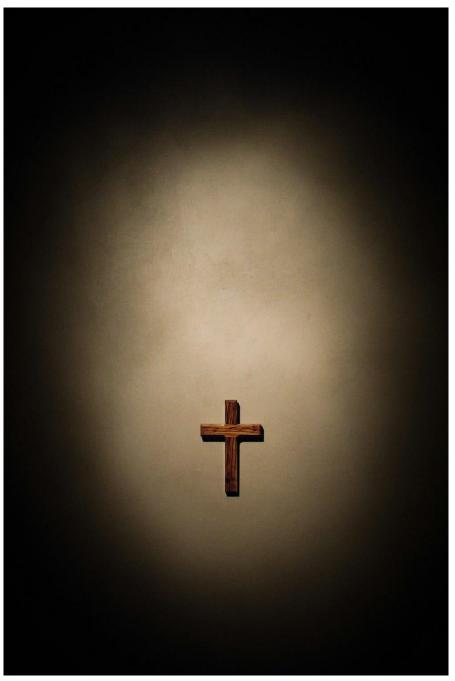
Prince of Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church



Behold the Hidden Glory of the Cross! Midweek Lent February 28, 2024

"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!

MID-WEEK WORSHIP SERIES

Behold the Hidden Glory of the Cross!

God has shown us in the life and teaching of his Son the true way of blessedness. He has also shown us in His suffering and death that the path of love may lead to the cross, and the reward of faithfulness may be a crown of thorns. May God give us grace to learn these hard lessons! May we take up our cross and follow Christ in the strength of patience and the constancy of faith; and may we have such fellowship with Him in His sorrow that we may know His strength and peace and see, even in our darkest hour of trial and anguish, the beauty of eternal light!

February 21	It is Hidden in the Savior's Solitude	Luke 18:31-34
February 28	It is Hidden in the Savior's Rejection by His Own	Matthew 26:57-68
March 6	It is Hidden in the Savior's Rejection by the World	John 18:33 - 19:1
March 13	It is Hidden in the Savior's Stumbling	Mark 15:18-21
March 20	It is Hidden in Powerful Words	Luke 23:32-43
March 28 (Holy Thursc	It is Hidden in the Savior's Feast lay)	Matthew 26:26-30
March 29 (Good Friday	It is Hidden in the Savior's Promises	John 19:31-37

Prayer at the Close of Day

Remain seated



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Confession

Our help is in the name of the Lord, **the maker of heaven and earth.**

Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for personal reflection

Confession

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you in our thoughts, in our words, in our deeds, and in all that we have not done. Forgive us in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Deliver and restore us, that we may rest in peace.

By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in him we are forgiven.Let us rest in his peace until the rising of the sun, when we shall serve him in newness of life.

Amen.

Into Your Hands



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Passion History Reading

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Sermon It is Hidden in the Savior's Rejection by His Own

⁵⁷Those who had arrested Jesus took him to Caiaphas the high priest, where the teachers of the law and the elders had assembled. ⁵⁸But Peter followed him at a distance, right up to the courtyard of the high priest. He entered and sat down with the guards to see the outcome.

⁵⁹The chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were looking for false evidence against Jesus so that they could put him to death. ⁶⁰But they did not find any, though many false witnesses came forward.

Finally two came forward ⁶¹ and declared, "This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and rebuild it in three days.'"

⁶²Then the high priest stood up and said to Jesus, "Are you not going to answer? What is this testimony that these men are bringing against you?" ⁶³But Jesus remained silent.

The high priest said to him, "I charge you under oath by the living God: Tell us if you are the Messiah, the Son of God."

⁶⁴"You have said so," Jesus replied. "But I say to all of you: From now on you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven."

⁶⁵Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, "He has spoken blasphemy! Why do we need any more witnesses? Look, now you have heard the blasphemy. ⁶⁶What do you think?"

"He is worthy of death," they answered.

⁶⁷Then they spit in his face and struck him with their fists. Others slapped him ⁶⁸and said, "Prophesy to us, Messiah. Who hit you?"

Stand

Prayer



Prayers

O God our Father, by your mercy and might the world turns safely into darkness and returns again to light. We place into your hands our unfinished tasks, our unsolved problems, and our unfulfilled hopes, knowing that only what you bless will / prosper.* To your great love and protection we commit each other and all those we love, knowing that you alone are our sure de-/fender;



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Lord's Prayer



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Song of Simeon



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Benedicamus

Let us praise the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Blessing

The almighty and merciful Lord—the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit—bless us and keep us.

Amen.

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