

# PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

*"A Disciple Making Community"*

*"KNOW, GROW, and GO"*

West Salem, Wisconsin

The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost – Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025



*"Then [God] said, "I am the God of your father,  
the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob." Exodus 3:6*

***Welcome! We are glad you are here today!***

Our mission here at Prince of Peace is to exist to be a disciple making community for the Lord Jesus Christ. Our message is that we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

If you have questions about the Christian faith or Prince of Peace, our pastor or one of our elders would be happy to talk with you.

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**Our Communion Practice:** *Prince of Peace is a member congregation of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod (LCMS). The LCMS practices the Biblical and historical practice known as Close or Closed Communion (1 Corinthians 11:18-22). In this Supper of Our Lord, we receive the real presence of Jesus Christ’s true Body and Blood in, with, and under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25). Since this is also a sign of our communion, or common confession of faith (1 Corinthians 10:16-17), we welcome to the Lord’s Supper all those who are catechized members in good standing of the congregations of the LCMS or those in fellowship with the LCMS, such as The American Association of Lutheran Churches (TAALC).*

*It is indeed a consequence of the division in Christianity that we cannot extend a general invitation to receive the Lord’s Supper. Reception of the Sacrament of the Altar by those who are not fully united with us would confess a oneness that does not yet exist and for which we must all pray. New member classes are offered regularly, so that those who are not in fellowship with us can be welcomed to the Lord’s Table in the future! We thank you for your respect for our Biblical and historical practice. Guests, please ask an elder or Pastor Adelsen before the service if you have any further questions concerning the Sacrament of the Altar, including the desire to become a member so we can all join together at the Lord’s Table.*

**Please let us know you were here. Please fill out a Connection Card. You may leave it on the table at the back of the sanctuary or place it in the offering plate. Or leave it at the end of your row and an Usher will collect it. Thank you!**

**Theme for Today's Service:** The Lord makes His presence known to every generation! Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Moses received God's decisive commands. The Lord's word to them was not vague. So also God is not vague concerning the second coming of Christ. Against all lawlessness, Christ will assert judgment. For the faithful, God will assert comfort, hope, and eternal salvation. As we wait for the Lord's return, the urgency to repent remains, and yet we remain anxious to obtain the glory of Christ.

**Order of Service** **Divine Service 1, p. 151 ff.**

**Opening Hymn** **LSB 461 I Know That My Redeemer Lives**

**Confession and Absolution** **LSB p. 151**

**Service of the Word** **LSB p. 151-160**

**Introit** *Psalm 115:2-4, 8, 17-18; antiphon: v. 11*

You who fear the Lord, trust in the Lord!

**He is their help and their shield.**

Why should the nations say,

**"Where is their God?"**

Our God is in the heavens;

**he does all that he pleases.**

Their idols are silver and gold,

**the work of human hands.**

Those who make them become like them;

**so do all who trust in them.**

The dead do not praise the Lord,

**nor do any who go down into silence.**

But we will bless the Lord

**from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the Lord!**

**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.**

You who fear the Lord, trust in the Lord!

**He is their help and their shield.**

Kyrie

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Hymn of Praise – *Gloria in Excelsis*

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

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**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Living God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Grant us the fullness of Your grace to lay hold of Your promises and live forever in Your presence; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 3:1-15

<sup>1</sup>Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. <sup>2</sup>And the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. <sup>3</sup>And Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned." <sup>4</sup>When the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." <sup>5</sup>Then he said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." <sup>6</sup>And he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. <sup>7</sup>Then the Lord said, "I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, <sup>8</sup>and I have

come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. <sup>9</sup>And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. <sup>10</sup>Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt.” <sup>11</sup>But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?” <sup>12</sup>He said, “But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain.” <sup>13</sup>Then Moses said to God, “If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?” <sup>14</sup>God said to Moses, “I am who I am.” And he said, “Say this to the people of Israel, ‘I am has sent me to you.’” <sup>15</sup>God also said to Moses, “Say this to the people of Israel, ‘The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.’ This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*Revelation 7:14b; Psalm 84:5*

These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

**They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.**

Blessed are those whose strength is in you,  
**in whose heart are the highways to Zion.**

## Epistle Reading

**2 Thessalonians 2:1-8, 13-17**

<sup>1</sup>Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we ask you, brothers, <sup>2</sup>not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by a spirit or a spoken word, or a letter seeming to be from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come. <sup>3</sup>Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of

lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, <sup>4</sup>who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God. <sup>5</sup>Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? <sup>6</sup>And you know what is restraining him now so that he may be revealed in his time. <sup>7</sup>For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work. Only he who now restrains it will do so until he is out of the way. <sup>8</sup>And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will kill with the breath of his mouth and bring to nothing by the appearance of his coming. . . . <sup>13</sup>But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth. <sup>14</sup>To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>15</sup>So then, brothers, stand firm and hold to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by our spoken word or by our letter. <sup>16</sup>Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, <sup>17</sup>comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Alleluia and Verse

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**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### Holy Gospel

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twentieth chapter.



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

## Holy Gospel

Luke 20:27-40

<sup>27</sup>There came to [Jesus] some Sadducees, those who deny that there is a resurrection, <sup>28</sup>and they asked him a question, saying, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, having a wife but no children, the man must take the widow and raise up offspring for his brother. <sup>29</sup>Now there were seven brothers. The first took a wife, and died without children. <sup>30</sup>And the second <sup>31</sup>and the third took her, and likewise all seven left no children and died. <sup>32</sup>Afterward the woman also died. <sup>33</sup>In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had her as wife." <sup>34</sup>And Jesus said to them, "The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage, <sup>35</sup>but those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and to the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage, <sup>36</sup>for they cannot die anymore, because they are equal to angels and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection. <sup>37</sup>But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed, in the passage about the bush, where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. <sup>38</sup>Now he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for all live to him." <sup>39</sup>Then some of the scribes answered, "Teacher, you have spoken well." <sup>40</sup>For they no longer dared to ask him any question.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## Apostles' Creed

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### Teaching the Faith from the Catechism, The Lord's Prayer-Sixth Petition

**P** And lead us not into temptation.  
*What does this mean?*

- C** God tempts no one. We pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us so that the devil, the world, and our sinful nature may not deceive us or mislead us into false belief, despair, and other great shame and vice. Although we are attacked by these things, we pray that we may finally overcome them and win the victory.

## Children's Message

## Hymn of the Day

LSB 741 Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense

## Sermon

"More to Come!" (Luke 20:27-40)

## Prayer of the Church

*Following each prayer read aloud ending "Lord in Your Mercy," the congregation may respond "Hear our prayer."*

## Offering

## Offertory

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## Service of the Sacrament

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## Distribution Hymns

LSB 617 O Lord, We Praise Thee

LSB 621 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

LSB 585 Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide

## Post-Communion Canticle – *Thank the Lord*

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## Post-Communion Collect and Benediction

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## Closing Hymn

LSB 923 Almighty Father, Bless the Word

## Announcements

*Go in peace and Serve the Lord, thanks be to God!*

Prince of Peace News and Notes for November 9, 2025

**Serving the Lord and One Another Today:** *Accompanist:* Deb Dunnum, *Song Leader:* Nancy & Patty Horstmann; *Ushers:* Roger & Ginny Emmons; *Greeters:* POP Family; *Money Counters:* Barb Hinds, Lori Peters; *Acolyte:* Elska Sheffer; *Altar Guild for November:* Ona Childs, Jodi Soto

**Serving the Lord and One Another Next Sunday:** *Song Leader:* Sarah Kolander; *Ushers:* Mike & Carolyn Dosland; *Money Counters:* Deb Dunnum, Barb Alsobrooks; *Acolyte:* Caleb Kolander

**Our Response to God’s Gifts**

Attendance last Sunday and Monday: 63  
 Weekly Need Original Budget: \$3,868.38  
 Weekly Need Revised Budget: \$3,225.00  
 Week of November 2 Offering: \$ 3,268.50  
 (Full Financials are posted on the kiosk in the lobby.)

**THIS WEEK AT PRINCE OF PEACE**

November 9 through November 16

<i>Today</i>	<b>9:00 am..... Divine Service with Holy Communion</b> <i>after .....Fellowship</i> 10:30 am ..... Adult Bible Study 10:30 am.....Sunday School 11:30 am..... Council Meeting 12:30 pm ..... Catechesis Class
<b>Mon. Nov. 10</b>	<b>7:00 pm .....Divine Worship Service with Holy Communion</b>
Tues. Nov.11	..... <i>Pastor Adelsen at WINKEL in Warrens</i> 5:00 pm ..... Men’s Bible Study at Feature’s
Wed. Nov. 12	9:30 am..... Adult Bible Study 7:30 pm ..... POP Choir Practice
Sat. Nov. 15	9:00 am ..... Women’s Bible Study (meets online)
<b>Sun. Nov. 16</b>	<b>9:00 am..... Divine Service with Holy Communion</b>

## Bible Studies at Prince of Peace

**Sunday Mornings after Fellowship:** Join us for adult Bible Study today after fellowship as we continue in continue our study on Proverbs.

*“Every word of God is flawless; he is a shield to those who take refuge in him.”* Proverbs 30:5

**Wednesday Morning Bible Study:** All welcome at 9:30am as we continue our study on the Gospel of John. Join us anytime! Martin Luther regarded the Gospel of John as a cornerstone of Christian faith, placing it among the most important books of the New Testament.

**Men’s Bible Study:** All men are invited to our study on Timothy and Titus. The only meeting this month for this group is Tuesday, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>. They meet at Feature’s in West Salem at 5:00pm.

**Women’s Bible Study** – *(this group meets online on Saturdays.* You don’t even have to leave the house! Meets on most Saturday mornings at 9 a.m. on Facebook Messenger. Current topic is “Promised Rest” by Michelle Diercks. Speak with Carrie Horstman or Debbie Dunnum if you'd like to join.

### Operation Christmas Child - Our Sunday School packing date is Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>.



Thank you for your generous support in past years!

Donations of fun gifts including toys, school supplies, clothing. (Note too, no candy, food, liquids, medications, aerosols, batteries, breakable items, used/damaged items, scary/war-related items like toy weapons.) See Brooklynn Scholze if you have questions.

**Church Decorating and Pot-Luck Lunch!** The annual church decorating for Advent and Christmas will be **Sunday, November 30<sup>th</sup>** following the Divine Service. Starting with a devotion then following the decorating time is potluck lunch. **Sign-up sheet in the lobby.** We would love to have you stay! The Advent season is a time for preparation for the coming Christ, both His coming in the incarnation at Christmas and for His second coming at the end of the world as King and Judge. The chief emphasis of Advent is on preparation. The Advent Sunday and midweek services reflect this spirit of anticipation.

**POP LWML La Crosse County Jail Donation Drive** Please join our LWML group in collecting items for the La Crosse County Jail. Suggested items are: recent magazines with label taken off, paperback books (no Harlequin romance), puzzles, adult coloring books, jackets and coats in good condition. For a complete list of donation items, see the sheet next to the tote in the narthex. Collection will run through mid-December. LWML Women plan to drop donated items off shortly before the Christmas holiday. Thank you!

**Prince of Peace Baby Hats Ministry** is again restarting for the winter. As many knitted and crocheted hats for newborns, preemies and stillbirths as we can! *Can you help?* We have yarn for the taking. *Don't know how?* We have the time to teach you! Hats are then dedicated in January 2026, then given to a local hospital. If you have any questions, see Melissa Adelsen.

**Prayer Chain - POP Prays!** Do you know that Prince of Peace has an email prayer chain? If you have a prayer request or want to be on the prayer chain to pray for others, please email Bill Stichman at [wstichman@charter.net](mailto:wstichman@charter.net). We rejoice always, pray without ceasing, giving thanks in all circumstances. Continuing on the subject of praying for others ....

**... Friendly reminder to stop and take a prayer prompt from the bulletin board on your way to fellowship as we wrap-up our emphasis on Pastor Appreciation at the end of this month! Thank you!**

**Weekly Life Thought from Lutherans for Life** - God is defined by life! He identifies Himself as the great "I am" (Exodus 3:14), the true and living God. Jesus also teaches us that not only is God the living God, He is also the God of the living (Luke 20:38)! The Lord of life values the lives of all people so highly that He gives life to all people; He died to rescue all people from their slavery to sin, death, and the devil regardless of their size, age, or condition; and He promises resurrection and everlasting life to all who believe in Him.



Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>  
Thanksgiving Eve  
Divine Service  
7:00pm

**Prince of Peace sermons are available online. Check it out:**

- Sounding the Scriptures POPcast on Spotify & Apple Podcast
- Facebook.com/WSPOPLCMS
- Our website at [WSPOP.org](http://WSPOP.org)

## One Thing's Needful

*In Luke 10:42, Jesus says, "one thing is needful," referring to the importance of prioritizing time with God and listening to his word, as exemplified by Mary, over being consumed by worldly tasks like Martha's serving. It emphasizes that nurturing one's spiritual life through intimacy with God is more essential than getting caught up in external activities, even those done with good intentions.*

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

**INTROIT** Page 3

**MEDITATION** Psalm 148 – Luther calls attention to the powerful call for all of creation to praise God, including the heavenly and earthly realms, and highlights that God's work and power are present throughout the entire created order. This psalm is seen as a reminder that humans should respect God's laws and that the divine intention is to ultimately reconcile all of creation to Himself.

### DAILY READINGS

9 Nov	Jer 22:1–23	Matt 25:1–13	
10 Nov	Jer 23:1–20	Matt 25:14–30	
11 Nov	Jer 23:21–40	Matt 25:31–46	
12 Nov	Jer 25:1–18	Matt 26:1–19	
13 Nov	Jer 26:1–19	Matt 26:20–35	Rev 13:1–18
14 Nov	Jer 29:1–19	Matt 26:36–56	Rev 14:1–20
15 Nov	Jer 30:1–24	Matt 26:57–75	Rev 15:1–8

### IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

- That those wandering from the Body of Christ would return to His fold
- The Leyh family, Josh and Faith, and their pre-school age son Peter currently attending Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne Indiana, at the loss of their unborn baby
- Pray for: Linda Williams, Barb Alsobrooks, Travis Glick, Lyle Anderson, Bill & Sal Stichman, Leatta Danielson
- Pray for our congregation: that we would worship and fellowship together.

**LEARN BY HEART** Luke 20:38 *"He is not the God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive."*

**COLLECT** Page 4

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**BENEDICTION** *The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.* (Numbers 6:24-26)

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:** Mal. 4 1-6, 2 Thes. 3:1-13, Luke 21:5-28