

**Epiphany 5 (February 9th, 2025)
St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church (LCMS)
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Opening Hymn: 507 Holy, Holy, Holy

sts. 1–4

Stand

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.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P 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 ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Introit

O God, be not | far from me;*

O my God, make haste to | help me!

**My mouth will tell of your righteous acts, of your deeds of salvation | all the day,*
for their number is past my | knowledge.**

With the mighty deeds of the Lord GOD | I will come;*

I will remind them of your righteousness, | yours alone.

**O God, from my youth you have | taught me,*
and I still proclaim your | wondrous deeds.**

So even to old age and gray hairs, O God, do not for- | sake me;*

until I proclaim your might to another generation, your power to all | those to come.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
O God, be not | far from me;*
O my God, make haste to | help me!

Kyrie

LSB 186

C Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 187

P Glory be to God on high:
C and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.
O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 6:1–8

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six

wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew.

³And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory!”

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

⁶Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.”

⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” Then I said, “Here am I! Send me.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm

¹I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart;
before the gods I sing your praise;

²**I bow down toward your holy temple
and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness,
for you have exalted above all things
your name and your word.**

³On the day I called, you answered me;
my strength of soul you increased.

⁴**All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O LORD,
for they have heard the words of your mouth,**

⁵and they shall sing of the ways of the LORD,
for great is the glory of the LORD.

⁶**For though the LORD is high, he regards the lowly,
but the haughty he knows from afar.**

⁷Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
you preserve my life;
you stretch out your hand against the wrath of my enemies,
and your right hand delivers me.

⁸**The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me;
your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever.
Do not forsake the work of your hands.**

Epistle

1 Corinthians 14:12b–20

Since you are eager for manifestations of the Spirit, strive to excel in building up the church.

¹³Therefore, one who speaks in a tongue should pray for the power to interpret. ¹⁴For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays but my mind is unfruitful. ¹⁵What am I to do? I will pray with my spirit, but I will pray with my mind also; I will sing praise with my spirit, but I will sing with my mind also. ¹⁶Otherwise, if you give thanks with your spirit, how can anyone in the position of an outsider say “Amen” to your thanksgiving when he does not know what you are saying? ¹⁷For you may be giving thanks well enough, but the other person is not being built up. ¹⁸I thank God that I speak in tongues more than all of you. ¹⁹Nevertheless, in church I would rather speak five words with my mind in order to instruct others, than ten thousand words in a tongue.

²⁰Brothers, do not be children in your thinking. Be infants in evil, but in your thinking be mature.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia

LSB 190

C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 5:1–11

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fifth chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on [Jesus] to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, ²and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon’s, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. ⁴And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.” ⁵And Simon answered, “Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.” ⁶And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. ⁷They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord.” ⁹For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, ¹⁰and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.” ¹¹And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life \dagger everlasting. Amen.

Sit

Hymn of the Day: 398 Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Sermon

Stand

Offertory

LSB 192

C Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.
Amen.

Sit

Offering

Stand

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
Father of all joy, You have taught us to believe in Your righteous acts and deeds of

salvation from our youth. Teach us now to proclaim Your might to the next generation, that they, too, may rejoice in You. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord God of hosts, sustain those called to be fishers of men in Christ's Church. Grant that they would not be discouraged when they toil all night and take nothing, but continue to let down their nets at His Word according to that calling. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P O Lord, give us faith to let down the nets of Your Word in our daily vocations and to trust Your Son to do His gracious work through poor sinners like us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Merciful God, build up Your Church and manifest Your Spirit among us with wisdom and knowledge. Let our words be measured and intelligible to our fellow Christians and to those outside Your Church, that we may utter our "Amens" confidently in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P O God, be not far from us. As You have worked deeds of salvation in Christ Jesus, so make haste to help us now in every trouble. Give healing to the sick, strength to the weak and comfort to the afflicted including:

Kay Brown (Sister of Dave and Lynn Matthews)

Lynn and Lori Matthews

Troy Stults (Son of Andy and Brenda Wolf)

Eldora Fuelling

Cheryl Caffee

Shelly Gerke (Wife of Troy Gerke)

Jim Thieme

Glen Deatrick for healing from a fall

Keith and Suzy Scherer

Susan Gerke (Sister of Steve and Jim Fuelling)

Phil Liechty (Father of Megan Buuck) as he recovers from surgical complications

Janell Harper for strength and healing

Harriet DeLong (Wife of Dan DeLong)

Braden Morris (Future Step-Son of Louie Fuelling)

Do not forsake us nor the generations to come. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P O Lord, never depart from us. Though we are unworthy of You and Your bounty, You are pleased to receive our meager thanks and reluctant obedience for the sake of Christ's perfect obedience. Let Your Word rule us and Your Spirit revive us to leave behind pride

and anxiety alike, that we may follow You in all we do; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the same Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

LSB 162

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **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.**

Collect for the Word

P Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Benediction

LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen, amen, amen.

Hymn to Depart: 906 O Day of Rest and Gladness

In His Service Today:

Preacher and Celebrant: The Rev. Leonard Tanksley

Liturgist: The Sem. Nathan Kieser

Organist: Mrs. Jackie Sanderson

Deacons: Joe Werling (Head), Dan DeLong, Mitch Billington, Nathan Scherer

Elders: Fred D. Fuelling (Head), Steve Fuelling, Matt Braun, Rodney Busick

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Offerings: February 2nd- Home Purpose: \$3,635.00, Missions: \$15.00, Vanco: \$94.29

NOTE: Needed each week to meet the ministry needs of St. Peter: \$5,700.00.



You may also donate your offerings online by scanning the QR code with your phone.

March Newsletter Information: is due Friday February 21st. Thank you!

2024 Annual Reports: are now available in the Narthex.

“Many, many thanks to Pastor Tanksley, St. Peter Congregation & SPI, The ‘Hood’ and SO many friends for wrapping your loving arms around us in our recent time of grief. We can hardly articulate how much your support means to us. How heartening it is for us to realize just how much you all loved Bonnie. We love all of you, too.” ~ Mike, Mike, Shelby & Marjorie Ruth and the whole Crosby Crew

SEMINARY FOOD CO-OP THEME for FEBRUARY & MARCH - “DINNER”: During the months of February & March we will be collecting items for “Dinner” items. Items will be delivered to the Seminary the first of April. Some suggestions are but not limited to: Spaghetti & Alfredo sauce, pasta, noodles, canned meat & fruits, sloppy joe sauce, canned tomatoes, boxed meals, rice, macaroni & cheese, taco meals, chili mixes & beans. Other items that are always in demand are breakfast cereal (excluding Chex) & tomato products. All your donations are greatly appreciated by the Seminary & are a great benefit to the students and their families. Items can be placed in the gray and white bag at Church.

Thank you for all your donations.

Lenten Soup Suppers: Wednesday March 5th (Ash Wednesday) is the beginning of Lent. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex to volunteer to provide supper before one of the evening midweek Lenten services. Volunteers in the past have provided either one or two kinds of soup, crackers and or bread, and a light dessert such as cookies, brownies, etc. Church will provide tableware (bowls, plates, cutlery, napkins) and bottled water.

Dear Saints at St. Peter Lutheran Church,
My family and I would like to thank you for your very generous donation, in order that we could buy a car. Our old car was not reliable and with our new car we no longer need to worry about making it to our destination. We thank God for all of you and how much you have blessed us not only with your donation, but also by allowing me to be a field worker at your church. You have been a huge blessing in our lives.
In Christ,
The Kieser Family

SPIrit Night Auction Committee: they are looking to borrow items from February 27th- March 2nd, to use as props/decorations for this year's upcoming SPIrit Night and are asking this congregation for help. If anyone happens to have saddle shoes, old roller skates, Coca-Cola stuff (boxes/signs), Leather jacket (think from the movie Grease), old diner straw holder/napkin dispenser, 50's car photos, old booth bench, Bistro set (table & chairs), or Elvis stuff and would be willing to allow the committee to utilize the items, please call Kim Fuelling at 260-466-1211. Thank you!

Here is an excerpt from a thank you letter sent from St. John Ev. Lutheran Church (Bingen) one of the mission money recipients: " Thank you for your generous contribution to the Tanzanian Mission fund that supports the Lord's mission and mercy work in Tanzania. We are pleased to announce that three homes for vulnerable children have now been built with such funds, and the children continue to be supported through on-going generosity of the Lord's people. Furthermore, the Indiana District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod has committed \$350,000 to continue this important work of both mercy and mission. We will certainly continue to support the training of Tanzanian pastors and deaconesses so many more can hear the Word of God and be brought to saving faith in our Lord, Jesus Christ. We rejoice in this blessing that God has bestowed on us to use the gifts He has given us to serve others."

GriefShare is a Christian caring group of people that has direction and purpose. You'll get practical teaching and advice on grief-related topics. Emmanuel Soest 9909 Wayne Trace will be starting on Saturday, February 22 at 10:00 am and continue through May 17. Each session lasts about 2 hours. You can register at [Emmanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church \(Soest\) GriefShare - GriefShare](#). You may also register with me at mh9744@gmail.com or call me. -Mary Hines (260)705-0454

All You Can Eat Pancake & Sausage Breakfast: Bethlehem Lutheran PTL invites you to an AYCE Pancake and Sausage Breakfast on Saturday February 22nd, 2025, from 6:00-10:30 am at the Bethlehem Lutheran Gym in Ossian, IN. This event is a free will donation.

Decatur Lutheran Bible Institute: Classes continue February 11th & 18th from 7:00-9:15 pm at Wyneken Memorial Lutheran School US Hwy 27 just north of Decatur.

Protect Young Eyes: FREE Parent and Caregiver Event

Thursday, February 13 from 7:00-8:30 PM at Concordia Lutheran High School

No Filter: Creating a Tech-Ready Home in a Fast-Paced Digital World (Parents and Caring Adults Only)

It's not possible to create a home that removes all risk of digital harm. It is possible to create one that is **internet SAFER**. After well over a thousand presentations to parents, grandparents, and caregivers just like you, and countless conversations, we've observed what it takes to have kids who use technology well. **And we call it the Tech-Ready Home Framework.** This presentation breaks down these 5 foundational ideas. Do you know what's better than any parental control? Do you know why your router is the most important digital device in your home?

Do you understand the toxic trio? Do you know why TikTok is so compelling to young brains? Get ready for a ton of practical tips, solutions, and ideas you can implement this weekend.

Our desired outcomes include:

- A deep understanding of why multiple layers of protection are necessary and how they work together.
- Awareness of the hardware and software tools that support your digital goals.
- How to use practical solutions so that your family is prepared, balanced, and protected online.



RSVP for the event at this link or scanning the QR code:

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/protectyoungeyes/1518026>

Zion Friedheim is hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive on Sunday, February 16, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in their Family Life Center. To donate blood, you must be 16 years of age or older and you must bring identification with you to the drive. To register for a time, please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter ZFLC to schedule an appointment. Create a flurry of hope! By giving blood from January 27 through February 28, you can receive a \$15 e gift card (rcblood.org/flurry). In addition to the blood drive, there will be a soup/dessert luncheon with the free will offering being used to help fund the Women’s Retreat in the fall of 2025.

The Spring LWML Prayer Service will be held at Zion - Decatur, on Saturday, March 1. Registration begins at 8:45 and the Prayer Service, “Blessed Are They” Matthew 5: 1-12, begins at 9:00 AM. Following the service there will be a short business meeting, fellowship, and lunch served by the ladies of Zion. An Ingathering for The Hope Clinic, a nonprofit medical pregnancy resource center in Adams County, will be collected. Needed items: Diapers size 3,4,5; Pull -Ups Boys 3T,4T; Pull-Ups Girls 2T, 3T,4T,5T; New clothing for girls and boys sizes 2T thru 7T. They also have a wish list on Amazon.

CHURCH CALENDAR WEEK OF February 9th, 2025

TODAY	9:00 am	Divine Service
MONDAY	7:00 pm	SPI School Board Meeting
TUESDAY	7:00 pm	Decatur LBI classes at Wyneken Lutheran School
WEDNESDAY	10:00 am	Bible Study
THURSDAY	9:00 am	Ladies Aid Quilting
SUNDAY	9:00 am	Divine Service w/Holy Communion

DOGS & DODGEBALL



Friday, February 21, 2025

Dinner @ 5:30 pm & Dodgeball @
6:00 pm

PTL will provide hotdogs, chips,
and lemonade prior to tourney play
from 5:30 to 6:00 in the cafeteria.



Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

*Team Registration Forms were sent home with students. Teams may consist of up to 4 children (8th grade and younger) and up to 2 adults (9th grade and older). One child must be a student of SPI, but friends from other schools are welcome and encouraged to join teams!