

# PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

*"A Disciple Making Community"*

*"KNOW, GROW, and GO"*



West Salem, Wisconsin

The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod

Lenten Evening Prayer Service

Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026



*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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**Theme for Tonight's Service: To Parents & Children**

We often tend to think of Lent as a time of preparation for Easter – which it is. But Lent has its own unique character. Lent is about repentance as we reflect on why our Lord Jesus Christ died on the cross for us. But Lent is also about catechesis, because Lent is also a catechetical season. Luther's Small Catechism concludes with the Table of Duties – a listing of Bible passages addressing the very down-to-earth and yet high and holy callings of Christians in their daily lives. The Table of Duties can also be called the “house rules” on how Christians are to deal with one another through our daily vocations as we have responsibilities, or duties, we each owe to our neighbor.

## EVENING PRAYER SERVICE

Welcome

LSB p. 243 SERVICE OF LIGHT

LSB p. 244 Phos Hilaron - Hymn of Light

LSB p. 245 Thanksgiving For Light

LSB p. 245 PSALMODY

LSB p. 247 Collect of the Day

**P** Let us pray.

Let the incense of our repentant prayer ascend before You, O Lord, and let Your loving-kindness descend on us that, with purified minds, we may sing Your praises with the Church on earth and the whole heavenly host and may glorify you forever.

**C** Amen.

**Psalm 119:97-104 Teach Me, O LORD, the Way of Your Statutes**

*Choir: Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes...*

**Congregation Refrain:**

*Refrain* ♩ = c. 88

Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes.

*Choir: Oh, how I | love Your Law!  
I meditate on it | all day long.  
Your commands are always | with me  
and make me wiser than my | enemies.  
I have more insight than all my | teachers,  
For I meditate on Your | statutes. Refrain*

**Congregation: Refrain**

*Choir: I have kept my feet from every | evil path  
so that I might o- | bey Your Word.  
How sweet are your words | to my taste,  
sweeter than honey | to my mouth!  
I gain understanding from Your | precepts;  
therefore I hate every | wrong path.*

**All: 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.**

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## **LSB Hymn #453 Upon the Cross Extended (stz. 1, 4 & 5)**

### **The Passion According to St. Matthew, Part IV (27:15-44)**

<sup>15</sup> Now at the feast the governor was accustomed to release for the crowd any one prisoner whom they wanted. <sup>16</sup> And they had then a notorious prisoner called Barabbas. <sup>17</sup> So when they had gathered, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release for you: Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?" <sup>18</sup> For he knew that it was out of envy that they had delivered him up. <sup>19</sup> Besides, while he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, "Have nothing to do with that righteous man, for I have suffered much because of him today in a dream." <sup>20</sup> Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas and destroy Jesus. <sup>21</sup> The governor again said to them, "Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" And they said, "Barabbas." <sup>22</sup> Pilate said to them, "Then what shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?" They all said, "Let him be crucified!" <sup>23</sup> And he said, "Why?

What evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Let him be crucified!" <sup>24</sup> So when Pilate saw that he was gaining nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves." <sup>25</sup> And all the people answered, "His blood be on us and on our children!" <sup>26</sup> Then he released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, delivered him to be crucified. <sup>27</sup> Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole battalion before him. <sup>28</sup> And they stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, <sup>29</sup> and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on his head and put a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him, they mocked him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" <sup>30</sup> And they spit on him and took the reed and struck him on the head. <sup>31</sup> And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him and led him away to crucify him. <sup>32</sup> As they went out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name. They compelled this man to carry his cross. <sup>33</sup> And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), <sup>34</sup> they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall, but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. <sup>35</sup> And when they had crucified him, they divided his garments among them by casting lots. <sup>36</sup> Then they sat down and kept watch over him there. <sup>37</sup> And over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews." <sup>38</sup> Then two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left. <sup>39</sup> And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads <sup>40</sup> and saying, "You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross." <sup>41</sup> So also the chief priests, with the

scribes and elders, mocked him, saying, <sup>42</sup>“He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him. <sup>43</sup>He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he desires him. For he said, ‘I am the Son of God.’” <sup>44</sup>And the robbers who were crucified with him also reviled him in the same way.

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## The Table of Duties

### *To Parents*

Eph. 6:4 <sup>4</sup>Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

### *To Children*

Eph. 6:1-3 <sup>1</sup>Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. <sup>2</sup>“Honor your father and mother” (this is the first commandment with a promise), <sup>3</sup>“that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land.”

**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 #862 Oh, Blest the House

Sermon: Rev. Peter Adelsen, “To Parents & Children”

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**





## **THE TABLE OF DUTIES THE CHRISTIAN HOUSE RULES**

*Let each his lesson learn with care,  
And all the household well shall fare.*

**LENTEN MIDWEEK SERIES**  
**7 P.M. WEDNESDAYS IN LENT**  
**6 P.M. LENTEN MEAL**

Wednesday, March 25

“To Workers of All Kinds” & “To Employers and Supervisors”

Holy Week, Starting Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>:

Palm Sunday, 9am

Monday, Divine Service 7pm

Maundy Thursday, 7pm

Good Friday, 7pm

Saturday Easter Vigil, 7pm

Easter Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>

6:00am Sunrise Divine Service with Holy Communion

\*\* Easter Breakfast in-between \*\*

9:00 am Divine Service with Holy Communion

