

LENT



The kingdom of God is at hand.

Mark 1:15

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FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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Prelude

Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Beloved in the Lord. Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sin to God our Father, imploring him, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: Who made heaven and earth.

P: I said I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.

C: And you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Pause for self-examination.

P: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer...imploring your grace for the sake of your son, Jesus Christ.

C: Most merciful God, you have given your only Son to die for us. Have mercy on us, and for his sake grant us remission of all our sins. By your Holy Spirit, increase in us true knowledge of you and of your will and true obedience to your word, so that by your grace we may come to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us and has given his only Son to die for us and for his sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe in his name, he gives power to become children of God and bestows on them his Holy Spirit. All who believe and are baptized shall be saved. Grant this, O Lord, unto us all.

C: Amen

Opening Hymn

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

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.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, look favorably upon your family. Graciously rule our bodies lest we are enticed to love the world, and guard our spirits lest we fail to recognize your love. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

First Reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34

³¹{Thus says the Lord,} “Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, ³²not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the Lord. ³³For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, ‘Know the Lord,’ for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the Lord. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”

Psalm 119:9-16

⁹How shall a young man cleanse his way?*

By keeping to your words.

¹⁰**With my whole heart I seek you;***

let me not stray from your commandments.

¹¹I treasure your promise in my heart,*

that I may not sin against you.

¹²**Blessed are you, O Lord;***

instruct me in your statutes.

¹³With my lips will I recite*

all the judgments of your mouth.

¹⁴**I have taken greater delight in the way of your decrees***

than in all manner of riches.

¹⁵I will meditate on your commandments*

and give attention to your ways.

¹⁶**My delight is in your statutes;***

I will not forget your word.

Second Reading

Hebrews 5:1-10

¹For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ²He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. ³Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. ⁴And no

one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.⁵ So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him, “You are my Son, today I have begotten you”;⁶ as he says also in another place, “You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek.”⁷ In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence.⁸ Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered.⁹ And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him,¹⁰ being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

Gospel Acclamation

P: Please rise for the reading of the gospel.

C: Return to the Lord, our God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

P: The Holy Gospel According to St. Mark 10:32-45

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel is read.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Sermon Song

“In the Cross of Christ I Glory”

Insert

Baptism of Jackson Daniel Zlotkowski-11:00 a.m.

Nicene Creed—(8:30 service only)

P: Join me as we confess our faith with the words of the 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, one of 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:

School Leadership; School Prayer Requests; Sunday School

Chuck Cederman	Harold Haseley	Lester Walck	Carol Harbart
Britt Gamache	Mark Lendway	Alice Lange	Shane
Lori Haseley (St. James)		Nancy Thorstad	Dan Wendt

Serving in the Military

Nate Allen	James Garavaglia	Jillian Kelkenberg	Phillip Messina
Seth Spitler	Ben Thorstad	Justin DeVantier	Jeremy Ditto
N.F. Air Base			

Those in nursing homes and shut-ins

Edna Walck	Paul Greinert	Nora Hingle	Marge Kordzikowski
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Sharing of Christ's Peace

Offering of Gifts

P: Blessed are you,

C: O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and the redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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 in 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 by 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 Prayer

Lord, now you let your ser - vant go in peace; your
word has been ful-filled. My own eyes have seen the sal -
va - tion which you have pre-pared in the sight of ev - 'ry
peo - ple: A light to re - veal you to the na -
tions and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.
Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly
Spir - it, as it was in the be - gin - ning, is
now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men

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

P: Now may the Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you, the Lord look upon you with favor and give you His peace.

C: Amen

Closing Hymn

“The Old Rugged Cross”

Insert

Postlude

**GO IN PEACE AND REMEMBER HIS SACRIFICE.
WE SHALL REMEMBER HIS SACRIFICE.**

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 his office at 731-4433 or his cell phone 990-6244.

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Holy Gospel—St. Mark 10:32-45

³²[{The disciples} were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, ³³saying, “See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. ³⁴And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise.”] ³⁵And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” ³⁶And he said to them, “What do you want me to do for you?” ³⁷And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” ³⁸Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?” ³⁹And they said to him, “We are able.” And Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, ⁴⁰but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.” ⁴¹And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. ⁴²And Jesus called them to him and said to them, “You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ⁴³But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”