

Announcements

Weekly Schedule:

Sun. 3/15: Pastor's Bible Study & Sunday School @ 10:15 AM
 Youth Catechesis @ 11:30 AM
 Youth Group @ 5:00 PM
Wed. 3/18: Lent Supper @ 6:00 PM
 Lent Midweek Service @ 7:00 PM

*No altar
flowers
during Lent*

Birthdays, Baptismal Birthdays (B), & Anniversaries:

3/15: Margie Trimpe
 3/17: Phil & Margie Trimpe
 3/18: John Nye
 3/19: Rayleigh Acton, Alex Hughes
 3/21: Dan Acree (B), Danny Strasser (B)

Prayer list:

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

Stewardship:

Weekly Budget: \$3385	3/8 Synodical Fund: \$
3/8 Offerings: \$	3/8 Building Fund: \$

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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.

Easter Lilies: Order forms will be available in the narthex. There is a suggested donation of \$10 per lily, which you can place in the offering plate or give to Camden or Pastor. After services on Easter, you may pick up your ordered lily/lilies.

Easter Egg Hunt: The Easter Egg Hunt will be on Saturday, April 4th at 10:00 AM. We will meet in the shelter house (weather permitting). Please have the eggs returned by March 29th. Also, be sure to invite any children or grandchildren to be part of the hunt on April 4th.

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 27:4-6; antiphon: Psalm 25:15

- P** My eyes are ever toward the Lord,
for he will pluck my feet out of the net.
- C** **One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after:
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to
gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple.**
- P** For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.
- C** **And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy;
I will sing and make melody to the Lord.**
- 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** My eyes are ever toward the Lord,
for he will pluck my feet out of the net.

Collect of the Day

P 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.

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.

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Upcoming Acolytes:

3/18: Abe Acton

3/22: John Nye

3/25: Noah Nye

3/29: Abe Acton

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. 3/16: 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.
- Tues. 3/17: 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 3/16)
- Wed. 3/18: 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 3/16)
- Thur. 3/19: Read the Old Testament lesson: Ezekiel 37:1-14 – God will open our graves and give us the breath of life as He raises us from the dead to live in the new creation.
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 430 – My Song Is Love Unknown
Pray the Collect of the Day: Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
- Fri. 3/20: Read the Epistle lesson: Romans 8:1-11 – The Holy Spirit dwells in us, so we do not live according to our sinful flesh but according to the ways of Christ.
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 430 – My Song Is Love Unknown
Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 3/19)
- Sat. 3/21: Read the Gospel lesson: John 11:1-45 (46-53) – As Jesus woke Lazarus from the sleep of death, so too does He promise us the resurrection of the dead because He is the resurrection and the life and we are joined to Him.
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 430 – My Song Is Love Unknown
Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 3/19)

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



March 15, 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)