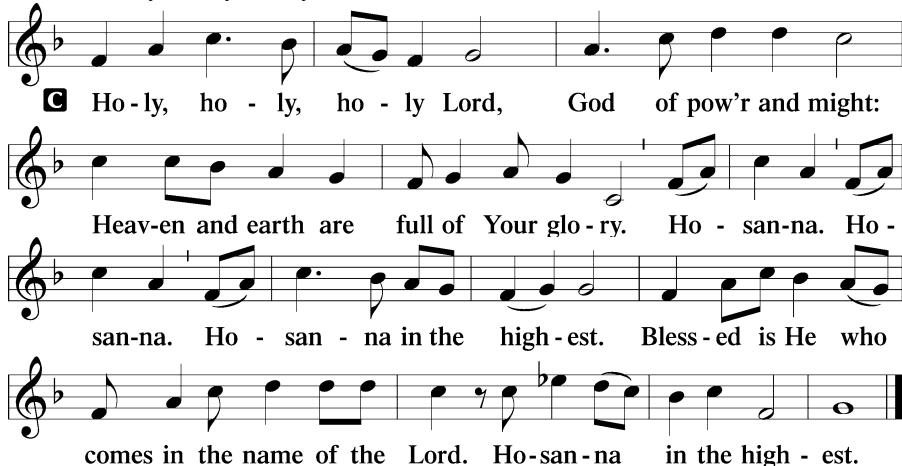
**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

#### PROPER PREFACE

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary... evermore praising You and singing:

#### SANCTUS ~ Holy, Holy, Holy

Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9



Hosanna is a Hebrew word of praise meaning "save us now."

## EUCARISTIC PRAYER ~ Prayer of Thanksgiving

¶ Blessed are You, O holy God: You are the Life and Light of all.  
By Your powerful word You created all things...

### ***THE WORDS OF OUR LORD*** (see LSB 162)

*Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

¶ ...Through Him all glory and honor is Yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in Your holy Church, both now and forever.  
C Amen.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Matthew 6:9-13*

¶ Taught by our Lord and trusting in His promises, we are bold to pray:  
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.**

## INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

¶ Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!  
Blessed are all who are called to the supper of the Lamb.  
C **Thanks be to God.**

*Please remain standing for the Agnus Dei*

## AGNUS DEI ~ Lamb of God

*John 1:29*

C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

## Distribution Notes



*The Lord's Supper is joyfully received here today. At the altar, our Lord Jesus Christ gives us a tremendous gift. His body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine forgives our sins, strengthens our faith, binds us to the Lord, and embodies our unity with one another. Accordingly, in 1 Corinthians 11, St. Paul cautions Christians to receive the Supper together only when they are united in a common faith and love. If you are new to our congregation, please see the pastor before communing.*

*Please fill in around the altar accordingly: **Fellowship Hall Side**: fill in from the back to the front; **Sunday School Side**: fill in from the front to the back.*

- ❖ Those not communing are invited to come forward for a blessing, indicating so by crossing your arms over your chest.
- ❖ Those communing will receive the host from the pastor and may receive the consecrated wine by Common Cup OR Individual Cup.
  - Common Cup: Offered by the elder, by guiding the base of the cup with your hand.
  - Individual Cup: Available as you process down the center aisle from the individual cup dispenser. Twist and pull upward to receive an empty cup. An elder will fill your cup at the altar. Place the used individual cup in the collection basket.

*After receiving the elements you may return to your pews. Please inform an usher if you want the elements to be brought to you.*

*Sit*

## **HYMNS DURING DISTRIBUTION**

### **Behold the Lamb (CHOIR & CONGREGATION)**

#### CHOIR

1 *Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away,  
Slain for us – and we remember  
The promise made that all who come in faith  
Find forgiveness at the cross.  
So we share in this bread of life,  
And we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of peace  
Around the table of the King.*

#### CHOIR

2 *The body of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
Torn for you – eat and remember  
The wounds that heal,  
the death that brings us life  
Paid the price to make us one.*

#### CHOIR

3 *The blood that cleanses every stain of sin,  
Shed for you – drink and remember  
He drained death's cup that all may enter in  
To receive the life of God.*

**C 4**

And so with thank-ful-ness and faith we rise to re-spond,  
our call to fol-low in the steps of Christ as His bod - y here on earth. As we  
share in His suf - fer - ing, we pro-claim: "Christ will come a - gain!" And we'll  
join in the feast of heav'n a - round the ta - ble of the King.

Words and Music: Keith and Kristyn Getty & Stuart Townsend

## We Are Called to Stand Together – LSB 828

**1 We are called to stand together**  
**With the saints of ages past,**  
**With the patriarchs and prophets**  
**In the faith they once held fast;**  
**Promises and hopes they treasured**  
**Now we find fulfilled at last!**

**2 Those whom Jesus called apostles**  
**Journeyed with Him side by side,**  
**Heard His teaching, felt His power,**  
**Saw the way He lived and died;**  
**Then the news of resurrection**  
**They delivered far and wide.**

**3 Through the intervening ages**  
**Round the world the Gospel spread:**  
**Faithful heralds took the message,**  
**Guided where the Spirit led;**  
**So the body grew in stature,**  
**Serving Christ, the living head.**

**4 Now in many tongues and cultures**  
**Songs of celebration ring;**  
**Millions who confess our Savior**  
**Honor Him as Lord and King**  
**And, for courage, grace and guidance**  
**Ev'ry day their prayers they bring.**

**5 To each coming generation**  
**Tell the truth, persuade, explain,**  
**Till the time when time is ended,**  
**Till the Savior comes again—**  
**Till the saints are all united**  
**Under Christ's eternal reign!**

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*Stand*

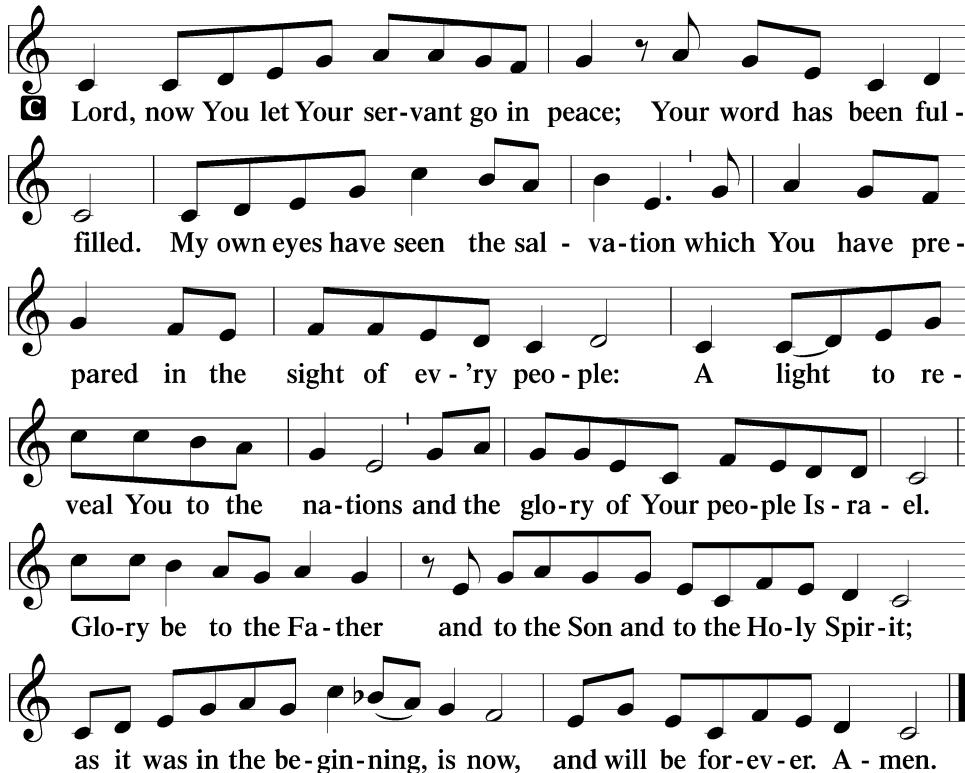
## DISMISSAL

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

## POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

*Nunc Dimittis ~ Song of Simeon*

*Luke 2:29-32*



**C** Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful -  
filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre -  
pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -  
veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el.  
Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it;  
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev - er. A - men.

## SENDING

### BENEDICTION

**P** Let us bless the Lord. *[Psalm 130:1]*  
**C** **Thanks be to God.**  
**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. *Numbers 6:24-26*  
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.

*Sit*

## **MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS AS NECESSARY**

*The CALENDAR OF EVENTS highlights this week's meetings and activities.  
Announcement Forms located on the slat wall are to be placed on the Celebrant's chair.*

*Stand*

## **SENDING**

- P** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God!

## **POSTLUDE (ORGAN)**

**✠ Glory to God Alone ✠**

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### **† DAILY LECTICONARY PRAYER CALENDAR †**

*Daily Lectionary and Psalms for Daily Prayer  
for the week of Sunday, January 18 - Saturday, January 24  
are available in your Lutheran Service Book (LSB), on pages: 299-304*

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY, JANUARY 25**  
*Isaiah 9:1-4; Psalm 27:1-9-14; (antiphon: v. 1); 1 Corinthians 1:10-18; Matthew 4:12-25*

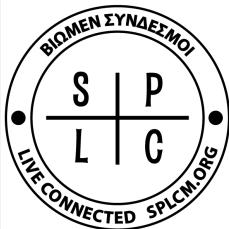
## THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY:

Celebrant:	The Rev. Dr. Adam Clark, Senior Pastor	Elder:	Brian Reedstrom
Preacher:	The Rev. Bryan Borger, Associate Pastor	Lectors:	Mike Fonck and Amy Smessaert
Crucifer:	Andrew Deliyannides	Usher:	Matt Rockwell
Music Director and Organist:	Emily Ruch <i>St. Peter Choir</i>	Altar Guild:	Laura Anderson
Cantor:	Renee Peggs	Sound Board:	Sam Homann
		Video Streaming:	Sam Homann
		Greeters:	Annette Winterrowd and Ronnie Zarate
		Doorkeeper:	Ninette Deliyannides

*Please update the Sunday Servant sign-up sheet on the slat wall.*

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<u>Sunday Schedule:</u>	<b>Education Hour (All Ages)</b>	<b>9:00-9:50am</b>
	<b>Sunday Worship</b>	<b>10:15am</b>