



October 6, 2019 | 9:30 a.m. | Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

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Prelude

Welcome and Greeting

Confession and Absolution

L: In the name of the Father, 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 likeness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

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. May Almighty God strengthen you with peace through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may always live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.

Opening Hymn

O Day of Rest and Gladness

ELW# 521, v. 1, 2, 4

Children's Message

Announcements

Post Communion Prayer and Benediction

Closing Hymn

Lead On, O King Eternal!

ELW# 805

Dismissal and Postlude

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BG's meetup on Friday, October 4th at 4:30pm, at Southbridge. See Pastor Paul for more info!

Prayers for Healing – October 6th and 20th at the altar after worship.

October Outreach Project Preschool will be collecting items to benefit the Arizona Humane Society October 7 - October 18. You can bring items to the preschool office.

POP Preschool's Trunk or Treat will take place on October 25 and we are collecting bags of candy! Bring your donations to the church office!

High School Youth Group Corn Maze & Pumpkin Patch on Sunday October 13th! Meet at church at 2pm and bring a friend! RSVP to Audrey by Wednesday October 9th so we can plan for drivers!

Theology Pub -Tuesday, October 22nd at Fate Brewery South Location (1312 N Scottsdale Rd., Scottsdale) @ 7:00pm. Email pastorrick@popphoenix.org or Text 408-472-0529 Pastor Rick to RSVP!

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October 27 – Confirmation/Reformation Sunday-Will be a celebration of the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther featuring baptism, confirmation, Holy Communion and “A Mighty Fortress is our God!”

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to Serve Pancakes at Grace 6:30-9am on October 27 To sign-up please talk to Margie or Audrey

November 3 – All Saints Sunday- Join us as we celebrate God's promise of eternal life for those we have loved and lost. This special time of worship will include a brass quartet.

November 3 – Bumped Up Brunch during fellowship hosted by POP Foundation!

Elderberries Outing- November 13 Everyone is welcome to join the Elderberries on Wednesday, November 13 at 10 a.m. for a tour of the Franciscan Renewal Center's Healing Garden and the newly refurbished Stations of the Cross, located at 5802 E. Lincoln Dr., Scottsdale. Pastor Rick will hold his regular Wednesday Bible study in the Meditation Chapel. Following the tour and Bible study, lunch will be served in the retreat's dining facility. Meet in the south parking lot at 9:30 a.m. to carpool. Please RSVP to June Larson at 480.948.5874.

Blessing of the Pets! Saturday November 16th at 10am! Bring your pets for a special blessing at Prince of Peace.

Community Thanksgiving Worship on Monday November 25th at Shepherd of the Hills! Prince of Peace is partnering up with multiple churches for this service. More details coming soon!

The Prince of Peace Foundation is accepting applications for tuition scholarship grants for the 2019/20 college year. Grants will be awarded to members of Prince of Peace who will be incoming freshmen or Prince of Peace members already attending college. The grants will be based on the information, records, grades, etc. contained in the completed scholarship application. Awards will be presented during worship on Dec. 29. Forms are available in the church office and our website ([popphoenix.org/About/POP Foundation](http://popphoenix.org/About/POP_Foundation)) and must be returned to the church office no later than December 1, 2019 (mark Attn: Foundation Scholarship Committee). For more information, contact Dr. Doug Beischel, Scholarship Chair (602.361.6496) or the church office (480.945.9537).

The October edition of The Messenger is in the Narthex and online!

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Prelude

Welcome and Greeting

Opening Hymn *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* ELW# 858

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Sophia Linda Paul

Born: October 19, 2018

Parents: David and Stacy Paul

Pastor: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Pastor: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: 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 again to judge the living and the dead.

Pastor: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: 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.

Welcoming Statement

People: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: Join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

Children's Message

Announcements

First Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

⁸Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David — that is my gospel, ⁹for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. ¹⁰Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. ¹¹The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; ¹²if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; ¹³if we are faithless, he remains faithful — for he cannot deny himself. ¹⁴Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. ¹⁵Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

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

Prayers of the Community

Song

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

ELW# 752

Gospel: Luke 17: 11-19

¹¹On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? ¹⁸Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

L: The Gospel of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Message

Gratitude 101

Pastor Paul Nelson

Message Song

Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices

ELW# 833 v. 1, 3, 5

Passing of the Peace

Offering of Time, Treasure and Talent

The Celebration Of Holy Communion

L: The Lord be with you L: Lift up your hearts L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: And also with you. C: We lift them to the Lord C: It is right to give our thanks and praise

Distribution: *All are welcome at the Lord's Table. If Communion will be received by **Intinction:** Please take the wafer and dip in either the chalice of wine or the chalice of grape juice. Or if by **Cups,** Proceed to the altar at the direction of the ushers. After you receive the bread and the wine or grape juice, you may return to your seat when you are ready. Those who do not yet (Or do not wish to) receive communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing.*

Song

Jesus, Remember Me

ELW# 616

Distribution Music

We Come To You For Healing

ELW# 617

Post Communion Prayer and Benediction

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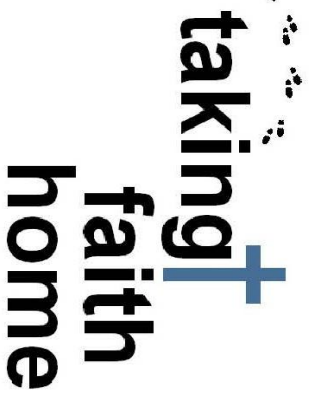
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OCTOBER 13, 2019
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST



Jesus shows mercy on a foreigner.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	Luke 17:11-19	One leper gives thanks to God
Monday	2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c	Elisha heals Naaman
Tuesday	2 Timothy 2:8-15	A good soldier of Christ Jesus
Wednesday	Leviticus 14:33-57	Purification of lepers
Thursday	2 Timothy 1:13-18	Encouragement to be faithful
Friday	Luke 4:23-30	God cares for foreigners
Saturday	Psalms 111	Praise God for wonderful works
Sunday	Luke 18:1-8	Parable of the persistent widow

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

“Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” **Luke 17:18 (NRSV)**

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Gracious God, you who care for the unacceptable, thank you for caring for me, through Christ our Lord, amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

God of grace, for food make us thankful, for family and friends make us joyful, and for our salvation, make us grateful. Amen.

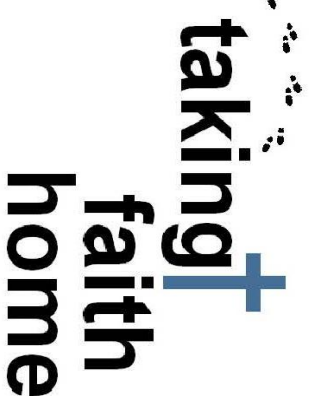
A Blessing to Give:

May the Lord be gracious and merciful and give you a thankful heart. (Psalm 111:1, 4)



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OCTOBER 13, 2019
HYMN OF THE WEEK
Have You Thanked the Lord?



CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- Tell or think about a time you were left out of a group. What was it like?
- Are you comfortable or afraid when you meet someone who is different than you are? Why?
- How does God’s mercy give you courage to care for those who are different from you?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Luke 17:11-19.

Paul Tillich, a famous theologian once pointed out that faith is accepting that the unacceptable has been accepted. According to the law of Israel, a leper was unclean and needed to be kept away from the community. Lepers were unacceptable—or at least those who are to be avoided. A Samaritan was despised by first century Jews. Not only does Jesus accept and heal the Samaritan leper—along with nine other lepers—but this leper is the one who responds with a thankful heart at the feet of Jesus. Just like Naaman, the enemy general from Aram (Syria), those who seem far from God’s presence and God’s people are included in God’s work of mercy and salvation. As Jesus says to the Samaritan leper, “your faith has made you well” (v. 19). God’s work of salvation often comes as a work of great surprise to us. How does God’s mercy give you courage to trust that God cares for you?

Pray: Merciful Savior, thank you for reaching out to those who seem far from you; thank you for reaching out to me. Amen.

SERVICE



This week’s scripture readings tell of healings. Improved public health care is needed in many parts of the world. Some of it is provided by missionaries who show God’s love by giving much needed food, clean water, mosquito nets, medical treatment, and other care around the world. How can you contribute to or support these faithful missionaries?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS



God is holy and awesome. (Psalm 111:9) Take a walk around your neighborhood and make a list of things you see that are awesome. Trees, buildings, the sky, and clouds are a few of the things you might see. Then sit down in your home and look at the list. God is bigger and greater than anything we see. Take time to say a prayer of praise to God and be thankful for “his wonderful deeds”, “the power of his works”, and “the work of his hands” (Psalm 111:4, 6, 7).



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Prelude *Wherever You Go/Angel's Blessing* Jim Brickman

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Opening Hymn *Drawn to the Light* ELW# 593

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Servant Outreach Ministry: LUNCHES FOR LEARNING ministry provides a meal at school and uniforms when available, so that children do not have to beg and may attend school. For the month of October, we are asking that you help a child stay in school at the cost of \$150 per year or \$15 per month. Please contact Paula Sturgeon (480.236.6378, paulasturgeon@me.com) for info.

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OCTOBER 20, 2019
NINETEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

taking
faith
home

Faith pursues God's blessings.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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Sunday	Luke 18:1-8	Parable of the persistent widow
Monday	Genesis 32:22-31	God renames Jacob
Tuesday	2 Timothy 3:14—4:5	Paul's instruction to Timothy
Wednesday	Genesis 14:17-24	Abram blessed by Melchizedek
Thursday	Psalms 42	Longing for God
Friday	James 5:13-18	Prayer of faith
Saturday	Psalms 121	Assurance of God's protection
Sunday	Luke 18:9-14	A Pharisee and tax collector pray

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." **Genesis 32:26 (NRSV)**

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

God of hope, give us strength to endure life's struggles and faith to pursue your justice and mercy. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray, amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Lord, in your name we drink and sup: teach us to pray and not give up. Help us to look to you this day and show our thanks in all we say. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the Lord protect you from this time on and forevermore.



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OCTOBER 20, 2019
HYMN OF THE WEEK
Lord Jesus, You Shall
Be My Song

taking
faith
home

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- Think of something you are trying hard to accomplish. How do you go about it?
- When you see something that is unfair, do you expect God to fix it? Why or why not?
- Faith is a gift worth pursuing with all your heart. How do you explain this?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Genesis 32:22-31.

This is an amazing story. The "man" who wrestled with Jacob was actually God (vv. 28, 30). Even more, God does not win the wrestling match, and that seems to be okay with God. God honors Jacob whose name means "trickster." The trickster had deceived his father Isaac to unfairly gain his older brother's inheritance and, more importantly, the blessing that goes from Abraham and Isaac and now to Jacob instead of Esau. Like the widow in Luke 18:1-8 who persistently bothers the unjust judge to get her justice, Jacob does whatever it takes to be blessed. And God so honors that determination that God gives Jacob a new name, Israel, which in this story means "you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed" (v. 28). Jacob and God's people will now be known as Israel, a term that commends the importance of wrestling with and being persistent for God's blessings. Yes, it is true that God is the more persistent one, but God wants us to pursue the divine blessing and pursue an active life of faith instead of a complacency that takes God's word and righteousness for granted. How do you pursue God in your daily life of faith? How do you wrestle with God?

Pray: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, thank you for honoring our wrestling with you as faithful followers, through Christ our Lord, amen.

SERVICE



Psalms 121:1 asks, "From where will my help come from?" The answer in the next verse is, "My help comes from the Lord." We are God's hands and feet in the world. When you see someone less fortunate or in need, where does their help come from? It, too, comes from the Lord with your help. Who in your life could use a helping hand? Take time to reach out to them through an act of kindness and tell them that the reason you are doing so is in response to God's loving presence in your life.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS



The theme this week is God's blessings. God blesses Jacob and King Melchizedek blessed Abram. The scripture readings also tell of the importance of prayer. In Luke 18:1, Jesus says to, "pray always and not lose heart". When done in the home regularly, prayers and blessings help us grow in our faith. Say a prayer at every meal and at bedtime this week as a reminder to pray always. Make it a practice to bless others this week by making the sign of the cross on foreheads or hands as people leave for work or school and say the words:
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October 27, 2019 | 9:30 a.m. | Confirmation and Reformation Sunday



The Luther Rose:

First, there is a black cross in a heart that remains its natural color. This is to remind me that it is faith in the Crucified One that saves us. Anyone who believes from the heart will be justified (Romans 10:10). It is a black cross, which mortifies and causes pain, but it leaves the heart its natural color. It doesn't destroy nature, that is to say, it does not kill us but keeps us alive, for the just shall live by faith in the Crucified One (Romans 1:17). The heart should stand in the middle of a white rose. This is to show that faith gives joy, comfort, and peace—it puts the believer into a white, joyous rose. Faith does not give peace and joy like the world gives (John 14:27). This is why the rose must be white, not red. White is the color of the spirits and angels (cf. Matthew 28:3; John 20:12). This rose should stand in a sky-blue field, symbolizing that a joyful spirit and faith is a beginning of heavenly, future joy, which begins now, but is grasped in hope, not yet fully revealed. Around the field of blue is a golden ring to symbolize that blessedness in heaven lasts forever and has no end. Heavenly blessedness is exquisite, beyond all joy and better than any possessions, just as gold is the most valuable and precious metal. (Written by Martin Luther)

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Assisting in Worship

Altar Guild Tracy Fish

Lector Youth

Ushers Karen Wolfinger and Brenda Johnston

Greeters The Beebe Family

Communion Servers Greg and Dena Rowland

Organist Allen Quie

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

Martha Weld Ron Swanson Mike Jacobs Laura Eller Michael Darland Karsten Peterson

Prelude

Praise to the Lord the Almighty

Organ and POP Bells

Welcome, Prayer and Greeting

Opening Hymn

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

ELW# 504

Lesson – Psalm 46 (*Read responsively*)

L: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

C: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,

L: and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea;

C: though its waters rage and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

L: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

C: God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be overthrown; God will help it when the morning dawns.

L: The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; He utters his voice, the earth melts.

C: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

L: Come, behold the works of the Lord; see what awesome things he has done on earth.

C: He makes wars cease in all the world; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.

L: "Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth."

C: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Prayer of the Day (*Written by Martin Luther*)

L: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you.

L: Let us pray...

C: Behold, Lord, an empty vessel that needs to be filled. My Lord, fill it.

I am weak in the faith; strengthen me. I am cold in love; warm me and make me fervent, that my love may go out to my neighbor. I do not have a strong and firm faith; at times I doubt and am unable to trust you altogether. Lord, help me. Strengthen my faith and trust in you. In you I have sealed the treasure of all I have. I am poor; you are rich and came to be merciful to the poor. I am a sinner; you are upright. With me, there is an abundance of sin; in you is the fullness of righteousness. Therefore, I will remain with you, of whom I can receive, but to whom I may not give. Amen.

Children's Message

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Hattie Elizabeth Brown

Born: March 28, 2019

Parents: Neal and Abby Brown

Pastor: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Pastor: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: **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 again to judge the living and the dead.**

Pastor: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: **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.**

Welcoming Statement

People: **We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: Join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**



Special Music

The Lord's Prayer
Robin Broyles and Kirsten Fuchs

Gospel: John 8: 31-36

³¹Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?" ³⁴Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

L: The Gospel of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Confirmation Faith Statements

Hymn of the Day

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

ELW#645 v. 1, 3, 4



1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ, our head and
 2 To this tem - ple, where we call you, come, O Lord of
 3 Here be - stow on all your ser - vants what they seek from
 4 Praise and hon - or to the Fa - ther, praise and hon - or



cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord and pre - cious,
 hosts, and stay; come with all your lov - ing - kind - ness,
 you to gain; what they gain from you, for - ev - er
 to the Son, praise and hon - or to the Spir - it,



bind - ing all the church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's
 hear your peo - ple as they pray; and your full - est
 with the bless - ed to re - tain; and here - af - ter
 ev - er three and ev - er one: one in might and



help for - ev - er and our con - fi - dence a - lone.
 ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in these walls to - day.
 in your glo - ry ev - er - more with you to reign.
 one in glo - ry while un - end - ing a - ges run!

Announcements

Offering of Time, Treasure and Talent

Special Music

We Praise the Lord

Voices of Praise

What is Confirmation?

When parents bring a child to be baptized in the Lutheran church, they promise to be the primary faith teachers for that child. On confirmation day, teenagers make public profession of their faith before their family and friends. In essence, they take personal responsibility for their relationship with Jesus Christ. This is a huge milestone in their lives and should be greatly celebrated.

However, confirmation isn't graduation. When a person is confirmed, they promise to God and themselves to keep walking with Him. At Prince of Peace, confirmation is a multi-year process of faith formation. We explore the Apostle's Creed, the Ten Commandments, the Lord's Prayer, Baptism, Holy Communion and how to live the Christian life. However, our primary goal isn't to help teenagers know about God. Our primary goal is to help teenagers know God through community.

Rite of Confirmation

Introduction of the Confirmands

Merran Garmon Garrett Nelson

Confirmation Promise

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,

to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,

to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,

to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,

and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Each person responds: **I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.**

Community Promise

People of God, do you promise to support *these sisters and brothers* and pray for them in their life in Christ? **We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.**

Confirmation Prayer

Father in heaven, for Jesus' sake, stir up in *name* the gift of your Holy Spirit; confirm *her/his* faith, guide *her/his* life, empower *her/him* in *her/his* serving, give *her/him* patience in suffering, and bring *her/him* to everlasting life. **Amen.**

The Celebration Of Holy Communion

L: The Lord be with you

L: Lift up your hearts

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: And also with you.

C: We lift them to the Lord

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise

Distribution: All are welcome at the Lord's Table. If Communion will be received by **Intinction:** Please take the wafer and dip in either the chalice of wine or the chalice of grape juice. Or if by **Cups,** Proceed to the altar at the direction of the ushers. After you receive the bread and the wine or grape juice, you may return to your seat when you are ready. Those who do not yet (Or do not wish to) receive communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

Distribution Music

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

ELW# 488

Post Communion Prayer and Benediction

Closing Hymn

The Church of Christ, in Every Age

ELW# 729 v. 1-4



1 The church of Christ, in ev - 'ry age be - set by
2 A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims
3 Then let the ser - vant church a - rise, a car - ing
4 For he a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the
5 We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o -



change, but Spir - it - led, must claim and test its
of in - jus - tice cry for shel - ter and for
church that longs to be a part - ner in Christ's
fe - ver in our blood, and teach us how to
be - dience to our Lord; to care for all, with -



her - i - tage and keep on ris - ing from the dead.
bread to eat, and nev - er live be - fore they die.
sac - ri - fice, and clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.
share our bread and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.
out re - serve, and spread his lib - er - at - ing word.

Happening Today at Prince of Peace

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church and Preschool Mission Statement:

We welcome people to a relationship with Jesus, equip them with a faith that works well in real life, and send them into the world to serve others.

Please join us in Gangsei Hall for coffee and fellowship.

6:30 a.m. Serving breakfast at Grace

9:00 a.m. Nursery, Preschool Room 1

9:30 a.m. Sunday School (Ages 4y-5g)

9:00 a.m. Ch.i.L.L, Conference Room

9:30 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary

10:30 a.m. Fellowship, Gangsei Hall



You may order flowers through the church office, the offering plate or online on our website- www.poppheoenix.org (\$40). Scroll down to the bottom of the page to 'Contact POP' and click on 'Altar Flowers'.

Then follow the directions on that page.

The Flowers on the Altar are given by Neal and Abby Brown, in Celebration of the Baptism of Hattie Elizabeth Brown.

Upcoming at Prince of Peace

*See www.poppheoenix.org or *The Messenger* online for more info!*

November 3 is All Saints Sunday- Join us as we celebrate God's promise of eternal life for those we have loved and lost. This special time of worship will include a brass quartet.

November 3 – Bumped Up Brunch during fellowship hosted by POP Foundation!

Elderberries Outing- November 13 Everyone is welcome to join the Elderberries for a tour of the Franciscan Renewal Center's Healing Garden and lunch. Meet in the south parking lot at 9:30 a.m. to carpool. Please sign up in the narthex or RSVP to June Larson at 480.948.5874.

Blessing of the Pets! Saturday, Nov. 16, 10 a.m. Bring your pets to POP for a special blessing!

Community Thanksgiving Worship on Monday November 25th, 7pm at Shepherd of the Hills! Prince of Peace is partnering up with multiple churches for this service. More details coming soon!

Volunteer at Feed My Starving Children on November 30 from 9-11 a.m. Register now and invite friends — ages 5 and up! Visit <https://www.poppheoenix.org/serving>

The Prince of Peace Foundation is accepting applications for tuition scholarship grants for the 2019/20 college year. Forms must be returned to the church office no later than December 1, 2019 (mark Attn: Foundation Scholarship Committee). For more information, contact Dr. Doug Beischel, Scholarship Chair (602.361.6496) or the church office (480.945.9537).

Servant Outreach Ministry: LUNCHES FOR LEARNING began in Honduras in 2004. This ministry Provides a meal at school and uniforms when available, so that children do not have to beg and may attend school. For the month of October, we are asking that you help a child stay in school at the cost of \$150 per year or \$15 per month. Please contact Paula Sturgeon (480.236.6378, paulasturgeon@me.com) if you have questions or would like to get involved.

Women's Bible Study (Mary's & Martha's)- meet every Tuesday at 9:30am in the conference room. On 10/29 we will discuss the Lutheran - ELCA/LCMS.

Wednesday Bible Study with Pastor Rick at 9:30am in the conference room~ all are welcome!

Knitting Group meet every Tuesday, at 1pm in the Conference Room – everyone welcome!

Sew and Tie Quilters ~ meet every Friday at 9am in the choir room- Questions see Suzy Steinmetz.

Quilters meet every Saturday, at 9am in the Choir Room.

ICM drop offs accepted in the church office Mon-Thurs 10am-3pm. Please do not leave items outside or in parking lot. Call the church office if you'd like to drop outside of these hours.

***Stewardship packets for 2020 have been sent out, look for them in the mail!
If you did not get one, please contact the church office or you may pick up a packet in the narthex or church office!***



OCTOBER 27, 2019
REFORMATION SUNDAY

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God establishes a new relationship.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	John 8:31-36	Jesus sets us free
Monday	Jeremiah 31:31-34	A new covenant
Tuesday	Romans 3:19-28	Righteousness through faith
Wednesday	Habakkuk 2:1-4	The righteous live by faith
Thursday	Exodus 25:17-22	Mercy seat of God
Friday	Galatians 2:15-21	Saved by faith
Saturday	Psalms 46	God is our strength
Sunday	Luke 20:27-38	Jesus speaks of the resurrection

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Jeremiah 31:33 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Gracious God, thank you for freeing us from the power of sin and giving us a loving relationship to you and to others, through Christ our Lord, amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, we are grateful for the food we see and glad that Jesus set us free, forever thankful let us be. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the grace of God and our Lord Jesus Christ bless you and free you to love God and others with joy and gladness.



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HYMN OF THE WEEK



*Dear Christians,
One and All, Rejoice*

CARING CONVERSATIONS



Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- Tell or think about one of your favorite gifts ever received. What made it a favorite?
- Your faith in Jesus Christ is a gift from God. What is your reaction to this statement?
- How does being set free through faith in Jesus Christ make you feel? Why?

DEVOTIONS



Read: Jeremiah 31:31-34.

The Reformation message emphasizes that a relationship with God will come to us from God's work, God's initiative, not ours. It is not a new message. Jeremiah announced it six centuries before Christ. God's people in Israel and Judah had failed on their own. Israel was destroyed and Judah was exiled in Babylon. It looked hopeless. However, God promised a new covenant, which means a new relationship that would unite Israel and Judah in forgiveness and new life. This is the covenant relationship Paul understands in Romans to unite Jews and Gentiles alike. It is the work and faith of Christ that makes us a new people. Through faith in Christ's saving work, God gives us a new heart, that is, a new way of seeing, relating, thinking, feeling, willing, and acting with others and with God. Why? Because through our own broken lives we have shown throughout the ages an inability to do this on our own. God's will for us will be placed within us, on our hearts. We are joined to God and to all people with faith, hope, and love, not judgment, despair, or hate. This gift is like no other. In what ways do you respond to this gift?

Pray: God of new beginnings, we thank you for our Lord Jesus Christ who freed us from our sins to be a new people united as a gift of grace through faith in Christ Jesus. Amen.

SERVICE



God does extraordinary things through ordinary people. Martin Luther was a monk. Raised in the Catholic church by hard-working parents, Luther is credited for having begun the Protestant Reformation in 1517. He translated the Bible from Hebrew and ancient Greek to make it available for the common person. This enabled all of us to read scripture so that we may have an understanding of Christ's saving work. Sharing God's word with others is a Christian response to the good news that Jesus Christ sets us free. Is there someone you know who is homebound and unable to attend worship? Plan to visit that person and take time to share caring conversations, scripture readings, and prayer.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS



Martin Luther wrote the Small Catechism for the "head of the household to teach to the members of the household." There is a daily morning and evening blessing that includes making the physical sign of the cross. As a reminder of the Reformation, add this ritual to your mornings and evenings this week. As you make the sign of the cross on your chest or forehead say: **God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit watch over me. Amen.** (Luther's Small Catechism)



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In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: www.milestonesministry.org

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