

*St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church*  
*Founded 1856*  
*1343 Penniman Avenue*  
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*Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod*



*Sunday, February 5, 2023*  
*The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany*

**Service Notes:**

- The following psalms in the front of the hymnal (page 64f) will aid you in your meditation before receiving the Lord's Supper: Psalms 34, 42-43, 51, 84, 116, 150. Prayers for preparation for worship are on pages 10 and 11 in the hymnal. A form for preparation for Communion is on page 156.

- Guests, please sign the guest registry in the narthex.

- If you have a prayer request or would like Pastor Schaefer to visit or call you, please talk to him (734-658-5735).

**Holy Communion** will be celebrated today. Our guests are kindly asked to note that it is our practice to first become a member of our communion fellowship before communing with us. Please speak to our pastor about becoming a member of our communion fellowship.

## **THE COMMON SERVICE (page 15)**

***OPENING HYMN: #586*** "O Splendor of God's Glory  
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## 586

## O Splendor of God's Glory Bright



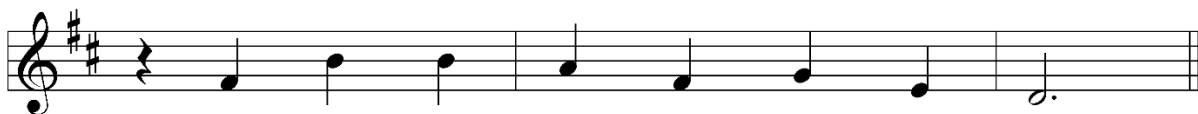
1 O Splen - dor of God's glo - ry bright,  
 2 Come, ver - y Sun of truth and love,  
 3 Teach us to work with all our pow'r  
 4 Oh, joy - ful be the live - long day,  
 5 All praise to God the Fa - ther be,



You dai - ly bring forth light from light.  
 Come in your ra - diance from a - bove,  
 To con - quer in temp - ta - tion's hour.  
 Our thoughts as pure as morn - ing ray,  
 All praise to Christ e - ter - nal - ly,



O Light from Light, light's foun - tain - spring,  
 And shed the Ho - ly Spir - it's ray  
 Let faith her ea - ger fires re - new  
 Our faith like noon - day's glow - ing height,  
 Whom with the Spir - it we a - dore



O Day, our days en - light - en - ing:  
 On all we think or do to - day.  
 And hate the false and love the true.  
 Our souls un - dimmed by shades of night.  
 For - ev - er and for - ev - er - more.

Text: St. Ambrose, 340–97, abr., adapt.; tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, Rev. ed., London, 1904, alt.  
 Tune: O HEILIGE DREIFALTIGKEIT (LM) Nikolaus Herman, c. 1480–1561, alt.

**STAND**

**M:** In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.



## CONFESSION OF SINS

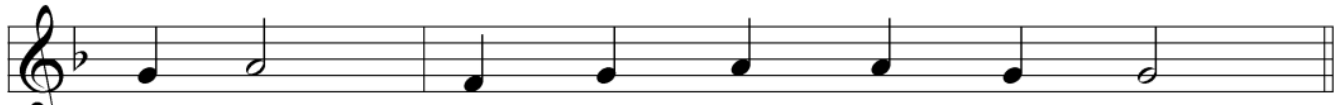
**M:** Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**C:** Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

**LORD, HAVE MERCY (*Kyrie*)**



C: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy



on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

**M:** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.



C: A - men.

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

**M:** In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

**C: Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.**

**We praise you, we bless you, we wor-ship you, we glorify you,**

**we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,**

**God the Fa-ther al - mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;**

**O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the**

**sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the**

**sin of the world; re - ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of**

**God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on-ly are holy;**

**you on - ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,**

**are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** The Lord be with you.



**C:** And al - so with you.

**M:** Let us pray.

Almighty God, you sent your one and only Son as the Word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear. Help us believe what the Scriptures proclaim about him and do the things that are pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C:** A - men.

**BE SEATED**



**THE WORD**

**FIRST LESSON:** Isaiah 58:5-9a

<sup>5</sup> Is such the fast that I choose,  
a day for a person to humble himself?

Is it to bow down his head like a reed,  
and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him?

Will you call this a fast,  
and a day acceptable to the LORD?

<sup>6</sup> “Is not this the fast that I choose:  
to loose the bonds of wickedness,  
to undo the straps of the yoke,  
to let the oppressed go free,  
and to break every yoke?

<sup>7</sup> Is it not to share your bread with the hungry  
and bring the homeless poor into your house;  
when you see the naked, to cover him,  
and not to hide yourself from your own flesh?

<sup>8</sup> Then shall your light break forth like the dawn,  
and your healing shall spring up speedily;  
your righteousness shall go before you;  
the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.

<sup>9</sup> Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;  
you shall cry, and he will say, ‘Here I am.’

## **PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 111**

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*Refrain*



Sing to the Lord a new song, for



he has done mar - vel - ous things.

*Psalm tone*



Great are the works of the LORD;\*  
they are pondered by all who delight in them.

Glorious and majestic are his deeds,\*  
and his righteousness endures forever.

He has caused his wonders to be remembered;\*  
the LORD is gracious and compassionate. ***Refrain***

The works of his hands are faithful and just;\*  
all his precepts are trustworthy.

He provided redemption for his people;\*  
he ordained his covenant forever.

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;\*  
all who follow his precepts have good understanding.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son\*  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

***Refrain:*** Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things.

**SECOND LESSON:** 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

**2** And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. **2** For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. **3** And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, **4** and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, **5** so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

**VERSE OF THE DAY** (sung by the choir)

Alleluia! Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." Alleluia! (John 8:12)

**STAND**

*After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:*



C: Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 5:13-20

<sup>13</sup> “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet.

<sup>14</sup> “You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden.<sup>15</sup> Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

<sup>17</sup> “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. <sup>18</sup> For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup> Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup> For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

## **NICENE CREED**

**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,**

**was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the  
virgin Mary,  
and became fully human.**

**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 the 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, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who in unity with the Father and the Son is  
worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic  
Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the  
forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the (+) life of the world to come. Amen.**

***BE SEATED***

**GOSPEL RESPONSE: – “Not to be Hidden”**

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You are the salt of the earth; you are the light of the world, not to be hidden but to be seen by all the world.

You are a lamp in the night, shining your light for all to see, not to be hidden but to be seen by all the world.

**HYMN OF THE DAY: #280 “Thy Strong Word”** Text: Martin H.

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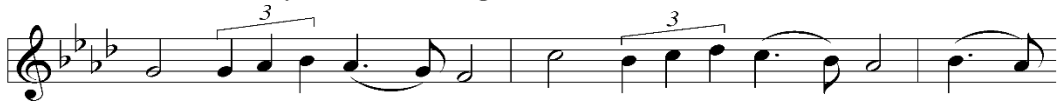
## Thy Strong Word



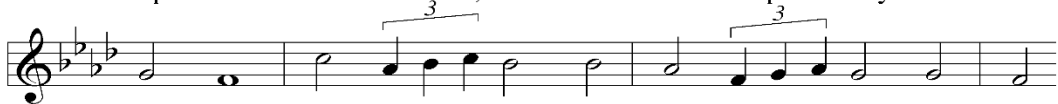
1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; At thy  
 2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, Dark as  
 3 Thy strong Word be - speaks us right - eous; Bright with  
 4 From the cross thy wis - dom shin - ing Break - eth  
 5 Give us lips to sing thy glo - ry, Tongues thy



speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed  
 night and deep as death, Broke the light of  
 thine own ho - li - ness, Glo - rious now, we  
 forth in con - qu'ring might; From the cross for -  
 mer - cy to pro - claim, Throats to shout the



light we thank thee While thine or - dered sea -  
 thy sal - va - tion, Breathed thine own life - giv -  
 press toward glo - ry, And our lives our hopes  
 ev - er beam - eth All thy bright re - deem -  
 hope that fills us, Mouths to speak thy ho -



sons run. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise  
 ing breath. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise  
 con - fess. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise  
 ing light. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise  
 ly name. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! May



to thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 to thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 to thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 to thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 the light which thou dost send Fill our songs with



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!  
 al - le - lu - ias, Al - le - lu - ias with - out end!

6 God the Father, light-creator,  
 To thee laud and honor be.  
 To thee, Light from Light begotten,  
 Praise be sung eternally.  
 Holy Spirit, light-revealer,  
 Glory, glory be to thee.  
 Mortals, angels, now and ever  
 Praise the holy Trinity!

# SERMON

STAND

## PSALM 51 RESPONSE (page 20)



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from your pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re-store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -  
tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it. A - men.

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR THE EPIPHANY SEASON

**M:** Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God and Mary's son, in the fullness of time you came into our world to save us from sin and death.

**C:** You ushered in the day of grace so long foretold.

**M:** Beloved Son of the Father, revered by the Magi, baptized by John, you came preaching and teaching, healing and comforting, forgiving and encouraging:

**C: You brought the light of life to those walking in darkness, and the joy of salvation to those doomed to death.**

**M:** Prince of peace, shine like a beacon for us and the people of our world. Let the good news of salvation be heard in the remotest corners of the earth. Open our own lips to speak your name to those around us who still live without faith or hope:

**C: Arouse us and our missionaries to flood the world with the light of your gospel.**

**M:** Lord of the Church, let your peace rule our hearts that we may use our gifts to serve you and each other in willing gratitude and joy. Watch over our loved ones near and far, that they may remember your love and rejoice in your salvation. Strengthen the faith of the sick and the disheartened. Give hope to those in despair and comfort those who mourn:

**C: Be gracious to all and lead us to reflect your love in everything we say and do.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

**M:** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

*Silent prayer.*

**M:** Finally, bring us and all your believers to the heavenly home where we will stand in the full light of your glory



and with all your saints and angels sing the everlasting song of triumph.

**C: Amen.**

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## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

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### ***BE SEATED***

*Please use this time for personal preparation or meditation before the Lord's Supper. A form to assist you is on page 156 in the front part of the hymnal.*

***NOTE:*** *Please be prepared to receive the host in your outstretched hand, rather than in your mouth.*

### ***STAND***



## THE SACRAMENT

### PREFACE

**M:** The Lord be with you.



**C:** And al - so with you.

**M:** Lift up your hearts.



**C:** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

**M:** Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



**C:** It is good and right so to do.

**M:** It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lived among us as a human being and revealed his glory as your only Son, full of grace and truth. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (*Sanctus*)



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -



na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -



na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**M:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is the new testament in my (+) blood, which is poured out for you for the

forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

**M:** The peace (+) of the Lord be with you always.



C: A - men.

## O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (*Agnus Dei*)



C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;



have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us your peace. A - men.

**BE SEATED**

## DISTRIBUTION AND DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

**#394** “Blessed Are the Saints of God” Text: Joseph Humphries (b. 1720)

**#471** “Renew Me, O Eternal Light” Text: Johann F. Ruopp (1672-1708)

## THANKSGIVING (page 24)

**STAND**

JUSTIFICATION

394

Blessed Are the Saints of God



1 Bless - ed are the saints of God; They are bought with  
 2 They are jus - ti - fied by grace; They en - joy the  
 3 They are lights up - on the earth, Chil - dren of a



Christ's own blood. They are ran - somed from the grave;  
 Sav - ior's peace. All their sins are washed a - way;  
 heav'n - ly birth. One with God, with Je - sus one,



Life e - ter - nal they shall have. With them num - bered  
 They shall stand in God's great day. With them num - bered  
 Glo - ry is in them be - gun. With them num - bered



may we be Here and in e - ter - ni - ty.  
 may we be Here and in e - ter - ni - ty.  
 may we be Here and in e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: Joseph Humphreys, b. 1720, alt.  
 Tune: VOLLER WUNDER (77 77 77) Johann G. Ebeling, 1637-76.

COMMITMENT

471

Renew Me, O Eternal Light



1 Re - new me, O e - ter - nal Light, And let my  
 2 De - stroy in me the lust of sin; From all im -  
 3 Cre - ate in me a new heart, Lord, That glad - ly  
 4 Grant that I on - ly you may love And seek those



heart and soul be bright, Il - lu - mined with the  
 pure - ness make me clean. Oh, grant me pow'r and  
 I o - bey your Word. Oh, let your will be  
 things which are a - bove Till I be - hold you



light of grace That is - sues from your ho - ly face.  
 strength, my God, To strive a - gainst my flesh and blood.  
 my de - sire And with new life my soul in - spire.  
 face to face, O Light e - ter - nal, through your grace.

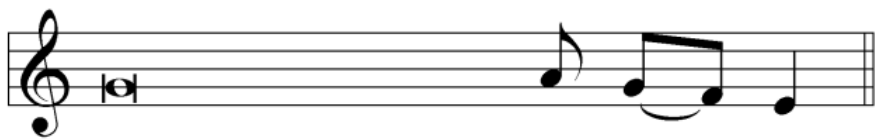
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 Tune: HERR JESU CHRIST, MEINS (LM) As *hymnodus sacer*, Leipzig, 1625, alt.

## SONG OF SIMEON (*Nunc Dimittis*)



C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing  
to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre-  
pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the  
Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

**M:** O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

**M:** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



**C:** A - men. A - men. A - men.

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### **OFFICIANTS:**

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Communion Assistant: Ron Bude

Organist: Mrs. Jan Jacobi; Choir: Senior Choir

### **THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S**

Today	- 9:30 AM Divine Service -10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class
Tuesday	- 7:00 PM Board Meetings - 8:00 PM Church Council Meeting
Wednesday	- 9:30 AM Online Bible Class
Thursday	-7:00 PM Senior Choir rehearsal
Sunday	- 9:30 AM Divine Service -10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

Serving next week: Altar Guild – Gretchen Castellese; Ushering – Team 2

**Altar Flowers** were donated to the glory of God

**Pastor Schaefer will be on vacation** from February 11 to 18. If you have a pastoral emergency, please call Rev. Tom Schroeder (Good Shepherd, Novi, 248-719-5218). Pastor Emeritus Michael Bater will be preaching and teaching for us next Sunday.

**PASTORAL CARE & MERCY** – Please remember with prayers, cards and visits those whose needs have been reported.

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