

February 20, 2022 | Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

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Welcome! Prince of Peace is more than a place on a map. We are a beautiful mosaic of dedicated and diverse people who love Jesus and our neighbors. We care deeply about each other, our community and our world. We are a church on the move with Jesus as our inspiration. Thanks for adding your voice to God's song of love this morning. Once again, welcome!

Guidelines for Holy Communion: At the appropriate time, you are invited to come forward to receive the bread from communion servers. The wine/grape juice is available in individual cups at tables on either side of the communion servers. Please deposit your empty cups in the designated baskets. Individual communion kits are available for those who choose to remain seated during distribution.

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

Eric Phillips Larry Green Neal Brown Fred and Jan Moore Andrew Sandstrom Martha Weld Paul and Cleo Dillabough

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Welcome and Prayer

Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness

L: We begin in the name of the God who loves us, in the name of the Creator, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

L: 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 good

people you've created us to be.

C: Amen.

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

Silence for reflection

- L: Most merciful God,
- C: 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.
- L: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. By grace we have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven. Now celebrate God is good and we are empowered to change the world.
 - C: Amen.

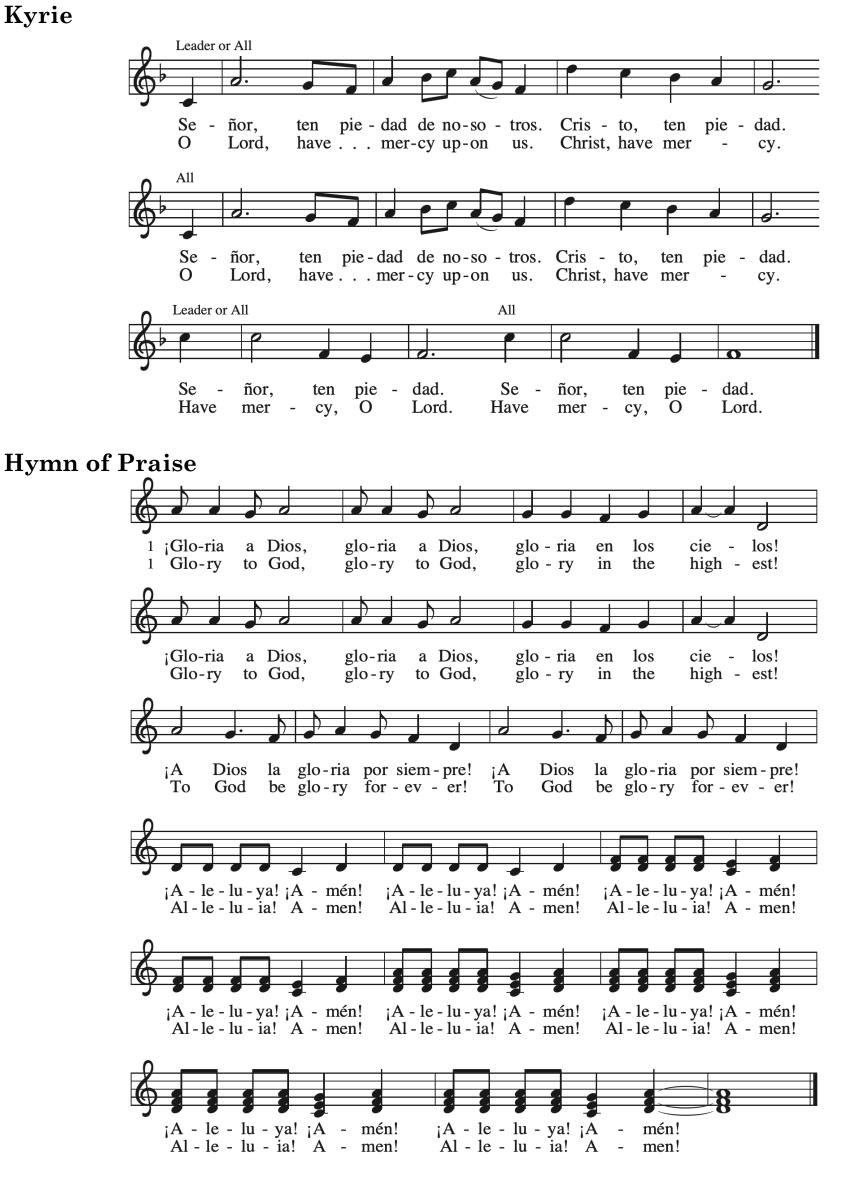
Opening Hymn	 Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us 1.Lord of glory, you have bought us with your lifeblood as the price, never grudging for the lost ones that tremendous sacrifice; and with that have freely given blessings countless as the sand to the unthankful and the evil with your own unsparing hand. 	ELW#707 v.1, 2, 4
	 2.Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give you gladly, freely, of your own. With the sunshine of your goodness melt our thankless hearts of stone till our cold and selfish natures, warmed by you, at length believe that more happy and more blessed 'tis to give than to receive. 	
	4. Lord of glory, you have bought us with your lifeblood as the price,	

never grudging for the lost ones that tremendous sacrifice.Give us faith to trust you boldly, hope, to stay our souls on you: but, oh, best of all your graces, with your love our love renew.

Apostolic Greeting

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

Kyrie



- 2 Glory to God, glory to God, glory to Christ Jesus!
- 3 Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit!
- 2 ¡Gloria a Dios, gloria a Dios, gloria a Jesucristo!
- 3 ¡Gloria a Dios, gloria a Dios, gloria al Espíritu!

Prayer of the Day

O Lord Jesus, make us instruments of your peace, that where there is hatred, we may sow love, where there is injury, pardon, and where there is despair, hope. Grant, O divine master, that we may seek to console, to understand, and to love in your name, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Announcements

Lesson: Genesis 45: 3-11, 15

³Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. ⁴Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. ⁵And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. ⁷God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. 8So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. ⁹Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. ¹⁰You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. ¹¹I will provide for you there — since there are five more years of famine to come — so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.' ¹⁵And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

- L: This is the Word of Life
- C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel: Luke 6:27-38:

²⁷But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you.³²If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. ³⁵But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. ³⁶Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. ³⁷Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

- L: The Gospel of our Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Message

The New Path

Pastor Paul Nelson

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

W&P #95

1. Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring your love; where there is injury, your pardon, Lord; and where there's doubt, true faith in you.

2. Make me a channel of your peace. Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope; where there is darkness, only light; and where there's sadness, ever joy. **3.** O Master, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love with all my soul.

4. Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving of ourselves that we receive, and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

The Apostle's 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 into hell. 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 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.

Holy, Holy, Holy



Hymn

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The 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.

Distribution

Lamb of God



Benediction

Closing Hymn

Alleluia, Song of Gladness

ELW # 318

1.Alleluia, song of gladness, voice of joy that cannot die; alleluia is the anthem ever dear to choirs on high; in the house of God abiding

3. Alleluia cannot always be our song while here below; alleluia our transgressions make us for a while forgo; for the solemn time is coming

thus they sing eternally.

2. Alleluia you are sounding, true Jerusalem and free; alleluia, joyful mother, bring us to your jubilee; here by Babylon's sad waters mourning exiles still are we. when our tears for sin shall flow.

4. In our hymns we pray with longing: Grant us, blessed Trinity, at the last to keep glad Easter with the faithful saints on high; there to you forever singing alleluia joyfully

Postlude



POP Announcements

Mark your calendars:

- **Theology Pub** via Zoom Tuesday, February 22. See Pastor Paul for link.
- BG's meet on Friday, February 25, 4 pm at O.H.S.O. (Arcadia)
- Sunday, February 27 Congregational meeting after Worship
- Ash Wednesday is March 2nd, marking the beginning of Lent
- Lectio Divina with Pastor Rock every Thursday in Lent at 10am in the church conference room. All are welcome.
- Packathon scheduled for March 26th! Signups start February 25!

Ongoing Ministries

Fellowship every Sunday immediately following worship! *Outside the main church entrance*.

Ch.I.L.L. (*Church Is Living Love*) **NEW TIME!** 6th-12th Grades **Meet** in the conference room for check-in time, prayer and of course...donuts

Bible Study with Pastor Rick -every Wednesday Morning at 10:00am in the office conference room. All are welcome.

Women's Bible Study -Tuesday's at 9:30am- 11:00 am in the Church office conference room. Welcoming women of all ages. Paula Sturgeon 480.236.6278

Theology Pub every 2nd Tuesday in person at Fate & every 4th Tuesday on Zoom. Join with your bible, beer (or other beverage) for lively free discussions and sharing of ideas. It is open to all, including your friends who aren't members of POP. Please send Pastor Rick an e-mail (pastorrick@popphoenix.org) or a text (408-472-0529) if you plan to be there.

Ash Wednesday is March 2nd. This year we will have **Ashes 2 Go** in front of the Sanctuary from 6am-9am and 3pm-6pm. There will be an Ash Wednesday service at Shepherd of the Hills UCC at 6:30pm. All are welcome.

Lectio Divina with Pastor Rock, every Thursday during Lent at 10am in the Church office conference room (or zoom). Lectio Divina a traditional practice of scriptural reading, meditation and prayer intended to promote communion with God and to increase the knowledge of God's word. All are welcome.

Last Saturday for Citrus Drop Off at Shepherd of the Hills is Saturday February 19th from 9am-3pm. Open to the community, free of charge.







Thank you for the Souper Bowl contributions! Coins are still being counted and we are still accepting donations!

The Packathon is scheduled for March 25-26 in the PoP gym. If you can help with setup on Friday afternoon March 25, please contact Steve Edgar at 602.618.3364 or sledgar@gmail.com. Signups to pack food on March 25 & 26 will begin February 25. Our goal is to pack 122,000 meals. Donations & Sponsorships to pay for ingredients would be greatly appreciated and can be made via our website now.

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.

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





Weekly Announcements

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Please pray for the end of the pandemic and the end of any dividing lines that keep us from recognizing the Spirit of God within each of us. While COVID-19 continues to be a part of our lives, you are invited to observe the following guidelines:

- Face masks are not required for those who are fully vaccinated.
- Face masks are highly recommended for those who are not fully vaccinated.
- Those who make a personal choice to wear face masks are welcome and encouraged to do so.

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