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Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
April 14, 2024
Third 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 early church were witnesses of the resurrection. The apostles testified to what they had seen and heard and the Holy Spirit worked in the midst of the people. Even today, God calls us to talk about what we have seen and heard and to expect the Holy Spirit to work in hearts of people. We join in worship of our victorious Lord today!

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Easter People- Common Witness

Opening Hymn 605 Father Welcomes

Refrain: Father welcomes all His children To His fam'ly through His Son.
Father giving His salvation Life forever has been won.

1 Little children, come to Me, For My kingdom is of these.
Life and love I have to give, Mercy for your sin. Refrain

2 In the water, in the Word, In His promise, be assured:
Those who are baptized and believe Shall be born again. Refrain

3 Let us daily die to sin; Let us daily rise with Him,
Walk in the love of Christ our Lord, Live in the peace of God. Refrain

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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 If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **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.

C **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.**

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 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 30:1–5; antiphon: Psalm 16:11b*

P In your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

C **I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up and have not let my foes rejoice over me.**

P O LORD my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.

C **O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol; you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.**

P Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name.

C **For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.**

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 In your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

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.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P 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, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

First Reading *Acts 3:11–21*

A A reading from the book of Acts, chapter three

¹¹While [the lame man who was now healed] clung to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's, astounded. ¹²And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? ¹³The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.

¹⁷"And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, ²⁰that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, ²¹whom heaven must receive until the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets long ago."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle *1 John 3:1–7*

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

¹See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, be-

cause we shall see him as he is. ³And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

⁴Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he appeared to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous.

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 *Luke 24:36–49*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

³⁶As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, “Peace to you!” ³⁷But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. ³⁸And he said to them, “Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate before them.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day 828 *We Are Called to Stand Together*

1We are called to stand together With the saints of ages past,
With the patriarchs and prophets In the faith they once held fast;
Promises and hopes they treasured Now we find fulfilled at last!

2 Those whom Jesus called apostles Journeyed with Him side by side,
Heard His teaching, felt His power, Saw the way He lived and died;
Then the news of resurrection They delivered far and wide.

3 Through the intervening ages Round the world the Gospel spread:
Faithful heralds took the message, Guided where the Spirit led;
So the body grew in stature, Serving Christ, the living head.

4 Now in many tongues and cultures Songs of celebration ring;
Millions who confess our Savior Honor Him as Lord and King
And, for courage, grace and guidance Ev'ry day their prayers they bring.

5 To each coming generation Tell the truth, persuade, explain,
Till the time when time is ended, Till the Savior comes again—
Till the saints are all united Under Christ's eternal reign!

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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.

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.**

P It is truly good, ...

Sanctus *LSB 161*

Holy, 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.**

Agnus 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

480 *He's Risen, He's Risen*

1 He's risen, He's risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord;
He opened death's prison, the incarnate, true Word.
Break forth, hosts of heaven, in jubilant song
And earth, sea, and mountain their praises prolong.

2 The foe was triumphant when on Calvary
The Lord of creation was nailed to the tree.
In Satan's domain did the hosts shout and jeer,
For Jesus was slain, whom the evil ones fear.

3 But short was their triumph; the Savior arose,
And death, hell, and Satan He vanquished, His foes.
The conquering Lord lifts His banner on high;
He lives, yes, He lives, and will nevermore die.

4 O, where is your sting, death? We fear you no more;
Christ rose, and now open is fair Eden's door.
For all our transgressions His blood does atone;
Redeemed and forgiven, we now are His own.

5 Then sing your hosannas and raise your glad voice;
Proclaim the blest tidings that all may rejoice.
Laud, honor, and praise to the Lamb that was slain:
With Father and Spirit He ever shall reign.

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469 *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*

1 "Christ the Lord is ris'n today!" Saints on earth and angels say;
Raise your joys and triumphs high; Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, reply.

2 Love's redeeming work is done, Fought the fight, the battle won;
Lo! Our Sun's eclipse is o'er; Lo! He sets in blood no more.

3 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ hath burst the gates of hell.
Death in vain forbids His rise; Christ has opened paradise.

4 Lives again our glorious King! Where, O death, is now thy sting?
Once He died our souls to save; Where thy victory, O grave?

5 Soar we now where Christ has led; Foll'wing our exalted Head.
Made like Him, like Him we rise; Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

6 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n! Praise to Thee by both be giv'n!
Thee we greet triumphant now: Hail, the resurrection, Thou!

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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*

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.

Hymn to Depart 680 *Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise*

1 Thine the amen Thine the praise Alleluias angels raise
Thine the everlasting head Thine the breaking of the bread
Thine the glory Thine the story Thine the harvest then the cup
Thine the vineyard then the cup is lifted up lifted up.

2 Thine the life eternally Thine the promise let there be
Thine the vision Thine the tree All the earth on bended knee
Gone the nailing gone the railing Gone the pleading gone the cry
Gone the sighing gone the dying what was loss lifted high.

3 Thine the truly Thine the yes Thine the table we the guest
Thine the mercy all from Thee Thine the glory yet to be
Then the ringing and the singing Then the end of all the war
Thine the living Thine the loving evermore evermore.

4 Thine the kingdom Thine the prize Thine the wonder full surprise
Thine the banquet then the praise Then the justice of Thy ways
Thine the glory Thine the story Then the welcome to the least
Then the wonder all increasing at Thy feast at Thy feast.

5 Thine the glory in the night No more dying only light
Thine the river Thine the tree Then the Lamb eternally
Then the holy holy holy Celebration jubilee
Thine the splendor Thine the brightness only Thee only Thee.

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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 **THIS WEEK** 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.

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.

FIESTA TIME!! You are invited to a PoP fiesta complete with tacos, water, pinatas, giant bubbles, and FUN. We are hosting this party for the I-9 Sports teams that enjoy our fields next door on Saturday, May 4 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. We are hoping, not only will you join us, but we are also asking for you to prayerfully consider making a donation of individually wrapped candy or small toys for the pinatas or a monetary donation to help with the cost of the food and inflatable. Candy and toy donations can be placed in the trunk in the narthex. Checks can be made payable to the church with I-9 Sports designated on the memo line. We are also looking for volunteers to help with the event on May 4. There is a sign-up sheet on the narthex bulletin board. Thanks for your support and prayers for the fiesta.

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, 49000 West 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.

Special thanks to Tom Schroeder, from Christ Our Savior, for filling in for Karen Turgeon this morning on the organ! We appreciate you!!

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today

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

Monday, April 15

Family of God 5:15pm

Tuesday, April 16

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

Wednesday, April 17

Noon Bible Study

Friday, April 19

NA meeting 11 a.m
AA Meeting 8 p.m
AWPC Laugh4Hope!

Saturday, April 20

ESL Conversation 9:30am
ESL Study 10:45am
MEM hall rental 11am-5pm

Sunday, April 21

Bible Study 8:30am
Worship at 9:30am
Patterns of Evidence
Movie 3pm

COMING UP

Friday, April 19

AWPC Laugh4Hope!

Sunday, April 21

Patterns of Evidence
Movie at 3pm

Friday, April 26

Movie Night 5pm

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 Laugh4Hope event happening this coming week.
- ✠ For God's comfort and peace for Shari Thilking as she mourns the death of her daughter, Hannah and adjusts to the changes in her life.
- ✠ 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					
	14-April		21-April		28-April	
	9:30 a.m.		9:30 a.m.		9:30 a.m.	
ELDERS	Mike Beyersdorf		Dick Walker		Greg Echols	
READER	Chris Moses		Susan Vaaler		Ron Donoghue	
GREETER	Marabeth Warnke		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	John Blair	Ed Kaiser	Volunteer today	Volunteer today	Dick Walker
	Volunteer today	Volunteer today	Volunteer today	Volunteer today	Volunteer today	Volunteer today