

Welcome

St. Peter Lutheran Church
15 March 2026

8:00am and 10:00am

The 10am service will be livestreamed to our Facebook page and posted on our website.

This Week:

Sunday, March 15th

8:00am Worship (Sanctuary)
9:00am Sunday School (Fellowship Hall)
9:00am Coffee Fellowship (Fireside Room)
10:00am Worship (Sanctuary)
11:00am Love Fellowship Worship (Sanctuary)

Tuesday, March 17th

9:00am Pick Your Project (Quadrooms)

Wednesday, March 18th

10:00am Bible Study (Fireside Room)
2:00pm Afternoon Bible Study (Fireside Room)
4:45pm Lenten Meal (Fellowship Hall)
6:00pm Worship (Sanctuary)
6:30pm Mentor/Mentee (Fellowship Hall)
6:30pm Choir (Music Room)

Thursday, March 19th

10:00am Fidget Mats (Quadrooms)

Saturday, March 21st

10:00am Love Fellowship Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Sunday, March 22nd

8:00am Worship (Sanctuary)
9:00am Sunday School (Fellowship Hall)
9:00am Coffee Fellowship (Fireside Room)
10:00am Worship (Sanctuary)
11:00am Love Fellowship Worship (Sanctuary)



**Glorify God.
Build Relationships.
Follow Jesus.**

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*St. Peter Lutheran Church is a faith community where:
We glorify God by building healthy relationships with God, with one another, and with our community following the example of Jesus Christ.*

**** The Pastor will read the italicized parts of the service. ****
****If you would like to participate, please join in reading the bold font in unison. ****

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to worship! Masks are available on the table by the main doors if you would like one. All are invited to participate in the sacrament of communion. Pastor will give more instructions during the communion portion of the service. You can find more information about this service by reading the announcement insert. This service will be livestreamed to our Facebook page and posted to our website and YouTube page.

(Please stand)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*Blessed be the holy Trinity, **+** one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.***

*Let us confess our sin before God, who forgives us. Gracious God, **have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.***

*For seeking worldly ideas that lead us away from you: Gracious God, **have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.***

*For desiring self-reliance instead of being shaped by your word: Gracious God, **have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.***

*For failing to recognize your coming reign, and for hindering the work of the Spirit: Gracious God, **have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.***

*For drawing from the well of self-serving ambition, and for disregarding the living water Christ offers: Gracious God, **have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.***

*For disregarding voices from the margin, and for distrusting signs of your healing and hope in the world: Gracious God, **have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.***

*God's steadfast love, grace, and forgiveness abound. Through faith, the free gift of God, you have been clothed in the righteousness of Christ. In the name of **✝** Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. The Spirit of the One who raised Christ from the dead dwells in you loves you, and gives you life and peace. **Amen.***

OPENING HYMN

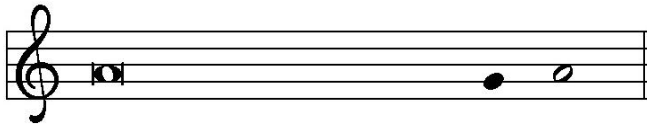
I Believe in Jesus

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GREETING

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

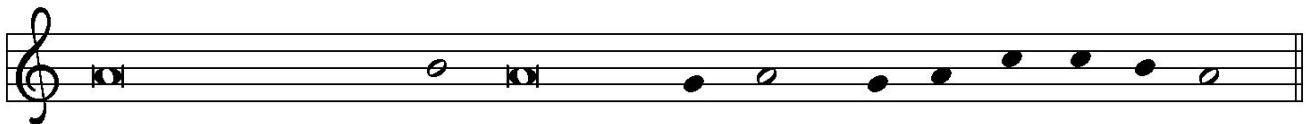
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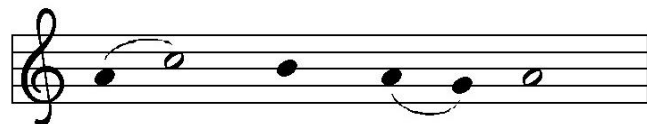
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



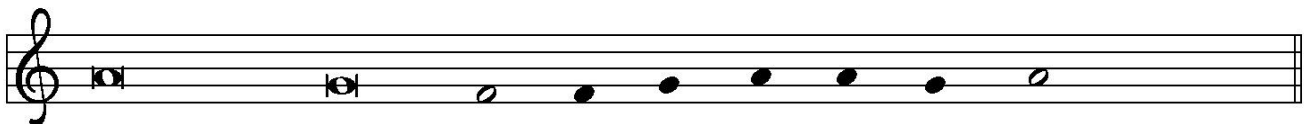
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



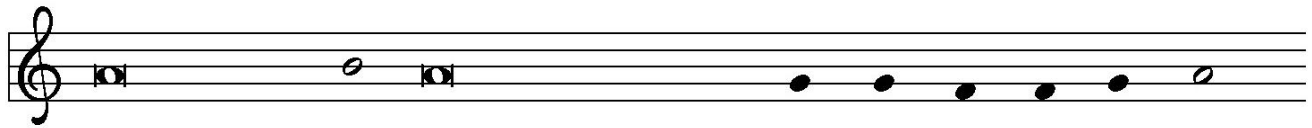
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



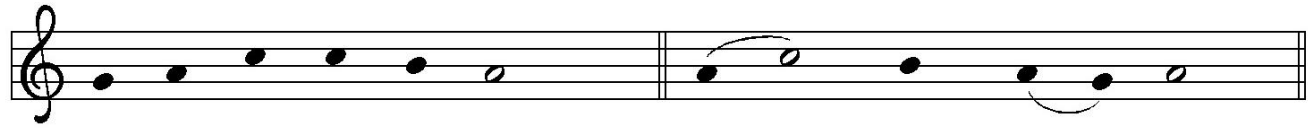
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



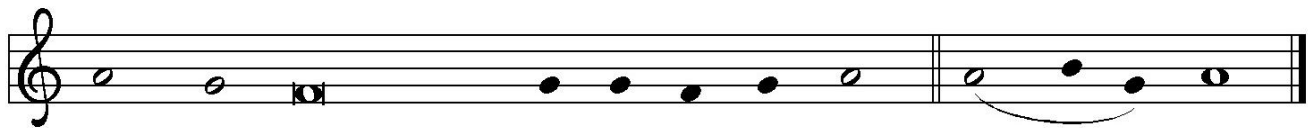
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



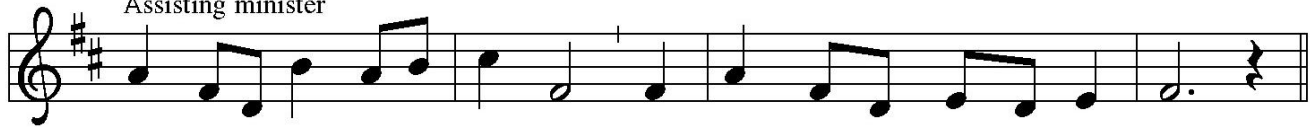
let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Assisting minister



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



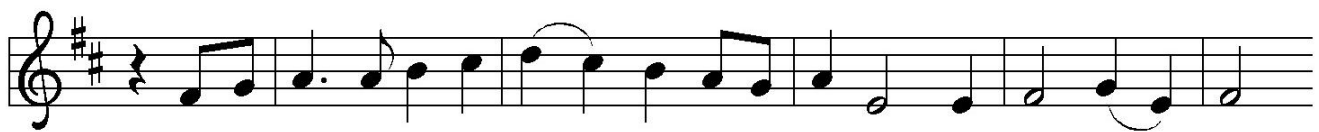
wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



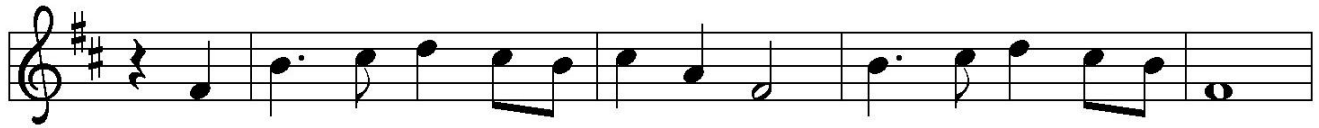
Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Listen to our prayers, Lord Christ, and come among us. By your gracious life and death for us, bring light into the darkness of our hearts, and anoint us with your Spirit, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(Please be seated)

FIRST READING

Palm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;

he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall

follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

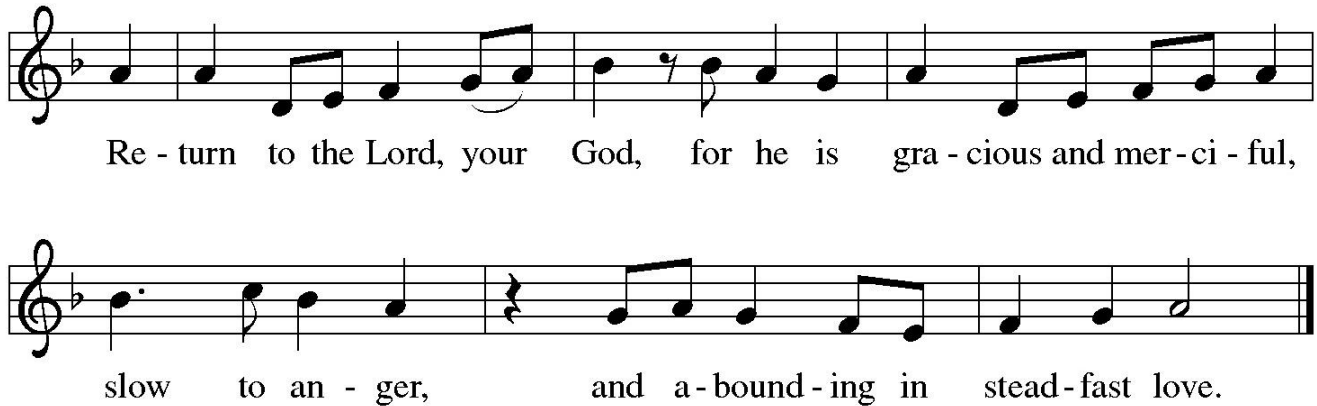
SECOND READING

Ephesians 5:8-14

*⁸Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Walk as children of light, ⁹for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. ¹⁰Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness; rather, expose them. ¹²For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly, ¹³but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, ¹⁴for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you." *Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,
slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

GOSPEL

John 9:1-41

The holy gospel according to John. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹As [Jesus] walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. ²His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" ³Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. ⁴We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. ⁵As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." ⁶When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, ⁷saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of

Siloam” (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. ⁸ The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?” ⁹ Some were saying, “It is he.” Others were saying, “No, but it is someone like him.” He kept saying, “I am he.” ¹⁰ But they kept asking him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” ¹¹ He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ Then I went and washed and received my sight.” ¹² They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

¹³ They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. ¹⁴ Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. ¹⁵ Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, “He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see.” ¹⁶ Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for he does not observe the Sabbath.” Others said, “How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?” And they were divided. ¹⁷ So they said again to the blind man, “What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened.” He said, “He is a prophet.”

¹⁸ The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight ¹⁹ and asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?” ²⁰ His parents answered, “We know that this is our son and that he was born blind, ²¹ but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself.” ²² His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. ²³ Therefore his parents said, “He is of age; ask him.”

²⁴ So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, “Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner.” ²⁵ He answered, “I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.” ²⁶ They said to him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?” ²⁷ He answered them, “I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?” ²⁸ Then they reviled him, saying, “You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. ²⁹ We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.” ³⁰ The man answered, “Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, yet he opened my eyes. ³¹ We know that God does not listen to sinners,

but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. ³² Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. ³³ If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.” ³⁴ They answered him, “You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?” And they drove him out.

³⁵ Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” ³⁶ He answered, “And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him.” ³⁷ Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he.” ³⁸ He said, “Lord, I believe.” And he worshiped him. ³⁹ Jesus said, “I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see may see and those who do see may become blind.” ⁴⁰ Some of the Pharisees who were with him heard this and said to him, “Surely we are not blind, are we?” ⁴¹ Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, ‘We see,’ your sin remains.” The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

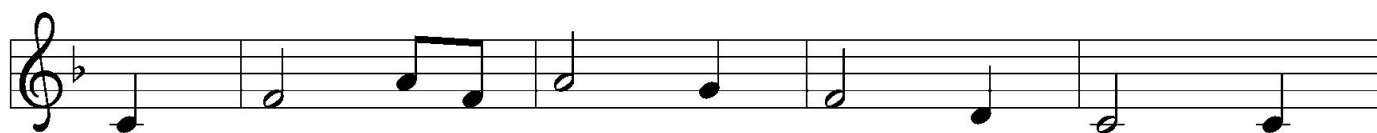
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SERMON

Pastor Kristin Berglund

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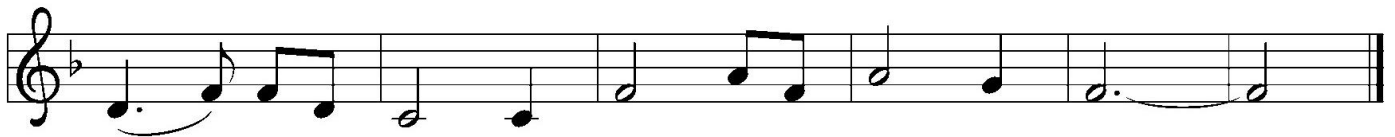
HYMN OF THE DAY Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound ELW # 779



1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found; was blind, but now I see.
grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

INSTALLATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

The following persons, having been elected by the congregation, to positions of leadership, are asked to come forward.

Congregation Council

Barb A -- President	LeAnn
Scott -- Vice-President	Ginny
Jamie -- Secretary	Judy
Dawn B -- Treasurer	Donna
	Steve R

St. Paul writes: There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit gives them. There are different ways of serving, but the same Lord is served. There are different abilities to perform service, but the same God gives to everyone ability for particular service. The Spirit's presence is shown in some way in each person, for the good of all. You have been elected to positions of leadership and trust in this congregation. You are to see that the words and deeds of this community of faith reflect God in whose name we gather. You are to be diligent in serving, that the one Lord who empowers you is glorified. You are to be examples of faith active in love, to help maintain the harmony of this congregation. On behalf of your siblings in Christ, I ask you: Are you ready to accept and faithfully to carry out the duties of the offices to which you have been elected?

Council Members: Yes, by the help of God.

People of God, I ask you: Will you support these, your council leaders, and will you share in the ministry that Christ has given to all who are baptized?
Yes, by the help of God.

I now declare you installed as council leaders of this congregation. God bless you with the Holy Spirit, that you may be faithful followers of Christ. Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

THE PRAYERS

Reconciled by God's mercy and sustained by God's presence, let us pray for the world and its needs.

*God, our shepherd, we pray that you guide the church. Lead Christians in our community and across the globe in right paths for your name's sake. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.***

*God our sovereign, we plead for your peace on earth. Bring an end to war and violence, and raise up leaders in governments, courts, businesses, schools, and community organizations who seek goodness and mercy. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.***

*God our healer, we call to you in our need. Uplift all who are made to feel unimportant, and transform the hearts of all infected by bigotry and prejudice. Care for all in special need this day. We lift up those listed on our prayer list and ask that you hear our prayers for those close to our hearts. (Brief silence for personal prayer.) Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.***

*God our friend, we praise you for the diversity of people among us. Awaken us to share and receive the gifts we each possess, and stir up a spirit of understanding, celebration, and welcome for all. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.***

*God our home, we thank you for all who have died and completed their baptismal journeys. Grant us faith to live until we too dwell in your house forever. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.***

*Receive our prayers, O God, through Jesus Christ, our strength and salvation. **Amen.***

OFFERING PRAYER

Please place your offering in the plates at the end of the main aisle, scan the QR code on the right to go directly to St. Peter's secure donation page, or visit the church website to give online.



We offer praise and thanks to God for what we have been given and what we share with others.

*Let us pray. O God, maker of heaven and earth, your steadfast love embraces all creation. You send rain and sunshine to nourish the earth and bring forth its bounty. Through these gifts of bread and wine, draw us into the death and life of your Son, who calls us to bear witness to his saving work. We ask this in Jesus' name. **Amen.***

COMMUNION

*The Lord be with you. **And also with you.***

*Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.***

*Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace.

Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the

wilderness to the land of milk and honey. Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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.

*With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.***

*O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence. **Come, Holy Spirit.***

*Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love. **Come, Holy Spirit.***

*With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. **Amen.***

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us. **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.***

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the table. There is a place for you.

(Please be seated)

All are welcome to receive the sacrament. Please follow instructions given by Pastor. Grownups are always welcome to bless non-communing children with the words “You are a loved child of God” and the sign of the cross on their forehead, hand, or in front of them. If you use individual cups, please place the used cups in the baggie and leave the baggie in the large glass bowl as you depart worship. Gluten free wafers are available.

COMMUNION HYMN

Lamb of God



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



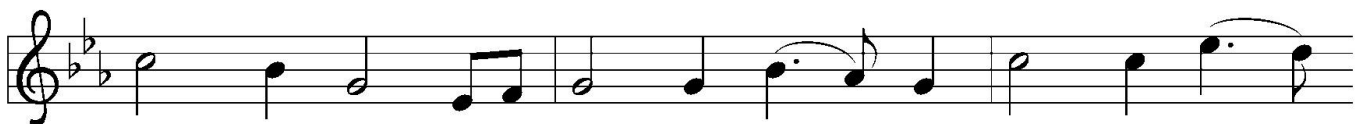
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Just As I Am, without One Plea

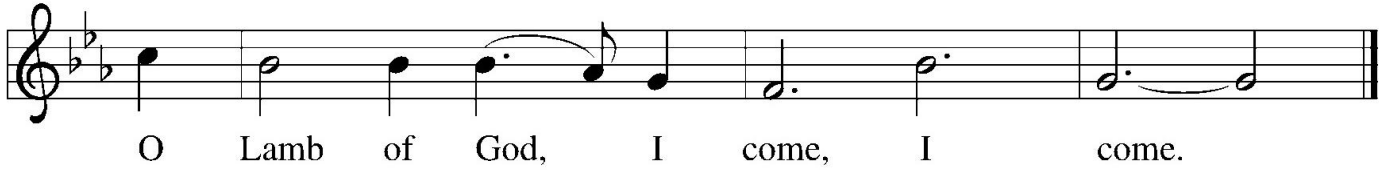
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1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, but that thy blood was
 2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - y_a con - flict,
 3 Just as I am, thou wilt re - ceive, wilt wel - come, par - don,
 4 Just as I am; thy love un-known has bro - ken ev - 'ry



shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me come to thee,
 man - y_a doubt, fight - ings and fears with - in, with - out,
 cleanse, re - lieve; be - cause thy prom - ise I be - lieve,
 bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea, thine a - lone,



(Please stand)

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. God of our salvation, we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls, reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey. Through the body and blood of your Son, may we become Christ's body in the world, bearing witness to your love for all creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

God, who calls all things into existence, Jesus Christ, who redeems us, and the Holy Spirit, whose breath sustains creation, ✝ bless you now and always. Amen.

SENDING SONG

Be Thou My Vision

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. God is with you. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Message Pastor Kristin Berglund

Reader	8:00am: Dawn	10:00am: Joan
Usher	8:00am: Dick & Nancy	10:00am: Paul
Communion	8:00am: Dawn	10:00am: Ginny
Altar Guild	Set Up/Between: Joy	Clean up: Ginny
Music	Lori	
Tech	Aimee	

I Believe in Jesus

VERSE

E A E/B B

1. I _____ be-lieve in Je - sus, —
 2. And I be-lieve in You, Lord. —

3 E A B

I be-lieve He is the Son of God.
 I be-lieve You are the Son of God.

5 E A E/B B

I be-lieve He died and rose a - gain,
 I be-lieve You died and rose a - gain,

7 E A B

I be-lieve He paid for us all.
 I be-lieve You paid for us all.

CHORUS

9 A B/D# E E/G# A B

And I be-lieve that He's here now, — Stand-ing in our
 And I be-lieve that You're here now, —

12 E E/G# A B/D# E E/G#

midst. Here with the pow - er to heal now, —

15 A B 1. E A/C# A/B 2. E

And the grace to for - give. give.

Be Thou My Vision



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.
thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,
Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,
thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.