



Prince of Peace Lutheran Church  
Appleton, Wisconsin  
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## Mission Statement

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church is a family of Christians  
Growing in faith and reaching out in love

Welcome to God's House which is the spiritual home of all who worship today, wherever you may be. Part of Prince of Peace Church's mission statement says that we are "a family of Christians." Because God has made us family, we are together, even though we are physically separated, to receive the Lord's strength, comfort and peace. Christ, our brother, is with us, and his presence will change us. As new people, we leave this time of worship to live our daily lives in the world as ambassadors for Christ. Go, but remember to come home. See you next Sunday!

The Glass Cross on the Altar is unique. There are only 3 of these handmade crosses in the world. The other two are in congregations with whom we share our ministry. One is on the altar of Kopano Lutheran Church in Mogwase, South Africa and the other is at the Evangelische Stadtpfarrkirche Hermannstadt in Sibiu, Romania. These Lutheran churches are ministry partners with us with whom we have shared visits, resources and mutual support. Each Sunday as we gather in worship under this common cross, we are reminded of our faith in our Savior, Jesus the Christ, whose Spirit unites peoples of different countries, races, cultures and histories under His benevolent love.

## Worship Leaders

Preaching Minister	Roger McQuiston
Presiding Minister	Jennifer DeNetz
Musicians	Sondra Joten Aaron, Stacy, Karin & Peter Juhl
Reader	Colleen Perrine
Children's Message	Brigetta Wingender
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ELW denotes the Evangelical Lutheran Worship Hymnal  
P-Pastor R- Reader C-Congregation

GATHERING MUSIC

*Allegretto*

A. Berbiguier/ed. G. Landgraf

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

C Amen

P Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

*Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.*

C We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen

GATHERING SONG

*For the Beauty of the Earth*

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For the beauty of the earth,  
for the beauty of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth  
over and around us lies:

*Refrain*

Christ, our God, to thee we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise.

For the wonder of each hour  
of the day and of the night,  
hill and vale and tree and flow'r,  
sun and moon and stars of light: *Refrain*

For the joy of ear and eye,  
for the heart and mind's delight,  
for the mystic harmony  
linking sense to sound and sight: *Refrain*

For the joy of human love,  
brother, sister, parent, child,  
friends on earth and friends above;  
for all gentle thoughts and mild: *Refrain*

For each perfect gift of thine,  
peace on earth and joy in heav'n;  
for thyself, best gift divine,  
to our world so freely giv'n: *Refrain*

Text: Foliott S. Pierpoint, 1835-1917, alt.

GREETING

P The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
C And also with you.

KYRIE

*Refrain*

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.

1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the  
2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the  
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for  
4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the

u - ni - ty of all; for  
hun - gry and the poor; that  
friends and fam - i - ly; for  
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,  
 we may live out . . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,  
 life and for love, . . . . for our work and our play,  
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Let us pray.

C You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

**FIRST READING**

Zechariah 9:9-12

*The coming messianic king will inaugurate an era of disarmament and prosperity. Because of God's covenant with Israel, the people are designated as "prisoners of hope."*

<sup>9</sup>Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. <sup>10</sup>He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war-horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his

dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. <sup>11</sup>As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. <sup>12</sup>Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

R Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

**SECOND READING**

Romans 7:15-25a

*Life captive to sin is a catch-22 existence in which we know good but do not do it and do things we know to be wrong. Through Jesus Christ, God has set us free from such a futile existence.*

<sup>15</sup>I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. <sup>16</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. <sup>17</sup>But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. <sup>18</sup>For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. <sup>19</sup>For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. <sup>20</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, it is no

longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. <sup>21</sup>So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. <sup>22</sup>For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, <sup>23</sup>but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. <sup>24</sup>Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? <sup>25a</sup>Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

R Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al-le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
 words of e - ter - nal life. Al-le - lu - ia.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

*Jesus chides people who find fault with both his ministry and that of John the Baptist. He thanks God that wisdom and intelligence are not needed to receive what God has to offer.*

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] <sup>16</sup>“To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, <sup>17</sup>‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’ <sup>18</sup>For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; <sup>19</sup>the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.” <sup>25</sup>At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from

the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; <sup>26</sup>yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. <sup>27</sup>All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. <sup>28</sup>“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup>Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup>For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE & SONG

Brigetta Wingender & Juhl Family

SERMON

...AND LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL!?

Pastor Roger McQuiston

In Christ there is no east or west,  
in him no south or north,  
but one community of love  
throughout the whole wide earth.

In Christ shall true hearts ev'rywhere  
their high communion find;  
his service is the golden cord  
close binding humankind.

Join hands, disciples of the faith,  
whate'er your race may be.  
All children of the living God  
are surely kin to me.

In Christ now meet both east and west,  
in him meet south and north;  
all Christly souls are one in him  
throughout the whole wide earth.

Text: John Oxenham, 1852-1941, alt.

#### RENUNCIATIONS AND APOSTLES' CREED

- P Let us renew our Baptismal Promises first by renouncing the Devil and all the forces that work against God, and then by reciting the Apostle's Creed.
- C I renounce all evil, every force that moves against God's will.  
I renounce the powers of this world, the structures of inequality, and the agents of oppression that undermine God's purposes.  
I renounce my own participation with these powers, my own actions and inactions that draw me from God.
- P With the whole church, let us confess our faith.
- C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

OFFERING

*What Have We to Offer?*



1 What have we to of - fer?      What have we to share?  
2 What have we to of - fer?      What have we to bring?  
3 What have we to of - fer?      What have we to give?



Coins      from the cof - fer,      hearts      filled with care.  
Love,      ripe with laugh - ter;      hope that we can sing;  
Eyes      that are wide o - pen;      lies      that we won't live;



God      will not fal - ter;      so      let us dare  
dreams of what we're af - ter;      prom - is - es of when.  
truth      that must be spo - ken;      jus - tice      some - how.



lay it at the al - tar      there.  
Lay it at the al - tar      then.  
Lay it at the al - tar      now.



4 What have we to of - fer?      What have we to



give?      Lives      we will live.

Text: Ray Makeever

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OFFERING PRAYER

P Let us pray. Merciful God,

C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

PRAYERS

Petitions end: Lord, in your mercy,

Response: You hear our prayer.

P Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

## LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.  
C Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen

## FINAL BLESSING

P May the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ fill you with every spiritual blessing.  
C Amen  
P May the God of faithfulness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.  
C Amen  
P May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.  
C Amen

## CLOSING HYMN

### *This Is My Song*

ELW 887

This is my song, O God of all the nations,  
a song of peace for lands afar and mine.  
This is my home, the country where my heart is;  
here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;  
but other hearts in other lands are beating  
with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,  
and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine.  
But other lands have sunlight too, and clover,  
and skies are ev'rywhere as blue as mine.  
So hear my song, O God of all the nations,  
a song of peace for their land and for mine.

This is my prayer, O God of all earth's kingdoms,  
your kingdom come; on earth your will be done.  
O God, be lifted up till all shall serve you,  
and hearts united learn to live as one.  
So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations;  
myself I give you; let your will be done.

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DISMISSAL

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Be at peace. Christ is with you.

C Thanks be to God.



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