



# Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

December 15, 2024

## Prelude & Announcements

### Confession and Forgiveness

G G/F# Em7 G/D

1. Lie num - ber one: You're sup - posed to have it all to - geth-

2 Cmaj7 Dsus

er. And when they

3 G G/F# Em7 G/D Cmaj7 Dsus

ask how you're do - ing, just smile and tell them, nev - er bet - ter.

5 G G/F# Em7 G/D

Lie num - ber two: Ev - 'ry - bo - dy's life is per - fect ex - cept

6 Cmaj7 Dsus

yours. So keep your

7 G G/F# Em7 G/D Cmaj7 Dsus

mess - es and your wounds, your se - crets safe with you, be - hind closed doors.

9 C D Em7 G/B C

Truth be told, the truth is rare - ly told. I say I'm

14 G D/F# Em7 D  
out of con - trol, I say it's un - der con - trol, but it's

15 C D  
not and you know it. But I

16 C D  
don't know why it's so hard to ad - mit it when be - ing

17 Em7 D C  
hon - est is the on - ly way to fix it. There's no  
G D/F# Em7 D C D G

18  
fail - ure, no fall, there's no sin you don't al - read - y know, so let the truth be told.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

D/F# G2 Asus A

I'm for - giv - en be - cause You were for - sak - en.

3 D/F# G2 Asus A D/F# G2

I'm ac - cept - ed; You were con - demned. I'm a - live and well, Your

6 Asus A G2 A D

Spir - it is with - in me be - cause You died and rose a - gain.

D G D

A \_ maz \_ ing love, how can it be that You, my King, would die for me?

12 Asus A G/A D G

A - maz - ing love, I know it's true;

15 D Asus A

it's my joy to hon - or You. In all I

18 G A D *Fine*

do I hon - or You.

## **Greeting**

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

**And also with you.**

## **Advent Wreath Candle Lighting**

(Singing)

vv 1

O come, O come, Emmanuel,  
and ransom captive Israel,  
that mourns in lonely exile here  
until the Son of God appear.

Refrain

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
shall come to you, O Israel.

(Reader) The spirit of the Lord God is upon me  
fore the Lord has anointed me;  
God has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed,  
to bind up the brokenhearted,  
to proclaim liberty to the captives  
and release to the prisoners,  
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor. (Isaiah 61:1)

*(Light candle.)*

(Reader) For as the earth brings forth its shoots  
and as a garden brings its seed to blossom,  
so the Lord God will cause goodness and justice to sprout  
and praise to spring up before all nations. (Isaiah 61:11)

(Reader) Stir up your Spirit, Lord God, and come. Tear down tyrants. Raise up servants. Cleanse corruption. Grow whatever is good and wholesome and lifegiving. Amen.

(Singing)

vv 6

O Come, O Dayspring, come and cheer;  
O Sun of justice, now draw near  
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,  
And death's dark shadow put to flight.

(Singing)

Refrain

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
shall come to you, O Israel.

## **Prayer of the Day**

Spirit of the Lord God, You bring good news to the oppressed, bind up the brokenhearted, proclaim liberty to the captives, and release the prisoners. You comfort all who mourn, and shower your people with the oil of gladness instead of mourning; a mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. We will greatly rejoice in the Lord, our whole being shall exult in God, for the sake of the one who brought righteousness to life, Jesus Christ, our salvation.

**Amen**

## **Children's Bible Story**

### **Special Music**

Children's Handbells

### **First Reading Isaiah 61:1-11**

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me,  
because the LORD has anointed me;  
he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed,  
to bind up the brokenhearted,  
to proclaim liberty to the captives,  
and release to the prisoners;  
<sup>2</sup>to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor,  
and the day of vengeance of our God;  
to comfort all who mourn;  
<sup>3</sup>to provide for those who mourn in Zion —  
to give them a garland instead of ashes,  
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,  
the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit.  
They will be called oaks of righteousness,  
the planting of the LORD, to display his glory.  
<sup>4</sup>They shall build up the ancient ruins,  
they shall raise up the former devastations;  
they shall repair the ruined cities,  
the devastations of many generations.  
<sup>5</sup>Strangers shall stand and feed your flocks,  
foreigners shall till your land and dress your vines;  
<sup>6</sup>but you shall be called priests of the LORD,  
you shall be named ministers of our God;  
you shall enjoy the wealth of the nations,  
and in their riches you shall glory.

<sup>7</sup>Because their shame was double,  
and dishonor was proclaimed as their lot,  
therefore they shall possess a double portion;  
everlasting joy shall be theirs.

<sup>8</sup>For I the LORD love justice,  
I hate robbery and wrongdoing;  
I will faithfully give them their recompense,  
and I will make an everlasting covenant with them.

<sup>9</sup>Their descendants shall be known among the nations,  
and their offspring among the peoples;  
all who see them shall acknowledge  
that they are a people whom the LORD has blessed.

<sup>10</sup>I will greatly rejoice in the LORD,  
my whole being shall exult in my God;  
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,  
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,  
as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,  
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

<sup>11</sup>For as the earth brings forth its shoots,  
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,  
so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise  
to spring up before all the nations.

Word of God, word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Acclamation

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. It consists of four staves of music with lyrics underneath. Chords are indicated above the notes.

Staff 1: Chords D, Bm7. Lyrics: Je sus, name a - bove all names, beau - ti - ful

Staff 2: Chords Em7, Em7/A, Em7/G, F#m7, G, D/A, A, D2. Lyrics: Sav - ior, glo - ri - ou Lord. Em - man - u - el,

Staff 3: Chords Bm7, E7sus, Em7. Lyrics: God is with us, bless - ed Re - deem - er,

Staff 4: Chords Em7/A, D/A, A, D. Lyrics: Liv - - ing Word. \_\_\_\_\_

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the fourth chapter.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel Reading Luke 4:16-21**

<sup>16</sup>When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, <sup>17</sup>and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

<sup>18</sup>"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because he has anointed me  
to bring good news to the poor.  
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives  
and recovery of sight to the blind,  
to let the oppressed go free,  
<sup>19</sup>to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

<sup>20</sup>And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. <sup>21</sup>Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

The gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

# Sermon

## Hymn of the Day Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness ELW 843

### Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness



- 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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## **Prayers of Intercession**

L: Lord, in your mercy, **C: receive our prayer.**

## **Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

### **And also with you.**

This assembly is invited to share a sign of peace with one another.

## **Offering**

### **Offertory Song**

#### **Offering Prayer**

Creator God,  
you made the whole world,  
even the farthest stars,  
and you draw near to feed us.  
We praise you for these gifts of bread and wine.  
Strengthen us with this food  
that we may live in expectation  
advent of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

#### **Great Thanksgiving**

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

## **Words of Institution**

#### **Lord's Prayer**

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.

# Communion Song

Am7 G(4) F2 C

7 Am7 G(4) F2 C Am7

Be - fore I spoke a word,

12 G(4) F2 Am7

You were sing - ing o - ver me. You have been

16 G(4) F2 Am7

so, so good to me. Be - fore I took a breath,

20 G(4) F2 Am7

You breathed Your life in me. You have been

24 G(4) F2 Am7 G(4)

so, so kind to me. O, the o - ver - whelm - ing, nev - er - end - ing,

29 F2 C Am7 G(4)

reck - less love of God. O, it chas - es me down, fights 'til I'm found,

33 F2 C Am7 G(4)

leaves the nine - ty - nine. I could - n't earn it, I don't de - serve it, still You

37 F2 C Am7 G(4)

give Your - self a - way. O, the o - ver - whelm - ing, nev - er - end - ing,

41 F2 C

reck - less love of God.

## Distribution

## Special Music

Elaine Bodi

## Song After Communion

Make me a chan-nel of your peace.\_\_\_\_ Where there is ha-tred, let me bring your  
love; \_\_\_\_ where there is in - ju - ry, your par - don, Lord; \_\_\_\_ and  
where there's doubt, true faith in you. O Mas -ter, grant that I may nev -er  
seek \_\_\_\_ so much to be con - soled as to con - sole, \_\_\_\_ to be  
und -er -stood as to und -er - stand, \_\_\_\_ to be loved as to love with all my soul. \_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ Make me a chan -nel of your peace.\_\_\_\_ It is in par -don - ing that we are  
par -doned, \_\_\_\_ in giv -ing of our - selves that we re - ceive, \_\_\_\_ and in  
dy - ing that we're born to e - ter - nal life.

## Prayer After Communion

Generous God,  
we thank you for the gift of life, for the bread of salvation.  
We thank you for coming among us,  
for leading us into peace.  
We thank you for showering us with mercy,  
for sending us into the world.  
Come, Lord Jesus, and go with us  
as we feed the hungry in your name. **Amen.**

## Blessing

*mf*



You are the light\_ of the world.\_\_\_\_

You are the light\_ of the world,\_\_\_\_ so

shine,\_\_\_\_ shine, shine where you are.\_\_\_\_

You are the light\_ of the world.\_\_\_\_

## Dismissal

Go in peace. Prepare the way for Emmanuel.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **Serving our congregation this morning:**

Acolytes – Charlie Opfermann

Advent Reader & Candle Lighter –

Altar Guild – Barb DeLand, Cheryl Stotz and Kelsey DeLand

Coffee Hour – Aimee Prati

Financial Stewards – Dave Lorenzo and Chris Lietzke

Liturgical Minister – Betty Nickel

Media – Kelsey DeLand

Organist – Ray Smith

Special Music – Children’s Handbells will play O Little Town of Bethlehem after the Bible Story. Elaine Bodi will sing *Immanuel* during Holy

Communion. Elaine will be accompanied by Doris Lezon

Ushers – Brian DeLand, Head Usher; Roxie Boll, Barb DeLand, Julie Gimesky

## **Schedule:**

Sunday: Holy Communion - 9:00 A

Coffee Hour

Program Practice – 10:15 AM

Monday: Dartball -- 7:30 PM

Tuesday: AA - 7:00 PM

Wednesday: Christmas Caroling – 5:00 PM

Mid-Week Service – 7:00 PM

Saturday: Play Practice/Dress Rehearsal – 10:15 AM

### **Coming Soon...**

Dec. 22 – Children’s Christmas Program – 9 AM

Dec. 22 – Set-up Christmas Eve Candles – 10:30 AM

Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve Services 10 AM; 7 & 11 PM

Dec. 25 – Christmas Day

Dec. 25 – No service tonight

Dec. 28 – Remove Candles from Sanctuary – 9:00 AM

Jan. 01 – New Year’s Day

Jan. 01 – No service tonight

Jan. 05 – “Un”-Decorate the Sanctuary

Jan. 08 – God Works Soup Kitchen

Jan. 12 – Sunday School & Catechism Resume

Jan. 12 – Grades 3-5 Prayer Milestone Class

Jan. 14 – Adult Bible Study Begins – 9:30 AM

### **Support God’s Ministry at Prince of Peace**

Give via our website: [princeofpeaceida.org](http://princeofpeaceida.org).

You may also direct deposit or scan to donate:



**Two trustees are needed** to fill the upcoming vacant positions on our Church Council. We are looking for members that are excited to watch our church grow and want to help our church continue to carry this forward. If you are interested in learning more about the trustee positions or would like to volunteer for one of them, please contact a member of the Nominating Committee, Drew Lynn, Melissa Bathgate, Christina Lietzke, Dick Leonard, Darla Mruzek or Tim Smith.

I would like to thank all those who volunteered to help with the Christmas in Ida kitchen prep and serving. We made and served about 200 apple dumplings along with soups, sloppy joes and much more! I couldn't have done it without everyone who donated items and/or their time especially: Dawn Pluff, Eileen Bogoski, Kim Zietlow, Kim Kibat, Kim Cramer, Marty Kamprath, Cheryl Stotz, Diane Schuyler, Candy Schoenherr, Jayden Cramer, Rhonda Gaw, Terri Meadows, Norma Rauch, Joy Fox and Roxie Boll. *Aimee Prati*

Thanks for your generosity in providing \$538.93 thorough last week's noisy offerings which has been sent to the Ida School program, Give a Kid a Christmas.

*Dear Prince of Peace Family: Thank you for making my 90<sup>th</sup> birthday so special! I'm enjoying all the cards and messages. Advent by Candlelight has always been important and a great way to begin Advent to me. The ladies in charge do such a beautiful job of decorating and the food is fabulous – thank you to all. Singing and Carol service is uplifting – thank you Pastor. My Happy Birthday song at Advent by candlelight brought happy tears to my eyes. I don't know how a 90-year-old should feel – but I feel "LOVED" Thank you all! Helen DeBruin*

**Your 2025 offering envelopes** are available for pick up in the hall near the High School room. Please, look at them and make sure that the number on the label matches the number on the envelopes in the box *and* that your name is correct. If you notice any problem, or cannot find your envelopes, contact the church office.

**You can send one Christmas card** for your entire Prince of Peace family. Your card will be displayed in the Narthex, with the others.

**Two people to represent** our congregation are needed to attend the 2025 SE MI Synod Assembly in Westland, MI May 16-17. See Pastor if interested.

Local events...

Dec. 20 – Roast beef dinner @ E Ida Immanuel Lutheran Church, 6272 W Albain Rd. Monroe. Meal includes roast beef, mashed potatoes w/gravy, green beans or corn, applesauce or coleslaw, dinner roll, beverage & dessert. Adults \$12; kids 5-10 \$8; kids 4 & under free. Carry-out available! Proceeds benefit a different Monroe County charity organization each month

Dec 20 – John Tyner Chorale presents its annual Festival of Lessons and Carols on Fri Dec 20 @ 7:30 PM. The performance will be held in the Sanctuary of the First Presbyterian Church 108 Washington St Monroe 48161. It's modeled after the Christmas Eve service that has taken place in Cambridge Cathedral in England since 1918. It includes scripture readings by various pastors and community leaders from the Monroe area with carols performed by the congregation and others by the John Tyner Choral. This style of service has been used widely around the world. The event is open to the public & free.

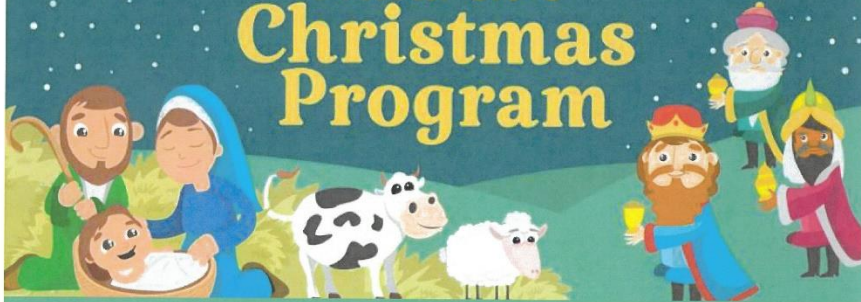
Dec 21 – A Longest Night service will be at West Ida Immanuel Lutheran Church 3879 Jackman Rd. 48140 @ 7 PM.



Prince of Peace  
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# *– Children's –* **Christmas Program**



Join us for a spirit-filled  
Christmas celebration

**Sunday, December 22nd**

**9:00 a.m.**



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*A heartfelt program for the whole family*





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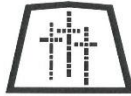
*Christmas*  
EVE CHURCH

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2024**

10:00 AM - FAMILY SERVICE

7:00 PM - CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

11:00 PM - CANDLELIGHT SERVICE



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