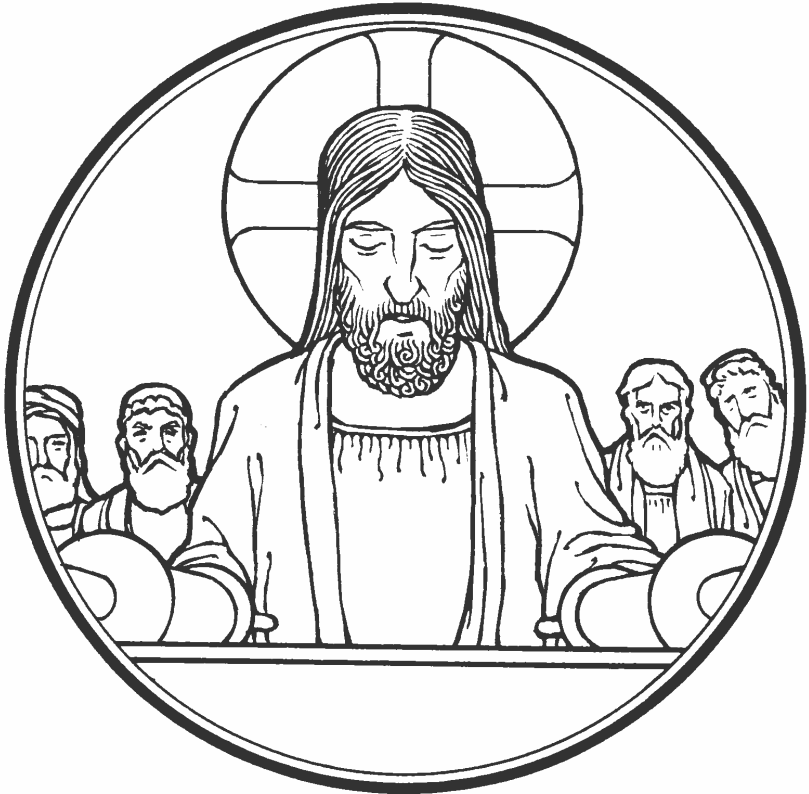


Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 23, 2022



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Welcome to St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church

Only Jesus sufficiently comprehends and delivers the counsels of God in the purity of the Law and the grace of the Gospel. As sinners, postured to heed God's Word, we are crushed, tear-filled, perceiving mammoth guilt. And yet this is the holy intent of God—confession of sin and repentance unleash the Gospel's joy! Sinners receive undeserved forgiveness; the poor, good news; the captive and oppressed, liberty; and the blind, sight. Jesus offers these things to believing and hardened hearts alike.

Contact Information – To request prayer or to set up an appointment, contact the church office at 853-3217 or stpeterhilbert@gmail.com. In case of emergency, please contact one of the elders or Pastor Peterson.

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Liturgy: Divine Service Setting One p. 151

Hymns: 873, 912, 801

Serving in our worship...

Preacher: Pastor Mark Peterson

Audio/Visual: Dan Bergelin

Altar Guild: Dan & Cindy Koffarnus

This Week at St. Peter January 23-30, 2022

Sunday 1/23 Voters Meeting/Sunday School

Tuesday 1/25 7:00 p.m. Hebrews Bible Study

Saturday 1/29 9:00 a.m. Cleaning Day

Sunday, 1/30 **Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany**

(Jeremiah 1:4-10; 1 Cor. 12:31b—13:13; Luke 4:31-44)

8:30 a.m. Divine Service

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

Introit

Ps. 102:18–22; antiphon: Ps. 102:13

P You will arise and have pity on | Zion;*

it is the time to favor her; the appointed | time has come.

C Let this be recorded for a genera- | tion to come,*

so that a people yet to be created may | praise the
LORD:

P that he looked down from his | holy height;*

from heaven the LORD looked | at the earth,

C to hear the groans of the | prisoners,*

to set free those who were | doomed to die,

P that they may declare in Zion the name | of the LORD,*

and in Jerusa- | lem his praise,

C when peoples gather to- | gether,*

and kingdoms, to wor- | ship the LORD.

All: Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

P You will arise and have pity on | Zion;*

it is the time to favor her; the appointed | time has come.

Gradual

Ps. 117:1–2a; 96:8

P Praise the LORD, all | nations!*

Extol him, all | peoples!

C For great is his steadfast | love toward us,*

and the faithfulness of the LORD endures for- |
ever.

P Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;*

bring an offering, and come in- | to his courts!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Voters Meeting today after the service.

CLEANING DAY – We will be having a cleaning day on Sat., Jan. 29th beginning at 9:00. We plan to clean in several areas including some of the kitchen cabinets and the pew cushions. We hope you will take this opportunity to serve and lend a helping hand at church!! If you have questions, please contact Judy Paulson or Bonnie Teinert.

Gifts From the Heart – During the month of January we are collecting nonperishable food items that will be donated to The Bread of Life in Chilton. We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to help our neighbors in Calumet County. Items will be collected until Super Bowl Sunday. Please check out the display in the hallway for more information.

BibleStick Challenge returns for Lent 2022. This year, the challenge extends to include St. Martin, St. Luke, and Trinity. The winner gets... bragging rights! Those rights are currently held by St. Peter. The real winners of the competition – those who receive the BibleSticks and hear the Gospel message. The competition runs from Ash Wednesday (March 2) through Easter (April 17).

1 Corinthians 12:16 – “**And if the ear should say, ‘Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,’ that would not make it any less a part of the body.**” The Lord has called each of us individually and given each of us unique gifts. He has made our whole lives holy in our Baptism and has called us to a life together in the Church, His body. You are a part of that body, and that body needs you and the gifts the Lord has given you. This is your holy calling from the Lord.

Did Nehemiah’s people weep for gladness or grief at the Word of the Lord (8:9)? Were they ashamed or excited to hear how He values even the seemingly weakest among us (1 Corinthians 12:22)? Did they resist or insist on acclaiming and proclaiming His favor unto people of whatever abilities or impairments (Luke 4:18-19)? Will we let these gracious words of good news fall silent before the altars of abortion and assisted suicide? – *Life Thoughts in the Church Year*
• *lutheransforlife.org*

Old Testament *Neh. 8:1–3, 5–6, 8–10*

¹All the people gathered as one man into the square before the Water Gate. And they told Ezra the scribe to bring the Book of the Law of Moses that the LORD had commanded Israel.

²So Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could understand what they heard, on the first day of the seventh month. ³And he read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand. And the ears of all the people were attentive to the Book of the Law.

⁴And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was above all the people, and as he opened it all the people stood. ⁵And Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, “Amen, Amen,” lifting up their hands. And they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground.

⁸They read from the book, from the Law of God, clearly, and they gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

⁹And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, “This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep.” For all the people wept as they heard the words of the Law. ¹⁰Then he said to them, “Go your way. Eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready, for this day is holy to our Lord. And do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength.”

Epistle

1 Corinthians 12:12–31a

¹²For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit.

¹⁴For the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵If the foot should say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶And if the ear should say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷If the whole body were an eye, where would be the sense of hearing? If the whole body were an ear, where would be the sense of smell? ¹⁸But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰As it is, there are many parts, yet one body.

²¹The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” ²²On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³and on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our

unpresentable parts are treated with greater modesty, ²⁴which our more presentable parts do not require. But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, ²⁵that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together.

²⁷Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. ²⁸And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, administrating, and various kinds of tongues. ²⁹Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? ³⁰Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? ³¹But earnestly desire the higher gifts.

Holy Gospel

Luke 4:16–30

¹⁶And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. ¹⁷And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written,

¹⁸“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, ¹⁹to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

²⁰And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹And he began to say to them, “Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” ²²And all spoke well of him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth. And they said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?” ²³And he said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ‘Physician, heal yourself.’ What we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown as well.” ²⁴And he said, “Truly, I say to you, no prophet is acceptable in his hometown.” ²⁵But in truth, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heavens were shut up three years and six months, and a great famine came over all the land, ²⁶and Elijah was sent to none of them but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. ²⁷And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian.” ²⁸When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath. ²⁹And they rose up and drove him out of the town and brought him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw him down the cliff. ³⁰But passing through their midst, he went away.