

March 30, 2025

Prelude & Announcements

In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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

Congregation may sit or kneel. Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

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.

LENT

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Lamb of God

Your Only Son



1 Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, but you have
 2 Your gift of love we cru - ci - fied. We laughed and
 3 I was so lost, I should have died, but you have



sent him from your side to walk up - on this guilt - y
 scorned him as he died. The hum - ble king we named a
 brought me to your side to be led by your staff and



sod and to be - come the Lamb of God.
 fraud and sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God. O Lamb of
 rod and to be called a lamb of God.



God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of God. Oh, wash me



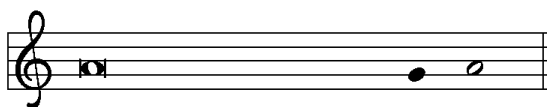
in your pre-cious blood, my Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

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.

KYRIE



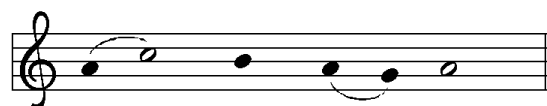
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



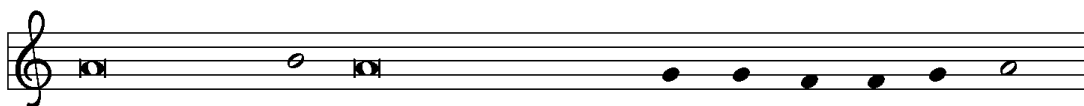
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Assisting minister

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

All

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.

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.

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.

Prayer of the Day

Divine Word, you sent Moses to speak law to the people and bring order to chaos. You sent prophets to speak repentance and bring hope to the hopeless. You sent your son, Jesus, to become your living Word. Open our ears to hear your word, and our hearts to reflect the light of your truth to others, for the sake of the Incarnate Word, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

First Reading Deuteronomy 15:7-11

⁷If there is among you anyone in need, a member of your community in any of your towns within the land that the LORD your God is giving you, do not be hard-hearted or tight-fisted toward your needy neighbor. ⁸You should rather open your hand, willingly lending enough to meet the need, whatever it may be. ⁹Be careful that you do not entertain a mean thought, thinking, "The seventh year, the year of remission, is near," and therefore view your needy neighbor with hostility and give nothing; your neighbor might cry to the LORD against you, and you would incur guilt. ¹⁰Give liberally and be ungrudging when you do so, for on this account the LORD your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you undertake. ¹¹Since there will never cease to be some in need on the earth, I therefore command you, "Open your hand to the poor and needy neighbor in your land."

After the reading concludes:

Word of God, word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Responsive Reading Psalm 41:1-3

¹Happy are those who consider the poor;
the LORD delivers them in the day of trouble.

²**The LORD protects them and keeps them alive;
they are called happy in the land.**

You do not give them up to the will of their enemies.

³The LORD sustains them on their sickbed;
in their illness you heal all their infirmities.

Gospel Acclamation

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,

slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

GOSPEL

The Gospel of the Lord according to Luke the fifteenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel – Luke 16:19-31

¹⁹There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' ²⁵But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' ²⁷He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house — ²⁸for I have five brothers — that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' ²⁹Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' ³⁰He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' ³¹He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

Sermon

In the Cross of Christ I Glory



1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tow'r - ing
2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, hopes de -
3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing light and
4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure, by the



o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of
ceive, and fears an - noy, nev - er shall the
love up - on my way, from the cross the
cross are sanc - ti - fied; peace is there that



sa - cred sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.
cross for - sake me; lo, it glows with peace and joy.
ra - diance stream - ing adds more lus - ter to the day.
knows no mea - sure, joys that through all time a - bide.

Text: John Bowring, 1792–1872

Music: RATHBUN, Ithamar Conkey, 1815–1867

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

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

Create in Me a Clean Heart *Offering Song*

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of
your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

The musical notation is for a single melodic line in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is written on a five-line staff. The lyrics are placed below the notes. The second staff continues the melody. The third staff continues the melody. The fourth staff ends with a double bar line. The lyrics are: "Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it."

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

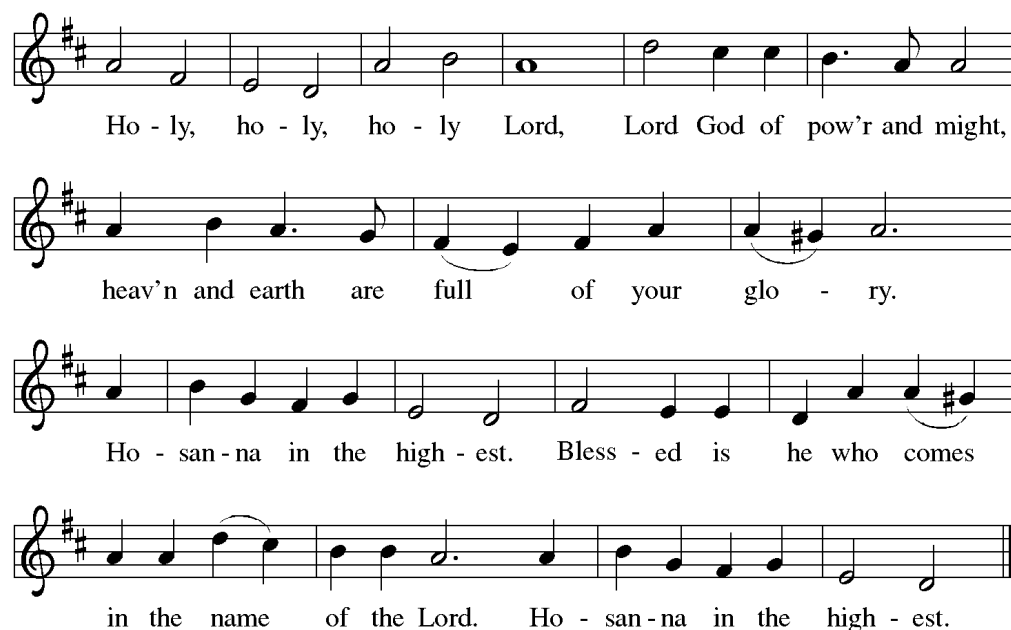
The musical notation is for a single melodic line in D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#), and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is written on a five-line staff. The lyrics are placed below the notes. The second staff continues the melody. The third staff continues the melody. The fourth staff ends with a double bar line. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you. And al - so 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."

PREFACE



It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,
al-mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ.
You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the
pas - chal feast, that re - newed in the gift of bap - tism,
we may come to the full - ness of your grace.
And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,
we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

The presiding minister gives thanks and proclaims Christ's words instituting the Lord's Supper concluding:

With this bread and wine we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life:

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.

Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.

Breathe new life into us. Send us forth,

burning with justice, peace, and love. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

With your holy ones of all times and places,
with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars,
we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity,
now and forever. **Amen.**

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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

This is Christ's table and Christ welcomes each and every single one of you.
Those of you communion at home, please join us.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION SONG



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.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our daily walk. May your work through us bring justice. May your giving through us make peace. And may your Spirit sing through us the song of grateful hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Serving our congregation this morning:

Acolytes – Charlie Opfermann

Altar Guild – Aimee Prati and Kim Kibat

Fellowship Hour – Karen Keller, Betty Nickel w/donations from Sherry Kuhn

Liturgical Minister – Chris Lietzke

Media – Kelsey DeLand

Organist – Ray Smith

Ushers – Brian DeLand, Head Usher; Barb DeLand, Gary Miller, Dick Leonard

Schedule:

Sunday: Holy Communion - 9:00 AM

Fellowship Hour – 10:00 AM

New Member Meeting – 10:00 AM

Tuesday: Adult Bible Study – 9:30 AM

AA - 7:00 PM

Wednesday: Lenten Service, Lenten Service, Dice, Sponge and INRI 7:00 PM

Coming Soon...

April 06 – Fill Easter Eggs

April 06 – Barsabbas/Wives & Mary/Martha & Tribal Leaders Rehearsal
High School Room – 10 AM

April 06 – Garden of Gethsemane Rehearsal – Community Center Lobby – 11 AM

Apr 09 – Dinner Church Seder

Apr 10 – Friends in Faith Breakfast at Ida UMC – 9 AM

Apr 10 – Blood Drive – 11 AM – 5 PM

Apr 10 – Carpenter's Shop Rehearsal – 7 PM

Apr 12 – Snippet Skits Rehearsal – Sanctuary – 9 AM

Support God's Ministry at Prince of Peace

Give via our website: princeofpeaceida.org.

You may also direct deposit or scan to donate:



If you'd like to find out more about Prince of Peace, we're having an informative meeting/class this Sunday, March 30 at 10 AM in our high school room right after church. Pastor Aaron will talk about what it means to be Lutheran, our goals/mission at Prince of Peace, some of our programs & outreaches and how to become a member. You can RSVP to the church office.

Adult Bible Study concludes on Tues., April 01. Pastor Aaron leads the class with a discussion of the upcoming Sunday's gospel reading.

Lenten services have begun. Join us each Wednesday during Lent for a meal at 7 PM. Next week, we'll explore the dice, sponge and INRI.

Keys to all areas of the building should be turned in. The Trustees are responsible for the task of collecting them. If you have a key to any or all the doors, locks, safes, shed keys, etc. please see Kevin Rath, Dave Lorenzo, Eileen Bogoski or Paul Ness to submit your key(s).

Help feed the Crew – We need your help to feed the 100+ Prince of Peace members who make *Journey to the Cross* possible. If you can provide a dessert, salad or side dish for the 3 PM Good Friday meal please sign up in the narthex or let Kim Kibat know what you will bring. Items should be dropped off by 2 PM on Good Friday in the Community Center. The kitchen door, door “I”, will be unlocked.

The Annual Friends in Faith Lenten breakfast will be at the United Methodist Church in Ida on April 10 at 9 AM. If you are planning to attend, please sign up in the narthex.

The Easter egg hunt for kids in preschool – 5th grade is on Palm Sunday, April 13 at 10 AM. Donations of wrapped candy are appreciated. Please drop them off in the narthex by April 06.

Our Holy Grounds crew will be starting again Thursday, April 17th beginning at 9 AM. If the weather cooperates, we will be doing some Spring yard work to spruce up the church grounds just in time for our expected 800+ *Journey to the Cross* visitors. Bring your favorite garden tools. We will enjoy snacks and fellowship in *The Gathering Place* beginning at 10.

Our Chrisitan sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Steve Dull, who passed away on March 18. There will be visitation at Prince of Peace beginning at noon until the memorial service begins at 2 PM on Sunday, April 06.

Our new pest control effort has been implemented. Please do not move or dispose of any boxes, traps, etc. that you may see inside or outside of the church building. They are maintained by the service we've hired and we will be charged to replace any that are missing. The traps are non-toxic to humans. Please don't be alarmed if a child handles one by mistake. But please **DO** report the incident to a trustee or the office.

The new issues of Word in Season have arrived. They are located on the table near the high school room and are free of charge. Large print editions are also available.

If you haven't picked up your 2025 offering envelopes, please stop by the table near the high school room and take them home.

Journey to the Cross will be presented on Good Friday, April 18. Contact Kim Jennings or Paul Marks, either in person, or by email, at kimjennings00@gmail.com or marksp@msu.edu to let us know you would like to help. If you are not interested in a role in the drama, we can still use your help. Construction, moving scenery and supplies, take down and storage of everything after Good Friday requires many hands. Contact Warren Jacks either in person or at, wjacks@twinmed.com, and let him know you would like to help. Our presentation is given to the community at no cost to the attendees due to the generous donations of our congregation. Donations of any dollar amount make this event happen. **Envelopes are in the pew racks.** Posters and business cards are available in the narthex for distribution to businesses, workplaces, family, friends and neighbors. Please help promote our 21st *Journey to the Cross*.

We'll enjoy breakfast on Easter Sunday, April 20 at 8 AM in the Community Center. The meal includes eggs, sausage, bacon, fresh fruit, bagels, cream cheese, donuts, orange juice, milk and coffee. If you'd like to help with the meal by donating and/or prep work, sign up in the narthex. A lot of love and hard work goes into preparing for this. Please bring your loved ones and share this meal with your Prince of Peace family.

Give via our website: princeofpeaceida.org. You may also direct deposit or scan to donate an offering:



Holy Week

Palm Sunday	April 13 9 AM
Easter Egg Hunt	April 13 10 AM
Maundy Thursday	April 17 7 PM
Journey to the Cross	April 18 12-3 & 5-7 PM
Good Friday	April 18 7:30 PM
Easter Sunday	April 20 7 & 9 AM
Easter Breakfast	April 20 8 AM

EASTER PLANT ORDER FORM

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in Memory of

☐ in Honor of

By:

_____ Daffodils \$10.00 each = \$_____

_____ Hyacinths \$10.00 each = \$_____

_____ Lily \$11.00 each = \$_____

_____ Tulip \$10.00 each = \$_____

Total \$_____

Deadline to place orders is TODAY.

☐ Yes! My plants(s), excluding lilies, may be used on Good Friday in the Garden scene. The plant(s) will be returned to the Sanctuary by Easter Sunday, where I will pick my plant(s) up.



 Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
SEDER
DINNER CHURCH

—————
Wed, April 9 at 6:00 p.m.

A Seder is a centuries-old tradition where people eat a ceremonial meal to teach God's story to the next generation. There is laughter and solemnity, prayer and feasting.
 This is a great opportunity for grandparents and godparents to be with their young people.
 Since this meal involves special foods, we need everyone to please make a reservation.

Make a reservation using the
 QR code



or call our church office at
 (734) 269-2420

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Acropolis and Parthenon from Mars Hill

Friends in Faith
 Community Lenten Breakfast
 Thursday, April 10th
 9:00 a.m.
 Ida United Methodist Church
 8124 Ida East Road, Ida

Free breakfast and program:
 Greece: In the Footsteps
 of St. Paul

Free-will offering to purchase Food
 Ministry gift cards for our churches
 to distribute to those in need

While supplies last!

Info...734 529 3218



Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN

EASTER EGG HUNT

CRAFTS REFRESHMENTS GAMES PRIZES

Happy

Easter

SUNDAY, APRIL 13TH

10:00 AM

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FREE EVENT! BRING YOUR BASKET!



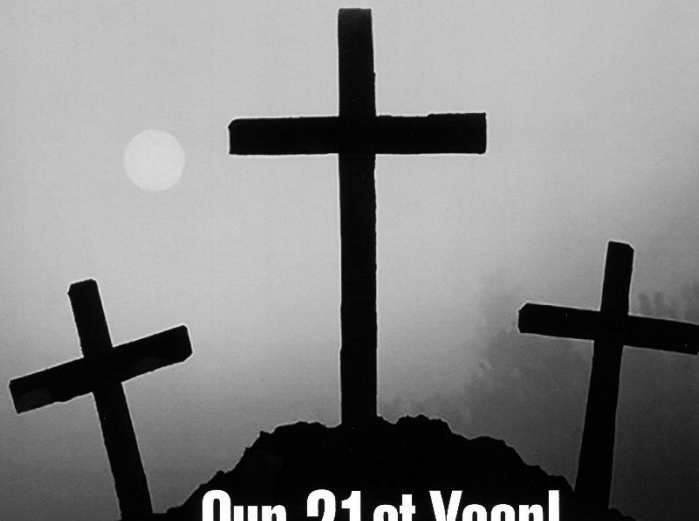
JOURNEY to the CROSS

GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 18, 2025

No Charge All Ages Handicap Accessible

Guided Tours Every 15 Minutes

12 - 3 pm & 5 - 7 pm



Our 21st Year!

PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
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HOLY HILARITY

APR 27
2025

HEE HAW SEED & SOIL SUNDAY

WITH MUSIC
BY THE
OPFERMANN'S

Drive your
Tractor
to church!

