



May 31 – June 1, 2025

**For the Pain**

Leviticus 4:18-20 | John 1:29

### MUSIC THIS WEEKEND

**CONTEMPORARY | OUTDOORS**  
**SATURDAY 5:30 pm | SUNDAY 10:30 am**

**Great Things**

**Build My Life**

**Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)**

**Stand In Your Love**

**CLASSIC | SANCTUARY | SUNDAY 9:00 am**

**Let All Things Now Living**

**Precious Lord, Take My Hand**

ORGAN: **Musical Offering**

**Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee**

MESSAGE: **Paul Dean**  
**Communion** (Saturday 5:30 pm)

## *Shaped* AND **SHATTERED** FOR THE PAIN



### JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

**Classic: Sun 9:00 am (sanctuary)**

**Contemporary: Sat 5:30 pm, Sun 10:30 am (outdoors)**

If you're planning to attend an outdoor service, bring a lawn chair and watch for weather alerts at [popmn.org](http://popmn.org).

Resources, livestreams, playlists and podcast links: [popmn.org](http://popmn.org).

**Reconcile Concert | 7:00 pm | Saturday, June 7**

Free and open to the public! **NOTE:** No 5:30 pm worship this day.

### JOIN US FOR COMMUNITY

**Exciting growth at Prince of Peace!**

Check out [popmn.org/news-stories/](http://popmn.org/news-stories/) to learn about the exciting growth Prince of Peace has experienced over the past two years!

**Financial Forum | 2025-26 Budget | June 8 | 9:45 am**

**Congregational Meeting | June 14-15 | All worship services**

**Volunteer for VBS | June 23-26**

Be a part of a Bible-rich summer camp grounded in hands-on learning experiences for kids. Register: [popmn.org/vbs](http://popmn.org/vbs)

### JOIN US IN GENEROSITY

**Thank you for your gifts for mission and ministry!**



## Welcome to Prince of Peace!

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church is an open and affirming church, here to love God and all people. We value growing a relationship with God and with each other, and showing up for people in need in this community and beyond.



#### Connect with Prince of Peace!

Scan here to join our mailing list and find ways to get involved.

Paper copies of this form are available at the Connect Desk.

## SERVE DURING OUTDOOR WORSHIP

**Saturday 5:30 and/or Sunday 10:30 services**

We're searching for many people to support outdoor worship in all capacities: tech, set-up, tear-down, livestream and more.  
**We can train you!**

If you'd like to learn more, contact Jake at [jberg@popmn.org](mailto:jberg@popmn.org).

Follow us on social media:

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Listen to our Trust the Story Podcast:

**YouTube: @PrinceofPeaceLutheranChurch Spotify: @POPmn**



## Trust the Story | Shaped and Shattered | For the Pain

### What does confession mean?

When we read through Leviticus, we see that God has been meeting God's people in their brokenness from the beginning. God hears the cry of the people, people who had been in slavery for generations. The people are freed, and they head out in search of a new land. God calls them into new way of living. Mercy and community are expected, and worship is at the center. They build a tangible house for God in order to understand that God is right there in the wilderness, with them.

They are freed – or called – for a purpose. They are called to reject empire in favor of shalom. (Remember that “shalom” in Hebrew does not mean peace in the absence of conflict. It's more of a robust and healthy thriving into the future; it's involvement in the ongoing well-being of others, an active expression of life and hope.)

But God also knows who we are, that we can and will hurt each other, even unintentionally. From the beginning, God's eyes and heart are wide open. We're all shattered, and it's not a secret. God has been shaping shattered people all along. It's right here in Leviticus. We just need to trust the story.

Does Leviticus sound different when it's framed as a pathway to shalom instead of a list of rules? Why? Is God in the habit of giving us random to-do lists or unnecessary restrictions? Are God's “rules” meant to establish God's authority? Or are the instructions laid out here meant to show a previously enslaved people who to live in freedom and community? What is the difference?

This brings us to confession, or self awareness. We need to be aware of our empire or scarcity thinking, of our un-shalom actions, before forgiveness can free us. But that's not because God has trouble granting forgiveness; God is overflowing with grace upon grace for all people. God doesn't need to forgive us in order to love us. We need it in order to feel whole.

Where are you shattered? Is the idea of release from shame different than the idea of God demanding repentance and suffering? How?

Is practicing shalom scary? How does it demand that you let go of results, future planning and outcomes? How does practicing shalom – working toward the thriving of all people – require you to trust in God's provision?

Is empire thinking usually the result of scarcity? Why? What causes us to need more, take more, self-serve at the expense of others? What do we think will run out? What does it mean to have enough food, provisions, work, love, space, culture, power, money? Why can living with generosity and open hands be so difficult?

Where is fear driving you to break shalom? How is your ego blinding you to behaviors that shatter shalom?



### What is yours to do?

As we walk through this series, we'll take some time to reflect on our own calling. How are you called to use your skills and talents, interests and enthusiasm? Where does your joy and expertise meet a need in your community? Scan the QR code to take a gifts assessment that will help you start thinking about the best ways to trust your skills and contributions in God's unfolding story.