

# 1st Sunday In Lent



**St Peter's Lutheran Church**  
**February 26, 2023**

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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

P: In the Name of the Father, and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

P: 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*

P: 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  $\text{✠}$  Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

### Opening

### Praise and Thanks and Adoration

#### Hymn

#470

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1 Praise and thanks and ad - o - ra - tion, Son of God, to you we give,  
2 Hold me ev - er in your keep - ing, com - fort me in pain and strife;

for you chose to serve cre - a - tion, died that Ad - am's heirs might live,  
through my laugh-ter and my weep-ing, lift me to a no - bler life.

Dear Lord Je - sus, guide my way; faith - ful let me day by day  
Draw my fer-vent love to you; con - stant hope and faith re - new

fol - low where your steps are lead - ing, find ad - ven - ture, joys ex - ceed - ing!  
in your birth, your life and pas - sion, in your death and res - ur - rec - tion.

Text: Thomas H. Kingo, 1634–1703; hymnal tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, 1978  
Music: FREDÉRIC BACH, *Trente quatre psaumes de David*, Geneva, 1551, arr. J. S. Bach, 1685–1750

### 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.**

### Kyrie

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

### Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

*A brief silence is kept before the prayer.*

P: 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.*

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## **The Liturgy of the Word**

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

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### **First Reading — Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7**

*A reading from Genesis*

<sup>15</sup>The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. <sup>16</sup>And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; <sup>17</sup>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." <sup>3:1</sup>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'?" <sup>2</sup>The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; <sup>3</sup>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.'" <sup>4</sup>But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; <sup>5</sup>for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." <sup>6</sup>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. <sup>7</sup>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.

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

### **Psalm 32**

<sup>1</sup>Happy are they whose transgressions <sup>1</sup> are forgiven,  
and whose sin is <sup>1</sup> put away!

<sup>2</sup>**Happy are they to whom the LORD im-<sup>1</sup>putes no guilt,  
and in whose spirit there <sup>1</sup> is no guile!**

<sup>3</sup>While I held my tongue, my bones with-<sup>1</sup>ered away,  
because of my groaning <sup>1</sup> all day long.

<sup>4</sup>**For your hand was heavy upon me <sup>1</sup> day and night;  
my moisture was dried up as in the <sup>1</sup> heat of summer.**

<sup>5</sup>Then I acknowledged my <sup>1</sup> sin to you, and did not con-<sup>1</sup>ceal my guilt.

<sup>6</sup>I said, "I will confess my transgressions <sup>1</sup> to the LORD."  
Then you forgave me the guilt <sup>1</sup> of my sin.

<sup>7</sup>Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in <sup>1</sup> time of trouble;  
when the great waters overflow, they <sup>1</sup> shall not reach them.

<sup>8</sup>You are my hiding-place; you preserve <sup>1</sup> me from trouble;  
you surround me with shouts <sup>1</sup> of deliverance.

<sup>9</sup>I will instruct you and teach you in the way that <sup>1</sup> you should go;  
I will guide you <sup>1</sup> with my eye.

<sup>10</sup>Do not be like horse or mule, which have no <sup>1</sup> understanding;  
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,  
or else they will <sup>1</sup> not stay near you."

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

<sup>12</sup>Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice <sup>1</sup> in the LORD;  
shout for joy, all who are <sup>1</sup> true of heart.

## Second Reading — *Romans 5:12-19*

### *A reading from Romans*

<sup>12</sup>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—<sup>13</sup>sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. <sup>14</sup>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. <sup>15</sup>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. <sup>16</sup>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. <sup>17</sup>If, 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. <sup>18</sup>Therefore 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. <sup>19</sup>For 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.

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

### **Gospel Acclamation**    *The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.*

**One does not live by <sup>1</sup> bread alone, \* but by every word that comes  
from the <sup>1</sup> mouth of God.** [Matthew 4:4]

**Holy Gospel — Matthew 4:1-11**

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

<sup>1</sup>Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup>He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. <sup>3</sup>The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." <sup>4</sup>But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" <sup>5</sup>Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, <sup>6</sup>saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" <sup>8</sup>Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; <sup>9</sup>and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" <sup>11</sup>Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

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**  
#319  
ELW

**O Lord, throughout These Forty Days**

1 O Lord, through - out these for - ty days you  
2 You strove with Sa - tan, and you won; your  
3 Though parched and hun - gry, yet you prayed and  
4 Be with us through this sea - son, Lord, and

prayed and kept the fast; in - spire re - pen - tance  
faith - ful - ness en - dured; lend us your nerve, your  
fixed your mind a - bove; so teach us to de -  
all our earth - ly days, that when the fi - nal

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for our sin, and free us from our past.  
 skill and trust in God's e - ter - nal word.  
 ny our - selves that we may know God's love.  
 Eas - ter dawns, we join in heav - en's praise.

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  
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## Nicene Creed

Together with the whole Church, we confess our faith:

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator 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 of the world to come. Amen**

## Prayers of Intercession

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

*A brief silence.*

P: 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.**

P: 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.**

P: 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.**

P: 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.**

P: 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.**

P: 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.**

P: 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, 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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### Thanksgiving For the Word

P: Let us pray.

P: Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we humbly thank you for your goodness to us and to all that you have made. We praise you for your creation, for keeping us and all things in your care, and for all the blessings of life. Above all we bless you for your immeasurable love in redeeming the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies that with thankful hearts we praise you, not only with our lips but in our lives, by giving ourselves to your service and by living in your gifts of holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all worship and praise, now and 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.**

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### Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

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### Benediction

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

**Closing  
Hymn**  
#624  
ELW

Jesus, Still Lead On



1 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; and, al-though the  
2 If the way be drear, if the foe be near, let no faith - less  
3 When we seek re - lief from a long - felt grief, when temp - ta - tions  
4 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; heav'n - ly lead - er,



way be cheer - less, we will fol - low, calm and fear - less;  
fears o'er - take us, let not faith and hope for - sake us;  
come al - lur - ing make us pa - tient and en - dur - ing;  
still di - rect us, still sup - port, con - sole, pro - tect us,



guide us by your hand to the prom - ised land.  
safe - ly past the foe to our home we go.  
show us that bright shore where we weep no more.  
till we safe - ly stand in the prom - ised land.

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

**Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. Remember the poor. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

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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.

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

In memory of *Norma Jean Everhart*, by Don Everhart & family.

**Council Retreat — Sunday, FEBRUARY 26, 10:00am — 1:00 pm**

**Worship & Music Mtg — Tuesday, FEBRUARY 28, 6:30 PM**

**Church Directories** — are available in the narthex

**Offering Envelopes** — offering envelopes are available in the narthex.




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Masonry \$ 150.00

Ash Wednesday \$ 10.00

Memorial Fund \$ 200.00

Community Meal \$ 105.00

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### **Midweek Lent 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

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**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

### **St. Peter's Lutheran Church**

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8:45 AM—Worship Service



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

Monday thru Tuesday  
**8:00 AM — 1:00 PM**

Wednesday  
**8:00 AM — 10:00 AM**

Thursday & Friday  
**Office Closed**