

# PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT MARCH 16, 2025

## THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

<u>WELCOME TO PEACE!</u> If you are a guest, please fill out the Visitor side of one of the attendance cards found in the pew rack. Let us know if you would like us to contact you. We are happy to have you worshipping with us today!

<u>NEWS AND NOTES</u> for this week can be found on the Commons Counter. Please take one home to stay informed about upcoming events at Peace Lutheran Church.

<u>CHRIST'S BODY AND BLOOD</u>, for the forgiveness of sins, are truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine in the Sacrament of the Altar. Due to theological differences among Christians regarding beliefs about this Supper, only confirmed members of an LCMS church are invited to the Lord's table. Ask a pastor if you have questions or concerns. Please register your taking of communion on your attendance card.

 $|\mathbf{P}|$  = Pastor

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**C** = Congregation

Opening Voluntary (8:00 and 10:30)

Lament

Karen Thompson



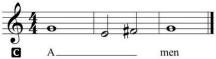


#### \*Invocation

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism

**P** In the name of the Father and of the 

→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.



#### \*Opening Sentences

Psalm 4:1, 3

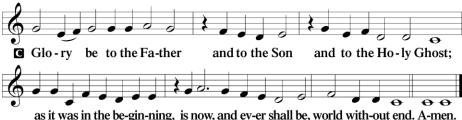
- P Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness!
- **C** Be gracious to me and hear my prayer!
- **P** Know that the LORD has set apart the godly for Himself;
- **C** The LORD hears when I call to Him.

#### \*Confession and Absolution

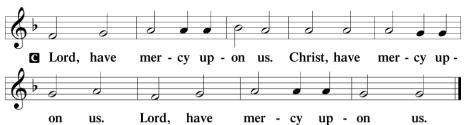
- P As we eagerly await our final transformation on the day of resurrection, let us above all pursue steadfastness of faith, relying on the power and promises of God our heavenly Father.
- O almighty God, our Father in Heaven, we come to You in our weakness seeking and imploring the strength of Your grace and blessing. Our sins wear us down. Help us desire all that You promise and firmly believe in Your forgiveness and help now and always. We ask this solely for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Good Shepherd.
- Even amid the challenges and hardships of life in this world, as citizens of the kingdom of God we have the assurance of grace abounding throughout today and forever. Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Holy Spirit.







#### \*Kyrie



#### \*Salutation and Collect of the Day





## **Old Testament Reading**

*Jeremiah 26:8–15* 

<sup>8</sup>When Jeremiah had finished speaking all that the LORD had commanded him to speak to all the people, then the priests and the prophets and all the people laid hold of him, saying, "You shall die! <sup>9</sup>Why have you prophesied in the name of the LORD, saying, 'This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate, without inhabitant'?" And all the people gathered around Jeremiah in the house of the LORD.

<sup>10</sup>When the officials of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king's house to the house of the LORD and took their seat in the entry of the New Gate of the house of the LORD. <sup>11</sup>Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, "This man deserves the sentence of death, because he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your own ears."

<sup>12</sup>Then Jeremiah spoke to all the officials and all the people, saying, "The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the words you have heard. <sup>13</sup>Now therefore

mend your ways and your deeds, and obey the voice of the LORD your God, and the LORD will relent of the disaster that he has pronounced against you. <sup>14</sup>But as for me, behold, I am in your hands. Do with me as seems good and right to you. <sup>15</sup>Only know for certain that if you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood upon yourselves and upon this city and its inhabitants, for in truth the LORD sent me to you to speak all these words in your ears."

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

**Epistle** 

<sup>17</sup>Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. <sup>18</sup>For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. <sup>19</sup>Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. <sup>20</sup>But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup>who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

\*Verse [The Alleluia is omitted for Lent]

Luke 13:35

Philippians 3:17–4:1

- P Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see Me until you say,
- **©** "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!"

\*Holy Gospel Luke 13:31–35

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.



<sup>31</sup>At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus], "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." <sup>32</sup>And he said to them, "Go and tell that fox, 'Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish my course. <sup>33</sup>Nevertheless, I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.' <sup>34</sup>O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would

not! <sup>35</sup>Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see me until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"



#### \*Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.





**Sermon** "God's Plan" (Luke 13:31-35)

**Sermon Notes:** 

#### **Anthem at the Offertory**

(8:00) Bless The Lord, O My Soul

John A. Behnke

Bless the Lord, O my soul, all that is within me bless His name.

Think of all His gifts that He gives to us: Forgiveness and redemption and new life.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, all that is within me bless His name.

Even though we sin, if we do repent He casts our sins as far as east to west.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, all that is within me bless His name.

God's love remains through every day. It will not change, nor it decay

Bless the Lord, O my soul, all that is within me bless His name.

(10:30) Ah, Holy Jesus

Johann Crüger/John Carter



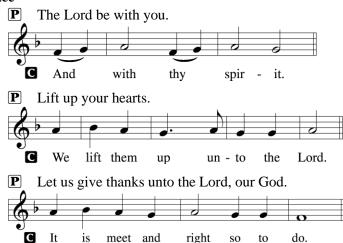
<sup>\*</sup>Prayer of the Church

#### \*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.

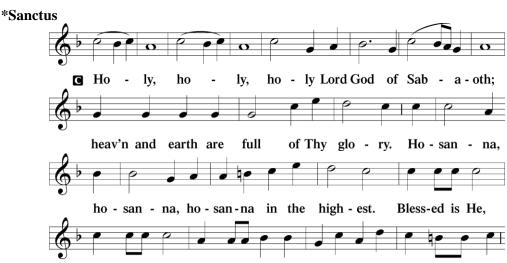
## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

#### \*Preface



#### \*Proper Preface

P We should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, through Jesus Christ, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



bless-ed is He, bless-ed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.



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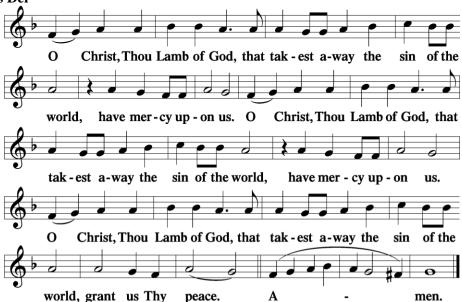
#### \*The Words of Our Lord

#### \*Pax Domini

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



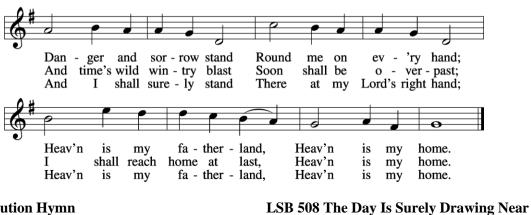




#### **Distribution Hymn**

## LSB 748 I'm But a Stranger Here



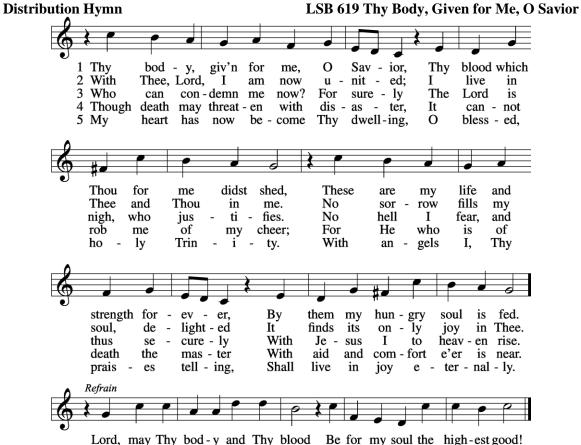


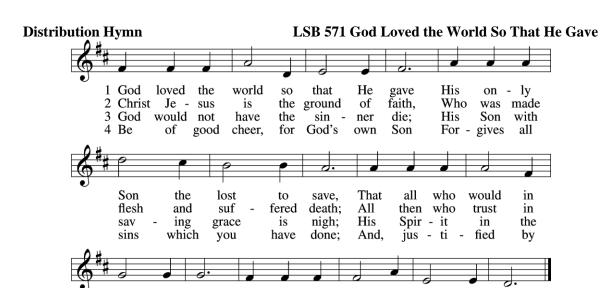


My Savior paid the debt I owe And for my sin was smitten;
Within the Book of Life I know My name has now been written.
I will not doubt, for I am free, And Satan cannot threaten me;
There is no condemnation!

- 6 May Christ our intercessor be And through His blood and merit Read from His book that we are free With all who life inherit.

  Then we shall see Him face to face, With all His saints in that blest place Which He has purchased for us.
- O Jesus Christ, do not delay, But hasten our salvation;
   We often tremble on our way In fear and tribulation.
   O hear and grant our fervent plea: Come, mighty judge, and set us free From death and ev'ry evil.





5 If you are sick, if death is near, This truth your troubled heart can cheer: Christ Jesus saves your soul from death; That is the firmest ground of faith.

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△ 6 Glory to God the Father, Son, And Holy Spirit, Three in One! To You, O blessèd Trinity, Be praise now and eternally!

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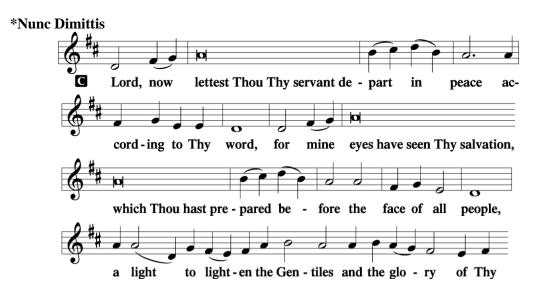
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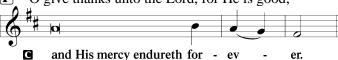
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#### \*Thanksgiving

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,





**P** The Lord be with you.



#### \*Benedicamus

**P** Bless we the Lord.

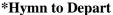


#### \*Benediction

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.





#### LSB 730 What Is the World to Me



#### \*Silent Prayer

#### Closing Voluntary (8:00 and 10:30)

He Never Said a Mumbalin' Word

Spiritual/Linda Lamb and Bill Ingram

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Choir: Bells of Peace & Chancel Choir; Choir Director: Burnell Hackman, DMM

KFUO AM 850 Announcer/Audio Engineer/Video Engineer: B. Mullen/B. Dressel/B. Uthoff

Elders: <u>5:00</u>: Greg Wirtel, Bob Wolff; <u>8:00</u>: Alan Hopfer, Greg Wirtel;

9:20: Kyle Hopfer, Mark Maloy; 10:30: Erik Lunsford, Rob Uthoff

Ushers: 5:00: Team #13 – Dean Seyfert, Captain; 8:00: Team #2 – Mike Renner, Captain;

9:20: Team #12 – Chris Hosty, Captain; 10:30: Team #5 – Kyle Sandersfeld, Captain

Acolytes: 8:00: Corbin Kurtz, Addi Noser; 10:30: Gabriella DiFulvio, Joel Uthoff

Greeters: 8:00: Joe & Diana Doskal; 9:20 & 10:30: Jerry & Pam Schulze

Altar Committee: Don Hopkins & Janice Schweiss

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**







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