

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday (March 30th)

9:30 am Prayer Group

Thursday (April 2nd)

6:30 pm Maundy Thursday Service

Friday (April 3rd)

6:30 pm Good Friday Service

Sunday (April 5th)

9:00 am Worship

10:15 am Fellowship (coffee cake & fruit)

SERVING SCHEDULE

April 5th, 2026

AV: Char Mohns

Acolyte: VOLUNTEER

Greeters: Carol & Jerry Yarolimek

Ushers: Greg & Luann Bartz

Reader: Pam Novotnak

Communion Assistant: Pam Novotnak

Counters: Sandy Buske & Char Mohns

April 12th, 2026

AV: Ava Lynch & Darran Landenberger

Acolyte: Damon Lynch

Greeters: Pam Novotnak & Bill Diemel

Ushers: Kathy Leahy & Sherre Faulkner

Reader: Sue Peterson

Communion Assistants: Lora Conrad

Counters: David Lynch & Pam Novotnak

Presider: Dr. Rev. Fred Baltz **Accompanist:** Lynda Remling

AV: Kara Wallace

Acolyte: Greg Bartz **Greeters:** Cyndy & Dan King

Ushers: Dorothy Bush & Debbie Tracy **Reader:** Cindia Baltz

Communion Assistants: Lora Conrad

Counters: Greg Bartz & Kara Wallace

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10:00 am
Service

Office Hours
M-TH 8am—1pm

Welcome to Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

March 29th, 2026

PRELUDE & CANDLE LIGHTING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

(please rise)

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION: *(blue WOV p. 10)*

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen**

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

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

(silence for reflection)

P: Gracious God,

C: **have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ

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CHURCH HAPPENINGS

SIGN UP SHEET FOR ALTAR FLOWERS 2026

The sign up sheet for altar flowers is outside the church office. Flowers are \$40 and checks should be made out to Prince of Peace Altar Guild.

SPRING CLEANUP DAY Spring Cleanup Day will be on April 11th at 8:00 am to 12:00 pm with lunch provided. We hope to see you there!

NAOMI CIRCLE Naomi Circle will be hosting their next movie on April 21st at 1:00 pm in Nicholas Hall.

FIFTH SUNDAY Join us for an Italian Extravaganza after Fifth Sunday service on March 29th! We will be serving assorted pastas and sauces, salads and sides, so you can create your own deliciousness of a meal!

ATTENDANCE & BUDGET

Attendance on 3/22/2026: 42
Received last week: \$2,973.00

IN OUR PRAYERS

Healing, strength, and guidance for: Nancy S., Andy, Bob, Nate, Gabe, Eli, Amy, Mary Jo, John, Jack, Rick, Shari, Norbert, Linda, Bill, Joan, Louie, Norm, Justin, Polly, Jay, Joe L., Mike, Sonja, Jeff, Louise, Theresa, Kevin, Cathie G., Krista, Myles, Rick, Donny, Sue, Laurie, Tammy, Lora and Trevor.

For those suffering loss: Prayers for the family and friends of Todd Denham.

**Christ's holy name.
Send us with your promises, O God, and lead
us forth in joy with shouts of
thanksgiving. Al-le-lu-ia.**

PRAYER:

P: Let us pray.
P: Almighty God, you provide the true bread from
heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant
that we who have received the Sacrament of his
body and blood may abide in him and he in us,
that we may be filled with the power of his
endless life, now and forever.

C: Amen

BLESSING:

P: Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

C: Amen

CLOSING HYMN:

"Lift High the Cross" (LBW #377)

DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please join us for coffee and doughnuts in the Fellowship Hall.

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The altar flowers are in
celebration of Cathie's 97th birthday!



Happy Birthday Dorothy Bush! - 3/29

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.

C: Amen

HYMN: "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" (LBW #108)

GREETING: (blue WOV p. 28)

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

C: And also with you.

KYRIE: (blue WOV p. 28)

P: Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Chri-ste e-le-i-son:

C: Christ, have mercy.

P: Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son:

C: Lord, have mercy

HYMN OF PRAISE: (blue WOV p. 29-30)

Chorus

**Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest;
glory to God, glory to God,
and peace to God's people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

Chorus

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

Chorus

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Chorus

And peace to God’s people on earth

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

C: **Almighty God, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take our flesh upon him and to suffer death on the cross. Grant that we may share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

(please be seated)

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9 *(Bible p. 598)*

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 118:19-29 *(Bible p. 495)*

L: Open for me the gates of the righteous;

C: **I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.**

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

(please be seated, communion assistants come forward)

HYMN: *(blue WOV p. 39)*

C: **Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

HOLY COMMUNION:

We celebrate the real presence of our Lord Jesus Christ in Holy Communion. We understand this to mean that Jesus is truly present with us in His body and blood through the bread and wine. We welcome all baptized adults and children who have been instructed to receive Holy Communion to share in the Lord’s Supper.

(Help yourself to either wine (purple) or grape juice (white). Children not yet receiving may come forward for a blessing.)

DURING THE DISTRIBUTION:

“My Song is Love Unknown”

(WOV 661 v. 1,2,3,7)

(please rise)

POST COMMUNION BLESSING:

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: **Amen**

POST COMMUNION HYMN: *(blue WOV p. 40)*

C: **Thankful hearts and voices raise;
tell ev’ryone what God has done.**

Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear

C: O Lord our God, maker of all things.
Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: *(blue WOV p. 36)*

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.

P: It is indeed their unending hymn.

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER: *(blue WOV p. 39)*

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.

L: This is the gate of the Lord through which the righteous may enter.

C: I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation.

L: The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;

C: the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

L: The Lord has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad.

C: Lord, save us!
Lord, grant us success!

L: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. From the house of the Lord we bless you.

C: The Lord is God, and he has made his light shine on us.

L: With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession up to the horns of the altar.

C: You are my God, and I will praise you; you are my God, and I will exalt you.

L: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.

SECOND READING: *Philippians 2:5-11 (Bible p. 951)*

(please rise)

ALLELUIA: *(blue WOV p.31-32)*

C: Return to the Lord, your God,
Return to the Lord, your God,
who is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger,
and abounding in steadfast love

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 26th chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL TEXT: Matthew 26:1 (*Bible p. 807-809*)

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

(please be seated)

THE MESSAGE Dr. Rev. Fred Baltz

(please rise)

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

THE PRAYERS:

L: Lord, in your mercy...

C: **Hear our prayer.**

PEACE:

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.** (*greet those around you*)

(please be seated)

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

(please rise)

OFFERTORY: (*blue WOV p. 35*)

C: **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 dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now.

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

OFFERTORY PRAYER:

P: Let us pray.

P: Blessed are you,