



Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
December 1, 2024
First Sunday of Advent

Welcome to worship at Prince of Peace!

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Church Office Hours: M-F 8a.m.-4pm

As we gather today, our hope is that through this time of hearing and reflecting on God's Word, your faith is strengthened for service in Christ's name. Our mission is to Know Jesus Christ and to Make Him Known.

We pray that you will feel comfortable and at home during your worship experience. If you are here for the first time, please stop by our Welcome Center in the narthex. There you will find information about the church and ministry activities. Please fill out the welcome book located in the welcome center, so we may acknowledge your visit with us.

The Bible teaches that the Lord's Supper is an important part of Christian worship. At Prince of Peace, we practice "Communion Fellowship" which means that those communing at the altar have the following four beliefs in common.

1. I am baptized in the name of the Triune God - Matthew 28:19
2. I am a sinner and seek God's forgiveness through Christ.-1 Corinthians 11:29
3. I recognize the real presence of Christ in the bread and wine.-1 Corinthians 11:29
4. I have a desire to live a God-pleasing life.-1 Thessalonians 4:12

If you are a first time visitor, please speak with the Pastor or Elder prior to communing. White grape juice is available in the center of the tray for those who desire it. *We request that those who join us in worship after the confession and absolution refrain from coming to the Lord's Supper until they have had opportunity to examine themselves. Please see pastor after service and he will commune you.*

To limit contact, our offering envelopes are available as you enter the sanctuary and may be left in the plate. We appreciate your support.

Thank you for joining us today as we worship our Lord and Savior.
May you be richly blessed by our Prince of Peace!

Worship Today - 9:30 a.m.

AS WE GATHER

Advent has long been a time of preparation, preparation for the celebration of Christmas. Yet the road to Christmas is anything but easy. It twists, it turns, and we meet many strange figures along the way. Prophets cry out in visions. John the Baptizer preaches in the desert. Angels appear whether you are asleep or awake. The voices are varied, the places are strange, but one thing is certain: in each encounter, God is preparing us for the celebration of the greatest encounter of all, the birth of Jesus, his Son, our Savior, the Redeemer of the world.

Today we hear from John and see a vision of the Bride!

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FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Voices from the Edge: The Disciple John and a Vision of the Bride

Opening Hymn 331 The Advent of Our King

1 The advent of our King Our prayers must now employ,
And we must hymns of welcome sing In strains of holy joy.

2 The everlasting Son Incarnate deigns to be,
Himself a servant's form puts on To set His servants free.

3 O Zion's daughter, rise To meet your lowly King,
Nor let your faithless heart despise The peace He comes to bring.

4 As judge, on clouds of light, He soon will come again
And His true members all unite With Him in heav'n to reign.

5 Before the dawning day Let sin's dark deeds be gone,
The sinful self be put away, The new self now put on.

6 All glory to the Son, Who comes to set us free,
With Father, Spirit, ever one Through all eternity.

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INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P We gather around God's Word and His Sacrament

C as children of the light through God's grace given in Baptism.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P As we wait for the fullness of Christ's coming, we are called to repentance. We confess our sin to our heavenly Father.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination.)

P Lord God, so often we take You for granted and fail to take seriously Your coming again on the Last Day.

C Forgive us, Lord.

P Our desire frequently is to control everything in our lives including You, our Creator.

C Forgive us, Lord.

P In the noise and nervousness of our busy lives, we often fail to notice Your presence among us, especially in the poor, homeless, lonely, and forgotten.

C **Forgive us, Lord.**

P: Our poor stewardship of Your creation is evidenced by the way we fail to care for it and preserve it for those who will come after us.

C **Forgive us, Lord.**

P: We confess that we are hesitant to proclaim with all our might the life-saving Gospel of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

C **Forgive us, Lord.**

P These and all other sins we confess to You.

C **For the sake of Your Son, Jesus, and His suffering, death, and resurrection, forgive us.**

P In the mercy of almighty God and for the sake of the suffering and death of His Son, Jesus, on the cross, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. May the Spirit of God prepare us and make us ready for our Savior's coming.

C **Amen.**

Service of the Word

Introit *Psalm 89:6, 14–16, 18; antiphon: Zechariah 9:9b, alt.*

P Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation.

C **Who in the skies can be compared to the LORD? Who among the heavenly beings is like the LORD?**

P Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; steadfast love and faithfulness go before you.

C **Blessèd are the people who know the festal shout, who walk, O LORD, in the light of your face,**

P who exult in your name all the day and in your righteousness are exalted.

C **For our shield belongs to the LORD, our king to the Holy One of Israel.**

A **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.**

P Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation.

Hymn of Praise 352 Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord

1 Let the earth now praise the Lord, Who has truly kept His word
And at last to us did send Christ, the sinner's help and friend.

2 What the fathers most desired, What the prophets' heart inspired,
What they longed for many_a year, Stands fulfilled in glory here.

3 Abram's promised great reward, Zion's helper, Jacob's Lord—
Him of twofold race behold— Truly came, as long foretold.

4 As Your coming was in peace, Quiet, full of gentleness,
Let the same mind dwell in me Which is Yours eternally.

5 Bruise for me the serpent's head That, set free from doubt and dread,
I may cling to You in faith, Safely kept through life and death.

6 Then when You will come again As the glorious king to reign,
I with joy will see Your face, Freely ransomed by Your grace.

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.

Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading *Jeremiah 33:14–16*

A A reading from the book of Jeremiah, chapter thirty-three

¹⁴“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle *Revelation 21:1–7*

A A reading from the book of Revelation chapter twenty-one

¹Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. ⁴He will wipe away every

tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”

⁵And he who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.”

⁶And he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. ⁷The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel *Luke 19:28–40*

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

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

²⁸When [Jesus] had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰saying, “Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ you shall say this: ‘The Lord has need of it.’” ³²So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. ³³And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, “Why are you untying the colt?” ³⁴And they said, “The Lord has need of it.” ³⁵And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. ³⁷As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, ³⁸saying, “Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!” ³⁹And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples.” ⁴⁰He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

What We Believe Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn of the Day 335 O Bride of Christ, Rejoice

1 O bride of Christ, rejoice; Exultant raise thy voice
To hail the day of glory Foretold in sacred story.

Refrain: Hosanna, praise, and glory!
Our King, we bow before Thee.

2 Let shouts of gladness rise Triumphant to the skies.
Now comes the King most glorious To reign o'er all victorious. Refrain

3 A humble beast He rides, Yet as a King presides;
Though not arrayed in splendor, He makes the grave surrender. Refrain

4 The weak and timid find How meek He is and kind;
To them He gives a treasure Of bliss beyond all measure. Refrain

5 Then go thy Lord to meet; Strew palm leaves at His feet;
Thy garments spread before Him And honor and adore Him. Refrain

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Sermon

Offertory *LSB 192*

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.
Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

Preface *LSB 194*

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C **It is meet and right so to do.**

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the promised Messiah, the very Lamb of God who takes away the sin of

the world, and calling sinners to repentance that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He comes again in glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus *LSB 195*

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Lord's Prayer *LSB 196*

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord *LSB 197*

Pax Domini *LSB 197*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei *LSB 198*

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Please sit

Distribution Hymns

332 Savior of the Nations, Come

1 Savior of the nations, come, Virgin's Son, make here Your home!
Marvel now, O heav'n and earth, That the Lord chose such a birth.

2 Not by human flesh and blood, By the Spirit of our God,
Was the Word of God made flesh—Woman's offspring, pure and fresh.

3 Here a maid was found with child, Yet remained a virgin mild.
In her womb this truth was shown: God was there upon His throne.

4 Then stepped forth the Lord of all From His pure and kingly hall;
God of God, yet fully man, His heroic course began.

5 God the Father was His source, Back to God He ran His course.
Into hell His road went down, Back then to His throne and crown.

6 For You are the Father's Son Who in flesh the vict'ry won.
By Your mighty pow'r make whole All our ills of flesh and soul.

7 From the manger newborn light Shines in glory through the night.
Darkness there no more resides; In this light faith now abides.

8 Glory to the Father sing, Glory to the Son, our king,
Glory to the Spirit be Now and through eternity.

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620 Jesus Comes Today with Healing

1 Jesus comes today with healing, Knocking at my door, appealing,
Off'ring pardon, grace, and peace. He Himself makes preparation,
And I hear His invitation: "Come and taste the blessed feast."

2 Christ Himself, the priest presiding, Yet in bread and wine abiding
In this holy sacrament, Gives the bread of life, once broken,
And the cup, the precious token Of His sacred covenant.

3 Under bread and wine, though lowly, I receive the Savior holy,
Blood and body, giv'n for me, Very Lamb of God from heaven,
Who to bitter death was given, Hung upon the cursèd tree.

4 God descends with heav'nly power, Gives Himself to me this hour
In this ordinary sign. On my tongue His pledge receiving,
I accept His grace, believing That I taste His love divine.

5 Let me praise God's boundless favor, Whose own feast of love I savor,
Bidden by His gracious call. Wedding garments He provides me,
With a robe of white He hides me, Fits me for the royal hall.

6 Now have I found consolation, Comfort in my tribulation,
Balm to heal the troubled soul. God, my shield from ev'ry terror,
Cleanses me from sin and error, Makes my wounded spirit whole.

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Nunc Dimittis *LSB 199*

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Thanksgiving *LSB 200*

A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endureth forever.

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

Benedicamus *LSB 202*

A Bless we the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction *LSB 202*

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen, amen, amen.

Sending Hymn 348 The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns

1 The King shall come when morning dawns And light triumphant breaks,
When beauty gilds the eastern hills And life to joy awakes.

2 Not as of old a little child, To bear and fight and die,
But crowned with glory like the sun That lights the morning sky.

3 Oh, brighter than the rising morn When Christ, victorious, rose
And left the lonesome place of death Despite the rage of foes.

4 Oh, brighter than that glorious morn Shall dawn upon our race
The day when Christ in splendor comes And we shall see His face.

5 The King shall come when morning dawns And light and beauty brings.
Hail, Christ the Lord! Your people pray: Come quickly, King of kings!

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Peace Notes

Advent Devotional books are available in the narthex this morning!

Time to order poinsettias! Cost is \$15 per plant and must be made by December 15. Envelopes are available today in the narthex!

Join us for a fun Countdown to Christmas

Breakfast right here on Saturday, December 7 from 10-11:30am. Great food, fun and crafts for the kids! Invite your family and friends and be sure to join us! All are welcome! Sign up in the narthex if you can lend a hand! Our December work morning will be that day as well beginning at 8am we will decorate the church for Christmas! Make a day of it!

It is Lutheran Witness time again! If you would like to receive the official periodical of the LCMS delivered to your home, subscriptions may be made through our church office for a discounted rate. Cost for 2025 is \$21.20/year. Please see the order form in your congregational mailbox and make checks to Prince of Peace. All orders must be to the church office by Sunday December 8.

On Sunday, December 15, the Novi Choralaires will present their holiday concert, The Gift of Innocence, beginning at 4 pm. Please join them and sing-a-long with holiday favorites like Silent Night and O Little Town of Bethlehem. Tickets are available at the door. \$15 (Children under 12 and Seniors \$10). Becky Staab will also have tickets available today!

Our next movie night is coming up on December 27 at 5pm Join us for a showing of *Secondhand Lions*- this movie tells the story of fourteen-year-old Walter Caldwell who's irresponsible mother Mae sends him to live with his bachelor uncles, Hub and Garth. Join us for a free dinner and a great time.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today

Bible Study 8:30am
Worship at 9:30am
Bible Study 10:30am

Monday, December 2

Board meeting 7:30pm

Tuesday, December 3

Bible Study at noon
ESL Tutoring 1-7pm
Prayer Team 7:15pm
NA meeting 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 4

Advent Worship at Noon
Luncheon to follow
Advent dinner @6pm
Advent Worship to 6:45pm

Thursday, December 5

AWPC class 5:30pm

Friday, December 6

NA meeting 11 a.m.
AA Meeting 8 p.m.

Saturday, December 7

Decorate the church 8am
Countdown to Christmas
Breakfast 10am

Sunday, December 8

Bible Study 8:30am
Worship at 9:30am
Bible Study 10:30am

COMING UP

Sunday December 15

Novi Choralaires 4pm

Keep in Prayer this week

Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servants to health once more. Please remember to keep in prayer...

- ✠ For resolution to conflict and peace in the areas of the Middle East, Ukraine and all war-torn nations in the world.
- ✠ For peace and comfort through the season of Advent as we await His birth.
- ✠ For the family and friends of Greg Regan, Noel Mullen and Jan Martin who passed away last week.
- ✠ For our upcoming holiday events-for our volunteers and those who will attend.
- ✠ For the health concerns of: Gail Fisher, Walter Pulter, Helen Nye, and Rachel Svoke, Dennis Coffey, Jean Karpinski, Pat and John Geisinger, Janice Kaminski and Shari Thilking, Joan B., Ann Maciejewski, Mike Hodgins.

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|  | Upcoming Service Schedule | | | | | |
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| | 1-December | | 8-December | | 15-December | |
| | 9:30 a.m. | | 9:30 a.m. | | 9:30 a.m. | |
| ELDERS | Charley Staab | | Mike Beyersdorf | | Dick Walker | |
| READER | DeColle Abbott | | Ron Donoghue | | Susan Vaaler | |
| GREETER | Marabeth Warnke | | Lynne Bauer | | Barb and Ron Donoghue | |
| VIDEO OPERATOR | Chris Moses | | Barb Donoghue | | Ed Kaiser | |
| TELLERS | JoAnn Lind | | Sharon Moses Irene Rothschild | | Doug Butler Ron Donoghue | |
| USHERS | Joe Svoke Dick Walker | Kurt Vaaler | Greg Echols Mark Wells | Jesse Brindle | Doug Butler Charley Staab | Joe Svoke |

Altar server for the month of December is Barb Pattinson