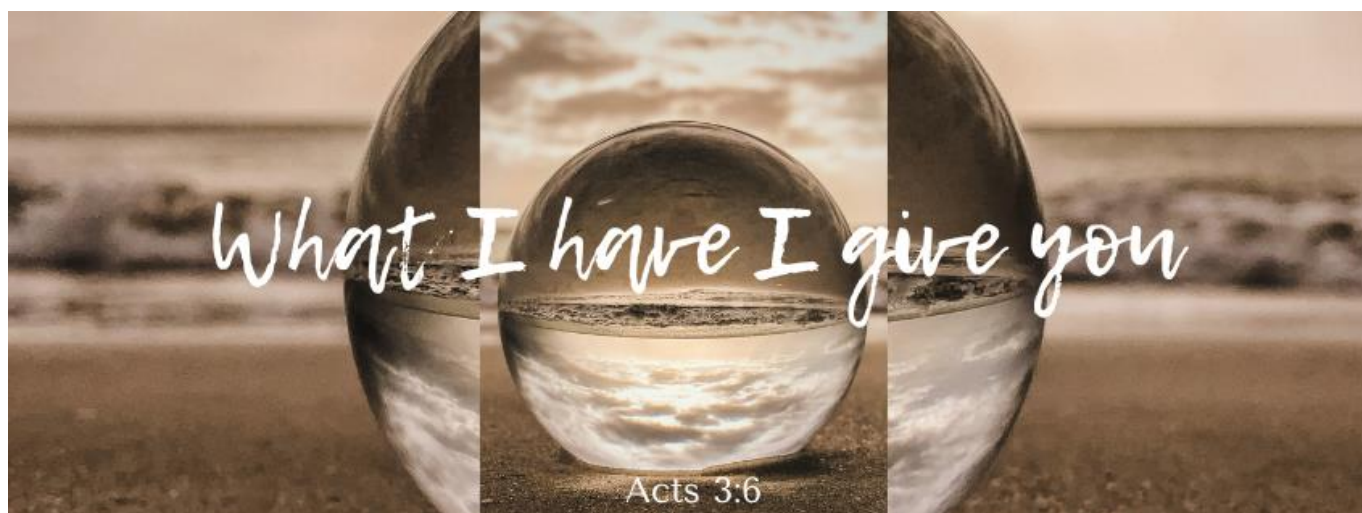




## April 14, 2024 | Third Sunday of Easter

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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!

*\*Nursery Care for children up to age 4 is available during worship in preschool Room 1 (exit using the south door church entrance go through the courtyard gate and follow the signs towards the preschool deck). \*\*Children activity bags are available in the narthex.*

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

### Prelude

### Welcome and Prayer

#### Opening Hymn

**1.** God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer, may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.

**2.** Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace; here are table, font, and pulpit; here the cross has central place. Here in honesty of preaching, here in silence, as in speech, here, in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each.

#### God is Here!

**3.** Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold; here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old. Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore what it means in daily living to believe and to adore.

**4.** Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt, keep us faithful to the gospel; help us work your purpose out. Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive; we, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!

**ELW# 526**

## Opening Litany:

L: Your church gathers, Lord,

**P: in Arizona and the Gaza Strip and Ukraine, and to the ends of the earth.**

L: Your church gathers, Lord,

**P: in city and country, in suburbs and slums,**

L: in sanctuaries and buildings,

**P: under trees and by streams of water.**

L: Your people gather to praise you, Lord,

**P: in English and Spanish and Mandarin,**

L: with organ and piano and guitar and drum,

**P: with voices of young and old,**

L: with song and with silence,

**P: with dance and with prayer.**

L: Your people praise you, Lord,

**P: for hope in the midst of despair,**

L: for strength in times of weakness,

**P: for justice in situations of oppression,**

L: for courage in the face of fear,

**P: for life in the midst of death.**

L: We are the people who call you Lord.

**P: Let everything that breathes, praise you Lord!**

## Passing of the Peace

## Children's Message

## Announcements

## Gospel: Acts 3:1-10

<sup>1</sup>One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the hour of prayer, at three o'clock in the afternoon. <sup>2</sup>And a man lame from birth was being carried in. People would lay him daily at the gate of the temple called the Beautiful Gate so that he could ask for alms from those entering the temple. <sup>3</sup>When he saw Peter and John about to go into the temple, he asked them for alms. <sup>4</sup>Peter looked intently at him, as did John, and said, "Look at us." <sup>5</sup>And he fixed his attention on them, expecting to receive something from them. <sup>6</sup>But Peter said, "I have no silver or gold, but what I have I give you; in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, stand up and walk." <sup>7</sup>And he took him by the right hand and raised him up; and immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. <sup>8</sup>Jumping up, he stood and began to walk, and he entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God. <sup>9</sup>All the people saw him walking and praising God, <sup>10</sup>and they recognized him as the one who used to sit and ask for alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

L: This is the Word of Life

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Message Hymn**

**Word of God, Come Down on Earth**

**ELW# 510**

1. Word of God, come down on earth,  
 living rain from heav'n descending;  
 touch our hearts and bring to birth  
 faith and hope and love unending.  
 Word almighty, we revere you;  
 Word made flesh, we long to hear you.

2. Word eternal, throned on high,  
 Word that brought to life creation,  
 Word that came from heav'n to die,  
 crucified for our salvation,  
 saving Word, the world restoring,  
 speak to us, your love outpouring.

3. Word that speaks God's tender love,  
 one with God beyond all telling,  
 Word that sends us from above  
 God the Spirit, with us dwelling,  
 Word of truth, to all truth lead us;  
 Word of life, with one bread feed us.

**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.**

**Post Communion Prayer and Benediction**

**Closing Hymn**

**Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ**

**ELW# 674**

1. Let us talents and tongues employ,  
 reaching out with a shout of joy:  
 bread is broken, the wine is poured,  
 Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

*Refrain*

Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,  
 pass the Word around: loaves abound!  
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2. Christ is able to make us one,  
 at the table he sets the tone,  
 teaching people to live to bless,  
 love in word and in deed express.

*Refrain*

3. Jesus calls us in, sends us out  
 bearing fruit in a world of doubt,  
 gives us love to tell, bread to share:  
 God (Immanuel) ev'rywhere! *Refrain*

**Dismissal**

Visitor or New  
 to POP?



We'd love to connect!





## POP Announcements

**Wednesday Bible Study** with Pastor Rick at 10am in the conference room!  
Everyone welcome.

**Women's Fellowship/Bible Study** -Tuesday's at 9:30am- 11:00 am in the Church office conference room. Welcoming women of all ages. Contact Debbie Nelson if you have any questions, [debnelson1@cox.net](mailto:debnelson1@cox.net).

**BG's next meetup** is April 26 at OHSO (Arcadia) at 5pm. Contact Pastor Paul if you have any questions. See you there, everyone is Welcome!



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