

Prince of Peace Episcopal Church



April 21, 2024

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

We welcome you to Prince of Peace Episcopal Church. We are blessed that you have chosen this community as your place of worship this morning. If you do not have a regular church family, we invite you to make Prince of Peace your spiritual home.

“He has risen as He said; don’t seek the living among the dead.” This instruction and good advice properly applies to Jesus and then to the saved. Sadly, we often get it wrong as we, in our negativity, seek the dead among the living and try to keep them that way. Even worse, we seem driven to seek the dead among the dead and are distressed when they are what we find. Our Easter job is *indeed* to seek the dead, in order to bring them the message that brings them life. Rejoice! He *is* Risen!!

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Mission Statement

*Prince of Peace Episcopal Church is called to know,
love and serve Jesus as Savior and Lord, to share
His healing and transformation with all people.*

FOR VISITORS: Consider yourself our guest. Please do not feel obligated to give an offering. We invite you to fill out a Visitor Card, found in the pew rack, and place it in the collection plate. Please join us for coffee on the patio after the service.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY: Welcome to children in Nursery, Preschool and Kindergarten to Grade 5. Lil' Lambs Nursery is open every Sunday at 10am providing loving care for children up to age 3. A children's area is available in the Chapel and activity bags are available for children in the Narthex (church entrance). Sunday School for Children in Preschool meets in the Preschool Room. Kindergarten to Grade 5 meets in The Reasoner Family Center.

YOUTH MINISTRY invites Middle School and High School students to join in fellowship with Christian friends and learn more about God while being in a safe environment.

HOLY COMMUNION: All persons who are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit are welcome and encouraged to receive Communion. The ushers will direct you. The wafer will be placed in your hand. Gluten free wafers are available as well. Wine is offered in the common cup. You may receive the wine either by intinction (bread will be dipped in the wine and placed in your mouth) or by drinking from the chalice. If you do not wish to receive communion, we encourage you to come forward for a blessing. Crossing your arms over your chest will indicate that you wish to receive a blessing only. Communion is celebrated weekly: Wednesdays at 8am and Sundays at 8am and 10am.

PASTORAL CARE: If you or someone you know has a pastoral need, please contact the church office at (818) 346-6968.

PRAYER REQUEST slips (yellow) and Thanksgiving and Praise slips (blue) are in the pew racks. You are invited to place completed cards in the collection plate.

HEALING MINISTRY welcomes those seeking healing of body, mind or spirit to come to the Chapel for prayer at the conclusion of the weekly 8am and 10am Sunday services.

Call To Worship and Pealing of the Bells

Sing a High and Holy Hymn

Opening Hymn

Christ is made the sure foundation

#518

Alt tune #368

Priest: Alleluia, Christ is Risen!

People: The Lord is Risen indeed. Alleluia!

Priest: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Hymn of Praise

This is the Feast

#417

Antiphon

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our
 God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, a - le - lu - ia.

Verse

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
 blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
 hon - or - bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

The Lesson

Acts 4: 5 - 12

Pew Bible page 994

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

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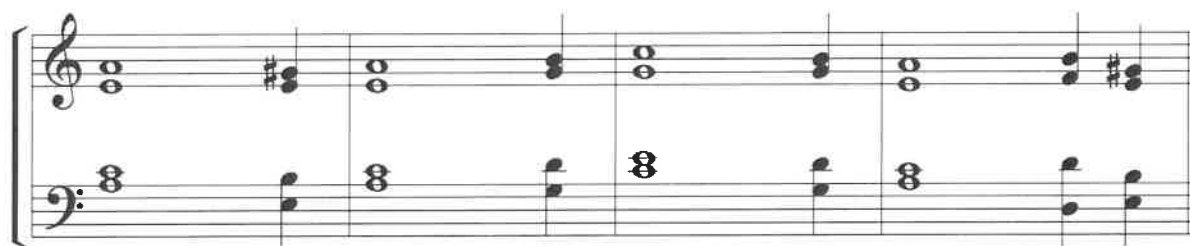


Christ is a - ris - en, Christ is a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia;



Christ is a - ris - en, Christ is a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia;

PSALM



¹The Lord is my / shepherd; *

I shall not be in / want.

²He makes me lie down in green / pastures *

And leads me beside / still waters.

³He revives my / soul *

And guides me along right pathways for his / Name's sake.

⁴Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no / evil; *

For you are with me; your rod and your staff, / they comfort me.

⁵You spread a table before me in the presence of those who / trouble me; *

You have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running / over.

⁶Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my / life, *

And I will dwell in the house of the Lord / for ever.

Epistle

1 John 3: 16 – 24

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Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn

The Lord my God my shepherd is

#663

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: *(singing)*



The Gospel

John 10: 11 - 18

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *(singing)*



As the procession returns, the organ plays the verse, the congregation then sings:



The Sermon

The Reverend George Packer+

Earliest Creed of the Christian Church

Priest: The Spirit of Truth leads us into all truth, giving us grace to confess:

People: Jesus is Lord. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: In the power of the Resurrection, let us pray to the Lord.

Grant that your Church may respond with joyful eagerness to the vision of her risen Lord...Empower her ministers to feed your sheep, and bless all Christian people with grace to follow Christ.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for the world where so many are not fed in body or spirit...Grant that all people may come to know the Lord who is calling them to his side.

Leader: We pray, O God of Peace, that you would kindle in every heart the true love of peace; guide with your wisdom those who make decisions for the nations; and establish peace among the peoples of the earth.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: As we give thanks for the mercy that fills our daily needs, we pray that we shall remember the needs of others and be generous in giving help...Help us to love our Lord with all our hearts and to live our lives in fellowship with him.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for all who are disappointed after much striving that has ended in failure...Give them new hope and purpose in their lives...Be merciful to those who have lost the love they once knew, and bring them back into the fold.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Receive the souls of the faithfully departed...Gather them into the fold of the redeemed, into the company of the heavenly feast.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

(The congregation is encouraged to add their prayers silently or aloud)

Leader: We pray in the name of Christ, who calls us to himself as his children.

People: Amen

The Peace

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

People: And also with you.

Announcements

Offertory Anthem My shepherd will supply my need Quartet

Doxology *(As the offerings are brought to the altar, please stand and sing.)*



All praise be thine, O ris - en Lord, from death to end - less



life re - stored; all praise to God the Fa - ther be, and Ho - ly Ghost e -



ter - nal - ly. Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris - en!_____

The Holy Communion

Priest: The Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Passover Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name:

Holy, Holy, Holy

Timpani Mass

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and common time. The lyrics are: Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord. God of pow'r and might; hea-ven and earth are full, 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.

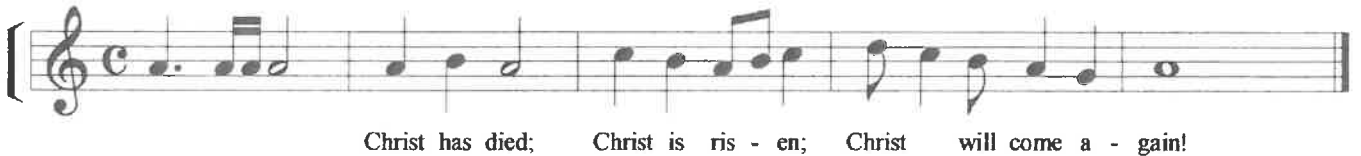
Please kneel as you are able.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:



We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

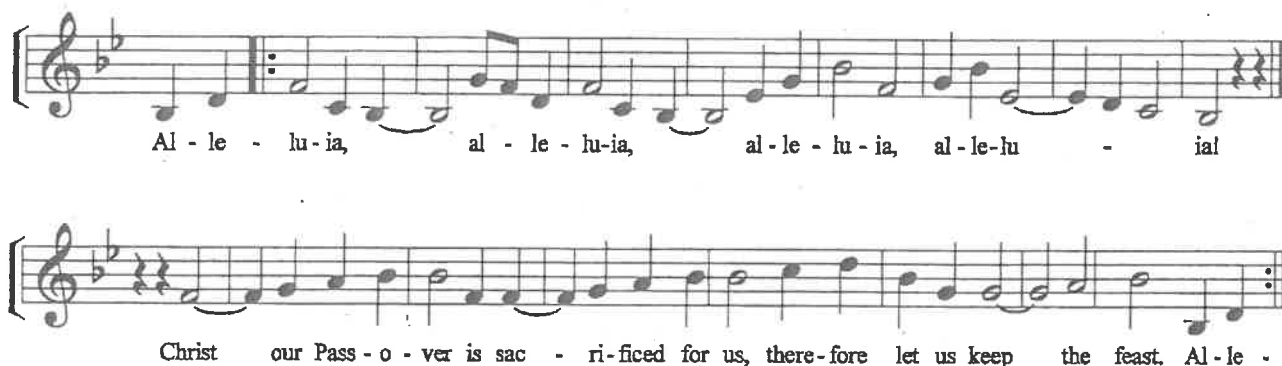
Breaking of the Bread

Priest: Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the bread

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Fraction Anthem

Hampton Alleluia



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

Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us, there - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le -

Communion Music

Organ Voluntary

Post Communion Hymn

Savior like a shepherd lead us

#708

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Easter Blessing

The God of Peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant; make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you this day and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

To God with gladness sing Alt tune #625

#399

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia

Postlude

Improvisation

Healing Ministry – Those who are seeking healing of body, mind or spirit are invited to come to the Chapel for prayer.

Worship and Discipleship

ECW WOMEN'S RETREAT: THIS Saturday, April 27, 2024 - 9 am - 2 pm

Lunch included - cost \$25.00 in the Reasoner Family Center. Our speaker is Allison Sain, Religion Teacher at La Reina School. This is a “day away” that the women of our church have annually found to be inspirational and empowering. Plan to spend half a day with the women of Prince of Peace! Sign up on the patio following each service or call/email the office to reserve your spot!

SUNDAY MORNING WITH THE PASTORS April 28 at 9 am in the Guild Room Fr. Brian and Fr. Rand will have “office hours” to hear your ideas, to field your curiosity questions, and to share things that are happening around the parish. We are hoping to make this a regular event.

World Labyrinth Day: is Saturday, May 4th at 12:30 at Prince of Peace. Our official walk together is scheduled for 12:30pm but you are welcome to walk the labyrinth any time. For more information please contact Chantel Zimmerman at Chantel@artandsoulla.com or Joan Floyd at Joanfloyd@gmail.com.

It's KARAOKE time! The ECW is once again hosting karaoke night with KIKI Karaoke, and we don't want you to miss this one, so SAVE THE DATE! Join us on **Saturday, May 4th from 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.** for a night of music, fun, and fellowship! Warm up your vocal chords, or come to encourage our singers. Drinks and some snacks will be available for purchase. **Children welcome.** RSVP to pcrawford0143@yahoo.com, 818-602-7984, or sign up at church.

CELTIC WORSHIP May 12th **Worship 10 am.** We will celebrate an important part of our Anglican Christian spiritual heritage as we remember our connections with Stint's Patrick, Aiden, and Brigit and worship with Celtic style music (strings and pipes will be used) and pray ancient Celtic liturgy in our morning liturgy.

Pentecost Service: May 19th Do you speak/ read a language other than English? Would you like to be a part of reading the Acts 2 passage in your native tongue as a part of the Pentecost Service May 19th? If so, please contact Fr. Rand and he can share you more information. rector@popwh.org.

Across the US and Around the World is the theme of this year's Pentecost brunch. It will be held following the **10 am service on May 19th** in the Reasoner Family Center. We're inviting everyone to bring a favorite food that represents their city, state, or country. This is always a fun time to try out new food, enjoy old favorites, and fellowship together! Email Becky Wray at bbaileywray@aol.com if you would like to bring a dish.

Next Baptism: is scheduled for **June 2nd**. If you, or someone you know is considering Baptism, please contact the office or one of the priests. Everyone is welcome!

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY: In Sunday School Route 66, we are focusing on the Gospels and getting ready to move to Acts next week! This Sunday, will hear more stories about Jesus appearing to his disciples after his resurrection. This time we will have breakfast with Jesus by the Lake of Galilee and listen to him ask, “Do you love me?” **WITNESS** is our word for the week.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL is on JULY 8 – 12, 9 – noon with optional Afternoon Camp until 3:30pm. Register now for **SCUBA: Diving into Friendship with God**. Space is limited! This is for entering Kindergarten to 5th grade. We have lots of Volunteer Opportunities for Adults and Youth too! Do you have sea stuff animals you can lend us? Please contact Alma Fountain family@popwh.org if you have any questions or interested in help us prepare for this important Children and Families Ministry program. See Happenings or Alma for forms!

Service

Scouts Pancake Breakfast: Our own Troop 22 is making breakfast for us! The date is **Sunday, May 5**, the price is \$8 per person from 8am to noon. Plan to enjoy a full pancake breakfast including sausage, coffee, hot chocolate, fresh fruit, and juice before or after services and support our troop!

Stamp Out Hunger: The Letter Carriers’ Food Drive Sorting in the PoP parking lot will be on **Saturday, May 18th**. Volunteers are needed that day from 10-1pm to sort the food once it arrives at POP. For more information, contact Debbie Decker at foodpantry@popwh.org.

CALENDAR

Sunday:	April 21 – Easter 4 8 and 10am Eucharist 10am Nursery 10am K-5 in RFC
Monday:	April 22 11-2 Quilters in RFC 6:30 Vestry
Wednesday	April 24 8am Eucharist in the Chapel Continental Breakfast in RFC
Saturday:	April 27 10am Tai Chi/Qigong 9-2pm ECW Retreat in RFC
Sunday:	April 28 – Easter 5 8 and 10am Eucharist 10am Nursery 10am K-5 in RFC 10am Youth in RFC

Looking Ahead

- May 4** World Labyrinth Day 12:30pm
walk with us!
ECW Karaoke Night 6pm
- May 5** Blood Pressure Screening
Scouts' Pancake Breakfast
- May 12** Mother's Day/Cotemporary
Celtic Service
- May 18** Postal Worker's Food Sorting
In PoP parking lot
- May 19** **Pentecost: 65th Anniversary!**
Across the USA and Around the
World: Brunch

Music for Next Week

- #47 On this day the first of days
#392 Come we that love the Lord
#487 Come my way my truth my life
#296 We know that Christ is raised

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

CELEBRANT	8am: Steve Dean+ 10am: Brian Tucker+
MUSIC DIR.	Boude Moore
BELLS	Jeremy Boberg
8am	
CHALICE	David Tong
USHERS	Aaron Hemmings Larry Totter
HEALING PRAYER	Dorrie and Steve Dean+
10am	
CHALICE	Stephanie Kren, David Tong
USHERS	Stu Finke, Mahala Jory Josh Stambaugh, Roya Muniz
LECTORS	Simon Frost Nancy Porter
QUARTET	Gary Palmquist Maurine Perkins Matte Wicklin Patricia Childs Birdsall
ALTAR GUILD	Diana Kajabago Lydia Lee-Chin Katie Palmquist Sandi Totter Pat Workman
CLERGY PRAYER/ PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE	Richard Muniz Kathryn Reasoner
COFFEE	Neria Arinda
FILMING Cameras Director	Daniel Wirkkala David Wirkkala
HEALING PRAYER	Marc Miller Ginny Kreuzberger
WELCOME MINISTRY	Bill Rockwood Dennis Bartz
MOTION PICTURE MINISTRY	George Packer+ Christine Lehman

Readings for Next Week

- Acts 8: 26 – 40, Psalm 22: 24 -30**
1 John 4: 7 – 21, John 15: 1 - 8