



EIGHTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST
AUGUST 3, 2025
9:30 AM
WORSHIP SERVICE

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

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

Liturgy ELW Setting 8

August 3, 2025

THEME: *Today's texts offer instruction and encouragement for all who are occasionally overwhelmed by the "unhappy business" of life. Jesus urges us to take care and be on guard against all kinds of greed. We who have died with Christ in holy baptism have also been raised with him and are encouraged to elevate our thinking, seeking the "things that are above." To that end we seek the sustenance of the Lord's supper and the encouragement of God's word.*

PRELUDE

Donna Mohr

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS (* indicates stand as you are able)

GATHERING

***GREETING**

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

C Amen.

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit,

C Amen.

P Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Merciful God,

C you free us to love others,
but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.

You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,

but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.

You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity,

but we grow weary in doing what is right.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Do not give up on us.

Heal us, break our bonds,

and show us the path of life. Amen.

P You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith.

In the cross of † Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are
forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

C Amen.



1 Lord, take my hand and lead me up - on life's way;
 2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear;
 3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en and night has come,



di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me from day to day.
 for you, the Rock of A - ges, are al - ways near.
 I know that you will strength - en my steps toward home,



With - out your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;
 Close by your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,
 then noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend!



so take my hand, O Sav - ior, and lead the way.
 for when your hand is guid - ing, in peace I go.
 So, take my hand and lead me un - to the end.

Text: Julie von Hausmann, 1825–1901; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*
 Music: SO NIMM DENN MEINE HÄNDE, Friedrich Silcher, 1789–1860
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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.

*GLORY TO GOD

Setting 8

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 Benevolent God,

C you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

² Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity. ¹² I, the Teacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem. ¹³ I applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to humans to be busy with. ¹⁴ I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun, and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind. ^{2:18} I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to my successor, ¹⁹ and who knows whether he will be wise or foolish? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. ²⁰ So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, ²¹ because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. ²² What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? ²³ For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

A Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 49:1-12 (*Worship Asst. reads the non-bold print; congregation reads the bold print*)

¹ Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all you who dwell in the world,

² **you of high degree and low, rich and poor together.**

³ My mouth shall speak of wisdom, and my heart shall meditate on understanding.

⁴ **I will incline my ear to a proverb and set forth my riddle upon the harp.**

⁵ Why should I be afraid in evil days, when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,

⁶ **the wickedness of those who put their trust in their own prowess, and boast of their great riches?**

⁷ One can never redeem another, or give to God the ransom for another's life;

⁸ **for the ransom of a life is so great that there would never be enough to pay it,**

⁹ in order to live forever and ever and never see the grave.

¹⁰ **For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stupid they perish and leave their wealth to those who come after them.**

¹¹ Their graves shall be their homes forever, their dwelling places from generation to generation, though they had named lands after themselves.

¹² **Even though honored, they cannot live forever; they are like the beasts that perish.**

SECOND READING

Colossians 3:1-11

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, ³ for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. ⁵ Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). ⁶ On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. ⁷ These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. ⁸ But now you must get rid of all such things: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. ⁹ Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. ¹¹ In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, enslaved and free, but Christ is all and in all!

A Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATIONSetting 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 twelfth chapter of Luke

C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL READINGLuke 12:13-21*

¹³ Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” ¹⁴ But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” ¹⁵ And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” ¹⁶ Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷ And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ ¹⁸ Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹ And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ ²⁰ But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ ²¹ So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON*Pastor Carl R. Gauck*



1 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, source of life and truth and grace,
2 As you, Lord, have lived for oth - ers, so may we for oth - ers live.
3 Come, O Christ, and reign a - mong us, King of love and Prince of peace;
4 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, source of life and truth and grace,



Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us hal - lows all our hu - man race,
Free - ly have your gifts been grant - ed; free - ly may your ser - vants give.
hush the storm of strife and pas - sion, bid its cru - el dis - cords cease.
Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us hal - lows all our hu - man race:



you our head, who, throned in glo - ry, for your own will ev - er plead:
Yours the gold and yours the sil - ver, yours the wealth of land and sea;
By your pa - tient years of toil - ing, by your si - lent hours of pain,
by your pray - ing, by your will - ing that your peo - ple should be one,



fill us with your love and pit - y, heal our wrong, and help our need.
we but stew - ards of your boun - ty held in sol - emn trust will be.
quench our fe - vered thirst of plea - sure, stem our self - ish greed of gain.
grant, oh, grant our hope's fru - i - tion: here on earth your will be done.

Text: Somerset C. Lowry, 1855–1932

Music: IN BABILONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlities en Contradansen*, 1710

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *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

Donna Mohr

***OFFERTORY HYMN** *Let the Vineyards be Fruitful*

ELW # 182

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.

Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.

Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now.

Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

A Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

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**

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.

*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. A gluten free wafer is in the middle of the tray. 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

ELW 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.

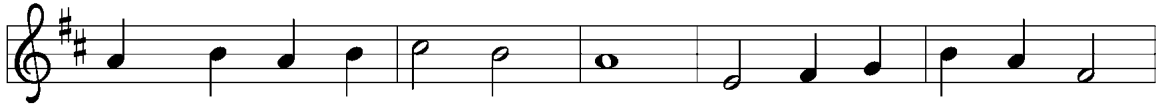
COMMUNION HYMN

Break Now the Bread of Life

ELW #515



1 Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as once you
 2 Bless your own word of truth, dear Lord, to me, as when you
 3 You are the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, your ho - ly



broke the loaves be - side the sea. Be - yond the sa - cred page
 blessed the bread by Gal - i - lee. Then shall all bond-age cease,
 word the truth that res - cues me. Give me to eat and live



I seek you, Lord; my spir - it waits for you, O liv - ing Word.
 all fet - ters fall; and I shall find my peace, my All - in - All!
 with you a - bove; teach me to love your truth, for you are love.

Text: Mary A. Lathbury, 1841–1913, alt.
 Music: BREAD OF LIFE, William F. Sherwin, 1826–1888

COMMUNION HYMN

We Eat the Bread of Teaching

ELW #518

Refrain *We eat the bread of teaching, drink wine of wisdom,
 are given here a taste of the kingdom.
 Together joined, the greatest and the least,
 we all are one at Wisdom's holy feast.*

- 1 *Wisdom calls throughout the city, knows our hunger, and in pity
 gives her loving invitation to the banquet of salvation. Refrain*
- 2 *Simple ones whose hearts are yearning, come and gain from Wisdom's learning;
 bread and wine she is preparing, know her loving in the sharing. Refrain*
- 3 *Enter with delight and singing, for her richness now is bringing
 us this joyful celebration; eat and drink in jubilation. Refrain*

Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916–1997
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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 Gracious God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.

C Amen.

WE DEPART TO SERVE

*THE BENEDICTION

P The God of all, who raised + Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation

C Amen.

*SENDING HYMN

In Christ There is No East or West, vs. 1,2,4

ELW # 650



1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,
2 In Christ shall true hearts ev-'ry-where their high com-mu-nion find;
3 Join hands, dis-ci-ples of the faith, what-e'er your race may be.
4 In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north;



but one com-mu-ni-ty of love through-out the whole wide earth.
his ser-vice is the gold-en cord close bind-ing hu-man-kind.
All chil-dren of the liv-ing God are sure-ly kin to me.
all Christ-ly souls are one in him through-out the whole wide earth.

Text: John Oxenham, 1852–1941, alt.

Music: MCKEE, African American spiritual; adapt. Harry T. Burleigh, 1866–1949

*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 Go in peace. Serve the Risen One.

C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

*POSTLUDE

Donna Mohr

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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.

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

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 Pr. Carl and Jan Gauck.

AUGUST NOISY OFFERINGS: August Noisy Offerings will go to help the flooding disasters that have ravished central Texas! May God bless foster families and disaster victims and you as only He can. Please keep them all in your prayers. *Outreach Team*

WE WILL RECEIVE NEW MEMBERS SEPTEMBER 6 & 7: We will receive New Members on September 6 and 7. If you would like to become a member of Prince of Peace, please be sure to speak with Pr. Carl Gauck.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR AED TRAINING! Volunteers are needed to learn how to operate the new AEDs. The training shouldn't last more than two hours. We need members from both services. The training will most likely be on a Saturday morning. The more that sign up for training, the better prepared we are in case there is an emergency. Please put your name on the sign-up sheet by the Narthex if you are interested.

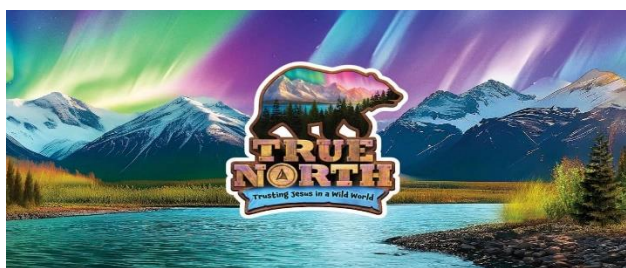
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! If you would be willing to help with the online streaming of Sunday worship services, please see Worship and Music Team co-leader Nyssa Brockhoff or Council President Brett Onstott.

NAMETAG WEEKEND AUGUST 9 & 10: Please remember to wear your name tags for "Name Tag Weekend!" Name tags should be in your mail slot. If not, there are some stick-on name tags on the side rail in the narthex.

TUESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: Tuesday night Bible study is on a summer break and will resume in the fall.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Children's Sunday School is taking a break for the summer and will resume in September.

THANK YOU ALL, YET AGAIN, SO MUCH!! You have, again, let God's light shine through your kind generosity as you gave \$231.28 in July's Noisy Offering to be given to Sammy's Window to be used for School Supplies for foster children! Sammy's Window serves foster families in so many ways and this will be a much-appreciated help to get ready for the new school year. Thank you. *Outreach Team*



Join us for Vacation Bible School!

Dates: Sunday August 3rd – Thursday August 7th

Time: 5:30 pm – 8:00 pm (dinner served at 5:00 pm each night)

Location: Messiah Lutheran Church

To register for VBS go to: <https://vbsmate.com/events/mlcspfmo/31274>

GAME NIGHT! Want to learn a new game or share your favorite game? Join us on the second Thursday of each month for Game Night! The next one will be **Thursday, August 14, 3 pm until 5:00 pm and 6:00 pm until 8:00 pm. BRING A FRIEND!** Bring snacks and games to share. Water, lemonade and coffee (decaf) provided. *Sue Wilford, Fellowship*

SEWING & CRAFT DAY AT THE CHURCH: Join us every second and fourth Thursday of the month, 9 am until ? in the Fellowship Hall for a day of Sewing & Crafting! Leania Carter coordinates our group. We meet in the Fellowship Hall with our respective craft projects and also work on community outreach projects. (i.e. bibs and blankets for Newborns in Needs, etc.)

PRINCE OF PEACE-SPRINGFIELD CARDINALS GAME AUGUST 15, 2025 @ HAMMONS FIELD

If you have questions, please see Sue Wilford.

1. Wear Prince of Peace or Springfield Cardinal logo tee-shirts
2. Game starts at 7:05 pm–Gates open at 6:05 pm
3. Faith and Family Night – Christian Concert and fireworks follow the game. Christian Artist is Austin French who is sponsored by 88.3 The Wind, a local Christian radio station.
4. Our seating is along the right outfield, patio-section A. Buffet will be set up on the concourse. If you want to purchase other food/drink, only credit/debit cards can be used, as the stadium is a cashless venue.
5. Paper tickets will be distributed on the weekend of August 9th and 10th. If you are not at church, you can pick up your tickets from Heather during the week. (Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday, 9:00 am until 4:30 pm)
6. Stadium bag policy: No bag or item larger than 5”x9” will be permitted into the stadium unless it is a clear bag. One factory sealed water bottle per person is allowed.
7. City parking lots across from Hammons Field cost 410 to park. Parking is free at Price Cutter on National and only a few blocks to walk, if desired.

DO YOU EVER BUY BEST CHOICE BRAND FOODS? If so, we can help Least of These Food Pantry by simply saving the bar code from that brand & bringing them to church. It's a totally free way to help! There is a clear plastic container with a yellow lid in the cry room. Just drop the bar code in there. Please don't bring empty cans nor whole labels; please just cut only the bar code off. Only Best Choice is accepted. Thank you so much. *Outreach Team*

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*

MUTUAL MINISTRY COMMITTEE: The Mutual Ministry's purpose is to assist any new staff, including a pastor, in relocation issues. We also serve as a liaison between the Pastor, or the staff and the congregation. The goal is free and open communication within our church. We are there to hear any ideas, concerns, or other feedback one may have. We will process such information as a group and pursue if necessary. Please ask if you have any questions. Our current Team Members are Kathy Corwin, Leania Carter, Barry Killian, Angie Messner, Brett Onstott, Herb Peterson and Pastor Dale Wilford.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS: Contribution statements for the first six months of 2025 are in member mail slots. Please contact the church office with any questions or concerns.

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	August 2	August 9	August 16	August 23	August 30
Acolyte	Raelinn Baker	Bryce Messner	Bentley Messner	Raelinn Baker	Bryce Messner
Worship Asst.	Gayle Bell	Brandon Messner	Rick Lewis	Gayle Bell	Brandon Messner
Greeter	Peggy McCabe	Volunteer Needed	Peggy McCabe	Volunteer Needed	Peggy McCabe
Musician	Lauren Jackson	Lauren Jackson	Lauren Jackson	Lauren Jackson	Lauren Jackson
Sunday	August 3	August 10	August 17	August 24	August 31
Acolyte	Bella Guillen	Oliver Kavanagh	Lila Teaster	Elijah Otzelberger	Bella Guillen
Worship Assistant	Cherie Guillen	Dr. Shawn Wahl	Julie Karlson	Brandon Otzelberger	Leania Carter
Greeter	Sue Stelford	Jessica & Alec Rosa	Jim & Carol Kerns	Patricia Van Aken	Kathy Corwin
Usher	Bill Ernst	Ross Jahn	Joel Karlson	Dave Jahnke	Mark Duneman
Hosts	Amy Moore & Dixie Dumler	Susan Stelfor & Sue Wilford	Jackie Higgins & Greg Verheyen	Brad Beattie & Gina Steffins	Dave & Tammy Jahnke
Communion Set up	Marlene McWilliams	Marlene McWilliams	Marlene McWilliams	Marlene McWilliams	Marlene McWilliams
Musician	Donna Mohr	Donna Mohr	Donna Mohr	Donna Mohr	Donna Mohr
Tellers	Susan Stelford & Ross Jahn	Kathy Burke & Paula Kavanagh	Kathy Corwin & Cherie Guillen	Dave & Tammy Jahnke	Kathy Corwin & Gail Ernst

Our Prayers This Week (Updated as of 7/28/2025)

16When 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, Butch & Donna Hayden, Guy Kolie, Preston Kolie, Les & Julie Rohr, Jim Smith, Ben and Joan Harrell, Jenny Mattison Theresa Kolie-Jones, Darrel & Betty Arnold, Terry Johnson, Kent and Leania Carter, Peggy McCabe, Ginny Beattie, Julie Green, Judy Wenzl, Pam Duneman, Kathy Neubauer, Gail Ernst and Pr. Carl 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 and Simon. Anna is the daughter and Simon the grandson 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 ▶

Terry Broderick, younger brother of Tammy Jahnke. ▶

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

Amanda, friend of Tina Bell Reynolds, prayers for support and strength (submitted by Gayle and Amos Bell) ▶

Janet Lumby, submitted by Barb Gielow ▶

John McCabe, son of Peggy McCabe ▶

Brenda Perkins, friend of Diane Washburn, who is undergoing chemotherapy for leukemia ▶

Hank Washburn, Parkinsons stage IV: brother of Diane Washburn and Yvonne Washburn, cancer - sister of Diane Washburn ▶

Molly Plate, neighbor of Barry & Patty Killian, recurring cancer ▶

Bill Christian, brother in law of Kathy Corwin, health concerns ▶

Scott & Dana, friends of Amos & Gayle Bell. Scott has ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease) ▶

Becky Araoz, undergoing chemotherapy— family friend of Jan Gauck (9/24)

John & Patty-Patty is the cousin of Albina Born, whose husband John is in the hospital and placed in hospice care (10/21)

Dana, friend of Roger Wallenburg, cancer. ▶

Linda Claxton and husband Gary Claxton. Health concerns. Friends of Linda Converse. (11/22)

Charlie, friend of Bill Ernst, health concerns (1/8) ▶

Steve Marshall, friend of Sue & Dale Wilford's ▶

Kim King, family friend of the Messner's—prayers as she undergoes chemotherapy treatments for cancer (1/29)

Doug Sorenson, friend of Dave Jahnke recently diagnosed with Parkinsons (4/5) ▶

Melvin Garrison, friend of Bill and Gail Ernst, recently diagnosed with cancer ▶

Rosemary Killian, mother of Barry, who underwent heart valve surgery May 20 and whose surgery reportedly went well

Brent and Dianne Johnson, parents of Paula and Kathy. Their mom has Alzheimer's disease, and now their dad, who is the caregiver, was recently diagnosed with melanoma that has metastasized to his lungs (5/5) ▶

Sandy Hunt, stage 3 breast cancer. Friend of Susan Stelford. (6/3) ▶

Courtney, cousin of Gayle Bell who has heart problems and awaiting Dr. appointments ▶

Joel Timmerman and his family, classmate of Dave Jahnke, who had a stroke June 30

Michael, POP visitor who requested prayers as he was recently diagnosed with metastasizing colon cancer (7/16)

We remember those who grieve:

The family of Joy Jahn, sister of Ross Jahn, who lost her fight against cancer July 17

Kat Otzelberger, aunt of Brandon Otzelberger who lost her fight against cancer July 9. Funeral slated for August 9 in Milwaukee.

The family and friends of Dr. Jim Wills, friend of Bill Hake, who passed from this life 7/8/2025

PRINCE OF PEACE CALENDAR

Saturday, August 2	9:00 am	Ozark Gem & Mineral Society (Rock Room)
	5:00 pm	Saturday Evening Worship Service with Holy Communion
Sunday, August 3	9:30 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	10:30 am	Fellowship with coffee and snacks (Fellowship Hall)
	5:00 pm	Pre-VBS Dinner served at Messiah Lutheran Church, 925 E. Seminole
	5:30 pm	Vacation Bible School (Messiah Lutheran Church until 8 pm)
Monday, August 4	5:00 pm	Pre-VBS Dinner served at Messiah Lutheran Church, 925 E. Seminole
	5:30 pm	Vacation Bible School (Messiah Lutheran Church until 8 pm)
Tuesday, August 5	5:00 pm	Pre-VBS Dinner served at Messiah Lutheran Church, 925 E. Seminole
	5:30 pm	Vacation Bible School (Messiah Lutheran Church until 8 pm)
	6:00 pm	Outreach Team Meeting (Library)
	7:00 pm	Worship Team Meeting (via ZOOM)
Wednesday, August 6	1:00 pm	Pericope Team Study (via ZOOM)
	5:00 pm	Pre-VBS Dinner served at Messiah Lutheran Church, 925 E. Seminole
	5:30 pm	Vacation Bible School (Messiah Lutheran Church until 8 pm)
Thursday, August 7	5:00 pm	Pre-VBS Dinner served at Messiah Lutheran Church, 925 E. Seminole
	5:30 pm	Vacation Bible School (Messiah Lutheran Church until 8 pm)
Saturday, August 9	5:00 pm	Saturday Evening Worship Service with Holy Communion
Sunday, August 10	9:30 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	10:30 am	Fellowship with coffee and snacks (Fellowship Hall)

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 AUGUST 2 & 3, 2025

- A** In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

- A** Renew in your church a perspective of life beyond worldly pursuits. Build an enthusiasm to embrace life in Christ, so that Christ, the life of the world, is revealed to everyone. God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

- A** Revitalize and protect the treasures of wild places. Teach all people to value the earth, winds, waters, trees, and animals, the gifts that make life possible on this planet. God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

- A** Speak wisdom to any in positions of power, that they cease practices of divisiveness, insult, and oppression. Clothe all people in your image, and establish equity and peace. God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

- A** Reveal your loving presence in the lives of people suffering hunger and need, illness and grief, pain and fear (*especially all who are currently on our congregation's prayer list, on our hearts and on our minds.....*). Give strength to those who give care, and equip them with compassion as they make your love known. God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

- A** Store up in this congregation a full measure of gratitude and generosity. Guide the work of treasurers and all who attend to financial matters. Support those whose work in our community is difficult and demanding; make us mindful of the toil that goes unnoticed. God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

- A** Receive our thanks for the lives of your saints who now rest from their labors. Give us wisdom through their witness and encourage us in love as we continue our lives in the world. God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

- A** Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.

C **Amen.**