

PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

"A Disciple Making Community"

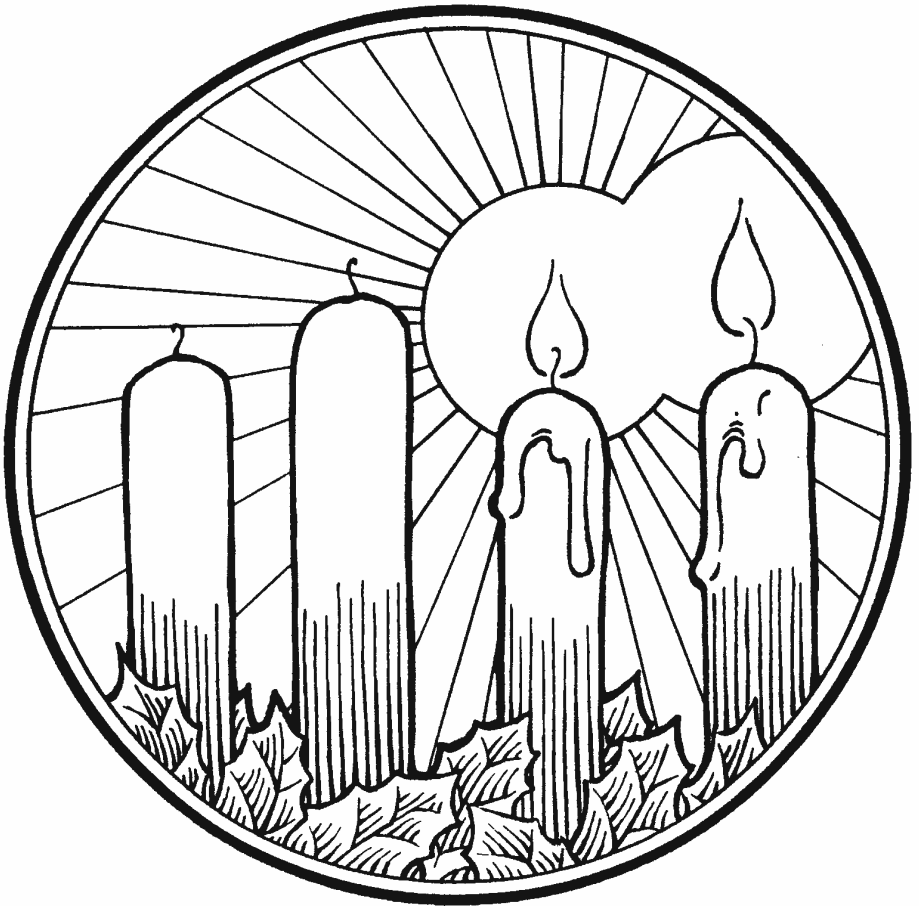
"KNOW, GROW, and GO"

West Salem, Wisconsin

The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod



Advent Midweek 2 – Dec. 10th, 2025



Welcome! We are glad you are here!

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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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 Tonight's Service

We decorate in preparation for Christmas. Our decoration preparation includes the use of lights – from candles to twinkling LED's. These luminous decorations also help us prepare for the advent (or coming) of Jesus during Advent, a season of preparation. Tonight, we will consider how lights point us to the coming of Christ and the glory He brings.

**Open to me the gates of | righteousness,*
that I may enter through them
and give thanks | to the Lord.**

This is the gate | of the Lord;*
the righteous shall enter | through it.

**I thank You that You have | answered me*
and have become my sal- | vation.**

The stone that the builders re- | jected*
has become the | cornerstone.

**This is the Lord's | doing;*
it is marvelous | in our eyes.**

This is the day that the | Lord has made;*
let us rejoice and be | glad in it.

Save us, we pray, | O Lord!*

O Lord, we pray, give | us success!

Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the Lord!*

We bless you from the house | of the Lord.

The Lord is God,

and He has made His light to shine up- | on us.*

**Bind the festal sacrifice with cords,
up to the horns of the | altar!**

You are my God, and I will give | thanks to You;*

You are my God; I will ex- | tol You.

**Oh give thanks to the Lord, for | He is good;*
for His steadfast love endures for- | ever!**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

The Lord is God,

and He has made His light to shine up- | on us.*

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LSB Hymn #349 Hark, the Glad Sound

First Reading: Isaiah 9:1-2, 6-7

¹ But there will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. ² The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone. ... ⁶ For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. ⁷ Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

³ And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴ In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. ⁵ For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. ⁶ For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Third Reading: John 1:1-9

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. ⁴In him was life,^[a] and the life was the light of men. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. ⁶There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. ⁸He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light. ⁹The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

L In many and various ways, God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.

C But now in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son.

LSB Hymn #337 The Night Will Soon Be Ending

Sermon: Rev. Peter Adelsen, "Lights"

LSB p. 248-249 Magnificat

LSB p. 249-250 Litany

LSB p. 251 Collect for Peace

LSB p. 251 Lord's Prayer

LSB p. 252 Benedicamus, Benediction

LSB Hymn #891 O Light Whose Splendor

Christmas at Prince of Peace

“O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!” On Christmas, we receive the greatest gift of all: Jesus Christ, our Lord! Join us at Prince of Peace as we celebrate the Nativity of Our Lord

Fourth Sunday in Advent
Dec. 21, at 9:am
Children’s Christmas Program

Christmas Eve Lessons and Carols
Wednesday, Dec. 24, at 7 p.m.

Christmas Day Divine Service
Thursday, Dec. 25 at 9 a.m.

First Sunday after Christmas
Dec. 28, at 9 a.m.

Circumcision and Name of Jesus Divine Service
Thursday, Jan. 1, at 9 a.m. (breakfast at Features to follow)

Second Sunday after Christmas
Jan. 4, at 9 a.m.

Advent
from the Latin for “coming,” the season of Advent focuses on Christ’s first coming at Christmas, His second coming on the Last Day, and His coming in between by Word and Sacrament.

Christmas
a contraction of “Christ’s mass.” This day (Dec. 25) and its season celebrate the birth of Christ. The season is also called Christmastide and is in total 12 days. This season celebrates the fulfillment of the Advent expectation.

Epiphany
from the Greek for “appearance.” This festival (Jan. 6) and its season celebrate the revelation of Jesus to the world as God’s Son.

PRINCE OF PEACE FOR DECEMBER 10TH, 2025
Serving the Lord and One Another Tonight

Accompanist: Deb Dunnum

Altar Guild for December: Sharie Brunk, Lizbeth Novak

Serving the Lord and One Another Sunday the 14th:

Song Leader: Sarah Kolander

Ushers: Roger & Ginny Emmons

Counters: Barb Alsobrooks, Elaine Schmidt

Acolyte: Caleb Kolander



LATER THIS WEEK AT PRINCE OF PEACE

<i>Tonight</i>	6:00 pm	Soup Supper
	7:00 pm	Advent Evening Prayer Service
	<i>after</i>	<i>POP Choir practice</i>
Sun. Dec.14	9:00 am	Divine Service with Holy Communion

**Thank you for joining us for
Midweek Advent Services
Evening Prayer Service at 7:00pm
Soup Suppers before at 6:00pm
Wednesday, December 17th**

