

PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

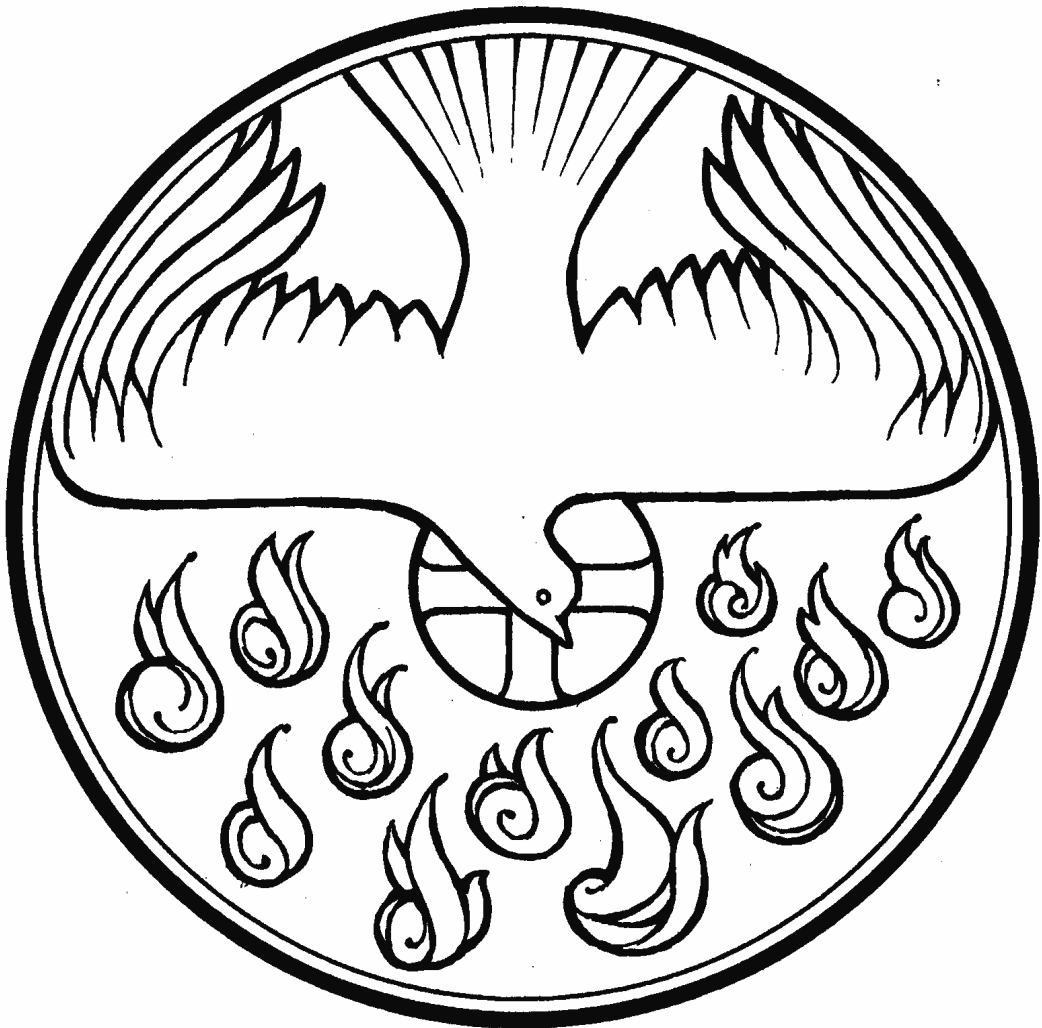
*"A Disciple Making Community"*

*"KNOW, GROW, and GO"*

West Salem, Wisconsin

The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod

Day of Pentecost — May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026



***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 Spirit rests upon those who prophesy truth in the name of the Lord. With the inauguration of Pentecost – the dramatic outpouring of the Holy Spirit – the proclamation of Jesus is unleashed in a myriad of languages. Prophecies, visions, and dreams inspired by the Spirit testified to the mighty works and authority of God in Jesus Christ.

**Order of Service: Divine Service 1, pp. 151ff**

**Hymn of Invocation: 913 O Holy Spirit, Enter In**

**Confession and Absolution**

**Service of the Word**

**Introit**

*Psalm 104:24, 27–28, 30; antiphon: Liturgical Text*



Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the | faithful,\*  
and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alle- | luia.

**O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have you | made  
them all;\***

**the earth is full of your | creatures.**

These all | look to you,\*

to give them their food in due | season.

**When you give it to them, they gath- | er it up;\***

**when you open your hand, they are filled with | good things.**

When you send forth your Spirit, they are cre- | ated,\*

and you renew the face | of the ground.

**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.**

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the | faithful,\*

and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alle- | luia.

Kyrie

LSB 152

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 154

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.



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

**P** Let us pray.

O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; 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

*Numbers 11:24–30*

<sup>24</sup>Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD. And he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tent. <sup>25</sup>Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. And as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied. But they did not continue doing it.

<sup>26</sup>Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the Spirit rested on them. They were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied

in the camp. <sup>27</sup>And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” <sup>28</sup>And Joshua the son of Nun, the assistant of Moses from his youth, said, “My lord Moses, stop them.” <sup>29</sup>But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD’s people were prophets, that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!” <sup>30</sup>And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*Acts 2:17b; Romans 10:10*

I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh,  
**and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy.**  
With the heart one believes and is justified,  
**and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.**

## Second Reading

*Acts 2:1–21*

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. <sup>4</sup>And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. <sup>7</sup>And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, <sup>11</sup>both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians – we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” <sup>12</sup>And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another,

“What does this mean?” <sup>13</sup>But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.”

<sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. <sup>15</sup>For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. <sup>16</sup>But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup>“And in the last days it shall be, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions,  
and your old men shall dream dreams;

<sup>18</sup>even on my male servants and female servants  
in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.

<sup>19</sup>And I will show wonders in the heavens above  
and signs on the earth below,

blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;

<sup>20</sup>the sun shall be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood,

before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.

<sup>21</sup>And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Alleluia and Verse

*LSB 156*

## Holy Gospel

*John 7:37–39*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventh chapter.



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

<sup>37</sup>On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. <sup>38</sup>Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'" <sup>39</sup>Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

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



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

**Nicene Creed**

*LSB 158*

**Children's Message**

**Hymn of the Day: 497 Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord**

**Sermon: "The Importance of the Holy Spirit"**

*Acts 2:1-21*

**Prayer of the Church**

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

**Offering**

*Special Music  
"Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling"  
POP Small Group*

**Offertory**

*LSB 159*

## Service of the Sacrament

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Distribution Hymn: 500 Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid

Distribution Hymn: 496 Holy Spirit, Light Divine

Distribution Hymn: 768 To God the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray  
(First Stanza: song leader; 2-4: all)

## Thank the Lord

LSB 164

## Post-Communion Collect

## Benediction

LSB 166

## Hymn to Depart: 503 O Day Full of Grace

## Announcements

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



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## SERVING OUR LORD AND ONE ANOTHER

	May 24	May 31	June 7
Song Leader	B. Scholze	H. Ford	H. Ford
Ushers	Dosland	Otto	Emmons
Counters	B. Alsobrooks E. Schmidt	B. Hinds D. Dunnun	Ona Childs Lori Peters
Acolyte	B. Greydanus	C. Kolander	E. Sheffer
Altar Guild for May		Barb Hinds, Carolyn Dosland	

### OUR RESPONSE TO GOD’S GIFTS

Last Week’s Sun. & Mon. Attendance: 50

Weekly Need 2026 Budget: \$3,172.46

Week of May 17<sup>th</sup> Offering: \$2,979.80

(Full Financials are posted on the kiosk in the lobby.)

### THIS WEEK AT PRINCE OF PEACE

<i>Today</i>	9:00 am.....	<b>Divine Service with Holy Communion</b>
	<i>after</i> .....	<i>Fellowship Time</i>
	10:30 am.....	Adult Bible Study
<b>Mon. May 25</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b> .....	<b>Divine Worship Service with Holy Communion</b>
<b>Memorial Day</b>		
Tue. May 26	5:00 pm .....	Men’s Bible Study at Features
Wed. May 27	9:30 am.....	Adult Bible Study
Sat. May 30	9:00 am.....	Women’s Bible Study/online
<b>Sun. May 31</b>	<b>9:00 am.....</b>	<b>Outdoor Worship Service &amp; Picnic Potluck after</b>

## Prince of Peace News and Notes for May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026

**NEXT SUNDAY -- MAY 31<sup>ST</sup>** (weather permitting)

***Divine Service will be held outside*** then ***Church Picnic***

Please bring your favorite lawn chair,  
and if you forget, POP will have some chairs available.

\*\*\*A sign-up for food and drink is on the table in the Narthex. \*\*\*

**SATURDAY JUNE 6<sup>TH</sup>:** Prince of Peace will once again participate in the **WEST SALEM JUNE DAIRY DAY PARADE** on Saturday June 6<sup>th</sup>. The parade begins at noon in downtown West Salem. This is a great way for our church to be visible in our community. If you are interested in walking with our parade group or have questions, reach out to any of the Evangelism Committee members: Sharie Brunk, Elaine Schmidt or Patty Horstmann.

**CLEANING OUR BUILDING:** Coverage for **June is still needed**. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex. It takes about 2 hours (some weeks are less) a week to clean and can be broken into smaller jobs through the week. Thanks!

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** If you would like to provide altar flowers for a Divine Service, there is a sign-up poster on the bulletin board. Flowers can be in honor of someone in memory or in celebration of a birthday, anniversary or other milestone. Fresh flowers only please. You may bring in your own purchased florist bouquet or cut flowers of your own in vases. If you leave a note in the church office, your dedication can be printed in the worship bulletin.

**SERMONS ONLINE:** Going away for the weekend? Would you like to listen to the sermon again? Did you know that you can listen to Prince of Peace sermons online? Check it out:

- Sounding the Scriptures POP cast on Spotify & Apple Podcast
- Facebook.com/WSPOPLCMS
- Our website at WSPop.org



### **Small Group Bible Studies at Prince of Peace**

- Sunday Adult Bible Study (10:30 a.m.), JUDAISM** We begin the topic of Judaism.
- Wednesday Morning Bible Study (9:30 a.m.), ISAIAH** Like Israel of old, we, too, sometimes look to other “gods” for help in time of need. We obey God’s Law – when it’s convenient and when we’re afraid of getting caught. In the pages of Isaiah, the prophet brings comfort and hope, especially as he describes the coming Savior.
- Selected Tuesdays, at Features (5:00pm), Men’s Bible Study Meets again 5/26**. Three minor prophets: Nahum, Habakkuk and Zephania is our focus. The people of Assyria were notorious for their brutality, and they believed that their kingdom would last forever. Those who feared this cruel nation needed to do so no longer for the Lord would protect and deliver His people.
- Saturday’s Online, Women’s Bible Study (9:00am), PROMISED HOPE** – Come discover what eight different names and characteristics of God say about who He is and the hope He promises. See Deb Dunnun or Carrie Horstman about how to join online.

*Updated Weekly, Life Thought from Lutherans for Life - May 24 – The Day of Pentecost – The Holy Spirit, like streams of living water (John 37:38), flows forth from Christ, just as the blood and water flowed forth from His side when He was pierced on the cross. The Spirit brings life. The Spirit gives birth to the New Testament Church, which proclaims the message of abundant and eternal life in Christ crucified and risen (Acts 2:1-4). The Spirit makes us to know God’s ways and teaches us His paths. He leads the humble in what is right (Psalm 25:4-5, 9). He enables us to share the Good News of Life with those who are troubled or afraid, that they may know that they do not face life’s crises alone. As the Spirit rested on Eldad and Medad (Numbers 11:26) and rested on the heads of the apostles on the day of Pentecost (Acts 2:1-4), so the Holy Spirit emboldens us to be Gospel-motivated voices for Life in an otherwise dark and frightening world.*

**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. We rejoice always, pray without ceasing, giving thanks in all circumstances.

## 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.

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**MEDITATION** Psalm 25 – The 25<sup>th</sup> psalm is a psalm of prayer in which the righteous pray that God will make them godly, forgive their sins, guard them from sin and shame, and finally deliver them from all enemies and all evil. Along with this the psalm mocks the false, self-centered spirits and teachers. It belongs to the Second Commandment and the Second Petition. [From Reading the Psalms with Luther]

### THIS WEEK'S DAILY READINGS

Sunday	Num 21:10–35	Luke 21:20–38
Monday	Num 22:1–20	Luke 22:1–23
Tuesday	Num 22:21–23:3	Luke 22:24–46
Wednesday	Num 23:4–28	Luke 22:47–71
Thursday	Num 24:1–25	Luke 23:1–25
Friday	Num 27:12–23	Luke 23:26–56
Saturday	Num 32:1–6, 16–27	Luke 24:1–27 17

### 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.
- Pray for: Gary & Marietta Adelsen, Barb Alsobrooks, Travis Glick, Bill & Sal Stichman, Tom Schran, Jeff Schmidt, Carl Ingle (Melissa Adelsen's uncle), Scott Roscovious, Jeramy Schaub

**LEARN BY HEART** *Liturgical Text: Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!*

**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:** Gen. 1:1-2:4; Acts 2:22-36; Matt. 28:16-20