

"Peter"

† The Fourth Wednesday in Lent †

March 26, 2025 8:30 am Trinity Lutheran Church 824 Wisconsin Ave. Sheboygan, WI 53081 www.trinitysheboygan.org 920-458-8246

PRAYER UPON ENTERING: Lord Jesus Christ, we implore You to hear our prayers and to lighten the darkness of our hearts by Your gracious visitation; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WELCOME: We cordially welcome you to the Lord's Service to us this day. If you are worshipping with us for the first time, the following suggestions may be helpful to you:

- † Put your bulletin in the back of the hymnal. A panel will stick out on the right side with the Order of Service. By doing this both hands are free to find the liturgy and hymns.
- † Large print bulletins and hearing devices are available. Please ask an usher for assistance.
- **† PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN:** Welcome to Trinity. We are glad you are here and have brought your children to worship. We invite you to use the church bags and children's Bibles found at each entrance to the sanctuary. While we want children to participate in the entire Divine Service, we understand that there may be times when you have to leave the service for a little while. At these times, you may use the Music Room, located next to the Narthex, or the Luther Room, located downstairs across from the restrooms. Both locations have the livestream of the service televised so you can continue to follow along. Changing tables are located in the music room restroom and the restrooms downstairs. Please ask an usher if you need assistance.
- † The time before the service is a time of prayer and preparation to receive the Lord's gifts of salvation. In addition to prayer, look over the readings and the words to the hymns during this preparation time.
- † Please turn off all cell phones and refrain from taking pictures during the service. Thank you.

THE SERVICE PARTICIPANTS:

THE PRESIDING MINISTER: Rev. Timothy J. Mech

THE ORGANIST: Renata Peperkorn, Kantor

THE CHOIR: Trinity Choir Grades 3/4

THE SOUND BOOTH TEAM: Ron Mueller, Tom Kelly, Lance Meyer, Joshua Rach

Zechariah 12:10-14

¹⁰"And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and pleas for mercy, so that, when they look on me, on him whom they have pierced, they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for an only child, and weep bitterly over him, as one weeps over a firstborn. ¹¹On that day the mourning in Jerusalem will be as great as the mourning for Hadad-rimmon in the plain of Megiddo. ¹²The land shall mourn, each family by itself: the family of the house of David by itself, and their wives by themselves; the family of the house of Nathan by itself, and their wives by themselves; ¹³the family of the house of Levi by itself, and their wives by themselves; ¹⁴and all the families that are left, each by itself, and their wives by themselves.

2 Corinthians 12:7-10

⁷So to keep me from being too elated by the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁸Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. ⁹But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. ¹⁰For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

John 18:12-27

¹²So the band of soldiers and their captain and the officers of the Jews arrested Jesus and bound him. ¹³First they led him to Annas, for he was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, who was high priest that year. ¹⁴It was Caiaphas who had advised the Jews that it would be expedient that one man should die for the people. ¹⁵Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so did another disciple. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he entered with Jesus into the court of the high priest, ¹⁶but Peter stood outside at the door. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out and spoke to the servant girl who kept watch at the door, and brought Peter in. ¹⁷The servant girl at the door said to Peter, "You also are not one of this man's disciples, are you?" He said, "I am not." 18 Now the servants and officers had made a charcoal fire, because it was cold, and they were standing and warming themselves. Peter also was with them, standing and warming himself. ¹⁹The high priest then questioned Jesus about his disciples and his teaching. ²⁰Jesus answered him, "I have spoken openly to the world. I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all Jews come together. I have said nothing in secret. ²¹Why do you ask me? Ask those who have heard me what I said to them: they know what I said." ²²When he had said these things, one of the officers standing by struck Jesus with his hand, saying, "Is that how you answer the high priest?" ²³Jesus answered him, "If what I said is wrong, bear witness about the wrong; but if what I said is right, why do you strike me?" ²⁴Annas then sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest. ²⁵Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. So they said to him, "You also are not one of his disciples, are you?" He denied it and said, "I am not." ²⁶One of the servants of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, "Did I not see you in the garden with him?" ²⁷Peter again denied it, and at once a rooster crowed.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP: Morning Prayer

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OFFICE HYMN: #543

READINGS: Zech. 12:10-14 2 Corinthians 12:7-10 John 18:12 -27

P O Lord, have mercy on us. **c Thanks be to God.**(silence)

P In many and various ways, God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.

C But now in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son.

SERMON

Text: John 18:12-27 Theme: "Peter"

CANTICLE: LSB #936

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POSTLUDE