

# Order of Online Service

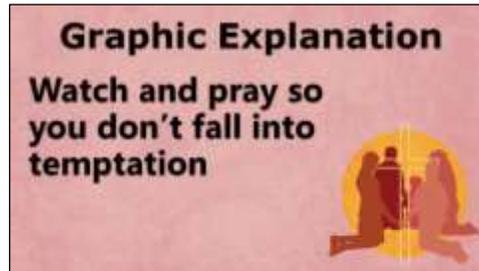
## Fifth Sunday in Lent

### March 29, 2020

GRAPHIC EXPLANATION

BELLS & WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER



OPENING HYMN ..... "Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain" **LSB 435**

1 Come to Cal - v'ry's ho - ly moun - tain, Sin - ners, ru - ined  
 2 Come in pov - er - ty and mean - ness, Come de - filed, with -  
 3 Come in sor - row and con - tri - tion, Wound - ed, im - po -  
 4 They that drink shall live for - ev - er; 'Tis a soul - re -

by the fall; Here a pure and heal - ing foun - tain  
 out, with - in; From in - fec - tion and un - clean - ness,  
 tent, and blind; Here the guilt - y, free re - mis - sion,  
 new - ing flood. God is faith - ful; God will nev - er

Flows for you, for me, for all, In a full, per -  
 From the lep - ro - sy of sin, Wash your robes and  
 Here the trou - bled, peace may find. Health this foun - tain  
 Break His cov - e - nant of blood, Signed when our Re -

pet - ual tide, O - pened when our Sav - ior died.  
 make them white; Ye shall walk with God in light.  
 will re - store; They that drink shall thirst no more.  
 deem - er died, Sealed when He was glo - ri - fied.

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INVOCATION

**P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

## CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

HYMN....."Jesus, Refuge of the Weary" **LSB 423**

1 Je - sus, ref - uge of the wea - ry, Blest Re - deem - er,  
2 Do we pass that cross un - heed - ing, Breath - ing no re -  
3 Je - sus, may our hearts be burn - ing With more fer - vent  
whom we love, Foun - tain in life's des - ert drea - ry, Sav - ior  
pen - tant vow, Though we see You wound - ed, bleed - ing, See Your  
love for You; May our eyes be ev - er turn - ing To be -  
from the world a - bove: Of - ten have Your eyes, of - fend - ed,  
thorn - en - cir - cled brow? Yet Your sin - less death has brought us  
hold Your cross a - new Till in glo - ry, part - ed nev - er  
Gazed up - on the sin - ner's fall; Yet up - on the  
Life e - ter - nal, peace, and rest; On - ly what Your  
From the bless - ed Sav - ior's side, Grav - en in our  
cross ex - tend - ed, You have borne the pain of all.  
grace has taught us Calms the sin - ner's deep dis - tress.  
hearts for - ev - er, Dwell the cross, the Cru - ci - fied.

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## OLD TESTAMENT: EZEKIEL 37:1-14

<sup>1</sup>The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup>And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. <sup>3</sup>And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." <sup>4</sup>Then he said to me, "Prophecy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. <sup>5</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup>And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD."

<sup>7</sup>So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. <sup>8</sup>And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no

breath in them. <sup>9</sup>Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." <sup>10</sup>So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

<sup>11</sup>Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.' <sup>12</sup>Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. <sup>13</sup>And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. <sup>14</sup>And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD."

#### EPISTLE: ROMANS 8:1-11

<sup>1</sup>There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. <sup>2</sup>For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. <sup>3</sup>For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, <sup>4</sup>in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. <sup>5</sup>For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. <sup>6</sup>To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. <sup>7</sup>For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. <sup>8</sup>Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

<sup>9</sup>You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. <sup>10</sup>But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. <sup>11</sup>If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

#### HOLY GOSPEL: JOHN 11: 17-27, 38-53

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

<sup>38</sup>Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days." <sup>40</sup>Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell

you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" <sup>41</sup>So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. <sup>42</sup>I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me." <sup>43</sup>When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out." <sup>44</sup>The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

<sup>45</sup>Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in him, <sup>46</sup>but some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done. <sup>47</sup>So the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered the Council and said, "What are we to do? For this man performs many signs. <sup>48</sup>If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and the Romans will come and take away both our place and our nation." <sup>49</sup>But one of them, Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, said to them, "You know nothing at all. <sup>50</sup>Nor do you understand that it is better for you that one man should die for the people, not that the whole nation should perish." <sup>51</sup>He did not say this of his own accord, but being high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the nation, <sup>52</sup>and not for the nation only, but also to gather into one the children of God who are scattered abroad. <sup>53</sup>So from that day on they made plans to put him to death.

## APOSTLES' CREED

**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 everlasting. Amen.**

HYMN OF THE DAY ..... "O Christ, You Walked the Road" **LSB 424**



1 O Christ, You walked the road Our wan-d'ring feet must go.  
2 No bread of earth a-lone Can fill our hun-g'ring hearts.  
3 No blind-ing sign we ask, No won-der from a-bove.  
4 When lures of eas-y gain With prom-ise bright-ly shine,  
5 O Christ, You walked the road Our wan-d'ring feet must go.



You faced with us temp-ta-tion's pow'r And fought our an-cient foe.  
Lord, help us seek Your liv-ing Word, The food Your grace im-parts.  
Lord, help us place our trust a-lone In Your un-swerv-ing love.  
Lord, help us seek Your king-dom first; Our wills with Yours a-lign.  
Stay with us through temp-ta-tion's hour To fight our an-cient foe.

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SERMON..... **"Spiritual Warfare - Facing Temptation"**

Matthew 4:1-11; Matthew 26:41; James 4:7

*See page 7 for the sermon outline*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

BENEDICTION

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN ..... "Onward, Christian Soldiers" **LSB 662**



1 On - ward, Chris - tian sol - diers, March - ing as to war,  
 2 Like a might - y ar - my Moves the Church of God;  
 3 Crowns and thrones may per - ish, King - doms rise and wane,  
 4 On - ward, then, ye faith - ful, Join our hap - py throng,



With the cross of Je - sus Go - ing on be - fore.  
 Broth - ers, we are tread - ing Where the saints have trod.  
 But the Church of Je - sus Con - stant will re - main.  
 Blend with ours your voic - es In the tri - umph song:



Christ, the roy - al mas - ter, Leads a - gainst the foe;  
 We are not di - vid - ed, All one bod - y we,  
 Gates of hell can nev - er 'Gainst that Church pre - vail;  
 Glo - ry, laud, and hon - or Un - to Christ, the king;



For - ward in - to bat - tle See His ban - ners go!  
 One in hope and doc - trine, One in char - i - ty.  
 We have Christ's own prom - ise, And that can - not fail.  
 This through count - less a - ges Men and an - gels sing.

*Refrain*



On - ward, Chris - tian sol - diers, March - ing as to war,



With the cross of Je - sus Go - ing on be - fore.

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## Sermon Outline - March 29, 2020

“Spiritual Warfare – Facing Temptation”  
Matthew 4:1-11; Matthew 26:41; James 4:7

1. \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_

Fight back

2. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

Don't try in your strength

3. \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

His way is best

## Prayer Page - March 29, 2020

Under Hospice care:

**Lori Schardt, Lexington, NE** (Doug Schardt's sister & Pat Schardt's sister-in-law)

For **Brett & Jessica (Betten) Brown and their family**:

For peace, patience & protection as they wait to get their adopted daughter, Ruby, from China...

Ongoing health concerns:

**Larry McLaughlin** (brother of Carol Sorge); **Chase Laaker** (battling seizures); **Cammie (Cahill) Freitag**; **Allen Schardt**; **Edna Moll**; **Doug Grupe**; **Kathy Iqou** (Patty Mueller's aunt); **Kylie Noojin** (daughter-in-law of John & Tammy); **Lynn Eitzman** (battling cancer); **Larry Plock**, **Rose Plock** (recovering from surgery); **Whitney Watson** (breast cancer - Rod & Cindy's daughter-in-law); **Aaron Fiet** (Dale Endorf's brother-in-law); **Robin Sedlachek**; **Marlene Weideman**; **Donna Genung**; **Bridget Schnuelle** (daughter of Brenda Betten)...

For the blessing of celebrating birthdays this week: **Troy Hansen, Merlen Schnakenberg, Aaron Bohling, Matthew Bohling, Riley Reinke, Claire Sasse, Jana Finke...**

For the blessing of celebrating Baptismal birthdays this week:

**Kristine Miesner, Gerald Sasse, Megan Bohling, Lois Pohlmann, Peggy Sorge, Lynn Bohling, Naomi Grupe...**

For the blessing of celebrating wedding anniversaries this week:

**Mark & Kristine Miesner**, 49 years on April 3...

*Prayer request from our missionaries, Rev. Dale and Suzanne Kaster:*

*Pray that the Holy Spirit would open up hearts to the Gospel in the Czech Republic*

- Pray that God use **each of us** at St. Peter to encourage one another and to love those we come into contact with...
- For **Deshler Lutheran School**: That our staff, families, and congregation would focus on "JOY:FULLY SHARING JESUS!"...
- For our **missionaries**: The hundreds of men and women serving overseas bearing witness, showing mercy and living life together in and by our Lord, Jesus Christ, with others around the world...
- For our country; **President Donald Trump**; all leaders; our service men and women; Chaplains; for peace, guidance & safety in our land...
- *Our members in service: Joseph Dunlap...*
- *Relatives/friends in service or active service: Jacob Noojin; Mark & Suzanne Baden* (children of Marvin & Sharon); **Eric Carbo**; **Peter Magnus** (nephew of John & Tammy Noojin); **Brent McCoy**; **Robert Mueller** (nephew of Gene Mueller); **Brandon Lee** (nephew of Galen & Melissa Sasse); **Isaac Ralston** (grandson of Virgil & Lola); **Brian Loontjer**; **TJ & Emily Wiebe**, (brother & sister-in-law of Jocelyn Berggren)...
- For **Hope Pregnancy Center**: That God would bless this ministry as it reaches out to families in our local area and defends life...
- For our members in assisted living, nursing home & care centers:  
*Parkview Haven, Deshler: Edna Moll...*  
*Meadowlark Heights, Deshler: Mary Loontjer...*  
*Blue Valley Care Home, Hebron: Larry Schardt...*  
*Region 5 Group Homes, Hebron: Sandra Meyer...*  
*Lakeview Assisted Living, Firth: Roger Finke...*  
*Life Care Center of Elkhorn, Omaha: Nick Bartling...*

# Announcements

## March 29, 2020

OFFERINGS	Received	Needed Weekly	Year to Date
General Fund	1,750.00	6,350.52	64,718.61
General Fund - Direct Deposit	475.00		8,200.00
NE District/Missions			1,010.00
Special Mission (Kasters)			270.00
Thrivent Choice Dollars			895.00

### Congregation Response During COVID-19

As we continue to deal with the COVID-19 pandemic, we want to remind you of a few things from a congregational standpoint:

#### **Communication:**

- 1) Please continue to check the St. Peter Lutheran Facebook page and website for updates and alerts, as those will be the ways to reach the most people the quickest. **We will be giving an update on Monday about our action plan moving ahead.**
- 2) Please make sure that Pastor Brian has your email address and cell phone number (along with cell phone carrier) for any alerts also.
- 3) Don't hesitate to contact Pastor Brian by phone, text, or email if you have a question or comment or just would like to chat. He would love to talk with you. You won't be bothering him!

#### **Getting God's Word to You:**

- 1) Our Sunday morning service will be live streamed on our Facebook and YouTube pages. You can link to these pages by clicking on the Facebook or YouTube icons on the bottom of the homepage of St. Peter's website.
- 2) Pastor Brian will be doing video Bible Studies on Tuesday evenings that will be live on Facebook and YouTube. Please be checking for those.
- 3) Pastor Brian will continue to email his weekly devotion on Wednesdays. If you haven't been receiving them, please make sure Pastor Brian has your email address.
- 4) Please take advantage of RightNow Media, which is a video-based Bible Study resource which is free for you. If you need to enroll or need help getting started, please contact Pastor Brian.

#### **Other items:**

- 1) Offering - You are now able to give your offering online through our website. Click on the "Give" tab on our homepage and then click on the "Give Now" box to use this option. You can also mail your offering or drop it off at church during the week. We encourage you to consider the auto-withdrawal option that is available, as well.
- 2) Please continue to follow the guidelines that we have in place for our congregations at this time.
- 3) If we can be of assistance in getting critical need items to you, please contact Pastor Brian or the church office and we will work to get those to you.

## Memory Verse of the Week

“Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.”  
(Ephesians 4:32)

**WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE** - Email your request to Pastor Brian if you would like to receive by email weekly devotions based on the Memory Verse of the Week.

### **DESHLER LUTHERAN SCHOOL INFO**

- Deshler Lutheran School, and all schools in ESU Region 5, will be closed through Friday, May 1 due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.
- Deshler Lutheran School staff is working to provide remote learning for our students. DLS is operating a weekly “Drive-through” on every Wednesday in April as a method of delivering and receiving student work.
- DLS is also utilizing various e-learning and on-line tools to supplement student enrichment and learning. We are all learning together as we travel into uncharted territory.

### **LENTEN DEVOTIONS**

*Deliver us: Jesus Sets Us Free*, this year’s Lenten Devotions from Lutheran Hour Ministries, is available in the following ways: 1) a printed devotion book which can be picked up at church; 2) for you to go online and read the devotions 3) for you to subscribe and receive devotions as a free email subscription 4) for you to listen to an audio podcast each day online. Go to [www.lhm.org/lent/](http://www.lhm.org/lent/) for options 2, 3, & 4.

### Direct Deposit Information

Automatic withdrawal is available as a way to give your offerings here at St. Peter. Signup forms are available in the Narthex, or if requested can be mailed or emailed to you. If you have any questions, please contact our treasurer, Sara Kresser, at 402-984-2453 or [fourleafclover9@hotmail.com](mailto:fourleafclover9@hotmail.com)

**NEWSLETTER EMAIL LIST** - Please email your email address to Colleen at [stpeterdeshler@gmail.com](mailto:stpeterdeshler@gmail.com) if you would like to receive the newsletter by email. The April newsletter is in the mailboxes at church as usual for those who normally receive their newsletter via that method.

**TEXT ALERTS** - If you would like to be put on a text alert list in regard to church notices, please email Pastor Brian the following information: **Name**, **Cell Phone Number** (include area code), **Cell Phone Carrier** (e.g. Verizon, US Cellular). Pastor’s email is [pastorfrancik@gmail.com](mailto:pastorfrancik@gmail.com)

**ARE YOU ON FACEBOOK?** - Check out the St. Peter and Deshler Lutheran School Facebook pages, like, and follow them to get updates on your feed. We are continuing to find ways to encourage the body of Christ in the technology world.

**AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX** - Lenten Devotions, 2020 phone/mailling address directories, *Portals of Prayer*, Text Alert Signup Sheets, Spring 2020 *LifeDate*, etc.

The March-April-May **My Devotions** are available in the Narthex. The new April-May-June **Portals of Prayer** are also available in the Narthex.

**DIRECTING 2019 THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS EXPIRES MARCH 31** - If you have Thrivent insurance or investment products, you may have Choice Dollars from 2019 waiting to be designated to any eligible charitable organization. Call Thrivent at 1-800-847-4836 and say “Thrivent Choice” or go online at [Thrivent.com/thriventchoice](http://Thrivent.com/thriventchoice) to designate your Choice Dollars before the **March 31 deadline**.

**BEST CHOICE UPC'S** - You can help Deshler Lutheran School earn free money by clipping the UPC labels from Best Choice products. Clip now and save the labels for collection in December.

**ARE YOU UP-TO-DATE ON CONTACTS?** - As there were changes in 2019 to some of our contact information, please check to make sure you are up-to-date: Office email - [stpeterdeshler@gmail.com](mailto:stpeterdeshler@gmail.com); Pastor cell phone - 402-710-6679; Pastor email - [pastorbfrancik@gmail.com](mailto:pastorbfrancik@gmail.com)



Parkview Haven Nursing Home and Meadowlark Heights Assisted Living are running short on some supplies needed to keep their residents safe and healthy. It is becoming increasingly difficult for them to order what they need.

- They need:
- Clorox wipes
  - Antiseptic spray cleaner (such as Lysol, etc.)
  - Hand sanitizer
  - Safety goggles

Any of these items that could be donated would be very much appreciated.

Every bottle helps! We know that these items are in short supply for you and your family as well. If you would be willing to donate any of these items, please drop them off in the coat room at St. Peter. As supplies come in, daily deliveries can be made.

There is also a need for surgical masks that can have a filter inserted. We are asking members that sew if they would be willing to make washable masks out of cotton fabric. By Design/Sew Bee It in Hebron has mask kits that they will hand out for free. The pattern is also available on their website. Call Miranda at 402-365-7237 for more information.

### SERVING AT ST. PETER - MARCH 29

Pastor .....Brian Francik  
 Organist .....Joyce Schmidt  
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 Screen..... Amber Deepe  
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 Live stream..... Shamlynn Francik

### ST. PETER CALENDAR

Sun., Mar. 29 9:45 AM Online Service  
~~Mon., Mar. 30 7:00 PM Church Council Meeting~~ *(discussion/decisions made through phone calls - watch for an update coming on Monday, March 30)*

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