



October 3, 2021 | Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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Partnering in Prayer: *Place your prayer requests in the prayer chest by the entrance or in the offering plate.*

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Marilyn Schmidlin Laurie Denhardt Paul and Cleo Dillabough

Prelude

Welcome and Prayer

Confession and Absolution:

L: We come together today as people who need God in our lives. If we say we're free of sin, we're only fooling ourselves and refusing to accept the truth. However, if we confess our sins to God, God listens, forgives every sin and washes us clean from the inside out.

(Time of silent prayer and reflection)

L: We begin our worship in the name of the Father...

C: We believe in God – the Creator of all things – the source of all goodness and love. God is a constant presence in our world and we are God's people.

L: In the name of the Son,,,

C: We believe in Jesus Christ – the Son of God. He was crucified, died and was buried for our sin – that we might be free and know the joy of life. He was raised on the third day and ascended to heaven. He will come again in power and glory to fix all that is broken.

L: In the name of the Holy Spirit...

C: We believe in the Holy Spirit – the power of God at work in and through us. We believe in the Church – God's people of faith throughout the world. We believe that our sin is forgiven and that we will live together with God now and throughout eternity.

L: Our God is a great God, who has already heard the cries of our hearts and given us a savior. With joy, I proclaim to you that God forgives every sin and grants us new life.

C: Thanks be to God!

1. I want to walk as a child of the light.
 I want to follow Jesus.
 God set the stars to give light to the world.
 The star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain

In him there is no darkness at all.
 The night and the day are both alike.
 The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
 Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

2. I want to see the brightness of God.
 I want to look at Jesus.
 Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on my path,
 and show me the way to the Father. *Refrain*

3. I'm looking for the coming of Christ.
 I want to be with Jesus.
 When we have run with patience the race,
 we shall know the joy of Jesus. *Refrain*

Opening Litany (based on Psalm 8)

L: God, my God, how wonderful you are!

C: There is nothing like you in the whole earth.

L: I look up to the skies, and I see you there;

C: Babies and infants open their mouths, and I hear them cry your name.

L: Compared to you, our weapons, our bombs, our power to destroy, dwindle into insignificance.

C: On a starry night, with your glory splashed across the skies,

L: I gaze into your infinite universe, and I wonder:

C: Who am I? Why do I matter? Why do you care about mere mortals?

L: We humans are less than specks of dust in your universe.

C: We have existed less than a second in the great clock of creation.

L: Yet you choose us as your partners.

C: You share the secrets of the universe with us;

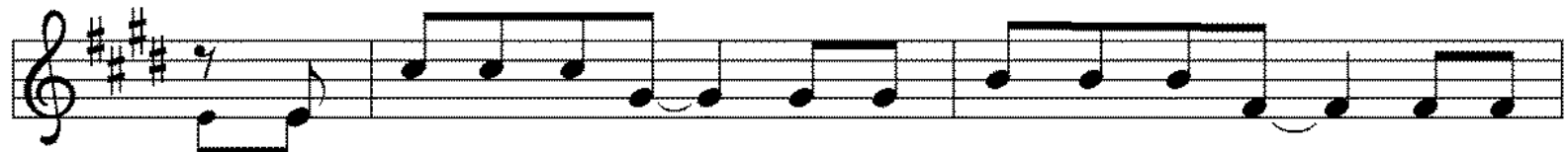
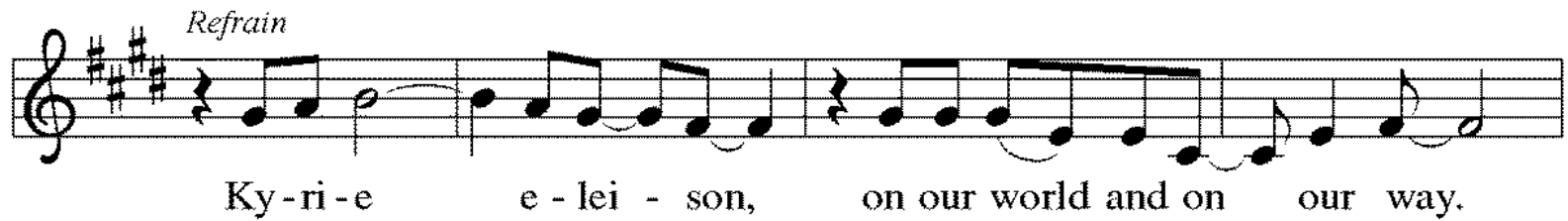
L: you give us a special place in your household;

C: you trust us to look after the earth, on your behalf.

L: Not just animals, birds, plants and creatures we have never seen,

C: but also each other! My God, my God! How amazing you are.

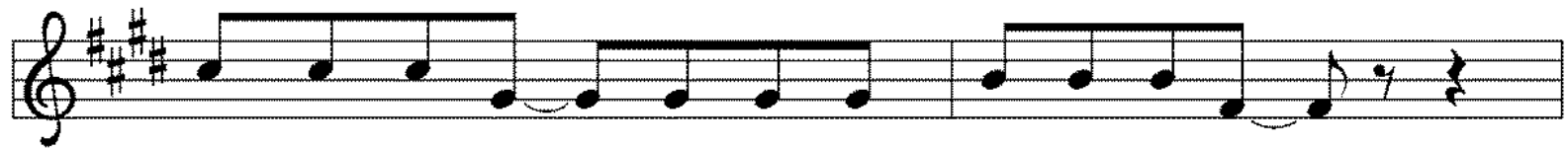
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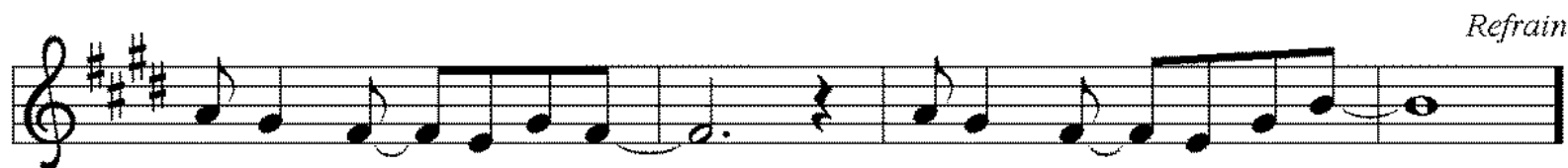
1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Refrain

Children's Message

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Lesson: Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12: ¹Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, ²but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. ³He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. ⁵Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. ⁶But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? ⁷You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, ⁸subjecting all things under their feet. "Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, ⁹but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. ¹⁰It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. ¹¹For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, ¹²saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

Gospel: Mark 10:2-16: ²Some Pharisees came, and to test him they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" ³He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" ⁴They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." ⁵But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' ⁷'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, ⁸and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. ⁹Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."¹⁰Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; ¹²and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."¹³People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." ¹⁶And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

Message

Moments of Mercy for the Powerless

Pastor Paul



1. Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Refrain

Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.

2. Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice. **Refrain**

3. Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
shared until all are fed. **Refrain**

5. Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
signs of your kingdom come. **Refrain**

Prayer of the Community

The Celebration of Holy Communion

L: The Lord be with you

C: **And also with you.**

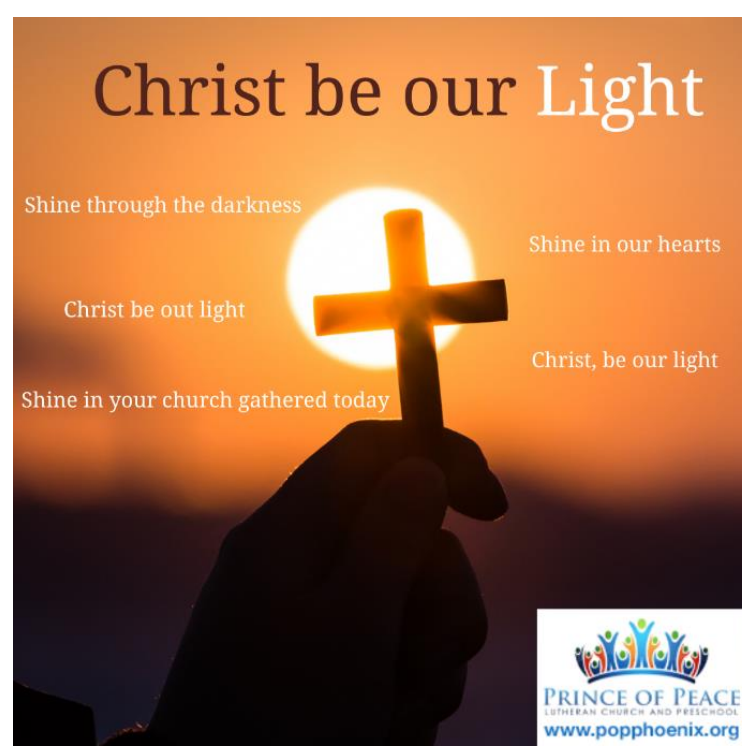
L: Lift up your hearts

C: **We lift them to the Lord**

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

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise**

Post Communion Prayer and Benediction



1. Joyful, joyful we adore thee,
 God of glory, Lord of love!
 Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee,
 praising thee, their sun above.
 Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
 drive the gloom of doubt away.
 Giver of immortal gladness,
 fill us with the light of day.

3. Thou art giving and forgiving,
 ever blessing, ever blest,
 wellspring of the joy of living,
 ocean-depth of happy rest!
 Thou our Father, Christ our brother,
 all who live in love are thine;
 teach us how to love each other,
 lift us to the joy divine!

2. All thy works with joy surround thee,
 earth and heav'n reflect thy rays,
 stars and angels sing around thee,
 center of unbroken praise.
 Field and forest, vale and mountain,
 flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
 chanting bird, and flowing fountain
 call us to rejoice in thee.

Dismissal and Postlude

POP Announcements | Weekend of September 19, 2021

9:30 am In person Worship, Sanctuary (*Holy Communion is celebrated at the 9:30am service. If you'd like communion delivery please schedule through the church office.*)

COVID-19 Protocols: Out of love for each other, we strongly recommend...

1. Get vaccinated
2. Wear face masks indoors
3. Wash/sanitize hands often
4. Pray for an end to the pandemic

Offerings: Thank you for continuing to support Prince of Peace. You can mail offerings to the church office or signup for online giving. You can also use our Text to Give system –text the amount you want to give to 833-441-0048.

Ongoing Ministries at Prince of Peace

Ch.I.L.L. Sunday Mornings at 9am-9:30am in the conference room.

Every Sunday 6th-12th Grades meet for check-in time, prayer and of course...donuts

Sunday School (4yrs old – 5th grade) today! We are asking EVERY family to volunteer at least 1-2 times this year to teach Sunday School. The lessons are entirely planned for you - Questions or concerns? See Angela.

Sign-up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040B4BAAA6238-sunday6>



Craft Sale – November 13, 2021 –

Searching for Art and Craft vendors the Sale.

Also need **volunteers** to help

- setup/cleanup
- run the Bake Sale
- offer Lunch

contact Carol for details 602.277.4769 / or by email at Kauffmanfinancial@q.com.

Mark your calendars and watch the sales for our **October Drive** benefitting Foster Care Children. Items needed are listed below- Diapers and Baby Wipes are High demand items.



ITEMS NEEDED



Theology Pub every 2nd Tuesday, in person at Fate, and every 4th Tuesday will be on zoom. Join with your bible, beer (or other beverage) for lively discussions with great people. This is a time for free discussion and the sharing of idea and is open to all, including your friends who aren't members of POP. Please send Pastor Rick an e-mail (pastorrick@poppheaven.org) or a text (408-472-0529) if you plan to be there. *Next meeting is Tuesday, October 12 at Fate.*

Wednesday Bible Study Fall Launch -



POP Foundation Scholarships: The Prince of Peace Foundation is accepting applications for tuition scholarship grants for the 2021/22 college year. \$2,000 grants will be awarded to members of Prince of Peace who will be incoming freshmen or Prince of Peace members already attending college for undergraduate degrees. The grants will be based on the information, records, grades, etc. contained in the completed scholarship application. Forms are available in the church office and our website (<https://poppheaven.org/pop-foundation>) and must be returned via email (PoPFoundation@poppheaven.org) or the church office no later than **December 3rd, 2021** (please indicate Attn: Foundation Scholarship Committee). For more information, contact Mary Quinsler, Scholarship Chair (602-361-5424) or the church office (480-945-9537).

Church office hours: Church office staff is available to take your calls and emails Monday – Thursday from 9am-4pm.



Grace Swanson recently donated 2 benches in loving memory of her husband Ron. They are located in front of the church office. Here is what she wrote about them. Thank you, Grace!



A bench is a resting place where you can stop after a long walk or a busy day. It can be a place to sit and relax while visiting with friends or loved ones. Or as a source of comfort when your feet hurt or your heart cries. Best of all it can be a place of peace as you sit and enjoy the world around you. A bench can be all of these things.

~ Grace