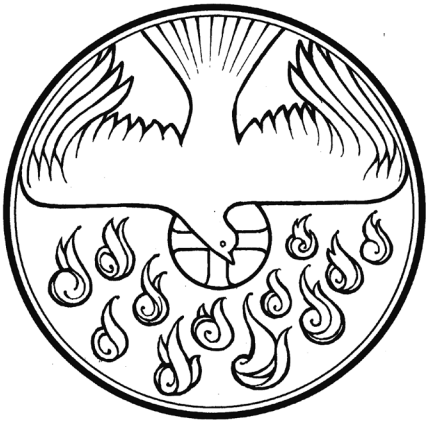
PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

West Salem, Wisconsin
The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

Day of Pentecost
June 8, 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

The Scriptures this day witness the remarkable releasing of the Holy Spirit. The mighty works of God are declared in countless languages. Fire blazes mysteriously above the disciple's heads. Outrageous confusion, mayhem, and chaos pave the way for global mission, ministry, and confession. The Holy Spirit teaches all things, equipping preachers to preach and people to listen. He is the Divine Helper instilling within the church an unrelenting confession of Jesus and His deeds of mercy and redemption.

Order of Service: **Divine Service 4, p. 203 ff.**

Opening Hymn **913 O Holy Spirit, Enter In**

Confession and Absolution **(LSB p. 203)**

Service of the Word **(LSB p.204-207)**

Introit

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,
and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia.
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 gather it up;
when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.
When you send forth your Spirit, they are created,
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 beginning,
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. Alleluia.

Kyrie **(LSB p. 204)**

Hymn of Praise: Gloria In Excelsis **(LSB p. 204)**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also 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 **Amen.**

Sit

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 11:1–9

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[1]Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. [2]And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. [3]And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. [4]Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth." [5]And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. [6]And the LORD said, "Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. [7]Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another's speech." [8]So the LORD dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. [9]Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth. And from there the LORD dispersed them over the face of all the earth.

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

Acts 2:1–21

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

[5]Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. [6]And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. [7]And they were

amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? [8]And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? [9]Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, [10]Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, [11]both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” [12]And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” [13]But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.”

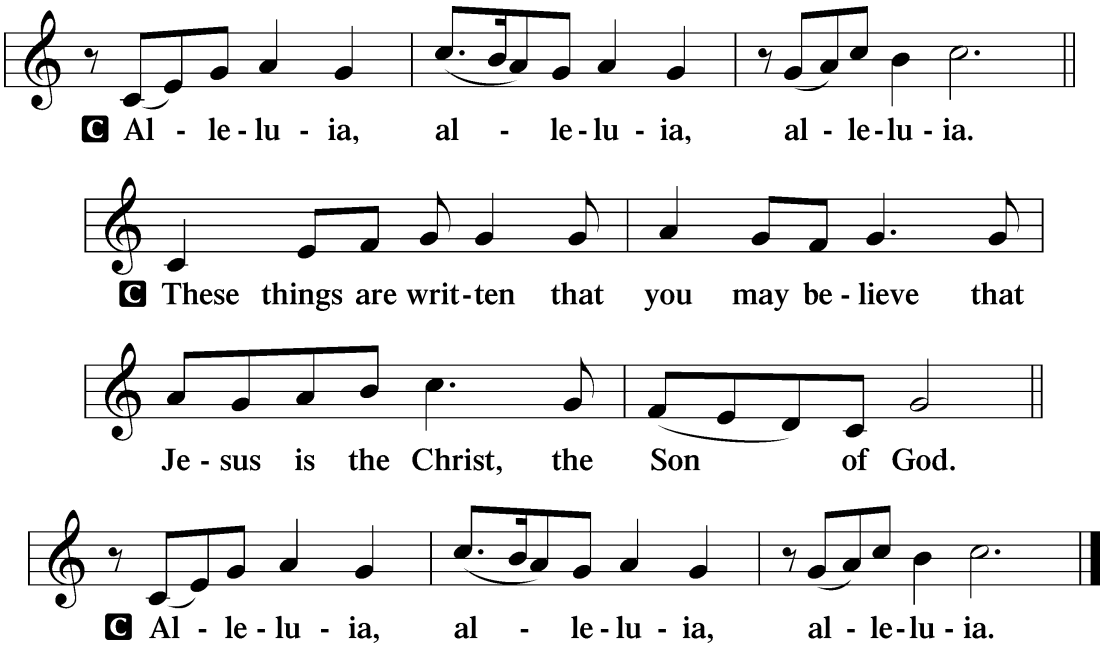
[14]But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. [15]For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. [16]But this is what was uttered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

[17]“‘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;
[18]even on my male servants and female servants
in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.
[19]And I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;
[20]the sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.
[21]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.**

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

Holy Gospel: John 14:23–31 *John 14:23–31*

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

23 Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father
will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. 24 Whoever does
not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the
Father's who sent me.

25 "These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. 26 But the Helper, the
Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and
bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you; my
peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be
troubled, neither let them be afraid. 28 You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and
I will come to you.' If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to
the Father, for the Father is greater than I. 29 And now I have told you before it takes
place, so that when it does take place you may believe. 30 I will no longer talk much

with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on me, [31]but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us go from here."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sit

Nicene Creed (LSB p. 206)

Teaching the Faith from the Catechism: The First Commandment

You shall have no other gods.

What does this mean?
We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things.

Children's Sermon

Hymn of the Day LSB 650 Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

Sermon "The Reversal of Babel" Genesis 11:1-9

Reception of Membership – Tim and Heidi Tabat

Prayer of the Church

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For gladness in the Holy Spirit, who through His Church fills the world with the remembrance of everything Christ Jesus has spoken, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**

P That by the same Spirit of peace, our hearts would neither be troubled nor afraid, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the homes in which Your people dwell, that God would keep all harm and danger far from them, especially Keith and Lisbeth and Nathan Novak. Grant that we may dwell together in peace under the protection of Your holy angels, sharing eternally in Your blessings, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For Matthew, our Synod president; Eric, our district president; Jacob, our circuit visitor; and our pastor(s), that as they proclaim God's Word, His Spirit may be at work to teach us all things and bring to remembrance all the Son has said to us, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all translators of the Holy Scriptures, that every nation may hear the good news of the mighty works of God in their own language, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For our leaders, especially our president, governor, Congress, legislature, and all judges and magistrates, that they would be given a relentless pursuit of just laws for the common good of all, with a heart of mercy for the weak and vulnerable, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the comfort of the Holy Spirit in a dark world; and that wounds would be soothed and healed, broken families restored, the depressed uplifted, the poor aided and all cries answered, *[especially for _____,]* let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all who commune, that the Holy Spirit would convict us of sin, of righteousness in Christ and of the judgments of His Holy Word, sanctifying our hearts by the forgiveness of sins and making us fit partakers of Christ's holy body and precious blood, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For comfort for those who mourn and rest for those who labor, that our hearts may be raised up with the promise of the resurrection and the blest reunion

when we will stand before the Lord without fear and enjoy the promise of His perfect peace forevermore, let us pray to the Lord:

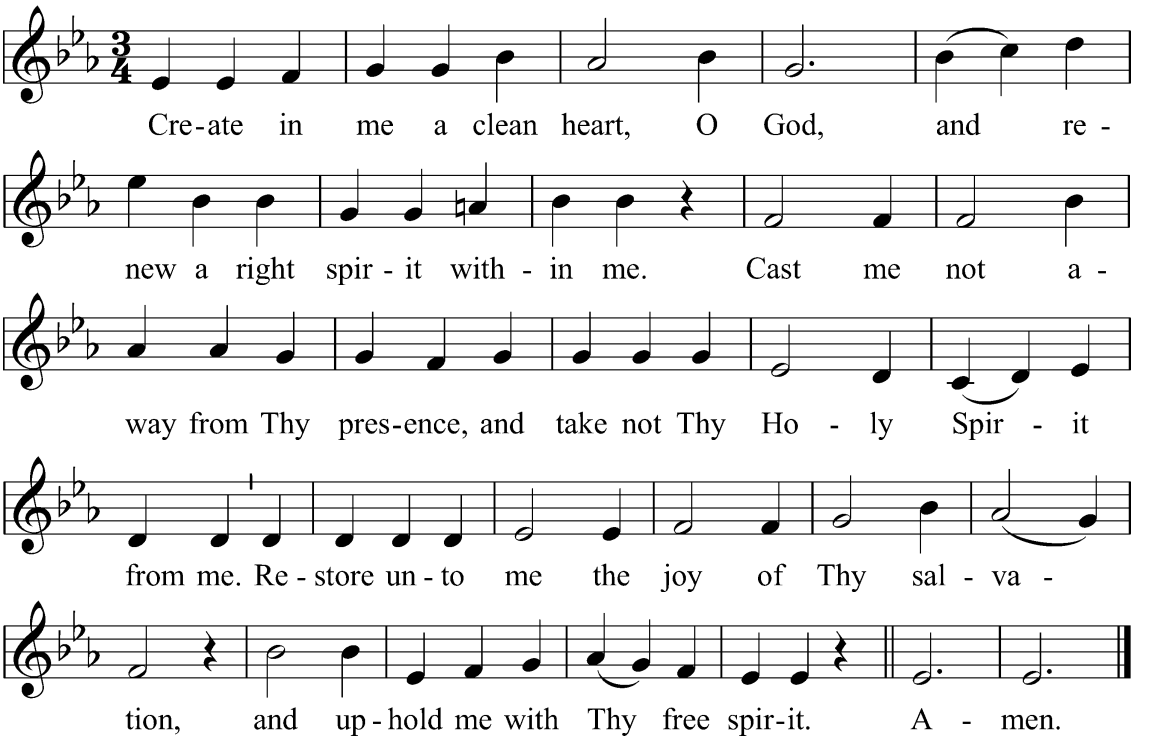
C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Almighty Father, with Your Son, Jesus Christ, send Your Holy Spirit into our hearts through Your Word to rule and govern us according to Your will. Comfort us in every temptation and misfortune and defend us against every error, that we may continue steadfast in the faith, increase in love and good works, and — trusting firmly in Your grace — obtain eternal salvation; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Offering

Offertory **Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God**



Service of the Sacrament (p. 208-212)

Distribution Hymns

496 Holy Spirit, Light Divine
497 Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord
500 Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid

Post-Communion Canticle **Nunc Dimittis** **(LSB p. 211)**

Post-Communion Collect **(LSB p. 212)**

Benedicamus and Benediction **(LSB p. 212)**

Closing Hymn **503 O Day Full of Grace**

Prince of Peace News and Notes for June 8, 2025

Please fill out a registration card today and leave it on the table in the back of the sanctuary or put it in the offering plate. Thank you.

Serving the Lord and One Another Today: *Ushers:* Mike and Carolyn Dosland; *Greeters:* POP Family; *Song leader:* Brooklynn Scholze*; Money Counters*: Barb Hinds & Ona Childs.

Serving the Lord and One Another Next Sunday: *Ushers:* Elaine Schmidt & Barb Hinds; *Greeters*: POP Family; *Song leader:* Sara Kolander*; Money Counters*: Lori Peters and Debbie Dunnum.

Do you have an announcement that you want to share with the Congregation? Send it to office@wspop.org by the end of the day on Tuesday and it will be printed in this week's bulletin. You can also publish key information in the newsletter by submitting it the same way. Newsletter information is due by the end of the day on the Wednesday before the last Sunday.

Our Response to God's Gifts

Attendance Ascension: 54
Attendance last Sunday: 42
Weekly Budget Need: $3868.38
May 25 offering: $2605.00
Special Gifts: $25 Building Fund

Sunday Adult Bible Study: As the news media is focused on a new pope, what does the papacy mean for Lutherans? Join us today as we continue our study on "The Treatise on the Power and Primacy of the Pope," which is one of our Lutheran confessional documents in The Book of Concord. Following this short study, we will continue our study on the Book of Proverbs.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study: Join us this Wednesday as we continue our study on the Gospel of John at 9:30 a.m.!

Altar Flowers – There is a sign up sheet in the narthex if you would like to bring flowers for the altar.

New Member Class: Are you interested in becoming a member at Prince of Peace? If you haven't reached out to Pastor Adelsen yet, POP will be starting a new member class in the near future!

We have two priority projects this year: 1) Replace the most problematic furnace. Timing: August or September. Cost: about $4250 with fundraising. 2) Repaint the storage shed. Requires stripping old paint, prime coat and finish coat. We need volunteers, ladders and equipment. We plan to start as weather permits.

Church Cleaning: Please see the sign-up sheet and instructions in the narthex for taking a turn cleaning the church.

Life Thought from Lutheran for Life: Pentecost – Words about the worth and purpose invested in every human being belong not to us alone but to Almighty God Himself (John 14:24). Our Savior graciously endows the Words of Life with the Holy Spirit's power (John 14:26). So we must not dilute or suppress what He has made unquestionably clear, and we may entrust the public effects of the message to His wisdom.

March for Life Wisconsin: You are invited to participate joyfully and peacefully at the March for Life in Madison on Saturday, June 14 (2-4 p.m.) to show that every human life deserves to be protected from conception to natural death! Bus transportation is available from the Onalaska Walmart (Departure: 9:40 a.m.) and the Sparta Best Western (Departure: 10:15 a.m.). To register and for more information, visit: marchforlifewisconsin.org. A QR Code is also available to scan on the POP bulletin board.