

Palm Sunday
9:30 am
Worship Service
March 28, 2021

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

815 East Farm Road 182
Springfield, Missouri 65810

Setting V, WOV

March 28, 2021

PRELUDE

Instrumental

WELCOME (*indicates to please stand as you are able)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

C Hosanna in the Highest.

***BLESSING OF THE PALMS**

L The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

L Let us pray.

We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today He entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way.

Bless these branches. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that joined to His death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

***GATHERING HYMN** *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* *ELW # 344*

Refrain *All glory, laud and honor to you, redeemer, king.*

To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

You are the king of Israel and David's royal Son,

Now in the Lord's name coming, our King and Blessed One. (Refrain)

The multitude of pilgrims with palms before you went;

Our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present. (Refrain)

Their praises you accepted; accept the prayers we bring,

great author of all goodness, O good and gracious King. (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**

WOV, Setting V



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.
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***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

A Hosanna, King,

C blessed are you, our King, who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!

Even if our voices were silenced, creation itself would rise up to praise you!

Hosanna in the Highest! Amen

WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Zechariah 9:9-10*

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.

He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the warhorse 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.

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM READING 118:19-23

(Worship Assistant reads the non-bold print; congregation reads the bold print)

¹⁹Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

²⁰**This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.**

²¹I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

²²**The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.**

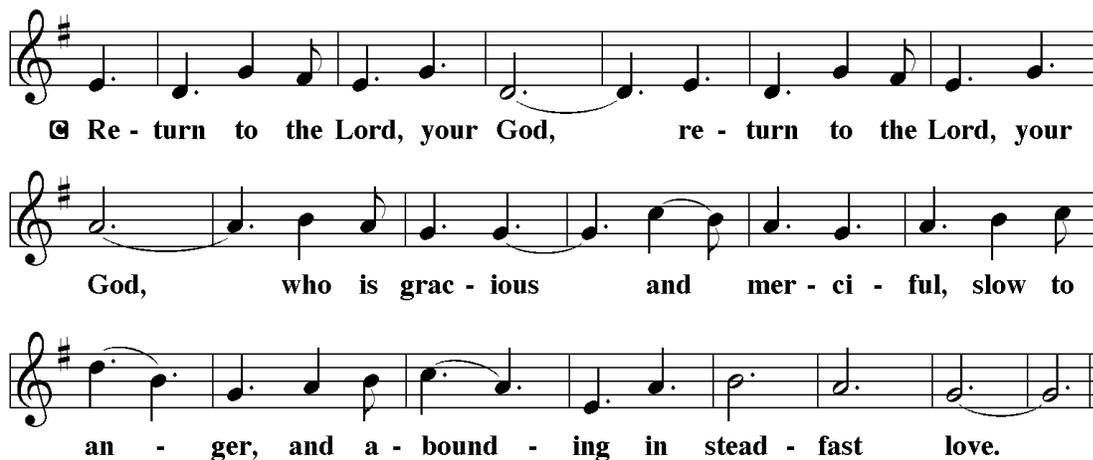
²³This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

EPISTLE READING***Philippians 1:1-11***

¹Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus, To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with the bishops and deacons: ²Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ ³I thank my God every time I remember you, ⁴constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, ⁵because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. ⁶I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. ⁷It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. ⁸For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. ⁹And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight ¹⁰to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, ¹¹having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

LENTEN ACCLAMATIONWOV, Setting V*


C Re - turn to the Lord, your God, re - turn to the Lord, your
 God, who is grac - ious and mer - ci - ful, slow to
 an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

L The Holy Gospel according to the nineteenth chapter of Luke

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING**Luke 19:29-44***

²⁹When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" ³²So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴They said, "The Lord needs it."

³⁵Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power 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 heaven!***" ³⁹Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." ⁴⁰He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

⁴¹As he came near and saw the city, he wept over it, ⁴²saying, "If you, even you, had only recognized on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. ⁴³Indeed, the days will come upon you, when your enemies will set up ramparts around you and surround you, and hem you in on every side. ⁴⁴They will crush you to the ground, you and your children within you, and they will not leave within you one stone upon another; because you did not recognize the time of your visitation from God."

L The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Dr. Tammy Jahnke, PMA

***HYMN OF THE DAY** *Ride On, Ride On in Majesty* *ELW # 346*

- 1 Ride on, ride on in majesty! Hear all the tribes hosanna cry;
O Savior meek, your road pursue, with palms and scattered garments strewed.*
- 2 Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die.
O Christ, your triumphs now begin o'er captive death and conquered sin.*
- 3 Ride on, ride on in majesty! The hosts of angels in the sky
look down with sad and wond'ring eyes to see the approaching sacrifice.*
- 4 Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die,
bow your meek head to mortal pain, then take, O Christ, your pow'r and reign!*

Text: Henry H. Milman, 1791-1868, alt.

***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**

L 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.

*HYMN OF THANKSGIVING

WOV, Setting V

Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -
one what God has done. Let all who seek the
Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.
Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and
lead us forth in joy with shouts of thanks -
giv - ing. A - men, a - men.

*PRAYER AFTER OFFERING

- A** God of all goodness,
C generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant. Amen.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

- L** 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

- L** 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 *Prepare the Royal Highway* *ELW # 264*

- 1 Prepare the royal highway; the King of kings is near!
Let ev'ry hill and valley a level road appear!
Then greet the King of glory, foretold in sacred story:*

Refrain: Hosanna to the Lord, for he fulfills God's word!

- 2 God's people, see him coming: your own eternal king!
Palm branches strew before him! Spread garments! Shout and sing!
God's promise will not fail you! No more shall doubt assail you! Refrain*

- 3 Then fling the gates wide open to greet your promised king!
Your king, yet ev'ry nation its tribute too may bring.
All lands will bow before him; their voices join your singing: Refrain*

- 4 His is no earthly kingdom; it comes from heav'n above.
His rule is peace and freedom and justice, truth, and love.
So let your praise be sounding for kindness so abounding: Refrain*

Text: Frans Mikael Franzén, 1772-1847; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship* Text © 1978 *Lutheran Book of Worship*, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

*DISMISSAL

- L** 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

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Our Prayers This Week (Updated as of 3/25/2021)

When a prayer request is given to 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. Russian Pastor Gleb Pivovarov and for his wife, Anastasia. Prayers for Russian lay preacher Andrei Olzols and his wife, Viktoria. Prayers for Rev. Bradn Buerkle, for Alla, (Rev. Bradn Buerkle's mother in law,) wife Natasha and their sons (Matvey, Martin, and Lukas) during this time of mourning for the loss of Alexander, in addition to your continued prayers for your sisters and brothers here, especially St. Paul Lutheran, Pastor Vitaly Mohr, Pastor Manfred Brockmann, and all those who seek to spread God's mercy in word and deed.

We pray for POP members: Don & Becky Skare, Jeff Campbell, Bill & Elfreda Cole, Paul Potthoff, Jenny Mattison, Frank "Butch" & Donna Hayden, Eric Wilson, Jim & Judy Wenzl, Andy Derr, Gabe Derr, Elaine Huy, Les Rohr, Edie Kruse, Darrel Arnold, Jim & Sherry Smith, Leania Carter, Nancy Wilson, Bree Kolie, Guy Kolie and Diane Schriener.

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

Doug & Tina Reynolds, daughter and son in law of Amos & Gayle & Anna Fisher and family, daughter 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 ◀
 - 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 ◀
 - Bev Hall, aunt of Angie Messner, who has MS ◀
 - Sterling Osborn, 13 y/o grandson of Greg Roger's aunt, with Ewings Sarcoma shoulder tumor undergoing treatment
 - Floyd Davis, step-father of Trisha Lambert ◀
 - Shirley Dowell, mother of Pastor Katherine's good friend and colleague Fred Milliga. Shirley has cancer /approaching end of life.
 - Robyn Rakers, friend of Julie Karlson just diagnosed with breast cancer (10/18)
 - Victoria Reid, mother of Carmen Whorley, in hospice care
 - Linda Senn, mother of Diane Washburn's step son who has been diagnosed with Alzheimers' with brain injury (1/15)
 - John Foss, good friend of the Butch & Donna Hayden
 - Linda Lynch and her husband Mark and family-Mark just diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer. Linda is a friend of Sarah Derr
 - Katie Ernst, wife of Bob, daughter in law of Gail & Bill, diagnosed with breast cancer (3/10)
 - Shellena Jones, daughter of Don Jones, in chronic kidney failure who is unable to get a kidney transplant and undergoing dialysis
 - Terry McDonough, good friend of Gail Ernst, who lives in St. Louis and struggling with Parkinson's Disease (3/15)
- We pray for those who grieve:**
The family and friends of Char Rutkowski, good friend of Trisha Lambert's, who passed away recently

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.

WORSHIP SIGN-UP: Remember to sign-up for PoP's Saturday and Sunday Worship Services.

A REQUEST FROM YOUR WORSHIP TEAM TO SERVICE ATTENDEES: Congregants, please wipe down your pew after the worship service ends. Thank you!

A REMINDER TO TURN OFF CELL PHONES AND/OR PLACE ON AIRPLANE MODE prior to the beginning of worship! Thanks!

THANK YOU TO DR. TAMMY JAHNKE, PMA for leading us in worship this weekend!



- **Maundy Thursday Worship Service with Holy Communion on April 1st at 7 pm**
- **Good Friday Worship Service on April 2nd at 7 pm**
- **NO Saturday Evening Worship Service on Holy Saturday, April 3rd**
- **Easter Worship Services with Holy Communion on April 4th at 8:30 am & 10:30 am with coffee and Easter Egg Hunt for children in between the services**

WORSHIP VIDEO UPDATE - PoP's Sunday worship can now be viewed directly on the congregation's webpage at pop-elca.net. Each Sunday worship service is posted "live" at 9:30 am and remains on the webpage through Friday of that week (i.e., March 21-26, March 28-April 2, etc.). Worship services continue to be recorded, posted and archived on the PoP Facebook page.

EASTER LILIES TO ADORN THE CHURCH AT EASTER: If you would like to give an Easter Lily in thanksgiving, celebration or in memory of someone to adorn the church for Easter Sunday, please sign-up on the sheet located in the narthex and/or contact the church office at 417-881-0833. *Lilies are \$8 each. This Sunday, March 28, is the last day to sign-up for Easter lilies.*

APRIL DAILY DEVOTIONAL BOOKLET A Daily Devotional for the month of April are now available on a table in the narthex . These Daily Devotionals are written by retired and former POP Pastor Larry Sydow who now resides in New Mexico. If you would like the booklet mailed to you, please contact the church office.

A REMINDER A CAPITAL APPEAL IS IN PROGRESS: A reminder a capital appeal is in progress since November 15th to pay for the new equipment and technology needed to continue offering virtual worship services. As of March 8, \$4,508.34 has been received out of the \$5,000 needed! *Thanks! Worship and Music Team*

VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT TO RECORD WORSHIP SERVICES each week in the sanctuary. If you are interested in assisting with recording worship services, please contact Worship & Music Team Leader Nyssa Brockhoff at popworshipandmusicteam@gmail.com. Thank you! *Worship and Music Team*

PROTEIN DRIVE 40 DAYS OF LENT: We will be collecting foods high in protein for Least of These Food Pantry throughout the 40 days of Lent. Collections will be in the cry room. Must be non-perishable. Foods high in protein are: Canned tuna and salmon; dried beans; peanut butter; mac and cheese and nuts.



How about 5 minutes of a short devotion via Zoom?



Let's gather in His name to begin and/or end our day. **Mondays at 7:30 am & Thursday evenings at 7:30 pm.** We'll read a devotion - no more than 5 minutes. Those who want to and have time can stay for another 15 minutes or so to discuss. The Zoom ID number & Passwords are included below as well as in the "notes" section on the church online calendar. No need to sign up, just join when you can. Questions? Call Gayle Bell 268-8563.

The info below is REVISED from what was previously published in the bulletins and midweek news emails as there was a hiccup on Monday, March 15!

Mondays 7:30 am

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Password: 503868

Weblink: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85329230789?pwd=Q01wTkxNK2NtWWJtN2ZNSlhpLzFJZz09>

Thursdays 7:30 pm

ID: 883 6186 9412

Password: 987415

Weblink: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88361869412?pwd=eXpBMmlwM3pVMGILYTkzRE1RcGNMQT09>

GIVING OPPORTUNITIES!

- 1) Place your offering in the offering plate located at the back of the church either before or after the worship service
- 2) Mail your offering to the church
- 3) Give electronically by downloading the  app on your telephone or tablet; select Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Springfield, MO and give at your convenience
- 4) Go to pop-elca.net home page, scroll to the bottom where you will see the opportunity to give online
- 5) Scan the QR code. Once scanned with a QR reader on your phone or tablet, it will immediately take you to where you can give your offering through the



 app



NOISY OFFERINGS FOR “LIFT UP SPRINGFIELD APRIL 10 & 11

Lift up Springfield provides medical, dental and mental health to our neighbors in need. The clinic is staffed by volunteers of doctors, dentists, nurses, hygienists, office staff and many more. The clinic is located at 2005 East Kearney Street, Suite K in Springfield. *Outreach Team*



Noisy Offerings May 1 and 2

- Overnight women's shelter
- Has been a safe space for over 1000 women since October 2011
- Snacks, dinner and breakfast are provided
- Two volunteers are on duty all night
- Hosted by Pathways Methodist church/includes showers
- Women are provided cots, sleeping bags, and can get personal items if needed;
- Cash donations are utilized in area with greatest needs;

SEW SOTL	March 27
Worship Asst.	Rick Lewis
Greeter	Ed & Sarah Derr
Sunday SOTL	March 28
Worship Asst.	Cherie Guillen
Greeters	Ross Jahn
Usher	Herb Peterson

SEW SOTL	April 3	April 10	April 17	April 24
Worship Asst.	No service tonight	Gayle Bell	Brandon Messner	Rick Lewis
Greeter	No service tonight	Peggy McCabe	Ed & Sarah Derr	Peggy McCabe
Sunday SOTL	Easter April 4 at 8:30 am	April 11	April 18	April 25
Worship Asst.	Brett Onstott	Scott Simpson	Cherie Guillen	Herb Peterson
Greeters	Pat Van Aken	Barry & Patty Killian	Joel & Julie Karlson	Brandon & Desi Flood
Usher	Ross Jahn	Herb Peterson	Ross Jahn	Bill Ernst
	Easter April 4 at 10:30 am			
Worship Asst.	Gail Ernst			
Greeter	Karlsons			
Usher	Bill Ernst			

MARCH MUSIC SERVANTS OF THE LORD

<u>Date SEW</u>	<u>Pianists</u>	<u>Song Leader</u>	
March 27	Gail Ernst		
<u>Date SUNDAY</u>	<u>Organist/Pianist</u>	<u>Song Leader</u>	<u>Video</u>
March 24 Midweek	Joan Twiton	Angie Messner	
March 28	Joan Twiton	Angie Messner	Brett Onstott

PRINCE OF PEACE CALENDAR

Saturday, March 27	5:00 pm	Saturday Evening Worship Service (Palm Sunday observance) led by Dr. Tammy Jahnke
Sunday, March 28	9:30 am	Palm Sunday Worship Service led by Dr. Tammy Jahnke
Monday, March 29	7:30 am	Bible Devotional via ZOOM
	6:30 pm	Monday Evening Bible Study via Zoom
Wednesday, March 31	10:00 am	Pericope Team Study via Zoom
		NO Lenten Midweek Worship Service Tonight
Thursday, April 1	7:00 pm	Maundy Thursday Worship Service with Holy Communion led by Rev. Ruth Drews
	7:30 pm	Bible Devotional via ZOOM
Friday, April 2	7:00 pm	Good Friday Worship Service
Saturday, April 3		NO Saturday Evening Worship Service
Easter Sunday, April 4	8:30 am	Easter Worship with Holy Communion led by Rev. Ruth Drews
	9:30 am	Coffee Hour with Easter Egg Hunt for Children
	10:30 am	Easter Worship with Holy Communion led by Rev. Ruth Drews

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Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, ELCA

March 27 and 28 2021 Prayers of Intercession

- A** Caught between joy and despair, we yearn for the fulfillment of God's desire beyond the brokenness and neediness of this life. We offer thanksgiving for God's presence with us and petitions for the transformation of the church and the world. Glorious God, open the eyes of your church to see you coming to us, again and again, in new and surprising ways. Open our lips that we may praise you and proclaim your glory. Lord in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- A** God of all places, you reveal your glory in creation and call us to steward what you have made. Make us better caretakers of flora and fauna, all that lives and with whom we share this planet. Lord in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- A** God of all peoples, unite us all in the understanding that no matter what divides us, we can find unity in your love for creation. Give us leaders with hearts for cooperation and mutual upbuilding. Lord in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- A** Loving God, shower the world with your grace and love. Grant us your eyes of compassion and mercy that we reach out to all in any need. Lord in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- A** Healing God, be with the sick and the suffering, *especially those who are on our congregational prayer list, on our hearts and on our minds.* Use your power to bring them healing, comfort, and peace according to your will. Lord in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- A** Great God, inspire us through our worship of you and move us to do your will and to proclaim your word in our lives and in our communities. Lord in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- A** God of resurrection, make us firm in our faith in you as you made firm the faith of the saints before us. Unite the saints of all times and places in praise and worship of you. Lord in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- A** God of resurrection, make us firm in our faith in you as you made firm the faith of the saints before us. Unite the saints of all times and places in praise and worship of you. Lord in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- A** Life-giver, Pain-bearer, Love-maker, day by day you sustain the weary with your word and gently encourage us to place our trust in you. Awaken us to the suffering of those around us; save us from hiding in denials or taunts that deepen the hurt; give us grace to share one another's burdens in humble service.
C **Amen.**