

**ST. PETER'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL**

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**Second Sunday After Christmas**

**January 3, 2021**

*Prelude*

Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the Name of the Father, Son and 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.

**C: Amen**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Pause for self-examination)

P: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are in bondage 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 neighbor 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**

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given us his Son to die for us and, for his sake 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 forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son and the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

**Opening Hymn**

**“Children of the Heavenly Father”**

**Insert**

Apostolic Greeting & Kyrie.

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.**

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord have mercy.**

P: 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.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray

to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**Hymn of Praise**

**“This is the Feast”**



**A** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



**C** Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.



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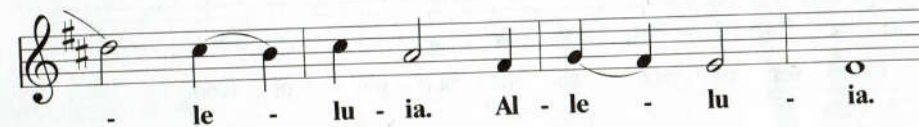
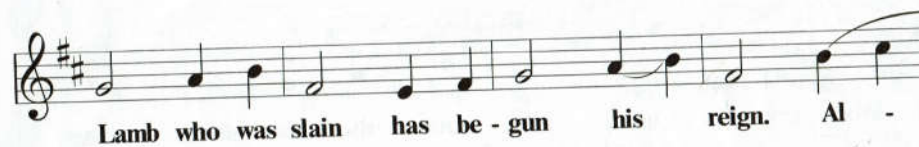
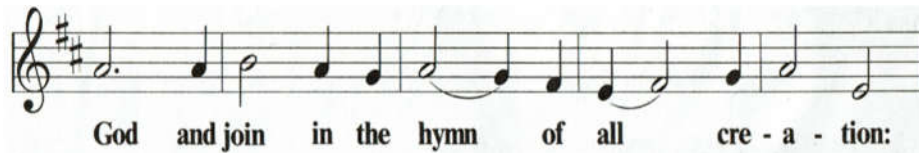
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This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of



P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, direct our actions according to your good pleasure, that in the name of your beloved Son, we might be made to abound in good works. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

First Reading

1 Kings 3:4-15

**Psalm 119:97-104**

<sup>97</sup>Oh, how I | love your law!\*

all the day long it is | in my mind.

<sup>98</sup>**Your commandment has made me wiser | than my enemies,\*  
and it is | always with me.**

<sup>99</sup>I have more understanding than | all my teachers,\*  
for your decrees | are my study.

<sup>100</sup>**I am wiser | than the elders,\*  
because I observe | your commandments.**

<sup>101</sup>I restrain my feet from every | evil way,\*  
that I may | keep your word.

<sup>102</sup>**I do not shrink | from your judgments,\*  
because you your- | self have taught me.**

<sup>103</sup>How sweet are your words | to my taste!\*

they are sweeter than honey | to my mouth.

<sup>104</sup>**Through your commandments I gain | understanding;\***

**therefore I hate every | lying way.**

**Second Reading**

**Ephesians 1:3-14**

Gospel Acclamation—*Alleluia Lord*

P: Please rise for the reading of the Gospel.

**C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.**

**Alleluia.**

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke 2:40-52

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

*The Gospel is read..*

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

**Sermon Song**

**“Be Thou My Vision”**

**Insert**

Nicene Creed

**C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker 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 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 and giver of life, who proceeds from the**

**Father and the Son. With the Father and 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 life of the world to come. Amen**

**Prayers of the Faithful**

**Lord, listen to your children praying,  
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;  
Lord, listen to your children praying,  
Send us love, send us power, send us grace.**

**We continue to pray for the following:**

**Church Leadership; LCMC National; Augustana District;  
International Missions Ministries—Augustana World Missions**

Chuck Cederman	Harold Haseley	Lester Walck	Carol Harbart
Britt Gamache	Mark Lendway	Ralph DeVantier	Don Haseley
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Nate Allen	James Garavaglia	Jillian Kelkenberg	Phillip Messina
Ben Thorstad	Justin DeVantier	Jeremy Ditto	N.F. Air Base

**Those in Nursing Homes and Shut-Ins**

Edna Walck	Paul Greinert	Nora Hingle	Janice Wick	Jim Beutel
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**Special Offertory Prayer**

***Great Thanksgiving***

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right and salutary...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

***Eucharistic Prayer***

The Lord's Prayer

P: We pray as Jesus taught us, Our Father,

**C: 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**

Lamb of God

**C: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace.**

**Distribution of Holy Communion**

*All who are baptized and believe that Jesus is present in, with and under the forms of bread and wine are invited to receive Holy Communion.*

*Post Communion Canticle*

**C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell everyone what he has done. Let everyone who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

*Post Communion Prayer*

P: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen**

Blessing

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**C: Amen**

**Closing Hymn**

**“Joy to the World”**

**Insert**

*Postlude*

**GO IN PEACE, SERVE THE LORD  
THANKS BE TO GOD**

**WELCOME** to St. Peter’s Evangelical Lutheran Church. We are glad to have you join us to worship today. We invite you to join us each Sunday at 8:30 or 11:00 a.m. If you would like to request a meeting or arrange a visit from Pastor Tom, please call the office at 731-4433 or his cell phone at 990-6244.

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