



PRINCE OF PEACE

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

July 29 & 30, 2023



“The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.”

MATTHEW 13:33

WELCOME TO PRINCE OF PEACE



Prince of Peace Lutheran Church has been serving the Dublin, Ohio community for 37 years, ministering to its members and friends and supporting local ministries such as the Dublin Food Pantry, Lutheran Social Services, Faith Mission, and Habitat for Humanity.

Prince of Peace is part of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). The ELCA pursues God's work in the world with 3 million members in more than 8700 congregations across the U.S. and in the Caribbean region. The ELCA works with Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran World Relief, Lutheran Immigration Refugee Services, Lutheran World Federation, World Council of Churches, schools and colleges, seminaries, camps, ecumenical and interreligious companions, as well as numerous global church partners and organizations.

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. Our next new member weekend is August 12-13, 2023.

Please note that Sunday's 10:30 AM worship service is 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

Intermezzo Opus 118 No. 2

Johannes Brahms

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

All: Amen.

Presider: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Most merciful God,

All: 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.

Presider: By water and the Holy Spirit God gives you a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of ✠ Jesus Christ, God forgives you all your sins. The God of mercy and might strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life.

All: Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN

ELW 532

Gather Us In

GATHER US IN



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness
2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who
3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the
4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters,
light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.
called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath - er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath - er us in, the
Gath - er us in, the rich and the haugh - ty, gath - er us in, the
Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion, give us to eat the
Gath - er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath - er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,
bread that is you; nour - ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
make us your own; gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
fire . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

ELW 204b



1 Come, let us join our cheer-ful songs with an-gels round the throne;
2 “Wor - thy the Lamb that died,” they cry, “to be ex - alt - ed thus!”
3 Je - sus is wor - thy to re-ceive hon - or and pow’r di - vine;
4 Let all cre - a - tion join in one to bless the sa - cred name



ten thou-sand thou-sand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.
“Wor - thy the Lamb,” our lips re - ply, “for he was slain for us!”
and bless-ings, more than we can give, be, Lord, for - ev - er thine.
of God who sits up - on the throne, and to a - dore the Lamb.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Presider: Beloved and sovereign God, through the death and resurrection of your Son you bring us into your kingdom of justice and mercy. By your Spirit, give us your wisdom, that we may treasure the life that comes from Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: Amen.

WORD

FIRST LESSON

1 Kings 3:5-12

⁵At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, “Ask what I should give you.” ⁶And Solomon said, “You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. ⁷And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. ⁸And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. ⁹Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?”

¹⁰It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. ¹¹God said to him, “Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, ¹²I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you.”

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

¹³⁶My eyes shed ¹ streams of tears,
because people do not ¹ keep your teaching.

Refrain

SECOND LESSON

Romans 8:26-39

²⁶The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

²⁸We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. ³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

³¹What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³²He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. ³⁵Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." ³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW 172

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -

- le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -
Hal - le - lu - jah.

lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

GOSPEL

Matthew 13:31–33, 44–52

Preacher: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹[Jesus] put before [the crowds] another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field;³²it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

³³He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.”

⁴⁴“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ⁴⁶on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

⁴⁷“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; ⁴⁸when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

⁵¹“Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” ⁵²And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

Preacher: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

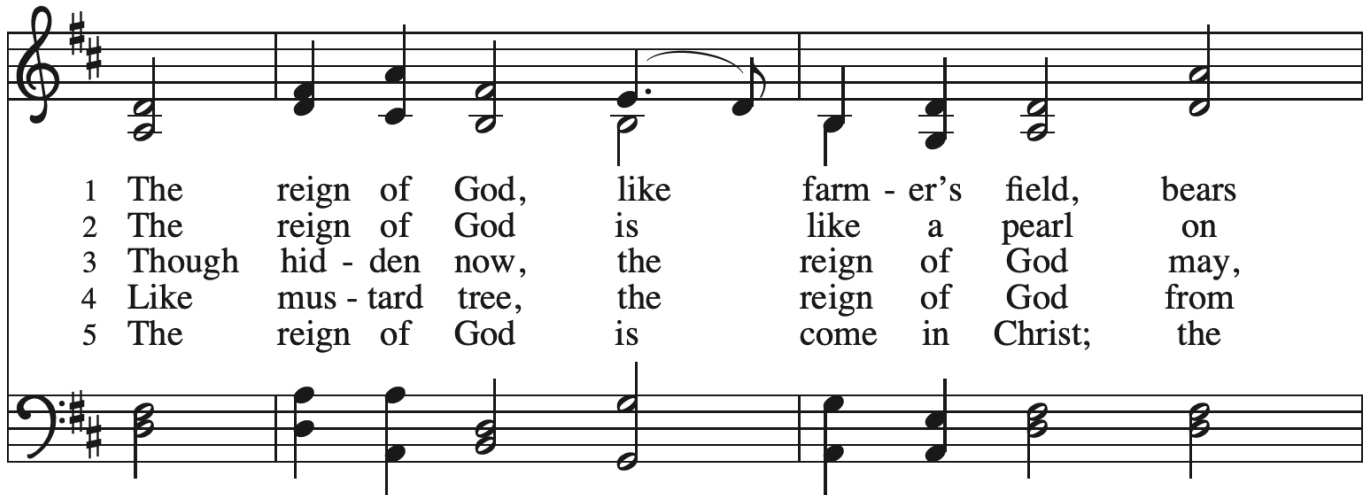
Pastor John Morris

HYMN OF THE DAY

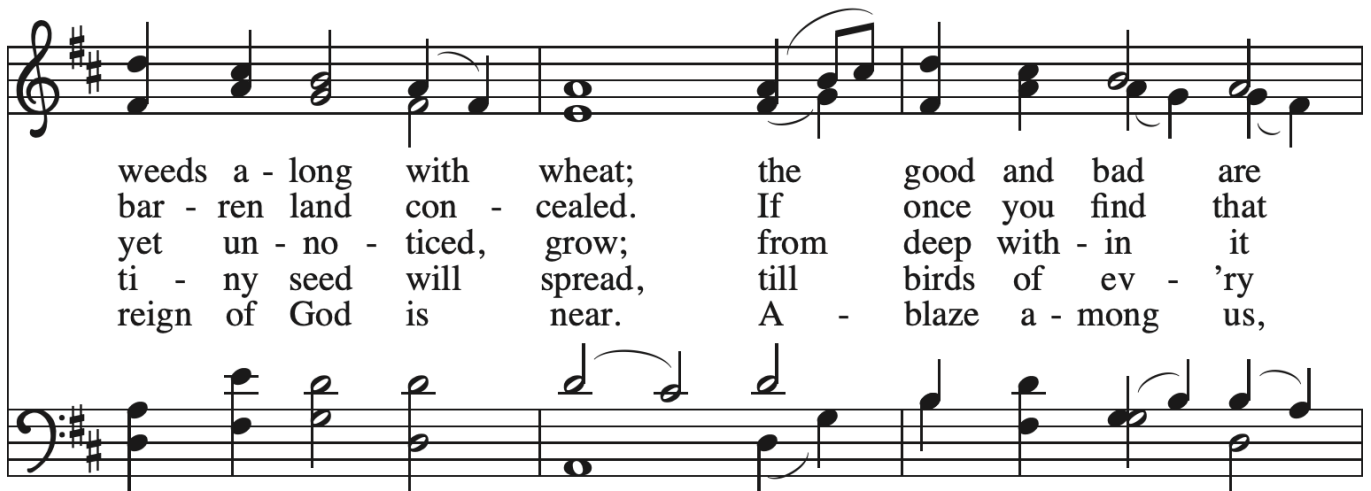
ACS 952

The Reign of God Like Farmer's Field

DUNLAP'S CREEK



1 The reign of God, like farm - er's field, bears
2 The reign of God is like a pearl on
3 Though hid - den now, the reign of God may,
4 Like mus - tard tree, the reign of God from
5 The reign of God is come in Christ; the



weeds a - long with wheat; the good and bad are
bar - ren land con - cealed. If once you find that
yet un - no - ticed, grow; from deep with - in it
ti - ny seed will spread, till birds of ev - 'ry
reign of God is near. A - blaze a - mong us,



in - ter - twined till har - vest is com - plete.
pre - cious pearl, go out and buy that field.
ris - es up, like yeast in swell - ing dough.
feath - er come to nest, and there be fed.
kin - dling hearts, the reign of God is here!

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
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,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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 INTERCESSION

Assisting

Minister: God of love and wisdom we pray today for all your creation.

Eternal God, we ask you to bless our elected leaders. Grant that through their discussions and decisions we may solve problems effectively, enhance the well-being of our nation, and achieve together a fairer and more united society.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Lord, we pray for those in our local community affected by crime and violence. Help the victims recover and forgive. Be with law enforcement as they risk their life for our safety. Guide those committing crime to follow you to a better future. Give us all the wisdom to be peacemakers.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Lord, we pray for the senior citizens at Prince of Peace. May they thrive in our congregation. Help us to listen and appreciate their wisdom. Be with them, Lord, when they are ill or feel lonely. Give us the awareness to recognize concerns and help them when needs arise. Help us to celebrate lives filled with your grace.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Lord, in this world of plenty, inspire each of us to feed those who are hungry with food for their body, love for their heart and faith for their soul. Help the Dublin Food Pantry expand their mission to reach more people in need. Remind each of us to stock the Pantry shelves to ensure ample supply is always available.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Lord, we pray for all who suffer from mental and physical pain on this day. Guide us to be your healing hands for those in need, especially those we now name silently or aloud.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Along with all of your children we pray as one. Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, in the name of the one who reconciled all creation to himself, Jesus Christ our Savior.

All: Amen.

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 outside of our church to support a variety of local missions that help people in need.

Today's flowers are given by Mike and Cheri Slinger, in celebration of their 46th wedding anniversary.

MUSICAL OFFERING

(5:30 PM)

Neither Death Nor Life
Evan Lloyd, soloist

Marty Haugen

OFFERTORY HYMN

As the Grains of Wheat

ELW 465

Refrain



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,
2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when

Refrain



may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.


GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider: *Congregation:*



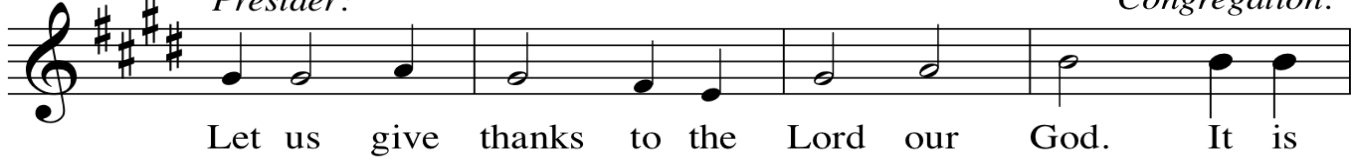
The Lord be with you. And al-so with you.

Presider: *Congregation:*




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

Presider: *Congregation:*



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is



right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider: *freely*

It is our duty and de-light that we should everywhere and always offer

E B/D# F#m

thanks and praise to you, O God through Je - sus Christ. . .

C#m A/C# B

(Insert proper preface here)

Who on this day overcame death and the grave, and so with the church on earth, all creation and the

F#m C#m E/G#

host of heaven we praise your name and join their un-end-ing hymn: —

F#m E B

To Holy, Holy
in rhythm

To Holy, Holy

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

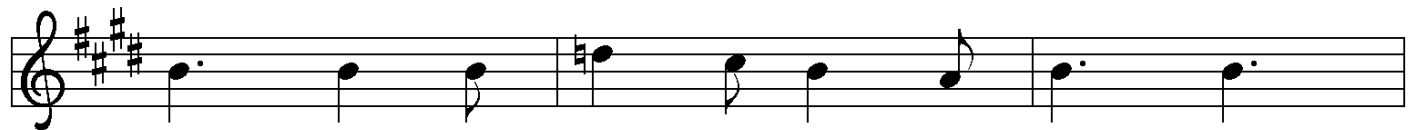
ELW 191



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and



might; heav - en and earth are filled with your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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

ELW 195

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, grant us peace.

THE DISTRIBUTION

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Please ask your server.

SENDING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Assisting

Minister: We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Presider: The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed
✠ bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

All: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

ELW 705

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple
2 Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us scorn the Christ, as -
3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils

pour your pow'r; crown your an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;
sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us
your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion

bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
lest we miss your king - dom's goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.
serv - ing you whom we a - dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

DISMISSAL

Assisting

Minister: Go in peace. Share the harvest.

All: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

God Of Grace

J. Bert Carlson

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ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

July 29 & 30, 2023

	Saturday, 5:30 PM	Sunday, 9:00 AM	Sunday, 10:30 AM
Front Door Greeter		Shannon Harrison	Joan Watson
Back Door Greeter		Marty Schultz	Brock Hensel Linnea Hensel
Assisting Minister	Tess Losey Cooper	Dave Connelly	Kiran McCoy
Lector	Adam Biehl	Sherry Jablonski	Erich Darr
Communion Server		Matt Ludwig Nancy Praker	Jon Schade Shawnda Vega
Altar Care	Lisa Boyer	Cyndi Flowers Patty McHenry Gayle Schuett	Becky Brickner Pam Mayer
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Acolyte	Sunny Barnett Lexi Golvinghorst Ellie Rappach ACOLYTE	Riley Buck Max Huber Rory Moncrief Stella Rotz	Hadley Armstrong Harrison Armstrong Alex Vega Eva Zanjani
Nursery Room #2		NURSERY	NURSERY
A/V Producer			Brent McCoy
Offering Depositor			Brian Ostarchvic
Prayer Writer	Elaine Messersmith Mark Messersmith		
Welcome Center	Jim Schafer		
Altar Linens	Karen Berkman		
Coffee	Debra Saunders		

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Rev. Dr. Jim Wilson

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