

For *God*  
so loved the world,  
that he gave  
his only son,  
that whoever  
believes in *him*  
should not perish  
but have *eternal life*.

John 3:16

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church  
March 10, 2024  
Fourth Sunday in Lent

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

# 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.

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**

The world has many definitions for love. God's Word shows us true love, that Jesus came into our world to save sinners. We gather in praise and thanksgiving of a God who loved us so much that he sent His Son! To Him be all praise and glory.

**March 10, 2024**  
**Fourth Sunday in Lent**  
**Genuine Love**

**Preservice Music**

**Opening Hymn 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.

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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** 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 27:3–5; antiphon: v. 1*

**P** The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

**C** **Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.**

**P** One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple.

**C** **For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.**

**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** The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

**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.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; 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 *Numbers 21:4–9*

**A** A reading from the book of Numbers chapter twenty-one.

<sup>4</sup>From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. <sup>5</sup>And the people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food.” <sup>6</sup>Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. <sup>7</sup>And the people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. <sup>8</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.” <sup>9</sup>So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

**A** 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.**

**Anthem** “Jesus Paid it All” - *Jason Krug*, Christ Our Savior Handbell Choir

## **Holy Gospel** *John 3:14–21*

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

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

<sup>14</sup>[Jesus said:] “As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup>For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. <sup>18</sup>Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. <sup>19</sup>And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their deeds were evil.

<sup>20</sup>For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. <sup>21</sup>But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his deeds have been carried out in God.”

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

**G** **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 571 God Loved the World So That He Gave**

1 God loved the world so that He gave His only Son the lost to save,  
That all who would in Him believe Should everlasting life receive.

2 Christ Jesus is the ground of faith, Who was made flesh and suffered death;  
All then who trust in Him alone Are built on this chief cornerstone.

3 God would not have the sinner die; His Son with saving grace is nigh;  
His Spirit in the Word declares How we in Christ are heaven's heirs.

4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son Forgives all sins which you have done;  
And, justified by Jesus' blood, Your Baptism grants the highest good.

5 If you are sick, if death is near, This truth your troubled heart can cheer:  
Christ Jesus saves your soul from death; That is the firmest ground of faith.

6 Glory to God the Father, Son, And Holy Spirit, Three in One!  
To You, O blessed Trinity, Be praise now and eternally!

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## Sermon

## Offering

**Anthem** “*O Christ, Thou Lamb of God*”—Arr. Almon Bock,  
Christ Our Savior Handbell Choir

## 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 for-  
give 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 re-  
membrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had giv-  
en 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**

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"—arr. Ronald Kaufmann  
Christ Our Savior Handbell Choir



## 588 Jesus Loves Me *sts. 1, ref, 2*

1 Jesus loves me! This I know, For the Bible tells me so.

Little ones to Him belong; They are weak, but He is strong. Refrain

Refrain: Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

2 Jesus loves me! He who died Heaven's gates to open wide.

He has washed away my sin, Lets His little child come in. Refrain

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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*

**P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

**C** and His mercy endureth forever.

**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.

**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.

## Sending Hymn 422 On My Heart Imprint Your Image

1 On my heart imprint Your image, Blessèd Jesus, King of grace,  
That life's riches, cares, and pleasures Never may Your work erase;  
Let the clear inscription be: Jesus, crucified for me,  
Is my life, my hope's foundation, And my glory and salvation!

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# Peace Notes

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**Be sure to join us on Palm Sunday** as we will be having a delicious breakfast immediately following worship in our narthex area. Sunday, March 24. Begin Holy week with a full belly and wonderful fellowship!

**One more week to order Lilies!** - Place your Easter Lily Order in the box today. Cost is only \$7 per plant and will be available for you to take home following Easter worship on March 31.

**HOP ON DOWN THE BUNNY TRAIL** to our Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 30, at 10 a.m. for ages 3-11. Can you help? We are asking for members to help with monetary donations, individually wrapped Easter candy, and small toys. Sign up today in the narthex to help set up (Friday) or hunt day (Saturday). Take a flyer and invite your children, grandchildren, friends, and neighbors to join the fun.

**An Exciting Forever Young event on Thursday, March 21.** Tom Schroeder, Music Director at Christ Our Savior, will entertain with a special Power of Hymns presentation. Learn something you didn't know about the beautiful hymns we sing in church! Then afterwards, let your voices sound out in powerful praise to God! The event is at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church in Livonia and will begin with lunch at noon (\$15 per person) followed by the presentation at 1 p.m. Sign-up by contacting the organizers Barb Karowich (734-480-1644) or Linda Waara (734-245-5733). See the flyer on the bulletin board in the narthex

**Christ Our Savior South Africa Mission Trip** - The 10 person group from Christ Our Savior is planning a mission trip to South Africa at the end of April and YOU can HELP! They have been asked to switch gears and instead of providing water filtration systems they will be hosting one of M.O.S.T. ministries vision clinics. CoS has asked if we might be able to help by collecting eyeglasses for them to take on this mission. MOST ministries uses these eyeglasses (reading, single lens, and sunglasses) to distribute to communities. They CANNOT use bifocals, but if the frame is good, then MOST has the equipment to grind new lenses to insert into these frames to pass out to those in need! What a wonderful and simple way for us to help and support our friends at CoS! Please be sure to drop off your old eyeglasses in the basket located in the church office! We will be sure to send them along to the CoS group!

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

### Today

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

### Monday, March 11

Elder meeting 7:30 p.m.

### Tuesday, March 12

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

### Wednesday, March 13

Worship at 7pm

### Thursday, March 14

Bible Study 7pm

### Friday, March 15

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

### Saturday, March 16

ESL Conversation 9:30am  
ESL Study 10:45am  
Work Morning 8am

### Sunday, March 17

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

## COMING UP

### Monday, March 18

Family of God 5:15pm

### 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 friends and family of Brian Aho who passed away this week
- ✠ For friends and family of Hannah Tilking who passed away this week.
- ✠ For the health concerns of Pat Geisinger
- ✠ For college students, especially those on our PoP college ministry list, as we enter into spring break season.
- ✠ For the health concerns of: Gloria Vaaler, Gail Fisher, Walter Pulter, 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 March is Lynne Bauer*

	Ministry Service Schedule					
	10-March		17-March		24-March	
	9:30 a.m.		9:30 a.m.		9:30 a.m.	
ELDERS	Mike Beyersdorf		Dick Walker		Greg Echols	
READER	Karen Turgeon		Helen Nye		Susan Vaaler	
GREETER	Ed & Sharon Kaiser		Elaine Echols		Susan & Kurt Vaaler	
VIDEO OPERATOR	Ed Kaiser		Ron Donoghue		Chris Moses	
TELLERS	Doug Butler		Barbara Moore		JoAnn Lind	
	Ron Donoghue		Rachel Svoke		Mike Hodgins	
USHERS	Volunteer today Volunteer today	Volunteer today Volunteer today	Volunteer today Volunteer today	Volunteer today Volunteer today	Ed Kaiser Volunteer today!	Dick Walker Volunteer today