



PRINCE OF PEACE
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Third Sunday of Advent

December 14 & 15, 2024



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Luke 3:16

WELCOME TO PRINCE OF PEACE



Prince of Peace Lutheran Church has been serving the Dublin, Ohio community for 39 years, ministering to its members and friends and supporting local ministries such as the Dublin Food Pantry, Lutheran Social Services, Faith Mission, and Habitat for Humanity.

Prince of Peace is part of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). The ELCA pursues God's work in the world with 3 million members in more than 8700 congregations across the U.S. and in the Caribbean region. The ELCA works with Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran World Relief, Lutheran Immigration Refugee Services, Lutheran World Federation, World Council of Churches, schools and colleges, seminaries, camps, ecumenical and interreligious companions, as well as numerous global church partners and organizations.

Please visit our website, princeofpeacedublin.org, for more information about Prince of Peace.

Joining Prince of Peace

If you are interested in becoming a member of Prince of Peace, please email the church office, office@princeofpeacedublin.org, for more information. Our next new member weekend is February 1 & 2, 2025.

Please note that Sunday's 10:30 AM worship service is broadcast live on YouTube, recorded and made publicly available. If you have any questions about the recording or broadcast of our worship services, please contact the church office at office@princeofpeacedublin.org.

*Proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ
and welcoming all to grow with us in God's love through
worship, learning, service, and fellowship.*



SCAN
to read this
week's
newsletter
Peace Signs

GATHERING

Bolded text indicates Congregational response. This symbol ✠ invites you to make the sign of the cross in remembrance of your baptism. All hymns are found in the ELW (red hymnal) in the pew, unless printed in the bulletin.

PRELUDE

An Advent Meditation

David Lasky

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Presider: Blessed be God, Father, Son, ✠ and Holy Spirit, who alone does wondrous things.

All: Blessed be God's name forever. Amen.

Presider: Beloved, now is the time to wake from sleep. Let us confront our sins, and confess them to the one who is merciful and just.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of new beginnings,

All: we confess that we have not welcomed your holy reign. We have strayed from your paths. We prepare for war instead of peace. We dishonor one another and your creation. Purify us with your refining fire and set us again on your way of love, that we may bear fruit worthy of repentance, and welcome your coming among us. Amen.

Presider: People of God, a new thing is growing in our midst, a tender branch, a living sign. By water and the Spirit you are joined to this wonder. You have put on ✠ Christ, and your sins have been washed away. Rejoice in the way of the Lord.

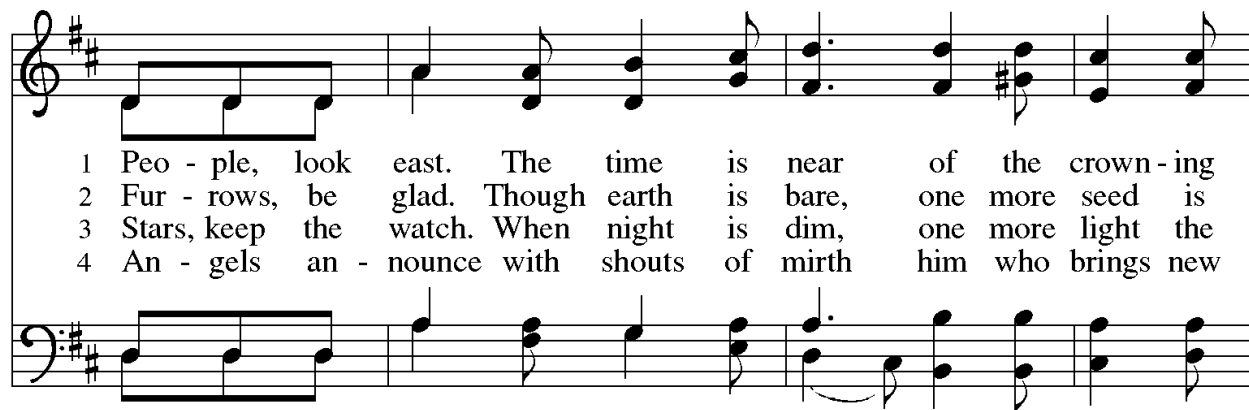
All: Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN

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People, Look East

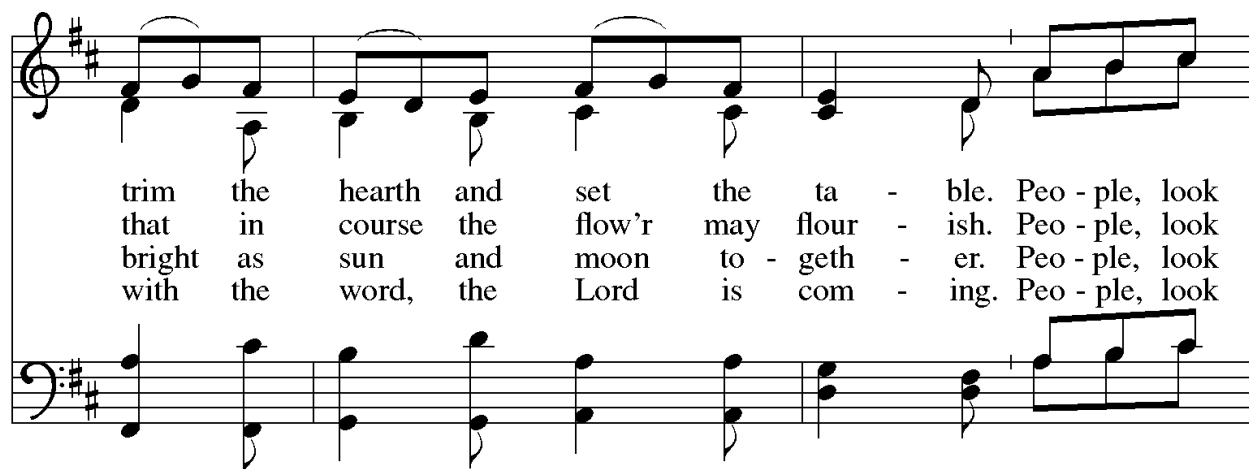
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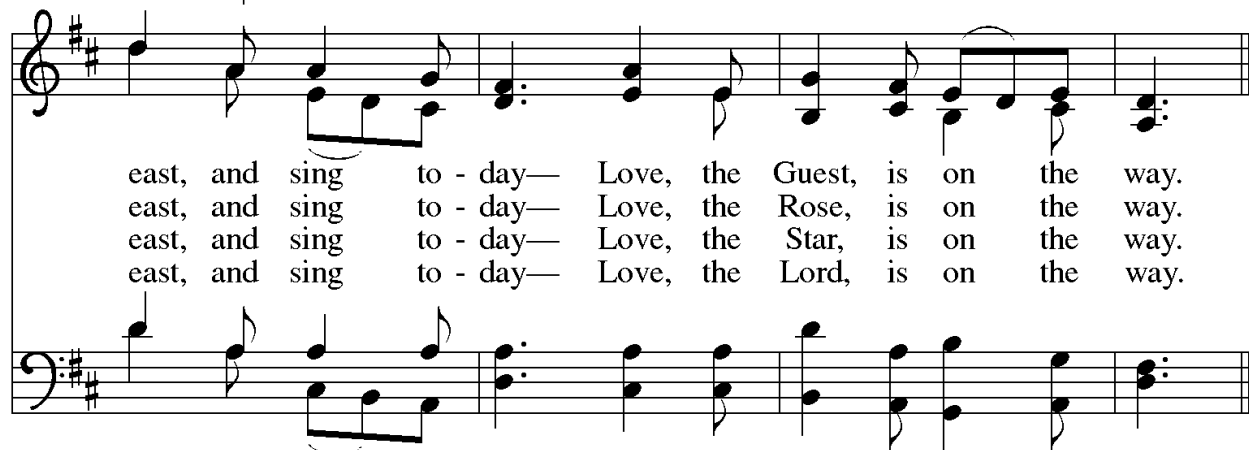
1 Peo - ple, look east. The time is near of the crown - ing
2 Fur - rows, be glad. Though earth is bare, one more seed is
3 Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim, one more light the
4 An - gels an - nounce with shouts of mirth him who brings new



of the year. Make your house fair as you are a - ble,
plant - ed there. Give up your strength the seed to nour - ish,
bowl shall brim, shin - ing be - yond the frost - y weath - er,
life to earth. Set ev - 'ry peak and val - ley hum - ming



trim the hearth and set the ta - ble. Peo - ple, look
that in course the flow'r may flour - ish. Peo - ple, look
bright as sun and moon to - geth - er. Peo - ple, look
with the word, the Lord is com - ing. Peo - ple, look



east, and sing to - day— Love, the Guest, is on the way.
east, and sing to - day— Love, the Rose, is on the way.
east, and sing to - day— Love, the Star, is on the way.
east, and sing to - day— Love, the Lord, is on the way.

THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

All: And also with you.

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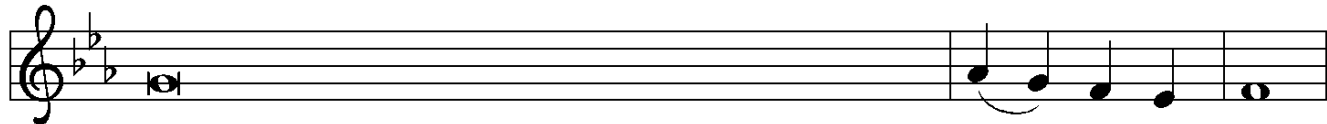
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In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



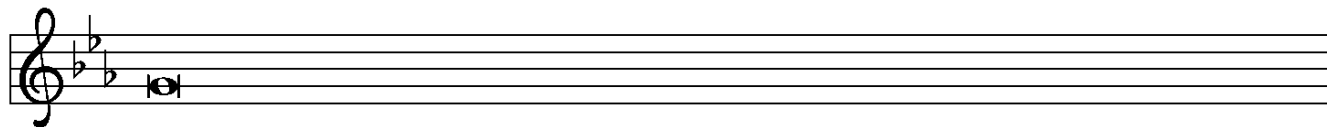
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



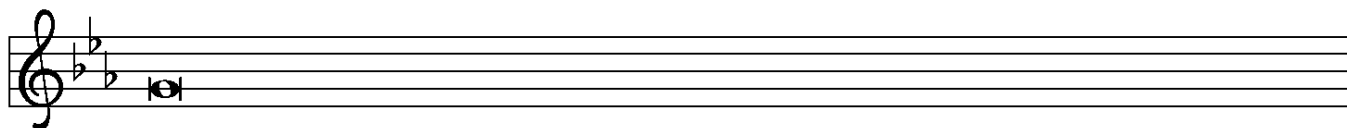
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



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



Lord, have mer - cy.



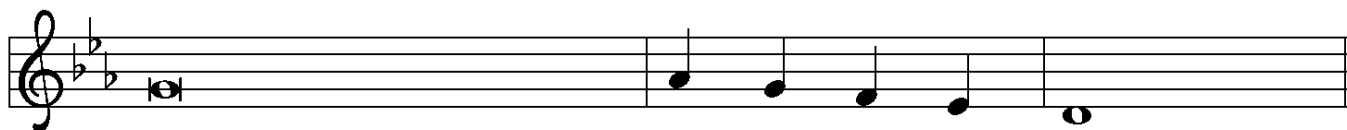
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mercy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



A - men, a - men.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

HYMN

ACS 902

Come Now, O God

LOST IN THE NIGHT



Come, put an end to our self - serv - ing mad - ness.



Come, while the world is en - shroud - ed in sad - ness.



Come, turn our tears of our mourn - ing to glad - ness.



Come, Em - man - u - el. Come, Em - man - u - el.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Presider: Stir up the wills of your faithful people, Lord God, and open our ears to the preaching of John, that, rejoicing in your salvation, we may bring forth the fruits of repentance; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: Amen.

WORD

FIRST LESSON

Zephaniah 3:14-20

¹⁴ Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! ¹⁵ The Lord has taken away the judgments against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more. ¹⁶ On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak. ¹⁷ The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing ¹⁸ as on a day of festival. I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it. ¹⁹ I will deal with all your oppressors at that time. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast, and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth. ²⁰ At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the Lord.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

OLD TESTAMENT RESPONSE

Isaiah 12:2-6

Surely God Is My Salvation

YISRAEL V'ORAITA



1 Sure - ly God is my sal - va - tion,
2 Thus with joy you shall draw wa - ter
3 Tell the na - tions of God's glo - ry,



I will trust and shall not fear. God the Lord is
from sal - va - tion's wells and springs. Sing your thanks to
make this known in all the earth. Praise the Lord, the



strong and might - y, my sal - va - tion true.
God Al - might - y for these won - drous deeds.
God of Is - rael, call up - on God's name.

Refrain



Shout a-loud and sing for joy, O daugh-ter Zi - on!

Sing ho-san - na!



Great in your midst is the Lord, the Ho - ly One!



Shout a-loud and sing for joy, O daugh-ter Zi - on!



Great in your midst is the Lord, the Ho - ly One!

SECOND LESSON

Philippians 4:4-7


⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Cantor: I am sending my messenger before you, who will prepare your way before you.

(Matthew 11:10)

Repeat Alleluia.

GOSPEL

Luke 3:7-18

Preacher: The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

⁷John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. ⁹Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.”

¹⁰And the crowds asked him, “What then should we do?” ¹¹In reply he said to them, “Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise.” ¹²Even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, “Teacher, what should we do?” ¹³He said to them, “Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you.” ¹⁴Soldiers also asked him, “And we, what should we do?” He said to them, “Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages.”

¹⁵As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶John answered all of them by saying, “I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

¹⁸So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

Preacher: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

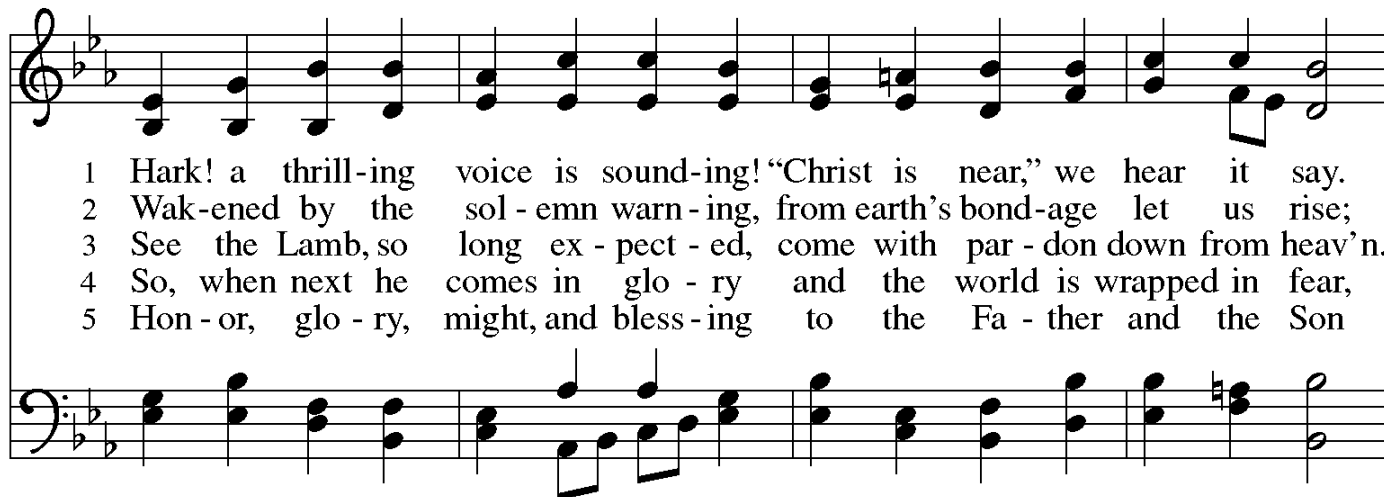
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HYMN OF THE DAY

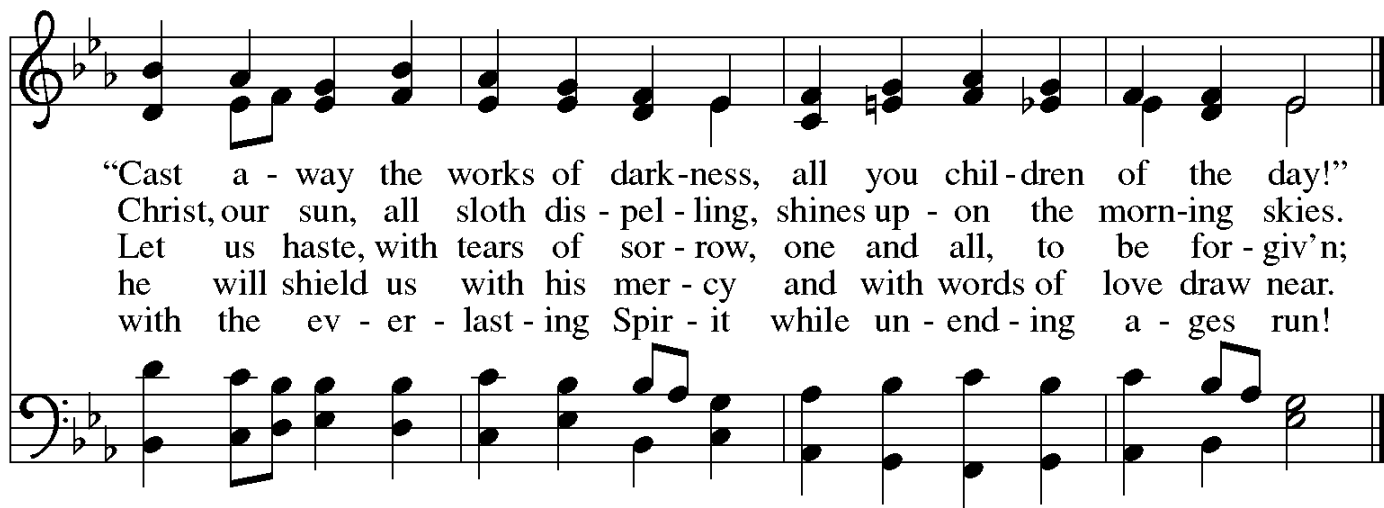
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Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding!

MERTON



1 Hark! a thrill-ing voice is sound-ing! "Christ is near," we hear it say.
2 Wak-ened by the sol - emn warn - ing, from earth's bond-age let us rise;
3 See the Lamb, so long ex - spect - ed, come with par - don down from heav'n.
4 So, when next he comes in glo - ry and the world is wrapped in fear,
5 Hon - or, glo - ry, might, and bless - ing to the Fa - ther and the Son



"Cast a - way the works of dark-ness, all you chil-dren of the day!"
Christ, our sun, all sloth dis - pel - ling, shines up - on the morn-ing skies.
Let us haste, with tears of sor - row, one and all, to be for - giv'n;
he will shield us with his mer - cy and with words of love draw near.
with the ev - er - last - ing Spir - it while un - end - ing a - ges run!

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.

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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Assisting

Minister: As we wait with joyful hope for Christ, let us pray for the world, the church, and those needing God's presence.

Silence for reflection

Merciful God, there is much pain in the world. Be with your creation in the wake of devastation from storms, wind, and other disasters. Hear our cries out to you.

God of joy, **Hear our prayer.**

Loving God, be with your people. Encourage us to live according to your Word and love the world. Inspire leaders to make decisions that will care for your people.

God of joy, **Hear our prayer.**

Compassionate God, be with the people of Prince of Peace. Encourage us to love one another and welcome new people with open arms. Inspire us to live into your Word in all that we do in Dublin, our communities, and around the world.

God of joy, **Hear our prayer.**

Present God, hear the cries of your people. We have prayers on our hearts that we lift to you now, silently or aloud. Be with those grieving during this season of festivity and remind them that your love surrounds them every moment.

God of joy, **Hear our prayer.**

Trusting in God's eternal promise of forgiveness, we lift these prayers to you, O God, in the season of anticipation and waiting. We pray this in your name.

All: Amen.

PEACE

Presider: The peace of Christ be with you always.

All: And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEAL

OFFERING

At Prince of Peace, we rely on our members to support the financial needs of our congregation. As a visitor, please know that your offerings will go outside of our church to support a variety of local missions that help people in need.

Today's flowers are given by Ed and Lynn Scheiderer, in celebration of their wedding anniversary; and by Bob and Kay Crosby, in memory of their daughter Shelley Purks' birthday.

MUSICAL OFFERING

(5:30 PM)	Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus Evan Lloyd, soloist	Timothy Shaw
(9:00 AM)	Let Every Heart Prepare a Throne Katie Bretz, soloist	Mark Patterson
(10:30 AM)	Climb to the Top of the Highest Mountain Prince of Peace Choir	Carolyn Jennings

OFFERTORY HYMN What Feast of Love

GREENSLEEVES



What feast of love is of - fered here, what ban - quet come from heav - en?



What food of ev - er - last - ing life, what gra - cious gift is giv - en?



This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heav - en.



Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the man - na giv - en!

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

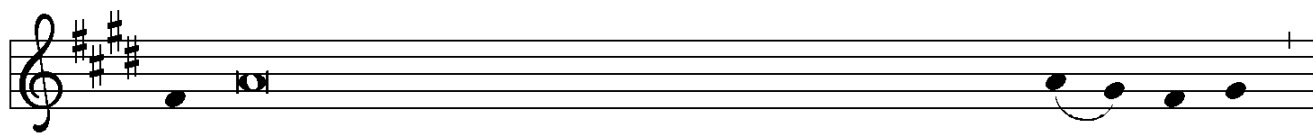
All: We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

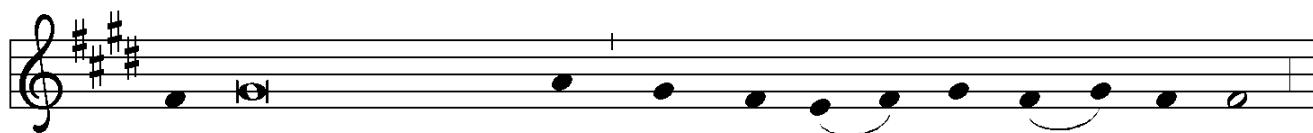
All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.



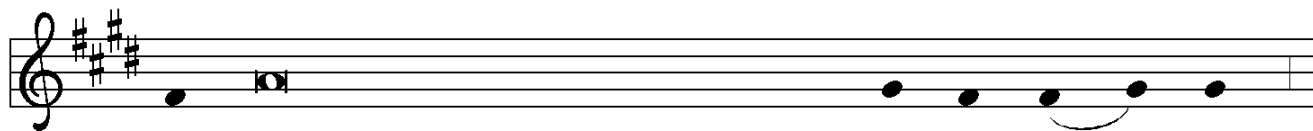
It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,



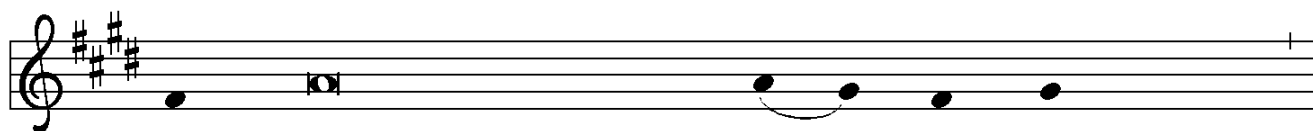
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,



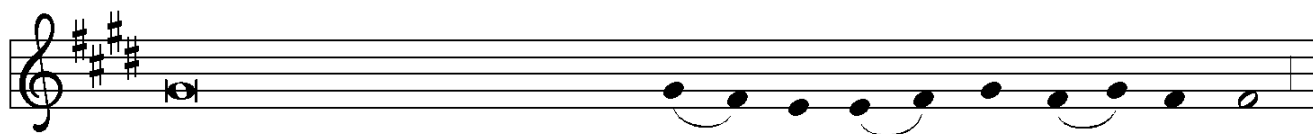
al - mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ.



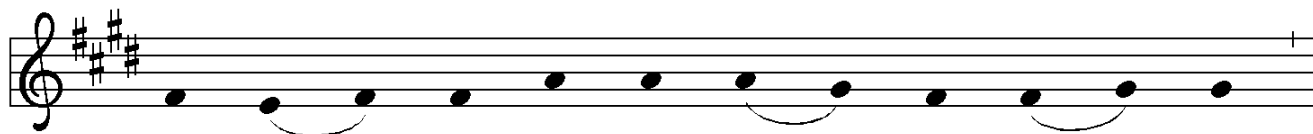
You comforted your people with the promise of the Re - deem - er,



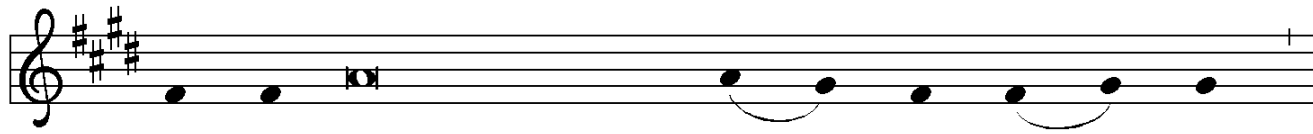
through whom you will also make all things new



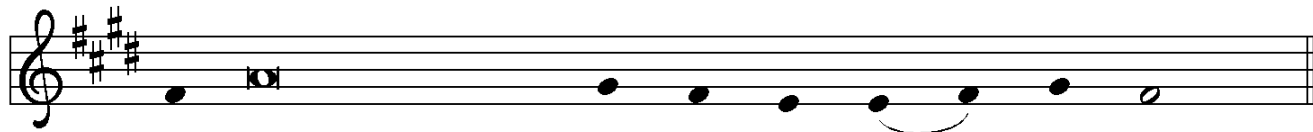
in the day when he comes to judge the world in righ - teous-ness.



And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,



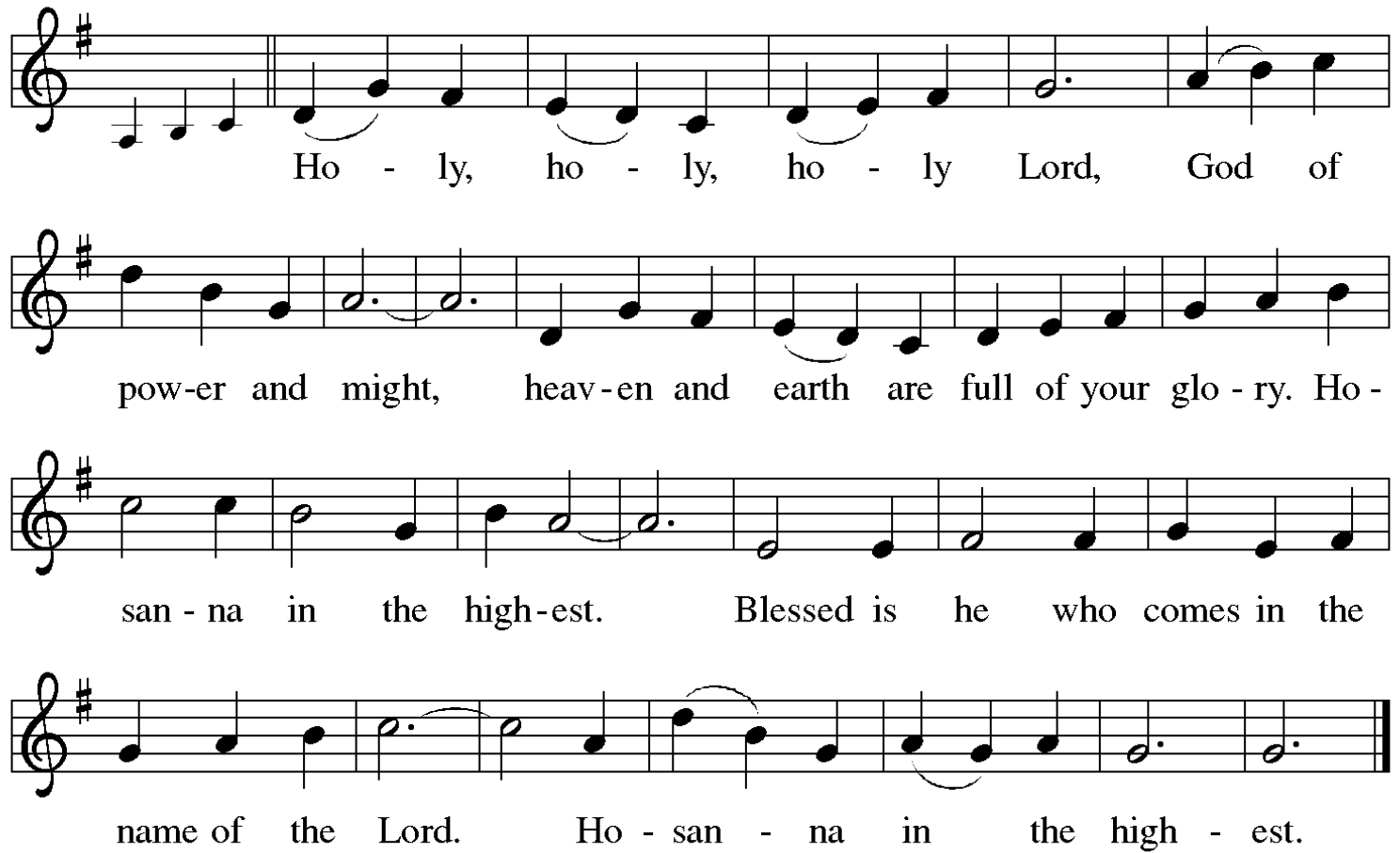
with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,



we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Presider: Holy God, the Beginning and the End,
our Salvation and our Hope,
we praise you for creating a world of order and beauty.

When we brought on chaos, cruelty and despair,
you sent the prophets to proclaim your justice and mercy.

At this end of the ages your Son Jesus came to bring us your love
and to heal all the suffering world.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread,
and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples,
saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper,
he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink,
saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his life, death, and resurrection, we await his
coming again in righteousness and peace.

Send your Spirit on us and on this bread and wine we share: strengthen
our faith, increase our hope, and bring to birth the justice and joy of
your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the
Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

All: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

THE DISTRIBUTION

*All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.
Please ask your server.*

(10:30 AM)

HYMN DURING COMMUNION

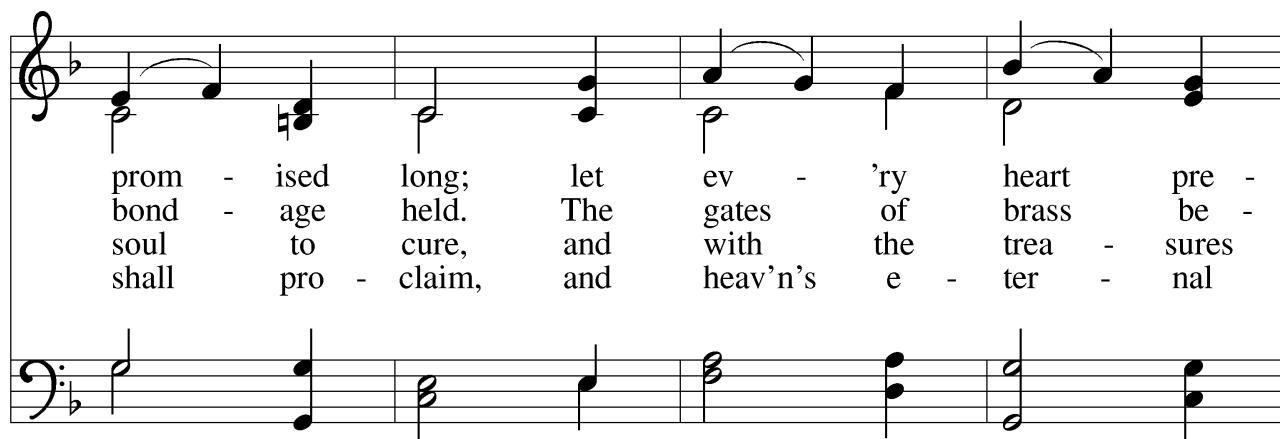
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Hark, the Glad Sound


CHESTERFIELD



1 Hark, the glad sound! The Sav - ior comes, the Sav - ior
2 He comes the pris - 'ners to re - lease, in Sa - tan's
3 He comes the bro - ken heart to bind, the bleed - ing
4 Our glad ho - san - nas, Prince of peace, your wel - come



prom - ised long; let ev - 'ry heart pre -
bond - age held. The gates of brass be -
soul to cure, and with the trea - sures
shall pro - claim, and heav'n's e - ter - nal



pare a throne and ev - 'ry voice a song.
fore him burst, the i - ron fet - ters yield.
of his grace to en - rich the hum - ble poor.
arch - es ring with your be - lov - ed name.

SENDING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Assisting

Minister: 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.

All: Amen.

(5:30 PM & 9:00 AM)

BENEDICTION

Presider: God of endings and beginnings, God in the darkness and the light, God,
our hope for the journey, ✠ bless and keep you now and forever.

All: Amen.

(10:30 AM)

CHORAL BENEDICTION

The Lord Bless You
Prince of Peace Choir

E. Fred Morris

SENDING HYMN

Joy to the World

ELW 267

ANTIOCH

1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re -
2 Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let all their
3 No more let sin, and sor - row grow nor thorns in -
4 He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the

ceive her king; let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him
songs em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and
fest the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings
na - tions prove the glo - ries of his righ - teous -

room and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture
plains re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing
flow far as the curse is found, far as the curse is
ness and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his
and heav'n and na - ture sing, and

sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
found, far as, far as the curse is found.
love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.
heav'n and na - ture sing,

DISMISSAL

Assisting

Minister: Go in peace. Prepare the way for Emmanuel.

All: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

(5:30 PM & 9:00 AM)

Joy to the World

Michael Burkhardt

(10:30 AM)

Improvisation on Joy to the World

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The weary world
Rejoices!



Sunday, December 15
4:00 p.m.

Choir and orchestra join to tell the timeless story

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There is no admission charge, however a free-will offering will be received.

Celebrate Christmas

at Prince of Peace

Christmas Eve

Tuesday, December 24

Family Services
2:30 pm and 4 pm

Festival Candlelight Services
Brass & Full Choir
6 and 8 pm*

Candlelight Christ Mass
Strings & Chamber Choir
10 pm

Christmas Day

Wednesday, December 25
10 am

ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP

Third Sunday of Advent

December 14 & 15, 2024

	Saturday, 5:30 PM	Sunday, 9:00 AM	Sunday, 10:30 AM
Front Door Greeter		Gavin Mehl	Linda Bossee Mike Bosse
Back Door Greeter		Shannon Harrison	Matt Baker
Assisting Minister	Linda Dreier	Matt Ludwig	Maddie Zechman
Lector	LECTOR	Andrew Pohlmann	Dave Mayer
Communion Server		Brian Golden Mitch Huber	Brent McCoy Karen Nevergall
Altar Care	ALTAR CARE	Cyndi Flowers Kathy Liebisch Gayle Schuett	Pam Mayer Jennifer Schiller
Head Usher	Tony Smith	HEAD USHER	Bill Mackensen
Usher	Valarie Holloway	Sally Anspach Tonia Kennedy Brad Mehl	Chris Bisesi Mike Kreider Payton Long
Acolyte	Drake Brenning Lizzy Patel Nick Zanjani ACOLYTE	Max Huber Alana Kirkpatrick Colin Kirkpatrick ACOLYTE	Liam Bisesi Owen Hensel Everett Schiller Nora Schiller
Nursery Room #2		Rory Moncrief	Hadley Stredney
A/V Producer			Eliza Jefferson
Offering Depositor			Chris Joos
Welcome Center	Jeff Reidman		
Prayer Writer	Vicar Jennie White		
Altar Linens	Karen Berkman		
POP's Cafe	Senior High Youth		

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