

Prince of Peace Episcopal Church



March 17, 2024 - Lent 5

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.

Each year the Church invites us to the observance of a holy Lent. For six weeks we are encouraged to take a long, loving look into our own lives, reflecting on our values and priorities, and on God's desires for us. The Prayer Book speaks of self-examination and repentance, of prayer and fasting, and of meditating on God's holy Word. How these various spiritual practices, or others we might name, will fit into, and speak into, each of our lives is a personal question. So Lent is an opportunity to be creative about our own spiritual growth. If you need some ideas for your Lenten observance, asking God to inspire you is a good place to start!

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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.

To show reverence to God, and in consideration of all who are worshiping today, please turn off all cell phones.

Tolling of the Bells and Call to Worship

(The Congregation gathers in silence)

Priest: Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace. Encourage us by the presence of your Holy Spirit. As we gather to hear your Word and celebrate the meal you have called us to, may we be your light to point the world toward you, and your salt to bring your flavor to the earth.

Opening Hymn Lord who throughout these forty days #142

Priest: Jesus said, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

(Please kneel)

People: Merciful God, we have sinned in what we have thought and said, in the wrong we have done and in the good we have not done. We have sinned in ignorance: We have sinned in weakness: We have sinned through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you. Forgive us for our Savior Jesus Christ's sake, and renew our lives to the glory of your name. Amen.

Priest: Through the cross of Christ, God have mercy on you, pardon you and set you free. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life.

Kyrie

Mathias Mass

Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer-cy.

Christ, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - - - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy.

Collect of the Day

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson**Isaiah 52: 13 - 53:12****Pew Bible Page 669**

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

(A period of silence is observed.)

Gospel Hymn**O love of God****#455**

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

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Gospel**John 11: 1 - 45**

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Message**The Rev. Onesmus Tayebwa+****Apostles' Creed**

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 to the dead. 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.

Prayers of the People

Leader: God of Life, we lift our voices to you in prayer for our needs and those of others, saying: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for your Church, that we may be renewed and restored by our journey through Lent. Teach us the meaning of true repentance and fill us with a generosity of spirit that leads us to forgive others as you forgive us, and to love others as you love us. Lord in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Eternal God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, no strength known but the strength of love: We pray for the people and places afflicted with warfare and violence, and especially for the peace of Israel and Palestine. So mightily spread abroad your Spirit, that all peoples may be gathered under the banner of the Prince of Peace, as children of one Father. Lord in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: God who opens the eyes of the blind, so too open the hearts of all who bear responsibility to lead and govern this nation, and all the nations. Give them clarity to see the needs of the people under their rule, and the courage to work diligently for the welfare all, that we might live and prosper in peace. Lord in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Lord, just as you made your presence known to the Samaritan woman at the well, we pray you would be present in your goodness with all who carry the cross of hunger, fear, injustice, or any kind of trouble. Come to their aid, we pray, and give them hope. And strengthen us to serve you by serving those most in need of your loving care. Lord in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: God who heals: We pray for all who are sick or suffering in body, mind or spirit. (*Silence*). Touch them that they would know your healing presence and would be enabled to live lives of wholeness and abundance. Lord in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for those who have died. (*Silence*) As you raised your servant Lazarus to new life in you, raise them up also into the eternal light of your glory. Lord in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We thank you for all the blessings of this life. Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

The Peace

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

People: And also with you.

Offertory Anthem

I AM the resurrection

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

**Grant, O thou blessed Trinity; Grant, O unchanging Unity;
that this our fast of forty days may work our profit and thy praise!**

The Holy Communion

Priest: The Lord be 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 him thanks and praise.

Priest: God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.
By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.
Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.
By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

Mathias Mass



(Please kneel as you are able)

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, and Jacob, Leah, and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **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.

The Breaking of the Bread

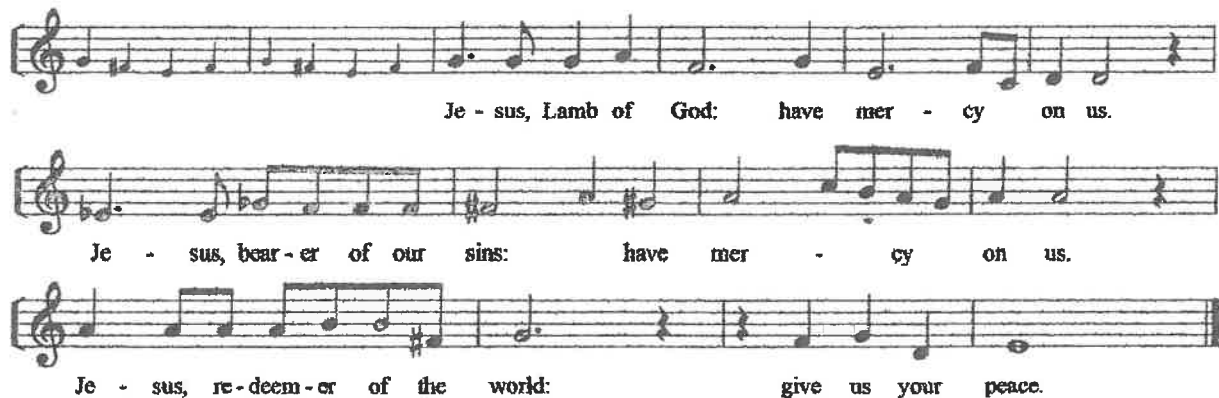
Priest: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

Priest: The gifts of God for the People of God.

FRACTION ANTHEM

Mathias Mass



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: give us your peace.

Communion Music

Kind maker of the world

Bell Solo

Post Communion Hymn

When Jesus wept

#715

Post Communion Prayer

Priest: Let us pray:

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Lenten Blessing

Look with compassion, O Lord, upon this your people; that, rightly observing this holy season, they may learn to know you more fully, and to serve you with a more perfect will; through Christ our Lord. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

I AM the bread of life

#335

The congregation will depart in silence



Saint Patrick's Breastplate

***I bind unto myself today the strong name of the Trinity by invocation of the same,
the Three in One and One in Three.***

I arise today

***Through the strength of Christ's birth with His baptism,
Through the strength of His crucifixion with His burial,
Through the strength of His resurrection with His ascension,
Through the strength of His descent for the judgment of doom.***

I arise today, through

***God's strength to pilot me, God's might to uphold me, God's wisdom to guide me,
God's eye to look before me, God's ear to hear me, God's word to speak for me,
God's hand to guard me, God's shield to protect me, God's host to save me
from snares of devils, from temptation of vices, from everyone who shall wish me ill, afar and
near.***

***Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above
me, Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down, Christ
when I arise, Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me, Christ in the mouth of everyone
who speaks of me, Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me.***

***I bind unto myself today the strong name of the Trinity by invocation of the same,
the Three in One and One in Three.***

CALENDAR

Sunday March 17
 8am and 10am Eucharist
 9am *Isaiah Course* - Guild Room
 10am Nursery in Paisley Hall
 10am Sunday School in RFC
 10am Youth in Youth Room
 11:30 Blood Pressure screening
 11:30 Acolyte Meeting in Sanctuary

Tuesday March 19
 6:00 pm Dinner and Session 5 of
 Lenten Course, *Being Disciples*

Wednesday March 20
 8am Eucharist
 Continental Breakfast in RFC
 9am-10:30: Session 5 of Lenten
 Course, *Being Disciples*

Thursday March 21
 2pm Robert Munro Memorial
 7:30pm Choir Rehearsal

Saturday March 23
 10am Tai Chi in RFC
 9am Altar Guild Cross Making
 12-2pm ECW Intake baked-goods

Sunday March 24 Palm Sunday
 8am and 10am Eucharist: 10am begins
 outdoors
 10am Nursery in Paisley Hall
 10am Sunday School in RFC
 11:30 Acolyte Meeting in Sanctuary
 ECW Bake/Candy Sale following both
 services

Looking Ahead

- 8am Communion during **Holy Week**
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
- Stations of the Cross open Monday through
Thursday for individual meditation
- **Maundy Thursday:** 12pm in Chapel
6pm Dinner/Foot washing/Communion
- **Good Friday:** 12pm in Chapel, 7pm
YouTube only
- **Saturday, March 30th** 8pm:
The Great Vigil of Easter
- **Sunday, March 31st** Festal Choral
Eucharist at 8 and 10am - Easter Egg
Hunt following both services
- **April 1** Office Closed, Easter Monday
- **April 6:** ECW Writing Class 9 – 12
- **April 13: 11am** Elsie Lyon's Memorial
Service

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

CELEBRANT 8am: Brian Tucker+
 10am: Rand Reasoner+
MUSIC DIR. 10am: Boude Moore
DEACON: George Packer+

8am

CHALICE Richard Muniz
USHERS Donna & Loren Houchen
HEALING Cara Gordon
 Linda Armstrong

10am

CHALICE Bill Rockwood
 Stephanie Kren
USHERS Margie & John Mueller
 Ray Perkins
 Roya Muniz
LECTOR Martha Aikiriza
BELL SOLO Nancy Porter
ALTAR Jesslyn Bothwell
GUILD Kathie Clark+
 Ann Gillinger
 Jennifer Lee-Thorp
 Pat Parks

CLERGY/
PRAYERS OF
THE PEOPLE
HEALING
PRAYER
WELCOME
MINISTRY
COFFEE
CAMERAS:
COACH:
MOTION
PICTURE
HOME

Barbara Partridge
 Margaret Clark
 Nancy Alspaugh-Jackson
 Russel Rayburn
 Jonna Coleman
 Rosemary Stewart
 Neria Arinda
 Christine Hower
 Ann Weidenbacher
 Richard Muniz

Worship and Discipleship Worship and Discipleship

Rides provided and rides needed: If you need a ride to worship, or to one of the events coming up for Lent, please call the Office and we will do our best to help you with transportation. If you can offer a ride to a parishioner, please let the church know as well.

Maundy (command) Thursday fellowship dinner begins at 6pm in the Family Center. **If you plan on attending dinner, please sign up by emailing or calling the office.** Worship follows at 7pm in the sanctuary (you do not need to sign up for worship).

“Watch with me” Vigil in the chapel. Following the Maundy Thursday service, there is an opportunity to sign up for a one-hour time slot to follow Jesus’s instruction to his disciples while he is praying in the Garden of Gethsemane to “watch with me one hour.” The Vigil takes place in the chapel from 8pm Maundy Thursday until noon on Good Friday. **A signup sheet is in the Narthex** (entry to the church). Contact any of the clergy if you have questions

BEHOLD THE CROSS On Good Friday, March 29, the Prince’s Players will present “Behold the Cross.” This presentation is a reader’s theater reflection and meditation on the stations of the cross. This production will be shown on YouTube only beginning at 7pm that evening. As we take this journey, we ask God to help us to hear – not just the words that are spoken, but His Word spoken afresh in our hearts.

EASTER FLOWERS: The blue envelopes in the pews are an excellent way to remember loved ones or to express thanksgiving for blessings received. You can also make a payment on line using this link: <https://secure.myvanco.com/YGJC/campaign/C-Z8KT>. If you make an online payment, please email the wording for your dedication to office@popwh.org These dedications and thanksgivings will be published in the Easter Bulletin.

PLAN YOUR HOLY WEEK AT PRINCE OF PEACE

- **March 24: PALM SUNDAY**, 8 and 10am. (10am worship begins outdoors).
- **March 25-30: HOLY WEEK**
 - **March 25-27: Daily Communion**, 8am Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday.
 - **March 25-29: Stations of the Cross** may be walked Monday through Thursday. The church and chapel will be open from 9am to 2pm. The stations will be placed along the walls of the chapel and church. A written guide on how to walk the stations will be available.
- **March 28, MAUNDY THURSDAY:**
 - 12pm, **Communion** in Chapel
 - 6pm, **Supper** in the Family Center **followed by Communion/ Foot washing** and the **Stripping of the Altar** (in the Sanctuary)
 - 8pm until Good Friday at noon, **“Watch With Me”** prayer vigil (Chapel)

- **March 29, GOOD FRIDAY:** 12pm service in Chapel, 7pm on YouTube only
- **March 30, HOLY SATURDAY:** 8pm: **The Great Vigil of Easter**
(Lighting the New Fire / Baptism / Communion)
- **March 31: EASTER SUNDAY, THE FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION**
 - Festal Choral Eucharist, 8 and 10am
 - Easter Egg Hunt following both services

LENTEN/EASTER OUTREACH OFFERING

The Outreach Committee has chosen RIP Medical Debt as the Prince of Peace Lenten/Easter Offering this year. This is the 10th Anniversary for this organization! They were established in 2014 for the sole purpose of reducing the medical debts of low-income individuals. For every \$10 you give, - you eliminate \$1,000 of medical debt. For many people, RIP is the only way they can get immediate relief from their medical burdens. Please look for the glass jar as you come up for communion or write a check made out to POP, Memo Line: Lenten/Easter 2024. Your donation will make a difference in someone's life! To make an online payment using this link <https://secure.myvanco.com/YGJC/campaign/C-YGK4>

*Open the eyes of my soul, to see the gifts you have put before me this day.
In all things, may we open our hearts and give You thanks.*

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING (DOK) Invite all the Prince of Peace community to join us in our outreach service project - We are sharing God's love with women incarcerated in the Los Angeles County jails by **writing letters and providing paperback books and games for prisoners.** As part of Prism Restorative Justice, the Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles advocates on behalf of the most marginalized and disenfranchised in our society. Your letters and gifts of books and games will be carried into the jails by the Prism team, and delivered to incarcerated women and their children. Please begin your note with "Dear Friend," and sign it with your first name only. Boxes to receive your donations are in the Narthex and in the office. Please call or text Ann Gillinger (818-903-8121) or Nancy Alspaugh-Jackson (818-203-2230) for more information.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING will take place in the Guild Room following the 10am service on March 17. Come take advantage of this location-friendly opportunity!

EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN (ECW) invite your participation in their annual Easter time Bake and Candy Sale to be held on Palm Sunday, March 24th following both services. Intake of homemade goodies will be on Saturday, March 23rd from 12pm to 2pm. Plan to bake and bring your goodies on Saturday and Sunday be ready to enjoy everyone's treats! This bake sale supports the Kathie Clark Scholarship.

CREATIVE WRITING CLASS

given by NANCY ALSPAUGH -JACKSON is scheduled for

APRIL 6, 2024 from 9 - 12 PM in the REASONER FAMILY CENTER.

PLEASE sign up on the poster in the Narthex This class is free and sponsored by the ECW.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY: BIG FILL IN NEXT WEEK!

Please bring goodies for the Easter Eggs the next two weeks. We need them by March 24 – Palm Sunday. **DON'T FORGET TO JOIN US IN FILLING THE EASTER EGGS AT THE REASONER FAMILY CENTER AFTER THE 10AM SERVICE on PALM SUNDAY.**

In preparation for the upcoming Holy week and Easter, School kids will walk with Jesus in his last week in the next 2 week of Sunday School. This Sunday, we will celebrate and say Hosanna as Jesus enters Jerusalem, watch Jesus get anointed with very expensive perfume, listen to Judas betray Jesus, share the last supper with Jesus' disciples and watch Jesus pray in the garden.

Memory Verse: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength." – *Deuteronomy 6:5*

In Memoriam

We send prayers and condolences to the family and friends of Robert Munro. A Memorial Service celebrating his life will be held at Prince of Peace on **Thursday, March 21 at 2pm** with a reception following in the Reasoner Family Center. The Parish is invited to attend.

In Memoriam

We send prayers and condolences to the family and friends of Elsie Lyons. A Memorial Service celebrating her life will be held at Prince of Peace on **Saturday, April 13th at 11am** with a reception following in the Reasoner Family Center. The Parish is invited to attend.

PRINCE OF PEACE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON APRIL 1, EASTER MONDAY

Readings for next Sunday, March 24, 2024

The Passion of our Lord according to Luke

Hymns for next Sunday, March 24, 2024

#154 All glory laud and honor; #168 v 1 & 4