

## **3rd Sunday after Epiphany**



**St Peter's Lutheran Church**  
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Welcome to All in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord!

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### **Gathering**

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

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### **Welcome & Announcements**

#### **Prelude**

#### **Confession & Forgiveness**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the minister begins.*

P: In the Name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

P: As we prepare to come into the light of Christ, let us call to mind our sins and ask for forgiveness.

*Silence for self examination*

P: Lord Jesus, You call us to cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. Lord, have mercy.

**C: We confess that we have tried to hide our sins and stay in the shadows. Lord, have mercy.**

P: Lord Jesus, You come with God's light of compassion and love. Christ, have mercy.

**C: We confess our weakness and seek the Spirit's strength. Christ, have mercy.**

P: Lord Jesus, You come with signs of healing and new life. Lord, have mercy.

**C: Forgive us when we do not see your presence in our lives. Lord, have mercy.**

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to each of you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

### **Apostolic Greeting**

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

Hymn  
of  
Praise  
#651  
Blue

Shine, Jesus, Shine / Brilla, Jesús

Verses / Estrofas



1. Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, In the  
2. Lord, I come to your awe - some pres - ence, From the  
3. As we gaze on your king - ly bright - ness, So our  
1. Dios, la luz de tu a - mor bri - llan - do es - tá; en el  
2. A tu san - ta pre - sen - cia ven - go; de la  
3. Con - tem - plan - do tu faz bri - llan - te, nues - tros



midst of the dark - ness, shin - ing. Je - sus, Light of the  
shad - ows in - to your ra - diance; By the blood I may  
fac - es dis - play your like - ness, Ev - er chang - ing from  
me - dio de las ti - nie - blas, Cris - to, e - res la  
som - bra a tu luz ra - dian - te, pue - do en - trar a tra -  
ros - tros dan tu i - ma - gen; trans - for - ma - dos de



world, shine up - on us; Set us free by the truth you now  
en - ter your bright - ness; Search me, try me, con - sume all my  
glo - ry to glo - ry, Mir - rored here, may our lives tell your  
luz de es - te mun - do, tu ver - dad re - ve - la - da nos  
vés de la san - gre; prué - ba - me y con - su - me mi os -  
glo - ria en glo - ria, nues - tras vi - das re - fle - jan tu his -



bring us: Shine on me; Shine on me.  
dark - ness: Shine on me; Shine on me.  
sto - ry: Shine on me; Shine on me.  
li - bra. Bri - lla en mí. Bri - lla en mí.  
cu - ri - dad. Bri - lla en mí. Bri - lla en mí.  
to - ria. Bri - lla en mí. Bri - lla en mí.

Refrain / Estribillo



Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the Fa - ther's glo - ry.  
Bri - lla, Je - sús, re - fle - jan - do la luz del Pa - dre;



Blaze, Spir - it, blaze, set our hearts on fire. Flow, riv - er, flow,  
*Es - pí - ri - tu, ar - de en nues - tro ser. Flu - yan do - quier*



flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy. Send forth your Word,  
*rí - os de com - pa - sión y gra - cia; man - da po - der*



Lord, and let there be light!  
*y que ven - ga la luz.*

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 Tune: SHINE, 9 9 10 10 33 with refrain; Graham Kendrick, b.1950, arr. by Tom Fetteke  
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## Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

*A brief silence is kept before the prayer.*

P: Lord God, your loving kindness always goes before us and follows after us. Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

*The assembly is seated.*

## The Liturgy of the Word

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

### First Reading — *Isaiah 9:1-4*

*A reading from Isaiah*

<sup>1</sup>There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time [the LORD] brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. <sup>2</sup>The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. <sup>3</sup>You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. <sup>4</sup>For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

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

**Psalm 27:1,5-13**

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?  
The LORD is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?

<sup>5</sup>**One thing have I asked of the LORD; one thing I seek;  
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;**

<sup>6</sup>to behold the fair beauty of the LORD and to seek him in his temple.

<sup>7</sup>**For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter;  
he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling  
and set me high up on a rock.**

<sup>8</sup>Even now he lifts up my head above my enemies round about me.

<sup>9</sup>**Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation  
with sounds of great gladness;  
I will sing and make music to the LORD.**

<sup>10</sup>Hearken to my voice, O LORD, when I call;  
have mercy on me and answer me.

<sup>11</sup>**You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face."  
Your face, LORD, will I seek.**

<sup>12</sup>Hide not your face from me, nor turn away your servant in displeasure.

<sup>13</sup>**You have been my helper; cast me not away;  
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.  
As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen.**

**Second Reading — 1 Corinthians 1:10-18**

*A reading from 1 Corinthians*

<sup>10</sup>Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. <sup>11</sup>For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. <sup>12</sup>What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." <sup>13</sup>Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? <sup>14</sup>I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, <sup>15</sup>so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. <sup>16</sup>[I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.] <sup>17</sup>For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. <sup>18</sup>For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

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

**Gospel Acclamation #173 ELW**

*The cantor will sing first, then the congregation will repeat. The cantor will sing and the congregation repeats the alleluia.*

**Gospel Acclamation**  
*Celtic Alleluia*

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

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

*Verses may be sung by a leader. Then the alleluia is repeated.*

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*Alleluia.* Jesus preached the good news <sup>1</sup> of the kingdom \*  
and cured every sickness a-<sup>1</sup> mong the people. *Alleluia.* [Matthew 4:23]

**Gospel — Matthew 4:12-23**

**P:** The holy gospel according to St. Matthew. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>12</sup>Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. <sup>13</sup>He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, <sup>14</sup>so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: <sup>15</sup>“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—<sup>16</sup>the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.”

<sup>17</sup>From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” <sup>18</sup>As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. <sup>19</sup>And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” <sup>20</sup>Immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>21</sup>As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. <sup>22</sup>Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. <sup>23</sup>Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

**P:** The gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**The Message**

*The assembly is seated. Silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

**Hymn of the Day**

#262 Green

***“The Son of God, Our Christ”***

(Sung to “Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise”)

1) The Son of God, our Christ, the Word, the Way,  
shared human life and toiled throughout the day;  
from common folk he called the twelve to be  
coworkers in his sacred ministry.

2) In ev'ry test, in trials manifold,  
these servants witnessed, by their faith made bold;  
and with the gifts and talents which they brought  
the church was founded and God's message taught.

3) Today, as then, Christ summons us to dare  
to follow boldly and his work to share,  
to help and heal the sick, the blind, the lame,  
declaring to the world his holy name.

4) In city street, in town, or on the soil,  
may each serve Christ in faithful daily toil,  
and in each thought and kindly word and deed,  
obey Christ's call and go where he shall lead.

5) Where'er we find our witness should be made,  
whate'er our task, be thou, O Christ, our aid,  
that we may gladly give for thee our best  
and find each task divinely sent and blest.

**Apostles' Creed**

God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand  
of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

**Prayers of Intercession**

P: Called together by the Holy Spirit to follow Jesus, we pray to the Father for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

P: Lord of all, make your church one in purpose, proclaiming the message of the cross. Help us to work together across differences. Energize ecumenical partnerships, including the World Council of Churches and Lutheran World Federation. Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

P: Help us to rejoice at the bounty of your creation. Fill the land and sea with your abundance. Bless harvests in the southern hemisphere and fallow fields in the northern hemisphere. Equip farmers to till and keep the earth sustainably. Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

P: Bring your kingdom near in Jesus and call us all to repentance. Break the rod of the oppressor in every nation. Dispel the shadow of death in places of war and persecution. Grant us leaders who lift the yokes that burden those in need. Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

P: Be a stronghold for those in trouble and a rock for all who are afraid. Rouse communities to care for neighbors who need shelter, are facing maltreatment, or are isolated and lonely. Heal all who are sick, especially those we name before you... Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

P: Sustain the ministries of this congregation and all churches in this community. Nurture each congregation's unique witness to your presence; foster mutual respect; inspire our cooperation in loving our neighbors. Give hope to those congregations in the process of or considering closing or merging. Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

P: We praise you for the faithful who have gone ahead of us into your eternal realm. Help us to leave our nets and follow Jesus now, so that on the Day of his coming, we may join the saints in rejoicing in the fullness of eternal life. Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **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, pastor shares the word of reconciliation from God to us.*

P: 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.*

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**Thanksgiving** We respond to God's abundant grace and mercy

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## Support God's Mission

**Offering** *Please consider making your thank offering to God ...*

**By Mail** to St. Peter's Lutheran Church 947 N. George St. York PA

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### Thanksgiving For the Word

P: Let us pray.

P: Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,

**C: We give you thanks and praise.**

P: By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,

**C: We give you thanks and praise.**

P: Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,

**C: We give you thanks and praise.**

P: Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever. **C: Amen.**

### The Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us how 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.**

### Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

**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.**

**Closing  
 Hymn**  
 #650  
 Blue

**We Are Marching in the Light of God**  
*Siyahamba*

Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -  
 We are march - ing in the light of God, we are march - ing in the

nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos',  
 light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God,

si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.  
 we are march - ing in the light of God.

si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.  
 we are march - ing in the light of, the light of God.

si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.  
 we are march - ing in the light of God.

Si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba,  
 We are march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing, march - ing.

*si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.*  
 we are march-ing in the light of God.

*si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen-, kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.*  
 we are march - ing in the light of, the light of God.

*si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.*  
 we are march - ing in the light of God.

*Si - ya - ham - ba* \_\_\_\_\_ *oo* \_\_\_\_\_  
 We are march - ing \_\_\_\_\_ *oo* \_\_\_\_\_

*Si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba,*  
 We are march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing, march - ing.

*si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.*  
 we are march-ing in the light of God.

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## Dismissal

P: Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people; love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. **C: Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude



**Frances J. Thatcher**  
**September 9, 1942 – January 7, 2023**

In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to everlasting life, **Frances J. Thatcher** was commended to the Lord. A tribute service was held privately. *Fran* was the daughter of the late John & Ellen Page; the loving wife of Tom & her first husband Ted; the mother of Todd & Chris; sister of Jon & Gordon; grandmother of Paige, Colin, & Ethan. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Peter's Lutheran Church.

**A Tribute Gift to the General Fund was given to the glory of God**

In memory of *Fran Thatcher*, by Todd Thatcher & family; Jonathan Page & family; Deborah & Wayne Sweger.

**A Tribute Gift to the Memorial Fund was given to the glory of God**

In memory of *Mildred Zeigler* [January 21, 2021], by her husband, Robert Zeigler, Jr.

**Community Meal – Sunday, FEBRUARY 12, 11:00-12:00 PM**

**2023 St. Peter's Council** \*denotes end of 2nd term

Peggy Kling (U-2023) *President* – Jan Botterbusch (2024)\* *Vice President*

Matthew Malehorn (2023)\* *Treasurer* – Gail Bentzel (2024)\* *Secretary*

Barb Malehorn (2023)\* – Tom Wachter (2024) – Judy Altland (2025)

Joan Geisler (2025)



**MEMBERS & FRIENDS**

Susan Becker—Dale & Nedra Boyer—Tom Bruson—Evelin Burgos  
Janice Cromer—Rich Davis—Bishop Elizabeth Eaton—Bill Everhart  
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Harget—Mike Hinkle—Lori Joseph—Phil Knobloch—John Lehr—  
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sZach Weiland—Margaret Wiley—Dave Yates—the family & friends of Fran  
Thatcher.

**REMEMBER OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS**

Donna Arnold—Norma Buck—Bill Everhart—Don Everhart—Helen Everhart—Doris  
Hoffacker—Ken & Joyce Innerst—Gloria & Phil Knobloch—Carla & Mike Lehr—  
Jean Leiphart—Joanne V. Martin—Marguerite Ness—Betty Roach—Lois Smith—  
Lois Snyder—Joyce Topper—Bob Zeigler

**January 15, 2023**

**OFFERING**

General \$ 5,657.00

HVAC Project \$ 85.00

Capital Improvement \$ 25.00

Christmas \$ 130.00

# God's Has a Mission!

*As disciples and stewards of Jesus Christ, we, the members of  
St. Peter's Lutheran Church are committed to the preaching  
and teaching of the Word of God to all people.  
We will reach out to one another and to others, giving and receiving,  
in worship, fellowship, and witness to Jesus Christ!*

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**This Week**  
**CHURCH**  
**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday thru Thursday  
8:00 AM — 1:15 PM

Friday  
Office Closed