January 29, 2023

**ORDER OF WORSHIP** 

**OPENING HYMN** 

Service of Word and Prayer | 266-269

How Lovely Shines the Morning Star | 370

## St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Congregation

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WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE May the Light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ burn ever more brightly in your heart through the Father's Holy Spirit.

Thank you for joining us for worship. If you have any questions about our service or practice, please feel free to ask one of the ushers or a pastor.

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- Visitors, we are pleased that you have joined us this morning. Please fill out a Visitor Card and hand it to an usher. Feel free to inquire about our congregation through the pastors, one of the ushers, or one of the members. If you are a visitor from out of town, please be sure to introduce yourself to one of the pastors after the service. We welcome all of you to come and worship with us again.

A PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP Renew me, O eternal Light, and let my heart and soul be bright, illumined with the light of grace that issues from your holy face. Destroy in me the lust of sin; from all impureness make me clean. Oh, grant me power and strength, my God, to strive against my flesh and blood. Create in me a new heart, Lord, that gladly I obey your Word. Oh, let your will be my desire and with new life my soul inspire. Amen.

**SERVICE THEME** 

A Savior's Sermon: Trust in God's Strength

FIRST LESSON

Zephaniah 2:3, 3:11-13

The Lord promises that those who are humble, who trust in his strength rather than their own, will not be put to shame.

Seek the LORD, all you humble people of the earth who have carried out his commands. Seek righteousness. Seek humility. Maybe then you will be sheltered in the day of the LORD's anger. 3:11In that day you will no longer bear the shame of your rebellions against me. Then I will remove the proud boasters from among you, and you will never again be arrogant on my holy hill. 12But I will leave among you the people who are humble and weak. They will seek refuge in the name of the LORD. <sup>13</sup>The Israelites who remain will no longer act unjustly. They will not lie, and a deceitful tongue will not be found in their mouth. Instead, they will graze peacefully like sheep and lie down. No one will terrify them.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**PSALM OF THE DAY IN THURSDAY & 8:00** 

Blessed Are They | 1

**INSPIRATION** IN 10:30 SERVICE

Age to Age by Sarah Siegler

Refrain: Come, let us sing to the Lord! Sing a new song of praise. Lord, you have been our dwelling place. Oh, Come, let us sing to the Lord! From age to age, Lord, you have been our dwelling place. Our dwelling place.

God's Word is our great heritage and shall be ours forever; To spread its light from age to age, shall be our chief endeavor. Throughout all generations. Refrain:

Through life God's Word guides our way; in death it is our stay, Oh, Lord, grant while worlds endure, we keep its teachings pure Throughout all generations. Refrain

#### SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 1:26-31

Paul points the Corinthians to themselves as an example of how God's strength is made perfect in weakness.

For example, consider your call, brothers. Not many of you were wise from a human point of view, not many were powerful, and not many were born with high status. <sup>27</sup>But God chose the foolish things of the world to put to shame those who are wise. God chose the weak things of the world to put to shame the things that are strong, <sup>28</sup>and God chose the lowly things of the world and the despised things, and the things that are not, to do away with the things that are, <sup>29</sup>so that no one may boast before God. <sup>30</sup>But because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us the wisdom from God, namely, our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. <sup>31</sup>God did this so that, just as it is written, "Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL Matthew 5:1-12

In the Beatitudes Jesus shows us the outcome of a life that is lived trusting in God's strength.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up onto a mountain. When he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup>He opened his mouth and began to teach them. He said these things:

<sup>3</sup>"Blessed are the poor in spirit,

All: because theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup>Blessed are those who mourn,

because they will be comforted.

<sup>5</sup>Blessed are the gentle,

because they will inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup>Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,

because they will be filled.

<sup>7</sup>Blessed are the merciful,

because they will receive mercy.

<sup>8</sup>Blessed are the pure in heart,

because they will see God.

<sup>9</sup>Blessed are the peacemakers,

because they will be called sons of God.

<sup>10</sup>Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,

because theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup>"Blessed are you when people insult you and persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you

because of me.

<sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven. In fact, that is how they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

HYMN Blest Are They | 690

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Pastor Boehringer

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**CLOSING HYMN** 

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah | 923

### **ORGANIST**

Erin Achey

#### GREETERS

 $8:00 \sim \text{Travis \& Brindah Birkholz}$ , Carley Lange  $10:30 \sim \text{Sue Repp}$