



“Grace-Filled Way of Life – Saved by Grace”
8th Sunday after Pentecost
July 18, 2021

WELCOME

Thank you for worshipping with today!

If you have an email address and want to be on POP’s weekly announcement list, please let the church office know. You can find worship each week at <https://princeofpeace-er.org/worship/>.

If you would like to support the mission of Prince of Peace so that we can continue worship, community outreach, and other ministries, you can give any amount by cash, check, or online. Thank you for your generosity.

ORDER OF SERVICE *The assembly speaks the bold verses*

Preparing for Worship

Begin worship with a moment of silence.

Take this time to set up your worship space. Your space will be unique to who you are and what is meaningful to you. Ultimately, you are preparing space that helps you slow down and connect with God through Jesus.

You are invited to light a candle. We light candles in worship to signify the presence of Jesus Christ, the Light of the World, with us.

Take a few deep breaths. Breathe in the breath of God through the Holy Spirit.

“Even when we were dead, Paul writes.
Even when we turned away from the One who had created us.
Even when we lived in the grip of what drew our gaze from God.
Even when we were oblivious.
Even when we followed a path fashioned of nothing
but our own desires.
Even when we wandered far and willfully away.
Even when we forgot to look past our own feet and to see
the wonders not of our making.
Even when we failed to stand in awe, to breathe thanks,
to lean into the love that had waited long for us.
Even when, Paul writes.
Even when,
even then:
grace.”

A Summer Prayer for Grace

God of gentle rains and warm sun, God who encourages growth;
**we are creatures who sometimes grow quickly,
and sometimes get stuck.**

God of freedom, of liberation, of binding ropes being cut;
we are bound in ways we don't always understand or recognize.

God of exodus and exile and homecoming,
God who calls us to leave where we are and come home;
**help us to have the courage to make the journey
and to trust in the path.**

God of health and healing,
God who wants us to be made whole;
**we come as people who are wounded in body and in spirit,
people who seek healing.**

God who has laid out a way for us to live,
who has given us rules for living in community;
**we come as people who sometimes go astray,
people who stretch the rules.**

God of Grace,
we come as people who live through that Grace.
**And so we praise you for the growth,
we rejoice in being set free,
we dance along the path that leads us home,
we give thanks for the healing we have received,
we relax in the knowledge that we are forgiven
and we live as people of Grace. Amen.**

Music *“Here I Stand (Grace Alone)”* - Ben Atkins

Here I stand,
on holy ground,
but by your grace I live.
Even in
my darkest sin,
I know that you forgive.
It’s your grace, and grace alone,
that keeps me on my feet.
By your grace, and grace alone,
I’m alive.

*All I have been,
all I will be,
all I am is
covered by your grace alone.
Loving kindness,
lavished on me;
I’m completely
covered by your grace alone.*

Jesus, breathe
over me,
lead me once again.
You perfect
my wayward steps,
so I am not condemned.
When my heart condemns me,
then your love befriends me.
When my footsteps falter,
then your love is stronger.

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father,
and of the ✠ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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

Amen.

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

Silence is kept for individual confession and self-reflection.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.
We have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us.
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.
Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us
even when we were dead in sin,
and made us alive together with Christ.
By grace you have been saved.
In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.
Almighty God strengthen you with power
through the Holy Spirit,
that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

Greeting

The love of God poured into our hearts, the saving grace of Jesus Christ, and the abundant life of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

Gracious and Compassionate God,
In our lives we find ourselves in deserts and low places, and sometimes on the mountains and in high places. No matter where we are in life, we continue to seek you. Lord of compassion and grace, we need you more than ever in our busyness, our loneliness, our sadness, our depression, our anger, our happiness, our joy, and our excitement. We need your presence, your compassion, your grace, your comfort, your renewal, your healing, your peace, your joy, your love, and your salvation.

Lord, we are reminded that all this is embodied in your son Jesus, in his life, his death and his resurrection and that all this was freely given that we may have abundant life, eternal life, fullness of life, freed lives, loved lives, loving lives, grace-giving lives.

Come Lord, pour your mercy and grace and love and salvation over us and for these gifts from you we are grateful. **Amen.**

Music **“We Lift Our Eyes to You” (Psalm 123) – Richard Bruxvoort Colligan**

Refrain:

We lift our eyes to you
Help us move on

Verse 1:

We've had our fill of hatred
We look to you for mercy, mercy Refrain

Verse 2:

We've had enough of terror
We look to you for healing, healing Refrain

Verse 3:

We've got a world of sorrow
We look to you for promise, promise Refrain

Reading ***Ephesians 2:1-10***

¹You were dead through the trespasses and sins ²in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. ³All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. ⁴But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us ⁵even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God— ⁹not the result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

Message

Pastor Andrea Fluegel

Music **“Here in This Place” - Christopher Grundy**

HOLY ONE, may your presence here open our minds,
may your Spirit among us help us to find
you are rising up now like a fountain of grace
from the holy ground
here in this place,
here in this place.

Descant:

Holy, holy, holy God of love and majesty
the whole universe speaks of your glory
from the holy ground
here in this place,
here in this place.

Prayers of the People

Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

Holy parent, you welcome your people into one family and gather all things to yourself. Bestow your grace upon all your people and creation, lavish your wisdom upon us, and redeem us from our faults, that by our witness all might praise your glory. Loving God, in your abundant grace, **hear our prayers.**

Send your servants into places where food is scarce and crops are poor, so that all may be fed. Please strengthen local leaders and non-profit organizations and ministries who seek to empower people to conserve water, dig new wells, plant trees, grow new food crops, farm fish, start new industries with innovation and creativity. Loving God, in your abundant grace, **hear our prayers.**

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Send us, your gathered people, into situations, both here and abroad, where there is neglect, illness, sorrow, frustration and anger. Please give compassion and rest to chaplains in hospitals and prisons, to nurses and first responders, physicians and surgeons, social workers and foster parents, police officers and counselors and spiritual directors. Lord, send us all out into your world with your compassion and grace. Loving God, in your abundant grace, **hear our prayers.**

Send your gifts of comfort and great joy among the many congregations of your church. Empower each of us with the wisdom and compassion of Christ. Enlarge the ministries of lay leaders, ordained pastors and all of your people no matter age, circumstances, or willingness. By the grace of Christ, may our deeds more adequately match our creeds, and our love expand to embrace those who feel lonely and unlovable. Loving God, in your abundant grace, **hear our prayers.**

Gracious Lord, healer and redeemer, we give to you now all the people, places, and circumstances on our hearts and minds, that keep us up at night, that burden us and weigh us down. We name these people and things silently with our hearts or aloud with our voices . . . Loving God, in your abundant grace, **hear our prayers.**

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God of all of creation, bless our youth and their adult chaperones as they journey in their faith and in their life as your people. Protect them as they learn and grow this week in the Boundary Waters. Help them to re-center their lives on you. Give them strength and rest. Loving God, in your abundant grace, **hear our prayers.**

God of love, we pray for this holy house and all those who worship here, in-person or online. We pray especially for those whose efforts behind the scenes often go unnoticed; for those who vacuum and water plants, for those who clean the building and take care of the grass and trees, for those who help in the office, for the Council, for those who greet, decorate the sanctuary and prepare communion. For those who assist with podcasts, online worship and audio and video editing, and for all of who serve in Jesus' name. Loving God, in your abundant grace, **hear our prayers.**

We thank you, God, for the saints, martyrs, and prophets who have died in the faith. We remember those in this community who have recently died. United with them as God's children, assure us that we are yours forever. Loving God, in your abundant grace, **hear our prayers.**

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Music "Only Grace" - The Many

Things are broken here; things are shared.
Things are carried here, hearts bow in prayer.

Chorus:

It is grace, only grace
That brings us here,
Holds us together here.
It is grace, only grace
That brings us here,
Hold us all together here,
All together here.

Things are dying here; things are torn.
Things are growing here and burdens borne.

Chorus

Bridge

Amazing grace, hear the sound.
Here is where hope is found.

Chorus

Blessing

God, who created you in the divine image, sends you forth:
**we go, to reflect the presence of our Creator
to everyone we meet.**

Jesus, who has redeemed you,
has established the reign of God in our midst:
we go, to bring healing to the broken of the world.

The Holy Spirit, who calls you to be God's people,
goes with you to many places:
**we go, to tear down the walls that divide us,
and to build lives of hope for all of God's children.**

And now, may the peace of the rolling waves,
the peace of the silent mountains,
the peace of the singing stars,
and the deep, deep peace of the Prince of Peace,
be with you now and forever. **Amen.**

Sending

Gathered by Grace.
Sent to Serve.
Thanks be to God!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Home Communion and Visits

If you would like to receive Holy Communion at home (indoor or outside), or have the pastor or someone from the congregation come to visit with you, please contact Pastor Andrea Fluegel at 715.479.9263 or at pastor@princeofpeace-er.org to schedule a time.

Greeters Needed

Each Sunday, two greeters are needed to welcome members and guests to worship. Please arrive between 8:30 and 8:40 a.m. Greeters will welcome people with their voices rather than handshakes at this time. Please sign up on our website.

Sunday Morning Coffee Hour Hosts

Prince of Peace has resumed Coffee Hour following worship. Coffee hour will be held outside, weather permitting. If you would like to host a Coffee Hour, please sign up online. You will be contacted with details about setting up, serving, and cleaning up. Currently, food will need to be store bought and as individualized as possible. For more information contact Barb Zima.

Bible Study On-The-Go

Did you know that Prince of Peace has an on-demand Bible study each week? You can access the Gathered and Sent podcast on the upcoming Sunday's scripture. Pastor Andrea and a member of the congregation (and sometimes special guests) discuss scripture and its relevance in our lives. This podcast will prepare you for Sunday morning worship and help to grow your faith life. Currently, we are in a six-week series on the Holy Spirit. You can access it on your favorite podcast platform such as Spotify, Apple Play, Siri, Audible, Pandora, etc.; on the church website; or by calling the church office at 715.479.9263 - Option 5.

New: Prayer Requests on POP Website

If you have a prayer request, you can now go to <https://princeofpeace-er.org/prayers/> to fill out a form, or you can go there to pray for the requests already posted. If you post a request, you have the opportunity to remain anonymous.

Tips for Contributing to the Ministry of Prince of Peace if Using Giving Envelopes

- * Make **ALL** checks **PAYABLE TO Prince of Peace, REGARDLESS** of what fund it is being given to.
- * Please write your **NAME** on the envelope(s) and also the **AMOUNT** being given. This helps the volunteers who count the offering and your church Secretary. We do **NOT** need your address if asked for on the envelope (*we have that information on file*).
- * Please use the **MEMO LINE** on your check to indicate a gift for a fund that does **NOT** have a dedicated weekly/monthly envelope. (*For example--gifts to the Weekend Backpack Program, Endowment Fund, or Memorial for [person's name], etc.*). This helps ensure your gift will be correctly applied to the fund, special gift, or memorial of your choice.

Thank you for your gifts that help fuel the ministry of Jesus. Please contact the church office if you have any questions.



MISSION STATEMENT

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church is a community who believes in God's love, knows Jesus as Savior, and is blessed by the presence of the Holy Spirit.

Thankful for these gifts, we gather to pray and praise, explore God's Word and its meaning for our lives, strengthen each other in our witness, and serve each other and our neighbors in the world.

VISION STATEMENT

Gathered by Grace ~ Sent to serve.
*Core Values: Spirituality, Community,
Grace, Helping Others, Creativity.*

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