

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
February 25, 2024
Second Sunday in Lent

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

People in Jesus' day had a variety of understanding about what it meant to be Messiah. Jesus' followers often misunderstood his mission and his ministry. In our Gospel reading today, Jesus instructs us about his purpose and his plan for salvation. We are blessed to be forgiven and restored through the cross and empty tomb.

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With Purpose, On Purpose

Opening Hymn 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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Confession and Absolution

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.

P Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit *Psalm 115:11–13, 18; antiphon: Psalm 25:6*

P Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

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

P The LORD has remembered us; he will bless us; he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of Aaron;

C **he will bless those who fear the LORD, both the small and the great.**

P We will bless the LORD from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the LORD!

C **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.**

P Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

Kyrie *LSB 186*

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

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

P Let us pray.

O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and

from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; 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 *Genesis 17:1–7, 15–16*

A A reading from the book of Genesis, chapter seventeen.

¹When Abram was ninety-nine years old the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless, ²that I may make my covenant between me and you, and may multiply you greatly.” ³Then Abram fell on his face. And God said to him, ⁴“Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make you into nations, and kings shall come from you. ⁷And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. . . .

¹⁵And God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I will bless her, and moreover, I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall become nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle *Romans 5:1–11*

A A reading from the book of Romans, chapter five.

¹Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—⁸but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much

more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. ¹¹More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Holy Gospel *Mark 8:27–38*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the eighth chapter.

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

²⁷And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” ²⁸And they told him, “John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets.”

²⁹And he asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Christ.” ³⁰And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him.

³¹And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.”

³⁴And he called to him the crowd with his disciples and said to them, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.

³⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel’s will save it. ³⁶For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? ³⁷For what can a man give in return for his life? ³⁸For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **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 685 Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus

1 Let us ever walk with Jesus, Follow His example pure,
Through a world that would deceive us And to sin our spirits lure.
Onward in His footsteps treading, Pilgrims here, our home above,
Full of faith and hope and love, Let us do the Father's bidding.
Faithful Lord, with me abide; I shall follow where You guide.

2 Let us suffer here with Jesus And with patience bear our cross.
Joy will follow all our sadness; Where He is, there is no loss.
Though today we sow no laughter, We shall reap celestial joy;
All discomforts that annoy Shall give way to mirth hereafter.
Jesus, here I share Your woe; Help me there Your joy to know.

3 Let us gladly die with Jesus. Since by death He conquered death,
He will free us from destruction, Give to us immortal breath.
Let us mortify all passion That would lead us into sin;
And the grave that shuts us in Shall but prove the gate to heaven.
Jesus, here with You I die, There to live with You on high.

4 Let us also live with Jesus. He has risen from the dead
That to life we may awaken. Jesus, You are now our head.
We are Your own living members; Where You live, there we shall be
In Your presence constantly, Living there with You forever.
Jesus, let me faithful be, Life eternal grant to me.

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Sermon

Offering / 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.

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 overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. 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.

Distribution Hymns

425 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

1 When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss And pour contempt on all my pride.

2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the death of Christ, my God;
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.

3 See, from His head, His hands, His feet Sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

4 Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a tribute far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all!

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423 Jesus, Refuge of the Weary

1 Jesus, refuge of the weary, Blest Redeemer, whom we love,
Fountain in life's desert dreary, Savior from the world above:
Often have Your eyes, offended, Gazed upon the sinner's fall;
Yet upon the cross extended, You have borne the pain of all.

2 Do we pass that cross unheeding, Breathing no repentant vow,
Though we see You wounded, bleeding, See Your thorn-encircled brow?
Yet Your sinless death has brought us Life eternal, peace, and rest;
Only what Your grace has taught us Calms the sinner's deep distress.

3 Jesus, may our hearts be burning With more fervent love for You;
May our eyes be ever turning To behold Your cross anew
Till in glory, parted never From the blessed Savior's side,
Graven in our hearts forever, Dwell the cross, the Crucified.

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Thanksgiving *LSB 200*

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

P 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*

P 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 763 When Peace, like a River

1 When peace, like a river, attendeth my way; When sorrows, like sea billows, roll; Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul. Refrain

Refrain: It is well (It is well) with my soul, (with my soul),
It is well, it is well with my soul.

2 Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, Let this blest assurance control, That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate And hath shed His own blood for my soul. Refrain

3 He lives—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought; My sin, not in part, but the whole, Is nailed to His cross, and I bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! Refrain

4 And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll, The trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend; Even so it is well with my soul. Refrain

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Peace Notes

Join us on Wednesday's during the season of Lent Worship here at 7pm or you can attend worship at Christ Our Savior in Livonia as they host a midday service at 12 noon, with a lunch following.

Shadow of the Cross is offering delicious **Fish Fry Dinners for Lent!** Place your orders, or join them in person, on Friday evenings March 1 and March 15th from 5-8 pm. Dinners are only \$13 and include fried Whiting or Catfish, Cole Slaw, Spaghetti (meatless options available), Bread and Cake. Call the Shadow of the Cross church office at 248-474-0675 9:30 am to 1:30pm with any questions or to place an advance order. Shadow of the Cross Lutheran Church is located at 20805 Middlebelt Rd, Farmington Hills, MI.

Tea Anyone? Grab your best hat and join our friends at Christ Our Savior (14175 Farmington Rd. in Livonia) for a special **Tea Party on Saturday, March 2 at 3pm**. This event is being held to support their 10 member mission trip team who are heading to South Africa this April. The cost for the tea party is \$25 for adults and \$12.50 for children ages 10-17 with all proceeds benefiting the mission team. Join them for some delicious tea and sweets and hear all about this exciting trip! See the flyer on the narthex bulletin board for more information.

Easter Sunday will be here soon! Please keep a look out for the Lily Order envelopes next Sunday! Cost is only \$7 per plant and will be available for you to take home following Easter worship on March 31. Be sure to bring your check or cash next Sunday and March 10th.

HOP ON DOWN THE BUNNY TRAIL to our Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 30, at 10 a.m. for ages 3-11. There will be games and crafts also. We will be hiding 200 eggs and are requesting members to help with monetary donations, individually wrapped Easter candy, and small toys that can be placed in the trunk in the narthex. We also need volunteers to help set up on Friday and for the event. There is a sign-up sheet on the narthex bulletin board. Please invite your children, grandchildren, friends, and neighbors to join the fun. Fliers are at the welcome center in the narthex. Thank you.

Ticket are available now for the annual Another Way Pregnancy Center Laugh4Hope event! Join in the laughter on April 19th at 7pm at Ward Church in Northville. Go to awpcfriends.org/events to get your tickets today!

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today

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

Tuesday, February 27

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

Wednesday, February 28

Worship at 7pm

Friday, March 1

NA meeting 11 a.m.
AA Meeting 8 p.m.

Sunday, March 3

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

COMING UP

Monday, March 4

Board meeting 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 6

Worship at 7pm

Saturday, March 9

Women's Study 10am

Monday, March 11

Elder meeting 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 24

Palm Sunday!

Worship at 9:30 am
With breakfast following.

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 the students, faculty and the leadership of Concordia University in Ann Arbor.
- ✝ For Barb Pattinson as she recovers from eye surgery
- ✝ For those suffering with addiction as well as those in recovery. For God's peace and strength to help carry them through this challenging disease.
- ✝ For the health concerns of: Gloria Vaaler, Gail Fisher, Walter Pulter, Hannah Tilking, Helen Nye, Janet Farrell and Melody Rinn, Barb Dunigan, Rachel Svoke 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

Altar server for the month of February is Barb Donoghue

	Ministry Service Schedule					
	25-February		3-March		10-March	
	9:30 a.m.		9:30 a.m.		9:30 a.m.	
ELDERS	Dick Walker		Charley Staab		Mike Beyersdorf	
READER	Susan Vaaler		Ron Donoghue		Karen Turgeon	
GREETER	Marabeth Warnke		Ron & Barb Donoghue		Ed & Sharon Kaiser	
VIDEO OPERATOR	Chris Moses		Barb Donoghue		Ed Kaiser	
TELLERS	JoAnn Lind		Sharon Moses		Doug Butler	
	Mike Hodgins		Irene Rothschild		Ron Donoghue	
USHERS	Volunteer Today!	Dick Walker	Ed Kaiser	Volunteer today	Volunteer today	Volunteer today
	Volunteer Today!	Volunteer today	Volunteer today	Matthew DeBello	Volunteer today	Volunteer today