

# Prince of Peace

## Evangelical Lutheran Church



### Don't Forget the LORD

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***“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!

## **ABOUT THE COVER**

The cover picture depicts the name of the LORD as it appears in the Hebrew language along with the drop of blood reminding us what the LORD has done for us, so that we do not forget, now or ever!

## **THEME FOR TODAY**

How easy it is to forget God when things are going well. We often turn to God when we are struggling and times are hard, but when things are good, we do not acknowledge that this is from God. Then when those times that are difficult do come, we turn to God in arrogance and scorn, and demand that he explain himself. This Thanksgiving, let us learn to acknowledge God at all times, humbly trusting him as the sole source of all blessings.

## **INFORMATION**

- Our nursery area is located near the entrance area of the church. It is equipped with a television monitor so that you can view and follow the service if you desire to stay with your child in the nursery.
- Restrooms are located through the double doors down the hallway on the right. A changing table for infants and toddlers is located in both restrooms. Additional restrooms are available in the education wing.
- The service is recorded and may be found on our YouTube channel or website.

# ORDER OF SERVICE

HYMN 228

Come, Rejoice before Your Maker

OPENING OF SERVICE

## 228 Come, Rejoice before Your Maker

1 Come, re - joi - ce be - fore your Mak - er, All you  
2 Know for cer - tain our Cre - a - tor Is the  
3 Come with grate - ful hearts be - fore him; En - ter  
4 For the Lord our God is gra - cious, Ev - er -  
peo - ples of the earth. Serve the Lord your God with  
true and on - ly God. We are his, for he has  
now his courts with praise. Show your thank - ful - ness in  
last - ing in his love, And to ev - 'ry gen - er -  
glad - ness; Come be - fore him with a song.  
made us; We are sheep with - in his fold.  
wor - ship; Give due hon - or to his name.  
a - tion His great faith - ful - ness en - dures.

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STAND

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

[C]: **Amen.**

[M]: I rejoiced with those who said to me,

[C]: **Let us go to the house of the LORD.** *Psalm 122:1*

[M]: Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over. *Luke 24:29*

[C]: **Surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.** *Matthew 28:20*

[M]: Your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday.

[C]: **The LORD will guide you always.** *Isaiah 58:10,11*

[M]: Your sun will never set again, and your moon will wane no more;

[C]: **The LORD will be your everlasting light, and your days of sorrow will end.**

*Isaiah 60:20*

[M]: On no day will the gates of the Holy City ever be shut,

[C]: **for there will be no night there.**

*Revelation 21:25*

[M]: Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name;

[C]: **make known among the nations what he has done.**

*Psalm 105:1*

## **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.

[M]: Let us pray.

Almighty God our Father, your generous goodness comes to us new everyday. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

[C]: **Amen.**

*BE SEATED*

*Refrain*

Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord a new song.

*Psalm tone* \*

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.\*  
 Worship the LORD with gladness;  
 come before him with joyful songs.\*  
 Know that the LORD is God.

It is he who made us, and we are his;\*  
 we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

***Refrain***

Enter his gates with thanksgiving  
 and his courts with praise;\*  
 give thanks to him and praise his name.

For the LORD is good and his love endures forever;\*  
 his faithfulness continues through all generations.

**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***

# THE WORD

## READING

## Philippians 4:10-20

*Paul speaks about how the Philippians had shared their blessings with him in his need. This reminds us that God grants us good things not only to meet our needs but so that we might share with the needy of the world, especially those who are in need of the Gospel. Paul also serves as our example as he tells us how he had learned to be content with the Lord's provision, no matter what the circumstance.*

<sup>10</sup> I rejoiced greatly in the Lord that at last you renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you were concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. <sup>11</sup> I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. <sup>12</sup> I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. <sup>13</sup> I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

<sup>14</sup> Yet it was good of you to share in my troubles. <sup>15</sup> Moreover, as you Philippians know, in the early days of your acquaintance with the gospel, when I set out from Macedonia, not one church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving, except you only; <sup>16</sup> for even when I was in Thessalonica, you sent me aid more than once when I was in need. <sup>17</sup> Not that I desire your gifts; what I desire is that more be credited to your account. <sup>18</sup> I have received full payment and have more than enough. I am amply supplied, now that I have received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent. They are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God. <sup>19</sup> And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.

<sup>20</sup> To our God and Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

STAND



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

## GOSPEL

## Luke 17:11-19

*Jesus commends the thankful leper. Daily let us turn to the Lord and give thanks for all his goodness toward us — especially for his cleansing us from the leprosy of sin by his holy blood.*

<sup>11</sup> Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup> As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance <sup>13</sup> and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!"

<sup>14</sup> When he saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed.

<sup>15</sup> One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. <sup>16</sup> He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan.

<sup>17</sup> Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine?" <sup>18</sup> Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?" <sup>19</sup> Then he said to him, "Rise and go; your faith has made you well."



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!



<sup>10</sup>When you have eaten and are satisfied, praise the Lord your God for the good land he has given you. <sup>11</sup>Be careful that you do not forget the Lord your God, failing to observe his commands, his laws and his decrees that I am giving you this day. <sup>12</sup>Otherwise, when you eat and are satisfied, when you build fine houses and settle down, <sup>13</sup>and when your herds and flocks grow large and your silver and gold increase and all you have is multiplied, <sup>14</sup>then your heart will become proud and you will forget the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. <sup>15</sup>He led you through the vast and dreadful wilderness, that thirsty and waterless land, with its venomous snakes and scorpions. He brought you water out of hard rock. <sup>16</sup>He gave you manna to eat in the wilderness, something your ancestors had never known, to humble and test you so that in the end it might go well with you. <sup>17</sup>You may say to yourself, “My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me.” <sup>18</sup>But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your ancestors, as it is today.

**Don't Forget the LORD**

- I. When things are good**
- II. When you are in need**

STAND

The musical score is written on five staves in a single system. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The melody is written in a soprano voice part. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The lyrics are: "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 of heaven and earth, you made all things beautiful. You have provided green forests and refreshing streams. You have arranged the orderly procession of day and night for our work and rest.

**Thank you for the mountains and the prairies, the roaring sea, and the gentle breeze.**

Thank you for roofs that shelter us, for clothing that protects us, and for food and drink. Thank you for our work, for projects that are done well, and for the approval of supervisors and teachers. Thank you for all who serve at night to make our days more pleasant.

**Thank you for associates at work, for their encouragement and praise, and for the joys of human friendships.**

Thank you for our cities and our countrysides, for farms and factories, for streets and highways, and for all of life that flows so swiftly before us.

**Thank you for children at play, their boundless energy, and their shouts of joy and laughter.**

Thank you for the morning greetings we receive, and for all the smiles that come from faces loved by you.

**Thank you for Christian parents, for their affection and their care.**

Hear us, Lord, as we give thanks for personal blessings.

***Silent prayer.***

Thank you for your Son, Jesus Christ, for his coming to us in Word and sacraments, for his giving and forgiving, and for listening to our prayers. Receive our gifts and offerings as our sacrifice of praise.

**Lead us in thankful living today and always. Amen.**

## 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**

**[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 610**

**Now Thank We All Our God**

THANKSGIVING

**610 Now Thank We All Our God**

1 Now thank we all our God With hearts and  
 2 Oh, may this boun - teous God Through all our  
 3 All praise and thanks to God The Fa - ther

hands and voic - es, Who won - drous things has done,  
 life be near us, With ev - er - joy - ful hearts  
 now be giv - en, The Son, and him who reigns

In whom his world re - joic - es, Who from our  
 And bless - ed peace to cheer us And keep us  
 With them in high - est heav - en, The one e -

moth - er's arms Has blessed us on our way With  
 in his grace And guide us when per - plexed And  
 ter - nal God, Whom earth and heav'n a - dore! For

count - less gifts of love And still is ours to - day.  
 free us from all ills In this world and the next.  
 thus it was, is now, And shall be ev - er - more.

Text: Martin Rinkart, 1586–1649; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.  
 Tune: NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT (67 67 66 66) Johann Crüger, 1598–1662.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

<b>SUNDAY</b>	8:00 am Worship (Lord's Supper) 9:15 am – 10:15 am Bible Class & Sunday School 10:30 am Worship (Lord's Supper)
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### Mid-week Advent Services

Mid-week advent services will be held at 6:30pm on December 1st, 8th, and 15th. This year we meditate on what the Psalms tell us about Christ our King as we eagerly await his triumphant return!

### WOMEN'S SOCIAL

There will be a casual women's fellowship gathering on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 6:30 pm at church. Light refreshments will be provided. If you want to bring some kind of snack, that is fine, but it is NOT required! Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board in the hallway so that we'll have an idea of how many will be in attendance. If you have questions, please contact Lori Penha.

### Sunday Bible Class

This coming Sunday we will begin a new topic in Sunday morning Bible class. We will be taking a look at the book of Ecclesiastes. As we enter into what the secular world calls the holiday season, we see that very little of this season actually focuses in on what is at the center of it all – Christ. Instead our focus is on the frenzy of commercialism, the false heaven of friends and family, and the comfort of tradition. Instead, perhaps our focus out to be on another descriptor of all these things – meaningless – the theme word of the teacher in Ecclesiastes.

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