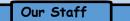


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## This Week at St. Peter's First Sunday of Lent, March 9, 2025

Prelude

"Adoration" Florence B. Price

"O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days"

Scripture Readings Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16, Romans 10:8b-13, Luke 4:1-13

Hymn of the Day #321

Gathering Hymn #319

"Eternal Lord of Love, Behold Your Church"

Musical Offering by the Choir "God So Loved the World" John Carter

Communion Hymns:

#325 "I Wan't Jesus to Walk with Me"
#779 "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"
#778 "The Lord's My Shepherd"
Sending Hymn #326 "Bless Now, O God, the Journey"
Postlude "Sicilienne" Maria-Theresia V. Paradis, Ed Diane Bish

<u>Prayer of the Day</u>: O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide us now, so that, following your Son, we may walk safely through the wilderness of this world toward the life you alone can give, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## Prayer List Update:

**The grieving friends and family of:** Eileen Flood (2/28 Peg's mother-in -law), Frank Leidenfrost (3/3 L. Hatch's brother-in-law), and Brad Phillips (2/23 Ruth Phillips' son)

Prayer requests can be given to the church office or be made online via the **Pastoral Care page on our website**.

	Today's Worship Leaders
Greeters:	Carol Vrlik
Ushers:	
Liturgist:	Lou Meyer
Communion Assts:	Aline Glifort, Diane Stauss
Altar Care:	Fay Sargent
AV Tech:	Kayden Kaser
Coffee Hour:	JustPeace
The worship leader sign-up form is in the narthex.	

**Easter Flower Orders** are accepted through **Palm Sunday, April 13**. Tulips are \$13 and lilies are \$20. The sign-up sheet and flower envelopes are on the bulletin board across from the mailboxes.

**April Newsletter Deadline:** The newsletter deadline is **Saturday, April 15** as our administrator is on vacation the last week of the month.

**Parsonage Donations:** please see the poster in the narthex for various items needed in St. Peter's new parsonage. Would you like to contribute the amount for a faucet, shower head, or lighting, just some of the items requested.

**Parsonage Fund:** Donations are being accepted. Envelopes are in the narthex, you can make a notation on your check, or you can give online using the QR code or URL link below.



**On-line Donations:** On-line donations: This QR Code will connect you to a variety of giving options. Simply use the camera on your phone and hold it over the QR code or copy the URL link <u>https://app.onechurchsoftware.com/stpeterscc/egiving</u> directly into your browser to give securely to St. Peter's by credit card or from your bank account. Thank you for your generosity!

**Altar Flowers:** We will not have altar flowers during Lent. The 2025 Altar Flower Calendar is on the sacristy door. Lots of dates are available! **Loaves & Fishes Pantry:** Thanks to Pastor and Barbara Dennis for challenging the congregation to find those BYGO promotions and other good sales and contribute them to the Loaves & Fishes Pantry. Specific requests this week include tomato sauce and

tomato paste, but any and all donations help!



**Lenten Challenge:** Pastor and Barbara Dennis once again ask the congregation to join them in bolstering the food pantry at St. Peter's. Two of the Lenten season disciplines are fasting and acts of love. This Lenten season, Pastor and Barbara will shop with an eye on "Buy one, get one free" or "Buy one and get another one at a reduced price." The free or reduced-price item will then be shared with the food bank. In fact, they plan to set aside funds to simply donate "both" items. Will you join us?

March's JustPeace Meeting is on Monday, March 10 at 1:30 pm in the Luther Room.

Due to an increase incidence of flu and Covid, feel free to wear a mask during the service if you like. Do what you need to do to stay healthy.

**Lenten Devotions** are available on the table in the narthex. Please feel free to take one home with you.

**Adult Bible Study:** Jay Tichenor and Stewart Pattison will be holding a four-week class on four Sundays beginning on **March 23** and ending on April 13 (Palm Sunday) starting 15 minutes after worship ends. This class will be held in the Luther Room and will last for one hour. The theme is "Gifts of Aging." There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex so we will know how many plan to attend.

**March Bread for the World:** We will have our Offering of Letters for Bread for the World on **March 23**. See information about domestic and international hunger issues on the table in the narthex.

**Communion:** All are welcome to partake in the Lord's supper. Those not wishing to commune may come forward for a blessing. **Gluten-free bread** is available, just ask. Let an usher know if you'd like to be served at your seat. Wine is red; grape juice is white.

St. Mary of Magdala Church will be celebrating mass during Lent on Thursdays at **10 am** in the St. Mary of Magdala office on the lower level. All are welcome to attend!

St. Peter's Office Hours:		
Tuesday through Thursday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm		
<u>SUNDAY, March 9—Daylight Savings Time Starts</u> 9:30 am Worship / Live Stream, Sanctuary		
12:30 pm 1:00 pm 1:30 pm 6:00 pm	<u>MONDAY, March 10</u> Monomoy Bridge, Fellowship Hall Loaves & Fish Pantry (open until 3:00 pm) JustPeace Meeting, Luther Room Men's AWOL, Luther Room	
8:40 am 9:30 am 11:00 am 12:30 pm 12:30 pm 2:00 pm 3:30 pm 6:00 pm	<u>TUESDAY, March 11</u> Sojourners, Parking Lot Staff Meeting, Conference Room Bell Choir, Sanctuary Esther Circle, Luther Room Monomoy Bridge, Fellowship Hall Choir, Sanctuary Loaves & Fish Pantry (open until 5:00 pm) NAMI Meeting, Luther Room	
12:00 pm 12:30 pm 1:00 pm 4:00 pm 6:30 pm	<u>WEDNESDAY, March 12</u> Lenten Service, Sanctuary Loaves & Fish Pantry (open until 2:30 pm) Kathy's Bridge, Fellowship Hall Y.O.H. Board Meeting, Luther Room Girl Scout Leaders Meeting, Fellowship Hall	
10:00 am 1:00 pm 7:00 pm	THURSDAY, March 13 Pastoral Care Team Meeting, Conference Room Finance Committee Meeting, Conference Room Girl Scouts, Fellowship Hall	
10:00 am 12:30 pm	FRIDAY, March 14 Loaves & Fish (open until 12:00 pm) Monomoy Bridge, Fellowship Hall Dulcimer Festival, Albany, NY	
4:00 pm	<u>SATURDAY, March 15</u> SMMC Worship, Fellowship Hall Dulcimer Festival, Albany, NY	
<u>SUNDAY, March 16—Home Communion Sunday</u> 9:30 am Worship / Live Stream, Sanctuary Dulcimer Festival, Albany, NY		