

ST. PETRI EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH



April 19, 2026
3rd Sunday of Easter

Welcome to St. Petri!

Worship is both in person and online today.

If joining us in person, please observe all health and distancing policies!

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GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

FOR THOSE IN THE CONGREGATION: IF YOU HAVE PROBLEMS STANDING, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO REMAIN SEATED THROUGHOUT THE SERVICE.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

¶ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

"If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them," Jesus told the disciples (John 20:23). Based on this, Martin Luther taught that we can hear the words of forgiveness from the minister as is from Christ himself.

P: In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: If we say 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 and self-examination.

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.

C: Amen.

“Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!”
 Congregation sings verses 1, 2 and 3

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!
 2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter
 3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es;
 4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent:
 5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,



Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!
 tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;
 life in the Spir - it the fruit of the tree;
 death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.
 gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,



Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!
 break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry:
 heav - en to earth, Christ to the peo - ple,
 Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!
 riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
 Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.
 gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.
 Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.
 sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!

Refrain



Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

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APOSTOLIC GREETING

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.

KYRIE

Refrain

Assistant: *Congregation:*

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord, have mer-cy,
Christ, have mer-cy, Lord, have mer-cy. *to Verses*

Assistant: For the Reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all . . . (to Refrain)

Assistant: For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word . . . (to Refrain)

Assistant:

Help, save and de-fend us, O
God. A-men.

Congregation:

A-men.

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¶ PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: O God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, prayer and song.

READING: Acts 2:14a, 36-41

L: A reading from the Book of Acts:

^{14a} Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd]: ³⁶ "Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified."

³⁷ Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" ³⁸ Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." ⁴⁰ And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." ⁴¹ So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

READING: Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 (Read the Psalm responsively)

¹ I love the LORD, who has heard my voice,
and listened to my supplication,

**² for the LORD has given ear to me
whenever I called.**

³ The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave came upon me;
I came to grief and sorrow.

**⁴ Then I called upon the name of the LORD:
"O LORD, I pray you, save my life."**

¹² How shall I repay the LORD
for all the good things God has done for me?

**¹³ I will lift the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the LORD.**

¹⁴ I will fulfill my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all God's people.

**¹⁵ Precious in your sight, O LORD,
is the death of your servants.**

¹⁶ O LORD, truly I am your servant;
I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

**¹⁷ I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call upon the name of the LORD.**

¹⁸ I will fulfill my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all God's people,

**¹⁹ in the courts of the LORD's house,
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!**

READING: 1 Peter 1:17-23

L: A reading from the 1st Book of Peter:

¹⁷ If you invoke as Father the one who judges impartially according to each person's work, live in fear during the time of your exile. ¹⁸ You know that you were ransomed from the futile conduct inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. ²⁰ He was destined before the foundation of the world but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. ²¹ Through him you

²⁸ As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹ But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. ³² They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" ³³ That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴ They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵ Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

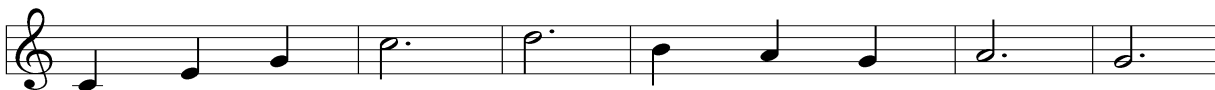
SERMON

Deacon Laura Scherer

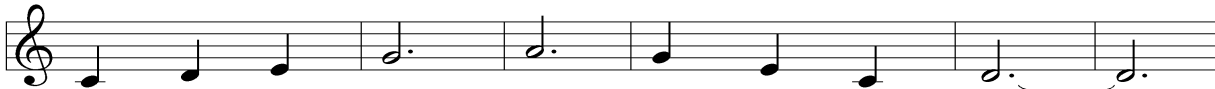
¶ HYMN OF THE DAY

"Day of Arising"

Congregation sings verses 1, 2, 3 and 4



1 Day of a - ris - ing, Christ on the road - way,
 2 When we are walk - ing, doubt - ful and dread - ing,
 3 Lo, I am with you, Je - sus has spo - ken.
 4 Christ, our com - pan - ion, hope for the jour - ney,



un - known com - pan - ion walks with his own.
 blind - ed by sad - ness, slow - ness of heart,
 This is Christ's prom - ise, this is Christ's sign:
 bread of com - pas - sion, o - pen our eyes.



When they in - vite him, as fades the first day,
 yet Christ walks with us ev - er a - wait - ing
 when the church gath - ers, when bread is bro - ken,
 Grant us your vi - sion, set all hearts burn - ing



and bread is bro - ken, Christ is made known.
 our in - vi - ta - tion: Stay, do not part.
 there Christ is with us in bread and wine.
 that all cre - a - tion with you may rise.

Text: Susan Palo Cherwien
 Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic melody

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¶ APOSTLES' CREED

P: God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, let us proclaim our faith:

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again, He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He 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. Amen.

(Let us now collect our offering.)

OFFERING MUSIC

"Who Is This Man?"

Music: Ukrainian Tune & Greensleeves
Arranged: Liebergen & Amstutz
Words: Marian Fish

Marian and Eliina Fish, vocalists

*Who is this man from Galilee?
Is He the King the prophets foretold?
His words and teachings like sweet honey.
His message more precious than gold.
This, this is God's Son, the lamb of God, the Prince of Peace.
He, He is for everyone. May our worshipping never cease.*

(Wonderful Counselor, Almighty God, Prince of Peace.)

*Who is this man of which it's said,
He makes the lame walk and blind men see.
He speaks of living water and bread,
that last for all eternity.
The One true Christ, our Lord and King!
The one true Christ, to You we sing!*

Our Savior, the lamb of God.

¶ OFFERTORY

“Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds”
 Congregation sings verse 4



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds
 2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,
 3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;
 4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring



in praise of love that still a - bounds: “Christ has
 there - fore our heart with rap - ture sings: “Christ has
 set heart and will on things a - bove that we
 and with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: “Christ has



tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!” Sing, choirs of
 tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!” Now still he
 con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -
 tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!” Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
 comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all
 fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly
 Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: “Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!”
 strife. “Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!”
 say: “Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!”
 God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: God of glory, great are your wonders among us and many are the blessings you bestow.
 Use us and these your gifts for the needs of the world, that all the ends of the earth may
 rejoice in your saving grace, through Christ our Savior.

C: Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (Congregation to remain seated.)

"I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone." (1 Tim. 2:1)

L: Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation...*A brief silence.*

L: Living Savior, just as you journeyed with the disciples to Emmaus, accompany us on our journey of faith. Gather us at your table, that we recognize you in the breaking of the bread. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

L: Almighty God, you provide for the needs of all creation. Bless the fields that are being prepared for planting, and send favorable weather so that the soil may yield an abundant harvest. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

L: God of justice, where leaders abuse power, confront them and call them to repentance. Where there is corruption, bring integrity; where there is violence, sow peace. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

L: Healing Savior, your resurrection brings hope to a hurting world. Heal those who are sick (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). Strengthen the weary, give courage to the despairing, and comfort the dying. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

L: Gracious One, you have made us your own through the gift of baptism. Unite us in genuine love for one another and uphold this community in your name. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

L: Eternal Light, we give thanks for all who have nurtured your church's life in ages past (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). Bring us at last with them to the brightness of your glorious presence. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

L: Lord Jesus, as we celebrate your resurrection, we pray for a renewal of faith, hope, and love. May this Easter be a time of spiritual growth and a fresh beginning in our walk with you. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

L: Bless our nation and those who guide it: our President, Congress and Courts; our state and local leaders; and for those who serve as police, first responders, and for all who serve in the military, especially those known to St Petri: Kurtis, Matthew and Pastor Adam. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

L: God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

C: Amen.

PLEASE STAND

† LORD'S PRAYER

P: According to your steadfast love, O Lord, hear these and all our prayers as we lift them up to you in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught 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.

SENDING

The Holy Spirit sends us to share the Good News in our community this week.

BENEDICTION

"You shall say to them, the Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace." (Numbers 6:23-26)

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor, and grant you peace. In the name of the Father, the +Son and the Holy Spirit.

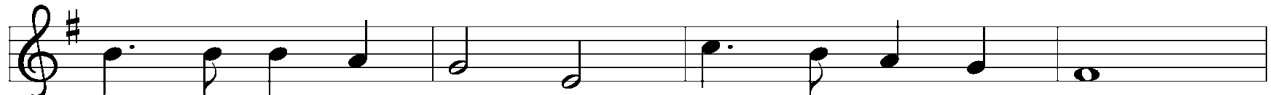
C: Amen.




SENDING HYMN

“On Our Way Rejoicing”
Congregation sings verses 1 and 2


On Our Way Rejoicing




1 On our way re - joic - ing glad - ly let us go.
2 Un - to God the Fa - ther joy - ful songs we sing;



Christ our Lord has con - quered; van - quished is the foe.
un - to God the Sav - ior thank - ful hearts we bring;




Christ with - out, our safe - ty; Christ with - in, our joy;
un - to God the Spir - it bow we and a - dore,



who, if we be faith - ful, can our hope de - stroy?
on our way re - joic - ing now and ev - er - more.

Refrain



On our way re - joic - ing; as we for - ward move,



hear - ken to our prais - es, O blest God of love!

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811–1875, alt.
Music: HERMAS, Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Share the Good News!
C: Thanks be to God!

Leading Worship Today

Presiding Minister	Deacon Laura Scherer
Organist	Martha Amstutz
Lector	Tina Kinkaid
Cantor	Carrie George
Lead Usher	Terry Francis
Altar Care	Sue Mead
Camera Operator	Sue Mead
Greeter	Marianne Melton
Sunday School Leader	Micki Schouten

St. Petri Staff and Worship Chairs

Pastor	Rev. Adam Bohland
Director of Music	Martha Amstutz
Office Manager	Shelly Savory
Altar Guild	Sandy Seelman
Head Elder	Terry Francis
Worship Cmte.	Cindy Kuhman
Custodian	Tonya Roberts

THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY! If you do not know a hymn or song, feel free to speak the words rather than sing. Please notice that congregational responses are in bold. The congregation may stand as they are able for the parts of the Service marked ¶.

RESTROOMS are located on each side of the outside entrance to the worship space.

FREE WiFi: Anyone may access “SPLC-Guest”. The password is: Troop200



SPECIAL WELCOME VISITORS: A special welcome to all visitors with us today. Please take a moment to sign the red guest book located in the Narthex. If you have any further questions we are happy to try and assist you.

ADULT NIGHT OUT: Join us on April 25th at 6:30pm at Maumee Bay Brewing Company, 27 Broadway St., Toledo to connect, laugh and enjoy good food together. Sign up by April 23rd.



ST. PETRI FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST: Join us for a Fellowship Breakfast May 3rd after worship. For \$10, enjoy pancakes, sausage, eggs, juice, and milk while sharing fellowship with friends. Sign up in the Narthex or in Hallway.

We Offer with Joy and Thanksgiving

~ ourselves, our time, our possessions ~

Attendance last Sunday: 39 in person 14 online

Giving last Sunday	Current Offering Receipts:	\$2,015.00
	Received Month-to-Date:	\$7,000.00
	Budgeted Needs Monthly:	\$12,964.00

Offerings for current expenses:

From Member Envelopes:	\$2,015.00
From Other Sources:	223.00
Total Received:	\$2,238.00

Offerings for Benevolence:	\$5.00
Offerings for Project Fix-Up:	\$55.00
General Memorial	\$0.00

~ signs of God's gracious love! ~

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUN [APRIL 19]

9am Worship

SUN [APRIL 26]

9am Worship

MON [APRIL 20]

5:30pm Dartball Banquet at
7pm Prince of Peace
Girl Scouts
Boy Scouts Den/Troop
Meeting

MON [APRIL 27]

5:30pm Girl Scouts

TUES [APRIL 28]

9am Quilting

TUES [APRIL 21]

9am Quilting

WED [APRIL 29]

6:30pm Choir Rehearsal

WED [APRIL 22]

6:30pm Choir Rehearsal

SAT [APRIL 25]

6:30pm Adult Night Out-Maumee
Bay Brewing Company

REMEMBERING IN PRAYER

Members in Nursing Homes	Military	Members	Non-Members
Terrence Henricks, <i>Ayden Healthcare</i>	Kurtis Grohowski	Norma Schrickel	Sam Saar
Dolores Jabs <i>The Gardens of St. Francis</i>	Matthew Cass	Gene Daniels	Doris Muszaynski
Marilyn Henricks <i>Otterbein-Monclova</i>	Pastor Adam Bohland	Pam Michalski	Monica Matuszak
Ruth Beach <i>Lakes of Monclova</i>		David Michalski	Mencia
Betty Peth <i>Otterbein Monclova</i>		Terry Henricks	Delores Jabs
		Sherri Leininger	Jeri Campbell
		Marti	Adrienne Perreault
		Huepenbecker	Avery Monroe
		Chuck Dolt	Danielle Scott
		Irene Daniels	Vivian McCarthy
		Marilyn Henricks	Pastor Tim Rothfuss
		Sydney Easton	Pastor Chuck Campbell
		Fred Shook	Melissa Haydock
		Karen Snyder	Judy Carr
		Gene Campbell	Sue Brown
		Daryl Bosh	Pat Shiple
		Betty Peth	Mark Shiple
		Pastor Denny King	
		Don Hughes	

If you would like your name, the name of a friend or loved one added to the prayer list, please call the church office at 419.385.4639. To have your prayer added to St. Petri's Prayer Chain or to become a part of our Prayer Chain, please call Norma Schouten at 419.382.3301, or the church office.