



Prince of Peace Lutheran Church  
January 21, 2024  
Third Sunday after the Epiphany

# Welcome to worship at Prince of Peace!

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Church Office Hours: M-F 8a.m.-4pm

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.

We pray that you will feel comfortable and at home during your worship experience. If you are here for the first time, please stop by our Welcome Center in the narthex. There you will find information about the church and ministry activities. Please fill out the welcome book located in the welcome center, so we may acknowledge your visit with us.

The Bible teaches that the Lord's Supper is an important part of Christian worship. At Prince of Peace, we practice "Communion Fellowship" which means that those communing at the altar have the following four beliefs in common.

1. I am baptized in the name of the Triune God - Matthew 28:19
2. I am a sinner and seek God's forgiveness through Christ.-1 Corinthians 11:29
3. I recognize the real presence of Christ in the bread and wine.-1 Corinthians 11:29
4. I have a desire to live a God-pleasing life.-1 Thessalonians 4:12

If you are a first time visitor, please speak with the Pastor or Elder prior to communing. White grape juice is available in the center of the tray for those who desire it. *We request that those who join us in worship after the confession and absolution refrain from coming to the Lord's Supper until they have had opportunity to examine themselves. Please see pastor after service and he will commune you.*

To limit contact, our offering envelopes are available as you enter the sanctuary and may be left in the plate. We appreciate your support.

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

**Worship Today - 9:30 a.m.**

## **As We Gather**

Welcome to Life Sunday 2024

**"For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them".**

Ephesians 2:10:

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**Just As . . . I AM**

**Opening Hymn 790 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation!

Let all who hear Now to His temple draw near, Joining in glad adoration!

2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning  
And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.

Have you not seen All that is needful has been  
Sent by His gracious ordaining?

3 Praise to the Lord, who has fearfully, wondrously, made you,  
Health has bestowed and, when heedlessly falling, has stayed you.

What need or grief Ever has failed of relief?  
Wings of His mercy did shade you.

4 Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;  
Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.

Ponder anew What the Almighty can do  
As with His love He befriends you.

5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!

All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!

Let the Amen Sound from His people again; Gladly forever adore Him!

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–80; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt. Text: Public domain

**Invocation**

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

**C** Amen.

**Confession and Absolution**

**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.

**P** Almighty God, Maker and Father,

**C** You despise nothing You have made, and You desire not the death of sinners. We confess that we have abused Your blessings, neglected our neighbors, and served only ourselves. Our sin, within and without, known and unknown, has made us and our world unrighteous altogether. Mercifully turn us from temptation and transgression to lament our frailties, repent our failures, and amend our behavior. Graciously take away our guilt and punishment for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Substitute and Advocate. Grant that His atonement for in-

**iquity and dominion over death reconcile us in holy faithfulness to You and humble fellowship with one another. 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 forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

**Introit** *Psalm 8:1-9*

**P** O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

**C** **You have set your glory above the heavens.**

**P** Out of the mouth of babies and infants, you have established strength because of your foes,

**C** **to still the enemy and the avenger.**

**P** When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,

**C** **the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,**

**P** what is man that you are mindful of him,

**C** **and the son of man that you care for him?**

**P** Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings

**C** **and crowned him with glory and honor.**

**P** You have given him dominion over the works of your hands;

**C** **you have put all things under his feet,**

**P** all sheep and oxen,

**C** **and also the beasts of the field,**

**P** the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea,

**C** **whatever passes along the paths of the seas.**

**P** O LORD, our Lord,

**C** **how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

**All:** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**Hymn of Praise. 543 What Wondrous Love Is This**

1 What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this That caused the Lord of bliss  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

2 When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,  
When I was sinking down, sinking down,

When I was sinking down Beneath God's righteous frown,  
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,  
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.

3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;  
To God and to the Lamb I will sing;  
To God and to the Lamb, Who is the great I AM,  
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,  
While millions join the theme, I will sing.

4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing His love for me,  
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
And through eternity I'll sing on.

Text: A General Selection of . . . Hymns and Spiritual Songs, 1811, Lynchburg, alt.  
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## Collect

**P** O Lord, You have wondrously created us and all else for Yourself and for life everlasting. In the coming of Your Son, You have redeemed our race and united humankind to Your own immortality. As Your Holy Spirit continues to call and lay claim to body and soul, grant us every one to be made now and ever more like the image of Him who made Himself like us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the same Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Old Testament *Genesis 9:1–15*

**A** A reading from the book of Genesis, chapter nine.

<sup>1</sup>And God blessed Noah and his sons and said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth. <sup>2</sup>The fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth and upon every bird of the heavens, upon everything that creeps on the ground and all the fish of the sea. Into your hand they are delivered. <sup>3</sup>Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you. And as I gave you the green plants, I give you everything. <sup>4</sup>But you shall not eat flesh with its life, that is, its blood. <sup>5</sup>And for your lifeblood I will require a reckoning: from every beast I will require it and from man. From his fellow man I will require a reckoning for the life of man. <sup>6</sup>“Whoever sheds the blood of man, by man shall his blood be shed, for God made man in his own image. <sup>7</sup>And you, be fruitful and multiply, teem on the earth and multiply in it.” <sup>8</sup>Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, <sup>9</sup>“Behold, I establish my covenant with you and your offspring after you, <sup>10</sup>and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the livestock, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark; it is for every beast of the earth. <sup>11</sup>I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” <sup>12</sup>And God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: <sup>13</sup>I have set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. <sup>14</sup>When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, <sup>15</sup>I will re-

member my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**Epistle** *Ephesians 2:1–10*

**A** A reading from the book of Ephesians, chapter two.

<sup>1</sup>And you were dead in the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup>in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— <sup>3</sup>among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. <sup>4</sup>But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, <sup>5</sup>even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— <sup>6</sup>and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup>so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, <sup>9</sup>not a result of works, so that no one may boast. <sup>10</sup>For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**Holy Gospel** *John 14:12–20*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>12</sup>“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father.

<sup>13</sup>Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup>If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.

<sup>15</sup>“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, <sup>17</sup>even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

<sup>18</sup>“I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. <sup>19</sup>Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live.

<sup>20</sup>In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **Apostles Creed**

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

And 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.

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. Amen.

## **Hymn of the Day 570 Just as I Am, without One Plea**

1 Just as I am, without one plea But that Thy blood was shed for me  
And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

2 Just as I am and waiting not To rid my soul of one dark blot,  
To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

3 Just as I am, though tossed about With many\_a conflict, many\_a doubt,  
Fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

4 Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; Sight, riches, healing of the mind,  
Yea, all I need, in Thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

5 Just as I am, Thou wilt receive, Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;  
Because Thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6 Just as I am; Thy love unknown Has broken ev'ry barrier down;  
Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Text: Charlotte Elliott, 1789–1871  
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## **Sermon**

### **Offering 832 Jesus Shall Reign**

1 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun Does its successive journeys run;  
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

2 To Him shall endless prayer be made, And endless praises crown His head;  
His name like sweet perfume shall rise With ev'ry morning sacrifice.

5 Let ev'ry creature rise and bring Honors peculiar to our King;  
Angels descend with songs again, And earth repeat the loud amen.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt. Text: Public domain

## **Prayer of the Church**

**☩** hear our prayer.

## **Preface**

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** **And also with you.**  
**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** **We lift them to the Lord.**  
**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

## **Proper Preface**

- P** It is truly good, ...

## **Sanctus**

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

- P** Blessed are You, ...

## **The Words of Our Lord**

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, ...

## **Proclamation of Christ**

- P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.  
**C** **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**  
**P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## **Lord's Prayer**

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.

## **Pax Domini**

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



## **Agnus Dei**

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world; grant us peace.

## **Distribution Hymns**

### **725 Children of the Heavenly Father**

1 Children of the heav'nly Father Safely in His bosom gather;  
Nestling bird nor star in heaven Such a refuge e'er was given.

2 God His own doth tend and nourish; In His holy courts they flourish.  
From all evil things He spares them; In His mighty arms He bears them.

3 Neither life nor death shall ever From the Lord His children sever;  
Unto them His grace He showeth, And their sorrows all He knoweth.

4 Though He giveth or He taketh, God His children ne'er forsaketh;  
His the loving purpose solely To preserve them pure and holy.

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832–1903; tr. Ernst W. Olson, 1870–1958 Text: Public domain

### **744 Amazing Grace** *sts. 1–5*

1 Amazing grace—how sweet the sound—That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost but now am found, Was blind but now I see!

2 The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.

3 Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come;  
His grace has brought me safe thus far, His grace will lead me home.

4 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail And mortal life shall cease,  
Amazing grace shall then prevail In heaven's joy and peace.

5 When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we'd first begun.

Text (sts. 1–4): John Newton, 1725–1807, alt.; (st. 5): A Collection of Sacred Ballads, 1790, Richmond  
Text: Public domain

## Post-Communion Collect

**P** 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.

## Benediction

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

**C** Amen.

## Sending Hymn 740 I Am Jesus' Little Lamb

1 I am Jesus' little lamb, Ever glad at heart I am;  
For my Shepherd gently guides me, Knows my need and well provides me,  
Loves me ev'ry day the same, Even calls me by my name.

2 Day by day, at home, away, Jesus is my staff and stay.  
When I hunger, Jesus feeds me, Into pleasant pastures leads me;  
When I thirst, He bids me go Where the quiet waters flow.

3 Who so happy as I am, Even now the Shepherd's lamb?  
And when my short life is ended, By His angel host attended,  
He shall fold me to His breast, There within His arms to rest.

Text: Henrietta L. von Hayn, 1724–82; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941  
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# Peace Notes

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**Movie Night for the new year!** Come out and join us for pizza dinner and a great film. This month we will be watching Elsa and Fred. The movie is the story of a withdrawn man who experiences life in new ways when he begins spending time with the free-spirited woman who lives across the hall. Starring Oscar winners, Shirley MacLaine and Christopher Plummer it is sure to be a wonderful time.

Our Sunday mornings are in **need of some additional Readers!** If you would be willing and able to serve as a reader please let pastor know. Verses are sent out via email beforehand allowing you time if you like to practice and the more people we have the less your commitment!

**Super Bowl Sunday is coming up!** That means it is time to add our annual Super Bowl Party and chili cook off to your calendar!! Join us on Sunday, February 11 starting at 5:30pm right here in our Community Center to watch all the action on the big screen! While you watch, feast on delicious varieties of chili! Last year we had all kinds of samplings- spicy, mild, desert, chicken, venison, beef... Who knows what culinary masterpieces will be served this year! All interested chili chefs, chili enthusiasts and football fans are welcome to participate! Admission tickets of \$5 per person and chili entry forms are available in the Narthex. Come cheer some great football and bring an empty stomach!

Did you know....you **can make your donations to church online?** You can set up reoccurring donations through the church office or you can make a one time donation through our web page. If you would like to set up or update your re-occurring Electronic Fund Transfer for the new year, call the church office Thank you for your support

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

### Today

Bible Study 8:30 am  
Worship at 9:30am

### Tuesday, January 23

Prayer Team 7:15pm  
NA meeting 7:30 p.m.

### Wednesday, January 24

Bible Study at noon

### Thursday, January 25

Bible Study 7pm

### Friday, January 26

NA meeting 11 a.m.  
Movie Night 5pm  
AA Meeting 8 p.m.

### Saturday, January 27

Women's Bible study 10am

### Sunday, January 28

Bible Study 8:30 am  
Worship at 9:30am

## COMING UP

### Friday, January 26

Movie Night 5pm

### Saturday, January 27

Women's Bible study 10am

### Sunday, February 11

Super Bowl Party 5:30pm

### Wednesday, February 14

Ash Wednesday

## Keep in Prayer this week

*Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servants to health once more. Please remember to keep in prayer...*

- ✠ For resolution to conflict and peace in the areas of the Middle East, Ukraine and all war-torn nations in the world.
- ✠ For Another Way Pregnancy Center and all those organizations who support mothers, fathers and babies!
- ✠ For the health concerns of: Gloria Vaaler, Gail Fisher, Walter Pulter, Hannah Tilking, Helen Nye, Janet Farrell and Melody Rinn, Barb Dunigan, Florin Zaha. David Collins, Larry Geiger, Mari Clifford, Dave Gooding, Rachel Svoke, Scott Elliott and Dennis Coffey


## Love One Another as I Have Loved You . . .



In John 15:12, Jesus says, “This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.” Loving and caring for one another is not just the pastor’s job—it’s something Jesus calls us all to do! Stephen Ministry is a ministry in which people with special gifts for caring ministry can put those gifts to use in an organized way, bringing Jesus’ love and care to those who most need it.

If you, or someone you know, is going through a difficult time, contact our Stephen Leader about Stephen Ministry. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to provide focused, confidential, one-to-one Christian care—to help that person experience the healing power of Christ’s love. Call our confidential line at (248) 553-3380 ext. 9 and our Stephen Minister will return your call promptly.

## Upcoming Service Schedule

	Ministry Service Schedule		
	21-January	28-January	4-February
	9:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.
ELDERS	Mike Beyersdorf	Charley Staab	Dick Walker
READER	Helen Nye	Susan Vaaler	Ron Donoghue
GREETER	Barb & Ron Donoghue	Ed & Sharon Kaiser	Susan & Kurt Vaaler
VIDEO OPERATOR	Ron Donoghue	Chris Moses	Barb Donoghue
TELLERS	Barbara Moore	JoAnn Lind	Sharon Moses
	Rachel Svoke	Mike Hodgins	Irene Rothschild
USHERS	Volunteer today!	Volunteer today!	Ed Kaiser
	Volunteer today!	Volunteer today!	John Blair