

# St Peter Lutheran Church

## Order of Worship

*Last Sunday of the Church Year, November 24, 2024*

### Welcome

#### Opening Hymn LSB 687 Thine Forever, God of Love

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| 1 | Thine forever, God of love!<br>Hear us from Thy throne above;<br>Thine forever may we be<br>Here and in eternity!                              | 2 | Thine forever! Oh, how blest<br>They who find in Thee their rest!<br>Savior, guardian, heav'nly friend,<br>O defend us to the end!      |
| 3 | Thine forever, Lord of Life!<br>Shield us through our earthly strife.<br>Thou, the life, the truth, the way,<br>Guide us to the realms of day. | 4 | Thine forever! Shepherd, keep<br>These Thy frail and trembling sheep;<br>Safe alone beneath Thy care,<br>Let us all Thy goodness share. |
| 5 | Thine forever! Thou our guide, All our wants by Thee supplied,<br>All our sins by Thee forgiv'n; Lead us, Lord, from earth to heav'n.          |   |   |

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*(Please stand, as you are able)*

### Call to Worship

**P** Come, Holy Spirit! Ignite our hearts with joy and confidence!

**C** For God has done wondrous things for us.

**P** Filled with the Holy Spirit, our lives bear fruit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, and self-control.

**C** Come Holy Spirit!

### Confession and Absolution

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

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

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us

take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying:

**☩ God, be merciful to me, a sinner.**

*(We pause for a moment of silence for personal confession and reflection)*

**☩** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**☩ Amen.**

## **Gloria in Excelsis**

**1 To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth;  
Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!  
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing—  
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.**

**2 To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;  
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.  
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,  
Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high—**

**3 For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.  
Forever and forever Be worshiped and adored;  
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,  
In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.**

## **Responsive Psalm Reading, Psalm 93; antiphon: v. 2**

The Lord reigns; he is robed in majesty;

**the Lord is robed; he has put on strength as his belt.**

Yes, the world is established;

**it shall never be moved.**

<sup>2</sup>Your throne is established from of old;

**you are from everlasting.**

<sup>3</sup>The floods have lifted up, O Lord,

**the floods have lifted up their voice;**

**the floods lift up their roaring.**

<sup>4</sup>Mightier than the thunders of many waters,

**mightier than the waves of the sea,**

**the Lord on high is mighty!**

<sup>5</sup>Your decrees are very trustworthy;  
**holiness befits your house,**  
**O Lord, forevermore.**

## Salutation and Collect

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Lord Jesus Christ, so govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your glorious return, we may persevere in both faith and holiness of living; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen** *(Please be seated)*

## The Baptism of Adam Scott Lehmann

### 740 I Am Jesus' Little Lamb

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| 1 I am Jesus' little lamb,<br>Ever glad at heart I am;<br>For my Shepherd gently guides me,<br>Knows my need and well provides me,<br>Loves me ev'ry day the same,<br>Even calls me by my name. | 2 Day by day, at home, away,<br>Jesus is my staff and stay.<br>When I hunger, Jesus feeds me,<br>Into pleasant pastures leads me;<br>When I thirst, He bids me go<br>Where the quiet waters flow. |
| 3 Who so happy as I am, Even now the Shepherd's lamb?<br>And when my short life is ended, By His angel host attended,<br>He shall fold me to His breast, There within His arms to rest.         |   |

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## Old Testament Reading, Daniel 7:9–10, 13–14

As I looked,

thrones were placed,  
and the Ancient of days took his seat;  
his clothing was white as snow,  
and the hair of his head like pure wool;  
his throne was fiery flames;  
its wheels were burning fire.

<sup>10</sup>A stream of fire issued  
and came out from before him;  
a thousand thousands served him,  
and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him;

the court sat in judgment,  
and the books were opened. . . .

<sup>13</sup>I saw in the night visions,  
and behold, with the clouds of heaven  
there came one like a son of man,  
and he came to the Ancient of Days  
and was presented before him.  
<sup>14</sup>And to him was given dominion  
and glory and a kingdom,  
that all peoples, nations, and languages  
should serve him;  
his dominion is an everlasting dominion,  
which shall not pass away,  
and his kingdom one  
that shall not be destroyed.

℣ This is the Word of the Lord

☩ **Thanks be to God**

### **Epistle Reading, Jude 20–25**

<sup>20</sup>But you, beloved, build yourselves up in your most holy faith; pray in the Holy Spirit; <sup>21</sup>keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life. <sup>22</sup>And have mercy on those who doubt; <sup>23</sup>save others by snatching them out of the fire; to others show mercy with fear, hating even the garment stained by the flesh.

<sup>24</sup>Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, <sup>25</sup>to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

℣ This is the Word of the Lord

☩ **Thanks be to God**

*(Please stand as you are able)*

### **Alleluia and Verse**

☩ **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.**

***Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.***

### **The Holy Gospel, Mark 13:24–37**

ℙ The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark ☩ **Glory to You, O Lord**

[Jesus said:] "In those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, <sup>25</sup>and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. <sup>26</sup>And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. <sup>27</sup>And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

<sup>28</sup>"From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. <sup>29</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. <sup>30</sup>Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. <sup>31</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

<sup>32</sup>"But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. <sup>33</sup>Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. <sup>34</sup>It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake. <sup>35</sup>Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the cock crows, or in the morning—<sup>36</sup>lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. <sup>37</sup>And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake."

**L** This is the Gospel of the Lord

**C Praise to You, O Christ!**

*(Please be seated)*

## Sermon

### Sermon Hymn, LSB 663 Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray

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| 1 Rise, my soul, to watch and pray;<br>From your sleep awaken!<br>Be not by the evil day<br>Unawares o'ertaken; For the foe,<br>Well we know, Is a harvest reaping<br>While the saints are sleeping.                      | 2 Watch against the devil's snares<br>Lest asleep he find you;<br>For indeed no pains he spares<br>To deceive and blind you. Satan's prey<br>Oft are they Who secure are sleeping<br>And no watch are keeping.             |
| 3 Watch! Let not the wicked world<br>With its lies defeat you<br>Lest with bold deceptions hurled<br>It betray and cheat you. Watch and see<br>Lest there be Faithless friends to charm you,<br>Who but seek to harm you. | 4 Watch against yourself, my soul,<br>Lest with grace you trifle;<br>Let not self your thoughts control<br>Nor God's mercy stifle. Pride and sin<br>Lurk within, All your hopes to shatter;<br>Heed not when they flatter. |

5 But while watching, also pray To the Lord unceasing.  
God protects you day by day, Strength and faith increasing,  
So that still Mind and will  
Shall unite to serve Him And forever love Him.

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*(Please stand, as you are able)*

## **Apostles' Creed**

**☩ I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.**

**The third day He rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.**

## **Peace of the Lord**

*(Please greet the people around you with God's peace)*

## **Offering**

### **Prayers of the Church**

After each petition respond: **P** Lord in your mercy **☩ Hear our prayer**

#### **Lord's Prayer**

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**☩ 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 glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## **Preface**

**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 truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. 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**

**C** **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;**

**Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.**

**Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;**

**Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

## **The Word of Our Lord**

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{†}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of

you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

## **Pax Domini**

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

## **Agnus Dei**

**C** 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;  
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;  
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

## **Communion Distribution** *(Please be seated)*

### St Peter's Communion Statement

The Lord's Supper is a special gift given by Jesus Christ to all baptized believers in the community of faith. In preparing for the Lord's Supper, we are to reflect upon the following questions:

1. Do I believe that I am a sinner in need of God's forgiveness?
2. Do I believe that, within this Sacrament, the bread and wine are Christ's true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins?
3. Do I promise, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to amend my sinful life?
4. Do I confess and belief the same doctrines of faith as the church body with which I am about to commune?

If you are having difficulty in answering "yes" to any of the above questions, please follow the guide of Scripture and refrain from taking communion today. Our Pastor would be glad to visit with you after the service to answer any questions you may have about our Communion practice.

If you require a gluten free wafer, please signal to Pastor by holding up your index finger in front of you.

Non-alcoholic white grape juice is available in the center of the tray, for those with alcohol sensitivities

## **"The Lion And The Lamb"**

1. He's coming on the clouds  
Kings and kingdoms will bow down  
And every chain will break  
As broken hearts declare His praise  
For who can stop the Lord Almighty?



## **Chorus**

Our God is the Lion The Lion of Judah  
He's roaring with power And fighting our battles  
And every knee will bow before Him Our God is the Lamb  
The Lamb that was slain For the sins of the world  
His blood breaks the chains And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb  
Every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb

2. So open up the gates  
Make way before the King of kings  
The God who comes to save  
Is here to set the captives free  
For who can stop the Lord Almighty

### **Chorus**

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## **Bridge**

Who can stop the Lord Almighty  
Who can stop the Lord Almighty  
Who can stop the Lord Almighty  
Who can stop the Lord

### **Chorus**

## **“Soon and Very Soon”**

Soon and very soon we are going to see the King!  
Soon and very soon we are going to see the King!  
Soon and very soon we are going to see the King!  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King!

No more crying there we are going to see the King!  
No more crying there we are going to see the King!  
No more crying there we are going to see the King!  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King!

### **(Instrumental)**

No more dying there we are going to see the King!  
No more dying there we are going to see the King!  
No more dying there we are going to see the King!  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King!  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King!

## **602 The Gifts Christ Freely Gives**

1 The gifts Christ freely gives He gives to you and me  
To be His Church, His bride, His chosen, saved and free!  
Saints blest with these rich gifts Are children who proclaim  
That they were won by Christ  
And cling to His strong name.

2 The gifts flow from the font  
Where He calls us His own;  
New life He gives that makes  
Us His and His alone.  
Here He forgives our sins  
With water and His Word;  
The triune God Himself  
Gives pow'r to call Him Lord

3 The gifts of grace and peace From  
absolution flow;  
The pastor's words are Christ's For us to  
trust and know.  
Forgiveness that we need Is granted to us  
there; The Lord of mercy sends  
Us forth in His blest care.

4 The gifts are there each day  
The holy Word is read;  
God's children listen, hear,  
Receive, and they are fed.  
Christ fills them with Himself,  
Blest words that give them life,  
Restoring and refreshing  
Them for this world's strife.

5 The gifts are in the feast,  
Gifts far more than we see;  
Beneath the bread and wine  
Is food from Calvary.  
The body and the blood  
Remove our ev'ry sin;  
We leave His presence in  
His peace, renewed again.

6 All glory to the One Who lavishes such love;  
The triune God in love Assures our life above.  
His means of grace for us Are gifts He loves to give;  
All thanks and praise for His Great love by which we live!

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## As For Me

### Verse 1

Your love oh Lord is strength to my soul  
Hope for tomorrow it won't let go  
Your presence is the joy of my life  
To You I lift my eyes

### Chorus

As for me and my house we will serve the Lord  
We will sing of Your love forevermore  
As for me and my house we will serve the Lord  
Serve the Lord

### Verse 2

Your word alone a lamp to my feet  
A light to my path as You're leading me  
Your ways oh Lord are higher than mine  
To You I lift my eyes

### Bridge

Open up every door  
Write it on every wall  
Sing it in every room

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## Post-Communion Collect

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 Amen**

## Benedicamus and Benediction

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**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.**

**P** Go in peace! **C Serve the Lord**

**P** Let us bless the Lord **C Thanks be to God**

## Closing Song – Ancient of Days

Blessing and honor, glory and power

Be unto the Ancient of Days

From ev'ry nation all of creation

Bow before the Ancient of Days

Ev'ry tongue in heaven and earth

Shall declare Your glory

Ev'ry knee shall bow at Your throne in worship

You will be exalted O God

And Your kingdom shall not pass away

O Ancient of Days

**(Repeat all)**

**(Bridge)**Your kingdom shall reign over all the earth

Sing unto the Ancient of Days

For none can compare to Your matchless worth

Sing unto the Ancient of Days

Ev'ry tongue in heaven and earth  
Shall declare Your glory  
Ev'ry knee shall bow at Your throne in worship  
You will be exalted O God  
And Your kingdom shall not pass away  
O Ancient of Days

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*(Please be seated)*

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