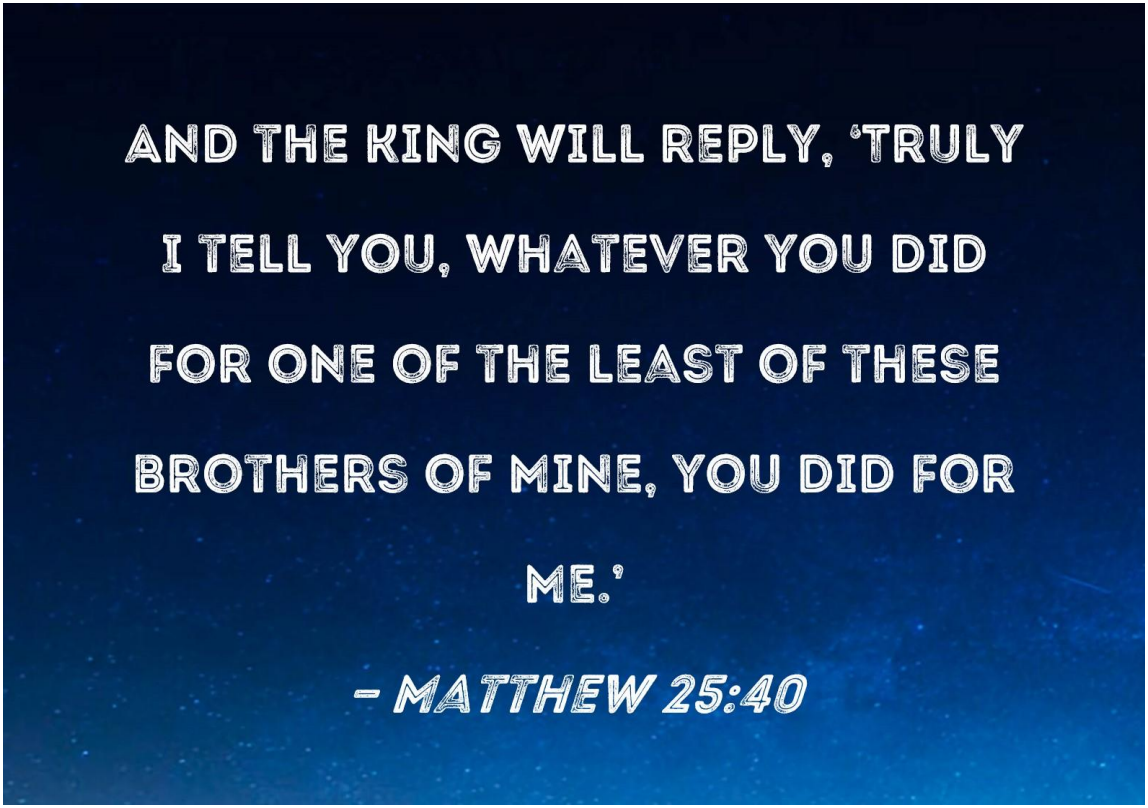


St. Peter's Lutheran Church & School

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November 22, 2026 – 8:00am & 10:30am

Rev. Danny Eggold, Senior Pastor
Rev. Adam McDowell, Associate Pastor
Rev. Nathan Widener, Associate Pastor & Director of Community of Care
Rev. James Sharp, Missionary to Puerto Rico
Tim Degen, Director of Music & Organist
Chris Brune, Principal
Barb Christian, Preschool Director

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY
THE LAST SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR

November 22, 2026 – 8:00am & 10:30am

PRELUDE

"The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns" arr. Charles Ore

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN "Crown Him with Many Crowns" #525

(We rise.)

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✢ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

(The 8:00 service continues with the Confession & Absolution on page 5.)

✢ ORDER OF HOLY BAPTISM ✢

(10:30)

P Our Lord commanded Baptism when He said: "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

God's Word tells us that we are all conceived and born sinful and are in need of forgiveness. We would be lost forever unless delivered from sin, death, and everlasting condemnation. But Jesus took away our sin through His death on the cross. In Baptism He clothes us with the robe of His righteousness and gives us a new life.

Cody and Lauren: In obedience to Christ's command and trusting in His promise, you have brought Tatum Grace to be baptized. As she grows in years, will you place in her hand the Holy Scriptures, bring her to the services of worship in God's house, and provide for her further instruction in the Christian faith, that abiding in her baptismal grace and in communion with the Church, she may grow to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Jesus Christ? If so, then answer by saying, "Yes."

R **Yes.**

P Tatum Grace, receive the sign of the holy cross both upon your forehead and upon your heart to mark you as one redeemed by Christ, the crucified.

P Let us join in the prayer our Lord has taught us:

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.

RITE OF BAPTISM

P Let us all, together with the sponsors and parents, faithfully speak in testimony of the forgiveness of sins and the birth of the life of faith which God our Father bestows in and through Baptism.

P Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?

C **I do renounce them.**

P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?

C **Yes, I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son?

C **Yes, 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 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.

P Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

C **Yes, 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.

(We are seated.)

The Baptism of Tatum Grace Waterman

Tatum is the daughter of Cody and Lauren (Ehle) Waterman.
Her sponsors are Cortney Ehle-Fortney and Devon Waterman.

P Tatum Grace, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P May the Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins; strengthen you with His grace to life everlasting.

C **Amen.**

PRESENTATION OF THE BAPTISMAL CANDLE

P Tatum Grace: receive this burning light to show that you have received Christ who is the light of the world. Live always by the Light of Christ, for Jesus said, "Whoever follows Me will never walk in darkness but will always have the light of life."

SPONSOR'S PLEDGE

P Cortney and Devon: Having witnessed Tatum's baptism, will you remember her in your prayers, remind her that she is a baptized child of God, and, as much as you are able, give your counsel and aid, especially if she should lose her parents that she be brought up in the true knowledge and worship of God? If so, then answer by saying, "Yes."

R **Yes.**

CONGREGATION'S PLEDGE

P Fellow Members of God's Kingdom: Through Baptism, God has made Tatum His own precious child. Will you welcome her into the Lord's family? Will you receive her as a fellow member of the body of Christ, a child of the same heavenly Father, and help her grow in the faith of her baptism, so she may join us in proclaiming the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light? If so, then answer by saying, "Yes."

C **Yes.**

P May God enable us all to will and to do this faithful and loving work and with His grace fulfill what we are unable to do.

C **Amen.**

BLESSING

P Tatum Grace: Almighty God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, by your Baptism has made you His dear child. May He strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

C **Amen.**

(The 10:30 service continues with the order of Morning Prayer on the bottom of page 5.)

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION *(8:00)*

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C **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 on God's Word and for self-examination)

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father:
C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

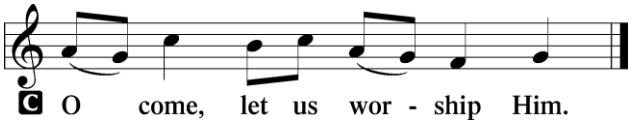
P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✢ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

(10:30 – We rise.)

✢ THE ORDER OF MORNING PRAYER ✢
✢ PSALMODY ✢

(LSB, pgs. 236-237)

P Give glory to God, our light and our life.

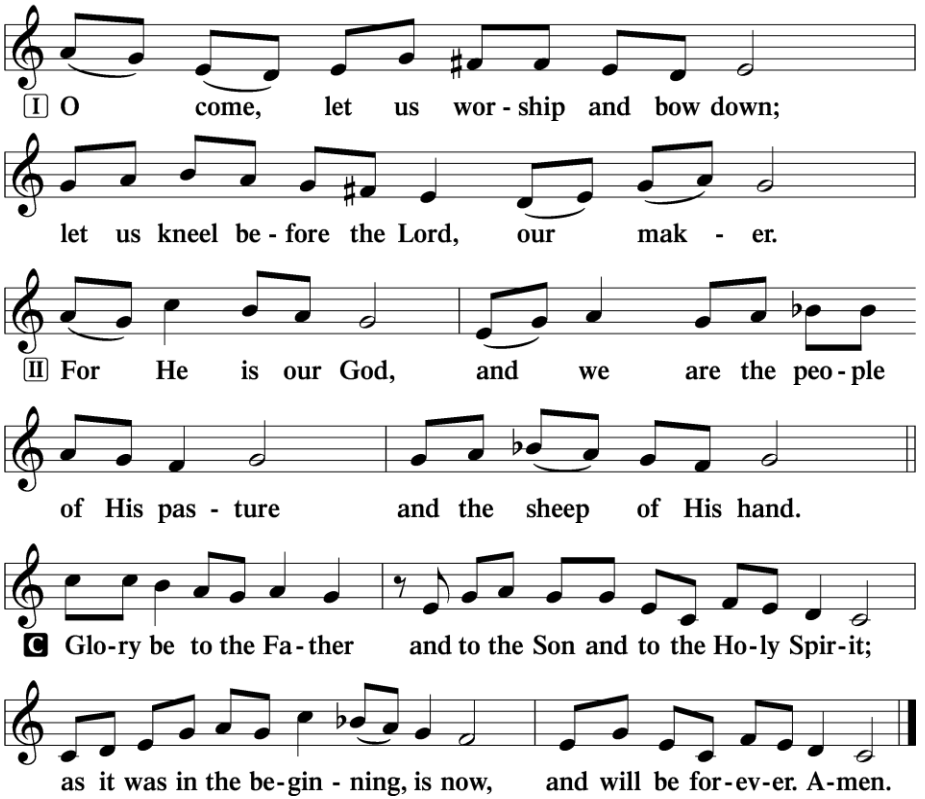


VENITE

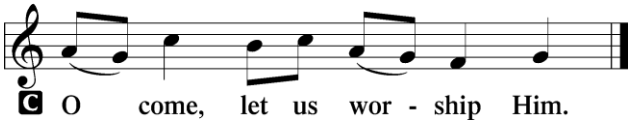
Psalm 95:1-7

C – Congregation / I – Soloist or Choir / II – Soloist or Choir





P Give glory to God, our light and our life.



✢ SCRIPTURE ✢

(We are seated.)

OLD TESTAMENT READING — Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

[11]"For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. [12]As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered,

so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. [13]And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. [14]I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. [15]I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. [16]I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

[20]"Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. [21]Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, [22]I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. [23]And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. [24]And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken."

P O Lord, have mercy on us.
C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING 1 Corinthians 15:20-28

[20]But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. [21]For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. [22]For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. [23]But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. [24]Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. [25]For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. [26]The last enemy to be destroyed is death. [27]For "God has put all things in subjection under his feet." But when it says, "all things are put in subjection," it is plain that he is excepted who put all things in subjection under him. [28]When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.
C **Thanks be to God.**

(We rise.)

HOLY GOSPEL READING — Matthew 25:31-46

31[Jesus said:] "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he
will sit on his glorious throne. 32Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate
people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. 33And he will place
the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. 34"Then the King will say to those on his right,
'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the
foundation of the world. 35For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave
me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, 36I was naked and you clothed me, I was
sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' 37"Then the righteous will answer
him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink?
38And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? 39And when
did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' 40And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say
to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.' 41"Then he will
say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the
devil and his angels. 42For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave
me no drink, 43I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe
me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' 44"Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord,
when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not
minister to you?' 45"Then he will answer them, saying, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it
to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' 46And these will go away into eternal
punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

P O Lord, have mercy on us.
C **Thanks be to God.**

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.**

(10:30 – During the Hymn of the Day, children age 3 through first grade are invited to attend "Kids of the Kingdom" children's church. They will return following the sermon.)

(We are seated.)

HYMN OF THE DAY "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" #549

Stanza 1 – All
Stanza 2 – Women
Stanza 3 – Soloist/Choir
Stanza 4 – Men
Stanza 5 – Soloist/Choir
Stanza 6 – All
Stanza 7 – All

SERMON "Inherited"

Text: Matthew 25:31-46 – Pastor Nathan Widener

✢ CANTICLE ✢

(We rise.)

BENEDICTUS "Sing Praise to the God of Israel" #936

(We are seated.)

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP and GATHERING OF OUR OFFERINGS

VOLUNTARY *(8:00)*

"Prelude" William Henry Harris

ANTHEM *(10:30)*

"When He Returns"…Composed by Rev. Richard Koehneke Adult Choir

Refrain: When he returns upon the clouds,
Then all the earth shall know that Jesus is Lord.
When he descends with trumpet sound,
Then all his people shall, with one accord,
Praise his name forevermore: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Once he came to earth, homeless and helpless,
Born to reveal God's saving grace;
Humble, lowly, pure and holy;
The Father's love shines in his face. Refrain:

Living, suffering, dying and rising,
His saving work is once for all.
Still the telling task remains:
Christ, the Lord, extends to us his call. Refrain:

"Go and preach the Word, tell all the nations,
Make my disciples everywhere."
Now we hear him, now we follow,
For in his mission we now share. Refrain:

Forth we go for him, powered by promise,
Fired by the Spirit's holy flame.
Christ is with us to the end
And our work in him is not in vain. Refrain:

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Merciful Father,

C **We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of Him who offered Himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

✢ PRAYER ✢

(We rise.)

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Eternal God, merciful Father,

C **You have appointed Your Son as judge of the living and the dead. Enable us to wait for the day of His return with our eyes fixed on the kingdom prepared for Your own from the foundation of the world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord,**

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

(A brief silence.)

P We pray for Your church, holy Father, thankful for that which is life-giving and interceding for that which needs reforming. Bless pastors, principals, teachers, musicians, and all church workers and leaders with wisdom, courage, and faithfulness. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

P We come into Your presence with thanksgiving for the wonder and majesty of Your gift of creation, its heights and depths, the sea and land. May we be care-filled stewards of all that You have made. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

P Faithful God, You seek us out to rescue, strengthen, and fill us. May our grateful response to Your love be to reach out with generosity to others. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

P O God, open our eyes to see You face-to-face as we minister to the hungry, homeless, imprisoned, and others in need. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

P Give Your care to those who are ill or weak *(especially those we have named and those we name silently before you…)*. Give them Your strength, comfort, and healing. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

(Here other intercessions may be offered.)

P We bring our thanks for the lives and witness of those who now stand in Your constant presence *(especially…)*. Bring us to join them in singing Your praise eternally. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

P Into Your steadfast love, heavenly Father, we entrust all for whom we pray; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR GRACE

P O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power, and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER *(8:00)*

P Taught by our Lord and trusting in His promises, we are bold 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.

BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

P Let us bless the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✢ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.
C **Amen.**

P Go in peace and serve the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

(We are seated.)

CLOSING HYMN "The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns" #348

POSTLUDE

"Crown Him with Many Crowns" arr. Donald Busarow