

# PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

*“A Disciple Making Community”*

*“KNOW, GROW, and GO”*

West Salem, Wisconsin  
The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost  
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## Our Mission:

“Prince of Peace exists to be a disciple making community for the Lord Jesus Christ”

## Our Message:

“We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ”

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## **Holy Communion at Prince of Peace, LCMS**

*The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod practices “Close Communion” as an expression of unity in doctrine (1 Corinthians 10:16-17; Romans 16:17; 1 Corinthians 1:10). When a person partakes of the Sacrament at the Altar he is also confessing his unreserved agreement with that church body’s doctrine. Because of doctrinal differences existing between the Missouri Synod and other Lutheran bodies, and also with other denominations, we cannot expect their members to make that kind of confession at our altar, nor do we desire anyone to compromise his own convictions and his church body’s teachings. Therefore, our practice of “Close Communion” admits only those in doctrinal agreement who are members of congregations of the Missouri Synod.*

*The Holy Sacrament requires a mature participation which includes self-examination (1 Corinthians 11:28). Scripture also warns against “unworthy” reception (impenitence or unbelief) which would bring God’s judgment on the recipient: 1 Corinthians 11:27; 1 Corinthians 11:29. Thus, out of loving concern for all, and commitment to the Holy Scripture and the Lutheran Confessions, we practice “Close Communion”. We thank you for your cooperation and respect for our practice.*

*Those who will not be communing, but would like to receive a blessing are invited to come forward. Please cross your arms on your chest to indicate that you are requesting a blessing. May the Holy Spirit bless us all as we “Search the Scriptures” (John 5:39), and humbly strive to “Continue in His Word.” (John 8:31) Please speak to an elder if you have questions concerning communion.*

### **Theme**

The Lord lavishly expresses His steadfast love and abundant mercy in all things. This manifests itself in the generous acts of communities that support the work of saints, providing resources and encouragement in faith, speech, knowledge, and earnestness. But above all, on this day, the Church witnesses God’s act of healing as Jesus halts a devastating chronic illness and even commands a dead girl to rise. Witnesses are astonished at Jesus’ love and mercy that dramatically changes lives.

**Order of Service:**

**Divine Service 4, p. 203ff**



## Old Testament Reading: Lamentations 3:22–33

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- <sup>22</sup>The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases;  
his mercies never come to an end;  
<sup>23</sup>they are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.  
<sup>24</sup>“The LORD is my portion,” says my soul,  
“therefore I will hope in him.”  
<sup>25</sup>The LORD is good to those who wait for him,  
to the soul who seeks him.  
<sup>26</sup>It is good that one should wait quietly  
for the salvation of the LORD.  
<sup>27</sup>It is good for a man that he bear  
the yoke in his youth.  
<sup>28</sup>Let him sit alone in silence  
when it is laid on him;  
<sup>29</sup>let him put his mouth in the dust—  
there may yet be hope;  
<sup>30</sup>let him give his cheek to the one who strikes,  
and let him be filled with insults.  
<sup>31</sup>For the Lord will not  
cast off forever,  
<sup>32</sup>but, though he cause grief, he will have compassion  
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;  
<sup>33</sup>for he does not willingly afflict  
or grieve the children of men.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual

*Romans 11:33, 36*

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

**How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!**

For from him and through him and to him are all things.

**To him be glory forever. Amen.**

## Epistle: 2 Corinthians 8:1–9, 13–15

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<sup>1</sup>We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, <sup>2</sup>for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. <sup>3</sup>For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own free will, <sup>4</sup>begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints— <sup>5</sup>and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us. <sup>6</sup>Accordingly, we urged Titus that as he had started, so he should complete among you this act of grace. <sup>7</sup>But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you—see that you excel in this act of grace also.

<sup>8</sup>I say this not as a command, but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. <sup>9</sup>For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich. . . .

<sup>13</sup>I do not mean that others should be eased and you burdened, but that as a matter of fairness <sup>14</sup>your abundance at the present time should supply their need, so that their abundance may supply your need, that there may be fairness. <sup>15</sup>As it is written, “Whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack.”

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*Stand*

**Alleluia and Verse**                      (LSB p. 205)

**Holy Gospel: Mark 5:21–43**

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**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fifth chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>21</sup>When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered about him, and he was beside the sea. <sup>22</sup>Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name, and seeing him, he fell at his feet <sup>23</sup>and implored him earnestly, saying, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live.” <sup>24</sup>And he went with him.

And a great crowd followed him and thronged about him. <sup>25</sup>And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years, <sup>26</sup>and who had suffered much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was no better but rather



## Prayer of the Church

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.  
O Lord, from whom our help comes, You have brought us into Your Holy Christian Church and made Christ our shield from every enemy. Preserve us in such faith until at last You bring us out of this world in the resurrection forevermore. Lord, in Your mercy, **C**  
**hear our prayer.**
- P** Holy Father, You have shown to Your Church the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, who for our sakes became poor that by His poverty we might become rich. Give us generous hearts, that our abundance may supply our fellow saints in their need. Let our preachers serve for the sake of Christ's call, not for earthly gain; and let those who have received excellence in faith, speech, knowledge and every other gift of God's Word provide richly for the preaching of the Gospel and the work of the Church. Lord, in Your mercy, **C**  
**hear our prayer.**
- P** Gracious Lord, Your compassion does not willingly afflict or grieve the children of men, but Your mercies are new every morning. Bestow Your steadfast love on every Christian home. Turn parents in kindness to their children; make children ready in obedience and love toward their parents and each other. Let the young learn discipline and trust in You, and let fathers not exasperate their children, but be devoted to the fear and instruction of the Lord as examples to them. Lord, in Your mercy, **C**  
**hear our prayer.**
- P** O Lord, You did not turn aside the bold request of Jairus nor the timid faith of the woman. We implore You, hear our prayers for those in need. Drive away our fears and give us believing faith. Give healing and strength to the sick and suffering [*especially* \_\_\_\_\_]. Give comfort to those who mourn [*especially* \_\_\_\_\_] in the knowledge that Christ has destroyed death and all who die in Him are only sleeping until You awaken them at the Last Day. Lord, in Your mercy, **C**  
**hear our prayer.**
- P** Heavenly Father, Your Son used His divine powers as a man on earth to heal and save. We thank You that He continues to use His divine powers as a man, bodily present in the Holy Sacrament, to deliver His healing and saving power to faith. Grant that we may worthily seek this medicine of immortality in the Lord's Supper, believing His promises and receiving them now and in eternity. Lord, in Your mercy, **C**  
**hear our prayer.**
- P** O Lord, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Rejoicing in His victorious resurrection from the dead,

