1st Sunday In Lent



St Peter's Lutheran Church February 26, 2023

St. Peter's Lutheran, York

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Sunday, February 26 — 8:45 AM

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.



Prepare now to give thanks to God:
Place an envelope in the offering plate on the way to Communion *OR* use the QR code or download the Vanco Mobile app on your smartphone. Search on "York" and choose St Peter's Lutheran. It's easy! Give thanks generously for God's abundant grace.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Please meditate on the Psalm during the prelude.

Psalm 32

Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!

²Happy are they to whom the LORD im-'putes no guilt, and in whose spirit there ' is no guile!

While I held my tongue, my bones with- ered away, because of my groaning all day long.

⁴For your hand was heavy upon me 'day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.

⁵Then I acknowledged my 'sin to you, and did not con-'ceal my guilt.

⁶I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in 'time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.

"You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; I will guide you with my eye.

Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will 1 not stay near you."

¹¹Great are the tribulations ¹ of the wicked; but mercy embraces those who trust ¹ in the LORD.

¹²Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

Confession & Forgiveness

In the Name of the Father, and of the \pm Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

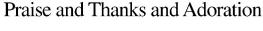
Silence for self examination

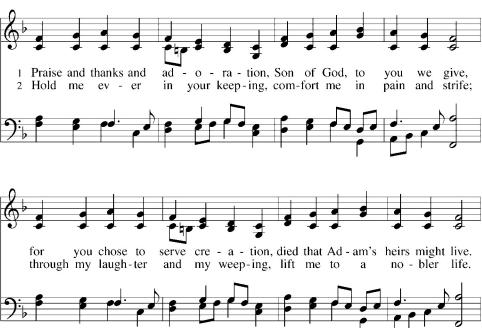
Most merciful God.

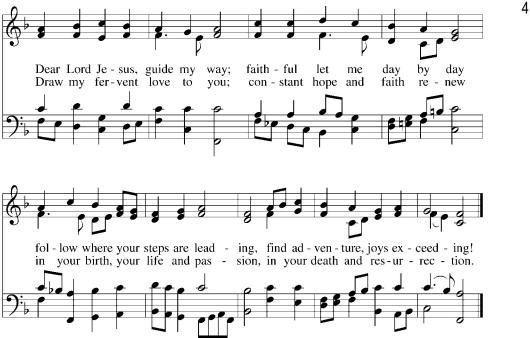
C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, 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.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Φ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**









Text: Thomas H. Kingo, 1634-1703; hymnal tr. Lutheran Book of Worship, 1978 Music: FREU DICH SEHR. Trente quatre pseaumes de David, Geneva, 1551, arr. J. S. Bach, 1685–1750

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Apostolic Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit C: And also with you. be with you all.

Kyrie

Kyrie eleison: C: Lord, have mercy. Christe eleison: C: Christ, have mercy. Kyrie eleison: C: Lord, have mercy.

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you. C: And Also with you.

Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C: Amen.

The assembly is seated.

The Liturgy of the Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

A reading from Genesis

15 The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. 16 And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; 17 but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die." 16 Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" 16 The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; 16 but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the

garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading Romans 5:12-19

A reading from Romans

12 Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned—
13 sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law.
14 Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come. 15 But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. 16 And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the

judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. ¹⁷If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. ¹⁸Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. ¹⁹For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

One does not live by bread alone,* but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

[Matthew 4:4]

"Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. "He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. "The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command the answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" "Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, "saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concern-

ing you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.' "Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.' "Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.' "Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

The assembly is seated.

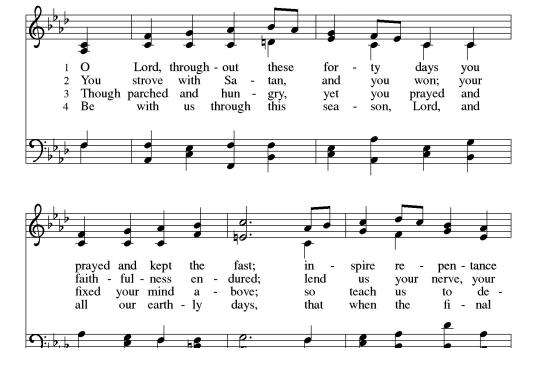
The Message

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.

Hymn of the Day #319 ELW

O Lord, throughout These Forty Days





Text: based on Claudia F. Hernaman, 1838–1898; para. Gilbert E. Doan Jr., b. 1930 Music: CONSOLATION, A. Davisson, *Kentucky Harmony*, 1816; arr. Theodore A. Beck, 1929-2003 Text © 1978 *Lutheran Book of Worship*, admin. Augsburg Fortress. Arr. © 1969 Concordia Publishing House.

The Prayer of the Church

Sustained by God's abundant mercy, let us pray to the Father for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Holy God, sustain your church in times of wilderness experience. Give vision and wisdom to bishops, their staff, and all entrusted with the ministry of administration. Counsel all who faithfully lead your people into the future. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Tend to the needs of every living creature. Bless those who work in fields and orchards, so that the world might be nourished by the fruits of their labor. Lord, in your mercy, **C**: hear our prayer.

Sustain those who govern and legislate. Preserve them from the temptations of corruption and unjust influence. Instill in them a sense of your justice and righteousness, that equity and peace might pervade all the regions and nations of the world. Lord, in your mercy, **C**: hear our prayer.

Draw near to exiles, and accompany all refugees and immigrants, especially children who travel alone. In times of trouble, trauma, or illness, surround your people with your steadfast love. Lord, in your mercy, **C**: hear our prayer.

Bless the ministries of hospitality in our congregations. Care for those who tend to the needs of others, especially worship greeters, ushers, card ministers, and eucharistic ministers. Lord, in your mercy, **C**: hear our prayer.

Accept our praise and thanks for the faithful departed in every age. Unite our prayers with theirs, until our wilderness journey is complete, and we rest in you. Prepare us for the day when we will see you face to face. Lord, in your mercy, **C**: hear our prayer.

Into your hands, heavenly Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your steadfast love and your promise to renew your whole creation; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior. **C: Amen.**

Peace

Because of Jesus' death and resurrection, God does not hold our sins against us. This is true peace. Like Jesus with his disciples, the pastor shares the word of reconciliation from God to us.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

We share Christ's forgiving and reconciling love with one another, binding ourselves to one another as community. As we are at peace with God, so we are also at peace with one another.

OFFERING - WE RETURN THANKS TO GOD AND SUPPORT GOSPEL MINISTRY



Please prepare your offering in an envelope to place in the offering plate when you are dismissed for Communion **Or** use the QR code or download the Vanco Mobile app on your phone. You may also mail your offering to the church office or give through our website www.stpeterslutheranyork.com Also be sure you have filled out the attendance card.

Everything we are and have belongs to God and is entrusted to us for God's glory. We are committed to sharing God's resources so that we can be a vital center for the Gospel of Jesus Christ and help others locally and around the world.

The Great Thanksgiving - The Eucharistic Meal

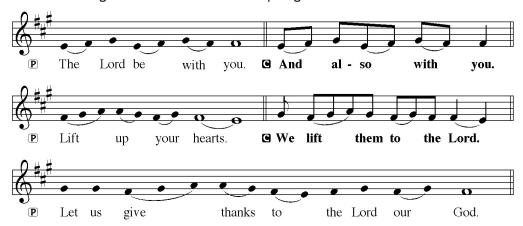
As the baptized children of God, we are invited by God to share the heavenly banquet. Jesus seats us at his table where we are delivered from sin, death, and evil by his body and blood from his death on the cross. In this meal, Jesus forgives our sins, granting us life and salvation. He is truly present here and reveals himself to us in the breaking of bread.

When we share Jesus' meal, we receive the Holy Spirit to live in hope and joy.

Offering Prayer

God of good gifts, receive these and all our offerings as we present them in faithful service for the sake of your gospel. Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal as you pour out your very presence through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life. **C: Amen.**

Dialogue

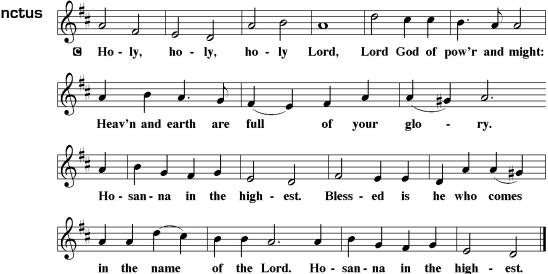




Preface

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. You bid your people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast. Renew our zeal in faith and life, and bring us to the fullness of grace that belongs to the children of God. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





Eucharistic Prayer

Blessed are you, O Lord our God. You created us in your image; and in the mystery of your great love for us you sent your only Son, Jesus Christ, born of Mary by the power of the Spirit. Led by that Spirit he was tempted as we are tempted; He proclaimed your forgiveness to sinners; he loved even his enemies. Despised and rejected, he bore the alienation of the world as he stretched out his arms on the cross; and by this all-sufficient sacrifice he has drawn all people to himself, giving his life as a ransom for many.

As we gather in his name and celebrate his testament, send your Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be for us the very body and blood of your Son, Christ Jesus, redeemer of the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God. By your Son's life-giving passion and death, and by His resurrection and ascension into glory, our Lord Jesus continually intercedes for us and for all he has claimed as his own. As we now share together this Bread of Life and this Cup of Salvation, unite us with all your faithful people in the forgiveness of sins, and bring us, at length, to that eternal celebration of life at the Lamb's high feast.

C: Through Him, with Him, and in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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

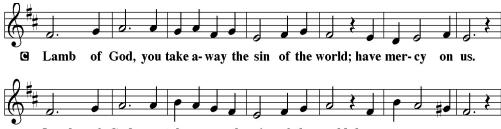
Fraction — The Breaking of the Bread

The Body of Christ is broken as he was broken for us in the Passover, in the loaves, and on the cross. He gives himself to us as he fed the multitudes. Jesus is the sacrificial Lamb who gave himself to deliver all people from slavery to sin.

When we eat this Bread, we share the Body of Christ; when we drink this Cup, we share the Blood of Christ.

C: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Agnus Dei Please join in singing during the distribution of the sacrament.



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



Distribution

The pastor will commune. Then she will commune those with infirmities in the pew. Then the congregation. Place your offering in the offering box and then take an empty cup. Receive the Body of Christ in your open palm from the pastor and then proceed to the assisting minister to receive the Blood of Christ. Return to your seat by the side aisle, placing your emptied cup into the bowl of water. Give thanks to God for such grace!

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say...

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

And each person may respond...

C: Amen.

Post Communion Blessing

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

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice; our alms, a making of peace; and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Benediction

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **C: Amen.**

Sending Song #624 ELW

Jesus, Still Lead On



Text: Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700–1760; tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1813–1897, alt. Music: SEELENBRÄUTIGAM, Adam Drese, 1620–1701

Dismissal

Postlude

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The Bulletins are given to the glory of God

In memory of Clinton H. Roderick, Sr., by his granddaughter, Annette Roderick.

Tribute Gifts to the HVAC Project were given to the glory of God

In memory of Robert 'Bob' Zeigler, Jr, by Lonnie & Connie Graybill; Christina Knaub.

Tribute Gifts to the Memorial Fund were given to the glory of God

In memory of Fran Thatcher, by Carol Kunkle.

In memory of Norma Jean Everhart, by Donald Everhart & family.

Council Retreat - TODAY, 10:00am - 1:00 pm

Worship & Music Meeting - Tuesday, FEBRUARY 28, 6:30 PM

Updated Church Directories — are located in the narthex. One per household, please.

2023 Offering Envelopes — your offering envelopes are available to pick up & are located in the narthex.

York Conferences of Lutheran Tutoring Program Snacks Needed!

St. Peter's has been assigned to donate pre-packaged drinks and snacks (20 students) for March 20-21 & April 24-25. We ask for a few volunteers to donate the snacks. If you are interested, contact Pr Schlegel for more information.

Tutors Needed!

Volunteer tutors are needed on Monday or Tuesday evenings during the school year! Contact Shari Young at ycltutoring@gmail.com or 717-586-9310.

MEMBERS & FRIENDS

Susan Becker—Dale & Nedra Boyer—Tom Brusan—Evelin Burgos—Janice Cromer-Prayer er—Rich Davis—Bishop Elizabeth Eaton—Bill Everhart—Don Gise—Shelva Gise—Sue Requests Guerrini & family—Bruce Harget—Samantha Hilker—Mike Hinkle—Ken Humphreys Lori Joseph—Phil Knobloch—John Lehr—Shirley Lutz—Ron Malehorn—Fabian Marrero—Michele McFarland—Philip Michael—John Miller—Charlie Neff—Rowan Neff—Scott Neff—Vickie O'Connor—Jen Olson Kathy Pugh—Dolores Rehmeyer—Shirley Rearich—Betty Roach—Donna Roach—Jerry Schrum—George Shenberger—Emma Smyser—Nancy Stough Miller—Chris Thatcher—James Thompson—Vickie Toomey—Matthew Walters—Zach Weiland—Margaret Wiley—Dave Yates

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"New Testament Writings of Paul"

Midweek Lept Vespers Services

Wednesdays, 7:00 PM - March 1-8-15-22-29

at St. Paul's Lutheran 25 W. Springettsbury Ave. York

6:00 PM — Soup & Bread Supper, Christ Hall

6:30 PM — Lenten Choir, Music Room

7:00 PM — Vespers with Preaching, Church Nave

Live Stream: YouTube: St. Paul's Lutheran Church—South George St. York https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYCfdMzk.Jo_Xvbdkxn2lYlq

MARCH 1: "Death Came Through One; Life Comes Through One"

Preacher: Rev. Beth Schlegel Text: Romans 5:12-19 Leader: Rev. Stan Reep

MARCH 8: "The Promise to Those Who Share Abraham's Faith"

Preacher: Christopher Waddail Text Romans: 4:1-5, 13-17 Leader: Rev. Beth Schlegel

MARCH 15: "Reconciled to God By Christ's Death"

Preacher: Tristian Ericson Text: Romans 5:1-11 Leader: Rev. William Snyder

MARCH 22: "Awake From Sleep, Live As Children of Light"

Preacher: Rev. Stan Reep Text: Eph. 5:8-14 Leader: Rev. William Snyder

MARCH 29: "Life In the Spirit"

Preacher: Nancy Bennett Text Romans 8:6-11 Leader: Rev. Beth Schlegel

February 19, 2023 OFFERING

General \$ 6,465.00 HVAC Project \$ 1,003.96 Masonry \$ 150.00 Ash Wednesday — \$ 10.00 Memorial Fund \$ 200.00 Community Meal \$ 105.00

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Next Week CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday & Tuesday 8:00 AM — 1:00 PM

Wednesday 8:00 AM — 10:00 AM

Friday

OFFICE CLOSED