

St. Peter's Anglican Church  
Loveland, CO

HOLY EUCHARIST  
*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Epiphany*

WELCOME IN THE NAME OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST



January 25, 2026



## Prelude

### Processional: The Church's One Foundation H #491

The church's one foundation  
Is Jesus Christ, her Lord;  
She is his new creation  
By water and the word;  
From heav'n he came and sought her  
To be his holy bride;  
With his own blood he bought her,  
And for her life he died.

Elect from ev'ry nation,  
Yet one o'er all the earth,  
Her charter of salvation,  
One Lord, one faith, one birth;  
One holy name she blesses,  
Partakes one holy food,  
And to one hope she presses,  
With ev'ry grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder Men  
See her sore oppressed,  
By schisms rent asunder,  
By heresies distressed,  
Yet saints their watch are keeping;  
Their cry goes up, "How long?"  
And soon the night of weeping  
Shall be the morn of song.

'Mid toil and tribulation,  
And tumult of her war,  
She waits the consummation  
Of peace forevermore,  
Till with the vision glorious  
Her longing eyes are blest,  
And the great Church victorious  
Shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union  
With God, the Three in One,  
And mystic, sweet communion  
With those whose rest is won.  
O happy ones and holy!  
Lord, give us grace that we,  
Like them, the meek and lowly,  
On high may dwell with thee.

*Celebrant:* I will make you as a light for the nations,

**People:** That my salvation may reach to the end  
of the earth.

**All:** Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all  
desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the  
inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may  
perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy  
Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Deacon/Priest:* Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:  
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart  
and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is  
the first and great commandment. And the second is  
like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On  
these two commandments depend all the Law and the  
Prophets.

- Matthew 22:37-40

### The Kyrie

*Celebrant:* Lord, have mercy upon us.

**People:** Christ, have mercy upon us.

*Celebrant:* Lord, have mercy upon us.

### Gloria in Excelsis

Glory to God in the highest,  
And peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
Almighty God and Father,  
We worship you, we give you thanks,  
We praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
You take away the sin of the world:  
Have mercy upon us.  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
Receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
You alone are the Lord.  
You alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
In the glory of God the Father,  
Amen.

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

**People:** And with your spirit.

*Celebrant:* Let us pray:

## Collect for the Day

*Celebrant:* Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

*(The people may sit.)*

## The First Lesson: Amos 3:1-11

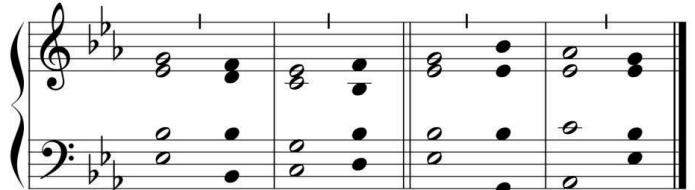
1 Hear this word that the Lord has spoken against you, O people of Israel, against the whole family that I brought up out of the land of Egypt: 2 “You only have I known of all the families of the earth; therefore I will punish you for all your iniquities. 3 “Do two walk together, unless they have agreed to meet? 4 Does a lion roar in the forest, when he has no prey? Does a young lion cry out from his den, if he has taken nothing? 5 Does a bird fall in a snare on the earth, when there is no trap for it? Does a snare spring up from the ground, when it has taken nothing? 6 Is a trumpet blown in a city, and the people are not afraid? Does disaster come to a city, unless the Lord has done it? 7 “For the Lord God does nothing without revealing his secret to his servants the prophets. 8 The lion has roared; who will not fear? The Lord God has spoken; who can but prophesy?” 9 Proclaim to the strongholds in Ashdod and to the strongholds in the land of Egypt, and say, “Assemble yourselves on the mountains of Samaria, and see the great tumults within her, and the oppressed in her midst.” 10 “They do not know how to do right,” declares the Lord, “those who store up violence and robbery in their strongholds.” 11 Therefore thus says the Lord God: “An adversary shall surround the land and bring down your defenses from you, and your strongholds shall be plundered.”

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 139:1-18

Robert Knox Kennedy (b. 1945)



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- 1 O Lord, you have searched me out and ' known me; |  
you know my sitting down and my rising up; ,  
you understand my thoughts from a 'far. ||
- 2 You examine my path and my places of ' rest, |  
and are acquainted with all my ' ways. ||
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my ' tongue, |  
but you, O Lord, know it alto' gether. ||
- 4 You have enclosed me behind and be ' fore, |  
and have laid your hand up ' on me. ||
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for ' me, |  
so excellent I cannot at ' tain to it. ||
- 6 Where shall I go then from your ' Spirit, |  
or where shall I flee from your ' presence? ||
- 7 If I climb up to heaven, you are ' there; |  
if I make my bed in the Grave, you are there ' also. ||
- 8 If I take the wings of the ' morning |  
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the ' sea, ||
- 9 Even there shall your hand ' lead me, |  
and your right hand shall ' hold me. ||
- 10 If I say, “Surely the darkness shall ' cover me,” |  
then shall my night be turned to ' day. ||
- 11 Even the darkness is not dark to you; ,  
and the night is as clear as the ' day; |  
the darkness and the light to you are both a ' like. ||
- 12 For you yourself made my inmost ' parts; |  
you knit me together in my mother's womb. ||
- 13 I will give thanks to you, for I am fearfully and  
wonderfully ' made; |  
marvelous are your works, and my soul knows it  
very ' well. ||
- 14 My bones were not hidden from ' you |  
when I was made in secret and fashioned in the  
depths of the ' earth. ||
- 15 Your eyes beheld my substance, while I was yet un'   
formed; |  
and in your book were all my members ' written, ||
- 16 Which day by day were ' fashioned, |  
when as yet there was none of ' them. ||
- 17 How dear to me are your thoughts, O ' God. |  
How great is the sum of ' them! ||
- 18 If I were to count them; ,  
they would be more in number than the ' sand. |  
When I wake up, I am present with ' you. ||

**All:** Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and/ to the **Holy Ghost**  
As it was in the beginning, is **now**,  
and shall be/ever **A-men.**

### The Second Lesson: I Corinthians 1:10-17

10 I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. 11 For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brothers. 12 What I mean is that each one of you says, "I follow Paul," or "I follow Apollos," or "I follow Cephas," or "I follow Christ." 13 Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? 14 I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, 15 so that no one may say that you were baptized in my name. 16 (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) 17 For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

**All:** **Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

### Christ, Whose Glory Fills The Skies – H #92 (V. 1 & 2)

Christ, whose glory fills the skies,  
Christ, the true, the only Light,  
Sun of Righteousness, arise!  
Triumph o'er the shades of night;  
Dayspring from on high, be near;  
Daystar, in my heart appear.

Dark and cheerless is the morn  
Unaccompanied by thee;  
Joyless is the day's return,  
Till thy mercy's beams I see;  
Till they inward light impart,  
Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

*Deacon or Priest:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ according to St. John.

**All:** **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

### The Holy Gospel: Matthew 4:12-22

12 Now when he heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. 13 And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, 14 so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: 15 "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—16 the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned." 17 From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." 18 While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. 19 And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." 20 Immediately they left their nets and followed him. 21 And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. 22 Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

*Deacon or Priest:* The Gospel of the Lord.

**All:** **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

### Christ, Whose Glory Fills The Skies – H #92 (V. 3)

Visit then this soul of mine!  
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!  
Fill me, radiancy divine;  
Scatter all mine unbelief;  
More and more thyself display,  
Shining to the perfect day.

### The Sermon

*Deacon or Priest:* Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

**All:** We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten 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 from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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 with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic 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.**

### **Prayers of the People**

**Deacon or Priest:** Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

**Intercessor:** For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God. O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Savior, the Prince of Peace; Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions. Take away all hatred and prejudice, and whatsoever else may hinder us from godly union and concord: that as there is but one Body and one Spirit, and one hope of our calling, one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of us all, so we may be all of one heart and of one soul, united in one holy bond of truth and peace, of faith and charity, and may with one mind and one mouth glorify you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)*

**Intercessor:** Lord, in your mercy:

**People:** Hear our prayer.

**Intercessor:** For our Archbishop; for our Bishops; for our Rector, Father Matt Rucker, and for our assisting clergy: Father Bill Easterling, and Deacon Larry Doyle.

We pray also for our Seminarian, Joel, and for those in formation and discernment, Seth and Anthony.

*(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)*

**Intercessor:** Lord, in your mercy:

**People:** Hear our prayer.

**Intercessor:** For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

*(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)*

**Intercessor:** Lord, in your mercy:

**People:** Hear our prayer.

**Intercessor:** For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service, especially our President and our Governor. Give them a discerning heart and a wise mind to lead and serve as God desires. We also pray for those serving in the armed forces, and first responders.

*(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)*

**Intercessor:** Lord, in your mercy:

**People:** Hear our prayer.

**Intercessor:** For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

*(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)*

**Intercessor:** Lord, in your mercy:

**People:** Hear our prayer.

**Intercessor:** For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, in thanksgiving let us pray.

*(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)*

**Intercessor:** Lord, in your mercy:

**People:** Hear our prayer.

*(Additional petitions may be made during this moment of silence.)*

**Deacon or Priest:** Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

*Deacon or Priest:* Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

**All:** Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. **Amen.**

*Celebrant:* Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him:

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. *Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. *John 3:16*

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *I Timothy 1:15*

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

*I John 2:1-2*

### **The Peace**

*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**All:** And with your spirit.

### **The Offering**

*“Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God”.*

*Ephesians 5:2*

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

### **Offertory: Jesus Calls us O'er The Tumult – H #169**

Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult  
Of our life's wild, restless sea,  
Day by day his clear voice soundeth,  
Saying, "Christian, follow me,"  
As of old, Saint Andrew heard it  
By the Galilean lake,  
Turned from home and toil and kindred,  
Leaving all for his dear sake.

Jesus calls us from the worship  
Of the vain world's golden store,  
From each idol that would keep us,  
Saying, "Christian, love me more!"  
In our joys and in our sorrows,  
Days of toil and hours of ease,  
Still he calls, in cares and pleasures,  
"Christian, love me more than these."

Jesus calls us; By thy mercies,  
Savior, make us hear thy call,  
Give our hearts to thine obedience,  
Serve and love thee best of all.

Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult  
Of our life's wild, restless sea,  
Day by day his clear voice soundeth,  
Saying, "Christian, follow me."

### **The Doxology**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*Celebrant:* Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

**People:** And of your own have we given you.

*1 Chronicles 29:11, 14*

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

**People:** And with your spirit.

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

**People:** We lift them up to the Lord.

**Celebrant:** Let us give thanks to the Lord Our God.

**People:** **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

**Celebrant:** It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

(*Proper Preface*) Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who took on our mortal flesh to reveal his glory; that he might bring us out of darkness and into his own glorious light.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**The Sanctus: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord - #785**

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna  
in the highest.*

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest*

(*The people may kneel, stand, or sit.*)

**Celebrant:** Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation.

By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

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

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many,

for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All:** **Christ has died.**  
**Christ is risen.**  
**Christ will come again.**

**Celebrant:** We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. ***Amen.***

**Celebrant:** And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

**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.*****

**Celebrant:** Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**People:** **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

(*Please kneel or stand as you are able.*)

**Prayer of Humble Access**

**All:** **We do not presume to come to this your table,  
O merciful Lord, trusting in our own  
righteousness, but in your abundant and great  
mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather  
up the crumbs under your table; but you are the**

same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

#### *Agnus Dei – S # 786*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
Have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
Have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
Grant us peace.*

*Celebrant:* The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*(You may kneel, stand, or sit during Communion.)*

#### *Communion Hymns*

##### *At The Tree of Adam's Sin*

At the tree of Adam's sin,  
We have broken our communion.  
Pain and death have entered in;  
All are born with bodies broken.  
Who could break the pow'r of sin?  
Son of God and Son of Man.

At the tree where Jesus died,  
We have gained from him salvation.  
Adam's debt is satisfied;  
All are healed by Jesus' passion.  
Who could bear all hell's demand?  
Son of God and Son of Man.

At the tree of endless life,  
We will sing in celebration!  
He will end all pain and strife;  
'Round the throne we all will bless Him.  
He who died now lives again!  
Son of God and Son of Man.

##### *Jesus Bruised and Wounded More*

O Jesus, bruised and wounded more  
Than bursted grape, or bread of wheat,  
The Life of life within our souls,  
The Cup of our salvation sweet!

We come to show Thy dying hour,  
Thy streaming vein, Thy broken flesh;  
And still the blood is warm to save.  
And still the fragrant wounds are fresh.

O Heart! that with a double tide  
Of blood and water maketh pure,  
O Flesh! once offered on the cross,  
The gift that makes our pardon sure.

##### *Jesus Thou Joy of Loving Hearts*

Jesus, Thou Joy of loving hearts,  
Thou Fount of life, Thou Light of men,  
From the best bliss that earth imparts,  
We turn unfulled to Thee again.

Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood;  
Thou savest those that on Thee call;  
To them that seek Thee Thou art good,  
To them that find Thee all in all.

##### *Chorus:*

*We taste of Thee, O Thou living Bread,  
And long to feast upon Thee still;  
We drink of Thee, the Fountainhead,  
And thirst our souls from Thee to fill.*

Our restless spirits yearn for Thee,  
Wherever our changeful lot is cast;  
Glad when Thy gracious smile we see,  
Blessed when our faith can hold Thee fast.  
*(Chorus)*

O Jesus, ever with us stay,  
Make all our moments calm and bright;  
Chase the dark night of sin away,  
Shed over the world Thy holy light.  
*(Chorus)*

### ***Post Communion Prayer***

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

**All:** Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. ***Amen.***

### ***The Blessing***

*Celebrant:* The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. ***Amen.***

### ***Recessional: The Lord Will Come – H #388***

The Lord will come and not be slow;  
His footsteps cannot err;  
Before him righteousness shall go,  
His royal harbinger.

Truth from the earth, like to a flow'r,  
Shall bud and blossom then,  
And justice, from her heav'nly bower,  
Look down on mortal men.

Rise, God, judge thou the earth in might;  
This wicked earth redress;  
For thou art he who shalt by right  
The nations all possess.

The nations all whom thou hast made  
Shall come, and all shall frame  
To bow them low before thee, Lord  
And glorify thy name.

For great thou art, and wonders great  
By thy strong hand are done;  
Thou in thine everlasting seat  
Remaining God alone.

### ***The Dismissal***

*Deacon or Priest:* Alleluia, alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## Announcements for the Week – January 25, 2026

### **Adult Formation for Epiphany and Lent: Understanding Sin, Grace, and Forgiveness**

No aspect of Christian faith is more central, difficult to understand, and – at times – controversial than the call to enemy love in the form of forgiveness and repentance. Before and during the season of Lent, Fr. Matt will be leading an adult education series to better understand what forgiveness and reconciliation mean, and crucially, what they do not mean. By looking closely at the biblical and theological principles behind forgiveness and reconciliation, we will explore hard questions about reconciliation like what forgiveness means for victims, whether forgiveness is mandatory, the role of church discipline in forgiveness, and how to put all of it in practice. The series will run from February 1 through March 22 with a week off for the first Sunday in Lent.

### **Children's Ministry**

Children's Ministry will resume on February 1st and we are looking for a few more volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to Thomas and Sophie Maeda at [tsmaeda25@gmail.com](mailto:tsmaeda25@gmail.com).

### **Ash Wednesday Services (February 18)**

St. Peter's will offer two services on Ash Wednesday. The first will be a Spoken Eucharist with the Imposition of Ashes at noon. The second will be a Eucharist with the Imposition of Ashes and music at 7:00 PM.

### **St. Peter's Women's Retreat 2026**

**When:** Friday March 13 - Sunday March 15

**Where:** YMCA Camp of the Rockies, Estes Park

**Cost:** \$175 per person

All meals will be provided. This includes dinner Friday evening (which is a change from last year), three meals on Saturday, and breakfast on Sunday morning. Each room has two queen beds and a private bathroom. Women will be placed two to a room. We will be blessed with excellent teaching, fellowship, beauty and rest.

**If you have questions, please reach out to Leslie Erickson at [lesliederickson@gmail.com](mailto:lesliederickson@gmail.com) or call or text 720-933-2329.**

### **Crew Dinners**

Crew Dinners are going to resume this spring starting in February and lasting through April. There are signup sheets in the Narthex and if anyone has any questions, please contact Doug or Kathleen Edmiston. If you have participated previously, please signup again so we have an accurate number to schedule.

### **Lenten Soup and Poetry Groups**

During the season of Lent, St. Peter's will have small groups meet to read and discuss sacred poetry over soup and bread. If you are interested in leading a small group, or being part of a small group, please sign up on the sign-up sheet in the narthex, contact the office, or Fr. Matt.

### **Slammin' Famine Is Coming Soon! February 14, 2026, from 12 noon - 2 p.m.!**

St. Peter's Anglican is again planning to be "Slammin Famine" at the Ranch Events Center in Loveland in February! We have submitted our application as a sponsor group and have been scheduled for Saturday, February 14! We still have 10+ spaces available for St. Peter's, so let's make sure we have all of the positions filled. The shift includes a brief orientation, packing meal packages with ingredients that have staved off starvation for millions world-wide and a quick clean-up for the next shift after us. Most importantly, each shift can offer prayers for the efforts of this congregation, organization, and all who have a hand making sure the meals reach those in need.

**Kathy Porter will head up taking reservations for volunteers. She can be reached at 970-217-3331 or [leadmaremom@yahoo.com](mailto:leadmaremom@yahoo.com).**