

Announcements

Weekly Schedule:

Sun. 3/8: Pastor's Bible Study & Sunday School @ 10:15 AM
 Youth Catechesis @ 11:30 AM
 Book of Concord Study @ 5:00 PM
Tues. 3/10: Pastor @ Circuit Meeting, 10 AM – 2 PM
Wed. 3/11: Lent Supper @ 6:00 PM
 Lent Midweek Service @ 7:00 PM
Thur. 3/12: Council Meeting @ 6:00 PM

*No altar
flowers
during Lent*

Birthdays, Baptismal Birthdays (B), & Anniversaries:

3/13: Amanda Finke (B)

Prayer list:

Teresa Lucas	Haylana Pifer	Cole Benton	Chris Elser
Luella Holle	Mary Pifer	Melissa Otte	Ed Engelau
Laura Moorman	Cathy Tays	Tammy Bean	Dianna Scott
John Dobrinski	Stephanie Hildebrandt	Cindy May	
Debbie Schroer	Vaden Hanley	Glen Schurman	

Stewardship:

Weekly Budget: \$3385	3/1 Synodical Fund: \$350
3/1 Offerings: \$2441	3/1 Building Fund: \$50

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Pastoral Call: Pastor Sorenson has received a call to serve as pastor at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Elk Creek, Nebraska. Please keep him, his family, our church, and St. Peter's in your prayers during this time of deliberation.



Vanco: A new, online offering method is now available. You can find more information by scanning the QR code in the bulletin or by going to <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZMRA>.

Playground: As we look to a new playground for the church, there is a matching grant of up to \$10,000 available to us. If you would like to contribute to the playground and utilize this matching grant, please speak to a council member or Camden. Thank you!

Bylaws: In our April voters' meeting we will be discussing and potentially voting on proposed changes to our bylaws. Copies of these proposed changes are available in the narthex.

Lent: Meal sign-up is on the conference room door, devotions and Psalm sheets are available in the narthex.

Communion Statement - The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are kindly asked first to speak with the pastor. In addition to this being our practice, we do not want our visitors to violate their own conscience or the public confession of faith that is made through their home Church membership. Those not receiving communion are invited to come forward with arms crossed to receive a blessing from the pastor. We thank you for respecting our practice. For further study, see Matt. 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.

Introit

Psalm 84:1-4; antiphon: v. 5

P Blessed are those whose strength is in you,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

C How lovely is your dwelling place,
O Lord of hosts!

P My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.

C Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may lay her young, at your altars, **O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.**

P Blessed are those who dwell in your house,
ever singing your praise!

C 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.

P Blessed are those whose strength is in you,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

Collect of the Day

P O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gradual

Hebrews 12:2

P [O come, let us fix our eyes on] Jesus,
the founder and perfecter of our faith,
who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

✚ Divine Service ✚

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Hymn of Invocation 435

Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain

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✚ Service of the Word ✚

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Hymn of Praise omitted during Lent

Salutation & Collect p. 156

Old Testament *Exodus 17:1-7*
p. 59, p. 75 LP

Gradual bulletin

Epistle *Romans 5:1-8*
p. 942, p. 1198 LP

Lent Verse p. 157

Holy Gospel *John 4:5-30, 39-42*
p. 888, p. 1131 LP

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Hymn of the Day 824
May God Bestow on Us His Grace

Sermon *For the Weary*

Prayer of the Church

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Offertory p. 159

✚ Service of the Sacrament ✚

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Distribution Hymns

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me 761

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed 437

Draw Near and Take the Body... 637

How Wide the Love of Christ 535

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Closing Hymn 423

Jesus, Refuge of the Weary

Upcoming Acolytes:

3/11: John Nye

3/15: Noah Nye

3/18: Abe Acton

3/22: John Nye

Below you will find a model you can use for your personal or family devotions that focuses you on the readings from the previous Sunday, while also preparing you for what you will hear the following Sunday. In modeling your devotions this way, you and your family can stay united to the church year and reinforce what you hear, sing, and pray every Sunday.

- Mon. 3/9: Read the Old Testament lesson: Exodus 17:1-7 – The water from the rock is a reminder that God is always with His people, even in suffering.
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 824 – May God Bestow on Us His Grace
Pray the Collect of the Day: O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
- Tues. 3/10: Read the Epistle lesson: Romans 5:1-8 – We have peace with God and hope because Christ died for us, even while we were still stuck in sin.
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 824 – May God Bestow on Us His Grace
Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 3/9)
- Wed. 3/11: Read the Gospel lesson: John 4:5-26 (27-30, 39-42) – Jesus Christ is the Messiah who comes to give us living water by joining us to Himself in Holy Baptism.
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 824 – May God Bestow on Us His Grace
Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 3/9)
- Thur. 3/12: Read the Old Testament lesson: Isaiah 42:14-21 – In His righteousness, God magnified the Law so we can see our sin and how it turns everything backwards, in order that we may see our need for Christ and rejoice in His salvation.
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 571 – God Loved the World So That He Gave
Pray the Collect of the Day: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
- Fri. 3/13: Read the Epistle lesson: Ephesians 5:8-14 – Walk as children of the Light, exposing the works of sin and illuminating the way to Christ and His salvation.
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 571 – God Loved the World So That He Gave
Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 3/12)
- Sat. 3/14: Read the Gospel lesson: John 9:1-41 – Christ, the Light of the world, has come to give sight to those who are blinded by sin. He opens our eyes so we may see Him.
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 571 – God Loved the World So That He Gave
Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 3/12)

St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church
Third Sunday in Lent
Pastor Erik Sorenson



March 8, 2026

MEMBERS AND GUESTS:

If you are partaking of the Lord's Supper, *please read and fill out one of the registration cards* on the back of the pew. You may place it in the offering plate or hand it to the usher. Please also see the communion statement on the inside of the bulletin.

Families and Children:

We are glad you are here to receive the Lord's gifts together. Your presence is a gift from God and a reminder of Christ's words: "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 19:14)