

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
November 8, 2026
The Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to Worship at Prince of Peace!

As we gather today, our hope is that through this time of hearing and reflecting on God's Word, your faith is strengthened for service in Christ's name. Our mission is to Know Jesus Christ and to Make Him Known.

Communion Statement:
Prince of Peace Lutheran Church is a congregation that is a part of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS) and we adhere to the practice of Closed Communion. What this means is that we believe that God's Word teaches that in the Lord's Supper, Christ's true body and blood are present—in, with, and under the bread and wine—for the forgiveness of sins. Because we care deeply for the spiritual well-being of all who come to the altar, we heed the Scriptures, which warn that those who receive this Sacrament without recognizing Christ's presence receive it to their harm (1 Cor. 11:27–29). Receiving Holy Communion is also a confession of the faith we share (1 Cor. 11:26).

For this reason, those who are not yet instructed, who have questions or doubts, or who belong to a different church body other than the LCMS are kindly asked not to receive Communion at this time. You are welcome to come forward, cross your arms, and receive a blessing. If you have any questions, please speak with Pastor Hinojosa or an elder before or after the service. If you are visiting from another LCMS congregation please seek to introduce yourself to Pastor or an Elder before worship if possible.

Thank you for joining us today as we worship our Lord and Savior.
May you be richly blessed by our Prince of Peace!

For more information visit our webpage

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Sunday Worship: 9:30am | Sunday Bible Study 8:30am
Wednesday Worship and Study 7pm

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Confession and Absolution

Opening Hymn 614 "As Surely as I Live," God Said
1 "As surely as I live," God said, "I would not see the sinner dead.
I want him turned from error's ways, Repentant, living endless days."

2 And so our Lord gave this command: "Go forth and preach in ev'ry land;
Bestow on all My pard'ning grace Who will repent and mend their ways.

3 "All those whose sins you thus remit I truly pardon and acquit,
And those whose sins you will retain Condemned and guilty shall remain.

4 "What you will bind, that bound shall be; What you will loose, that shall be free;
To My dear Church the keys are giv'n To open, close the gates of heav'n."

5 The words which absolution give Are His who died that we might live;
The minister whom Christ has sent Is but His humble instrument.

6 When ministers lay on their hands, Absolved by Christ the sinner stands;
He who by grace the Word believes The purchase of His blood receives.

7 All praise to You, O Christ, shall be For absolution full and free,
In which You show Your richest grace; From false indulgence guard our race.

8 Praise God the Father and the Son And Holy Spirit, Three in One,
As was, is now, and so shall be World without end, eternally!

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

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**
P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,
C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless**

mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Service of the Word

Introit *Psalm 85:1, 7, 9, 11; antiphon: Jeremiah 29:11a, 12*

P I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for wholeness and not for evil.

C **Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you.**

P LORD, you were favorable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

C **Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us your salvation.**

P Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land.

C **Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky.**

Sing:

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

P I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for wholeness and not for evil.

C **Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you.**

Kyrie *LSB 186*

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Gloria in Excelsis *LSB 187*

P Glory be to God on high:

C **and on earth peace, goodwill toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

P Let us pray.
O Lord, absolve Your people from their offenses that from the bonds of our sins, which by reason of our frailty we have brought upon ourselves, we may be delivered by Your bountiful

goodness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading *Proverbs 8:11–22*

11For wisdom is better than jewels, and all that you may desire cannot compare with her. 12"I, wisdom, dwell with prudence, and I find knowledge and discretion. 13The fear of the LORD is hatred of evil. Pride and arrogance and the way of evil and perverted speech I hate. 14I have counsel and sound wisdom; I have insight; I have strength. 15By me kings reign, and rulers decree what is just; 16by me princes rule, and nobles, all who govern justly. 17I love those who love me, and those who seek me diligently find me. 18Riches and honor are with me, enduring wealth and righteousness. 19My fruit is better than gold, even fine gold, and my yield than choice silver. 20I walk in the way of righteousness, in the paths of justice, 21granting an inheritance to those who love me, and filling their treasuries. 22"The LORD possessed me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of old."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual *Psalm 44:7–8*

P You have saved us from our foes and have put to shame those who hate us.

C **In God we have boasted continually, and we will give thanks to your name forever.**

Epistle *Philippians 3:17–21*

17Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. 18For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. 19Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. 20But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, 21who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia *LSB 190*

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

P Alleluia. You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD! He is their help and their shield. Alleluia.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel *Matthew 22:15–22*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

15Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk. 16And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. 17Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" 18But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? 19Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. 20And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" 21They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that

are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." [22]When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

℗ This is the Gospel of the Lord.
℃ **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed
I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate, He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day 611 Chief of Sinners Though I Be
1 Chief of sinners though I be, Jesus shed His blood for me,
Died that I might live on high, Lives that I might never die.
As the branch is to the vine, I am His, and He is mine.

2 Oh, the height of Jesus' love, Higher than the heav'ns above,
Deeper than the depths of sea, Lasting as eternity!
Love that found me—wondrous thought! Found me when I sought Him not.

3 Only Jesus can impart Balm to heal the wounded heart,
Peace that flows from sin forgiv'n, Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n,
Faith and hope to walk with God In the way that Enoch trod.

4 Chief of sinners though I be, Christ is all in all to me;
All my wants to Him are known, All my sorrows are His own.
He sustains the hidden life Safe with Him from earthly strife.

5 O my Savior, help afford By Your Spirit and Your Word!
When my wayward heart would stray, Keep me in the narrow way;
Grace in time of need supply While I live and when I die.

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Sermon

Offertory *LSB 192*
Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Offering

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

Preface *LSB 194*

P The Lord be with you.
C **And with thy spirit.**

P Lift up your hearts.
C **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
C **It is meet and right so to do.**

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus *LSB 195*

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Lord's Prayer *LSB 196*

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.

The Words of Our Lord *LSB 197*

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✢ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✢ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini *LSB 197*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **Amen.**

Agnus Dei *LSB 198*

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Please Sit

Distribution Hymns

596 All Christians Who Have Been Baptized

1 All Christians who have been baptized,
Who know the God of heaven,
And in whose daily life is prized
The name of Christ once given:
Consider now what God has done,
The gifts He gives to ev'ryone
Baptized into Christ Jesus!

2 You were before your day of birth,
Indeed, from your conception,
Condemned and lost with all the earth,
None good, without exception.
For like your parents' flesh and blood,
Turned inward from the highest good,
You constantly denied Him.

3 But all of that was washed away—
Immersed and drowned forever.
The water of your Baptism day
Restored again whatever
Old Adam and his sin destroyed
And all our sinful selves employed
According to our nature.

4 In Baptism we now put on Christ—
Our shame is fully covered
With all that He once sacrificed
And freely for us suffered.
For here the flood of His own blood
Now makes us holy, right, and good
Before our heav'nly Father.

5 O Christian, firmly hold this gift
And give God thanks forever!
It gives the power to uplift
In all that you endeavor.
When nothing else revives your soul,
Your Baptism stands and makes you whole
And then in death completes you.

6 So use it well! You are made new—
In Christ a new creation!
As faithful Christians, live and do
Within your own vocation,
Until that day when you possess

His glorious robe of righteousness
Bestowed on you forever!

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632 O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee

1 O Jesus, blessèd Lord, to Thee
My heartfelt thanks forever be,
Who hast so lovingly bestowed
On me Thy body and Thy blood.

2 Break forth, my soul, for joy and say:
What wealth is come to me this day!
My Savior dwells within my heart:
How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

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Nunc Dimittis *LSB 199*

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Thanksgiving *LSB 200*

A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C **and His mercy endureth forever.**

A Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.**

P The Lord be with you.
C **And with thy spirit.**

Benedicamus *LSB 202*

A Bless we the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Benediction *LSB 202*

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✢ give you peace.
C **Amen, amen, amen.**

Closing Hymn 661 The Son of God Goes Forth to War

1 The Son of God goes forth to war
A kingly crown to gain.
His blood-red banner streams afar;

Who follows in His train?
Who best can drink His cup of woe,
Triumphant over pain,
Who patient bears his cross below—
He follows in His train.

2 The martyr first, whose eagle eye
Could pierce beyond the grave,
Who saw his master in the sky
And called on Him to save.
Like Him, with pardon on His tongue
In midst of mortal pain,
He prayed for those who did the wrong—
Who follows in his train?

3 A glorious band, the chosen few,
On whom the Spirit came,
Twelve valiant saints—their hope they knew
And mocked the cross and flame.
They met the tyrant's brandished steel,
The lion's gory mane;
They bowed their necks their death to feel—
Who follows in their train?

4 A noble army, men and boys,
The matron and the maid,
Around the Savior's throne rejoice,
In robes of light arrayed.
They climbed the steep ascent of heav'n
Through peril, toil, and pain.
O God, to us may grace be giv'n
To follow in their train!

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Peace Notes

A special thank you to Seminarian, Joseph Moore, as he joins us for worship today. There is a free will offering accepted and all monies collected will go to support Joseph on his journey to finish his studies. Please keep him and all our seminary students in your prayers.

Our Next Voters' Meeting is today immediately following worship! Please make it a plan to join us. Children will still have Sunday School.

Next Sunday, Operation Christmas Child rolls into action with packing the shoeboxes. Pray as you go for each step of this operation and for the many hands needed to use this opportunity to deliver the Gospel to children around the world. Donations of $10 per box are needed for the Gospel training//materials and shipping/handling. OCC Envelopes are available at by the Welcome Center or can be designated through your giving at PoP. Questions, ask Elaine Echols.

Our next Little Disciples get together will be on November 9 at 9:30am here at Prince of Peace. Talk with Pastor Hinojosa if you have any questions or would like more information about this group!

CEF Ministry Partner Bonus Grant Open NOW! – Church Extension Fund is celebrating 125 years of Building God's Kingdom! To celebrate they are offering a Ministry Partner Bonus Grant for new CEF notes open now through June 2027. Your investment at CEF earns Prince of Peace a $125 Bonus Grant—because when you invest at CEF, you're not just helping your church, you're connecting your ministry to CEF's mission! This offer includes new notes of $1,000 or more, 24-60 month term. One bonus grant per investor household. Check out more details/terms and conditions on the CEF website here https://churchextensionfund.com/ for current CEF interest rates.

Lynne Bauer address update. After a brief hospital stay, Lynne is back at her rehab facility. If you would like to send her a card or letter of well wishes her updated address is here: Brookside Rehabilitation, 21450 Archwood Circle, Farmington Hills, MI 48336. Please continue to keep her in your prayers!

Our next movie night is getting us in the Christmas Spirit! Join us on Friday, December 4 for the 1948 Best Picture, Oscar winning film *The Bishop's Wife*. Come for this classic movie and a free dinner and spend a great evening with us.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today
Bible Study 8:30am
Worship at 9:30am
Sunday School 11am
Voters' Meeting today!

Monday. November 9
Little Disciples 9:30am
Elder mtg 7pm

Tuesday, November 10
Prayer Team 7:15 pm
NA meeting 7:30 pm

Wednesday, November 11
Worship & Study 7pm

Friday, November 13
NA Meeting 11 a.m
AA Meeting 8pm

Sunday, November 15
Bible Study 8:30am
Worship at 9:30am
Sunday School 11am
OCC Shoebox packing

COMING UP

Sunday. November 15
OCC Shoebox Packing

Monday. November 16
Family of God 5:15pm

Friday, November 20
Movie Night 5pm

Wednesday, November 26
Thanksgiving Eve
worship at noon

Immediate Prayer concerns:

- For Lynne Bauer as she continues her cancer treatment and rehab.
- For God's blessings on the marriage of Alex and Juliana as they begin their life together.
- For God's healing on Sue Behrendt recovering from neck surgery and pain management
- For God to bless the opportunity to share the Gospel through a shoebox and packing next Sunday
- For God's guidance & direction at the Voters' meeting and thankfulness for our PoP family and many volunteers!
- For seminary students and their families
- For the health concerns of our members: Dennis Coffey, Mike Hodgins, Rachel Svoke, and Barbara Moore.

Pray for our Homebound members:

- Gail Fisher
- Nancy Heiss
- Cathy Schroeder
- Dave DeBello

Readings for the Week

8 Nov: Jer 20:1–18; Matt 24:29–51
9 Nov: Jer 22:1–23; Matt 25:1–13
10 Nov: Jer 23:1–20; Matt 25:14–30
11 Nov: Jer 23:21–40; Matt 25:31–46
12 Nov: Jer 25:1–18; Matt 26:1–19
13 Nov: Jer 26:1–19; Matt 26:20–35
14 Nov: Jer 29:1–19; Matt 26:36–56
15 Nov: Jer 30:1–24; Matt 26:57–75

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Faith Focus this Week

Matthew 22.20-21

20 And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" 21 They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's."

Catechism Memorization: The Lord's Prayer – The Seventh Petition

Hymn of the Month: *661 The Son of God Goes Forth to War*

Service Schedule

	8-November	15-November	22-November
	9:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.
ELDER	Doug Butler	Charley Staab	Dick Walker
GREETER	Sharon & Ed Kaiser	Sharon & Ed Kaiser	Susan & Kurt Vaaler
VIDEO OPERATOR	Ed Kaiser	Chris Moses	Jesse Brindle
TELLERS	Doug Butler Dick Walker	JoAnn Lind	Sharon Moses
USHERS	Jesse Brindle Greg Echols Charley Staab	Mark Wells Dick Walker	Kurt Vaaler Greg Echols Jesse Brindle