

Prince of Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church



Faith Overflows With Gratitude

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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!

THEME FOR TODAY

Being thankful isn't just for Thanksgiving. Today's Scripture readings show us that thankfulness is a fruit of faith. The life of faith is one of thankfulness, think of how much God has done for us! Not only does he bless us daily in many ways we would not expect and don't deserve, but he has given us salvation and eternal life, which we truly do not deserve. By faith we recognize how undeserved this love is and respond with gratitude and thankfulness!

Stand

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Confession

CW 154

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.
**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. 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.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

Glory Be to God

CW 157



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor-ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther Al-mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



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.

The Word

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Genesis 8:15–22

By faith, Noah expressed his gratitude for God's undeserved generosity in preserving the lives of him and his family.

¹⁵Then God said to Noah, ¹⁶“Come out of the ark, you and your wife and your sons and their wives. ¹⁷Bring out every kind of living creature that is with you—the birds, the animals, and all the creatures that move along the ground—so they can multiply on the earth and be fruitful and increase in number on it.”

¹⁸So Noah came out, together with his sons and his wife and his sons' wives. ¹⁹All the animals and all the creatures that move along the ground and all the birds—everything that moves on land—came out of the ark, one kind after another.

²⁰Then Noah built an altar to the LORD and, taking some of all the clean animals and clean birds, he sacrificed burnt offerings on it. ²¹The LORD smelled the pleasing aroma and said in his heart: “Never again will I curse the ground because of humans, even though every inclination of the human heart is evil from childhood. And never again will I destroy all living creatures, as I have done.

²²“As long as the earth endures,
seedtime and harvest,
cold and heat,
summer and winter,
day and night
will never cease.”

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 9:10–15

Our gratitude for God's generosity to us will naturally include a willingness to be generous with others.

¹⁰Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.

¹²This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of the Lord's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. ¹³Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, others will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. ¹⁴And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you. ¹⁵Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Saving Faith Turns You Back

- I. To acknowledge your unworthiness
- II. To express your gratitude

Stand

Apostles' 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

Prayer of the Church

Brief intercessory prayers may be added in a fitting place.

Loving God and Lord, you created the universe that surrounds us and the globe on which we live. You control all things through your Son, who sits at your right hand in glory.

Comfort us with the promise of your eternal presence.

Give your Word power as it works in our hearts and minds. Clear away our confusion, and demolish our doubts. Send your Spirit to strengthen both our confidence in your promises and our desire to live according to your will.

Take away our love of sinning, and restore us each day by your grace.

The signs of the times warn us that the end of time is near. Protect us from scoffers who sneer at your truth. Spare us and Christians around the world from all forms of hate and persecution.

Give us courage to carry the cross with patience and joy.

Instill in the hearts of our children a desire to follow you as they prepare for future days. Help them distinguish between what is passing and what is eternal, between instant thrills and lasting joy. Encourage more young people to prepare for service in the public ministry of the gospel.

Mold us and move us to be good examples for our youth.

Hold in your care, Lord, those who are experiencing physical or emotional pain and all who are afflicted by disease or facing death. [Especially bless . . . *here name the person and the cause of the petition.*] Pour out your compassion on the grieving, and comfort the mourners who miss someone they loved.

Move us to pray for these brothers and sisters and to help when we can.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

Whether we pray together or alone, you have promised to hear and answer us. Give us patience to accept your blessings in whatever way you send them. In your love and wisdom, prepare us for the day when you will take us to be with you forever.

Hear us for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Offering

Stand

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
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.**

Blessing

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.
Amen.

Acknowledgments

Setting One from Christian Worship

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THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY	6:30 pm Catechism
WEDNESDAY	10:15 am Bible Class 6:00 pm Bible Class 7:00 pm BIC Class
SUNDAY	8:00 am Worship w/Communion 9:15 am Bible Class & Sunday School 10:30 am Worship w/Communion

CHANCEL FLOWERS



Karen Thomasson purchased the chancel flowers today in honor of her granddaughter’s birthday! It is always our prayer that each birthday is a reminder to us that life as a child of God is not numbered in years, but in blessings. The blessings of forgiveness of sins, eternal life and salvation multiply into innumerable blessings of peace, joy, contentment, hope, comfort and purpose in living. May we all remember that the spiritual blessings of knowing Jesus by faith enrich our lives in every way imaginable!

FALL FESTIVAL

Join us for Prince of Peace's annual Fall Festival Sunday, October 30th 11:30 AM to 2:00 PM. There will be trunk or treat, food, photo booth, games & activities! All are invited!



REFORMATION SUNDAY (October 30)

On Reformation Sunday we will have one worship service at 10:30 am. Bible class & Sunday School will be at 9:15 am as usual. We want to take this opportunity to gather our whole congregation together in one service and encourage all to stay for fellowship at the Fall Festival. We also intend to evaluate whether a one-service schedule may better suit our congregation at this time.

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY (LWMS)

You are invited to Abiding Grace Lutheran Church in Covington, GA For the Southern Hills Circuit of Lutheran Women’s Missionary Society Fall Rally November 5, 2022

Guest Speaker will be Pastor Larry Schlomer – Head of World Missions

Registration and breakfast: 8 - 9 am There is a dinner at 6:30 pm Friday November 4, 2022 for officers and early arrivals.

SIGN UP ON MISSION BULLETIN BOARD BY OCTOBER 23 CONTACT: BARBARA SMITH OR SU HANSON

<u>Operating Offerings</u>		<u>Attendance</u>		<u>Mortgage Progress</u>	
10/2/2022	\$ 2,515.00	8:00 am	31	10/2/2022	\$ 115.00
Month to Date	\$ 2,515.00	10:30 am	43	Month to Date	\$ 115.00
YTD	\$ 136,384.00	Total	74	YTD	\$ 33,206.00
Budget YTD	\$ 154,139.00	38% of total membership		Budget YTD	\$ 26,377.00
2021 YTD	\$ 148,623.00			2021 YTD	\$ 33,265.00
Weekly needs October Operating Offering					\$ 3,996.00
Monthly Mortgage Payment					\$ 2,867.00