



Courage in the Face of Fear

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“DISCIPLESHIP AT HOME AND IN COMMUNITY”

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Welcome to Worship! The Scriptures tell us many times to ‘fear not’ except in proper reverence for God. We should not fear those things which can only bring us harm in this life. However, we know many today who live in fear or anger (which comes from fear). We ourselves also experience fear from time to time. Although it is difficult to control what emotions spring up, we can control what we do with them. God clearly instructs us in His Word to act not in fear, but in confidence – confidence that comes from knowing that God is our Creator, Savior, and Sustainer. Throughout this season of Lent, we will study various people in the Scriptures who acted in courage – confident in God’s work in their lives. This week, we highlight Esther, a young Queen who risked her life to save God’s people. As we are gathered to receive God’s gifts today, we are bold to act in courage – confident in the love and mercy of God!

THE PRELUDE

THE WELCOME AND PRAYER

THE OPENING HYMN

“Jesus, Lead Thou On”

Burgundy Hymnal #718

Jesus, lead Thou on
Till our rest is won;
And although the way be cheerless,
We will follow calm and fearless.
Guide us by Thy hand
To our fatherland.

If the way be drear,
If the foe be near,
Let not faithless fears o'ertake us;
Let not faith and hope forsake us;
For through many a woe
To our home we go.

When we seek relief
From a long-felt grief,
When temptations come alluring,
Make us patient and enduring.
Show us that bright shore
Where we weep no more.

Jesus, lead Thou on
Till our rest is won.
Heav'nly leader, still direct us,
Still support, console, protect us,
Till we safely stand
In our fatherland.

WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

THE INVOCATION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Pastor: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: AMEN.

Pastor: As we are gathered in the presence of God, we remember that Jesus said "I have come that you may have life, and have it to the full." But our lives do not always reflect this gift, so we turn to the Lord and confess our sins to Him:

**ALL: FORGIVE US LORD, FOR WE ARE SINNERS.
WE LIVE OUR LIVES LOOKING TO OUR OWN COMFORT
INSTEAD OF THE GOOD OF OTHERS.
WE BOAST OF OUR OWN EFFORTS,
BUT STRUGGLE WITH LIVING IN YOUR WILL.
FORGIVE US FOR OUR PRIDE,
OUR STUBBORN ATTITUDES,
OUR SELFISH HEARTS, OUR SINFUL MINDS.
SHAPE US WITH YOUR LOVE
IN OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH YOU,
AND WITH ONE ANOTHER.
GIVE US A HEART FOR YOUR WILL,
HANDS TO SERVE ONE ANOTHER
AND A WILLING SPIRIT TO OBEY YOUR WORD.
IN JESUS' NAME. AMEN.**

Pastor: Jesus said, "I have come that you may have life, and have it to the full." As we call out to God, we hear Him say, "You are forgiven!" In the name of Jesus Christ, you are freed to live life to the full in the Will of God.

ALL: AMEN!

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

"Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us" (Projected)
Green Hymnal #688

Savior, like a shepherd lead us,
Much we need Thy tender care;
In Thy pleasant pastures feed us,
For our use Thy folds prepare:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.



Early let us seek Thy favor;
Early let us do Thy will;
Blessed Lord and only Savior,
With Thy love our beings fill:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Thou hast loved us, love us still;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Thou hast loved us, love us still.

OUR FAITH GROWS AS WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

THE PRAYER FOR THE DAY

THE BIBLE READINGS

The Old Testament Reading: Esther

CONFESSION OF FAITH: NICENE CREED

I believe in one God,
The Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.
And of all things visible and invisible
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
The only-begotten Son of God,
Begotten of His Father before all worlds;
God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God,
Begotten, not made,
Being of one substance with the Father,
By Whom all things were made;
Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven,
And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary;

and was made man;
And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again
 according to the Scriptures,
And ascended into heaven,
And sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory
 to judge both the living and the dead,
Whose Kingdom will have no end.



And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and Giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
Who with the Father and the Son together
 Is worshiped and glorified,
Who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
And I look for the resurrection of the dead

And the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE SONG

"Glorious Things of You Are Spoken"

Burgundy Hymnal #648

(1)Glorious things of you are spoken, Zion,
city of our God;
He whose word cannot be broken formed
you for His own abode.
On the Rock of Ages founded, what can
shake your sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded, you may
smile at all your foes.

(2)See, the streams of living waters,
springing from eternal love,
Well supply your sons and daughters and all
fear of want remove.
Who can faint while such a river ever will
their thirst assuage?
Grace, which like the Lord, the giver, never
fails from age to age.

(3)Round each habitation hov'ring, see the
cloud and fire appear
For a glory and a cov'ring, showing that the
Lord is near.
Thus deriving from their banner light by
night and shade by day,
Safe the feed upon the manna which God
gives them on their way.

(4)Savior, since of Zion's city I through grace
a member am,
Let the world deride or pity, I will glory in
Your name.
Fading are the world's vain pleasures, all
their boasted pomp and show;
Solid joys and lasting treasures none but
Zion's children know.

THE MESSAGE

THE PRAYERS

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

THE RECEIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO THE LORD

FOR GUESTS: WELCOME AND INVITATION

Welcome to our guests whom the Lord has gathered with us today!

Please sign the Rite of Fellowship (red tablet) located on the usher's desk. Please include an email address if you would like to receive weekly email announcements.

At this time, we are not passing offering plates in the pews. Members, recognizing all we have as a gift of the Lord, return the first portion in love and trust by bringing tithes and offerings with them as we come to the Lord's Table for communion. There is no expectation for guests to contribute -- Please give to the Lord through your home congregation. Should the Lord lead you to give a special offering today, we thank you!

WE CELEBRATE THE PRESENCE OF JESUS IN THE

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

We believe that the Lord's Supper is a sacred action of God, instituted by Christ Himself, based on His Promise conveying, offering, giving and sealing the gift of forgiveness of sins to those who have received Jesus as Savior and Lord. We believe that we receive not only the bread and wine, but also the true Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus, as He announced, "This is My Body... This is My Blood." We share this Sacrament today, knowing it is for Christians who share like faith and understanding in Jesus Christ and in this Holy meal. If you are a guest and share in the same faith as described, you are welcome to commune with us.

White grape juice is available at the center of the individual cup trays for those who cannot consume the wine.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (spoken)

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE GREETING OF PEACE Out of love for one another, please consider a non-physical sign (wave, etc.)

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you!

ALL: AND ALSO WITH YOU!

THE COMMUNION SONGS

Lamb of God, You take our sin
Lamb of God, You take our sin
Lamb of God, have mercy on us
Grant us peace, O Lamb of God

Green Hymnal #358

"Because He Lives"

God sent His Son – they called Him Jesus;
He came to love, heal and forgive.
He lived and died to buy my pardon;
An empty grave is there to prove my Savior
lives.

Refrain
Because He lives, I can face tomorrow;
Because He lives, all fear is gone.
Because I know He holds the future,
And life is worth the living just because He
lives.

How sweet to hold a newborn baby,
And feel the pride and joy He gives;
But greater still the calm assurance:
This child can face uncertain days because
He lives.
Refrain

And then one day I'll cross the river;
I'll fight life's final war with pain.
And then, as death gives way to vict'ry,
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He
reigns.
Refrain

THE FINAL COMMUNION HYMN

"Keep Your Eyes on the Cross"

Our Lord, Jesus Christ, has come near to us this day,
He's giv-en His Body and Blood,
To save us from sin, and redeemed now we say:
"Jesus Christ is my Savior and Lord!"



Refrain

Keep your eyes on the cross!
Keep your eyes, keep your eyes on the cross!

Forgiv'n of our sin, Jesus leads us now to live,
To give Him all glory and praise.
To love and to tell that He died for all sin,
Jesus Christ is the Savior of all! (Refrain)

With Jesus within us, we go now from this place
As people united in Christ,
Our lives de-di-ca-ted to love, praise and pray
To our Savior, the Lord, Jesus Christ! (Refrain)

THE PRAYER OF THANKS

MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE

THE BLESSING

THE CLOSING SONG

Burgundy Hymnal #844

“Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace”

(1) Lord of all nations, grant me grace
To love all people, every race,
And in each person may I see
My kindred loved, redeemed by Thee.

(2) Break down the wall that would divide
Thy children, Lord, on every side.
My neighbor's good let me pursue;
Let Christian love bind warm and true.

(3) Forgive me, Lord, where I have erred
By loveless act and thoughtless word.
Make me to see the wrong I do
Will grieve my wounded Lord anew.

(4) Give me Thy courage, Lord, to speak
Whenever strong oppress the weak.
Should I myself the victim be,
Help me forgive, remembering Thee.

(5) With Thine own love may I be filled
And by Thy Holy Spirit willed,
That all I touch, where'er I be,
May be divinely touched by Thee.

Adult Bible Studies:

- ✝ **SUNDAY** Adult Bible Study – Sundays, 9:20 a.m. – Freedom in the One Gospel – the Book of Galatians, Trials of Jesus (begins February 28th)
- ✝ **ZOE BIBLE STUDY** – 7:00 p.m., the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month. Join us in person or on Facebook Live starting around 7:20 p.m. Romans II
- ✝ **TUESDAY WEEKLY READINGS STUDY** – 9:00 a.m. at Pop – and on Facebook Live
- ✝ **THURSDAY MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** at 7:00 p.m., the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month – 10 Imperfect Men
- ✝ **THURSDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** at 7:00 p.m., the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month – Love Rules (a study of the Ten Commandments)

Last week's attendance: 85 Last week's offerings into the general fund: \$2576.00

We welcome Hannah Johnson - missionary to Paraguay with WGM. Hear more about the Lord's work in Paraguay at 9:15 Bible Study this morning.

If you would like offering envelopes sent to you, please let Julie know. Conversely, if you no longer need or want them sent to you, please also let Julie know. Thanks!!

We are having a baby shower!!!! See the lists in the narthex to help support The Pregnancy Center. Bring your items in over the next couple weeks. Thank you!!!

As we gather indoors for worship again, if you are willing to serve within services, please contact Julie or Pastor John.

God at Work: How has God been at work in your life? God is at work in your life in big ways and small ways, through everyday occurrences and miracles. Let's encourage one another in God's work. Share a story of God's work in your life – maybe it's how God brought you to faith, maybe it's a "small" event recently or years past. Write a note or email. Put the story in Pastor John's mailbox or email him pastorjohn@princeofpeaceoregon.com. (Your story will not be shared without your permission.)

MITE BOXES – DON'T FORGET TO BRING IN YOUR MITE BOXES TO SUPPORT THE MISSION PROJECTS OF THE LUTHERAN WOMENS' MISSIONARY LEAGUE

Scripture is the rule of our faith by which all else is measured. Every person should have their own appropriate Bible – from a "Beginner's Bible" with colorful pictures to "Easy to Read" with large print. Let us know if you need a resource!

Good News Class: Are you interested in learning more about what it means to be a Christian, Lutheran, and member of Prince of Peace? Are you a member looking to "refresh the basics"? Do you want to become a member of Prince of Peace? New class is starting soon. Talk with Pastor John! (the schedule is flexible depending on those who are interested.).

Weekly Readings Study – dig into the next week's readings – Every Tuesday and on Facebook Live at 9:00 a.m.! Next week's readings: Daniel 1, 3, 6

Keep in touch with your PoP family: Website: princeofpeaceoregon.com; Facebook: Prince of Peace Luth Church; PoPBlast: email princeofpeaceblast@gmail.com to get on the list!

"The Word of the Lord endures forever..." Bible Study night - Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.

Would you like to walk where Jesus walked? Would you like to study the land of Israel – by taste, smell, and feel? Mark Renner, one of our "adopted" seminary students is helping to lead a trip to Israel in 2022. Now is a great time to begin planning! For more information, talk with Pastor John.

FOOD PANTRY update: The mini food pantry has been heavily used since the beginning of the year. Our supplies are low and we are in need of almost everything. Some of the most used items are cereal, crackers, boxed potatoes, noodle sides, pancake mix and syrup, fruit, veggies, baked beans, kidney beans, spaghettios, laundry soap, dish soap, toothpaste, shampoo and deodorant. Thank you!

Here are some resources for anyone who is experiencing food insufficiency, or needs help finding utility, rent, or any other type of financial assistance.

*United Way: Call 211 or go to <https://www.unitedwaytoledo.org/get-help/united-way-2-1-1-support/>.

*Lutheran Social Services: Call 419-243-9178 or go to <https://www.lssnwo.org/>

God Bless, Corrine S. Sattler

This month, we celebrate with those who have **birthdays** and *anniversaries*: **Kelly Keiser, Jessie Lants, Abby Laurell, Ben McCoy, DJ Miller, Brennan Roe, Stephanie Shafer, Jason Smith, Richard Snyder, Addison Stine, Ann Thanasiu, Chelsea Vogelbacher, Charles and Kathy Fletcher, Ron and Kelli Wells**

Remember in Your Prayers:

+for healing – Russ Bell, Marilyn Brown, Delia Mestousis, Kate Mayer, Deb Hartke, Bob Roe, Mike Thanasiu, Rocco Donofrio, Sue Jones, Glendora Boway, Dwight Griffin, Kym Snyder, Carol Cicak, Tom Bragg, Jason Rhuland, Chris Peters, Sue Pfefferle, Bill Kelly, Carol Rigg, Paige Ozanski, Chuck Brinkman, Michael Wells, Becky Kuelker, Fred Bordner, Jean Newman, Vicki Melms, Steve Jones, Pat Miller, Pam Downour, John Danford, Joyce Smith, Barbara Camp, Deanna Snyder, Don Williams, Lyle Brinkman, Richard Stanley, Matthew Mosier, Bob Young, Andrea Martin, Jim Fennewald, Tony Williams

(Please contact the office if you would like someone added to the prayer list, or no longer would like your name on the list.)

+ for those dealing with the reality of the pandemic for friends and family

+for your church – our vision and leaders and the commitment to follow God's will

+for those serving in the armed forces – Ty Garbers, Ricky Pratt, Cole Pollex, Andrew Genszler, Stacy Galla, Nate Millard

+for our missionaries –

- Pastor Tim Heiney, Global Lutheran Outreach in Guinea, West Africa
- Pastor Dave Erber, LCMS missionary in Nigeria, West Africa
- Mike and Becky Kuelker, IAM missionaries in Mexico
- Joe Boway, New Life Lutheran Church missionary to the children in Liberia
- POBLO (People of the Book Lutheran Outreach), a mission to Muslims
- Cherry Street Ministries, Toledo
- The Pregnancy Center, Toledo
- Rachel Meyer, LCMS missionary in Uganda, East Africa

+our 'adopted' seminary students –

- Miguel and Rachel Gonzalez
- Mark and Dana Renner



**Discipleship at
Home and in
Community**

Our Ministries at Prince of Peace

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| Missionaries | <i>All members of Prince of Peace</i> |
| President of the Congregation | <i>Jim Bragg</i> |
| Vice President | <i>Gary Garbers</i> |
| Board of Elders | <i>Phil Miller, Gary Garbers, Bob Roe, Jim Bragg, Don Halka, Mark Sattler, Tom Smith, Lyle Stine</i> |
| Discipleship Team Leader | <i>Leader Needed</i> |
| Outreach Team Leader | <i>Jordan Jones</i> |
| Youth Ministry Team Leader | <i>Kyle Barry</i> |
| Family Life Team Leader | <i>Corrine Sattler</i> |
| Stewardship Team Leader | <i>Cathy Reichow</i> |
| Preschool Team Leader | <i>Laura Roe</i> |
| Properties Team Leader | <i>Dan Reichow</i> |
| Prayer Team Leader | <i>Gary Garbers</i> |
| Technology Team Leader | <i>Leader Needed</i> |
| Preschool Director | <i>Wendy Kelly</i> |
| Treasurer | <i>Jackie Reynolds</i> |
| Financial Secretary | <i>Vicki Melms</i> |
| Pastor | <i>John Genszler</i> |
| Secretary | <i>Julie Cox</i> |
| Pianist | <i>Pam Downour</i> |
| Organist | <i>Cindy Fennewald</i> |
| Praise and Worship Leader | <i>Jon Hartke</i> |
| Choir Director | <i>Pastor Gerald Hartke</i> |
| Prayer Chain | <i>Judy Young</i> |
| Altar Guild | <i>Jodi Halka</i> |
| Men's Cherry Street Team | <i>Jim Bragg</i> |