



LOVE THE LORD
YOUR GOD WITH
ALL YOUR *heart*
& WITH ALL YOUR *soul*
AND WITH ALL YOUR
Mind.

MATTHEW 22:37

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
October 19, 2025
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to worship at Prince of Peace!

Pastor, Rev. Alex Hinojosa
Music Director, Karen Turgeon
Office Manager, Laura Dygert
Church Office Hours: T-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.

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church is a congregation that is a part of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and we adhere to the practice of closed communion. We ask that all visitors please seek to speak to Pastor Hinojosa before the service begins if you wish to receive the sacrament.

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 Worship

³¹"If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." ³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

John 8:31-32, 36

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October 19, 2025
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Confession and Absolution

Opening Hymn 504 Father Most Holy

1 Father most holy, merciful, and tender;
Jesus, our Savior, with the Father reigning;
Spirit of comfort, advocate, defender, Light never waning;

2 Trinity blessed, unity unshaken,
Goodness unbounded, very God of heaven,
Light of the angels, joy of those forsaken, Hope of all living,

3 Maker of all things, all Thy creatures praise Thee;
All for Thy worship were and are created;
Now, as we also worship Thee devoutly, Hear Thou our voices.

4 Lord God Almighty, unto Thee be glory,
One in three persons, over all exalted!
Glory we offer, praise Thee and adore Thee, Now and forever.

Text: Latin, c. 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867–1936, alt.
Text: Public domain

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.

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

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 122:1, 6, 8–9; antiphon: Liturgical Text*

P Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, and let your prophets be proven faithful.

C Hear the prayer of your servants, according to the blessing of Aaron upon your people.

P I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go to the house of the LORD!”

C Pray for the peace of Jerusalem! May they be secure who love you!

P For my brothers and companions’ sake I will say, “Peace be within you!”

C For the sake of the house of the LORD our God, I will seek your good.

Sing:

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.

P Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, and let your prophets be proven faithful.

C Hear the prayer of your servants, according to the blessing of Aaron upon your people.

Kyrie *LSB 186*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Gloria in Excelsis *LSB 187*

P Glory be to God on high:

C and on earth peace, goodwill toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav’nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.

O God, because without You we are not able to please You, mercifully grant that Your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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 *Deuteronomy 10:12–21*

¹²“And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, ¹³and to keep the commandments and statutes of the LORD, which I am commanding you today for your good?

¹⁴Behold, to the LORD your God belong heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth with all that is in it. ¹⁵Yet the LORD set his heart in love on your fathers and chose their offspring after them, you above all peoples, as you are this day.

¹⁶Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no longer stubborn.

¹⁷For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the awesome God, who is not partial and takes no bribe. ¹⁸He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing. ¹⁹Love the sojourner, therefore, for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt. ²⁰You shall fear the LORD your God. You shall serve him and hold fast to him, and by his name you shall swear. ²¹He is your praise. He is your God, who has done for you these great and terrifying things that your eyes have seen.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle *1 Corinthians 1:1–9*

¹Paul, called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother Sosthenes, ²To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge—⁶even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia *LSB 190*

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel *Matthew 22:34–46*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.

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

³⁴When the Pharisees heard that [Jesus] had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together. ³⁵And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶“Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?” ³⁷And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. ³⁸This is the great and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. ⁴⁰On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”

⁴¹Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them a question, ⁴²saying, “What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he?” They said to him, “The son of David.” ⁴³He said to them, “How is it then that David, in the Spirit, calls him Lord, saying, ⁴⁴“The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet’?

⁴⁵If then David calls him Lord, how is he his son?” ⁴⁶And no one was able to answer him a word, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate, He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day 694 Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower

1 Thee will I love, my strength, my tower; Thee will I love, my hope, my joy.
Thee will I love with all my power, With ardor time shall ne'er destroy.
Thee will I love, O Light divine, So long as life is mine.

2 Thee will I love, my life, my Savior, Who art my best and truest friend.
Thee will I love and praise forever, For never shall Thy kindness end.
Thee will I love with all my heart—Thou my Redeemer art!

3 I thank Thee, Jesus, Sun from heaven, Whose radiance hath brought light to me;
I thank Thee, who hast richly given All that could make me glad and free;
I thank Thee that my soul is healed By what Thy lips revealed.

4 O keep me watchful, then, and humble; Permit me nevermore to stray.
Uphold me when my feet would stumble, And keep me on the narrow way.
Fill all my nature with Thy light, O Radiance strong and bright!

5 Thee will I love, my crown of gladness; Thee will I love, my God and Lord,
Amid the darkest depths of sadness, And not for hope of high reward,
For Thine own sake, O Light divine, So long as life is mine.

Text: Johann Scheffler, 1624–77; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt. Text: Public domain

Sermon

Offertory *LSB 192*

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.
Amen.

Offering

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, ...

Sanctus *LSB 195*

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Lord's Prayer *LSB 196*

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord *LSB 197*

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.

Please Sit

Distribution Hymns

566 By Grace I'm Saved

1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and boundless; My soul, believe and doubt it not. Why stagger at this word of promise? Has Scripture ever falsehood taught? No! Then this word must true remain: By grace you too will life obtain.

2 By grace! None dare lay claim to merit; Our works and conduct have no worth. God in His love sent our Redeemer, Christ Jesus, to this sinful earth; His death did for our sins atone, And we are saved by grace alone.

3 By grace God's Son, our only Savior, Came down to earth to bear our sin. Was it because of your own merit That Jesus died your soul to win? No, it was grace, and grace alone, That brought Him from His heav'nly throne.

4 By grace! This ground of faith is certain; As long as God is true, it stands. What saints have penned by inspiration, What in His Word our God commands, Our faith in what our God has done Depends on grace—grace through His Son.

5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble, In tribulation's furnace tried,
By grace, in spite of fear and trouble, The Father's heart is open wide.
Where could I help and strength secure If grace were not my anchor sure?

6 By grace! On this I'll rest when dying; In Jesus' promise I rejoice;
For though I know my heart's condition, I also know my Savior's voice.
My heart is glad, all grief has flown Since I am saved by grace alone.

7 By grace! O sin and satan hear it! I bear my flag of faith in hand,
And pass, in spite of doubts, nor fear it, The Red Sea to the promised land;
I hold the word my Savior taught As certain, whether felt or not.

Text: Christian Ludwig Scheidt, 1709–61; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt. Text: Public domain

708 Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart

1 Lord, Thee I love with all my heart; I pray Thee, ne'er from me depart,
With tender mercy cheer me. Earth has no pleasure I would share.
Yea, heav'n itself were void and bare If Thou, Lord, wert not near me.
And should my heart for sorrow break, My trust in Thee can nothing shake.
Thou art the portion I have sought; Thy precious blood my soul has bought.
Lord Jesus Christ, my God and Lord, my God and Lord,
Forsake me not! I trust Thy Word.

2 Yea, Lord, 'twas Thy rich bounty gave My body, soul, and all I have
In this poor life of labor. Lord, grant that I in ev'ry place
May glorify Thy lavish grace And help and serve my neighbor.
Let no false doctrine me beguile; Let Satan not my soul defile.
Give strength and patience unto me To bear my cross and follow Thee.
Lord Jesus Christ, my God and Lord, my God and Lord,
In death Thy comfort still afford.

3 Lord, let at last Thine angels come, To Abr'ham's bosom bear me home,
That I may die unfearing; And in its narrow chamber keep
My body safe in peaceful sleep Until Thy reappearing.
And then from death awaken me, That these mine eyes with joy may see,
O Son of God, Thy glorious face, My Savior and my fount of grace.
Lord Jesus Christ, my prayer attend, my prayer attend,
And I will praise Thee without end.

Text: Martin Schalling, 1532–1608; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt. Text: Public domain

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 be-
ginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Thanksgiving *LSB 200*

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

- A** Let us pray...
C Amen.
P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spirit.

Benedicamus *LSB 202*

- A** Bless we the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Benediction *LSB 202*

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.
C Amen, amen, amen.

Closing Hymn 696 O God, My Faithful God

1 O God, my faithful God, True fountain ever flowing,
Without whom nothing is, All perfect gifts bestowing:
Give me a healthy frame, And may I have within
A conscience free from blame, A soul unstained by sin.

2 Grant me the strength to do With ready heart and willing
Whatever You command, My calling here fulfilling;
That I do what I should While trusting You to bless
The outcome for my good, For You must give success.

3 Keep me from saying words That later need recalling;
Guard me lest idle speech May from my lips be falling;
But when within my place I must and ought to speak,
Then to my words give grace Lest I offend the weak.

4 Lord, let me win my foes With kindly words and actions,
And let me find good friends For counsel and correction.
Help me, as You have taught, To love both great and small
And by Your Spirit's might To live in peace with all.

5 Let me depart this life Confiding in my Savior;
By grace receive my soul That it may live forever;
And let my body have A quiet resting place
Within a Christian grave; And let it sleep in peace.

6 And on that final day When all the dead are waking,
Stretch out Your mighty hand, My deathly slumber breaking.
Then let me hear Your voice, Redeem this earthly frame,
And bid me to rejoice With those who love Your name.

Text: Johann Heermann, 1585–1647; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt. Text: Public domain

Peace Notes

Flowers on the altar this morning are offered in celebration of Dick and Sharon Walker's Wedding anniversary. Happy anniversary to you!

Wednesdays at 6:30pm join Pastor Hinojosa as we continue our Lutheran Membership class/Faith Refresher. This class is for everyone! All members and non-members are encouraged to attend. If you have any questions, please talk with Pastor Hinojosa.

With the LCMS Grant we received we have been able to serve more dinners and lunches than ever before to our friends at Family of God! We will serve dinner again on Monday, October 20 and again on Wednesday, October 29. Our two lunch groups have provided hundreds of sack lunches and we aren't done yet! Please keep Family of God in your prayers and talk with John or Sandy Blair if you would like more information about how you can get involved.

Through October, we will collect "wow" items for Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. Suggestions with appropriated age/gender items/toys can be found at <https://www.samaritanpurse.org/operation-christmas-child/what-goes-in-my-shoebox-suggestions/> or check the list posted in narthex. This may be the only time a child receives the message of the Gospel through Samaritan Purse shoeboxes. Make it fun, full, and personalized. Mark your calendars for November 16 as our packing date!

The AWPC fall banquet is this week on Thursday, Oct. 23 from 6-9 pm at the American Banquet Center in Livonia. Enjoy an evening out and support the ministry at Another Way. See awpcfriends.org/events for all the details.

Our October Movie night will be on Friday, October 24 at 5 pm. Join is right here in our Community center for A Dog's Journey. As always a free pizza dinner is provided. Join us.

***A thank you** from Rachel Svoke as I am recovering from spine surgery. Recovery is slow with lots of therapy. Thank you for all the cards, well wishes, words of encouragement and your prayers. I hope to be back at POP soon.*

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today

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

Monday, October 20

Elder Meeting 3pm
Family of God 5:15pm

Tuesday, October 21

Prayer Team 7:15pm
NA meeting 7:30pm

Wednesday, October 22

Membership class 6:30pm

Thursday, October 23

Bible Study 7pm
AWPC Fall Banquet 7pm

Friday, October 24

NA meeting 11 a.m.
Movie Night 5pm
AA Meeting 8 p.m.

Saturday, October 25

Women's Study 10am
Popsicle outreach 10:30am

Sunday, October 26

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

COMING UP

Wednesday, October 29

Family of God 5:15pm

Friday, October 31

Church office closed

Sunday, November 9

Voters' Meeting

Keep in Prayer this week

- ✚ For resolution to conflict and peace in the areas of the Middle East, Ukraine and all war-torn nations in the world.
- ✚ For upcoming trunk n treat events as outreach and safety for kids
- ✚ For those travelling for safety and good weather.
- ✚ For the health concerns of: Gail Fisher, Walter Pulter, Helen Nye, and Rachel Svoke, Dennis Coffey, Jean Karpinski, Janice Kaminski, Britta Wofford, Christine Smith, Mike Hodgins, Tim Hegner, Kelly Green, Barb Dunigan, William Proctor, Kyle Duby, Sharon Geisinger and Jeff Geisinger, Mary Watson, Rev. Aaron Sterling, Phyllis Thatcher, Betty Burrell, Ed Kaiser, Barbara Moore, Rev. John Hirsch, Nancy Mergherini

Readings for the Week *The Time of the Church*

19 Oct: Deut 18:1–22; Matt 14:22–36
 20 Oct: Deut 19:1–20; Matt 15:1–20
 21 Oct: Deut 20:1–20; Matt 15:21–39
 22 Oct: Deut 21:1–23; Matt 16:1–12
 23 Oct: Deut 24:10—25:10; Matt 16:13–28
 24 Oct: Deut 25:17—26:19; Matt 17:1–13
 25 Oct: Deut 27:1–26; Matt 17:14–27
 26 Oct: Deut 28:1–22; Matt 18:1–20

PoP 3rd Quarter Financial Report

	Actual 2025 YTD	Budget 2025 YTD
Income	\$171,762	\$215,250
Expense	\$197,401	\$220,794
Income less Expense	-\$25,639	-\$5,544



Service Schedule

	19-October	26-October	2-November
	9:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.
ELDER	Charley Staab	Dick Walker	Greg Echols
GREETER	Susan & Kurt Vaaler	Elaine Echols	Chris Moses
VIDEO OPERATOR	Ed Kaiser	Chris Moses	Jesse Brindle
TELLERS	Doug Butler Dick Walker	Barbara Moore Jim Hart	JoAnn Lind Mike Hodgins
USHERS	Jesse Brindle Dick Walker Kurt Vaaler	Charley Staab Joe Svoke Greg Echols	Mark Wells Dick Walker Kurt Vaaler