



**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY**

**FEBRUARY 4, 2024**

**9:30 AM**

**WORSHIP SERVICE**

# Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

815 East Farm Road 182  
Springfield, Missouri 65810  
*Presiding Pastor Carl R. Gauck*

Liturgy Setting 8

February 4, 2024

**THEME:** *In Isaiah the one God who sits above the earth and numbers the stars also strengthens the powerless. So in Jesus' healing work we see the hand of the creator God, lifting up the sick woman to health and service (diakonia). Like Simon's mother-in-law, we are lifted up and healed to serve. Following Jesus, we strengthen the powerless; like Jesus, we seek to renew our own strength in quiet times of prayer.*

## PRELUDE

**WELCOME** *(Please note: the order of worship is completely printed in the bulletin)*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** ( \* indicates stand as you are able)

## GATHERING

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

### \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

**P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, creator of darkness and light,  
word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters.

**C** Amen.

**P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P** God, our rock and refuge,

**C** we pour out our hearts before you.

**We have known you but have not always loved you.**

**We have wounded one another and sinned against you.**

**We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit dwelling in each of us.**

**Remember your covenant.**

**Renew your creation.**

**Restore us, that we might proclaim your good news to all.**

**Amen.**

**P** The voice of the Lord is upon the waters. God has spoken: The time of grace is now. In Jesus, the reign of God has come near. By the authority of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are God's beloved.

**C** Amen.



1 We come to you for heal - ing, Lord, of  
 2 As once you walked through an - cient streets and  
 3 You touch us through phy - si - cians' skills, through  
 4 When nights are long with wake - ful - ness, through  
 5 We come to you, O lov - ing Lord, in



bod - y, mind, and soul, and pray that by your  
 reached toward those in pain, come, ris - en Christ, a -  
 nurs - es' gifts of care, and through the love of  
 days when strength runs low, grant us your gift of  
 our dis - tress and pain, in trust that through our



Spir - it's touch we may a - gain be whole.  
 mong us still with pow'r to heal a - gain.  
 faith - ful friends who lift our lives in prayer.  
 pa - tience, Lord, your calm - ing peace to know.  
 nights and days your grace will heal, sus - tain.

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., 1923–2007

Music: MARTYRDOM, Hugh Wilson, 1764–1824

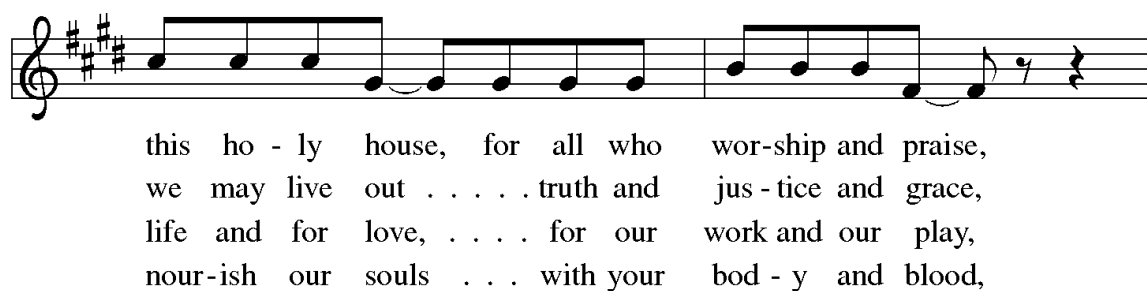
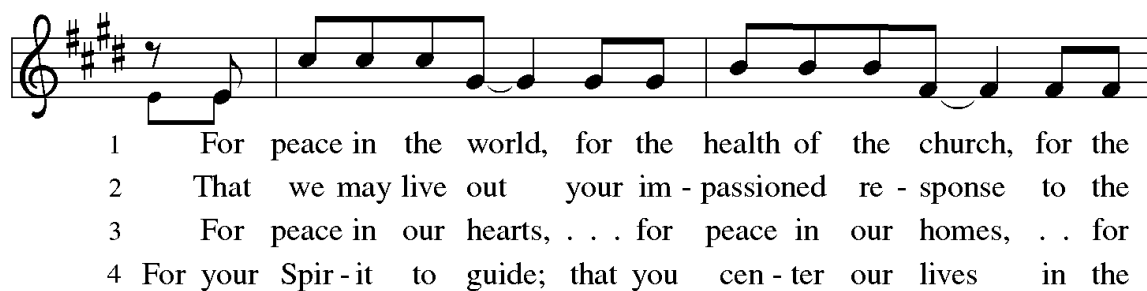
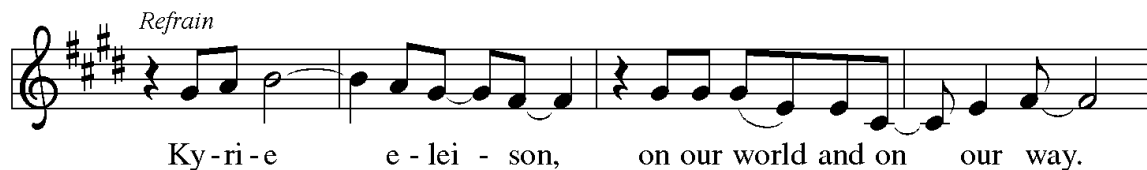
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**\*APOSTOLIC GREETING**

**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.



*Refrain*

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and  
peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther,  
we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you  
for your glo - ry. *Refrain* Glo - ry to God in the high-  
est, the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat-ed at the  
right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

*Refrain*

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and  
 peace to God's peo - ple on earth. 3 For you a -  
 lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,  
 you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the  
 Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.  
 A - men. A - men. A - men.

*Final refrain*

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and peace to God's  
 peo - ple on earth. Glo - ry to God in the high -  
 est, the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

- A** Everlasting God,  
**C** you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

# WORD

## FIRST READING

*Isaiah 40:21-31*

<sup>21</sup>Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? <sup>22</sup>It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; <sup>23</sup>who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. <sup>24</sup>Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. <sup>25</sup>To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. <sup>26</sup>Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. <sup>27</sup>Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"? <sup>28</sup>Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. <sup>29</sup>He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. <sup>30</sup>Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; <sup>31</sup>but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**PSALM 147:1-11, 20c** (*Worship Asst. reads the non-bold print; congregation reads the bold print*)

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises to our God! How pleasant it is to honor God with praise!

<sup>2</sup>**The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem, and gathers the exiles of Israel.**

<sup>3</sup>The LORD heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

<sup>4</sup>**The LORD counts the number of the stars and calls them all by their names.**

<sup>5</sup>Great is our LORD and mighty in power; there is no limit to God's wisdom.

<sup>6</sup>**The LORD lifts up the lowly, but casts the wicked to the ground.**

<sup>7</sup>Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; make music upon the harp to our God,

<sup>8</sup>**who covers the heavens with clouds and prepares rain for the earth, making grass to grow upon the mountains.**

<sup>9</sup>God provides food for the cattle and for the young ravens when they cry.

<sup>10</sup>**God is not impressed by the might of a horse, and has no pleasure in the speed of a runner,**

<sup>11</sup>but finds pleasure in those who fear the LORD, in those who await God's steadfast love. <sup>20c</sup> Hallelujah!

## SECOND READING

*1 Corinthians 9:16-23.*

<sup>16</sup>If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! <sup>17</sup>For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. <sup>18</sup>What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel. <sup>19</sup>For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them.

<sup>20</sup>To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. <sup>21</sup>To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. <sup>22</sup>To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. <sup>23</sup>I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Setting 8*

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.

**P** The Gospel according to the first chapter of Mark

**C** Glory to you, O Lord.

**\*GOSPEL READING**

*Mark 1:29-39*

<sup>29</sup>As soon as [Jesus and the disciples] left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. <sup>30</sup>Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. <sup>31</sup>He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them. <sup>32</sup>That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. <sup>33</sup>And the whole city was gathered around the door. <sup>34</sup>And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. <sup>35</sup>In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. <sup>36</sup>And Simon and his companions hunted for him. <sup>37</sup>When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." <sup>38</sup>He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." <sup>39</sup>And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.

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



## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*Chris Hingst*

## SERMON

*Pastor Carl R. Gauck*

### \*HYMN OF THE DAY

*Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness*

*ELW # 843*



- 1 Praise the One who breaks the dark-ness with a lib - er - at - ing light;
- 2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren with a strong yet gen - tle word;
- 3 Praise the one true love in - car - nate: Christ, who suf - fered in our place;



praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners, turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight.  
praise the One who drove out de - mons with a pierc - ing, two - edged sword.  
Je - sus died and rose for man - y that we may know God by grace.



Praise the One who preached the gos - pel, heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease,  
Praise the One who brings cool wa - ter to the des - ert's burn - ing sand;  
Let us sing for joy and glad - ness, see - ing what our God has done.



calm - ing storms and feed - ing thou - sands with the ver - y bread of peace.  
from this well comes liv - ing wa - ter quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.  
Praise the one re - deem - ing glo - ry; praise the One who makes us one.

Text: Rusty Edwards, b. 1955

Music: NETTLETON, J. Wyeth, *Repository of Sacred Music*, Part II, 1813

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### \*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 “God of grace,” is “receive our prayer”*)

**\*SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**P** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C** And also with you.

## MEAL

**OFFERTORY**

**OFFERTORY SPECIAL MUSIC**

**OFFERTORY HYMN**

*Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*

*ELW # 182*



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be  
fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -  
nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980  
Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923  
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**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**A** Blessed are you, Holy One, for all good things come from you. In bread and cup you open heaven to us. Meet us at this table, that we receive what we seek and follow your Son, Jesus, in whose name we pray.

**C** Amen.

## \*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And also with you.  
**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** We lift them to the Lord.  
**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**C** It is right to give our thanks and praise...

## \*SEASONAL SENTENCE & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### \*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

*Setting 8*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

### \*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.

## CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*Admission to the Sacrament is by invitation of the Lord. We welcome our guests to commune with us today in the faith that Christ is present in this Sacrament. Those who do not commune are welcome to come forward for a blessing. All bread is gluten free. White grape juice is in the center of the tray, or upon request. If you are unable to kneel, please feel free to stand at the communion rail. If you are unable to come forward, please tell an usher and the Holy Supper will be brought to you.*

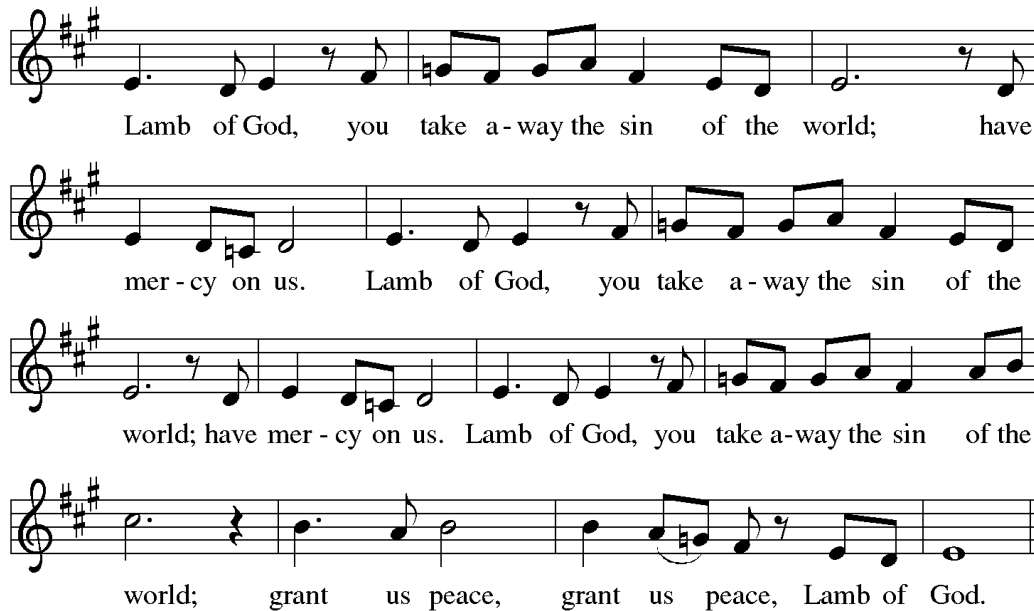
## INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

**P** The body of Christ, given for you.

**P** The blood of Christ, shed for you.

## \*LAMB OF GOD

*Setting 8*



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

## COMMUNION HYMN

*Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

*ELW # 773*

*Precious Lord, Take My Hand, lead me on let me stand.*

*I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.*

*Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.*

*Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.*

*When my way grows drear, precious lord, linger near.*

*When my life is almost gone,*

*hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall.*

*Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.*

*When the darkness appears and the night draws near,*

*And the day is past and gone,*

*at the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand.*

*Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.*



1 God, whose al - might - y word cha - os and dark - ness heard  
 2 Christ, who once came to bring, on your re - deem - ing wing,  
 3 Spir - it of truth and love, life - giv - ing, ho - ly dove,  
 4 Ho - ly and bless - ed three, glo - ri - ous Trin - i - ty,



and took their flight: hear us, we hum - bly pray, and where the  
 heal - ing and sight; health to the trou - bled mind, sight where il -  
 speed forth your flight; move on the wa - ter's face bear - ing the  
 Wis - dom, Love, Might: bound - less as o - cean's tide, roll - ing in



gos - pel day sheds not its glo - rious ray, let there be light.  
 lu - sions blind; oh, now to hu - man-kind let there be light.  
 lamp of grace, and in earth's dark - est place let there be light.  
 full - est pride, through the earth, far and wide, let there be light.

Text: John Marriott, 1780–1825, alt.

Music: ITALIAN HYMN, Felice de Giardini, 1716–1796

### \*POST COMMUNION BLESSING

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C** Amen.

### \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**A** Giver of every gift, Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body.

Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## WE DEPART TO SERVE

### \*THE BENEDICTION

**P** God bless you and keep you, † Jesus grant you grace and truth, and the Spirit send peace upon your hearts, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**1** *You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,  
who abide in this shadow for life,  
say to the Lord: "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"*

**Refrain:** *And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.*

**2** *The snare of the fowler will never capture you,  
and famine will bring you no fear;  
under God's wings your refuge, with faithfulness your shield. Refrain*

**4** *For to the angels God's given a command  
to guard you in all of your ways;  
upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone.*

**Final refrain**

*And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of his hand; and hold you, hold you in the palm of his hand.*

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**\*DISMISSAL**

- P** God has a vision for us through the resurrected Christ!
- C** To be Spirit Led, Love Driven and be God's light to the world!
- A** Let the Holy Spirit light our path to the future!
- C** Thanks be to God.

**\*POSTLUDE**

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## PRINCE OF PEACE ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WELCOME EVERYONE**, especially our visitors! As a congregation 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.

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

**REMINDERS**: Please remember to turn off cell phones and/or place them on airplane mode prior to the beginning of worship. Thanks!

### NOISY OFFERINGS THIS WEEKEND FEBRUARY 3 & 4, 2024 SAFE TO SLEEP



- Has been a safe space for over 1,000 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 donation are utilized in area with greatest needs



**ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP SERVICE** will be held February 14 at 7 pm. Join us each Wednesday in Lent (except March 27) for worship at 7 pm and pre-worship service meals at 6 pm. A sign-up sheet to help and/or bring food will be posted in the narthex.

**SEWING & CRAFT DAY AT THE CHURCH**: Every second and fourth Thursday of the month, 9 am until ? in the Fellowship Hall. We also enjoy a sack lunch together around noon. Join us and bring a sack lunch with you!

**COLD WEATHER IS HERE**: If you have coats that you no longer want, please take them to any Glo Cleaners. They will clean them free of charge & they will deliver them to Council of Churches who will give them to children & adults who need to not be cold this winter! (They cannot handle leather. If you have a leather coat that doesn't need any cleaning, you may take it directly to Council of Churches – or leave it at church for Gayle Bell to take to the Council.) Any questions please contact Gayle Bell at 417-268-8563.



## Protein Drive: 40 Days of Lent

We will be collecting foods high in protein for Least of These throughout Lent and ending at Easter.

Foods high in protein are:

- *Canned tuna and salmon*
- *Mac and cheese*
- *Dried beans*
- *Peanut Butter*
- *Nuts*
- *Must be non-perishable*

**CHURCH CALENDAR ONLINE:** Remember to check out the church calendar online for the most up to date information on what is happening here at Prince of Peace by visiting our church web page at [www.pop-elca.net](http://www.pop-elca.net)! Additionally, please remember to inform the church office when meeting dates are determined so the meetings can be added to the church calendar.

**INCLEMENT WEATHER CONDITIONS:** Remember to check the voice mail message on the church phone (417-881-0833) and/or facebook or the church webpage (pop-elca.net) when inclement weather could impact worship services or events planned at the church.

**ALTAR FLOWER CHART:** Please check the upper level hallway for the new altar flower sign-up sheet and sign-up to give flowers in 2024! You have the choice of bringing your own flowers, or you can ask the church office to order flowers to be delivered to the church for you for only \$25. If you opt to bring your own flowers, please bring them and place them on the stand adjacent the altar before the Saturday Evening Worship Service at 5 pm. Thanks!

**CARE RIDES:** Need a ride to church, church events, doctor appointments, picking up medication, and/or grocery shopping, etc.? The Congregational Care Team can help! We do need sufficient notice and a specific time frame to schedule. If you need this service or want to volunteer with this ministry, please call Sue Bergeson at 641-750-1144. If she does not answer, please leave a message and she will return the call. *Thank you and God's Blessings, Your Congregational Care Team*

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS:** Join us 8:15 am on Sunday mornings in the Fellowship Hall as we delve into the old "Davey and Goliath" show. Our Adult Class will spend six weeks from February 11 through March 17 studying and learning from this class show. Dave Jahnke, POP Learning Ministries



**CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Sunday School for children is on Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m. in "Dani's Room."

**POP FOOD PANTRY:** A reminder POP has a Food Pantry located in the lower level of the building. The pantry is located in the cabinets in the last classroom on the right before you exit to the lower level parking lot. Bags are located on the wooden table and basic pantry items are included. If you would like to donate to the pantry, you can leave your donations in the same room on the table, or in the cry room on the table. Diane Washburn and Kathy Corwin routinely go through the donations within the pantry and remove items that have aged and slipped out of date. *Outreach Team*



**SERVANTS OF THE LORD:** If you are unable to serve on a Sunday for a job assignment, please find a replacement on your own. You may then call the church office with changes.  
*Patty Killian*

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>February 3</b>	<b>February 10</b>	<b>February 17</b>	<b>February 24</b>
Acolyte	Bryce Messner	Bentley Messner	Raelinn Baker	Bryce Messner
Worship Asst.	Rick Lewis	Gayle Bell	Brandon Messner	Rick Lewis
Greeter	Ed & Sarah Derr	Peggy McCabe	Ed & Sarah Derr	Peggy McCabe
Musician	Lauren Jackson	Lauren Jackson	Lauren Jackson	Lauren Jackson
Children's Message	Chris Hingst	Pr. Carl Gauck	TBD	TBD
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>February 4</b>	<b>February 11</b>	<b>February 18</b>	<b>February 25</b>
Acolyte	Elijah Otzelberger	Bella Guillen	Lila Teaster	Oliver Kavanagh
Worship Assistant	Brandon Otzelberger	Gail Ernst	Julie Karlson	Dave Jahnke
Greeter	Kent & Leania Carter	Dave & Tammy Jahnke	Patricia Van Aken	Sue Stelford
Usher	Bill Ernst	Joel Karlson	Mark Duneman	Barry Kilian
Hosts	Bill & Gail Ernst	Barry & Patty Killian	Brad Beattie & Gina Steffins	Mark & Pam Duneman
Musician	Donna Mohr	Donna Mohr	Katie Ernst	Donna Mohr
Children's Message	Chris Hingst	TBD	TBD	TBD
Communion Set Up	Leania Carter	Leania Carter	Leania Carter	Leania Carter
Tellers	Sue Stelford & Ross Jahn	Kathy Teaster & Paula Kavanagh	Gail Ernst & Cherie Guillen	Dave & Tammy Jahnke

<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 14</b>
Acolyte/Worship Assistant	Volunteer needed
Greeter	Volunteer needed
Usher	Bill Ernst
Communion Set Up	Sue Stelford
Musician	Donna Mohr

## Our Prayers This Week (Updated as of 2/1/2024)

*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.*

**We pray for:** *The congregations and ministries of the Central States Synod and for our companion Synod in Russia and Papua New Guinea; Russian Bishop Alexander Scheiermann. Pr. Alexander Lapochenko and the congregation of St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Arsenyev, Russia, for the leaders of Russia and its neighbors; for the church in Russia. Prayers for Russian lay preacher Andrei Olzols and his wife, Viktoria. Prayers for Rev. Bradn Buerkle, Natasha and sons Matvey, Martin, & Lukas and mother in law Alla; St. Paul Lutheran, Pastor Vitaly Mohr, Pastor Manfred Brockmann, and all who seek to spread God's mercy in word and deed.*

**We pray for POP members:** Paul Potthoff, Jenny Mattison, Butch & Donna Hayden, Andy Derr, Guy Kolie. Preston Kolie, Darrel Arnold, Les & Julie Rohr, Rick Lewis, Mike Lambert, Jim and Sherry Smith, Becky Skare, Peggy McCabe; Dave and Tammy Jahnke, Cherie Guillen, Joan Harrell and Jerry Van Aken.

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

Ronnie Bell (daughter in law of Amos & Gayle Bell) ◀

Anna Fisher and family, daughter of Amos & Gayle ◀

Jackie Milan,( health concerns) and Tammy Milan (breast cancer) Friend of Amos and Gayle Bell. ◀

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

Susan Griffitts, chronic health concerns; friend of Angie Messner ◀

Jan McCoy, battling cancer ◀

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 ◀

Bev Hall, aunt of Angie Messner, who has MS ◀

Sandra Doudna and Carolyn Allen, sisters of Herb Peterson who have serious health conditions ◀

Eleanor Lambert, mother of Mike Lambert; Mark Butcher, who has cancer and Jeffrey Roberts, friend who has severe medical issues -friends of Mike Lambert ◀

Peter Harootunian & parents Jack & Kathy (Jack & Kathy are neighbors of Diane Washburn- Peter has been missing since 5/15/2022) ◀

Terry Broderick, younger brother of Tammy Jahnke. ◀

Suzanne Day, daughter of former POP member Albina Born who has serious health concerns post accident ◀

Doug & Tina Reynolds, Doug is the son-in-law of Amos & Gayle ◀

Terry McDonough, good friend of Gail Ernst, who lives in St. Louis and struggling with Parkinsons Disease ◀

Simon, grandson of Amos and Gayle Bell – health issues ◀

Wallis McCraw, wife of Diane Washburn's cousin, medical issues ◀

Amanda, friend of Tina Bell Reynolds, prayers for support and strength as she grieves the loss of her daughter who died in a car accident (submitted by Gayle and Amos Bell) ◀

Prayers for Jean Sommer, friend of Sarah Derr, and family-Jean is receiving a new kidney! ◀

Becky and husband Steve, friends of Sarah Derr - Steve is on hospice due to idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis.

Andy Love, friend of Amos & Gayle Bell, prayers of healing and support for him and his family-take to hospital unconscious (9/16)

Linda Lynch, her husband Mark, & family. Mark who has lung cancer & is dealing with a lot of fluid retention. They hospitalized him 9/19 to monitor the rate of fluid retention and try to slow it. Linda is a friend of Sarah. ◀

Lisa Martin, daughter of Herb Peterson's cousin who lost both of her legs to diabetes (10/12)

Linda Newman, 42 year old daughter of a friend of Diane Washburn who has 3 bad heart valves and in need of a heart transplant (10/14)

Janet Lumby, submitted by Barb Gielow (11/1) ◀

Hank Washburn, brother of Diane, Parkinsons stage IV ◀

Jan Dietrich, stage 4 terminal cancer-friend of Bill and Gail Ernst (1/2)

for local county jail inmates, their families and dear ones, as well as the victims

for local county jail staff and their families and dear ones

John McCabe, upper back, left shoulder and neck was injured in an off-shore injury in December

Fenton Harrell, brother of Trisha Lambert, who is hospitalized with covid/pneumonia in the ICU (1/15)

The family and friends of the student at Sentinel High School who was killed in a car accident in MT the weekend of January 13/14 and who was a student of Michael Jahnke's

Grace, mother of Sue Stelford's sister-in-law who is experiencing health issues (1/30)

**We pray for those who grieve:**

The family of Derek Gielow, 44-year-old son of Barb Gielow, who passed December 28, 2023 (1/23)

The family of Mary Ellen Day, sister of Ed Derr who passed in Iowa-service was held January 23, 2023

# PRINCE OF PEACE CALENDAR

<b>Saturday, February 3</b>	9:00 am	Ozark Mtn. Gem & Mineral Society Wire Wrap Class ( <i>Fellowship Hall</i> )
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>Saturday Evening Worship Service with Holy Communion</b> <b>led by Pr. Carl Gauck</b>
<b>Sunday, February 4</b>	8:15 am	Adult Sunday School ( <i>Fellowship Hall</i> )
	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Worship Service with Holy Communion led by Pr. Carl Gauck</b>
	10:30 am	Fellowship with coffee & snacks ( <i>Fellowship Hall</i> )
	10:30 am	Children's Sunday School ( <i>Dani's Classroom</i> )
<b>Monday, February 5</b>	6:30 pm	Monday Evening Bible Study ( <i>Fellowship Hall</i> )
<b>Tuesday, February 6</b>	<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>Outreach Team Meeting (<i>Library</i>)</b>
	6:30 pm	G.R.O.O.V.E. Meeting ( <i>Fellowship Hall</i> )
	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Worship Team Meeting (<i>ZOOM</i>)</b>
<b>Wednesday, February 7</b>	10:00 am	Pericope Team Study ( <i>ZOOM</i> )
<b>Thursday, February 8</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Sewing &amp; Crafting Day at the church (<i>Fellowship Hall</i>)</b>
<b>Saturday, February 10</b>	9:00 am	Ozark Mtn. Gem & Mineral Society ( <i>Rock Club Room</i> )
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>Saturday Evening Worship Service with Holy Communion</b> <b>led by Pr. Carl Gauck</b>
<b>Sunday, February 11</b>	8:15 am	Adult Sunday School ( <i>Fellowship Hall</i> )
	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Worship Service with Holy Communion led by Pr. Carl Gauck</b>
	10:30 am	Fellowship with coffee & snacks ( <i>Fellowship Hall</i> )
	10:30 am	Children's Sunday School ( <i>Dani's Classroom</i> )
	12:30 pm	Grace Note Studio Facility Use-Reese Minasian until 7:00 pm

## 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 offerings to the church at 815 E. Farm Road 182, Springfield, MO 65810;
- 3) Give electronically by downloading the "VANCO MOBILE" app on your telephone or tablet via Google Play or the App Store; 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 "VANCO MOBILE" app



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## Prayers of Intercession February 3 and 4, 2024

**A** As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God's blessing on the church, the world, and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

**A** Everlasting God, you bring your healing power to the church. Give your church a spirit of unity and prayer, that we discern your way for us in the world. God of grace,

**C** **receive our prayer.**

**A** Creator of the ends of the earth, you make the grass grow and send rain for the soil. Bring your creation into harmony and balance. Give animals their food and provide healthy shelter for your people. Inspire us to honor the miraculous beauty of all you have made. God of grace,

**C** **receive our prayer.**

**A** God without equal, your steadfast love endures forever. Bring the leaders, elected officials, and peacekeepers of our towns and countries into understanding and unity. Guide them to serve with compassion and understanding. God of grace,

**C** **receive our prayer.**

**A** God who strengthens, you lift up with your hand any who are suffering. Heal those who are brokenhearted and strengthen the weak and all in need (*especially all who are currently on our congregation's prayer list, on our hearts and on our minds.....*). God of grace,

**C** **receive our prayer.**

**A** God who gives power to the faint, challenge us to share the faith stories of what God has done in our lives. Open us to receive the unique ways God is at work in your people, especially those whose perspectives challenge our own. God of grace,

**C** **receive our prayer.**

**A** God who calls each star by name, we remember all who have died. Shelter all who mourn with your mercy and care, and give us hope in your promised salvation. God of grace,

**C** **receive our prayer.**

**A** Knowing the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

**C** **Amen.**