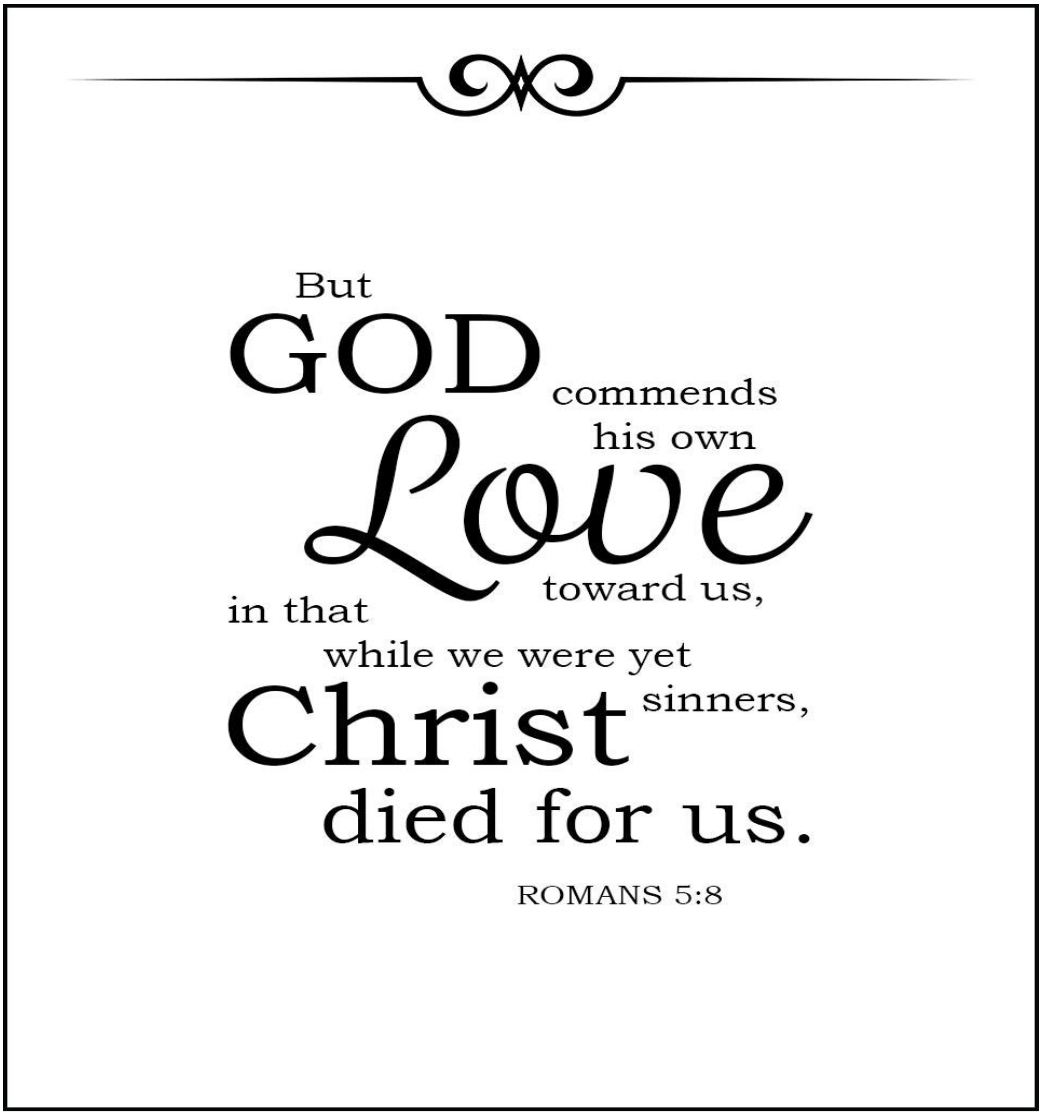
# PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

West Salem, Wisconsin
The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod

Second Sunday after Pentecost — June 14th, 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 Lord is the God of compassion; He bore the Israelites on eagles' wings and called them His treasured people. Jesus healed every disease and affliction through the cities and villages. But His greatest mercy is shown in such love that Christ would die for weak and ungodly people–sinners. Justified by His blood, we are saved from the wrath of God.

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

*Welcome*

**Hymn of Invocation: 571 God Loved the World So That He Gave**

## Confession and Absolution

## Service of the Word

**Introit** *Psalm 67:4–7; antiphon: v. 3*

Let the peoples praise you, O God;
**let all the peoples praise you!**
Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
**for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.**
Let the peoples praise you, O God;
**let all the peoples praise you!**
The earth has yielded its increase;
**God, our God, shall bless us.**
God shall bless us;
**let all the ends of the earth fear him!**
**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.**
Let the peoples praise you, O God;
**let all the peoples praise you!**

**Kyrie** *LSB 204*

**Gloria in Excelsis** *LSB 204*

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray.
Almighty, eternal God, in the Word of Your apostles and prophets You have proclaimed to us Your saving will. Grant us faith to believe Your promises that we may receive eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

**Old Testament Reading** *Exodus 19:2–8*

2[The people of Israel] set out from Rephidim and came into the
wilderness of Sinai, and they encamped in the wilderness. There Israel
encamped before the mountain, 3while Moses went up to God. The LORD
called to him out of the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the
house of Jacob, and tell the people of Israel: 4You yourselves have seen
what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and
brought you to myself. 5Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice
and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all
peoples, for all the earth is mine; 6and you shall be to me a kingdom of
priests and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the
people of Israel."
7So Moses came and called the elders of the people and set before them
all these words that the LORD had commanded him. 8All the people
answered together and said, "All that the LORD has spoken we will do."
And Moses reported the words of the people to the LORD.

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

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual** *Psalm 145:3, 5b, 6b*

Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,
**and his greatness is unsearchable.**
On your wondrous works, I will meditate,
**and I will declare your greatness.**

**Epistle** *Romans 5:6–15*

6For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the
ungodly. 7For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though
perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— 8but God shows
his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
9Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more
shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. 10For if while we were
enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more,
now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. 11More than that,
we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we
have now received reconciliation.

12Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death
through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned— 13for sin
indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted
where there is no law. 14Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over
those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a
type of the one who was to come.

15But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one
man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the
grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many.

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

**Alleluia and Verse** *LSB 205*

**Holy Gospel** *Matthew 9:35—10:20*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the ninth chapter.
**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

35Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their
synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every
disease and every affliction. 36When he saw the crowds, he had compassion
for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a
shepherd. 37Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the
laborers are few; 38therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send
out laborers into his harvest."

1And he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over
unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every affliction.
2The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter,
and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother;
3Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the
son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; 4Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot,
who betrayed him. 5These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, "Go
nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans, 6but go
rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. 7And proclaim as you go, saying,
'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' 8Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse
lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay.
9Acquire no gold nor silver nor copper for your belts, 10no bag for your
journey, nor two tunics nor sandals nor a staff, for the laborer deserves his
food. 11And whatever town or village you enter, find out who is worthy in it
and stay there until you depart. 12As you enter the house, greet it. 13And if the
house is worthy, let your peace come upon it, but if it is not worthy, let your
peace return to you. 14And if anyone will not receive you or listen to your
words, shake off the dust from your feet when you leave that house or town.
15Truly, I say to you, it will be more bearable on the day of judgment for the
land of Sodom and Gomorrah than for that town. 16"Behold, I am sending you
out as sheep in the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as
doves. 17Beware of men, for they will deliver you over to courts and flog you
in their synagogues, 18and you will be dragged before governors and kings for
my sake, to bear witness before them and the Gentiles. 19When they deliver
you over, do not be anxious how you are to speak or what you are to say, for
what you are to say will be given to you in that hour. 20For it is not you who
speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you."

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

**Nicene Creed**

**Children's Message**

**Hymn of the Day: 562 All Mankind Fell in Adam's Fall**

**Sermon "For While We Were Still Weak"** *Romans 5:6-15*

**Prayer of the Church**

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

**Offering**

**Offertory** *LSB 192*

## Service of the Sacrament

Distribution Hymn: 570 Just as I Am, without One Plea

Distribution Hymn: 392 God Loves Me Dearly

Distribution Hymn: Hymn: 834 O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth

**Nunc Dimittis** *LSB 211*

**Post-Communion Collect**

**Benedicamus & Benediction** *LSB 212*

**Hymn to Depart: 586 Preach You the Word**

***Announcements***

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

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## SERVING OUR LORD AND ONE ANOTHER

| | *Today* | Next Week | June 28 |
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| Song Leader | L. Danielson | S. Kolander | B. Scholze |
| Ushers | Dosland | Brunk | Moen |
| Counters | C. Leis<br>B. Alsobrooks | D. Dunnum<br>E. Schmidt | B. Hinds<br>O. Childs |
| Acolyte | B. Greydanus | C. Kolander | E. Sheffer |
| Altar Guild for June: L. Danielson and C. Leis | | | |

## OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S GIFTS

Last Week's Sun. & Mon. Attendance: 45

Weekly Need 2026 Budget: $3,172.46

Week of June 7th Offering: $2,909.25

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

## THIS WEEK AT PRINCE OF PEACE

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| ***Today*** | **9:00 am..... Divine Service with Holy Communion** |
| | *after ..... Fellowship time* |
| | 10:30 am..... Adult Bible Study |
| | 11:15 am..... Church Council Meeting |
| **Mon. June 15** | **7:00 pm .....Divine Worship Service with Holy Communion** |
| Wed. June 17 | 9:30 am..... Adult Bible Study |
| *Fri–Sun., Jun. 19-21* | *.....Pastor @LWML South WI Convention, Brookfield* |
| **Sun. June 21** | **9:00 am.....Divine Worship Service with Holy Communion** |

# Prince of Peace News and Notes for June 14th, 2026

**SUNDAY JUNE 14TH:** *Later today!* All welcome! Ordination and installation of Joshua Bieri into the Office of Holy Ministry as a Church Planter for the SWD of the LCMS. Sunday the 14th at 4:00pm at Faith Lutheran Church on Main St. in La Crosse. A catered dinner will be provided by Hill Country Lutheran Church of Viroqua. See Pastor Adelsen if you have follow-up questions.

**SUNDAY JUNE 28TH:** The semi-annual Congregational Voters' Meeting will be held after worship service. Reports by Council members and committees will be heard. Please plan on staying for important business of the church. If you have follow-up questions, see Kurt Childs or Pastor Adelsen.

**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.

**SCRIP PROGRAM AT PRINCE OF PEACE** – is a fundraising method where you purchase from us, prepaid gift cards for everyday shopping or gifts (groceries, gas, dining, travel) at face value, and we receive a percentage of the card value. Hundreds of retail vendors participate in this program. (A complete list is posted on the kiosk in the narthex.) Every Sunday, cards are available for purchase. Stop by in the fellowship hall right after worship service and talk to Barb or Chris.

**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 (10:30am) THE ABRAHAMIC RELIGIONS** The Abrahamic religions monotheistic faiths that recognize a shared spiritual patriarch, Abraham. But how alike are Christianity, Judaism and Islam? What do they really teach about God?

•**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 Jun. 23rd. 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 Dunnum or Carrie Horstman about how to join online.

***Updated Weekly, Life Thought from Lutherans for Life*** *Sin and death came into the world through one man, Adam. If you are able to die, you know that sin's infection has gotten you. We are able to die from the moment of conception because sin's infection is so deep in our very existence. But as Paul reminds us, God's mercy is also for all men. He sends out His servants to proclaim God's Word and the gift of eternal life that is yours in Christ Jesus. Do not stop the little ones from hearing God's Word and believing but let them come into the presence of God before they even exit the womb and hear God's Word. When they exit the womb, give them God's gift of Holy Baptism and continue to let them hear God's Word. That's the way to cure sin's infection and see your children in eternity.*

**PRAYER CHAIN POP PRAYS!** - Do you know that Prince of Peace has an email prayer chain? If you have a prayer request or would be willing to be on the prayer chain to pray for others, please email Bill Stichman at **wstichman@charter.net**
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 100 – The 100th psalm is a prophecy of Christ. It calls on the entire world to be joyful, to praise, and to give thanks, that is, to worship God and come to His throne and His courts and to call on Him with all confidence. For His grace is an eternal kingdom, which truly remains forever and ever. [From Reading the Psalms with Luther]

**THIS WEEK'S DAILY READINGS**

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| 14 June | Prov 14:1–27 | John 15:1–11 1 | |
| 15 June | Prov 15:1–29 | John 15:12–27 | |
| 16 June | Prov 16:1–24 | John 16:1–16 | |
| 17 June | Prov 17:1–28 | John 16:17–33 | Prov 18:1—20:4 |
| 18 June | Prov 20:5–25 | John 17:1–26 | Prov 21:1–31 |
| 19 June | Prov 22:1–21 | John 18:1–14 | |
| 20 June | Prov 22:22—23:12 | John 18:15–40 | |

**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.
- Shepherd of the Hills, in calling a faithful Pastor
- Rev. Jacob Eichers of Faith Lutheran Church, as he has accepted the Divine Call to Zion Lutheran, Menomonee Falls
- Pray for: Gary & Marietta Adelsen, Barb Alsobrooks, Travis Glick, Bill & Sal Stichman, Tom Schran, Jeff Schmidt, Scott Roscovious, Jeramy Schaub, Anna Wachholz (niece of the Kolanders)

**LEARN BY HEART** *Matthew 9:37b–38: The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."*
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**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**: Jeremiah: 20:7-13; Romans 6:12-23; Matt. 10:21-33