

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church May 11, 2025 Fourth 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: 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

The image of sheep and shepherd permeates the scriptures. Today in our readings we are reminded of the patient, encouraging, seeking love of Jesus who comes as our good Shepherd to lay his life down for His sheep.

May 11, 2025 **Fourth Sunday of Easter** My Sheep hear My voice.

#### **Confession and Absolution**

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

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

- 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.
- 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.
- $\mathbf{C}$ Amen.

#### Service of the Word

**Introit** Psalm 78:70–72; 79:13; antiphon: John 10:14, 15b

- I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.
- He chose David his servant and took him from the sheepfolds; from following the nursing ewes he brought him to shepherd Jacob his people, Israel his inheritance.
- With upright heart he shepherded them and guided them with his skillful hand.
- But we your people, the sheep of your pasture, will give thanks to you forever; from generation to generation we will recount your praise. 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 I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.

## **Kyrie** *LSB* 152

- **A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A 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.
- A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- Lord, have mercy.
- A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C Amen.

## This Is the Feast LSB 155

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

# Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.

P Let us pray.
Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same 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 20:17–35

A reading from the book of Acts, chapter twenty

<sup>17</sup>Now from Miletus [Paul] sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him. <sup>18</sup>And when they came to him, he said to them:

"You yourselves know how I lived among you the whole time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, 19 serving the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the Jews; <sup>20</sup>how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, <sup>21</sup>testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>22</sup>And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, <sup>23</sup>except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me. <sup>24</sup>But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. <sup>25</sup>And now, behold, I know that none of you among whom I have gone about proclaiming the kingdom will see my face again. <sup>26</sup>Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all of you, <sup>27</sup>for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. <sup>28</sup>Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. <sup>29</sup>I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; <sup>30</sup> and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. <sup>31</sup>Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish everyone with tears. <sup>32</sup>And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. 33 coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. <sup>34</sup>You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. <sup>35</sup>In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive."

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

## **Epistle** Revelation 7:9–17

A reading from the book of Revelation, chapter seven.

<sup>9</sup>After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, <sup>10</sup>and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" <sup>11</sup>And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup>saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

<sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" <sup>14</sup>I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. <sup>15</sup>"Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. <sup>16</sup>They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. <sup>17</sup>For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

A 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 John 10:22-30

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.

# **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>22</sup>At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup>and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. <sup>24</sup>So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly." <sup>25</sup>Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me, <sup>26</sup>but you do not believe because you are not part of my flock. <sup>27</sup>My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup>I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup>My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. <sup>30</sup>I and the Father are one."

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

# Hymn of the Day 710 The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want

1 The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want; He makes me down to lie In pastures green; He leadeth me The quiet waters by.

- 2 My soul He doth restore again And me to walk doth make Within the paths of righteousness, E'en for His own name's sake.
- 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, Yet will I fear no ill; For Thou art with me, and Thy rod And staff me comfort still.
- 4 My table Thou hast furnished In presence of my foes; My head Thou dost with oil anoint, And my cup overflows.
- 5 Goodness and mercy all my life Shall surely follow me; And in God's house forevermore My dwelling place shall be.

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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**

# Offering / 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.
- **©** 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, ...

#### 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*

## **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

- 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.

Please Sit

# **Distribution Hymns**

#### 740 I Am Jesus' Little Lamb

1 I am Jesus' little lamb, Ever glad at heart I am; For my Shepherd gently guides me, Knows my need and well provides me, Loves me ev'ry day the same, Even calls me by my name. 2 Day by day, at home, away, Jesus is my staff and stay. When I hunger, Jesus feeds me, Into pleasant pastures leads me; When I thirst, He bids me go Where the quiet waters flow.

3 Who so happy as I am, Even now the Shepherd's lamb? And when my short life is ended, By His angel host attended, He shall fold me to His breast, There within His arms to rest.

Text: Henrietta L. von Hayn, 1724–82; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941 Text: Public domain

## 628 Your Table I Approach

1 Your table I approach; Dear Savior, hear my prayer. Let not an unrepentant heart Prove hurtful to me there.

2 Lord, I confess my sins And mourn their wretched bands; A contrite heart is sure to find Forgiveness at Your hands.

3 Your body and Your blood, Once slain and shed for me, Are taken at Your table, Lord, In blest reality.

4 Search not how this takes place, This wondrous mystery; God can accomplish vastly more Than what we think could be.

5 O grant, most blessèd Lord, That earth and hell combined May not about this sacrament Raise doubt within my mind.

6 Oh, may I never fail To thank You day and night For Your true body and true blood, O God, my peace and light.

Text: Gerhard Wolter Molanus, 1633–1722; tr. Matthias Loy, 1828–1915, alt. Text: Public domain

#### 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**

**A** 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

- 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.
- G Amen.

# Closing Hymn 711 Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

1 Savior, like a shepherd lead us; Much we need Your tender care. In Your pleasant pastures feed us, For our use Your fold prepare. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, You have bought us; we are Yours. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, You have bought us; we are Yours.

2 We are Yours; in love befriend us, Be the guardian of our way; Keep Your flock, from sin defend us, Seek us when we go astray. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Hear us children when we pray. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Hear us children when we pray.

3 You have promised to receive us, Poor and sinful though we be; You have mercy to relieve us, Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Early let us turn to You. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Early let us turn to You.

4 Early let us seek Your favor, Early let us do Your will; Blessèd Lord and only Savior, With Your love our spirits fill. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, You have loved us, love us still. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, You have loved us, love us still.

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# Peace Notes

**Happy Mother's Day to all mothers!** Welcome to worship, as we praise the God who calls forth love in all relationships.

**Special thanks** to Pastor Davenport for filling in for Pastor Schumm this morning!

Prince of Peace is getting a Seminary graduate! Pastor Alexander Hinojosa and his family will be joining us in July! Thanks be to God for providing for Prince of Peace and our ministry. Please continue to pray for the 54 congregations who requested candidates and did not receive them this year.

There is a congregational Voters' Meeting coming up on May 18 immediately following worship. We will be voting for board members! If you are interested in volunteering for a position, please speak to Kurt Vaaler. Plan to join us.

Farewell Dinner May 31- We will be hosting a farewell dinner for Pastor Mark and Joan on Saturday, May 31 beginning at 5:30 p.m. Be sure to sign up in the narthex this morning if you will be joining us. If you have any questions please talk with Sandy Blair. Pastor Mark's last Sunday preaching will be June 22.

May Movie Night is scheduled for Friday, the 30th. Join us for the movie Juror #2- "While serving as a juror in a high-profile murder trial, a family man finds himself struggling with a serious moral dilemma, one he could use to sway the jury verdict and potentially convict or free the wrong killer. "-from imdb.com Join us for this Clint Eastwood directed film and a free pizza dinner! All are welcome.

**Baby Bottles** are available today! Be sure to grab a bottle and drop those coins in from Mother's Day to Father's Day in support of Another Way Pregnancy Center! Your change makes a huge change!

**Spring cleaning!** We are planning a church wide spring cleaning! Volunteers are needed! Watch for the date soon!

# WEEK AT A GLANCE

<u>Today</u>

Bible Study 8:30am Worship at 9:30am Bible Study 10:45am Happy Mother's Day

Tuesday, May 13
Bible Study at noon
Elder meeting 6:15pm
Prayer Team 7:15pm
NA meeting 7:30pm

Wednesday, May 14
Bible Study at noon

Friday, May 16 NA meeting 11 a.m AA Meeting 8 p.m.

Saturday, May 17 Work Morning 8am I-9 sports 10-noon

Sunday, May 18
Bible Study 8:30am
Worship at 9:30am
Bible Study 10:45am
Voters' meeting

# **QU DNIMO)**

Sunday, May 18
Voters' Meeting
after worship

Monday, May 19 Family of God 5:15pm

<u>Friday, May 30</u> 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 wartorn nations in the world.
- → Thanksgiving for God's provision of seminary student, Alexander Hinojosa, to serve as our next pastor and for the blessing of Pastor Mark and Joan as prepare for their move next month.
- ♣ For all Mother's as we celebrate them today and throughout the year.

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	Service Schedule		
	11-May	18-May	25-May
	9:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.
ELDER	Mike Beyersdorf	Dick Walker	Charley Staab
READER	Karen Turgeon	DeColle Abbott	Susan Vaaler
GREETER	Elaine Echols	Susan and Kurt Vaaler	Elaine Echols
VIDEO OPERATOR	Jesse Brindle	Chris Moses	Lillian Harmon
TELLERS	Barbara Moore	JoAnn Lind	Sharon Moses
	Jim Hart	Mike Hodgins	Irene Rothschild
USHERS	Dick Walker	Kurt Vaaler	Charley Staab
	Mark Wells	Jesse Brindle	Doug Butler
	Joe Svoke	Dick Walker	Msrk Wells