

## Order of Service – Third Sunday After the Epiphany – January 21, 2024 – 10 AM Service

**Preaching: Pastor Rick  
Presiding: Pastor Bart**

**Music Team: Erica, Lynn, Lyndsay, Kathy, Mel**

**Welcome to worship!**

**If you are a visitor today, please pick up a gift bag and learn more about our programs at the Welcome Table at the back of the narthex. Grab a coffee and mingle following the service. A family friendly area is available in the Gateway to sit with other parents or to allow your children to enjoy some snacks following the worship service and Sunday school. If your children require a quiet place during the service, feel free to take them to the narthex near the fireplace area where we have few quiet toys for them to enjoy.**

**If you are a visitor, we welcome you to come forward for communion. If your children have gone through communion instruction, they are welcome as well. If they are not taking communion, please bring them forward for a blessing. If you would like personal prayer this morning, you are invited to meet with our prayer team in the narthex either before or after you have taken communion. Individual prayer is also available following the service.**

### **OPENING HYMN: Praise to the Lord (LBW 543)**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation  
O my soul, praise Him for He is your health and salvation  
Let all who hear now to His temple draw near  
Joining in glad adoration

Praise to the Lord, who ov’r all things is wondrously reigning  
And as on wings of an eagle, uplifting sustaining  
Have you not seen all that is needful has been  
Sent by his gracious ordaining?

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you  
Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do  
If with His love He befriend you

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore him  
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him  
Let the “amen” sound from his people again  
Gladly forever adore him

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### **LIGHTING THE CANDLES • WELCOME**

**OPENING PRAYER (All) – Lord God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit we invite your presence into our worship this morning and consecrate this time to you. Be glorified in the preaching, in the singing, our praying and our meditation on your word. We ask all this in Jesus’ name. Amen.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, beseeching Him, in the name of our Lord Jesus, to forgive the iniquity of our sin.

## COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open  
All desires known, from You no secrets are hidd'n  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
By the power of your Spirit  
That we love and magnify your name

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P: If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Silence for reflection)

P: Most merciful God.

**C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. Amen

## THE GRACE (LBW, p. 57)

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY – Third Sunday After the Epiphany

**All: Almighty God, you sent your Son to proclaim your kingdom and to teach with authority. Anoint us with the power of your Spirit, that we, too, may bring good news to your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Pastor Rick**

## **CHILDREN'S SONG: Be Bold, Be Strong**

Be bold (be bold), be strong (be strong)  
For the Lord thy God is with you  
(repeat)

I am not afraid – no, no, no!  
I am not dismayed – oh no!  
For I'm walking in faith and victory  
Come on, walk in faith and victory  
For the Lord your God is with you  
(Repeat All)

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## **FIRST READING: Jonah 3:1-5, 10 NIV**

**3** Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time: <sup>2</sup>“Go to the great city of Nineveh and proclaim to it the message I give you.” <sup>3</sup> Jonah obeyed the word of the LORD and went to Nineveh. Now Nineveh was a very large city; it took three days to go through it. <sup>4</sup> Jonah began by going a day's journey into the city, proclaiming, “Forty more days and Nineveh will be overthrown.” <sup>5</sup> The Ninevites believed God. A fast was proclaimed, and all of them, from the greatest to the least, put on sackcloth. <sup>10</sup> When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he relented and did not bring on them the destruction he had threatened.

## **PSALM 62 NIV**

<sup>1</sup> Truly my soul finds rest in God; my salvation comes from him.  
<sup>2</sup> Truly he is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will never be shaken.  
<sup>3</sup> How long will you assault me? Would all of you throw me down—this leaning wall, this tottering fence?  
<sup>4</sup> Surely they intend to topple me from my lofty place; they take delight in lies. With their mouths they bless, but in their hearts they curse.  
<sup>5</sup> Yes, my soul, find rest in God; my hope comes from him.  
<sup>6</sup> Truly he is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will not be shaken.  
<sup>7</sup> My salvation and my honor depend on God; he is my mighty rock, my refuge.  
<sup>8</sup> Trust in him at all times, you people; pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.  
<sup>9</sup> Surely the lowborn are but a breath, the highborn are but a lie. If weighed on a balance, they are nothing; together they are only a breath.  
<sup>10</sup> Do not trust in extortion or put vain hope in stolen goods; though your riches increase, do not set your heart on them.  
<sup>11</sup> One thing God has spoken, two things I have heard: “Power belongs to you, God,  
<sup>12</sup> and with you, Lord, is unfailing love”; and, “You reward everyone according to what they have done.”

## **SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 7:29-35 NIV**

<sup>29</sup> What I mean, brothers and sisters, is that the time is short. From now on those who have wives should live as if they do not; <sup>30</sup> those who mourn, as if they did not; those who are happy, as if they were not; those who buy something, as if it were not theirs to keep; <sup>31</sup> those who use the things of the world, as if not engrossed in them. For this world in its present form is passing away.

<sup>32</sup> I would like you to be free from concern. An unmarried man is concerned about the Lord's affairs—how he can please the Lord. <sup>33</sup> But a married man is concerned about the affairs of this world—how he can please his wife—<sup>34</sup> and his interests are divided. An unmarried woman or virgin is concerned about the Lord's affairs: Her aim is to be devoted to the Lord in both body and spirit. But a married woman is concerned about the affairs of this world—how she can please her husband. <sup>35</sup> I am saying this for your own good, not to restrict you, but that you may live in a right way in undivided devotion to the Lord.

## ALLELUIA

Alleluia! Lord to whom shall we go, shall we go?  
Alleluia! Lord to whom shall we go, shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life, O Lord  
You have the words of eternal life, O Lord  
Alleluia! Lord to whom shall we go  
Shall we go, shall we go?

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## GOSPEL LESSON – Mark 1:14-20 NIV

<sup>14</sup> After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. <sup>15</sup> “The time has come,” he said. “The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!” <sup>16</sup> As Jesus walked beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. <sup>17</sup> “Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.” <sup>18</sup> At once they left their nets and followed him. <sup>19</sup> When he had gone a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John in a boat, preparing their nets. <sup>20</sup> Without delay he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.

## PRE-SERMON HYMN: In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light my strength my song;  
This Cornerstone this solid Ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love what depths of peace, When fears are stilled when strivings cease.  
My Comforter my All in All, Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied.  
For every sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then, bursting forth in glorious Day, Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory, Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am His and He is mine, Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand  
Till He returns or calls me home, Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

**SERMON: *Second Chances* – Pastor Rick**

**OFFERTORY HYMN: I Am Trusting You, Lord Jesus (LBW 460)**

I am trusting you, Lord Jesus, trusting only you  
Trusting you for full salvation, free and true

I am trusting you for pardon, at your feet I bow  
For your grace and tender mercy trusting now

I am trusting you for cleansing in the crimson flood  
Trusting you to make me holy, by your blood

I am trusting You to guide me, you alone shall lead  
Every day and hour supplying all me need

I am trusting you for power – you can never fail  
Words which you yourself shall give me must prevail

I am trusting you, Lord Jesus, never let me fall  
I am trusting you forever and for all

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**OFFERTORY PRAYER (LBW, p. 68)**

P: Blessed are you.

**C: O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your Goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of Him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe 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 to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.

### **SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE**

L: The Peace of the Lord be with you always

**C: And also with you**

### **PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY OF GOD**

### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

P: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you

P: Lift up your hearts

C: We lift them to the Lord

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise

### **PROPER PREFACE**

### **SANCTUS**

Holy, holy, holy, God of pow'r and might  
Heaven and earth are full of you glory (repeat)

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

Holy, holy, holy, God of pow'r and might  
Heaven and earth are full of you glory

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### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION (p. 110 LBW)**

**LORD'S PRAYER: Our Father, who art in Heaven...**

### **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

### **COMMUNION SONGS:**

#### **Once Again**

Jesus Christ, I think upon Your sacrifice  
You became nothing, poured out to death  
Many times I've wondered at Your gift of life  
And I'm in that place once again  
I'm in that place once again

**CHORUS** Once again I look upon the cross where You died  
I'm humbled by Your mercy and I'm broken inside  
Once again I thank You, once again I pour out my life

Now You are exalted to the highest place  
King of the heavens where one day I'll bow  
But for now, I marvel at this saving grace  
And I'm full of praise once again  
I'm full of praise once again

**CHORUS**

Thank You for the cross, thank You for the cross  
Thank You for the cross, my friend

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## **10,000 Reasons**

**CHORUS**

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul  
Worship His holy name  
Sing like never before, O my soul  
I'll worship Your holy name*

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning  
It's time to sing Your song again  
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me  
Let me be singing when the evening comes

**CHORUS**

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger  
Your name is great and your heart is kind  
For all your goodness I will keep on singing  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

**CHORUS**

*I'll worship Your holy name  
I'll worship Your holy name*

And on that day when my strength is failing  
The end draws near and my time has come  
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

**CHORUS**

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**COMMUNION BLESSING**

**COMMUNION PRAYER**

**BENEDICTION**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS – Please see sheet attached**

### **CLOSING HYMN: Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer (LBW 343)**

Guide me ever, Great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land  
I am weak but you art mighty, hold me with your pow'ful hand  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven  
Feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore

Open now the crystal fountain where the healing waters flow  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through  
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer  
Shield me with your mighty arm, shield me with your mighty arm

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside  
Death of death and hell's destruction land me safe on Canaan's side  
Songs and praises, songs and praises  
I will raise forevermore, I will raise forevermore

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**P:** Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God!**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Week at a Glance:**

Monday, January 22 – 6 PM Christian Caregiving session – soup and discussion  
Thursday, January 25 – 10 AM – “I AM the Way” the Gospel of John study restarting  
Sunday, January 21 – After service - Learn Guitar with Pastor Bart (Grade 4 age and up)

### **Month in Advance:**

Jan 30 and ongoing 6 PM Christian Caregiving session – soup and discussion  
Jan 25 and ongoing – 10 AM – “I AM the Way” the Gospel of John study Restarting  
Jan 28 and ongoing – Learn Guitar with Pastor Bart (Grade 4 age and up)  
Feb 13 –10 AM Women’s Bible Study (“Every Good Gift”)  
Feb 13- 5:30 PM Shrove Tuesday Pancake supper and service to follow (includes the imposition of ashes)  
Feb 14 – 10 AM Grandparenting and the Faith  
Feb 24- 8 AM Men’s Breakfast

### **Pray for St. Peter’s**

Please remember to keep praying for the church, our pastors, leaders, members and their families.

### **Christian Caregiving – A Way of Life**

We continue our course on Christian Caregiving, A Way of life, each Tuesday at 6 PM. In the fall we dug deep into what it means to offer uniquely Christian caregiving to a hurting world. We continue this study as we prepare forward to implement a caring program at St. Peters. This course will be offered again next fall, but for now, we invite you to pray for those involved.



### **Every Good Gift – Women’s Bible Study**

How natural is generosity to who you are? What do you do with what you have? Have you ever wondered what the Bible says about hospitality, generosity, and stewardship? This six-session series with author and speaker Ann Voskamp explores examples of offering hospitality, time, money, spiritual gifts, and empathy to the glory of God.

Everything we have is a gift. Will we hold tightly to these gifts with a scarcity mentality or will we handle them with open hands? Every Tuesday at 10 AM beginning February 13, 2024

Sign up with Rhonda Osness (no charge)

Text or call: 403-830-3499 email: [rrosness@gmail.com](mailto:rrosness@gmail.com)

### **Youth Committee**

We are looking for volunteers to join a youth committee. If you are interested, please talk to Pastor Bart.

### **Learn Guitar – Every Sunday after Worship**

Starting at very beginner level and aiming at grade 4 children and up to and including adults. This is a group class, not private lessons, and we just learn basic chords and strumming, but it's free. Some kids can have troubles playing guitar, others have no troubles. But if you are interested, talk to Pastor Bart.

### **Pop-Up Choir**

Join St. Peter’s POP-UP choir as we prepare for the Easter Season. We have two rehearsals, one on March 17<sup>th</sup> following worship, from around 11:30-2:00pm (includes lunch) and then March 30, from 9:30-12:00 PM. We will share our musical selections at the Easter Vigil service on March 30<sup>th</sup> at 8 PM and on Easter Sunday at 10:00 AM. Let Erica know if you will be attending. [ehparebergh@shaw.ca](mailto:ehparebergh@shaw.ca)

### **Small Groups**

Interested in joining one of St. Peter’s small groups? We have 6 ongoing small groups that are meeting at various times during the week. Email Florence @ [bstoth@hotmail.com](mailto:bstoth@hotmail.com) or speak with Tim in the church office.

### **Shrove Tuesday/Ash Wednesday**

This year we are combining our Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday service into one amazing evening. Come for supper at 5:30 and then head upstairs for a short worship service as we begin our Lenten Journey together in humility and commitment.

### **The 5 Sundays in Lent – Starts Feb. 18**

Join us for our special Lenten series each Sunday as we focus on the theme Real Living, Real Faith. Each Sunday our pastors will speak on the various themes as we focus on marks of a discipleship. We are called to follow Jesus and be a disciple. What does this really mean?

### **Forgiveness Workshop**

Join Rev. Boyd Hopkins for a weekend event where we explore the power forgiveness in relationships. This two-day event, Friday March 8, 7-9:30 and Saturday, March 9, 9:00-4:00 is sure to give you a new scriptural understanding of the power of forgiveness through the eyes of Christ.

Register at