



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
APRIL 14, 2024
9:30 AM
WORSHIP SERVICE

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

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

Setting 10

April 14, 2024

THEME: *The gospel for the third Sunday of Easter is always one in which the risen Christ shares food with the disciples, meals that are the Easter template for the meal we share each Sunday. In today's gospel, Jesus both shares the disciples' food and shows them the meaning of his suffering, death, and resurrection through the scriptures, the two main elements of our Sunday worship.*

PRELUDE

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS (* indicates stand as you are able)

GATHERING

*GREETING

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the wellspring of grace,
our Easter and our joy.

C Amen.

P Look, here is water!

C Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

P Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life. Look, here is water!

C Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

P At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C Amen

P Look, here is water!

C Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

***GATHERING HYMN**

Alleluia! Jesus is Risen! Vs. 1,2,5

ELW # 377



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!
2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter
3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es;
4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent:
5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,



Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!
tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;
life in the Spir - it the fruit of the tree;
death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.
gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,



Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!
break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry:
heav - en to earth, Christ to the peo - ple,
Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!
riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.
gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.
Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.
sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!



Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

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***APOSTOLIC GREETING**

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is Savior and Lord,
the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

*GLORY TO GOD

ELW PAGE 204



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

- A** Holy and righteous God,
C you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of 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

FIRST READING

Acts 3:12-19

¹²[Peter] addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk?"¹³The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

¹⁷“And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.”

A Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 4 (*Worship Asst. reads the non-bold print; congregation reads the bold print*)

¹Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; you set me free when I was in distress; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

²**“You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; how long will you love illusions and seek after lies?”**

³Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; the LORD will hear me when I call.

⁴**Tremble, then, and do not sin; speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.**

⁵Offer the appointed sacrifices, and put your trust in the LORD.

⁶**Many are saying, “Who will show us any good?” Let the light of your face shine upon us, O LORD.**

⁷You have put gladness in my heart, more than when grain and wine abound.

⁸**In peace, I will lie down and sleep; for you alone, O LORD, make me rest secure.**

***SECOND READING**

1 John 3:1-7

¹See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.

²Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is.

³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

⁴Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him.

⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

A Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

ELW PAGE 205



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

P The Gospel according to the twenty-fourth chapter of Luke

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

***GOSPEL READING**

Luke 24:36b-48

^{36b}Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, “Peace be with you.” ³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence. ⁴⁴Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Gail Ernst

SERMON

Pastor Carl R. Gauck

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia, vs. 1,3, & 5

ELW # 364

*1 Christ has arisen, alleluia. Rejoice and praise him, alleluia.
For our redeemer burst from the tomb,
even from death, dispelling its gloom.*

*Refrain Let us sing praise to him with endless joy.
Death's fearful sting he has come to destroy.
Our sin forgiving, alleluia! Jesus is living, alleluia!*

*3 The angel said to them, "Do not fear. You look for Jesus who is not here.
See for yourselves the tomb is all bare.
Only the graveclothes are lying there." Refrain*

*5 Christ has arisen to set us free.
Alleluia, to him praises be.
Jesus is living! Let us all sing;
he reigns triumphant, heavenly king. Refrain*

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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 "hear our prayer"*)

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you

MEAL

OFFERTORY

***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.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

A Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

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**

***HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

ELW PAGE 207

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

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

***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. Gluten free wafer is available upon request. Apple 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

ELW PAGE 208



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.

you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.

e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION HYMN

As We Gather at Your Table

ELW # 522



1 As we gath-er at your ta-ble, as we lis - ten to your word,

2 Turn our wor-ship in - to wit-ness in the sac - ra - ment of life;

3 Gra-cious Spir - it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast



help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.

send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there is strife.

where tri - um-phant Love will wel-come those who had been last and least.



Nour-ish us with sa - cred sto - ry till we claim it as our own;

Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for - give as you for - gave;

There no more will en - vy blind us nor will pride our peace de - stroy,



teach us through this ho - ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic - t'ry known.

may we still be - hold your im - age in the world you died to save.

as we join with saints and an - gels to re - peat the sound-ing joy.

COMMUNION HYMN

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

ELW # 674



1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a shout of joy:
2 Christ is a - ble to make us one, at the ta - ble he sets the tone,
3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro - ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.
teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex - press.
gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im - man - u - el) ev - 'ry - where!



Je - sus lives a - gain, earth can breathe a - gain, pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

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Music: LINSTEAD, Jamaican folk tune; adapt. Doreen Potter, 1925–1980
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***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 Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend.
C Amen.

WE DEPART TO SERVE

***THE BENEDICTION**

P The God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing so that we may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit through Christ Jesus, the Word made flesh.
C Amen.

***SENDING HYMN**

The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done, vs. 1,2,5

ELW # 366



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



- 1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done; now is the vic - tor's
- 2 The pow'rs of death have done their worst; Je - sus their le - gions
- 3 The three sad days have quick - ly sped, Christ ris - es glo - rious
- 4 Christ closed the yawn - ing gates of hell; the bars from heav'n's high
- 5 Lord, by the stripes which wound-ed you, from death's sting free your



tri - umph won! Now be the song of praise be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
has dis - persed. Let shouts of ho - ly joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
from the dead. All glo - ry to our ris - en head! Al - le - lu - ia!
por - tals fell. Let hymns of praise his tri - umph tell. Al - le - lu - ia!
ser - vants too, that we may live and sing to you. Al - le - lu - ia!

After the final stanza



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: *Symphonia Sirenum*, Köln, 1695; tr. Francis Pott, 1832–1909

Music: VICTORY, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, 1525–1594; arr. William H. Monk, 1823–1889

***DISMISSAL**

- P** God has a vision for us through the resurrected Christ!
- C** To be Spirit Led, Love Driven and 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 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. Doing so will help improve the internet strength for livestreaming the worship service on Facebook.

FLOWERS IN THE ALTAR AREA are given to the glory of God by Jim and Sherry Smith in thanksgiving and celebration of their wedding anniversary.

FLOWERS: If you gave a lily, hyacinth or tulip for Easter, please take your plants home or give to someone. Thanks!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR NOISY OFFERINGS FOR REV. DR. BRADN BUERKLE!
Thank you for your noisy offerings last weekend of \$311.41 for Rev. Dr. Bradn Buerkle!
Outreach Team

THANK YOU FOR LENTEN PROTIEN DRIVE: We collected 275 pounds of food during Lent for the Lenten Protein Drive for Least of These Food Pantry in Ozark. Thank you to all who donated!
POP Outreach Team

ELEVATOR: An elevator is located on the north end of the building.

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*

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*

WORSHIP LIVE STREAMING: Historically, Sunday worship is posted "live" at 9:30 am on the PoP Facebook page. Services are archived on the PoP Facebook page. However, please note that currently technical issues prevent worship to be live-streamed. It is recorded and uploaded following worship.

NOISY OFFERINGS MAY 4 & 5 - NEW BORN IN NEED: Every child born deserves basic essentials. In American 1 in 7 children go without fresh diapers, warm blankets, clothing and a safe place to sleep. Volunteers work tirelessly to find the needed items to meet those needs. Between 2019 and 2020 the poverty levels has increased not only for single parent families but for married couple as well. The funds we collect will go to help provide some of those needs.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION: Missouri seniors, 65 and older can now freeze their property taxes to their current rates. Contact your county tax collector for the necessary form and requirements. Must be completed and submitted by end of June.

MONDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY: Monday Evening Bible Study will resume April 15 in the Fellowship Hall. *Tracy Richter*

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

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL has concluded for spring and will resume in September.

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!



SAVE THE DATE - June 1, 2024
1st Annual OZARK CLUSTER Meeting

Dear Fellow ELCA Ozark Cluster Women,

The 1st Annual Ozark Cluster Meeting will be on June 1, 2024 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Cole Camp, MO. The theme will be "Just Love." The day will begin with a registration and a light brunch time at 9:00 a.m. and end in the early afternoon. There will be speakers, devotions, a Bible Study, an offering, a Central States Synod update, a delicious meal, singing and games.

We welcome and encourage you to join us for a fun and exciting day.

Ozark Cluster Planning Committee:
Becky Versluis, Coordinator 573-694-3348
Leania Carter
Mick Friberg
Gloria Sharp, Central States President
Janice Gerken, Central States Treasurer

Women of the **ELCA** 

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

Saturday	April 13	April 20	April 27
Acolyte	Bryce Messner	Bentley Messner	Raelinn Baker
Worship Asst.	Rick Lewis	Gayle Bell	Brandon Messner
Greeter	Peggy McCabe	Volunteer needed	Peggy McCabe
Musician	Lauren Jackson	TBD	TBD
Children's Message	Gail Ernst	Angie Messner	TBD
Sunday	April 14	April 21	April 28
Acolyte	Elijah Otzelberger	Bella Guillen	Oliver Kavanagh
Worship Assistant	Brandon Otzelberger	Brett Onstott	Nyssa Brockhoff
Greeter	Kathy Corwin	Patricia Van Aken	Kent & Leania Carter
Usher	Herb Peterson	Ross Jahn	Bill Ernst
Hosts	Brad Beattie & Gina Steffins	Bill & Gail Ernst	Mark & Pam Duneman
Children's Message	Gail Ernst	Angie Messner	TBD
Communion Set-Up	Samantha Otzelberger	Samantha Otzelberger	Samantha Otzelberger
Tellers	Kathy Teaster & Paula Kavanagh	Kathy Corwin & Cherie Guillen	Susan Stelford & Ross Jahn

Saturday	May 4	May 11	May 18	May 25
Acolyte	Bryce Messner	Bentley Messner	Raelinn Baker	Bryce Messner
Worship Asst.	Rick Lewis	Gayle Bell	Brandon Messner	Rick Lewis
Greeter	Volunteer Needed	Peggy McCabe	Volunteer needed	Peggy McCabe
Sunday	May 5	May 12	May 19	May 26
Acolyte	Lila Teaster	Elijah Otzelberger	Oliver Kavanagh	Bell Guillen
Worship Assistant	Dave Jahnke	Leania Carter	Caroline Wake	Gail Ernst
Greeter	Sue Stelford	Dave & Tammy Jahnke	Joel & Julie Karlson	Patrica Van Aken
Usher	Herb Peterson	Mark Duneman	Ross Jahn	Bill Ernst
Hosts	Diane Washburn & Caroline Wake	Barry & Patty Killian	Jan Gauck & Jessica Stelford	Sue Stelford & Sue Wilford
Communion Set-Up	Kathy Corwin	Kathy Corwin	Kathy Corwin	Kathy Corwin
Tellers	Sue Stelford & Ross Jahn	Kathy Teaster & Paula Kavanagh	Kathy Corwin & Cherie Guillen	Dave & Tammy Jahnke

Our Prayers This Week (Updated as of 4/10/2024)

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 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, Jim and Sherry Smith, Becky Skare, Peggy McCabe; Dave and Tammy Jahnke, Cherie Guillen, Joan Harrell, Jerry Van Aken, Pr. Carl & Jan Gauck.

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 Griffiths, 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 ◀

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 (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

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, son of Peggy McCabe, who has upper back, left shoulder and neck injuries from an off-shore incident in December

Stephanie Kissel, niece of Sharlene Snyder, who is 50 years old, recently diagnosed with terminal ovarian cancer and is in hospice care (2/4)

Brenda Perkins, friend of Diane Washburn, who is undergoing chemotherapy for leukemia (2/27)

Trent Mohr & family, son of Ronald & Donna Mohr, who underwent emergency surgery in Iowa

Tim McGraw, cousin of Diane Wash

burn, recovering from major surgery March 28

Albina Born, pneumonia (3/19)

Pat Plymire, a dear friend of the Killian's who underwent open heart surgery at Barnes Jewish in St. Louis

Sandy Call, friend of Gail Ernst, health concerns (3/26)

Dan Wasall, first cousin of Sherry Smith, serious illness and hospitalized in Washington State (3/24)

Sandy Mahaffey, friend of the Messner and Potthoff families who was recently diagnosed with cancer (4/3)

Yvonne Washburn, sister of Diane Washburn, who will undergo testing for lung cancer on 4/16

Bryan Hoops, son in law of Jim and Carol Kerns, recovering from a blood infection and eye surgery on April 7

Terry McDonough, good friend of Gail Ernst, who has Parkinsons Disease-entered hospice care 4/9 ◀

PRINCE OF PEACE CALENDAR

Saturday, April 13	9:00 am	Ozark Mountain Gem & Mineral Club's "Party on the Lawn" (<i>until 4:30 pm</i>)
	5:00 pm	Saturday Evening Worship Service with Holy Communion led by Pr. Carl Gauck
Sunday, April 14	9:30 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion led by Pr. Carl Gauck
	10:30 am	Fellowship with coffee & snacks (<i>Fellowship Hall</i>)
	10:30 am	Children's Sunday School (<i>Dani's Classroom</i>)
Monday, April 15	6:30 pm	Monday Evening Bible Study
Tuesday, April 16	11:00 am	Faith & Climate Forum @ St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, 914 West Blvd. S, Columbia, MO
Wednesday, April 17	10:00 am	Pericope Team Study (<i>ZOOM</i>)
Thursday, April 18	6:00 pm	Church Council Meeting (<i>Library</i>)
Saturday, April 20	9:00 am	Ozark Mountain Gem & Mineral Society (<i>Rock Room</i>)
	10:00 am	G.R.O.O.V.E. Monthly Club Meeting (<i>Fellowship Hall</i>)
	5:00 pm	Saturday Evening Worship Service with Holy Communion led by Pr. Carl Gauck
Sunday, April 21	9:30 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion led by Pr. Carl Gauck
	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	Facility Use-Reese Minasian (<i>Sanctuary & Narthex</i>)
	6:00 pm	O.A.A.C. Meeting (<i>Fellowship Hall & Kitchen</i>)

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- 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 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 of the page where you will see the opportunity to give online;
- 5) Scan the QR code to the right. 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 for April 13 & 14, 2024

A Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

A brief silence.

A O God our holy one, you feed our deepest hungers. As we share the holy meal that is the body and blood of Jesus given for us, lead us to share all that we have, and find, in generosity, abundant life. God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

A O God our creator, you bring forth all life on earth. Calm storms, bring water to parched places, and protect the climate, that this planet would sustain life in all its variety. God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

A O God our savior, you offer wisdom and guidance beyond all human knowledge. Instruct lawmakers, judges, and elected officials to make decisions grounded in your justice and care for all people. God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

A O God our elder, you care for all your children. Encourage those who are in times of transition, facing the loss of old ways and routines and anticipating change. Guide those who journey in grief, hope, and uncertainty (*especially all who are on our congregation's prayer list, on our hearts and on our minds.....*)
God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

A O God our center, you bring all people together in you. Help us to remember our identity and purpose in our ministry (*ministry context may be named*). Move us to love our neighbors as ourselves and to share in beloved community. God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A O God our resting place, your Son Jesus promised that we are held in your love forever. We remember our beloved who have died. As we remember and share their love, comfort those who mourn. God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

A Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.

C **Amen.**