

# Prince of Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church



God Open Our Eyes to See:  
How Marriage is Meant to Display Your Love

20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

October 10, 2021



***“Learning and sharing the gospel of Christ the Prince of Peace.”***

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## **WELCOME!**

Welcome to Prince of Peace Lutheran Church. We pray that the time spent here in God’s house helps you to appreciate how dearly God loves you! He invested the life blood of his one and only Son into your salvation and offers the blessings of that sacrifice to us through Word and Sacrament! May God bless our worship today!

## **THEME FOR TODAY**

Marriage is more than just an agreement—it’s an institution designed by God. Just like anything that comes from God, it demonstrates his love. Marriage has many benefits for man and woman, the home, and society, but most of all it demonstrates God’s loving will. To see and understand such a will can only be done with a childlike faith that trusts simply and completely.

## **WORSHIP SERIES**

During this last part of the season of Pentecost the Scripture readings (especially the Gospel) focus us to see that God is our all in all. There is no church life and “other life.” For the Christian, there is one life—the Christian life. Throughout this series we’ll take a look at the many ways God opens our eyes to see how we can consider every facet of our life as an essential element in the whole of our Christian lives. So we pray:

### **GOD, OPEN OUR EYES TO SEE**

- Sunday, September 5<sup>th</sup> — What Makes Real Godly Obedience
- Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup> — What Need and Suffering Show us About You
- Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup> — What the Walk of the Cross is Like
- Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup> — The Importance of a Servant Attitude
- Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> — More Deeply How to Consider Ourselves
- Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup> — **How Marriage is Meant to Display Your Love****
- Sunday, October 17<sup>th</sup> — How We Ought to Think about Our Possessions
- Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup> — What Kind of Ambition We Ought to Have

# ORDER OF SERVICE

HYMN 505

Love Is the Gracious Gift

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## Love Is the Gracious Gift



1 Love is the gra - cious gift of your good - ness;  
2 You loved me first, Lord, send - ing me Je - sus.  
3 Love means for - give - ness, pa - tience, and kind - ness;  
4 Love in a mar - riage, love free - ly giv - en,  
5 Love a - mong Chris - tians, love in the fam - 'ly,



Love is the pa - tient fruit of your care;  
Then I re - spond - ed, trust - ing your Son.  
Love is not jeal - ous, boast - ful, or rude.  
Love of a hus - band, love of a wife—  
Love for the Sav - ior, whose blood was shed,



Love is the gen - tle work of your Spir - it,  
Now you in - vite me to love my neigh - bor,  
Love en - dures all things, bear - ing, be - liev - ing;  
Made to con - tin - ue, blos - som, and flour - ish,  
Love and sub - mis - sion one to an - oth - er



Who is the source of love ev - 'ry - where.  
Show - ing your true love to ev - 'ry - one.  
Love hopes for - ev - er, re - joic - es in truth.  
Grow ev - er deep - er through - out this life.  
As un - to Christ, who reigns as our head.

Text: Donald E. Smith, b. 1952, alt. © 1985 Donald E. Smith. All rights reserved. Used by permission.  
Tune: BUNESSAN (Irregular) Gaelic melody, 19th century.

STAND

[M]: In the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.



C: A - men.

## CONFESSION OF SINS

**[M]:** Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**[C]:** Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

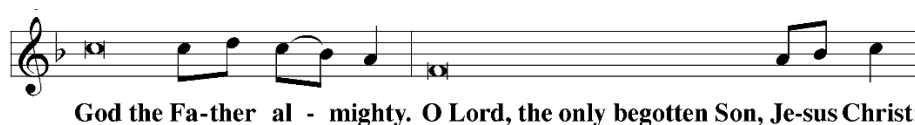
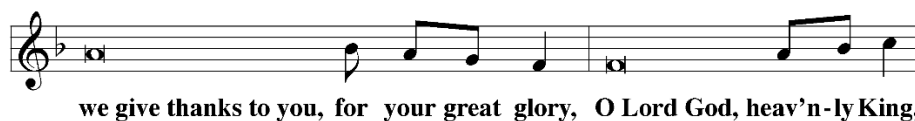
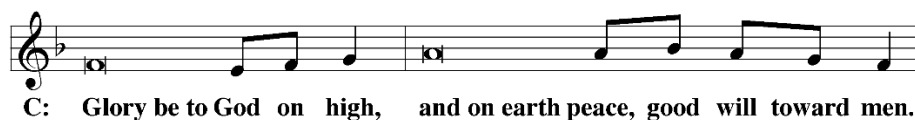


**[M]:** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.



## PRAYER AND PRAISE

**[M]:** In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.





O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the  
 sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the  
 sin of the world; re - ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of  
 God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on - ly are holy;  
 you on - ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,  
 are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

[M]: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

[M]: Let us pray.

Almighty God, in your bountiful goodness keep us safe from every evil of body and soul. Make us ready, with cheerful hearts, to do whatever pleases you; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

*BE SEATED*

# THE WORD

## FIRST READING

Genesis 2:18-24

*Note how careful God is in his institution of marriage and how eager he is that husband and wife see each other as a special blessing from God. God himself, without consulting either Adam or Eve, regulates the marriage he himself has instituted in a way that will best serve the interests of the married and ultimately of the Church and society as well.*

<sup>18</sup> The LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him."

<sup>19</sup> Now the LORD God had formed out of the ground all the wild animals and all the birds in the sky. He brought them to the man to see what he would name them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. <sup>20</sup> So the man gave names to all the livestock, the birds in the sky and all the wild animals.

But for Adam no suitable helper was found. <sup>21</sup> So the LORD God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man's ribs and then closed up the place with flesh. <sup>22</sup> Then the LORD God made a woman from the rib <sup>x</sup> he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man.

<sup>23</sup> The man said,

"This is now bone of my bones  
and flesh of my flesh;  
she shall be called 'woman,'  
for she was taken out of man."

<sup>24</sup> That is why a man leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh.

## PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 139b



O LORD, you created my inmost being;<sup>\*</sup>  
you knit me together in my mother's womb.

I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made;<sup>\*</sup>  
your works are wonderful, I know that full well.

My frame was not hidden from you;<sup>\*</sup>  
your eyes saw my unformed body.

**Refrain**

All the days ordained for me\*  
were written in your book before one of them came to be.

How precious to me are your thoughts, O God!\*  
How vast is the sum of them!

Were I to count them,\*  
they would outnumber the grains of sand.

**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.**

**Refrain**

**SECOND READING**

**Hebrews 2:9-11**

*The writer gives us our motivation for honoring God's design for the family. He speaks about how Christ became flesh and blood in order to taste death for us all, so that through his innocent sufferings and death we might become the children of God and heirs of everlasting life.*

<sup>9</sup> But we do see Jesus, who was made lower than the angels for a little while, now crowned with glory and honor because he suffered death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

<sup>10</sup> In bringing many sons and daughters to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through what he suffered. <sup>11</sup> Both the one who makes people holy and those who are made holy are of the same family. So Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters.

**VERSE OF THE DAY**

Alleluia. I will proclaim your name to my people; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you. Alleluia. (Hebrews 2:12 cf. RSV)



STAND



C: Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!

## GOSPEL

Mark 10:2-16

*Jesus declares God's will that marriage be a lifelong union. Therefore, divorce always involves sin. It is always a matter of a husband, a wife, or both refusing to trust that God knows what is best for their welfare. To emphasize the need for humble submission to the will of God, Jesus took into his arms a little child and called for all of us to have a childlike faith, one that does not doubt God's love or his ways of wisdom in our lives.*

<sup>2</sup> Some Pharisees came and tested him by asking, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?"

<sup>3</sup> "What did Moses command you?" he replied.

<sup>4</sup> They said, "Moses permitted a man to write a certificate of divorce and send her away."

<sup>5</sup> "It was because your hearts were hard that Moses wrote you this law," Jesus replied. <sup>6</sup> "But at the beginning of creation God 'made them male and female.' <sup>7</sup> 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, <sup>8</sup> and the two will become one flesh.' <sup>9</sup> So they are no longer two, but one flesh. <sup>9</sup> Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."

<sup>10</sup> When they were in the house again, the disciples asked Jesus about this. <sup>11</sup> He answered, "Anyone who divorces his wife and marries another woman commits adultery against her. <sup>12</sup> And if she divorces her husband and marries another man, she commits adultery."

<sup>13</sup> People were bringing little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them, but the disciples rebuked them. <sup>14</sup> When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. <sup>15</sup> Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." <sup>16</sup> And he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!



## **THE APOSTLE'S CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.**

**The third day he rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.**

**From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*BE SEATED*

**503 Oh, Blessed Home, Where Man and Wife**

1 Oh, bless - ed home, where man and wife To -  
 2 If they have giv - en him their heart, The  
 3 Oh, Lord, we come be - fore your face, In

geth - er lead a god - ly life, By love their  
 place of hon - or set a - part For him each  
 ev - 'ry home be - stow your grace On chil - dren,

faith con - fess - ing! There man - y a hap - py  
 night and mor - row, Then he the storms of  
 fa - ther, moth - er. Re - lieve their wants; their

day is spent; There Je - sus glad - ly  
 life will calm, Will bring for ev - 'ry  
 bur - dens ease. Let them to - geth - er

will con - sent To tar - ry with his bless -  
 wound a balm, And change to joy their sor -  
 dwell in peace And love for one an - oth -

ing, To tar - ry with his bless - ing.  
 row, And change to joy their sor - row.  
 er, And love for one an - oth - er.

Text: Magnus B. Landstad, 1802–80, abr.; tr. Ole T. Arneson, 1853–1917, alt.  
 Tune: OH, BLESSED HOME (887 887 7) Kermit G. Moldenhauer, b. 1949. © 1993 Kermit G. Moldenhauer.  
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**SERMON**

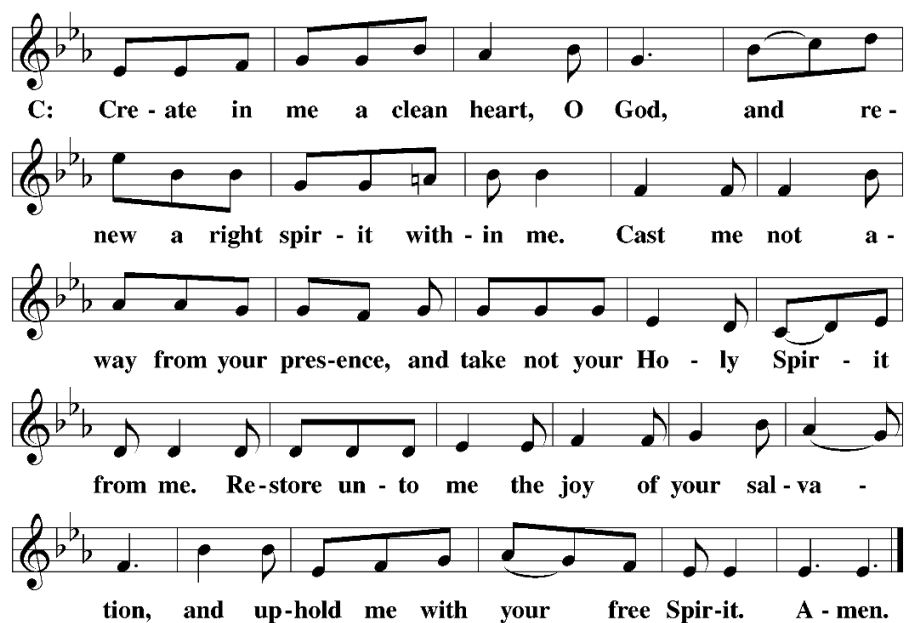
**Mark 10:2-16**

**Marriage is Love in Motion**

- I. Reflecting God’s Gospel**
- II. Grasped only by Faith**

STAND

After the sermon, the congregation sings:



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

## OFFERING

*During this on-going pandemic we have refrained from passing the offering plate. You may place your offering into the plate on the table before or after the service. Online giving is also available on our website, [www.princeofpeacemartinez.com](http://www.princeofpeacemartinez.com) .*

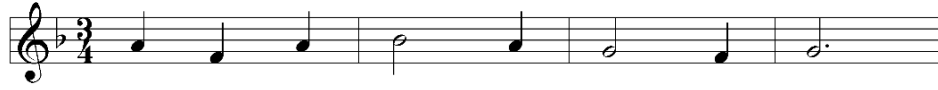
## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

### LORD'S PRAYER

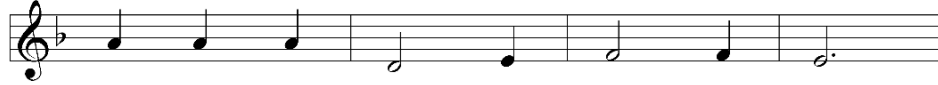
**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from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

BE SEATED

## 500 For Christian Homes, O Lord, We Pray



1 For Chris - tian homes, O Lord, we pray,  
 2 We are the chil - dren of your grace;  
 3 U - nit - ed in a bond of love,  
 4 Pro - tect us and our loved ones dear,  
 5 And when you call us all to rest,



That you might dwell with us each day.  
 Our homes are now your dwell - ing - place.  
 We lift our eyes to you a - bove.  
 From pain and sor - row, want and fear;  
 Then will we have a home more blest,



Make ours a place where you are Lord,  
 In you we trust and dai - ly live;  
 From you we gain the strength to live,  
 Yet when we must our bur - dens bear,  
 See all our care and sor - row cease,



Where all is gov - erned by your Word.  
 Teach us to serve and to for - give.  
 The wish to share, the joy to give.  
 "Your will be done" shall be our prayer.  
 And find with Christ e - ter - nal peace.

Text: Richard S. Armstrong, b. 1924, st. 1, 3-5, abr., alt. Mark A. Jeske, b. 1952, st. 2, alt.  
 St. 1, 3-5 from *Book of Worship for U.S. Forces*, published by U.S. Government Printing Office.  
 St. 2 © 1993 Mark A. Jeske. All rights reserved. Used by permission.  
 Tune: GOTTLÖB, ES GEHT NUNMEHR ZU ENDE (LM) Wagner, *Sammlung alter und neuer . . . Melodien*, 1742, alt.

**[M]:** Almighty God, grant to your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes from above. Let nothing hinder your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that we may serve you in steadfast faith and confess your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**[C]:** Amen.

[M]: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
 The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
 The Lord look on you with favor and (✠) give you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

BE SEATED

**HYMN 538**

**The Church's One Foundation**

**538 The Church's One Foundation**



1 The Church's one foun - da - tion Is Je - sus  
 2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, Yet one o'er  
 3 The Church shall nev - er per - ish. Her dear Lord,  
 4 Though with a scorn - ful won - der The world sees  
 5 Mid - toil and trib - u - la - tion And tu - mult



Christ, her Lord; She is his new cre - a - tion By  
 all the earth; Her char - ter of sal - va - tion: One  
 to de - fend, To guide, sus - tain, and cher - ish, Is  
 her op - pressed, By schisms rent a - sun - der, By  
 of her war She waits the con - sum - ma - tion Of



wa - ter and the Word. From heav'n he came and  
 Lord, one faith, one birth. One ho - ly name she  
 with her to the end. Though there be those that  
 her - e - sies dis - tressed, Yet saints their watch are  
 peace for - ev - er - more Till with the vi - sion



sought her To be his ho - ly bride; With his own  
 bless - es, Par - takes one ho - ly food, And to one  
 hate her And strive to see her fail, A - gainst both  
 keep - ing; Their cry goes up, "How long?" And soon the  
 glo - rious Her long - ing eyes are blest And the great



blood he bought her, And for her life he died.  
 hope she press - es, With ev - 'ry grace en - dued.  
 foe and trai - tor She ev - er shall pre - vail.  
 night of weep - ing Shall be the morn of song.  
 Church vic - to - rious Shall be the Church at rest.

Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839-1900, abr., alt.  
 Tune: AURELIA (76 76 D) Samuel S. Wesley, 1810-76.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	10:15 am Bible Class 6:00 pm Bible Class
<b>THURSDAY</b>	5:00 pm Elders Meeting 6:00 pm Council Meeting
<b>FRIDAY</b>	8:00 am Men's Breakfast Bible Study @Cracker Barrel
<b>SUNDAY</b>	8:00 am Worship w/ Holy Communion 9:15 am – 10:15 am Bible Class & Sunday School 10:30 am Worship w/ Holy Communion

### FLOWERS



**Keith and Anna Sommers** provided the flowers for the chancel area today to give thanks to God on the occasion of Anna, and their son, Logan's, birthdays! May we all remember that birthdays are regular reminders to us that God has not only given us physical life, but he has given us eternal life as well through Jesus Christ, our Savior. May God continue to shower his blessings on Anna and Logan and fill their hearts with joy as they live each day to the praise and glory of God!

### FALL FESTIVAL

Fall Festival will be held on Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup> starting at 11:30 am following 2<sup>nd</sup> Service. There is a sign-up sheet for bringing sides, drinks, and desserts on the bulletin board across from Pastor's office.



### KYUNG MI SCHROEDER MEMORIAL GIFTS

If you would like to make a memorial gift in memory of Kyung Mi Schroeder, such gifts may be made out to Prince of Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church. Please indicate Kyung Mi Schroeder Memorial on the check. You may also make use of the memorial gift envelopes found in the Narthex.

<u>Operating Offerings</u>		<u>Attendance</u>		<u>Mortgage Progress</u>	
10/3/21	\$ 2,640.00	8:00 am	32	10/3/21	\$ 2,400.00
Month to Date	\$ 2,640.00	10:30 am	32	Month to Date	\$ 2,400.00
YTD	\$ 148,065.00	Total	64	YTD	\$ 34,905.00
Budget YTD	\$ 161,029.00			Budget YTD	\$ 26,377.00
2020 YTD	\$ 161,494.00			2020 YTD	\$ 34,905.00
<b>Weekly needs October Operating Offering</b>					<b>\$ 4,170.00</b>
<b>Monthly Mortgage Payment</b>					<b>\$ 2,867.00</b>