

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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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.

The assembly kneels or sits. 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.

The presiding minister announces God's forgiveness.

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.

The assembly stands.

GATHERING SONG **Let Us Go Now to the Banquet** **ELW 523**
 (guitar)

Let Us Go Now to the Banquet
Vamos todos al banquete

Refrain / Estribillo

Va - mos to - dos al ban - que - te, a la
 Let us go now to the ban - quet, to the

me - sa de la crea - ción; ca - da cual con su ta - bu -
 feast of the u - ni - verse. The ta - ble's set and a place is

re - te tie - ne un pues - to y u - na mi - sión.
 wait - ing; come, ev - 'ry - one, with your gifts to share.

1 Hoy me le - van - to muy tem - pra - no; ya me es -
 1 I will rise in the ear - ly morn - ing; the com -
 2 God in - vites all the poor and hun - gry to the
 3 May we build such a place a - mong us where all

pe - ra la co - mu - ni - dad; voy su - bien - do a - le - gre la
 mu - ni - ty's wait - ing for me. With a spring in my step I'm
 ban - quet of jus - tice and good where the har - vest will not be
 peo - ple are e - qual in love. God has called us to work to -

Refrain / Estribillo

cues - ta, voy en bus - ca de tu a - mis - tad.
 walk - ing with my friends and my fam - i - ly.
 hoard - ed so that no one will lack for food.
 geth - er and to share ev - 'ry - thing we have.

2 Dios invita a todos los pobres a esta mesa común por la fe,
 donde no hay acaparadores y a nadie le falta el conqué. Estribillo

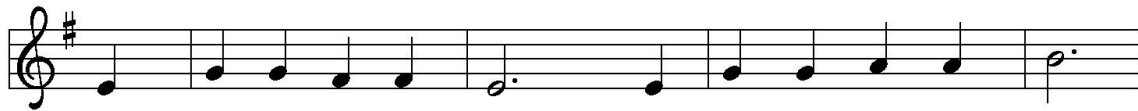
3 Dios nos manda a hacer de este mundo una mesa donde haya igualdad,
 trabajando y luchando juntos, compartiendo la propiedad. Estribillo

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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.



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
 Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
 Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

SONG OF PRAISE



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



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



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



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

O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S BIBLE STORY**FIRST READING Esther 4:1-17**

¹ When Mordecai learned all that had been done, Mordecai tore his clothes and put on sackcloth and ashes and went through the city, wailing with a loud and bitter cry; ² he went up to the entrance of the king's gate, for no one might enter the king's gate clothed with sackcloth. ³ In every province, wherever the king's command and his decree came, there was great mourning among the Jews, with fasting and weeping and lamenting, and most of them lay in sackcloth and ashes.

⁴ When Esther's maids and her eunuchs came and told her, the queen was deeply distressed; she sent garments to clothe Mordecai, so that he might take off his sackcloth, but he would not accept them. ⁵ Then Esther called for Hathach, one of the king's eunuchs who had been appointed to attend her, and ordered him to go to Mordecai to learn what was happening and why. ⁶ Hathach went out to Mordecai in the open square of the city in front of the king's gate, ⁷ and Mordecai told him all that had happened to him and the exact sum of money that Haman had promised to pay into the king's treasuries for the destruction of the Jews. ⁸ Mordecai also gave him a copy of the written decree issued in Susa for their destruction, that he might show it to Esther, explain it to her, and charge her to go to the king to make supplication to him and to entreat him for her people.

⁹ Hathach went and told Esther what Mordecai had said. ¹⁰ Then Esther spoke to Hathach and gave him a message for Mordecai: ¹¹ "All the king's servants and the people of the king's provinces know that, if any man or woman goes to the king inside the inner court without being called, there is but one law: to be put to death. Only if the king holds out the golden scepter to someone may that person live. I myself have not been called to come in to the king for thirty days." ¹² When they told Mordecai what Esther had said, ¹³ Mordecai told them to reply to Esther, "Do not think that in the king's palace you will escape any more than all the other Jews. ¹⁴ For if you keep silent at this time, relief and deliverance will rise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father's family will perish. Who knows? Perhaps you have come to royal dignity for just such a time as this." ¹⁵ Then Esther said in reply to Mordecai, ¹⁶ "Go, gather all the Jews to be found in Susa, and hold a fast on my behalf, and neither eat nor drink for three days, night or day. I and my maids will also fast as you do. After that I will go to the king, though it is against the law, and if I perish, I perish." ¹⁷ Mordecai then went away and did everything as Esther had ordered him.

The assembly stands.

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



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



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

Gospel

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The Gospel according to Luke the 9th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading Luke 9:23-24

²³ Then he said to them all, "If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me. ²⁴ For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will save it.

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Here I Am Lord

ELW 574

Here I Am, Lord



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

Text: Daniel L. Schutte, b. 1946

Music: HERE I AM, LORD, Daniel L. Schutte

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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

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Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

L: God of grace, **C:** **receive our prayer.**

Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.

Amen.

Peace

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The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

MEAL

Offering

Offertory Song

ELW 885

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics printed below each staff. The first staff contains the first line of the hymn, the second staff the second line, and the third staff the third line, ending with a double bar line.

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God, all
crea - tures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye
heav' n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711, alt.

Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561

OFFERING PRAYER

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Loving God,
we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.
Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
so that all creation can taste your abundance.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.
Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

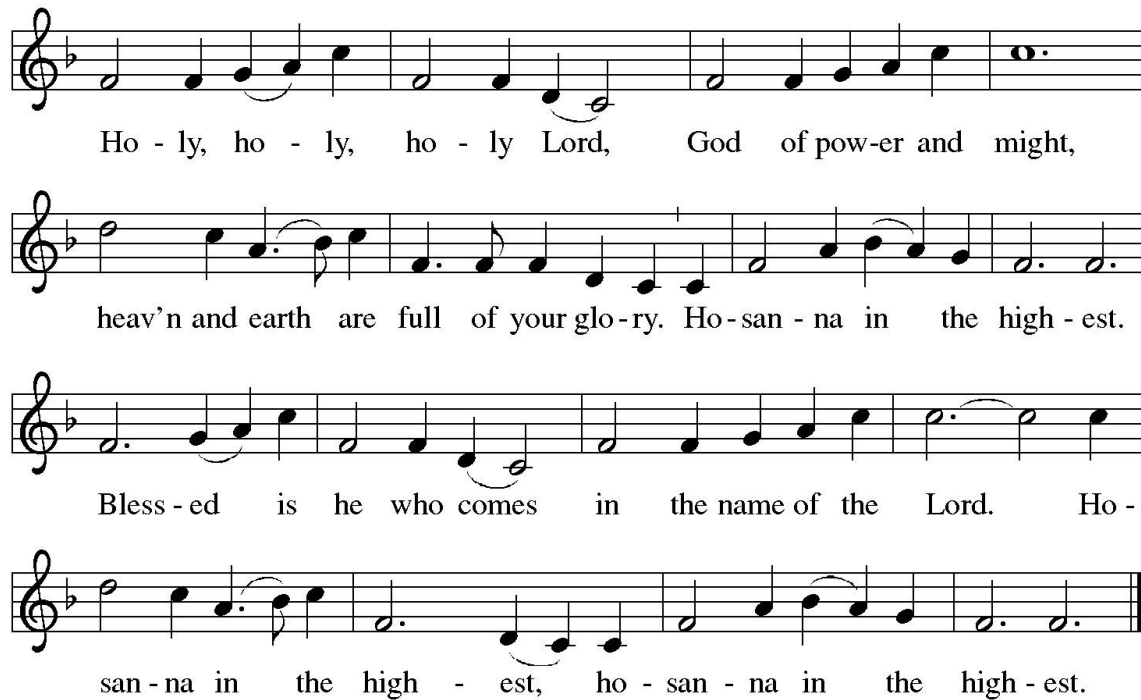
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The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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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.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

All who desire the Lord's Supper are invited to come forward to receive Holy Communion. Following the usher's invitation, come forward along the side aisle and remain standing as you gather around the altar railing. When everyone has gathered at the railing, you may kneel or remain standing. Receive the wafer of bread in your hands. You may also request a gluten-free wafer. Then take a small cup from the tray: white grape juice is in the center and red wine is around the edge. Deposit your cup in the basket when you are finished and return to your seat down the center aisle. We invite children and those not receiving the bread and wine to come forward to receive a blessing at the altar railing.

COMMUNION HYMN

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



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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Compassionate God,
through the gifts of bread and wine
our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love.
Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal,
may share your love freely, as you have shared with us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.
Amen.

Blessing

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Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,
✠ one God,
bless, heal, and hold you
today and always.
Amen.

Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise



Thank-ful hearts and voic-es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and lead us forth in



joy with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

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Dismissal (Liturgical Minister)
 God is near. Go, share the good news!
Thanks be to God.

God Works Soup Kitchen at St John's in Dundee is counting on Prince of Peace on **Wed., July 08**. We need **two salads** and **two desserts** to help complete the meal. People to serve and clean up are also needed. Contact (**text** preferred, due to busy schedule) our new chairperson, **Kim Stotz**, to provide a dish or to let her know you can **help** at the meal **734-625-1416**.

Our **school supply collection** to fill the backpacks for Caring & Sharing and area schools begins today. Please **take a tag(s)** from the narthex and **return the specific items** by the end of the month – please attach the tag to the bag with your donation. The tags are labeled, elementary, middle school, and high school.

Prince of Peace will have a **booth** at the **Monroe County Fair** this year – in the air-conditioned Expo Building. **People** are needed **to greet** visitors at the Fair. **Sign up to volunteer** in the Narthex.

The **new** issues of **Word in Season** are located on the board **near the coatroom** and are free of charge. **Large print** editions are also **available**.

Support God's Ministry at Prince of Peace

Give via our website: princeofpeaceida.org.

You may also direct deposit or scan to donate:



Serving our congregation this morning:

Acolytes –

Altar Guild – Jane Root and Anita Hanson

Fellowship Hour – Sharon Gerweck

Liturgical Minister – Jen Hemry

Media – Kelsey Creger

Organist – Ray Smith

Ushers – Darrick Whitaker, Head Usher; Dick Leonard, Tim & Vicky Smith

Schedule:

Sunday: Holy Communion - 9 AM
Fellowship Hour – 10 AM
Youth Bowling

Tuesday: Alcohol Anonymous - 7 PM

Wednesday: Mid-Week Worship – 7 PM

Thursday: Holiday Camp Lunch

Saturday: Independence Day

Coming Soon:

Sat July 04 – Independence Day

Wed July 08 – God Works Soup Kitchen

July 12-15 – Youth/Family Canoe Trip

July 27-31 – Vacation Bible School

Prince of Peace will be
hosting a booth in the
EXPO CENTER

TUE AUG 04

THU AUG 06

along with our Friends in
Faith Area
Congregations



Represent POP in our community

Sign-Up for a an hour or
two in the EXPO Center
air conditioning:

- Visit with neighbors
- Play games with visitors
- Hand out POP info

**Contact the office to
reserve your time!**

Youth
BOWLING
FRIENDS WELCOME
SUNDAY, JUNE 28TH
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

FORESTVIEW LANES


PIZZA, POP, and BOWLING

The poster features a central circular graphic with the word 'Youth' in a large, orange, cursive font. Below it, 'BOWLING' is written in bold black letters, followed by 'FRIENDS WELCOME' in a smaller font. The date and time are listed below. The background is white with orange corner accents. At the bottom, there are illustrations of a pizza slice, a bowling ball, and a bowling pin.

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

BUILDING THE CITY OF GOD
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
 PRINCE OF PEACE, IDA, MI

MON - FRI JUL 27-31, 2026
9am-12noon Ages Preschool-5th GR

Registration: 

<https://forms.office.com/r/q7XyhT143G>

The poster features a stylized illustration of a city with orange and yellow buildings and a central tower. The background is dark blue with white clouds. The text is in white and yellow. A QR code is located in the bottom right corner.



Celebrate

MORE LIFE. GIVE BLOOD.



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Red Cross**

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**Gymnasium
1920 Lewis Avenue
Ida, MI 48140**

**Thursday, July 30, 2026
11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

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