

**St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Second Sunday after Christmas  
Pastor Erik Sorenson**



**January 3, 2021**

**MEMBERS AND GUESTS:**

We will celebrate Holy Communion during our worship service this morning.

Pastor will come to the parking lot to distribute communion following the worship service.

To listen in your car, tune radio to AM 750.

# Confession and Absolution

## 523 O Word of God Incarnate

*Hymn of Invocation*



1 O Word of God in - car-nate, O Wis - dom from on high,  
2 The Church from You, dear Mas - ter, Re - ceived the gift di - vine;  
3 O make Your Church, dear Sav - ior, A lamp of bur - nished gold



O Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky:  
And still that light is lift - ed O'er all the earth to shine.  
To bear be - fore the na - tions Your true light as of old!



We praise You for the ra - diance That from the hal - lowed page,  
It is the chart and com - pass That, all life's voy - age through,  
O teach Your wan - d'ring pil - grims By this their path to trace



A lan - tern to our foot - steps, Shines on from age to age.  
Mid mists and rocks and quick - sands Still guides, O Christ, to You.  
Till, clouds and dark - ness end - ed, They see You face to face!

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## Invocation

**P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I

**pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{†}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Service of the Word

### Introit

*Psalm 147:1, 5, 11–12; antiphon: John 1:14*

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory,  
glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

**Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises to our God;  
for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.**

Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;  
his understanding is beyond measure.

**But the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him,  
in those who hope in his steadfast love.**

Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem!

Praise your God, O Zion!

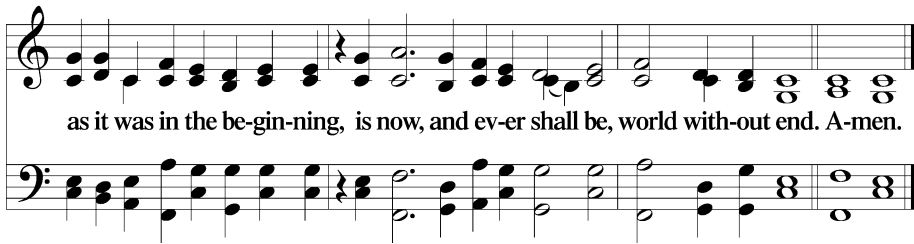
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning,**

**is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory,  
glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

**C** Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



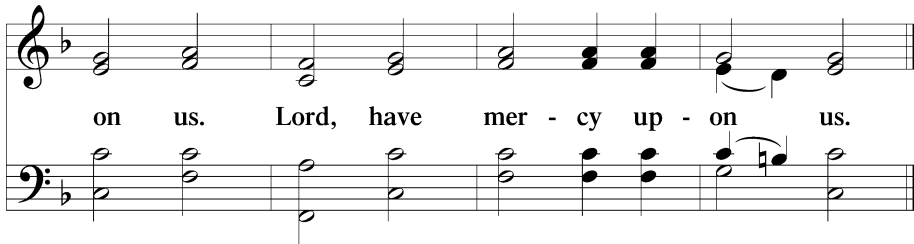
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

**Kyrie**

*LSB 186*



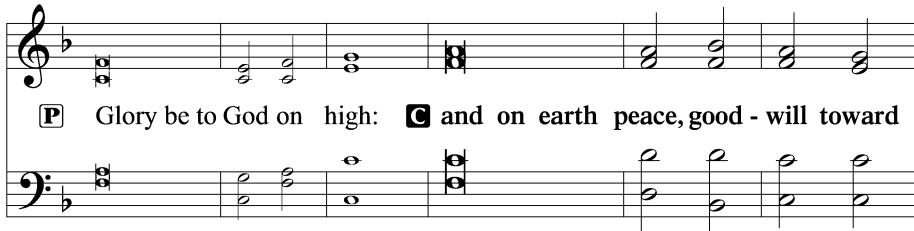
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



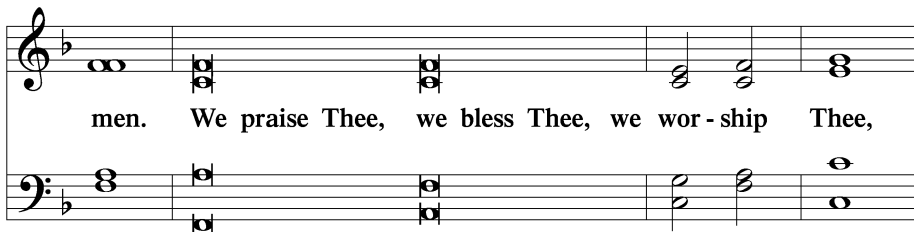
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

**Gloria in Excelsis**

*LSB 187*



Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,

we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.

O Lord, the only - begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-

on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Let us pray.

**P** Almighty God, You have poured into our hearts the true Light of Your incarnate Word. Grant that this Light may shine forth in our lives; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** A - men.

## Old Testament Reading

*1 Kings 3:4–15*

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*Isaiah 9:6; Psalm 98:1a*

To us a child is born, to us a son is given;  
 and the government shall be upon his shoulder.  
 And his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,  
 Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.  
 Sing to the Lord a new song,  
 for he has done marvelous things!

## Epistle

*Ephesians 1:3–14*

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

## Alleluia

LSB 190



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

The musical score for the Alleluia is written in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The melody is primarily in the treble staff, with the bass staff providing harmonic support. The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia."

## Holy Gospel

Luke 2:40-52

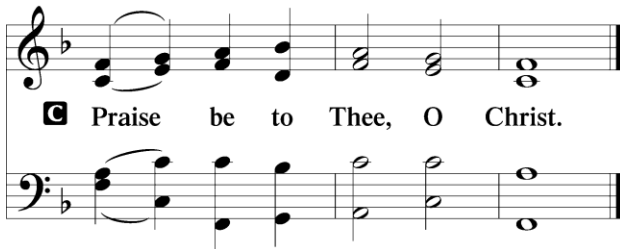
**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.



Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

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



Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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## Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,



**very God of very God,  
 begotten, not made,  
 being of one substance with the Father,  
 by whom all things were made;  
 who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
 and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
 and was made man;  
 and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
 He suffered and was buried.  
 And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
 and ascended into heaven  
 and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
 And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
 whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
 the Lord and giver of life,  
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
 who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
 who spoke by the prophets.  
 And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
 I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
 and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
 and the life  $\text{✝}$  of the world to come. Amen.**

#### 410 Within the Father's House

*Hymn of the Day*



1 With-in the Fa-ther's house The Son has found His home,  
 2 The doc-tors of the Law Gaze on the won-drous child  
 3 Yet not to them is giv'n The might-y truth to know,  
 4 The se-cret of the Lord Es-capes each hu-man eye,



And to His tem-ple sud-den-ly The Lord of life has come.  
 And mar-vel at His gra-cious words Of wis-dom un-de-filed.  
 To lift the earth-ly veil that hides In-car-nate God be-low.  
 And faith-ful pon-d'ring hearts a-wait The full e-piph-a-ny.

5 Lord, visit Thou our souls  
 And teach us by Thy grace  
 Each dim revealing of Thyself  
 With loving awe to trace

△ 6 Till we behold Thy face  
And know as we are known  
Thee, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
Coequal Three in One.

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Sermon

*Obeying Your Father*

Offertory

LSB 192

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -

tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

## Installation of the Church Board and the Board of Elders

### Prayer of the Church

# Service of the Sacrament

## Preface

LSB 194

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

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

**C** It is meet and right so to do.

### Proper Preface

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for in the mystery of the Word made flesh You have given us a new revelation of Your glory that, seeing You in the person of Your Son, we may know and love those things which are not seen. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### Sanctus

*LSB 195*

**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;

heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,

ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,

bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.

Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

**☐** 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

glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

## The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

**P** Our Lord Je - sus Christ, on the night when He was be - trayed, took bread,  
 and when He had giv - en thanks, He broke it and gave it to the  
 dis - ci - ples and said: "Take, eat; this is My <sup>†</sup> bod - y, which is giv - en for you.  
 This do in re - mem - brance of Me." In the same way al - so  
 He took the cup after sup - per, and when He had giv - en thanks, He gave it  
 to them, say - ing: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in  
 My <sup>†</sup> blood, which is shed for you for the for - give - ness of sins.  
 This do, as often as you drink it, in re - mem - brance of Me."

## Pax Domini

LSB 197



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**C** A - men.



## Agnus Dei

LSB 198



**C** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

## Distribution

### 624 The Infant Priest Was Holy Born

1 The in-fant Priest was ho-ly born For us un-  
 2 This great High Priest in hu-man flesh Was i-con  
 3 The ho-ly Lamb un-daunt-ed came To God's own  
 4 But death would not the vic-tor be Of Him who  
 ho-ly and for-lorn; From flesh-ly tem-ple  
 of God's righ-teous-ness. His hal-lowed touch brought  
 al-tar lit with flame; While weep-ing an-gels  
 hung up-on the tree. He leads us to the  
 forth came He, A-noint-ed from e-ter-ni-ty.  
 sanc-ti-ty; His hand re-moved im-pu-ri-ty.  
 hid their eyes, This Priest be-came a sac-ri-fice.  
 Ho-ly Place With-in the veil, be-fore God's face.

- 5 The veil is torn, our Priest we see,  
 As at the rail on bended knee



Our hungry mouths from Him receive  
The bread of immortality.

6 The body of God's Lamb we eat,  
A priestly food and priestly meat;  
On sin-parched lips the chalice pours  
His quenching blood that life restores.

7 With cherubim and seraphim  
Our voices join the endless hymn,  
And "Holy, holy, holy" sing  
To Christ, God's Lamb, our Priest and King.

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### 367 Angels from the Realms of Glory



1 An - gels from the realms of glo - ry, Wing your flight o'er  
2 Shep - herds in the field a - bid - ing, Watch - ing o'er your  
3 Sa - ges, leave your con - tem - pla - tions, Bright - er vi - sions  
4 Saints be - fore the al - tar bend - ing, Watch - ing long in  
△ 5 All cre - a - tion, join in prais - ing God the Fa - ther,



all the earth; Ye who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry,  
flocks by night, God with us is now re - sid - ing,  
beam a - far; Seek the great De - sire of na - tions,  
hope and fear, Sud - den - ly the Lord, de - scend - ing,  
Spir - it, Son, Ev - er - more your voic - es rais - ing



Now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth.  
Yon - der shines the In - fant Light.  
Ye have seen His na - tal star.  
In His tem - ple shall ap - pear.  
To the e - ter - nal Three in One.

*Refrain*



Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship;



Wor - ship Christ, the new - born King.

### 359 Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming



1 Lo, how a rose e'er bloom - ing From ten - der stem hath  
 2 I - sa - iah 'twas fore - told it, The rose I have in  
 3 This flow'r, whose fra - grance ten - der With sweet - ness fills the  
 4 O Sav - ior, child of Mar - y, Who felt our hu - man



sprung! Of Jes - se's lin - eage com - ing As proph - ets long have  
 mind; With Mar - y we be - hold it, The vir - gin moth - er  
 air, Dis - pels with glo - rious splen - dor The dark - ness ev - 'ry -  
 woe; O Sav - ior, King of glo - ry, Who dost our weak - ness



sung, It came, a flow - 'ret bright, A - mid the  
 kind. To show God's love a - right, She bore to  
 where. True man, yet ver - y God, From sin and  
 know: Bring us at length we pray To the bright



cold of win - ter, When half - spent was the night.  
 us a Sav - ior, When half - spent was the night.  
 death He saves us And light - ens ev - 'ry load.  
 courts of heav - en, And to the end - less day.

### 386 Now Sing We, Now Rejoice



1 Now sing we, now re - joice, Now raise to heav'n our voice;  
 2 Come from on high to me; I can - not rise to Thee.  
 3 Now through His Son doth shine The Fa - ther's grace di - vine.  
 4 Oh, where shall joy be found? Where but on heav'n - ly ground?



He from whom joy stream - eth Poor in a man - ger lies;  
 Cheer my wea - ried spir - it, O pure and ho - ly Child;  
 Death was reign - ing o'er us Through sin and van - i - ty  
 Where the an - gels sing - ing With all His saints u - nite,



Not so bright-ly beam-eth The sun in yon-der skies.  
 Through Thy grace and mer-it, Blest Je-sus, Lord most mild,  
 Till He o-pened for us A bright e-ter-ni-ty.  
 Sweet-est prais-es bring-ing In heav'n-ly joy and light.



Thou my Sav-ior art! Thou my Sav-ior art!  
 Draw me un-to Thee! Draw me un-to Thee!  
 May we praise Him there! May we praise Him there!  
 Oh, that we were there! Oh, that we were there!

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## Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199

**C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de-part in peace ac-

cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

which Thou hast pre-pared be-fore the face of all people,

a light to light - en the Gen - tles and the glo - ry of Thy

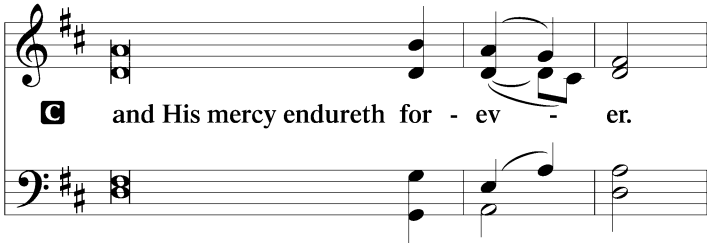
people Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,

is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

### Thanksgiving

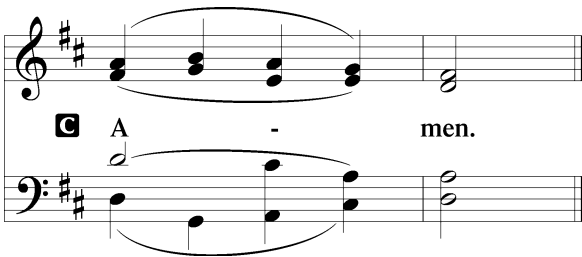
**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

**Post-Communion Collect**

**A** Let us pray.  
 O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



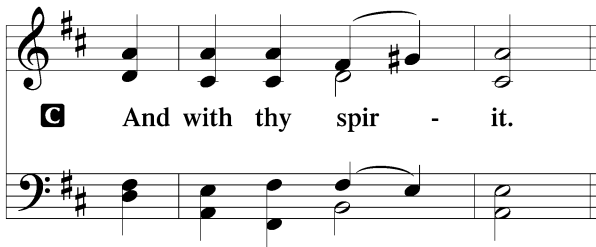
**C** A - men.

**Salutation**

*LSB 201*



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

## Benedicamus

LSB 202

Musical notation for the hymn "Benedicamus". It consists of two systems. The first system has a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 2/4 time signature. It contains a single melodic line with the lyrics "A Bless we the Lord." The second system has a treble and bass clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a 2/4 time signature. It contains two parts: a treble part with the lyrics "C Thanks be to God." and a bass part.

## Benediction

LSB 202

Musical notation for the hymn "Benediction". It consists of four systems. The first system has a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a 2/4 time signature. It contains a single melodic line with the lyrics "P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make". The second system has a treble and bass clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a 2/4 time signature. It contains two parts: a treble part with the lyrics "His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you." and a bass part. The third system has a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a 2/4 time signature. It contains a single melodic line with the lyrics "The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace." The fourth system has a treble and bass clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a 2/4 time signature. It contains two parts: a treble part with the lyrics "C A - men, a - men, a - men." and a bass part.

## 376 Once in Royal David's City

Closing Hymn

Musical notation for the hymn "376 Once in Royal David's City". It consists of a single system with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (Bb), and a 2/4 time signature. It contains a single melodic line with the lyrics "1 Once in roy - al Da - vid's cit - y Stood a  
2 He came down to earth from heav - en, Who is  
3 For He is our child - hood's pat - tern, Day by  
4 And our eyes at last shall see Him, Through His  
5 Not in that poor, low - ly sta - ble With the



low - ly cat - tle shed, Where a moth - er laid her  
God and Lord of all, And His shel - ter was a  
day like us He grew; He was lit - tle, weak, and  
own re - deem - ing love; For that child so dear and  
ox - en stand - ing by Shall we see Him, but in



ba - by In a man - ger for His bed: Mar - y  
sta - ble, And His cra - dle was a stall; With the  
help - less, Tears and smiles like us He knew; And He  
gen - tle Is our Lord in heav'n a - bove; And He  
heav - en, Set at God's right hand on high. Then like



was that moth - er mild, Je - sus Christ her lit - tle child.  
poor and mean and low - ly Lived on earth our Sav - ior ho - ly.  
feels for all our sad - ness, And He shares in all our glad - ness.  
leads His chil - dren on To the place where He is gone.  
stars His chil - dren, crowned, All in white, His praise will sound!

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