



**Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**9:30 am Worship Service**  
**September 20, 2020**

# Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

815 East Farm Road 182  
Springfield, Missouri 65810

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PRELUDE

*Instrumental*

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

### GATHERING

\*GATHERING HYMN      *What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine*      *ELW # 774*

*1      What a fellowship, what a joy divine,  
         leaning on the everlasting arms;  
         what a blessedness, what a peace is mine,  
         leaning on the everlasting arms.*

*Refrain    Leaning, leaning, (Leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus,  
                 safe and secure from all alarms;  
                 leaning, leaning, (leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus,  
                 leaning on the everlasting arms.*

*2      Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,  
         leaning on the everlasting arms;  
         oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,  
         leaning on the everlasting arms. Refrain*

*3      What have I to dread, what have I to fear,  
         leaning on the everlasting arms?  
         I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,  
         Leaning on the everlasting arms. Refrain*

\*APOSTOLIC GREETING

**P**      The grace of our risen Savior, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C**      And also with you.

**\*KYRIE** *Setting 5, With One Voice*



**A** Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son:    **C** Lord, have mer - cy.  
*Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:*



**A** Chri - ste e - le - i - son:    **C** Christ, have mer - cy.  
*Christ, . . . . have mer - cy:*



**A** Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son:    **C** Lord, have mer - cy.  
*Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:*

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**A** God of the covenant,

**C** in the mystery of the cross you promise everlasting life to the world. Gather all peoples into your arms, and shelter us with your mercy, that we may rejoice in the life we share in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**WORD**

**READING**

*Genesis 15:1-6*

<sup>1</sup>After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." <sup>2</sup>But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" <sup>3</sup>And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." <sup>4</sup>But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." <sup>5</sup>He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." <sup>6</sup>And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

**A** Word of God, word of life.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Setting 5 With One Voice*

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

**P** The holy Gospel according to the third chapter of Luke

**C** Thanks be to God.

**GOSPEL READING**

*Luke 3:8*

<sup>8</sup>Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham.

**A** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to you, O Christ.

**SERMON:** *God's Promise To Abraham*

*Pastor Katherine O. Hayes-Wallenburg*

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**      *The God of Abraham Praise, vs. 1,2,3*      *ELW # 831*

- 1**    *The God of Abr'ham praise, who reigns enthroned above;  
Ancient of everlasting days, and God of love--  
"I Am the One I Am"-- by earth and heav'n confessed;  
I bow and bless the sacred name forever blest.*
- 2**    *The God of Abr'ham praise! At your supreme command  
from earth I rise and seek the joys at your right hand.  
I all on earth forsake--its wisdom, fame, and pow'r--  
and you my only portion make, my shield and tow'r.*
- 3**    *The God of Abr'ham praise Your all-sufficient grace  
shall guide me all my pilgrim days in all my ways.  
You deign to call me friend; you call yourself my God!  
And you will save me to the end through Jesus' blood.*

**\*THE APOSTLES' CREED**

**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.**

**\*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION** (The response to "Lord, in your mercy," is "*hear our prayer*")

**\*SHARING OF THE PEACE**

- P** The peace of Christ be with you always  
**C** And also with you.

## **THANKSGIVING**

*No offering plates passed at this time.*

*Please place your offerings in the offering plates located at the back of the sanctuary.*

### **\*PRAYER AFTER OFFERING**

- A** Loving God,  
**C** every day you give us our daily bread and more, everything that we need for life and wholeness. We return these gifts to you, along with our very selves, that your kingdom may come for all your children and your good creation.  
Amen.

### **\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

- P** Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:  
**C** 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.

## **SENDING**

### **\*THE BENEDICTION**

- P** The Lord bless and keep you, the Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy,  
the Lord look upon you with favor and grant you + peace.  
**C** Amen.

**\*SENDING HYMN**

*Father Abraham*

*Video*

**\*DISMISSAL**

**P** God has a vision for us through the resurrected Christ!

**C** **To be Spirit Led and Love Driven.**

**A** Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness!

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

**\*POSTLUDE**

*Instrumental*

*Angie Messner, Song Leader*

*Acolyte: Harmony Newsome*

*Bill Ernst & Dave Jahnke, Ushers*

*Cherie Guillen, Worship Assistant*

*Roger Wallenburg, videographer*

*Brandon & Desiree Flood, Greeters*

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***About Prince of Peace Lutheran Church (POP)***

As a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, we are a community of faith gathered together by the Spirit, fed with the Word and with the Sacraments, and sent to serve in the name of Christ. Some of the gifts gathered within this congregation are teaching, compassion, hospitality, music and drama. All baptized who believe in the presence of Christ are invited to receive communion. The invitation is extended not by us, but by our Lord Jesus Christ, who also equips us to serve each other, our community and the world.

Come, taste and see that the Lord is good!

***Our Core Beliefs:***

We are saved by the grace of God alone -- not by anything we do.

Our salvation is through faith alone -- a confident trust in God,  
who in Christ promises us forgiveness, life and salvation.

The Bible is the norm for faith and life -- the true standard  
by which teachings and doctrines are to be judged.

**PRINCE OF PEACE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRAYER REQUESTS/PRAYER LIST:** Call or email the church office with prayer requests for the congregational prayer list, the telephone prayer chain and/or email prayer group who will also lift up your prayer concerns.

**FLOWERS IN THE ALTAR AREA** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory and celebration of our son John and grandchildren Grayson, McKinley and Joshua Lambert by Mike and Trisha Lambert.

**A REQUEST FROM YOUR WORSHIP TEAM TO SERVICE ATTENDEES:**

Congregants, please wipe down your pew after the worship service ends. Thank you!

**WORSHIP SIGN-UP MEMBER ACCESS CODE:** Remember to sign-up for PoP's Sunday Worship Services at pop-elca.net. Enter this access code to begin: **65810**. Remember this code for future sign-ups. Please note: You do not need a signup genius account to sign-up -- just the access code. Your e-mail address is optional. Need more information or would like for someone to sign-up for you: Send a text to Chris Hingst at 417-414-4331 and include your name.

**CALLING ALL MEMBERS!** Calling all members who find it a joy and blessing to help people in need. The Outreach Team is in need of a new team member. We provide help for Safe to Sleep, Least of These, and many other community organizations. We meet once a month, by Zoom at this time. If you are interested in joining our team contact Kathy Corwin 417-536-1592.

**WILLING TO RECORD WORSHIP SERVICES** each week in the sanctuary. If you are interested in assisting with recording worship services, please contact Angie Messner by email ([acmessner17@gmail.com](mailto:acmessner17@gmail.com)) or Sarah Derr ([sarahaderr13@gmail.com](mailto:sarahaderr13@gmail.com)). A BIG thank you to Roger Wallenburg for managing recording of worship services during this time. Thank you! *Worship and Music Team*

**FOOD PANTRY FOR MEMBERS & NON-MEMBERS** of our congregation who are in need of food. We only have non-perishable goods, although if anyone is in need of other items (e.g. milk eggs, etc.), we would be happy to provide it. There are gift cards available for members/non-members to purchase perishable food items and/or gas and please remember, should you need something, please call Kathy Corwin at 417-536-1592.

**SAFE TO SLEEP** is experiencing financial issues. They are in need of \$50,000 by the end of September. Can you help? I would like for POP to raise \$100 to \$150 by the end of September. If you can donate, please send cash and/or check to POP and earmark it for STS (Safe to Sleep). Kathy Corwin, Outreach Team

**ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** to be held Sunday, November 15 immediately following the 9:30 am worship service.

## **Notes from the Vice President.....**

Greetings,

I wanted to take a minute to congratulate everyone in the congregation for your continued dedication to the Church and its Mission. Because of you we have been able to make it so far through 2020 on a reasonable financial footing.

Not that we weren't given challenges. First a Pandemic, then a hailstorm of epic proportions. But through it all we have persevered, by taking baby steps, and by planning all the way we are reasonably financially sound. Special thanks go out to everyone on Council, Pastor, every Committee and Team member who stepped up to the plate to help us get to this point.

As we go into Fall the Council has already started the general fund budgeting process for 2021 – a year in which we fervently hope we all “get back to normal”, whatever that new normal will be. As part of that process I have challenged our Committees and Teams to think outside the budget box. No “same as last year” for 2021 because 2020 is, we hope, unrepeatable. What I have asked them for are their dreams – “Good”, “Better” and “Best”. Good would be what we need to continue as a congregation; better would also include additional things we want and best would be everything we could wish for in growing the mission of the Church. Not to mention setting aside some reserves for some needed future expenditures-particularly in the better and best versions.

The expenditures on these budgets will be governed by the amount of general fund giving we receive – what comes in is what we will budget to go out. The “Good” version right now is based on our historical income for the past three years, which averages to about \$187,000 a year. Right now, better represents a 10% increase from that baseline giving and best represents a 25% increase from that baseline giving.

I would like to encourage everyone to dream big because I believe we've been given a unique opportunity to be big. And we're asking the entire congregation to be a part of this dream. If there's something you're passionate about, please let that Team know so they can consider it as part of the budget process. We also want to ask as we start our annual stewardship campaign that everyone keep these lofty goals in mind as we use your commitment cards as our baseline to form these budgets.

Finally, this year you'll see the budgets before the congregational meeting on November 15th. And you'll see all three versions in a way that I hope everyone will be able to understand what we're hoping to achieve. Then as a congregation we will vote on which budget we want to achieve at the annual congregational meeting.

In His Service,  
Patti Moore, VP  
Prince of Peace Church Council  
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## SERVANTS OF THE LORD

Sundays	September 20	September 27
Acolyte	Harmony Newsome	Harmony Newsome
Worship Assistant	Cherie Guillen	Scott Simpson
Usher	Dave Jahnke & Bill Ernst	Herb Peterson & Brett Onstott
Greeter	Brandon & Desiree Flood	Bill & Gail Ernst

Saturday	September 19
Worship Assistant	Brandon Messner
Greeters	Ed & Sarah Derr

### Our Prayers This Week (Updated as of 9/17/2020)

When a prayer request is given to Pastor Katherine and/or the church office the names are included on the prayer list for three weeks and then removed. Sometimes it is requested for names to remain on our prayer list longer than three weeks. We are asking for your help to keep our congregational prayer list current by incorporating a new section called "Prayers of Praise and Thanksgiving." Please let us know when someone's health and/or situation has improved, and they will be placed in the new section for three weeks and then removed. This revision will provide all of us the collective opportunity to pray for all current needs as well as give prayers of praise and thanksgiving to God. ***Psalm 28:7 The Lord is my strength and my shield; My heart trusts in Him, and I am helped; Therefore my heart exults, And with my song I shall thank Him.*** (The prayer list is printed within each worship service bulletin.)

**We pray for:** The congregations and ministries of the Central States Synod and for our companion Synod in Russia; Rev. Alexander Lapochenko and the congregations of St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Arsenyev, Russia, and St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Magadan, Russia; for the leaders of Russia and its neighbors; for the church in Russia. Rev. Bradn Buerkle, Dean for the (Russian) Far East; wife (Natasha) and sons Matvey, Martin and Lukas. Russian Pastor Gleb Pivovarov and for his wife, Anastasia. Prayers for Russian lay preacher Andrei Olzols and his wife, Viktoria.

**We pray for POP members:** Jan Artis, Becky Skare, Jeff Campbell, Bill & Elfreda Cole, Paul Potthoff, Jenny Mattison, Frank "Butch" Hayden, Eric Wilson, Jim & Judy Wenzl, Andy Derr, Elaine Huy, Les Rohr, Jake Jacobson, Gail Ernst, Edie Kruse, Donna Hayden, Darrel Arnold, Trisha Lambert, Jim & Sherry Smith and David Hightower.

**We pray for the loved ones and friends of POP members:** { "◀" indicates a continuing prayer request }

Anna Fisher; Doug & Tina Reynolds, family of Amos & Gayle ◀

Jackie Milan, health concerns. Friend of Amos and Gayle Bell. ◀

Tammy Milan, breast cancer. Friend of Amos & Gayle Bell. ◀

Rita Wirtz and daughter Tammy; both are battling breast cancer. Friends of Gayle and Amos Bell ◀

Christian Flood & parents Shelly & Shannon. Grandson of Kathy Corwin ◀

**Molly Plate**, neighbor of Barry & Patty Killian, breast cancer. ◀  
**Susan Griffiths**, chronic health concerns; friend of Angie Messner ◀  
**Jan McCoy**, battling cancer ◀  
**Hank Washburn**, brother of Diane, Parkinsons stage IV ◀  
**Chris Artis Johnson**, daughter of Jan Artis ◀  
**Norman Beaver**, cousin of Gayle Bell, health concerns ◀  
**Oliver Jones**, struggling with autism. Grandson of Chuck & Sherry Jones ◀  
**Paul Smith**, son of Jim & Sherry Smith ◀  
**Larkin Wahl, brother of Shawn** aggressive treatment for cancer ◀  
**Charles Mahaffey**, lymphoma-undergoing chemotherapy-friend of the Messner families (11/10) ◀  
**Stacy**, friend of the Vinsand's who is in need of a heart transplant ◀  
**Pam Teeter**, relapse of cancer. Friend of Chuck and Sherry Jones ◀  
**Keith Burrell**, brother of Carol Lewis ◀  
**Sarah Mahaffey & family**: submitted by Angie Messner; updated 1/26/2020 ◀  
**Bev Hall**, aunt of Angie Messner, who has MS ◀  
**Char Rutkowski**, good friend of Trisha Lambert's, whose cancer has recurred  
**Sterling Osborn, 13 y/o** grandson of Greg Roger's aunt, with Ewings Sarcoma shoulder tumor and undergoing treatment  
**Terry McDonough**, Parkinson's Disease complications, friend of Gail Ernst (7/24) ◀  
**Floyd Davis**, step-father of Trisha Lambert ◀  
**Shirley Dowell**, mother of Pastor Katherine's good friend and colleague Fred Milliga. Shirley was diagnosed with cancer and is now approaching the end of life.  
**Matt Pearce, is sick with Covid and they have a daughter with chronic health issues.** The Pearce family are friends of the Messner family. Submitted by Angie.  
**Kristy and Patrick Conner**, Kristy is a co-worker and friend of Angie Messner.  
**Craig Calnan**, recently underwent surgery (8/21) ◀  
**Rob, wife, Angel and children.** Rob is Sharlene Snyder's nephew. Angel had a brain aneurysm and is in the hospital in Memphis.  
**Bob and his family** – brother of Edie Kruse – Bob lives in Colorad and has Covid 19 (8/24)  
**Dee Cannon**, mother of Doug Cannon, struggling with dementia. (8/27)  
**Holly Black**, friend of Theresa Kolie-Jones who recouped from an auto accident and diagnosed with breast cancer (9/1)  
**Rick Petersen**, cousin of Kay Vinsand in the hospital in Ohio is in the with COVID (9/1)  
**Jean Wallenburg**, sister-in-law of Roger & Pastor Katherine, mass on pancreas and gallstones; upcoming surgery (9/1)  
**Bill Hayden**, son of Butch, underwent major surgery-prayers for continued healing (9/1)  
**Chris Winkler**, submitted by Sarah Derr. Chris is weened off the ventilator although remains hospitalized due to COVID-19 (9/15)  
**Chris Wilson, son Joel and Christine, fiancé of Chris – all have COVID 19 in St. Louis.** Chris is Nancy Wilson's son. (9/9)  
**Maggie and her mother Betsy.** Maggie is a friend of Patti Moore. Betsy is in a memory care unit, was diagnosed with COVID-19 and hospitalized last Friday, 9/10 (9/15)  
**Danny Highfill**, stepfather of Jason Guillen, COVID-19 and now out of the hospital (9/17)  
**We pray for those who grieve:**  
**The family and friends of Larry Wegmann**

## PRINCE OF PEACE CALENDAR

<b>Sunday, September 20</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Worship Service led by Pastor Katherine O. Hayes-Wallenburg</b>
	8:30 pm	Bedtime story via Facebook LIVE
<b>Monday, September 21</b>	6:00 pm	Monday Night Bible Study via ZOOM and the church parking lot
	8:30 pm	Bedtime story via Facebook LIVE with Katie Burks
<b>Tuesday, September 22</b>	1:00 pm	Daily Pause for Prayer with the Central States Synod (Online at Central States Synod website <i>and/or</i> Facebook page)
	1:00 pm	Pericope Team Study (Library)
	8:30 pm	Bedtime story via Facebook LIVE with Katie Burks
<b>Wednesday, September 23</b>	1:00 pm	Daily Pause for Prayer with the Central States Synod (Online at Central States Synod website <i>and/or</i> Facebook page)
<b>Thursday, September 24</b>	1:00 pm	Daily Pause for Prayer with the Central States Synod (Online at Central States Synod website <i>and/or</i> Facebook page)
<b>Friday, September 25</b>	1:00 pm	Daily Pause for Prayer with the Central States Synod (Online at Central States Synod website <i>and/or</i> Facebook page)
<b>Sunday, September 27</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Worship Service led by Pastor Katherine O. Hayes-Wallenburg</b>

### PRINCE OF PEACE STAFF

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