

PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

“A Disciple Making Community”

“KNOW, GROW, and GO”

West Salem, Wisconsin
The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

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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

Seek the Lord and live. In life’s journey, there is great contention between evil and good. One we abhor; the other we cherish. As we live in this constant tension, it is difficult to keep our sight focused on Jesus. Sin rears its deception and we are enticed to unbelief. Only in Christ, the Good Teacher, is goodness completely revealed. It is Him that we truly see, for He alone is our treasure in heaven.

Order of Service:

Divine Service 3, p. 184ff

Opening Hymn 712 Seek Ye First
Confession and Absolution (LSB p. 184)

Service of the Word (LSB p.186-189)

Introit

Psalm 112:3–6; antiphon: v. 1

Praise the LORD! Blessèd is the man who fears the LORD,
who greatly delights in his commandments!

Wealth and riches are in his house,
and his righteousness endures forever.

Light dawns in the darkness for the upright;
he is gracious, merciful, and righteous.

It is well with the man who deals generously and lends;
who conducts his affairs with justice.

For the righteous will never be moved;
he will be remembered forever.

**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.**

Praise the LORD! Blessèd is the man who fears the LORD,
who greatly delights in his commandments!

Kyrie (LSB p.186)

Gloria in Excelsis (LSB p. 187)

Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



G And with thy spir - it.



P Let us pray.

P Lord Jesus Christ, whose grace always precedes and follows us, help us to forsake all trust in earthly gain and to find in You our heavenly treasure; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Sit

Old Testament Reading: Amos 5:6–7, 10–15

Amos 5:6–7, 10–15

- ⁶Seek the LORD and live,
lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph,
and it devour, with none to quench it for Bethel,
⁷O you who turn justice to wormwood
and cast down righteousness to the earth! . . .
- ¹⁰They hate him who reproves in the gate,
and they abhor him who speaks the truth.
- ¹¹Therefore because you trample on the poor
and you exact taxes of grain from him,
you have built houses of hewn stone,
but you shall not dwell in them;
you have planted pleasant vineyards,
but you shall not drink their wine.
- ¹²For I know how many are your transgressions
and how great are your sins—
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,
and turn aside the needy in the gate.
- ¹³Therefore he who is prudent will keep silent in such a time,
for it is an evil time.
- ¹⁴Seek good, and not evil,
that you may live;

and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,
as you have said.

¹⁵Hate evil, and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

Psalm 91:11; 103:1

He will command his angels concerning you

to guard you in all your ways.

Bless the LORD, O my soul,

and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

Epistle: Hebrews 3:12–19

Hebrews 3:12–19

¹²Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. ¹³But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. ¹⁴For we share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. ¹⁵As it is said,

“Today, if you hear his voice,
do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion.”

¹⁶For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? ¹⁷And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? ¹⁸And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? ¹⁹So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia



☐ Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel: Mark 10:17–22

Mark 10:17–22

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



☐ Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

¹⁷As [Jesus] was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ¹⁸And Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: ‘Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.’” ²⁰And he said to him, “Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth.” ²¹And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, “You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me.” ²²Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



☐ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed (p. 191)

Sit

Children's Sermon

683 **Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me**

Sermon **"Come, follow Me"** **(Mark 10:17-22)**

Offering

Offertory **(p. 192-193)**

Psalm 51:10–12

Prayer of the Church

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all the baptized, that the Lord would protect us from evil, unbelieving hearts that lead us away from Him into the deceitfulness of sin, thus enabling us, by the power of His Spirit, to hold our original confidence firm to the end, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For readiness to receive the Lord's correction, that God would keep us from hating those He sends to reprove us with His law and from abhorring those who speak His truth to us, so that we may repent and live, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For generous hearts, that we would give God thanks for our earthly good and show compassion for our neighbors, freely giving from the blessings God has given to us, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For our president, Congress, justices and all who bear public office in this land, that the Lord would protect them from the temptations of power and wealth and make their service a blessing to the people, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For [*and*] all the Lord's servants who are afflicted in body or soul, that God would satisfy them with His steadfast love in Christ and grant health and healing in accord with His perfect will, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all who commune, that God would satisfy our longing hearts with His steadfast love here in the feast of Christ's body and blood, to rejoice and be glad in Him all our days and into eternity, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P We give thanks to You, O Lord, for the faithful of every time and place who heard Your Word and held their confidence firm to the end. Keep us steadfast in the faith, that we may have our share with them in the eternal inheritance that You have promised; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Service of the Sacrament (p. 194-202)

Distribution Hymns

581 These Are the Holy Ten Commands

743 Jesus, Priceless Treasure

Nunc Dimittis (LSB p. 199)

Post-Communion Collect (LSB p. 201)

Salutation and Benedicamus (LSB p.201)

Benediction (LSB p. 202)

Closing Hymn 782 Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings

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