

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church April 7, 2024 Second Sunday of Easter

Welcome to worship at Prince of Peace!

Pastor, Rev. Dr. Mark Schumm Music Director, Karen Turgeon Office Manager, Laura Dygert 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

Easter made a difference in the lives of so many people! In the core community of believers, it wasn't a matter of something to believe but how to make a difference in the way a person lived. The other disciples had let Thomas stay with them until Jesus reappeared. It must have been a tense time, but uniquely bearable because they had met their Lord, alive. That change, the difference that Easter made, wasn't limited to the apostles; the entire group shared all they had, living testimony of Jesus' presence with them. How will you be different after hearing this great Good News?

April 7, 2024 Second Sunday of Easter *Easter People- Common Faith*

Confession and Absolution

Opening Hymn 470 O Sons and Daughters of the King vs 1-7 1 O sons and daughters of the King, Whom heav'nly hosts in glory sing, Today the grave has lost its sting! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2 That Easter morn, at break of day, The faithful women went their way To seek the tomb where Jesus lay. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

3 An angel clad in white they see, Who sits and speaks unto the three, "Your Lord will go to Galilee." Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

4 That night the_apostles met in fear; Among them came their master dear And said, "My peace be with you here." Alleluia, alleluia, all eluia!

5 When Thomas first the tidings heard That they had seen the risen Lord, He doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

6 "My piercèd side, O Thomas, see, And look upon My hands, My feet; Not faithless but believing be." Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

7 No longer Thomas then denied; He saw the feet, the hands, the side; "You are my Lord and God!" he cried. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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Confession and Absolution

- \mathbf{P} In the name of the Father and of the \mathbf{H} Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.
- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

- 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 therefore 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 105:1–5, 8; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2–3

- Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.
- Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples!
- **P** Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works!
- Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!
- P Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually!
- **G** Remember the wondrous works that he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he uttered.
- P He remembers his covenant forever, the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.
- 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.
- Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Kyrie LSB 152

- **P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- **G** Lord, have mercy.
- For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- **C** Amen.

This Is the Feast LSB 155

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia. For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

First Reading Acts 4:32–35

A reading from the book of Acts the fourth chapter.

³²The full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had every-thing in common. ³³And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold ³⁵and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle 1 John 1:1-2:2

A reading from the first book of John the first chapter.

¹That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— ²the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us— ³that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Fa-

ther and with his Son Jesus Christ. ⁴And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

⁵This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. ⁷But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

¹My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the right-eous. ²He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse LSB 156

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel John 20:19–31

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

Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁹On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ²⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." ²²And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are for-given; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld."

²⁴Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."

²⁶Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." ³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

O Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day 482 This Joyful Eastertide

1 This joyful Eastertide Away with sin and sorrow! My love, the Crucified, Has sprung to life this morrow: Refrain

Refrain: Had Christ, who once was slain, Not burst His three-day prison, Our faith had been in vain: But now has Christ arisen, arisen, arisen; But now has Christ arisen!

2 Death's flood has lost its chill Since Jesus crossed the river; Lover of souls, from ill My passing soul deliver: Refrain

3 My flesh in hope shall rest And for a season slumber Till trump from east to west Shall wake the dead in number: Refrain

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Sermon

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.

Prayer of the Church

Offertory *LSB* 159

What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me? I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 160

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **G** 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.
- **P** It is truly good,...

Sanctus LSB 161

Holy, holy Lord God of pow'r 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 LSB 161

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.

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini LSB 163

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

Aqnus Dei LSB 163

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution Hymns

466 Christ Has Arisen. Alleluia

1 Christ has arisen, alleluia. Rejoice and praise Him, alleluia. For our Redeemer burst from the tomb, Even from death, dispelling its gloom.

> Refrain: Let us sing praise to Him with endless joy; Death's fearful sting He has come to destroy. Our sin forgiving, alleluia! Jesus is living, alleluia!

2 For three long days the grave did its worst

Until its strength by God was dispersed.

He who gives life did death undergo; And in its conquest His might did show, Refrain

3 The angel said to them, "Do not fear! You look for Jesus who is not here. See for yourselves the tomb is all bare; Only the grave cloths are lying there." Refrain

4 "Go spread the news: He's not in the grave;

He has arisen this world to save.

Jesus' redeeming labors are done; Even the battle with sin is won." Refrain

5 Christ has arisen; He sets us free; Alleluia, to Him praises be. Jesus is living! Let us all sing; He reigns triumphant, heavenly King. Refrain Text: Bernard Kyamanywa, 1938; tr. Howard S. Olson, 1922-2010 Text: © 1977 Howard S. Olson. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110002518

477 Alleluia. Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven

1 Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts to heav'n and voices raise: Sing to God a hymn of gladness. Sing to God a hymn of praise: He who on the cross a victim For the world's salvation bled— Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, Now is risen from the dead.

2 Alleluia, Christ is risen! Death at last has met defeat: See the ancient pow'rs of evil In confusion and retreat; Once He died, and once was buried: Now He lives forevermore, Jesus Christ, the world's Redeemer, Whom we worship and adore.

3 Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to God on high: Alleluia to the Savior Who has gained the victory;

Alleluia to the Spirit, Fount of love and sanctity! Alleluia, alleluia To the triune Majesty!

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Thank the Lord LSB 164

Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

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 LSB 166

- **C** Amen.

Hymn to Depart 470 O Sons and Daughters of the King vs 8-9

8 How blest are they who have not seen And yet whose faith has constant been, For they eternal life shall win. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

9 On this most holy day of days Be laud and jubilee and praise: To God your hearts and voices raise. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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Peace Notes



Laugh4HOPE is a family-friendly comedy night to save lives. Get your tickets now by going to awpcfriends.org/ events. Laugh out loud on Friday, April 19 beginning at 7 p.m. at Ward Church in Livonia. This will benefit Another Way Pregnancy Center and help expand ministry at their new center on Orchard Lake Road. Laughter is good medicine.

New Bible study opportunity beginning this week! Join Chris Moses for a study on the psalms immediately following worship in the Lounge across from the church office. All are welcome. Talk with Chris is you have any questions.

Our April Movie has been set. Join the "CREW" right here at Prince of Peace and enjoy the engaging and wonderful movie, *The Boys in the Boat.* This movie tells the story of the University of Washington's rowing team, from their Depression-era beginnings to winning gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics. It is sure to be a relaxing and uplifting evening. Invite a friend on April 26 at 5pm.

The next **Work morning** is coming up this Saturday! Join in beginning at 8am for men's study and food and get to work about 9:15am. There is a lot to do both inside and outside of the church! Talk with Mark Wells if you have any questions.

Christ Our Savior South Africa Mission Trip - Eye glasses collection is underway. Please be sure to drop off your gently used eyewear in the basket in the narthex. We will be sending along all collected glasses to CoS at the end of April. What a great way for us to support and make a difference in the world! Thank you for your support.

The **Novi Choralaires** spring concert, *It was all started by a Mouse, 100 years of Movie Magic*, will be presented on Saturday, May 11, at Novi Middle School, 49000West 11 Mile Road, Novi, beginning at 7 pm. Tickets are \$15 for Adults, \$10 for Seniors and Students. Children under 6 are free. Tickets are available at the door.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

<u>Today</u> Bible Study 8:30am Worship at 9:30am

<u>Monday, April 8</u> Elder Meeting 7:30pm

<u>Tuesday, April 9</u> Prayer Team 7:15pm NA meeting 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 10 Noon Bible Study

Thursday, April 11 Bible Study 7pm

<u>Friday, April 12</u> NA meeting 11 a.m AA Meeting 8 p.m

<u>Saturday, April 13</u> Work Morning 8am Women's Bible study 10am

<u>Sunday, April 14</u> Bible Study 8:30am Worship at 9:30am

COMING UP

<u>Monday, April 15</u> Family of God 5:15pm

<u>Friday, April 19</u> AWPC Laugh4Hope!

<u>Sunday, April 21</u> Patterns of Evidence Movie at 3pm

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 wartorn nations in the world.
- For Another Way Pregnancy Center and their upcoming fund raiser, Laugh4Hope.
- For the mission group from Christ Our Savior heading to Africa later this month.
- For the health concerns of: Gloria Vaaler, Gail Fisher, Walter Pulter, Helen Nye, Janet Farrell and Melody Rinn, Rachel Svoke, Dennis Coffey, Pat Geisinger and Ann Maciejewski

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 April is Barb Donoghue

	Ministry Service Schedule					
	7-April		14-April		21-April	
	9:30 a.m.		9:30 a.m.		9:30 a.m.	
ELDERS	Charley Staab		Mike Beyersdorf		Dick Walker	
READER	Karen Turgeon		Chris Moses		Susan Vaaler	
GREETER	Elaine Echols		Marabeth Warnke		Ed & Sharon Kaiser	
VIDEO OPERATOR	Ed Kaiser		Ron Donoghue		Chris Moses	
TELLERS	Doug Butler Ron Donoghue		Barbara Moore Rachel Svoke		JoAnn Lind Mike Hodgins	
USHERS	Volunteer today Volunteer today	Volunteer today Volunteer today	Volunteer today Volunteer today	John Blair Volunteer today	Ed Kaiser Volunteer today	Volunteer today Volunteer today