PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

"A Disciple Making Community"
"KNOW, GROW, and GO"

West Salem, Wisconsin
The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany
February 9, 2025

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

Heaven and earth tremble before the holy God. All creation bends to His will. In stark contrast to the perfect God, we are an unclean, sinful people. But He has taken away our guilt and has atoned for our sin. As His new creation, we strive to excel in building up the church. For Christ calls us to be His messengers as He called the disciples to be fishers of men. Like Isaiah, we say, "Here am I! Send me."

Order of Service: **Divine Service 3, p. 184 ff.**

Opening Hymn **507 Holy, Holy, Holy**

Confession and Absolution **(LSB p. 184)**

Service of the Word **(LSB p.186-193)**

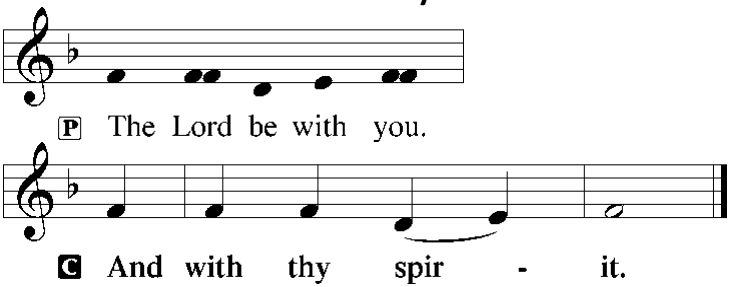
Introit *Psalm 71:15–18; antiphon: v. 12*

O God, be not far from me;
O my God, make haste to help me!
My mouth will tell of your righteous acts, of your deeds of salvation all the day,
for their number is past my knowledge.
With the mighty deeds of the Lord GOD I will come;
I will remind them of your righteousness, yours alone.
O God, from my youth you have taught me,
and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds.
So even to old age and gray hairs, O God, do not forsake me,
until I proclaim your might to another generation, your power to all those to come.
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.
O God, be not far from me;
O my God, make haste to help me!

Kyrie **(LSB p.186)**

Hymn of Praise: Gloria in Excelsis **(LSB p.187)**

Salutation and Collect of the Day



P O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Sit

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 6:1–8 *Isaiah 6:1–8*

[1]In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and
lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. [2]Above him stood the seraphim.
Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet,
and with two he flew. [3]And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory!"

[4]And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the
house was filled with smoke. [5]And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of
unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen
the King, the LORD of hosts!"

[6]Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had
taken with tongs from the altar. [7]And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this
has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for."

[8]And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for
us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual *Psalm 117:1–2a; 96:8*

Praise the LORD, all nations!
Extol him, all peoples!
For great is his steadfast love toward us,
and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.
Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
bring an offering, and come into his courts!

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 14:12b–20 *1 Corinthians 14:12b–20*

Since you are eager for manifestations of the Spirit, strive to excel in building up the church.

[13]Therefore, one who speaks in a tongue should pray for the power to interpret. [14]For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays but my mind is unfruitful. [15]What am I to do? I will pray with my spirit, but I will pray with my mind also; I will sing praise with my spirit, but I will sing with my mind also. [16]Otherwise, if you give thanks with your spirit, how can anyone in the position of an outsider say "Amen" to your thanksgiving when he does not know what you are saying? [17]For you may be giving thanks well enough, but the other person is not being built up. [18]I thank God that I speak in tongues more than all of you. [19]Nevertheless, in church I would rather speak five words with my mind in order to instruct others, than ten thousand words in a tongue.

[20]Brothers, do not be children in your thinking. Be infants in evil, but in your thinking be mature.

A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

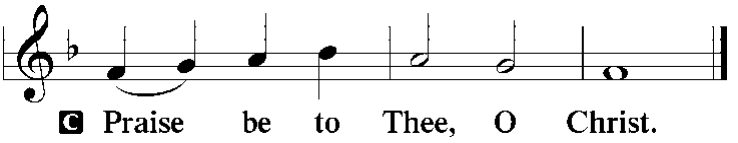
Alleluia

Holy Gospel: Luke 5:1–11 *Luke 5:1–11*

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

[1]On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on [Jesus] to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, [2]and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. [3]Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. [4]And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." [5]And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." [6]And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. [7]They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. [8]But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." [9]For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, [10]and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." [11]And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Apostles' Creed **(p. 192)**

Sit

Children's Sermon

Hymn of the Day **850 God of Grace and God of Glory**

Sermon **"Building Up The Church"** **1 Corinthians 14:12b-20**

Offering

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

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Father of all joy, You have taught us to believe in Your righteous acts and deeds of salvation from our youth. Teach us now to proclaim Your might to the next generation, that they, too, may rejoice in You. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord God of hosts, sustain those called to be fishers of men in Christ's Church. Grant that they would not be discouraged when they toil all night and take nothing, but continue to let down their nets at His Word according to that calling. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P O Lord, give us faith to let down the nets of Your Word in our daily vocations and to trust Your Son to do His gracious work through poor sinners like us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Merciful God, build up Your Church and manifest Your Spirit among us with wisdom and knowledge. Let our words be measured and intelligible to our fellow Christians and to those outside Your Church, that we may utter our "Amens" confidently in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Visit, O Lord, the homes in which Your people dwell, and keep all harm and danger far from them, especially Frank Freismuth. Grant that we may dwell together in peace under the protection of Your holy angels, sharing eternally in Your blessings. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P O God, be not far from us. As You have worked deeds of salvation in Christ Jesus, so make haste to help us now in every trouble. Give healing to the sick, strength

to the weak and comfort to the afflicted *[especially _____]*. Do not forsake us nor the generations to come. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Send from Your altar, O Lord, the body and blood of Christ. Cleanse us and our lips by this blessed Sacrament and deliver to us the atonement Christ has won for us, that we may be worthy to stand before You now and at the Last Day. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P O Lord, never depart from us. Though we are unworthy of You and Your bounty, You are pleased to receive our meager thanks and reluctant obedience for the sake of Christ's perfect obedience. Let Your Word rule us and Your Spirit revive us to leave behind pride and anxiety alike, that we may follow You in all we do; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the same Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Service of the Sacrament **(p. 194ff)**

Distribution Hymns

398 Hail to the Lord's Anointed
731 O God, Forsake Me Not
636 Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

Post-Communion Canticle **Nunc Dimittis** **(LSB p. 199)**

Post-Communion Collect **(LSB p. 201)**

Salutation and Benedicamus **(LSB p. 201)**

Benediction **(LSB p. 202)**

Closing Hymn **795 Voices Raised to You We Offer**