Prince of Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church



God Open Our Eyes to See: More Deeply How to Consider Ourselves 19th Sunday after Pentecost October 3, 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

What more important thing can a person have than faith in Jesus? Nothing! Let us always guard this valuable gift from God in ourselves and in others. Let us go to great lengths to build up one another in the faith and point one another to Jesus by keeping God's word close to us and living according to it.

LORD'S SUPPER

Scripture teaches us that in the Lord's Supper:

- The body and blood of Christ are really present with the bread and the wine. (Matthew 26:26-28; 1 Corinthians 11:27)
- Jesus gives true forgiveness, not just a symbol, to each recipient. (Matthew 26:28)
- We are united as one body of believers because we all partake the one body and blood of Christ. "Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ? Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all share the one loaf." (1 Corinthians 10:16-17)

For these reasons we ask that, if you are not a part of a WELS (Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod) or ELS (Evangelical Lutheran Synod) church that publicly confesses to believe these same scriptural truths, you speak with our pastor before you take the Sacrament. We do not wish to judge your faith, but want to make sure that we are in agreement before publicly declaring that we share a common faith.

We are careful about the way we celebrate the Lord's Supper because we want to humbly accept this gift the way God intended.

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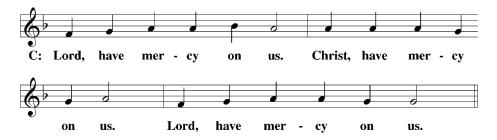
STAND

[M]: In the name of the Father and of the Son (¹/₁) and of the Holy Spirit.



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.

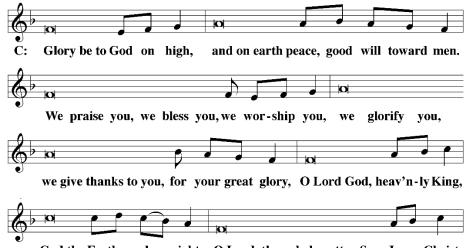


[M]: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (⊕) and of the Holy Spirit.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

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



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



PRAYER OF THE DAY

[M]: The Lord be with you.



[M]: Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, preserve the congregation of believers with your neverfailing mercy. Help us avoid whatever is wicked and harmful, and guide us in the way that leads to our salvation; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BE SEATED

THE WORD

FIRST READING

Numbers 11:16, 24-29

Psalm 51b

This incident in the history of Israel warns against letting our zeal for the Lord cause strife. It tells of the commissioning of 70 elders who were chosen to assist Moses in leading Israel. When Joshua heard that two of those elders were prophesying away from the presence of Moses, he thought Moses should stop them. He incorrectly concluded that they were trying to usurp Moses' authority. Moses corrected Joshua. He told him that he wished "that all the Lord's people were prophets and the Lord would put his Spirit on them!"

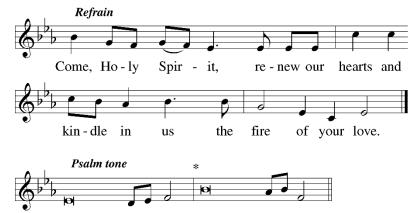
¹⁶ The LORD said to Moses: "Bring me seventy of Israel's elders who are known to you as leaders and officials among the people. Have them come to the tent of meeting, that they may stand there with you.

²⁴ So Moses went out and told the people what the LORD had said. He brought together seventy of their elders and had them stand around the tent. ²⁵ Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke with him, and he took some of the power of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied—but did not do so again.

²⁶ However, two men, whose names were Eldad and Medad, had remained in the camp. They were listed among the elders, but did not go out to the tent. Yet the Spirit also rested on them, and they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷ A young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp."

²⁸ Joshua son of Nun, who had been Moses' aide since youth, spoke up and said, "Moses, my lord, stop them!"

²⁹ But Moses replied, "Are you jealous for my sake? I wish that all the LORD's people were prophets and that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!"



PSALM OF THE DAY

O Lord, open my lips,*

and my mouth will declare your praise.

You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would <u>bring</u> it;* you do not take pleasure in burnt <u>offerings</u>.

The sacrifices of God are a broken <u>spirit</u>;* a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will <u>not</u> despise.

Refrain

Create in me a pure <u>heart</u>, O God,* and renew a steadfast spirit with<u>in</u> me.

Do not cast me from your <u>pres</u>ence* or take your Holy Spirit <u>from</u> me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation,* and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Then I will teach transgressors <u>your</u> ways,* and sinners will turn <u>back</u> to you.

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Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son*
and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it,
as it was in the be<u>gin</u>ning,*
is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men.
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Refrain

SECOND READING

James 4:7-12

The evangelist warns against sitting in judgment of others and ruining their reputation with words of gossip. He calls for us who love Christ to resist the devil and to humble ourselves before the Lord at all times.

⁷ Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ⁸ Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. ⁹ Grieve, mourn and wail. Change your laughter to mourning and your joy to gloom. ¹⁰ Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

¹¹ Brothers and sisters, do not slander one another. Anyone who speaks against a brother or sister or judges them speaks against the law and judges it. When you judge the law, you are not keeping it, but sitting in judgment on it. ¹² There is only one Lawgiver and Judge, the one who is able to save and destroy. But you—who are you to judge your neighbor?

VERSE OF THE DAY

Alleluia. At the name of Jesus every knee should bow, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Alleluia.

(Philippians 2:10,11 cf. NIV)



STAND



GOSPEL

Mark 9:38-50

Mark reports a time when the Twelve became jealous of someone outside their group. He was a man who drove out demons in Jesus' name. Sinful pride and misguided zeal for the Lord's truth prompted their jealousy. Jesus reproved his disciples and warned them to guard against sin and live at peace with one another.

³⁸ "Teacher," said John, "we saw someone driving out demons in your name and we told him to stop, because he was not one of us."

³⁹ "Do not stop him," Jesus said. "For no one who does a miracle in my name can in the next moment say anything bad about me, ⁴⁰ for whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹ Truly I tell you, anyone who gives you a cup of water in my name because you belong to the Messiah will certainly not lose their reward.

⁴² "If anyone causes one of these little ones—those who believe in me—to stumble, it would be better for them if a large millstone were hung around their neck and they were thrown into the sea. ⁴³ If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life maimed than with two hands to go into hell, where the fire never goes out. ^{[44] 45} And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life crippled than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. ^{[46] 47} And if your eye causes you to stumble, pluck it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸ where

" 'the worms that eat them do not die, and the fire is not quenched.'

⁴⁹ Everyone will be salted with fire.

⁵⁰ "Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can you make it salty again? Have salt among yourselves, and be at peace with each other."



NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Take My Life and Let It be

HYMN OF THE DAY 469 COMMITMENT



Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–79. Tune: PATMOS (77 77) William H. Havergal, 1793–1870.

SERMON

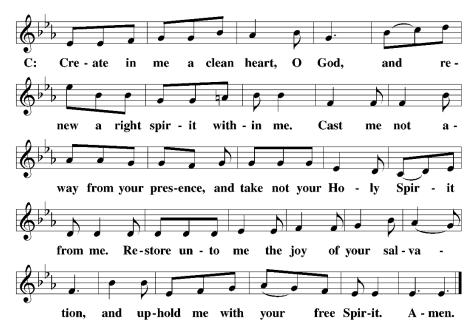
Mark 9:38-50

Have Salt Among Yourselves

- I. To watch yourself and others
- II. To live according to Jesus' name

STAND

After the sermon, the congregation sings:



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, <u>www.princeofpeacemartinez.com</u>.

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.

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

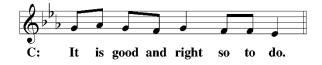
[M]: The Lord be with you.



[M]: Lift up your hearts.



[M]: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



[M]: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock till he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

[M]: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

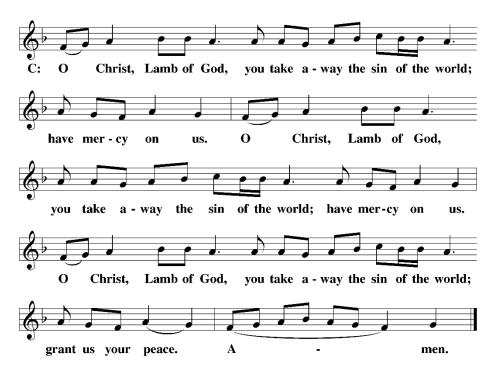
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

[M]: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei



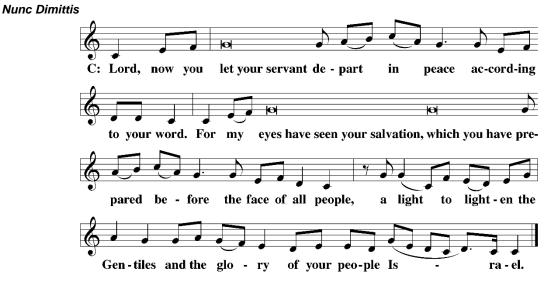
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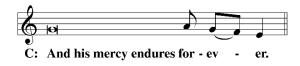
THANKSGIVING

STAND

SONG OF SIMEON



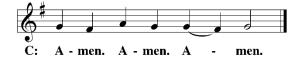
[M]: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



[M]: O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



[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 (P) give you peace.

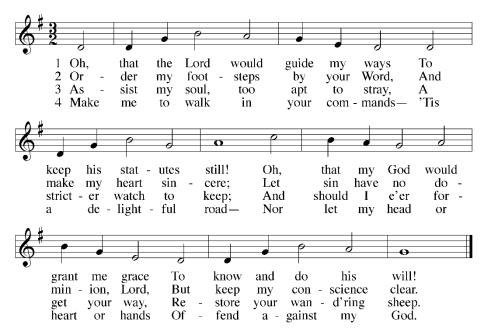


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HYMN 462

Oh, that the Lord Would Guide My Ways

COMMITMENT



Oh, that the Lord Would Guide My Ways 462

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, abr., alt. Tune: EVAN (CM) William H. Havergal, 1793–1870, adapt.

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY	1:00 pm Kyung Mi Schroeder Funeral @ Elliot Sons Funeral Home				
WEDNESDAY	10:15 am Bible Class				
	7:00 pm Bible Class				
SUNDAY	8:00 am Worship				
	9:15 am – 10:15 am Bible Class & Sunday School				
	10:30 am Worship				

FLOWERS

Bryan and Sandy Nimmons provided the flowers for the chancel today to give thanks and praise to God on the occasion of their wedding anniversary! Happy anniversary to Bryan and Sandy. We join them in thanking God for the blessings of marriage and ask him to bless all the families of our congregation with harmony and joy as we live our lives for Christ.



KYUNG MI SCHRODER FUNERAL



KYUNG MI's funeral will be at 1:00 pm this coming Monday, October 4th, at Elliot Sons Funeral Home (2524 Lumpkin Rd, Augusta, GA, 30906). Visitation is 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm this Sunday evening (Oct 3rd). "For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him." - 1 Thessalonians 4:14

FALL FESTIVAL

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



Operating Offerings		Attendance		Mortgage Progress	
9/26/21	\$ 4,179.62	8:00 am	41	9/26/21	\$ 45.00
Month to Date YTD	\$ 15,923.62 \$ 145,015.00	10:30 am Total	39 80	Month to Date YTD	\$ 2,660.00 \$ 32,110.00
Budget YTD	\$ 156,860.00			Budget YTD	\$ 25,804.00
2020 YTD	\$ 158,394.00			2020 YTD	\$ 34,210.00
Weekly needs September Operating Offering Monthly Mortgage Payment					\$ 4,126.00 \$ 2,867.00

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