



PRINCE OF PEACE

Love God. Love People.

September 20 – 21, 2025

The Gift of God

Luke 11:7-9



Lead with Prayer

MUSIC THIS WEEKEND

CONTEMPORARY
SAT 5:30 pm | SUN 10:30 am

Even Louder | So So Good

Fill This Place | Graves Into Gardens

Bless God | Oceans

Praise You Anywhere | 10,000 Reasons

CLASSIC | SUN 9:00 am

Blessed Assurance

Abide With Me

Musical Offering (Flutes)

When Peace Like a River

MESSAGE: **Sarah Fike**

Communion: (Saturday 5:30 pm)

Baptisms:

Breckyn Alexandra Berg (Saturday 5:30 pm)

Covey Aileen Richter (Saturday 5:30 pm)

Calvin Joseph Dooher (Sunday 9:00 am)

Calvin Gene Pflipsen (Sunday 10:30 am)

We offer our sympathy and support to the family and friends of **Sandra Murphy** as they grieve her death.

Upcoming Celebration of Life Services: **Sandra Murphy** (September 25) and **Joyce Smith** (October 11).

Welcome to Prince of Peace!

We are an open and affirming community, here to love God and all people.



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.

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

Classic: Sun 9:00 am (sanctuary)

Contemporary: Sat 5:30 pm (chapel), Sun 10:30 am (sanctuary)

Resources, livestreams, playlists and podcast links: popmn.org.

JOIN US FOR COMMUNITY

Columbarium Dedication | September 21 | 9:45 am

Join us for a dedication of this new space in between services.

Beer Church | September 21 | 5:00 pm | Ineffable Brewing Co.

Join Pastor Rory for the first Beer Church, a non-judgmental space for deep and relevant spiritual community outside the walls of the traditional church.

Pastor's Book Club | Mondays | 1:30 pm | Begins September 22

Join Pastor Sarah for conversation, learning and community! The first book is *Wholehearted Faith* by Rachel Held Evans, available for purchase at the Welcome Desk and Connect Desk for \$10.

Engage Bible Study | Begins September 30 – October 1

Tuesdays 6:30 – 7:30 am | Wednesdays noon – 1:00 pm

Join Pastor Paul to pull back the layers on each week's scripture reading. Come as you are. Bring your Bible and a friend.

BBQ, Brew and Soda, Too! | October 4 | Cleary Regional Park

Join us for this family-friendly gathering hosted by Men's Ministry! There will be an opportunity to make a donation for Doulos Discovery School student scholarships. popmn.org/register

New Member Orientation | October 5 & 12 | 11:45 am

Are you interested in becoming a Prince of Peace member? Join us for our next new member class series. popmn.org/register

JOIN US IN GENEROSITY

Thank you for your gifts for mission and ministry!



INSPIRATION DRIVERS NEEDED

Help us deliver Inspiration Bags to ten POP members within your zip code on October 5. Interested? Sign up at popmn.org/give/preserve-open-plant





Trust the Story | Prayer | The Gift of God

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say:

*Father, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come.
Give us each day our daily bread.
And forgive us our sins,
for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.
And do not bring us to the time of trial."*

And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

– Luke 11:1-13

How do you read this piece of scripture? How does a prayer relationship with God sound like? There are times when we treat prayer to God like a vending machine. We pray something to God, and we expect to have that prayer answered in the exact way we want it to be. We have all hoped that this type of prayer and response is something we have wished for. Which would be very easy and convenient if it was. But Luke shows us something very different with prayer. First, Luke teaches us the Lord's Prayer and then teaches us how God answers our prayers. A lived relationship with prayer doesn't always get us the exact things we want but gives us the exact thing we need at all times and in all ways. We receive God's presence when we pray.

- *When have you prayed for something and didn't receive an answer or the answer you hoped for?*
- *What do you think the significance of the Lord's Prayer is?*
- *Does knowing you receive God as the answer to your prayers make you feel better?*
- *How does this change your view of prayer?*