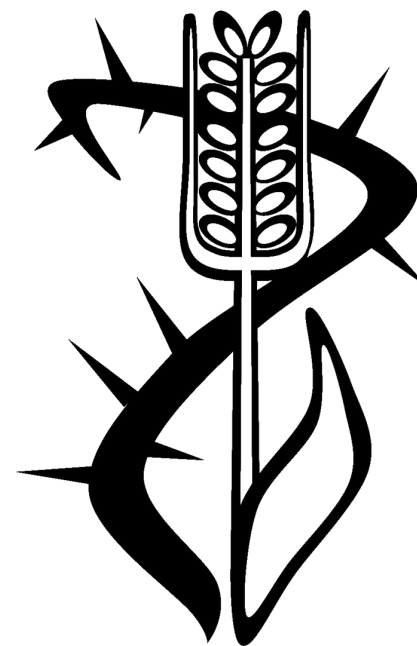


Prince of Peace

Faith, Family, Community



Presider: Pastor Mark Martin **Accompanist:** Lynda Remling
AV: Charlotte Mohns **ACOLYTE:** Darran Landenberger
GREETERS: Dan & Cyndy King
USHERS: Richard & Mary Mackenthun
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Service

Office Hours:
Monday - Thursday
8:00 am - 1:00 pm

July 19, 2026

Welcome to Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CALL TO WORSHIP

(Please rise.)

BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSIO:

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

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: (LBW p. 77)

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son 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: “I Love Your Kingdom, Lord” (LBW #368)

NOTES:

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IN OUR PRAYERS

Healing, strength, and guidance for: Andy, Bob, Nate, Gabe, Eli, Hannah, Alice, Scott, Sonja & her baby, Carol S., Kara, Tracy W., Stephanie A., David, Carl, Gary, Rita, Jenell W., Sue B., Grant M., Tim S., Josh O., Mike R., Cyndy S., Don, Karl, Brett, Frannie, Sharon, Timothy, Justin, Pat, Mary Jo, LeRoy, Wendy, Cathie, Mike, Pam, Shari, Norbert, Joan, Bill, Linda, Gladys, and Michelle M.

For those suffering loss: Prayers for the family and friends of Bill Campbell, Vanessa Dougherty, Kim Kocher, David Shipley, and Fred Wicks. Prayers for Tanya and Smollar family upon loss of Theresa. Prayers for Shelley and Jeff upon loss of their father.

DIALOG: (LBW p. 126)

P: Holy is the Lord, the Almighty.

C: **He was, he is, and he is to come.**

P: He is worthy of glory and honor and power.

C: **He created all things. By his will they came to be.**

P: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain;

C: **worthy to take the scroll and break its seals.**

P: By his blood he purchased for God

C: **people of every race and tongue, of every folk and nation.**

P: Christ made of them a kingdom

C: **and priests to serve our God.**

P: And they shall reign on earth forever.

C: **Amen. Come Lord Jesus.**

APOSTLES' CREED: (LBW p. 128)

P: God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

C: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the**

right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY:

P: The Lord be with you.
C: **And also with you.**
P: Let us pray...
C: **O Lord, pour out upon us the spirit to think and do what is right, that we, who cannot even exist without you, may have the strength to live according to your will; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.**
Amen

(Please be seated.)

FIRST READING: Isaiah 44:6-8 (Bible p. 591)

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 119:57-64 (p. 497)

L: You are my portion, Lord;
C: **I have promised to obey your words.**

L: I have sought your face with all my heart;
C: **be gracious to me according to your promise.**

L: I have considered my ways
C: **and have turned my steps to your statutes.**

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday (July 20)

9:30 am Prayer Group
12:00 pm The Messenger deadline

Tuesday (July 21)

6:30 pm 4-H Club

Sunday (July 26)

9:00 am Worship

SERVING SCHEDULE

Week Beginning July 26, 2026

AV: Stacy Diemel
ACOLYTE: Bill Diemel
GREETERS: Greg & Luann Bartz
USHERS: Lora Conrad & Jerry Yarolimek
READER: Pam Novotnak
COMM ASST: Richard Mackenthun
COUNTERS: Brad Mueller & Kara Wallace
LAWN MOWING: Art Goldsworthy & Brad Mueller

Week Beginning August 2, 2026

AV: Darran & Ava Lynch
ACOLYTE: Damon Lynch
GREETERS: Debbie Sillanpaa & Sue Peterson
USHERS: Sherre Faulkner & Kathy Leahy
READER: Sue Peterson
COMM ASST: Pam Novotnak
COUNTERS: David Baird & Dorothy Bush
LAWN MOWING: Darran Landenberger & David Lynch

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

Fill the Bags - The local food pantry needs your help to continue providing for the hungry in our community. You can drop off your food donations in the church narthex or outside the church office at Prince of Peace.

The Old Stone Pantry currently is asking for:

canned fruit	applesauce
Ramen noodles	canned soup
canned pasta	chili
condiments	granola bars

Like Plants? - The spider plants in the sanctuary are looking for a good home. Feel free to take one (or more). Thank you.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance on 7/12/2026: 35

Received last week: \$4,238

Happy Birthday!

7/22 - Andrew Wallace

7/25 - John Peterson

Happy Anniversary!

7/23 - David and Amy Lynch

L: I will hasten and not delay to obey your commands.

C: **Though the wicked bind me with ropes, I will not forget your law.**

L: At midnight I rise to give you thanks for your righteous laws.

C: **I am a friend to all who fear you, to all who follow your precepts.**

L: The earth is filled with your love, Lord;

C: **teach me your decrees.**

SECOND READING: Romans 8:18-27 (pp. 916-917)

(Please rise.)

GOSPEL TEXT: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 (pp. 794-795)

(Please be seated.)

THE MESSAGE

(Please rise.)

HYMN OF THE DAY:

“Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast” (LBW #234)

PEACE:

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

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

(Please be seated.)

OFFERTORY: “Thy Word”

(Please rise.)

THE PRAYERS (LBW pp. 129-130)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER: (LBW p. 130)

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

(Please be seated.)

DISTRIBUTION OF 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.)*

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION SONG:

"Blessed Assurance" (WOV #699)

(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

THE BLESSING:

P: The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make his face shine on us and be gracious to us. The Lord look upon us with favor and give us peace.

C: Amen

HYMN: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" (WOV #771)

DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.