



PRINCE OF PEACE

LUTHERAN CHURCH

First Sunday of Christmas

December 26, 2021

10:00 AM



"Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?"

Luke 2:49

WELCOME TO PRINCE OF PEACE



Prince of Peace Lutheran Church has been serving the Dublin, Ohio community for 36 years, ministering to its members and friends and supporting local ministries such as the Dublin Food Pantry, Lutheran Social Services, the Faith Mission, and Habitat for Humanity.

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Please visit our website, princeofpeacedublin.org, for more information about Prince of Peace.

Joining Prince of Peace

If you are interested in becoming a member of Prince of Peace, please email the church office, office@princeofpeacedublin.org, for more information.

Please note that today's 10:00 AM worship service will be broadcast live on YouTube, recorded and made publicly available. If you have any questions about the recording or broadcast of our worship services, please contact the church office at office@princeofpeacedublin.org.

*Proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ
and welcoming all to grow with us in God's love through
worship, learning, service, and fellowship.*

GATHERING

Bolded text indicates Congregational response. This symbol ☩ invites you to make the sign of the cross in remembrance of your baptism. All hymns are found in the ELW (red) hymnal in the pew, unless printed in the bulletin.

PRELUDE

ENTRANCE HYMN

ELW #275

“Angels, from the Realms of Glory”

REGENT SQUARE

1 An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, wing your flight o'er all the earth;
2 Shep - herds, in the fields a - bid - ing, watch - ing o'er your flocks by night,
3 Sa - ges, leave your con - tem - pla - tions, bright - er vi - sions beam a - far;
4 All cre - a - tion, join in prais - ing God, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son,

once you sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry, now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth;
God with us is now re - sid - ing, yon - der shines the in - fant light,
seek the great de - sire of na - tions, you have seen his na - tal star,
ev - er - more your voic - es rais - ing to the e - ter - nal Three in One.

Refrain

Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship, wor - ship Christ, the new - born king.

THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

All: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Presider: Shine into our hearts the light of your wisdom, O God, and open our minds to the knowledge of your word, that in all things we may think and act according to your good will and may live continually in the light of your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: **Amen.**

WORD

FIRST LESSON

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26

¹⁸Samuel was ministering before the Lord, a boy wearing a linen ephod. ¹⁹His mother used to make for him a little robe and take it to him each year, when she went up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice. ²⁰Then Eli would bless Elkanah and his wife, and say, "May the Lord repay you with children by this woman for the gift that she made to the Lord"; and then they would return to their home.

²⁰Now the boy Samuel continued to grow both in stature and in favor with the Lord and with the people.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

The Congregation repeats the Refrain and sings the bolded verses as indicated.

PSALM REFRAIN



PSALM TONE



¹Hallelujah! Praise the Lord¹ from the heavens;
praise God¹ in the heights.

²Praise the Lord,¹ all you angels;
sing praise, all you¹ hosts of heaven.

³Praise the Lord,¹ sun and moon;
sing praise, all you¹ shining stars.

⁴Praise the Lord, heav-¹ en of heavens,
and you waters a-¹ bove the heavens.

⁵Let them praise the name¹ of the Lord,
who commanded, and they¹ were created,

⁶who made them stand fast forev-¹ er and ever,
giving them a law that shall not¹ pass away.

Refrain

⁷Praise the Lord^l from the earth,
you sea monsters^l and all deeps;
⁸fire and hail,^l snow and fog,
tempestuous wind, do-^ling God's will;

⁹mountains^l and all hills,
fruit trees^l and all cedars;
¹⁰wild beasts^l and all cattle,
creeping things and^l flying birds;

¹¹sovereigns of the earth^l and all peoples,
princes and all rulers^l of the world;
¹²young^l men and maidens,
old and^l young together.

¹³Let them praise the name^l of the Lord,
whose name only is exalted, whose splendor is over^l earth and heaven.

¹⁴The Lord has raised up strength for the people and praise
for all^l faithful servants,
the children of Israel, a people who are near the Lord.^l Hallelujah!

Refrain

SECOND LESSON

Colossians 3:12-17

¹²As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. ¹³Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a in ex - celsis.

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a. God's word is ev - er - last - ing.

by Beth Kenreich

Preacher: The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Luke 2:41-52

⁴¹Now every year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. ⁴²And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. ⁴³When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. ⁴⁴Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. ⁴⁵When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. ⁴⁶After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. ⁴⁸When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety." ⁴⁹He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" ⁵⁰But they did not understand what he said to them. ⁵¹Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart.

⁵²And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.

Preacher: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor John D. Morris

HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW #292

"Love Has Come"

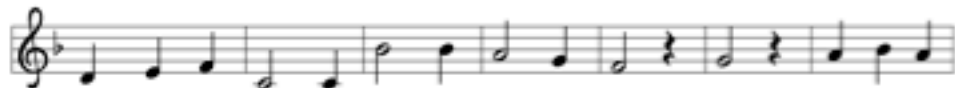
UN FLAMBAEU



1 Love has come— a light in the dark - ness! Love shines forth in the
 2 Love is born! Come, share in the won - der. Love is God now a -
 3 Love has come and nev - er will leave us! Love is life ev - er -



Beth - le - hem skies. See, all heav - en has come to pro - claim it;
 sleep in the hay. See the glow in the eyes of his moth - er;
 last - ing and free. Love is Je - sus with - in and a - mong us.



hear how their song of joy a - ris - es; Love! Love! Born un - to
 what is the name her heart is say - ing? Love! Love! Love is the
 Love is the peace our hearts are seek - ing. Love! Love! Love is the



you, a Sav - ior! Love! Love! Glo - ry to God on high.
 name she whis - pers; Love! Love! Je - sus, Im - man - u - el.
 gift of Christ - mas. Love! Love! Praise to you, God on high!

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,

the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;


he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the  resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Assisting

Minister: Christ is born!

All: Christ is born today.

PEACE

Presider: The peace of Christ be with you always.

All: And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEAL

OFFERING

At Prince of Peace, we rely on our members to support the financial needs of our congregation. As a visitor, please know that your offerings will go to support Habitat for Humanity.

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God.

OFFERTORY HYMN

ELW #268

"From Heaven Above"

VON HIMMEL HOCH

Stanza 1



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of four staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff has two measures: 'The Lord be with you.' and 'And al - so with you.' The second staff also has two measures: 'Lift up your hearts.' and 'We lift them to the Lord.' The third staff has two measures: 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.' The fourth staff has two measures: 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.' The notes are mostly quarter notes and half notes, with some slurs and ties.

It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,
al - mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ.
In the wonder and mystery of the Word made flesh you have opened
the eyes of faith to a new and radiant vis - ion of your glo - ry,
that be - holding the God made vis - i - ble,
we may be drawn to love the God whom we can - not see.
And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,
we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

S144b



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -



san-na. 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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Presider: Holy God,

Creator of all and Source of life, at the birth of time
your word brought light into the world.

In the fullness of time, you sent your Word, born of Mary,
to shine in our darkness and to make us your daughters and sons.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread,
and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples,
saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to
drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you
and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,
his birth and life among us, his death and resurrection,
we await his coming again when all things will be restored in him.

By your Spirit bless us and this bread and cup, that, held and nourished by
you, we may live as your children, shining with the light of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church,
both now and forever.

All: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
 world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

THE DISTRIBUTION

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

SENDING

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Assisting

Minister: We thank you, wondrous God, for Jesus, God with us, in these gifts of bread and wine. As we have shared this feast of love, strengthen us to share your love with all the world.
In Jesus' name we pray.

All: Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

Presider: May you be filled with the wonder of Mary, the obedience of Joseph, the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the determination of the magi, and the peace of the Christ child.
Almighty God,
Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

All: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

ELW #290

"Go Tell It on the Mountain"

GO TELL IT

Refrain

Go tell it on the moun - tain, o-ver the hills and ev - 'ry - where;



go tell it on the moun - tain that Je - sus Christ is born!



- 1 While shep-herds kept their watch-ing o'er si - lent flocks by night,
 2 The shep-herds feared and trem-bled when, lo, a - bove the earth
 3 Down in a lone - ly man - ger the hum-ble Christ was born;



be - hold, through-out the heav-ens there shone a ho - ly light.
 rang out the an - gel cho - rus that hailed our Sav - ior's birth.
 and God sent us sal - va - tion that bless-ed Christ-mas morn.



DISMISSAL

Assisting

Minister: Go in peace. Christ is born!

All: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP

First Sunday of Christmas

10:00 AM

Front Door Greeter	GREETER
Back Door Greeter	Bev Ross
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Lector	Sally Anspach
Server	Russ Hedderly Mike Ziegler
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