

March 10, 2024 | Fourth Sunday in Lent

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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!

Partnering in Prayer: Nan Nelson Barbara Sipple Cleo Dillabough
Martha Weld Donna Hesse Betty Schroeder

Prelude

Welcome and Prayer

Opening Hymn Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound ELW# 779

1. Amazing grace! how sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
was blind, but now I see.

2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

3. Through many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already come;
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

4. The Lord has promised good to me;
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

5. When we've been there ten
thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.

Greeting:

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

P: **And also with you.**

Litany of Confession (Based on Psalm 51)



O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call, an - swer me.



O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: come and lis - ten to me.

L: Have mercy on me, O God, because of your amazing love. You are filled with mercy; wipe away my sins. I've been out of step with you and done what is evil in your sight. I know the mistakes I have made, and my sin is ever before me.

Sung Response

L: Soak me with your mercy, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I will be like fresh fallen snow. Fill me with joy; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice. Turn your eyes from my sin and give me a clean bill of health.

Sung Response

L: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, & fill me with your life-giving presence.

Sung Response

Absolution

L: Our God is a great God. He has seen our hearts and given us a Savior.

Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for His sake, God forgives you all your sins. God has claimed you as His child and He will never let you go.

P: Amen.

Passing of the Peace

Children's Message

Announcements

Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

³⁸As he taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, ³⁹and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! ⁴⁰They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation." ⁴¹He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴²A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. ⁴³Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. ⁴⁴For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

L: This is the Word of Life

C: Thanks be to God.

Message Hymn Although I Speak with Angel's Tongue

ELW# 644

1. Although I speak with angel's tongue,
my faith, my knowledge all surpass,
but have no love, my gifts are vain
as clanging gong or blaring brass.

2. For love is patient, love is kind,
and never vain with boasting pride;
love bears all things, all things endures.
All things must end; love will abide.

3. For now we peer at darkened glass;
our visions end; our tongues all cease.
In part we know, in part now see:
then we will see love face to face.

4. The gifts are many, the Body one,
and into one are all baptized.
Beloved, share one heart, one mind,
one hope, one faith, one love in Christ.

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.

Words of Institution

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.

Post Communion Prayer and Benediction

Closing Hymn

Lift High the Cross

ELW# 660

Refrain

Lift high the cross,
the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.

1. Come, Christians,
follow where our captain trod,
our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God.

Refrain

2. All newborn servants of the Crucified
bear on their brows the seal of him who
died. *Refrain*

3. O Lord, once lifted on the glorious
tree, as thou hast promised, draw us all
to thee. *Refrain*

4. So shall our song of triumph ever be:
praise to the Crucified for victory!

Refrain

Dismissal

Please stay for fellowship in Gangsei Hall immediately following worship!



POP Announcements

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

The 8th Arcadia Cares Food for Kidz Packathon was an incredible success thanks to all of you. The official totals are 136,136 meals purchased and packed by over 550 dedicated volunteers. 75% of the meals have been delivered to Valley View Community Food Bank for distribution in the Phoenix metro area and to the Navajo Lutheran Mission in Rock Point, AZ. The remaining 27% will be delivered overseas.

A heartfelt thank you to our sponsors including the Grand Canyon Synod of the ELCA, the Prince of Peace Foundation, Arcadia Ward (LDS), Thrivent, Ginny Higgins, Jim Schmidlin and so many others who contributed financial support both big and small.

Pat yourselves on the back – you helped feed hungry people and delivered hope to those who desperately need it. Thank you!

Stay tuned for Packathon dates for 2025 as our community comes together again to make a difference.

<p>SAVE THE DATE!</p>  <p>GATHER ★ GRILL ★ GIVE</p> <p>FUNDRAISER</p> <p>FOOD GAMES</p> <p>SILENT AUCTION</p> <p>SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024 4:00PM-7:00PM</p>	<p><i>Temple Performing Arts and Prince of Peace Presents...</i></p>  <p>Shows are March 14-16 and March 21-23 at Prince of Peace Church at 7:00pm</p> <p>Show Tickets link is on our website: www.poppPhoenix.org</p>
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Sunday School is accepting candy donations for the Easter Egg hunt on Sunday March 31st! Please drop donations off in narthex or office by March 25th.

6th annual Veritas Music Fest, March 23rd 3-9pm, Veritas Prep Academy grassy basin 3102 n 56th St, Phoenix Bring your blanket or chairs. Food for sale by our junior class. \$5 per ticket or \$20 per car load. Prices increase the day of to \$10/30. Questions contact Stephanie Beebe 602.931.3206