Prince of Peace Episcopal Church October 26, 2025 10:00 AM The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost



We welcome you to Prince of Peace Episcopal Church!

We are blessed that you have chosen this community
as your place of worship this morning.
If you do not have a regular church family,
we invite you to make Prince of Peace your spiritual home.

All are welcome in this place!

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Mission Statement

Prince of Peace Episcopal Church is called to know, love and serve Jesus as Savior and Lord, to share His healing and transformation with all people.

FOR VISITORS: Consider yourself our guest. Please do not feel obligated to give an offering. We invite you to fill out a Visitor Card, found in the pew rack, and place it in the collection plate. Please join us for coffee on the patio after the service.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY: Welcome to children in Nursery, Preschool, and Kindergarten to Grade 5. Lil' Lambs Nursery is open every Sunday at 10am providing loving care for children up to age 3. A children's area is available in the Chapel and activity bags are available for children in the Narthex (church entrance). Sunday School for Children in Preschool meets in the Preschool Room. Kindergarten to Grade 5 meets in Taylor Hall (aka the Upper Hall).

YOUTH MINISTRY invites Middle School and High School students to join in fellowship with Christian friends and learn more about God while being in a safe environment.

HOLY COMMUNION: All persons who are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit are welcome and encouraged to receive Communion. The ushers will direct you. The wafer will be placed in your hand. Gluten-free wafers are available as well. Wine is offered in the common cup. You may receive the wine either by intinction (bread will be dipped in the wine and placed in your mouth) or by drinking from the chalice. If you do not wish to receive communion, we encourage you to come forward for a blessing. Crossing your arms over your chest will indicate that you wish to receive a blessing only. Communion is celebrated weekly: Wednesdays at 8am and Sundays at 8am and 10am.

PASTORAL CARE: If you or someone you know has a pastoral need, please contact the church office at (818) 346-6968.

PRAYER REQUEST slips (yellow) and Thanksgiving and Praise slips (blue) are in the pew racks. You are invited to place completed cards in the collection plate.

HEALING MINISTRY welcomes those seeking healing of body, mind or spirit to come to the Chapel for prayer at the conclusion of the weekly 8am and 10am Sunday services.

Call to Worship and Pealing of the Bells

Opening Hymn

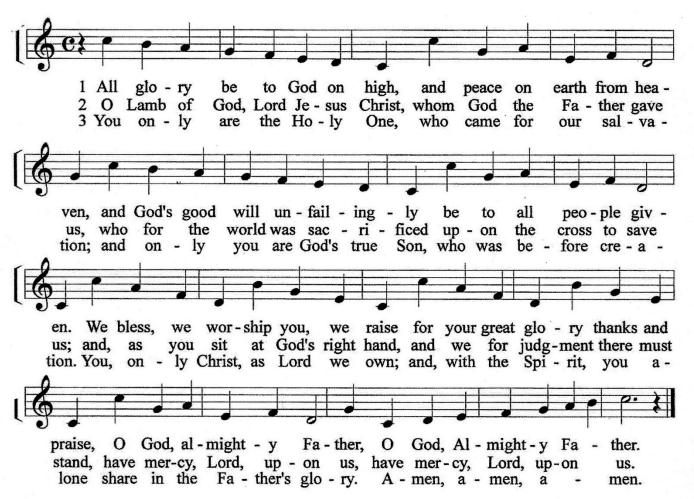
Before the Lord's eternal throne

Hymnal #391

Priest: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God. **People:** Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.

Priest: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria Tintinnabulation Mass



The Collect of the Day

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

Psalm

Psalm 84

Simplified Anglican Chant



- ¹ How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of / hosts, *
 my soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;
 my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living / God.
- ² The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her / young, *
 by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my / God.
- ³ Happy are they who dwell in your / house! * they will always be / praising you.
- ⁴ Happy are the people whose strength is / in you! * whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' / way.
- ⁵ Happy are those whose strength is in / you, * in whose heart are the highways to / Zion.
- ⁶ As they go through the valley of Baca they make it a place of / springs; * the early rain also covers it with / pools.

The Epistle

2 Corinthians 8:1-15

Pew Bible page 1055

The Gospel Hymn

Open your ears, O faithful people

Hymnal #536

Deacon:

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People:

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel

Matthew 6:19-24

Pew Bible page 882

The Message

The Rev. Brian Tucker+

The 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; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

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.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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 the People

Leader: Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

People: That we all may be one.

Leader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People: That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Leader: We pray for all bishops, priests, deacons and the priesthood of all believers;

People: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Leader: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Leader: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People: That our works may find favor in your sight.

Leader: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People: That they may be delivered from their distress.

Leader: Give to the departed eternal rest;

People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Leader: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

(The people may add their own petitions silently or aloud.)

Priest: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your

mercies, look with compassion on us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now

and forever.

Confession (Kneel, as you are able)

People: Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our

sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of

your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Priest: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus

Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you

in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Offertory Anthem Treasure in heaven

Doxology (As the offerings are brought to the altar, please stand and sing.)

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,

The God Whom earth and heaven adore,

Be glory, as it was of old,

Is now, and shall be evermore. Amen.

The Holy Communion

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People: By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the stewards of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People: Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

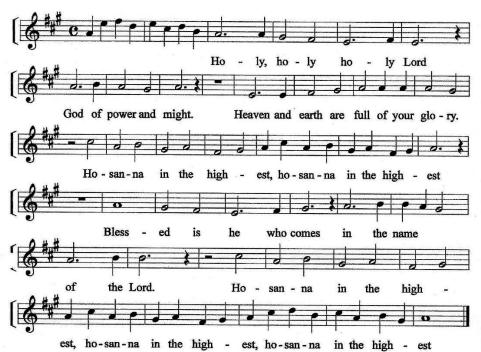
Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People: By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

Tintinnabulation Mass



(Kneel as you are able)

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People: We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers; God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, and Jacob, Leah and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People: Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN**.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Priest: The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.



All persons who are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit are welcome and encouraged to receive Communion. Those who are not baptized are welcome and encouraged to come forward to receive a blessing.

By crossing your arms on your shoulders, you indicate you would like a blessing!

Communion Music

Organ Voluntary

Post Communion Hymn

Come with us, O Blessed Jesus

Hymnal #336

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Blessing

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us children of the Light through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. And the blessing of God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

A mighty fortress

Hymnal #688

Deacon: Go in peace rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Postlude

Improvisation

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Healing Ministry – Those who are seeking healing of body, mind or spirit are invited to come to the Chapel for prayer

Worship and Discipleship

Prince of Peace is a unique Christian Community of Faith. If you are searching for a place to explore and express spirituality, we invite you to make Prince of Peace your spiritual home. If you would like to be on our mailing list, please fill out the Visitor/Guest card in the pew rack and place it in the collection plate when it comes by.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE <u>CONFIRMED</u> OR <u>RECEIVED</u> INTO THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH?

The opportunity to participate in this special rite will happen when the Bishop visits Prince of Peace on **November 23**. Confirmation is a public, sacramental affirmation of one's commitment to the vows of Baptism. Reception is a similar affirmation made by those who have been confirmed in another Christian denomination and who wish to be formally received into the Episcopal Church. There will be a required class on **Sundays** beginning **next week**, **October 26**, for those who wish to be confirmed or received. Please see Father Brian, Reverend Onesmus, or Deacon George if you would like to learn more.

SUNDAY SCHOOL - THE TENT CHALLENGE!

This Sunday marks the grand finale of our *Do Nots of Donuts* series — **The Tent Challenge!** Kids will travel back in time and be assigned to a *Tribe of Israel* as they journey together through exciting review stations that bring the Ten Commandments to life.

Each tribe will face fun challenges to earn *gold coins*, which they can use to "bake" their own pizza creations!

Along the way, we'll remember that God's commandments aren't just about what we *shouldn't* do, but also about what we *should* do – love God and love others.

As Jesus said: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. Love your neighbor as yourself." – *Mark 12:30-31*

Join us for this fun and faith-filled adventure as we wrap up our sweet journey through God's "Do Nots of Donuts"!

EXCEPTIONAL FAMILIES GIFT FROM OUTREACH: The Prince of Peace OUTREACH committee is pleased to announce the gracious gifting of \$1,000.00 (from the Church Discretionary Fund) to **Exceptional Families Ministry**, which provides a warm and inviting space where families, children, and individuals can come together to worship freely and all behaviors are embraced. Stay tuned for information about their next service on **November 15**.

VESTRY OPPORTUNITY: It's that time of year again. The temperatures are cooler, leaves are changing color, the World Series is beginning, Stewardship talks have begun – and your Vestry is looking for new members!

This is an exciting time to be on Vestry. This is a season of transition for our church. Being on Vestry is being involved in the present and future of Prince of Peace. If you think you have nothing to offer, think again – we all have something to give to our God and our Church.

Prayerfully consider if this is YOUR time to serve. To learn more or to be considered for a Vestry position please contact Fr. Brian (<u>briantucker@popwh.org</u>), Bill Prescott (<u>bprescott60@yahoo.com</u>), or Becky Wray (<u>bbaileywray@aol.com</u>).

PRE-THANKSGIVING BAKE SALE: There will be a Pre-Thanksgiving Bake Sale on **Sunday**, **November 23**, on the patio following both services. Sign-ups to bake will begin in November. Pies, cakes, cookies, muffins are all welcome. Thank you for supporting the ECW!

SECRET PRAYER PARTNERS REVEAL PARTY! Mark your calendars now - the Reveal Party for our Secret Prayer Partners will be held **Saturday, December 6** at **12 Noon** in the Reasoner Family Center!

HEALING PRAYER MEETING: If you are, or would like to be, a participant in the Healing Prayer Ministry, please join us in the Guild Room on **Saturday, November 15, 2025** from **9:00 to 11:00 AM** for a meeting. Thank you!

PANTRY FOOD DONATIONS: To feed our unhoused clients and stock our dry goods bags, we are in desperate need of some specific items in large quantities. Items most needed are **peanut butter** and **tuna**. Donations can be dropped off at the Food Pantry **Monday through Friday** between **9:00 and 11:00 AM**, or at the back of the Church on Sunday mornings. Thank you for your help!

UPCOMING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FUNDRAISER: MinorityWealthGap, a nonprofit dedicated to supporting survivors of domestic violence and raising awareness about this critical issue, is excited to announce our upcoming fundraising dinner and silent auction on Saturday, November 15, 2025 at 5:00 PM in the Reasoner Family Center. This event will raise funds for essential programs such as emergency shelter, counseling, and education services for those impacted by domestic violence. We seek partners to create a Domestic Violence Hub in Los Angeles. Our guest speaker is Hon. Dr. Miria Matembe. Ticket levels are Regular \$200, VIP \$350, and VVIP \$500. For more details, please contact Jemba Senkandwa (jemba.senkandwa@minoritywealthgap.org or (818) 770-9814).

THE WEST VALLEY FOOD PANTRY: The West Valley Food Pantry (WVFP) is seeking an Executive Director to shape and lead the organization into the future. WVFP works to alleviate hunger in the west San Fernando Valley in the City of Los Angeles. Supported by the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank, committed elected officials, community leaders, generous donors, selfless volunteers and employed staff, WVFP is an efficient drive-through operation open five days each week. WVFP serves approximately 10,000 persons in need of food assistance each year.

Recognized as the California Small Non-Profit of the Year in 2020, WVFP is a program of Prince of Peace Episcopal Church that welcomes and supports all who need food assistance. The WVFP is located on the campus of the church at 5700 Rudnick Avenue, Woodland Hills, CA 91367. The Executive Director is an employee of Prince of Peace and regularly interacts with church staff. However, there is no requirement that the Executive Director be affiliated with the Episcopal Church. For further information, visit www.popwh.org.

CALENDAR			
Sunday	Sunday THE 20th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST		
October 26	8 AM and 10 AM Holy Eucharist		
Adult Confirmation Class			
	following 10 AM worship in RFC		
Wednesday	Holy Eucharist		
October 29	8 AM, Chapel, followed by continental		
	breakfast, RFC		
Sunday	iday THE 21st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST		
November 2	ALL SAINTS		
	8 AM and 10 AM Holy Eucharist		
	Adult Confirmation Class		
	following 10 AM worship in RFC		

LOOKING AHEAD				
Sunday	Sunday THE 22nd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST			
November 9	8 AM and 10 AM Holy Eucharist			
	Adult Confirmation Class			
	following 10 AM worship in RFC			
Saturday	Healing Prayer Meeting			
November 15	9 AM – 10 AM, Guild Room			
	Minority Wealth Gap Fundraising Dinner &			
	Silent Auction			
	5 PM, RFC			
	Exceptional Families Ministry			
	5 PM, Church			
Sunday	THE 23rd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST			
November 16	8 AM and 10 AM Holy Eucharist			
	Adult Confirmation Class			
	following 10 AM worship in RFC			
Saturday	rday COMMUNITY DINNER			
November 22	5:00 PM, Taylor (Upper) Hall			
Sunday	THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST			
November 23	8 AM and 10 AM Holy Eucharist			
	Confirmation and Reception			
	Pre-Thanksgiving Bake Sale on patio			
	following both services			
Thursday,	THANKSGIVING DAY			
November 27	Office and Food Pantry closed			
Saturday,	SECRET PRAYER PARTNERS			
December 6	REVEAL PARTY			
	12 noon, RFC			

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP			
CELEBRANT	8am: +		
	10am: +		
DEACON	George Packer+		
MUSIC DIR.	Boude Moore		

8am				
USHERS	Donna & Loren Houchen			
CHALICE/LEM	Nancy Porter			
HEALING PRAYER	TBA			

10am			
USHERS	Erika Wirkkala		
	Jeff & Elaine Severa		
	Mahala Jory		
LECTORS	Nance Crawford		
	Gary Palmquist		
CHALICE BEARERS	Cara Gordon		
	Nancy Porter		
ALTAR GUILD	Team B: Anna Boghosian,		
	Jesslyn Bothwell, Ann		
	Gillinger, Jennifer Lee-		
	Thorp, Pat Parks		
CLERGY PRAYER/	Ann Gillinger		
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE	Patti Crawford		
TIMPANIST	Ann Weidenbacher		
FILMING			
Cameras	Richard Muniz		
Director	Hannah Muniz		
HEALING PRAYER	Cara Gordon		
	Russell Rayburn		
NURSERY	Neria Arinda		
MOTION PICTURE	Nance Crawford		
	David Stifel		
WELCOME MINISTRY	Rosemary Stewart		

Readings, November 2, 2025 (21st Sunday after Pentecost)

Isaiah 1:10-18
Psalm 32:1-8
2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12
Luke 19:1-10

Hymns, November 2, 2025

#232 By all your saints (v2) #286 Who are these like stars appearing #293 I sing a song of the saints of God #618 Ye watchers and ye holy ones