



Judica

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

*“Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am
(I existed).”*

March 17th, Year of our Lord 2024

The Reverend William Foy, Pastor

About the Cover Art: Jesus, the Word of God made flesh, is preaching and teaching in God’s house, His house. Notice how lavish the pillars and marble floors are. Notice also how those who would be the important men of the “congregation” sit, some even faced away from Jesus as He teaches. To this day, many disdain Jesus, His teaching, and preaching. Others, however, are gathered and listen intently and hear Him.

The Veiled Crosses: This Sunday, the 5th Sunday of Lent, is historically Passion Sunday when the entire Passion Narrative is read. Although the Passion Narrative has moved to Palm Sunday, John’s Gospel for this Sunday concludes by saying, “Then they took up stones to throw at Him; but Jesus **HID Himself** and went out of the temple, going through the midst of them

and so passed by.” Thus as the Lord HID Himself from the people until the time of His arrest, trial, and crucifixion, the crucifixes and crosses are veiled until after the main service of Good Friday. Only the Processional Crucifix will be unveiled prior to that as it is used during the Reproaches of the Good Friday service. At that point of the service, the adoration of the cross is highlighted and in many churches, the Celebrant, other pastors, and those serving the altar might even prostrate themselves before the cross.

Order of Worship – Divine Service - Setting 3

Preludes- *Time for silent prayer and preparation for confession*

Please rise and face the procession turning to the altar when the celebrant has passed by.

Procession Hymn: In the Very Midst of Life

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1 In the ver - y midst of life Snares of death sur - round us;
 2 In the midst of death's dark vale Pow'rs of hell o'er - take us.
 3 In the midst of ut - ter woe When our sins op - press us,



Who shall help us in the strife Lest the foe con - found us?
 Who will help when they as - sail, Who se - cure will make us?
 Where shall we for ref - uge go, Where for grace to bless us?



Thou on - ly, Lord, Thou on - ly! We mourn that we have great - ly
 Thou on - ly, Lord, Thou on - ly! Thy heart is moved with ten - der -
 To Thee, Lord Je - sus, on - ly! Thy pre - cious blood was shed to



erred, That our sins Thy wrath have stirred. Ho - ly and righ - teous God!
 ness, Pit - ies us in our dis - tress. Ho - ly and righ - teous God!
 win Full a - tone - ment for our sin. Ho - ly and righ - teous God!



Ho - ly and might - y God! Ho - ly and all - mer - ci - ful
 Ho - ly and might - y God! Ho - ly and all - mer - ci - ful
 Ho - ly and might - y God! Ho - ly and all - mer - ci - ful



Sav - ior! E - ter - nal Lord God! Save us lest we per - ish
Sav - ior! E - ter - nal Lord God! Save us from the ter - ror
Sav - ior! E - ter - nal Lord God! Lord, pre - serve and keep us



In the bit - ter pangs of death. Have mer - cy, O Lord!
Of the fi - ery pit of hell. Have mer - cy, O Lord!
In the peace that faith can give. Have mer - cy, O Lord!

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Please Kneel/Stand

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

Absolution

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I

forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son
and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

Please Rise

Service of the Word

Introit - (Congregation chants the bold stanzas)



Vindicate me, | O God,*
and defend my cause against an ungodly | people,
from the deceitful and unjust man de- | liver me!*

For You are the God in whom I take | refuge.

P Send out Your light and Your truth; let them | lead
me;*
let them bring me to Your holy hill and to Your |
dwelling!

C Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my ex- |
ceeding joy,*
and I will praise You with the lyre, O | God, my
God.

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are
you in turmoil with- | in me?*

Hope in God; for I shall again praise Him, my
Salvation | and my God.

(The Gloria Patri is omitted until Easter.)

P Vindicate me, | O God,*
and defend my cause against an ungodly | people,
from the deceitful and unjust man de- | liver me!*

For You are the God in whom I take | refuge.

Kyrie

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Gloria in Excelsis omitted until Easter

Salutation

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Collect of the Day – Prayed by Pastor

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Please be seated.

The Old Testament:

Genesis 22:1–14

After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, “Abraham!”

And he said, “Here am I.”

He said, “Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you.”

So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. Then Abraham said to his young men, “Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship

and come again to you.” And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together.

And Isaac said to his father Abraham, “My father!”

And he said, “Here am I, my son.”

He said, “Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?”

Abraham said, “God will provide for Himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son.” So they went both of them together.

When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached

out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. But The Angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, “Abraham, Abraham!”

And he said, “Here am I.”

He said, “Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from Me.”

And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called the name of that place, “The LORD will provide”; as it is said to this day, “On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided.”

Gradual - *Chanted by the cantor*

Deliver me from my enemies, | O LORD!*

Teach me to do Your will, for You | are my God!

[You] delivered me from my | enemies;*

You rescued me from the man of | violence.

The Epistle:

Hebrews 9:11–15

But when Christ appeared as a High Priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) He entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of His own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, how much more will the Blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

Therefore He is the Mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant.

Please rise and face the procession as the Word of God enters into your midst. (Chanted by the congregation.)



“Greatly have they afflicted Me | from My youth”—*

let Israel | now say—

“Greatly have they afflicted Me | from My youth,*

yet they have not prevailed a- | gainst Me.

The plowers plowed up- | on My back;*

they made long their | furrows.”

The LORD is | righteous;*

He has cut the cords of the | wicked.

The Holy Gospel:

John 8:46–59

“Which one of you convicts Me of sin? If I tell the truth, why do you not believe Me? Whoever is of God hears the words of God. The reason why you do not hear them is that you are not of God.”

The Jews answered Him, “Are we not right in saying that You are a Samaritan and have a demon?”

Jesus answered, “I do not have a demon, but I honor My Father, and you dishonor Me. Yet I do not seek My own glory; there is One who seeks it, and He is the judge. Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps My word, he will never see death.”

The Jews said to Him, “Now we know that You have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet You say, ‘If anyone keeps My word, he will never taste death.’ Are You greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do You make Yourself out to be?”

Jesus answered, “If I glorify Myself, My glory is nothing. It is My Father who glorifies Me, of whom you say, ‘He is our God.’ But you have not known Him. I know Him. If I were to say that I do not know Him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know Him and I keep His word. Your

father Abraham rejoiced that he would see My day. He saw it and was glad.”

So the Jews said to Him, “You are not yet fifty years old, and have You seen Abraham?”

Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I Am.” So they picked up stones to throw at Him, but Jesus hid Himself and went out of the temple.

Draping of the Crucifixes – (*Jesus hid Himself*)

Nicene Creed

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Please be seated.

Hymn of the Day- My Song is Love Unknown

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1 My song is love un - known, My Sav - ior's love to
2 He came from His blest throne Sal - va - tion to be -
3 Some-times they strew His way And His sweet prais - es
4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and
5 They rise and needs will have My dear Lord made a -



me, Love to the love - less shown That they might love - ly
stow; But men made strange, and none The longed - for Christ would
sing; Re - sound - ing all the day Ho - san - nas to their
spite? He made the lame to run, He gave the blind their
way; A mur - der - er they save, The Prince of Life they



be. Oh, who am I That for my sake
know. But, oh, my friend, My friend in - deed,
King. Then “Cru - ci - fy!” Is all their breath,
sight. Sweet in - ju - ries! Yet they at these
slay. Yet cheer - ful He To suf - f'ring goes



My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?
Who at my need His life did spend!
And for His death They thirst and cry.
Them - selves dis - please And 'gainst Him rise.
That He His foes From thence might free.

6 In life no house, no home
 My Lord on earth might
 have; In death no friendly
 tomb But what a stranger
 gave. What may I say?
 Heav'n was His home But
 mine the tomb Wherein
 He lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing,
 No story so divine! Never
 was love, dear King,
 Never was grief like
 Thine. This is my friend,
 In whose sweet praise I all
 my days Could gladly
 spend

Sermon

Please rise.

Offertory

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Prayer of the Church- *Prayed by Pastor*

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What we believe: The Sacrament of the Altar

We welcome to the Lord's Supper all those who are presently communicant members in good standing of Prince of Peace. If you have never received Holy Communion at Prince of Peace from Pastor Foy, please see him before you commune. Thank you

Distribution

Please be seated.

Distribution Hymns –

We All Believe in One True God

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1 We all be - lieve in one true God, Who cre - at - ed
 2 We all be - lieve in Je - sus Christ, His own Son, our
 3 We all con - fess the Ho - ly Ghost, Who, in high - est

earth and heav - en, The Fa - ther, who to us in love
 Lord, pos - sess - ing An e - qual God - head, throne, and might,
 heav - en dwell - ing With God the Fa - ther and the Son,

Has the right of chil - dren giv - en. He in soul and
 Source of ev - 'ry grace and bless - ing; Born of Mar - y,
 Com - forts us be - yond all tell - ing; Who the Church, His

bod - y feeds us; All we need His hand pro - vides us;
 vir - gin moth - er, By the pow - er of the Spir - it,
 own cre - a - tion, Keeps in u - ni - ty of spir - it.

Through all snares and per - ils leads us, Watch - ing that no
 Word made flesh, our el - der broth - er; That the lost might
 Here for - give - ness and sal - va - tion Dai - ly come through

harm be - tide us. He cares for us by
 life in - her - it, Was cru - ci - fied for
 Je - sus' mer - it. All flesh shall rise, and

day and night; All things are gov - erned by His might.
 all our sin And raised by God to life a - gain.
 we shall be In bliss with God e - ter - nal - ly.

OR

A - men, a - men. A - men.

7 Then, for all that wrought my
pardon, For Thy sorrows deep
and sore, For Thine anguish
in the Garden, I will thank
Thee evermore, Thank Thee

for Thy groaning, sighing,
For Thy bleeding and Thy
dying, For that last
triumphant cry, And shall
praise Thee, Lord, on high.

O Sacred Head Now Wounded

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1 O sa - cred Head, now wound - ed, With grief and shame weighed down,
2 How pale Thou art with an - guish, With sore a - buse and scorn!
3 What Thou, my Lord, hast suf - fered Was all for sin - ners' gain;
4 My Shep - herd, now re - ceive me; My Guard - ian, own me Thine.
5 What lan - guage shall I bor - row To thank Thee, dear - est Friend,
6 My Sav - ior, be Thou near me When death is at my door;
7 Be Thou my con - so - la - tion, My shield, when I must die;



Now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed With thorns, Thine on - ly crown.
How doth Thy face now lan - guish That once was bright as morn!
Mine, mine was the trans - gres - sion, But Thine the dead - ly pain.
Great bless - ings Thou didst give me, O Source of gifts di - vine.
For this Thy dy - ing sor - row, Thy pit - y with - out end?
Then let Thy pres - ence cheer me, For - sake me nev - er - more!
Re - mind me of Thy pas - sion When my last hour draws nigh.



O sa - cred Head, what glo - ry, What bliss, till now was Thine!
Grim death, with cru - el rig - or, Hath robbed Thee of Thy life;
Lo, here I fall, my Sav - ior! 'Tis I de - serve Thy place;
Thy lips have of - ten fed me With words of truth and love;
O make me Thine for - ev - er! And should I faint - ing be,
When soul and bod - y lan - guish, O leave me not a - lone,
Mine eyes shall then be - hold Thee, Up - on Thy cross shall dwell,



Yet, though de - spised and gor - y, I joy to call Thee mine.
Thus Thou hast lost Thy vig - or, Thy strength, in this sad strife.
Look on me with Thy fa - vor, And grant to me Thy grace.
Thy Spir - it oft hath led me To heav'n - ly joys a - bove.
Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er, Out - live my love for Thee.
But take a - way mine an - guish By vir - tue of Thine own!
My heart by faith en - fold Thee. Who di - eth thus dies well.

Please rise.

Nunc Dimittis - The Gloria Patri is omitted until Easter

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Please face the procession until the celebrant has passed and then face back towards the altar.

Closing Hymn – Sing My tongue the Glorious Battle **454**



1 Sing, my tongue, the glo - rious bat - tle; Sing the end - ing
 2 Tell how, when at length the full - ness Of the ap - point - ed
 3 Thus, with thir - ty years ac - com - plished, He went forth from
 4 Faith - ful cross, true sign of tri - umph, Be for all the
 5 Un - to God be praise and glo - ry; To the Fa - ther



of the fray. Now a - bove the cross, the tro - phy,
 time was come, He, the Word, was born of wom - an,
 Naz - a - reth, Des - tined, ded - i - cat - ed, will - ing,
 no - blest tree; None in fo - liage, none in blos - som,
 and the Son, To the e - ter - nal Spir - it hon - or



Sound the loud tri - um - phant lay; Tell how Christ, the
 Left for us His Fa - ther's home, Blazed the path of
 Did His work, and met His death; Like a lamb He
 None in fruit thine e - qual be; Sym - bol of the
 Now and ev - er - more be done; Praise and glo - ry



world's re - deem - er, As a vic - tim won the day.
 true o - be - dience, Shone as light a - midst the gloom.
 hum - bly yield - ed On the cross His dy - ing breath.
 world's re - demp - tion, For the weight that hung on thee!
 in the high - est While the time - less a - ges run.

“Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins” (1 Peter 4:8).

Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of my parents Jacob & Helene Bernhardt whom emigrated 72 years ago to the United States from Yugoslavia via Austria. Helene Reichard

Special Congregation Meeting: Today March 17th immediately following the Divine Service, we will have a special congregation meeting in the Parish Hall. We want to discuss and seek approval for a wheel chair lift into the basement. Also, we would like to inform the congregation about the situation of the Westville property and decide which way to go. Thank you. Church Council

Gerhard Readings: Each Tuesday and Thursday until Holy Week. I cannot encourage you enough if you have the time to come and hear. Each session is about 1 hour. They will be recorded and uploaded to the church website princeofpeacevalparaiso.com

Please help the Ladies Guild with your donations: **Coffee Hour:** All of the items for coffee hour are paid for by the Ladies guild. Until recently, all who enjoyed the various refreshments and beverages would make some manner of contribution/donation into the basket on the kitchen counter to offset those costs. For some reason, that is not happening much these days. Please, make some donation when you can for the things you enjoy. **Eggs:** Pastor and Greg Haliburt donate eggs that you are welcome to purchase, please don't take them for free and please do not take more than one dozen per week. They are a bargain at \$2 per dozen, you may donate more if you like. Thank you for your understanding and support. SMS Guild

Please help the flower fund: Fortunately, this year most of the dates on the flower chart are spoken for, however, if there is not someone signed up for flowers, they are purchased that week by Prince of Peace. We have a flower fund but it is sorely depleted and needs replenishing. If you are able to make a donation in addition to your weekly offering, please help. Please note that it is for the flower fund. Thank you. Church Council

Crafting Together: A number of ladies are going to begin meeting on Thursday morning in the Parish Hall at 9:30 to do their crafts together and enjoy one another's company. Many of those crafting are doing things with yarn or needle and thread but all crafts and ages are welcome. If you want to learn a craft, come.

Easter Morning Breakfast: Please plan on joining us for Easter Breakfast Sunday March 31st 7:30 am. A signup sheet is located on the white board in the foyer for attendance and items needed for breakfast.

Most Eggcellent Easter Egg Hunt: Please mark your calendars for our Annual Egg Hunt Saturday March 23rd at 1:00 pm. A sign-up sheet for attendees and items needed for the Egg Hunt is located on the white board in the foyer.

Congregation Potluck April 14th: Please mark your calendars for our monthly potluck Sunday April 14th following our the Divine Service. Please bring a dish to share, beverages and tableware will be provided.

Thank you: to everyone who donated items for the Easter Baskets for the residents of the Willows. The Willows has several residents without families. Your gifts will help brighten their day. We assembled 58 baskets. Cheryl Stanley delivered the baskets Monday.

Ladies, Please mark your calendars: for the LWML Spring Rally at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Chesterton Saturday April 20th 9:00 -11:00 with a luncheon to follow. Registration begins at 8:30. Registration is \$5.00. The Theme for the Rally "Pro Life Issues and Lutherans for Life". Chris Fickle will be our speaker. Ingathering to be divided between Mommy's Haven a maternity home in Lowell and Swaddling clothes at Faith, Demotte. **Items needed:** laundry detergent, toilet paper, paper towel, hand soap, dish soap, small denomination gift cards to Aldi, Strack & Van Til, Walgreens, McDonalds, Dunkin Donut, & Dairy Queen, disposable diapers & diaper rash cream. Please place your donations in the box located in the Fellowship Hall if you do not plan on attending the Rally.

Bible Study- We are studying the Word of God, after the Divine Service, in the Parish Hall. We will begin at 10:45. Pastor Foy

For the coming Week

Organist: Jennifer Symer **Elder:** Jeff, Josh, Carl

Altar Guild Servers: Shirley, Cheryl

Bible Study: Wednesday 11:45

Bethesda Service: Wednesday 4 pm

Week day Service: Monday thru Wednesday 11:00

Veterans PTSD/Moral Injury: Tuesday 6:30-8 pm

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Chrismon Corner

Lent 5 Genesis 22.1-14 The Lord will provide
Alpha & Omega on cross. The Alpha and Omega used
together symbolize that Jesus is the beginning and end of all.
God the Son came in the flesh so that He could hang on a cross
for our salvation

Jesus is the ram caught in a thicket by its horns; the Lamb of God Who was bound in Isaac's place; Who travelled uncomplaining the way toward suffering and death, carrying the world's sins upon His shoulders, quietly doing as His Father bid Him. But as the day of sacrifice approached, He opened His eyes and mouth in prayer while the disciples slept, beseeching, "O My Father, if this cup cannot pass, Your will be done."

He died the death from which Isaac was rescued, and by the foolish sacrifice of the Father's Only-Begotten you too are rescued from sin and death and Satan and hell. For in the hot afternoon sun, when they had come to the place of the skull, the wood was set in place and the Son of God was nailed upon the accursed tree. No one could take His life from Him, but He gave it freely, submitting to the will of His Father who had forsaken Him, that He quench the Father's fiery wrath. And He gave up His Spirit crying out, "It is finished."

The atonement for your sins is finished, accomplished, completed. There is nothing left for you to do, for the sacrifice of our Lord is all-availing, perfect. He suffered and died in the place of mankind, to be raised again from the tomb by the glory of the Father, that the children of God would be raised from the dead at the Last, that theirs would be the promised land, the land flowing with milk and honey, the heavenly Jerusalem where you are forever seated at the Heavenly Feast which never ends.



Service Dates and times for Lent thru Easter

**Mid-Week Wednesday Lenten Vesper Services – 7pm
(light soup supper at 6pm preceding service)**

March 20th

**Holy week – Palm Sunday thru Easter
Palm Sunday – Divine Service 9 am**

Evening Services

Maundy Thursday – March 28th 7pm

Good Friday – March 29th 7pm

Vigil of Easter – March 30th 8 pm – At St Paul Chesterton

March 31st The Resurrection of Our Lord - Easter

Breakfast 7:30am

Divine Service 9am

PRAVERS FOR:

- Persecuted Christians everywhere and families of the martyred
- All human life – from conception unto natural death
- All humans who are trafficked or enslaved -

PRAYER FOR SHUT-INS: Kathy Hegenow, Mike Foy, Darlene McDonald, Penny Robinson

PRAYER FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY: Craig McCall, Alex Sibert, Erich Sibert; Seneca Newkirk

PRAYER FOR HEALING:

Bonnie Broviak- Dr Care

Jim Brown- Cancer

Penny Robinson – Dr Care

Susan Snow – Burns

Bill Lomas – Cancer

Jo Thompson – Cancer

Carlie Lawal - 5yr old Leukemia

Pat Maile – Dr Care

Dave McCall – Drs Care

Jim DeSmith – Brain Cancer

Bobbie Nobles – Cancer

Lil Johnston – Dr Care

Mary Cruz – ALS

Dale Porter – Rehab from fall

Please give the Church Office updates Thank you Pastor

THOSE CELEBRATING BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

Jim Brown 3/19

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Sue Kuder 3/21 MacKenzie Kuder 3/21 Jenna DeVries 3/22

THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES

Tyler & Samantha Elkins 3/18 Mike & Cheryl Emerson 3/21

THOSE ENGAGED TO BE MARRIED

Christina Foy & Joey Moser June 8, 2024 3:00 p.m.

Rachel Wilburn & Alex Rodriguez

All Prince of Peace members are invited to all weddings ceremonies in the Church.

"The love of husband and wife is the force that welds society together." - St. John Chrysostom, Homily 20 on Eph. 5