

ORDER OF SERVICE – APRIL 6, 2025 – FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Preaching Pastor Bart & Presiding Pastor Rick

Music Team: Adeline's Team

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 or into the Gateway Room 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.

Today's worship service, including our children's time is live streamed and recorded for future viewing on St. Peter's YouTube channel. Sitting further back out of the filming area is an option.

OPENING HYMN: For the Beauty of the Earth LBW 561

For the beauty of the earth, For the beauty of the skies,
For the love which from our birth Over and around us lies:

CHORUS

Christ, our Lord, to you we raise
This our sacrifice of praise.

For the wonder of each hour Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale and tree and flow'r, Sun and moon and stars of light:

CHORUS

For the joy of ear and eye, For the heart and mind's delight,
For the mystic harmony Linking sense to sound and sight:

CHORUS

For the joy of human love, Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above; For all gentle thoughts and mild:

CHORUS

For yourself, best gift divine To the world so freely giv'n;
Agent of God's grand design, Peace on earth and joy in heav'n:

CHORUS

WELCOME AND THE LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

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.

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...

All: 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 GREETING

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

All: and also with you.

The Kyrie (Spoken)

P: In peace, let us pray for the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God and for the unity of all, let us pray for the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

All: Almighty God, you sent your only Son, at the Word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear: Help us to believe with joy what the Scriptures proclaim, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE – Pastor Bart

CHILDREN'S SONG:

I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river
I've got peace like a river in my soul
I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river
I've got peace like a river in my soul

I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean
I've got love like an ocean in my soul
I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean
I've got love like an ocean in my soul

I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain
I've got joy like a fountain in my soul
I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain
I've got joy like a fountain in my soul
I've got joy like a fountain in my soul

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FIRST READING: Isaiah 43:16-21 NIV

¹⁶ This is what the LORD says—he who made a way through the sea, a path through the mighty waters, ¹⁷ who drew out the chariots and horses, the army and reinforcements together, and they lay there, never to rise again, extinguished, snuffed out like a wick: ¹⁸ “Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. ¹⁹ See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland. ²⁰ The wild animals honor me, the jackals and the owls, because I provide water in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland, to give drink to my people, my chosen, ²¹ the people I formed for myself that they may proclaim my praise.

PSALM 126 NIV

¹ When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dreamed.
² Our mouths were filled with laughter, our tongues with songs of joy. Then it was said among the nations, “The LORD has done great things for them.”
³ The LORD has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy.
⁴ Restore our fortunes, LORD, like streams in the Negev.
⁵ Those who sow with tears will reap with songs of joy.
⁶ Those who go out weeping, carrying seed to sow, will return with songs of joy, carrying sheaves with them.

SECOND READING: Philippians 3:4-16 NIV

⁴ though I myself have reasons for such confidence. If someone else thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based on the law, faultless. ⁷ But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. ¹⁰ I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead. ¹² Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵ All of us, then, who are mature should take such a view of things. And if on some point you think differently, that too God will make clear to you. ¹⁶ Only let us live up to what we have already attained.

Alleluia! (p62 LBW spoken)

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

GOSPEL: Luke 20:9-20 NIV

⁹ He went on to tell the people this parable: “A man planted a vineyard, rented it to some farmers and went away for a long time. ¹⁰ At harvest time he sent a servant to the tenants so they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. ¹¹ He sent another servant, but that one also they beat and treated shamefully and sent away empty-handed. ¹² He sent still a third, and they wounded him and threw him out. ¹³ “Then the owner of the vineyard said, ‘What shall I do? I will send my son, whom I love; perhaps they will respect him.’ ¹⁴ “But when the tenants saw him, they talked the matter over. ‘This is the heir,’ they said. ‘Let’s kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.’ ¹⁵ So they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. “What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? ¹⁶ He will come and kill those tenants and give the vineyard to others.” When the people heard this, they said, “God forbid!” ¹⁷ Jesus looked directly at them and asked, “Then what is the meaning of that which is written: “‘The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone’? ¹⁸ Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces; anyone on whom it falls will be crushed.” ¹⁹ The teachers of the law and the chief priests looked for a way to arrest him immediately, because they knew he had spoken this parable against them. But they were afraid of the people. ²⁰ Keeping a close watch on him, they sent spies, who pretended to be sincere. They hoped to catch Jesus in something he said, so that they might hand him over to the power and authority of the governor.

Pre-Sermon Hymn: Because Of You

There's a place where the streets shine with the glory of the Lamb.
There's a way, we can go there, we can live there beyond time.

Pre-Chorus

Because of You, because of You;
Because of Your love, because of Your blood.

No more pain, no more sadness, no more suffering, no more tears.
No more sin no more sickness, No injustice no more death.

Pre-Chorus

Chorus

All our sins are washed away, and we can live forever.
Now we have this hope because of You.
Oh, we'll see You face to face, and we will dance together
In the city of our God, because of You

There is joy everlasting, there is gladness, there is peace.
There is wine ever flowing, there's a wedding there's a feast.

Pre-Chorus

Chorus x 2

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SERMON: Pastor Bart

OFFERTORY HYMN: Satisfy Us Psalm 90

Satisfy us in the morning with Your love
Satisfy us in the morning with Your love
That we may sing for joy and be glad in all our days
Satisfy us in the morning with Your love

Match the days Lord of our sorrow with Your joy
Match the days Lord of our sorrow with Your joy
May Your deeds be always known
To the ones you call your own
Match the days Lord of our sorrow with Your joy

CHORUS

May the favor of the Lord Rest upon us and our land
And establish for us all The work of our hands
Yes the work of our hands

Lord for us You have been a refuge from age to age
Lord for us You have been a refuge from age to age
Before the mountains were formed
And the earth and the world brought forth
You are the everlasting Lord

CHORUS x2

You are the everlasting Lord (x 3)

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Blessed are you.

All: 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.

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

P: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: **And also with you.**

PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY OF GOD

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Spoken)

P: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

P: Lift up your hearts

All: We lift them to the Lord

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

All: It is right to give him thanks and praise

PROPER PREFACE p.110

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy, God of pow'r and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory!
Holy, Holy, Holy, God of pow'r 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.

Holy, Holy, Holy, God of pow'r and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory!

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.WORDS OF INSTITUTION (LBW p.110)

LORD'S PRAYER (LBW p.113): Our Father, who art in Heaven...

LAMB OF GOD (spoken p.72 LBW)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. (2x)
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION SONGS

Hymn: Faithful One

Faithful One, so unchanging; Ageless One, You're my Rock of peace;
Lord of all, I depend on You; I call out to You again and again;
I call out to You again and again.

You are my Rock in times of trouble; You lift me up when I fall down;
All through the storm, Your love is the anchor;
My hope is in You alone.

My hope is in You; My hope is in You;
Our hope is in You alone.
(Repeat All)

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Oh Lord You're Beautiful

Oh Lord, You're beautiful, Your face is all I seek;
And when Your eyes are on this child, Your grace abounds to me.

Oh Lord, please light the fire that once burned bright and clear;
Replace the lamp of my first love that burns with holy fear.

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Return to CHORUS of Faithful One

CHORUS

You are my Rock in times of trouble; You lift me up when I fall down;
All through the storm, Your love is the anchor;
My hope is in You alone.

COMMUNION BLESSING & POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Please see below for details)

CLOSING HYMN: This is My Father's World LBW 554

This is my Father's world, And to my list'ning ears
All nature sings, and round me rings The music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world; The birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white, Declare their Maker's praise.
This is my Father's world: He shines in all that's fair.
In the rustling grass I hear him pass; He speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world; Oh, let me ne'er forget
 That, though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.
 This is my Father's world; Why should my heart be sad?
 The lord is King, let the heavens ring; God reigns, let the earth be glad!

Text: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1858-1901
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THE SENDING

P: Go in Peace.
 C: Serve the Lord.
 All: Thanks be to God!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Pastor Rick: Mon 10:30 AM–1:30 PM
Tim Bauer: Mon & Tues 1:00–3:30 PM
Pastor Bart: Wed 1:00–4:00 PM
Staff Meeting: Wed 10:30 AM –11:30 AM

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE:

Apr	6	Sun	10:00	AM	Sunday Service, Sunday School and Youth Study
Apr	7	Mon	7:00-9:00	PM	Pop- Up Choir Practice in St. Peter's Sanctuary - Erica Leading
Apr	9	Wed	5:30	PM	Study Healing Prayer and Gifts – Basement – Pastor Bart Leading
Apr	9	Wed	7:00	PM	Survey of the Bible - Gateway Room – Darrell Leads
Apr	10	Thur	10:00	AM	Genesis Study – Basement - Pastor Paul Leads
Apr	10	Thur	All Day		CALC Pastor's Retreat in Nisku - Pastors Away
Apr	11-12	Fri-Sat	All Day		CALC National Convention
Apr	12	Sat	9:00-2:30	PM	Youth Alpha Retreat
Apr	13	Sun	10:00	AM	PALM Sunday, Sunday School and Youth Study
Apr	13	Sun	Noon-2:00	PM	Pop- Up Choir Practice in St. Peter's Sanctuary - Erica Leading

Remainder of April 2024

Apr	13	Sun	10:00	AM	PALM Sunday, Sunday School and Youth Study
Apr	13	Sun	Noon-2:00	PM	Pop- Up Choir Practice in St. Peter's Sanctuary - Erica Leading
Apr	16	Wed	5:30	PM	Study Healing Prayer and Gifts – Basement – Pastor Bart Leading
Apr	16	Wed	7:00	PM	Survey of the Bible - Gateway Room – Darrell Leads
Apr	17	Thur	7:00	PM	Maunday Service
Apr	18	Fri	10:00	AM	Walk of The Cross - Cochrane
Apr	18	Fri	7 :00	PM	Good Friday Service
Apr	19	Sat	9:00-Noon		Pop- Up Choir Practice in St. Peter's Sanctuary - Erica Leading
Apr	19	Sat	2:-00-4:00	PM	Guest Ukranium Orthodox Service at St. Peters all welcome
Apr	20	Sun	8:30	AM	Easter Sunrise Service
Apr	20	Sun	9:15	AM	Easter Breakfast
Apr	20	Sun	10:00	AM	Easter Service, NO Sunday School or Youth Group
Apr	23	Wed	5:30	PM	Study Healing Prayer and Gifts – Basement – Pastor Bart Leading
Apr	23	Wed	7:00	PM	Survey of the Bible - Gateway Room – Darrell Leads
Apr	26	Sat	9:00	AM	Cochrane Food Bank - 20254 Food Drive
Apr	27	Sun	10:00	AM	Sunday Service, Sunday School and Youth Study
Apr	29	Tues	10:00	AM	Ladies Study in the Gateway Room C.S. Lewis - Elaine Knudtson Leading
Apr	30	Wed	5:30	PM	Study Healing Prayer and Gifts – Basement – Pastor Bart Leading
Apr	30	Wed	7:00	PM	Survey of the Bible - Gateway Room – Darrell Leads
May	3-4	Sat-Sun	All Day		Cochrane Trade Show - St. Peter's Booth
May	4	Sun	10:00	AM	Sunday Service, Sunday School and Youth Study
May	4	x Tues	10:00	AM	Ladies End of Life Conversations lead by Pastor Rick

Youth Group Meetings

Sat. Apr. 5, 5-7 pm Youth Group- Youth Alpha Supper & Kick the Can

Sun. Apr. 6, Youth Service-Cindy will confirm your role in service!

Sat. Apr. 12, 9 am-2:30 pm Youth Alpha Retreat, Easter Egg Hunt & Hike

Sat. May 10 & 24, 5-7 pm Youth Group

- You are always welcome to bring a friend or family in grades 5-12

Any Questions contact Cindy Tester at cindytester@saintpeters.ca

COCHRANE FOOD BANK – 2025 FOOD DRIVE APRIL 26, 2025

There is a need for volunteers to assist with the annual Helping Hands Food Drive. If you're able to help with going door to door (require 8 people) or if you're able to be a driver (require 4 drivers) for Saturday morning, April 26th, please call/text Betty Porter at 403-796-6812.

STUDY HEALING PRAYER AND GIFTS

Wednesdays at 5:30 pm, St. Peter's is hosting an evening study on the topic of Healing Prayer and gifts of the Holy Spirit. Everyone welcome. Contact Pastor Bart for more details.

Evangelism

What do you think of when you hear that word? What thoughts come to your mind? Pastor Rick will be exploring our understanding of evangelism through a survey that will be coming out soon. As we prepare to reach out with the message of the gospel, we need to consider the objections and the challenges of sharing the message of Jesus.

COCHRANE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TRADE SHOW – May 3 & 4

We are excited about participating in the upcoming Chamber of Commerce Cochrane Trade Show on May 3-4. A group met this past week to talk about logistics. We need volunteers to sign up to be at our booth. Cindy Tester will be available this Sunday (March 30), following the service, to schedule you into a time slot. Are you worried about what say to people?

Pastor Rick (who has many years of experience in this area) is putting together some conversation-openers that will help you. We are going to gather together on Sunday, April 27 (the Sunday prior to the Trade Show) following church for a brief conversation as we prepare for this opportunity to be visible in our Cochrane community.

Ladies Study

End of Life Conversations: Gospel Ministry To The Dying

Tuesday, May 6,13,20 and 27

Join me in May as we navigate the important topic of death and dying. We have many questions around the topic of Medical Assistance in Dying and it's important to look carefully at scriptures as our guide. In these 4 sessions will look at a variety of subjects surrounding dying and we will consider how we might engage our family, friends and neighbours in a conversation around the topic when it will come up.

POP-UP CHOIR – LENT AND EASTER

THREE Rehearsals: Monday, Apr. 7 from 7-9pm • Sunday, Apr. 13 from 12-2pm • Saturday, Apr. 19, 9:30-11:30am **We'll be singing on Good Friday (Tenebrae), 7pm & Easter Sunday morning, 10am.** Bow Valley Baptist Church choristers will be joining us for the Tenebrae service (like a Lenten version of "Advent by Candlelight"). **IF YOU DON'T YET HAVE YOUR MUSIC, PLEASE PICK IT UP TODAY.**

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LENTEN DEVOTIONAL SERIES

This year the Lenten Series of devotionals is called: "Teach us to Pray". As part of the project, Pastor Bart will be contacting families to gather specific prayer requests that we can bring before the lord each day. This is an opportunity to prepare our hearts for Easter and enter into the 40 days of Lent beginning on March 5th, 2025. Contact Pastor Bart for more information.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP (VBC) 2025 IS COMING UP ON AUG 11-15!

We are excited to host Hastings Lake leaders again, who will provide the fun and faith-filled Day Camp program for children in Grades 1 – 6 and runs from 8:40 - 3:00 PM each day. There will be no Preschool program this year. There is a maximum number of 45 children.

Registration is via Hastings Lake Bible Camp website hastingslake.com, and the registration cost to families is \$65 per child. Registration is open now, so don't delay!

A host of volunteers are needed. Please see detailed update in this weeks Care & Info email.

GUITAR LESSONS

Beginner guitar classes are resuming Sundays after church. Come if you have any interest. Bring your own guitar, but you can also borrow one from the church if you have need. Contact Pastor Bart

GOOD VIBES MEMORY CHOIR – WEDNESDAYS AT 1:30 PM

Do you know someone experiencing memory loss? Please invite them and come with them. Get them connected to a wonderful community. Whether you or your loved one has memory loss or not, singing in a choir improves brain health. There is NO CHARGE for this choir. This is an opportunity to reach out to people with (or without) dementia and let them know that our church community cares about them and their family members.