

# St Peter Lutheran Church

## Order of Worship

Third Sunday of Easter May 4, 2025

### Welcome

### Opening Hymn LSB 525 Crown Him with Many Crowns

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| 1 Crown Him with many crowns,<br>The Lamb upon His throne;<br>Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns<br>All music but its own.<br>Awake, my soul, and sing<br>Of Him who died for thee,<br>And hail Him as thy matchless king<br>Through all eternity.     | 2 Crown Him the virgin's Son,<br>The God incarnate born,<br>Whose arm those crimson trophies won<br>Which now His brow adorn:<br>Fruit of the mystic rose,<br>Yet of that rose the stem,<br>The root whence mercy ever flows,<br>The babe of Bethlehem.       |
| 3 Crown Him the Lord of love.<br>Behold His hands and side,<br>Rich wounds, yet visible above,<br>In beauty glorified.<br>No angels in the sky<br>Can fully bear that sight,<br>But downward bend their wond'ring eyes<br>At mysteries so bright.       | 4 Crown Him the Lord of life,<br>Who triumphed o'er the grave<br>And rose victorious in the strife<br>For those He came to save.<br>His glories now we sing,<br>Who died and rose on high,<br>Who died eternal life to bring<br>And lives that death may die. |
| 5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, Enthroned in worlds above,<br>Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The wondrous name of Love.<br>Crown Him with many crowns As thrones before Him fall;<br>Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns, For He is king of all. |   |

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*(Please stand, as you are able)*

### Call to Worship

- P** All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord,  
**C** and all your saints shall bless you!  
**P** One generation shall commend your works to another,  
**C** and shall declare your mighty acts.  
**P** The Lord is good to all  
**C** and his mercy is over all that he has made.

**P** Christ is risen!

**C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

## 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:

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

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

**P** 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 Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Hymn of Praise, This Is the Feast LSB 155

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:**

**Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## Responsive Psalm Psalm 30

I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up  
and have not let my foes rejoice over me.

**<sup>2</sup>O Lord my God, I cried to you for help,  
and you have healed me.**

<sup>3</sup>O Lord, you have brought up my soul from Sheol;  
you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.

**<sup>4</sup>Sing praises to the Lord, O you his saints,  
and give thanks to his holy name.**

<sup>5</sup>For his anger is but for a moment,  
and his favor is for a lifetime.

**Weeping may tarry for the night,  
but joy comes with the morning.**

<sup>6</sup>As for me, I said in my prosperity,  
"I shall never be moved."

**<sup>7</sup>By your favor, O Lord,  
you made my mountain stand strong;  
you hid your face;  
I was dismayed.**

<sup>8</sup>To you, O Lord, I cry,  
and to the Lord I plead for mercy:

<sup>9</sup>"What profit is there in my death,  
if I go down to the pit?

**Will the dust praise you?**  
Will it tell of your faithfulness?

**<sup>10</sup>Hear, O Lord, and be merciful to me!**  
O Lord, be my helper!"

**<sup>11</sup>You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;  
you have loosed my sackcloth  
and clothed me with gladness,**

**<sup>12</sup>that my glory may sing your praise and not be silent.**  
O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever!

## **Prayer of the Day**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**G And also with you.**

**P** O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G Amen.**

## First Reading, Acts 9:1–22

But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest<sup>2</sup> and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.<sup>3</sup> Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him.<sup>4</sup> And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?"<sup>5</sup> And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting."<sup>6</sup> But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."<sup>7</sup> The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one.<sup>8</sup> Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus.<sup>9</sup> And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

<sup>10</sup>Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord."<sup>11</sup> And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying,<sup>12</sup> and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight."<sup>13</sup> But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem."<sup>14</sup> And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name."<sup>15</sup> But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel."<sup>16</sup> For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name."<sup>17</sup> So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit."<sup>18</sup> And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized;<sup>19</sup> and taking food, he was strengthened.

For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus.<sup>20</sup> And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."<sup>21</sup> And all who heard him were amazed and said, "Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?"<sup>22</sup> But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord   **G** Thanks be to God

## Epistle Reading, Revelation 5:8–14

And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints.<sup>9</sup> And they sang a new song, saying,  
"Worthy are you to take the scroll  
and to open its seals,

for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God  
from every tribe and language and people and nation,  
<sup>10</sup>and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God,  
and they shall reign on the earth."

<sup>11</sup>Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, <sup>12</sup>saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" <sup>13</sup>And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" <sup>14</sup>And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord   **C** **Thanks be to God**

*(Please stand as you are able)*

## **Alleluia and Verse**

**C** **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?**

**You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## **The Holy Gospel, John 21:1–19**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John   **C** **Glory to You, O Lord**

After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. <sup>2</sup>Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. <sup>3</sup>Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered him, "No." <sup>6</sup>He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. <sup>7</sup>That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. <sup>8</sup>The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.

<sup>9</sup>When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." <sup>11</sup>So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. <sup>12</sup>Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. <sup>13</sup>Jesus came and took the

bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. <sup>14</sup>This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

<sup>15</sup>When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." <sup>16</sup>He said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." <sup>17</sup>He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. <sup>18</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go." <sup>19</sup>(This he said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saying this he said to him, "Follow me."

**L** This is the Gospel of the Lord **C Praise to You, O Christ!**

## Children's Sermon

### Sermon

#### Sermon Song LSB 517 By All Your Saints in Warfare

1 By all Your saints in warfare,  
For all Your saints at rest,  
Your holy name, O Jesus,  
Forevermore be blest!  
For You have won the battle  
That they might wear the crown;  
And now they shine in glory  
Reflected from Your throne.

12 Praise for the light from heaven  
And for the voice of awe;  
Praise for the glorious vision  
The persecutor saw.  
O Lord, for Paul's conversion,  
We bless Your name today;  
Come shine within our darkness,  
And guide us on our way.

10 Praise for Your great apostle  
So eager and so bold,  
Thrice falling, yet repentant,  
Thrice charged to feed Your fold.  
Lord, make Your pastors faithful  
To guard Your flock from harm,  
And hold them when they waver  
With Your almighty arm.

19 We praise You for Saint Peter;  
We praise You for Saint Paul;  
They taught both Jew and Gentile  
That Christ is all in all.  
To cross and sword they yielded  
And saw Your kingdom come;  
O God, these two apostles  
Reached life through martyrdom.

△ 3 Then let us praise the Father And worship God the Son And sing to God the Spirit, Eternal  
Three in One, Till all the ransomed number Fall down before the throne,  
Ascribing pow'r and glory And praise to God alone. Text: Public domain

## **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.**

## **The Peace of the Lord**

### **Offering**

### **Prayers**

After each petition:

**☩ Lord, in Your mercy. ☩ Hear our prayer.**

### **Lord's Prayer**

**☩ 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 our duty at all times and in all places to give You thanks, Holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. But chiefly do we praise You for the resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who paid in full the price of our redemption and overcame death and the grave for us. Keep us with Him that remembering His triumph we may be sustained to that day when He comes to finish His new creation and bring to completion all things. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## **LSB 161 Sanctus**

- C** **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:  
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.  
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

## **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 ✠ 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** 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.

## 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 believe 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

## Agnus Dei

Verse

Alleluia alleluia

For the Lord God Almighty reigns

Alleluia alleluia

For the Lord God Almighty reigns

Alleluia

Chorus

(You are) Holy holy Are You Lord God Almighty

Worthy is the Lamb Worthy is the Lamb

You are holy holy Are You Lord God Almighty

Worthy is the Lamb Worthy is the Lamb

Amen **(repeat)**

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## 826 Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying

1 Hark, the voice of Jesus crying,  
"Who will go and work today?  
Fields are white and harvests waiting—  
Who will bear the sheaves away?"  
Loud and long the Master calleth;  
Rich reward He offers thee.  
Who will answer, gladly saying,  
"Here am I, send me, send me"?

2 If you cannot speak like angels,  
If you cannot preach like Paul,  
You can tell the love of Jesus,  
You can say He died for all.  
If you cannot rouse the wicked  
With the judgment's dread alarms,  
You can lead the little children  
To the Savior's waiting arms.

3 If you cannot be a watchman,  
Standing high on Zion's wall,  
Pointing out the path to heaven,  
Off'ring life and peace to all,  
With your prayers and with your bounties  
You can do what God commands;  
You can be like faithful Aaron,  
Holding up the prophet's hands.

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## **"How Great Is Our God"**

### **Verse 1**

The splendor of the King  
Clothed in majesty  
Let all the earth rejoice  
All the earth rejoice  
He wraps Himself in light  
And darkness tries to hide  
And trembles at His voice  
And trembles at His voice

### **Verse 2**

And age to age He stands And time is in His  
hands Beginning and the End  
Beginning and the End  
The Godhead three in one  
Father Spirit Son  
The Lion and the Lamb  
The Lion and the Lamb **Chorus**

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## **480 He's Risen, He's Risen**

1 He's risen, He's risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord;  
He opened death's prison, the incarnate, true  
Word.  
Break forth, hosts of heaven, in jubilant song  
And earth, sea, and mountain their praises  
prolong.

4 Let none hear you idly saying,  
"There is nothing I can do,"  
While the multitudes are dying  
And the Master calls for you.  
Take the task He gives you gladly,  
Let His work your pleasure be;  
Answer quickly when He calleth,  
"Here am I, send me, send me!"

### **Chorus**

**How great is our God  
Sing with me  
How great is our God  
And all will see how great  
How great is our God**

### **(BRIDGE)**

*Name above all names Worthy of all praise  
My heart will sing How great is our God*

*Name above all names Worthy of all praise  
My heart will sing How great is our God*

### **Chorus 3X**

2 The foe was triumphant when on Calvary  
The Lord of creation was nailed to the tree.  
In Satan's domain did the hosts shout and jeer,  
For Jesus was slain, whom the evil ones fear.

3 But short was their triumph; the Savior arose,  
And death, hell, and Satan He vanquished, His  
foes.

The conquering Lord lifts His banner on high;  
He lives, yes, He lives, and will nevermore die.

4 O, where is your sting, death? We fear you no  
more;

Christ rose, and now open is fair Eden's door.  
For all our transgressions His blood does atone;  
Redeemed and forgiven, we now are His own.

△ 5 Then sing your hosannas and raise your glad voice; Proclaim the blest tidings that all may  
rejoice. Laud, honor, and praise to the Lamb that was slain: With Father and Spirit He ever shall  
reign.

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### **"Glory to the Lamb"** (Larry Dempsey)

Glory, glory, glory to the Lamb.

Glory, glory, glory to the Lamb.

**Chorus:** For He is glorious and worthy to be  
praised, The Lamb upon the throne;  
And unto Him we lift our voice in praise,  
The Lamb upon the throne.

Worthy, worthy, worthy is the Lamb.

Worthy, worthy, worthy is the Lamb.

#### **Chorus**

Holy, holy, holy is the Lamb.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lamb.

#### **Chorus 2X**

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### **Thank the Lord**

**☞ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.**

**Let all who seek 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 Collect**

Let us pray.

Eternal God, gracious Father, we give You thanks that You have remembered Your covenant,  
bringing life and salvation to us through the body and blood of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Open our  
minds and hearts that we might remember our Lord's resurrection, rejoice in His victory over sin,  
death, and the power of the devil, and live as members of His kingdom in hope for the Kingdom  
that is yet to come; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and  
the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**☞ Amen**

## Benediction

**P** Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in you that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

**C Amen**

**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** Christ is risen!

**C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## Closing Song – “Christ Messiah”

Verse 1

You're the Holy God who made Himself a man  
The mighty lion became humble as a lamb  
He gave it all to save His own  
The word of God in skin and bones

Verse 2

You're the Holy One who made our hearts a home  
You came and died but didn't leave us on our own  
Holy Spirit here within  
Gave us power to live the way You did

Chorus

**You are Christ Messiah  
Son of the Living God  
Our Hope our Savior  
We worship You**

Verse 3

When the questions come and I begin to stray  
I'll remember who I was is in the grave  
I'm not captive to the lies  
In this Gospel I am made alive  
(REPEAT)

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