

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church April 20, 2025 Easter Sunday

Welcome to worship at Prince of Peace!

Pastor, Rev. Dr. Mark Schumm 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.

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

Jesus compels us to ponder the unthinkable, the amazing—to embrace a cataclysmic event that destroys death and literally makes all things new. Resurrection! Christ's brutal coronation and crucifixion ensures that the entire cosmos, the heavens and the earth, are renewed—in resurrection! Chills soar through our souls at the very thought of it all. In confident faith we are bold to confess that king Jesus unleashes His incomparable reign, crushing the evil aggression of principalities, authorities, and even Satan himself.

Shouts of joy and songs of alleluia shape the church today because of resurrection. Our victory is won! "Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!"

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+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

Opening Hymn 474 ALLELUIA! JESUS IS RISEN

1 Alleluia! Jesus is risen!
Trumpets resounding in glorious light!
Splendor, the Lamb, Heaven forever!
Oh, what a miracle God has in sight! Refrain

Refrain: Jesus is risen and we shall arise: Give God the glory! Alleluia!

2 Walking the way, Christ in the centerTelling the story to open our eyes;Breaking our bread, Giving us glory:Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise. Refrain

3 Jesus the vine, We are the branches; Life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree; Heaven to earth, Christ to the people, Gift of the future now flowing to me. Refrain

4 Weeping, be gone; Sorrow, be silent:Death put asunder, and Easter is bright.Cherubim sing: "O grave, be open!"Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light. Refrain

5 City of God, Easter forever, Golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb, River of life, Saints and archangels, Sing with creation to God the I AM! Refrain

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- In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- 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.)

- 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.
- 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 Exodus 15:2a, 6, 13, 17–18; antiphon: v. 1b

- I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.\
- The LORD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.
- P Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power, your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.
- You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed; you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.
- P You will bring them in and plant them on your own mountain, the place, O LORD, which you have made for your abode,
- the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have established. The LORD will reign forever and ever. 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.
- I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.

Hymn of Praise 465 NOW ALL THE VAULT OF HEAVEN RESOUNDS

1 Now all the vault of heav'n resounds In praise of love that still abounds: "Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear!

Repeat their song of glory here: "Christ has triumphed! Christ has triumphed!"

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

- 2 Eternal is the gift He brings, Therefore our heart with rapture sings: "Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Now still He comes to give us life And by His presence stills all strife. Christ has triumphed! He is living! Alleluia, alleluia!
- 3 O fill us, Lord, with dauntless love; Set heart and will on things above That we conquer through Your triumph;

Grant grace sufficient for life's day

That by our lives we truly say: "Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

4 Adoring praises now we bring And with the heav'nly blessèd sing: "Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!" Be to the Father and our Lord, To Spirit blest, most holy God, All the glory, never ending! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- P Let us pray.
 Almighty God the Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 65:17–25

R A reading from the book of Isaiah, chapter sixty-five

¹⁷"Behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. ¹⁸But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness. ¹⁹I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people;

no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress. ²⁰No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed. ²¹They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. ²²They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. ²³They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity, for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD, and their descendants with them. ²⁴Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear. ²⁵The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain," says the LORD.

- R This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE Colossians 2:6–15

R A reading from the book of Colossians, chapter two

⁶Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, ⁷rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

⁸See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. ⁹For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority. ¹¹In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, ¹²having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead. ¹³And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him,

having forgiven us all our trespasses, ¹⁴by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

- R This is the Word of the Lord.
- 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 24:1–12

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.
- G Glory to You, O Lord.

¹On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. ²And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. ⁵And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? ⁶He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ¹that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." ⁶And they remembered his words, ⁰and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, ¹¹but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹²But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, 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 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

SERMON The Biggest Loser

OFFERING / OFFERING SONG Love Crucified, Arose
Long ago He blessed the earth Born older than the years
And in the stall a cross He saw Through the first of many tears
A life of homeless wandering Cast out in sorrow's way
The Shepherd seeking for the lost His life, the price He paid

Love crucified, arose The Risen One in splendor Jehovah's soul Defender Has won the victory Love crucified, arose And the grave became a place of hope For the heart that sin and sorrow broke Is beating once again Throughout Your life You felt the weight Of what You'd come to give To drink for us that crimson cup So we might really live At last the time to love and die The dark appointed day That one forsaken moment When Your Father turned His face away

Love Crucified, arose The one who lived and died for me Was satan's nail-pierced casualty; now His breathing once again Love crucified, arose And the grave became a place of hope For the heart that sin and sorrow broke Is beating once again

Love crucified, arose The Risen One in splendor Jehovah's soul Defender Has won the victory Love crucified, arose And the grave became a place of hope For the heart that sin and sorrow broke Is beating once again

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

PREFACE LSB 160

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- **P** It is truly good, right,

SANCTUS LSB 161

Holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. 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

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, ...

- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

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.

PAX DOMINI LSB 163

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. (Sit)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

461 I Know That My Redeemer Lives

1 I know that my Redeemer lives; What comfort this sweet sentence gives! He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ever-living head.

2 He lives triumphant from the grave; He lives eternally to save; He lives all-glorious in the sky; He lives exalted there on high.

3 He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to plead for me above; He lives my hungry soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.

4 He lives to grant me rich supply; He lives to guide me with His eye; He lives to comfort me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's complaint.

5 He lives to silence all my fears; He lives to wipe away my tears; He lives to calm my troubled heart; He lives all blessings to impart.

6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; He lives and loves me to the end; He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing; He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.

7 He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death; He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.

8 He lives, all glory to His name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same; Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

Text: Samuel Medley, 1738–99, abr.

643 SENT FORTH BY GOD'S BLESSING

1 Sent forth by God's blessing, Our true faith confessing,

The people of God from His dwelling take leave.

The Supper is ended. O now be extended

The fruits of this service in all who believe.

The seed of His teaching, Receptive souls reaching,

Shall blossom in action for God and for all.

His grace did invite us, His love shall unite us

To work for God's kingdom and answer His call.

2 With praise and thanksgiving To God ever-living,

The tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face.

Our faith ever sharing, In love ever caring,

Embracing His children of each tribe and race.

With Your feast You feed us, With Your light now lead us;

Unite us as one in this life that we share.

Then may all the living With praise and thanksgiving Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

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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.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn 457 JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY

1 Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia! Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

3 But the pains which He endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured; Alleluia! Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia! Praise Him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

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Peace Notes

Prince of Peace is getting a Seminary graduate! We are very thankful to receive word that we will receive a graduate of Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne as our new pastor! The seminary's call service is April 29 at 7pm. At the conclusion of that service, we will find the name of our new pastor (and he will learn that he is serving us). The service will be live streamed on ctsfw.edu. It's kind of like the NFL draft but the players aren't as big and the starting salaries are a little lower. Pastor Mark will host a watch party at church for anyone who would like to watch in a group. Please let Pastor know if you are planning on attending.

Wednesday Bible Study- We will be learning more about the early church and the relationship between faith and obedience. Join us at noon this week 4/23, as we look at The Didache: The Teaching of the Twelve Apostles. This is an early writing of the church that provides a manual for basic Christian living. It's a great example of early Christian wisdom literature. We will then explore another more familiar book of New Testament wisdom literature, the book of James. The class will be led by Chris Moses and Pastor Mark.

April Movie Night is coming up on Friday, April 25 at 5pm. Join us for *Carry On*, a movie about a mysterious traveler who blackmails a young TSA agent into letting a dangerous package slip through security and onto a flight. Join us for this thrilling movie and enjoy a free dinner!

Family of God service is moving to Thursday this week! Would you like to join in the fun and lend a helping hand? We could really use some extra hands to make this run smoothly! Please talk with Pastor Mark if you can join us.

Special thanks to John and Sandy Blair for hosting our Palm Sunday brunch and to Ed and Sharon Kaiser and all our wonderful volunteers who helped make our Egg Hunt a success! We are so blessed by our church family!

WEEK AT A GLANCE

<u>Today</u>

Bible Study 8:30am Worship at 9:30am *Happy Easter!*

Tuesday, April 22
Bible Study at noon
Prayer Team 7:15pm
NA meeting 7:30pm

Wednesday, April 23
Bible Study at noon

Thursday, April 24
Family of God 5pm
Bible Study 7pm

Friday, April 25 NA meeting 11 a.m Movie Night 5pm AA Meeting 8 p.m.

Saturday, April 26 Work Morning 8am Women's Study 10am

Sunday, April 27
Bible Study 8:30am
Worship at 9:30am
Bible Study 10:45am

COMING UP

Sunday, May 11

Mother's Day

AWPC baby bottle drive

begins!

Saturday, May 31
Fun Fiesta for ALL!

A Special thank you to those who ordered an Easter Lily adorning our sanctuary this morning:

John and Sandy Blair To the Glory of God

Greg and Elaine Echols

In celebration of Blessings received with Thanksgiving

Dave and Lillian Harmon

In memory of James and Wilma Harmon and Veronica Rogers

Mike and Susan Hodgins
In celebration of God's Blessings

Ed and Sharon Kaiser

JoAnn Lind
In memory of Loved Ones

Barbara Moore

Janet Moriarty

Barb Pattinson
In memory of Loved Ones

John and Katie Perhogan For our many blessings

Ted and Betty Lou Streit
In Thanksgiving and Praise to God

Rachel and Joe Svoke

Velte Toledo In memory of Dad, Mom and Grandma

Karen Turgeon

Kurt and Susan Vaaler

Irene Vaslas

Dick and Sharon Walker
In celebration of grandchildren, Mark, Lily, Logan and Hailey

Marabeth Warnke
In memory of Gary and Steven Warnke

Mark Wells





Thank you for joining us today!



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 God's plan and provision for Prince of Peace as He prepares the hearts of our congregation and our future pastor.
- ♣ For those who are seeking employment, for their patience and for God to provide opportunity.
- ♣ For the health concerns of Sharon Geisinger and Jeff Geisinger. For God's peace and healing.
- ♣ For those suffering with colds and flu. For a return to good health and strength.
- → For the health concerns of: Gail Fisher, Walter Pulter, Helen Nye, and Rachel Svoke,
 Dennis Coffey, Jean Karpinski, Pat and John
 Geisinger, Janice Kaminski, Joan B., Ann
 Maciejewski, Mike Hodgins, Nick Brennan,
 Elaine Echols, Britta Wofford, Carol Hamilton,
 JoAnn Lind, Lavender Duby

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	Service Schedule		
	20-April	27-April	4-May
	9:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.
ELDER	Charley Staab	Dick Walker	Greg Echol
READER	Karen Turgeon	DeColle Abbott	Susan Vaaler
GREETER	Lynne Bauer	Elaine Echols	
VIDEO OPERATOR	Chris Moses	Lillian Harmon	Ed Kaiser
TELLERS	JoAnn Lind Mike Hodgins	Sharon Moses Irene Rothschild	Doug Butler
USHERS	Jesse Brindle Doug Butler Mark Wells	Joe Svoke Kurt Vaaler Jesse Brindle	Dick Walker Kurt Vaaler Jesse Brindle