



St. Peter Lutheran Church

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Midweek Lenten Worship 5

April 9, 2025

Service of Prayer and Preaching

The order of service can be found starting on p. 260 of the hymnal.

Opening Hymn 347 Comfort, Comfort Ye My People (st. 1-2)

Opening Versicles *(use responses for Lent)*

Old Testament Canticle (p. 261- congregation sings refrain only)

Readings from Holy Scripture

Psalm 51:1-6

“Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness, you who seek the LORD:

look to the rock from which you were hewn,
and to the quarry from which you were dug.

²Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you;
for he was but one when I called him, that I might bless him
and multiply him.

³For the LORD comforts Zion; he comforts all her waste places and makes her
wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the LORD;
joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.

⁴“Give attention to me, my people, and give ear to me, my nation;
for a law will go out from me,
and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples.

⁵My righteousness draws near, my salvation has gone out,
and my arms will judge the peoples;
the coastlands hope for me, and for my arm they wait.

⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath;
for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment,
and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but my salvation
will be forever, and my righteousness will never be dismayed.

L: This is the Word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God**

2 Corinthians 1:3-7

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, ⁴who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God. ⁵For as we share

abundantly in Christ's sufferings, so through Christ we share abundantly in comfort too. ⁶If we are afflicted, it is for your comfort and salvation; and if we are comforted, it is for your comfort, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we suffer. ⁷Our hope for you is unshaken, for we know that as you share in our sufferings, you will also share in our comfort.

L: This is the Word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God**

John 11:17-27

¹⁷Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. ¹⁸Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, ¹⁹and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. ²⁰So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. ²¹Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²²But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you.” ²³Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” ²⁴Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” ²⁵Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, ²⁶and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?” ²⁷She said to him, “Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world.”

L: This is the Word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God**

Responsory (p. 263- *use responses for Lent*)

Catechism: Apostles' Creed

Sermon

Sermon Hymn 428 Cross of Jesus, Cross of Sorrow

Prayer

Collect of the Day

Collect for the Word

Evening Prayer

Blessing

Closing Hymn 878 Abide with Me

