

AS THE  
FATHER  
HAS LOVED  
ME, SO  
HAVE I  
LOVED  
YOU. ABIDE  
IN MY



JOHN 15:9,  
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Prince of Peace Lutheran Church  
May 5, 2024  
Sixth Sunday of Easter

# Welcome to worship at Prince of Peace!

Pastor, Rev. Dr. Mark Schumm  
Music Director, Karen Turgeon  
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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**

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 good news of Jesus life, death, and resurrection shows no partiality. All have sinned and all are justified by Christ. Jesus comes to break down the dividing wall of hostility that separates us from God and one another. Praise be to Christ, our Savior!

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**May 5, 2024**  
**Sixth Sunday of Easter**  
**Easter People- Common Spirit**

**Gathering Hymn 706 Love in Christ Is Strong and Living**

1 Love in Christ is strong and living, Binding faithful hearts in one;  
Love in Christ is true and giving. May His will in us be done.

2 Love is patient and forbearing, Clothed in Christ's humility,  
Gentle, selfless, kind, and caring, Reaching out in charity.

3 Love in Christ abides forever, Fainting not when ills attend;  
Love, forgiving and forgiven, Shall endure until life's end.

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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 66:1–2, 8–9, 20; antiphon: v. 16*

**P** Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what he has done for my soul.

**C** **Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!**

**P** Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of his praise be heard,

**C** **who has kept our soul among the living and has not let our feet slip.**

**P** Blessed be God, because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me!

**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** Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what he has done for my soul.

**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, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

**First Reading** *Acts 10:34–48*

*Reader: A reading from the book of Acts, the tenth chapter.*

<sup>34</sup>Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup>but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup>As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), <sup>37</sup>you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: <sup>38</sup>how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup>And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, <sup>40</sup>but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, <sup>41</sup>not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup>And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup>To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

<sup>44</sup>While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. <sup>45</sup>And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. <sup>46</sup>For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, <sup>47</sup>“Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” <sup>48</sup>And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

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

**C Thanks be to God.**

**Epistle** *1 John 5:1–8*

*Reader: A reading from the first book of John, the fifth chapter.*

<sup>1</sup>Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. <sup>2</sup>By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. <sup>3</sup>For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. <sup>4</sup>For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—

our faith. <sup>5</sup>Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

<sup>6</sup>This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. <sup>7</sup>For there are three that testify: <sup>8</sup>the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

**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 15:9–17*

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

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

<sup>9</sup>[Jesus said:] “As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. <sup>10</sup>If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup>These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

<sup>12</sup>“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

<sup>13</sup>Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup>No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. <sup>16</sup>You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. <sup>17</sup>These things I command you, so that you will love one another.”

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

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

### **Hymn of the Day 829 Christ the Eternal Lord**

1 Christ the eternal Lord, Whose promise here we claim,  
Whose gifts of grace are freely poured On all who name Your name;  
With thankfulness and praise We stand before Your throne,  
Intent to serve You all our days And make Your glory known.

2 Christ the unchanging Word To ev’ry passing age,  
Whose timeless teachings still are heard Set forth on Scripture’s page;  
Transform our thought and mind, Enlighten all who read,  
Within Your Word by faith to find The bread of life indeed.

3 Christ the redeeming Son, Who shares our human birth,  
And by His death salvation won For ev'ry child of earth;  
Inspire our hearts, we pray, To tell Your love abroad,  
That all may honor Christ today And follow Him as Lord.

4 Christ the unfading Light Of everlasting day,  
Our Morning Star in splendor bright, The Life, the Truth, the Way;  
That light of truth You give To servants as to friends,  
Your way to walk, Your life to live, Till earth's brief journey ends.

5 Christ the ascended King Exalted high above,  
Whose praise unending ages sing, Whom yet unseen we love;  
When mortal life is past Your voice from heaven's throne  
Shall call Your children home at last To know as we are known.

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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

### 851 Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us

1 Lord of glory, You have bought us With Your lifeblood as the price,  
Never grudging for the lost ones That tremendous sacrifice;  
And with that have freely given Blessings countless as the sand  
To the\_unthankful and the evil With Your own unsparing hand.

2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You Gladly, freely of Your own.  
With the sunshine of Your goodness Melt our thankless hearts of stone  
Till our cold and selfish natures, Warmed by You, at length believe  
That more happy and more blessed 'Tis to give than to receive.

3 Wondrous honor You have given To our humblest charity  
In Your own mysterious sentence, "You have done it all to Me."  
Can it be, O gracious Master, That You deign for alms to sue,  
Saying by Your poor and needy, "Give as I have giv'n to you"?

4 Lord of glory, You have bought us With Your lifeblood as the price,  
Never grudging for the lost ones That tremendous sacrifice.  
Give us faith to trust You boldly, Hope, to stay our souls on You;  
But, oh, best of all Your graces, With Your love our love renew.

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### 832 Jesus Shall Reign

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

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

3 People and realms of ev'ry tongue Dwell on His love with sweetest song;  
And infant voices shall proclaim Their early blessings on His name.

4 Blessings abound where'er He reigns: The pris'ners leap, unloose their  
chains,  
The weary find eternal rest, And all who suffer want are blest.

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

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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.

## Sending Hymn 490 Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won

1 Jesus lives! The vict'ry's won! Death no longer can appall me;  
Jesus lives! Death's reign is done! From the grave will Christ recall me.  
Brighter scenes will then commence; This shall be my confidence.

2 Jesus lives! To Him the throne High above all things is given.  
I shall go where He is gone, Live and reign with Him in heaven.  
God is faithful; doubtings, hence! This shall be my confidence.

3 Jesus lives! For me He died, Hence will I, to Jesus living,  
Pure in heart and act abide, Praise to Him and glory giving.  
All I need God will dispense; This shall be my confidence.

4 Jesus lives! I know full well Nothing me from Him shall sever.  
Neither death nor pow'rs of hell Part me now from Christ forever.  
God will be my sure defense; This shall be my confidence.

5 Jesus lives! And now is death But the gate of life immortal;  
This shall calm my trembling breath When I pass its gloomy portal.  
Faith shall cry, as fails each sense: Jesus is my confidence!

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# Peace Notes

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**Flowers** on the altar are offered by Doug Butler in memory of his son, Mitch. Thanks for your special gift this morning, Doug.

**Greeter/ Usher Get Together TODAY!** We have been blessed at Prince of Peace by the many visitors and members that we had not seen for a while that have attended services etc. over the past several months. In order to formalize our Greeter / Usher program we thought it best for us to have a review of responsibilities and encourage new participants to get involved. Thus, on May 5 after services we will present our desires etc. We encourage participation by any and all. Questions?? Leave a message for Charley Staab, at #248-348-2919 and we will get back to you.

Baby Bottles are coming soon! Be sure to be on the watch for the **Another Way Pregnancy Center baby bottle drive**. We host this fundraiser from Mother's day to Father's day each year to help and support the work of AWPC as they serve mothers and babies in need! Bottles will be available beginning on May 12.

The **next congregational Voters' meeting** is coming up on Sunday, May 19 immediately following the worship service. Be sure to make it a point to join us and make your vote count!

The **Novi Choralaires** spring concert, ***It was all started by a Mouse, 100 years of Movie Magic***, will be presented this coming 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.

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

### Today

Bible Study 8:30am  
Worship at 9:30am  
Bible Study 10:30am

### Monday, May 6

Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.

### Tuesday, May 7

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

### Wednesday, May 8

Noon Bible Study

### Thursday, May 9

Bible Study 7pm

### Friday, May 10

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

### Saturday, May 11

Women's Bible study 10am

### Sunday, May 12

Bible Study 8:30am  
Worship at 9:30am  
Bible Study 10:30am  
*Happy Mother's Day*

## COMING UP

### Monday, May 6

Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.

### Saturday, May 11

Women's Study 10am

### Sunday, May 19

Voters' Meeting  
after worship

## 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 safety for police monitoring the protesters across the country on our college campuses and change of hearts and minds
- ✝ 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, Shari Thilking, Alyssa B., Velte Toledo.

## 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 May is Barb Pattinson*

	Ministry Service Schedule					
	5-May		12-May		19-May	
	9:30 a.m.		9:30 a.m.		9:30 a.m.	
<b>ELDERS</b>	Greg Echols		Mike Beyersdorf		Dick Walker	
<b>READER</b>	Helen Nye		Susan Vaaler		Ron Donoghue	
<b>GREETER</b>	Barb & Ron Donoghue		Marabeth Warnke		Sharon & Ed Kaiser	
<b>VIDEO OPERATOR</b>	Ed Kaiser		Ron Donoghue		Chris Moses	
<b>TELLERS</b>	Doug Butler Ron Donoghue		Barbara Moore Rachel Svoke		JoAnn Lind Mike Hodgins	
<b>USHERS</b>	Volunteer today! Volunteer today!	Doug Butler Volunteer today	Volunteer today! Volunteer today!	John Blair	Ed Kaiser volunteer today	Dick Walker volunteer today