

PRINTS OF PEACE

The Monthly Church Newsletter of

PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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September 2017

Serving at Prince of Peace

Ministers:

All Members

Pastor:

+ The Rev. Seth J. Jersild

Director of Christian Education:

+Shane Remington

Church Office:

+ Lori Bensyl,
Secretary

Service Times

+ Saturday, 5:00 PM
+ Sunday, 9:00 AM

Sunday School

+ September – May
+ Class, 10:15-11:15 AM
+ Adults - Main Sanctuary

2017 Congregation Officers:

+ Roger Koss,
President
+ Mike Wallace,
Vice President
+ Leslie Froeschl,
Secretary
+ Ryan Fisher,
Treasurer

MISSION STATEMENT

*We are a family of
believers, united to
know Christ, and to
make him known.*

SPECIAL SERMON SERIES PLANNED FOR OCTOBER: THE 500TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE REFORMATION

- October 8: The World of the Lutheran Reformation
- October 15: Luther and Faith Alone
- October 22: Luther and the Roman Catholic Church
- October 29 (Reformation Sunday): Luther and the Radicals



CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION MEETINGS IN SEPTEMBER

It's almost time to begin our 2017-2018 year of confirmation instruction at Prince of Peace. All confirmation students and their parents are required to attend an orientation meeting on **one or the other** of the following dates:

- Wednesday, September 6th at 6:00 p.m. (Youth Room)
- Wednesday, September 13th at 6:00 p.m. (Youth Room)

At the orientation, we will be discussing the confirmation curriculum and requirements, and also scheduling some fun and fellowship events for the kids. The meeting will last about an hour. This year in class, we will be doing an overview of the key events and teachings of the Bible.

If you have children entering the 7th or 8th grades, please mark these dates on your calendars! If you know of any families outside our congregation who may be interested in participating in confirmation this year, make sure to invite them to come and find out more about it. Our first regular class will take place at **10:30 a.m. on Sunday, September 17th**, and confirmation fun-and-fellowship events will be announced soon.

ADULT SUNDAY EDUCATION IN SEPTEMBER: Regular Sunday adult classes will begin on September 17th. We meet in the main sanctuary from 10:30-11:15 each week. Bring your coffee and join us! Stay tuned for info regarding our first discussion topic!

“WORD OF LIFE” LONG-TERM BIBLE STUDY, SUNDAY NIGHTS:



You are invited to join us in Word of Life, an introductory class on the Holy Bible. We meet from 6:30-7:45 p.m. in the West Fellowship Hall on Sunday nights. Come and join us! Our remaining schedule is as follows:

September 3: Hebrews

September 10: 1 and 2 Peter; 1, 2, and 3 John; Jude

September 17: Revelation; Holy Communion and Dinner

Pastor Jersild is available to Prince of Peace church members at all times. Monday is his designated day off; but do not hesitate to call him in case of emergency. His cell phone number is 217-255-2118 and his church email address is pastor.seth.jj@gmail.com. His cell phone number—voice or text—is the quickest way to reach him.



Our church secretary, Lori Bensyl, is in the office **every morning, Monday through Friday**. You can reach Lori at the church office at 217-469-7422, or email her at lori.bensyl@popstjoe.com. Lori will relay phone and email messages to Pastor promptly.

If you leave a message on the church answering machine in the early afternoon, it may not be heard till later when Pastor comes back from visits and/or comes in for meetings in the evening. Just call him on his cell phone if you want no delay!

IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF PASTORAL CARE:



Pastor Jersild visits hospitalized and homebound members of our congregation on a regular basis, and is available at all times to meet with you. Monday is his designated day off, but he is always available in case of emergency. If you know of anyone who is hospitalized or who needs help, please let Pastor Seth know by calling him on his cell phone (255-2118) or at church (469-7422).



WOMEN’S COFFEE AND PRAYER

Need a midweek dose of powerful prayer? How about support from other women who are ready to listen? All women are invited to Geschenk Coffee and Tea Haus, 228 East Lincoln, in St. Joseph, on Wednesdays at 7 AM. Each week we'll hear a word of scripture, pray together and inspire one another for a new day -- all while sharing delicious morning coffee or tea -- and you'll still be in time for work or school! See you there!

POPS PLUS

POPS Plus Wiener Roast:

Come Thursday, September 21 to Steve and Linda LeRette's Pond Palace at 2385 C.R. 1550 N. St Joe. We'll gather at 6 to roast hot dogs. Please sign up for side dishes (buns needed). We'll furnish the hot dogs, iced tea, lemonade and coffee. Bring a lawn chair. The sign ups are posted on the bulletin boards.

September – Steve and Linda LeRette

October – Kenny and Donna Weaver/
Connie Behrens

November – Gordon and Linda Green/
Gerald and Darlene

Sappenfield
(Soup Luncheon at church)

PRAYERS OF Thanks

WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD FOR:

+All who support the continuing mission of our congregation through regular worship, prayer, financial giving, evangelism, fellowship, and service for Jesus Christ.

+The ministry of Pastor Gene Turner, pastor at Saint Joseph United Methodist Church, as he begins his ministry in our community.



The Altar Flower chart has been moved back to the bulletin board between Pastor and Lori's office. There are still many open dates, if you are interested in signing up to provide flowers. The cost of flowers is \$20 per vase.



LWR SCHOOL KITS: Listed below are the items needed for school supply/personal care kits. Donation can be left in the containers in the narthex. We will be taking items through September.

To support collection efforts for personal care kits:

- † Light-weight bath-size towels (between 20"×40" & 52"×27"), dark colors recommended
- † Bath-size bars of soap, any brand, in original wrapping
- † Adult-size toothbrushes in original packaging
- † Metal nail clippers (attached file optional)

And for the school supply kits:

- † Spiral Notebooks 70 ct, wide or college ruled; no loose leaf paper
- † Blunt Scissors
- † Unsharpened #2 Pencils with erasers
- † Ballpoint Pens; no gel pens
- † Crayons; 24 count
- † Ruler, with 30 centimeters on one side
- † Pencil Sharpeners
- † 2 ½ inch erasers



Please help us keep our prayer list up to date. If you have someone in need of prayer, or someone who has been on the list, but can be taken off, please call or email Lori so she can update the list. Thank you!



UNITED IN MARRIAGE:

+Andrew King and Rachael Jannusch were united in marriage at Prince of Peace on Saturday, August 5, 2017.

God's Left Hand:

A 6 -year-old and his grandma went for a walk one autumn day. "Look at the gorgeous leaves!" Grandma exclaimed. "Just think, God painted each one of them just for us!"

"Yep," said her grandson, "and he did it all left-handed."

Perplexed, Grandma asked, "Why do you think God used his left hand to create all this beauty?"

"Because," said the boy matter-of-factly, "we learned in Sunday school that Jesus sits on God's right one."



Thank you Prince of Peace for supporting the work campers who attended and worked at Rosebud Indian Reservation in Mission, South Dakota this past July. We appreciate your gifts of supporting the fundraisers this past year that sent 22 youths and 8 adults to work at sites throughout the area. We especially appreciate your gifts of canned goods, sport and school supplies to take along with us. As you can see, the donated items were placed at the base of the Welcome sign. Along with our donated canned goods, other groups added to the amount throughout the week making it a total of 4,468 items that will be going to their foodbank.

There were a total of 369 work campers, 13 churches participated and 9 states were represented with a total of 11,000 hours of community service provided in one week. There were 51 sites with a total of 62 Crews; a crew consists of 1 adult, 5 youths. All sites were 100% completed by the end of the week.

Thank you for making a difference for those in need.



KidsZone

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY: SEPTEMBER 10TH

KidsZone and all our other educational programs will be getting started at 10:15 a.m. on Sunday, September 10th with a special RALLY DAY KICKOFF. Come and join us!

POP 4/5/6

POP 456 PIZZA LUNCH AND PLANNING MEETING,

SEPTEMBER 17th: All our 4th, 5th, and 6th graders and their parents are invited to come to a pizza lunch at 11:15 a.m. (right after Sunday School) in the Youth Room on Sunday, September 17th. We'll be planning service activities and fun events for the youths in the coming months, and we need your ideas and support! See you there!

Confirmation

Confirmation will be a little bit different this year and the change is significant. Confirmation class will be on **Sundays** during the Sunday School hour. The Confirmation students will also meet on Wednesdays after school until 5:00 PM. This after school program will be for fellowship and other service activities. The after school program will be required for all Confirmation students just as attending classes and church services are required. There will be two different Confirmation Orientations this year and you and your student will need to be at one of these meetings. The first is on Wednesday, September 6th at 6:00 PM in the West Fellowship Hall. The second orientation meeting is on Wednesday, September 13th at 6:00 PM in the West Fellowship Hall. At the orientation, we will be discussing what to expect for the next year as well as signing up to lead activities. Parents, it is very important that you are able to attend one of these meetings. Confirmation will start on Sunday, September 17th and the after school program will start on Wednesday, September 20th.



High School!

The High School Youth have had a busy summer and we will be continuing our weekly Youth Group Gatherings (YGG) on Wednesday nights at 6:30 PM. Supper will be provided and we will conclude our meeting at roughly 8:00 PM.

Now is the time to get registered for Workcamp in 2018! To reserve your spot on the trip all you have to do is fill out a registration form and send in a \$75 non-refundable deposit. You can get a registration form from Shane Remington or you can find them in the church office.

If you cannot attend Workcamp, we will be doing a mini-Workcamp Weekend in October and it will be HERE in St. Joseph. Contact Shane if you are interested or have any questions. You can still take part in the mini-Workcamp weekend if you are going on Workcamp 2018!





Classroom of the Month

Goldfish, School-age Classroom

Summer has flown by and school is back in session. We have had a very busy summer going on different field trips and learning new things. There were a couple new field trips we went on that included Wildlife Adventure Park and Flesor's Candy Kitchen. The Goldfish also did some cool projects this summer. We did the bottle cap project. I know there were a lot of parents, staff, and church members that contributed to the collection of bottle caps. We truly thank you for that. The kids are back in school, now, and fall will be here before we'll know it.



Love and Blessings,
Ms. Brittany

Ms. Tammie made the Employee Honor Roll!

Ms. Tammie is our cook in the kitchen. She has been at PoPCELC for 12 years! She does a great job of making sure that our nutritionally balanced meals and snacks are ready to go each day. She also helps with the special diets for children with allergies or other special medical conditions. She loves seeing how excited the kids get over her lunches and snacks she provides for them! They yell "Tammie" when she steps in the rooms with their food!

She is a very important part of Prince of Peace!

Ms. Tammie's Fun Facts:

Ms. Tammie's birthday is on April 29th. She is from Ogden and lives in St. Joe. She is married to her husband, Bob. She has 3 kids, Rochelle, Bobby, and Rachelle and 8 grandchildren. Their names are Christasia, twins Jackie and Jadarius, Schuy, Sierra, Sydney, Tarqui, and Peyton. She also has 2 great grandchildren. Avah Jade and Stormy Lynn who are both 2 and another one on the way.

Her favorite colors are pink and purple and her favorite place to eat is Hickory River. She enjoys spending time with her grandchildren, walking, shopping, and watching the Cardinals play baseball!

Be sure to tell Ms. Tammie, "Thank you!", when you see her!

Miss Sona made the Employee Honor Roll!

Thank you, Ms. Sona, for being very dependable and helping us when we need you!

Sona has been employed with Prince of Peace since 2004. She loves the children and enjoys her floating position so she can see everyone throughout the center.

Miss Sona has 3 children, Joshua, Kristin and Easton. She is from Danville where she currently lives. Her birthday is on January 4th, her favorite colors are purple and black, and she loves rooting for the Chicago Cubs & Chicago Bears!

You may see her driving in her Jeep and eating at her favorite restaurants, Cracker Barrel and El Toro. She collects apple décor, snowmen, and antique cookbooks. She likes to go antiquing and shopping at flea markets. Sona's favorite movie is the Wizard of Oz and she collects Oz memorabilia. She enjoys reading on her Kindle. Her most favorite foods are popcorn and bacon, and she absolutely loves McDonalds fries!

Thanks again, Miss Sona!

From the Purple Cat Room: Why do you love Your Dad?

- ✦ We color and go on walks together
- ✦ He is really fun to play with
- ✦ He deer hunts and has an i-pad
- ✦ He feeds me really good food
- ✦ He make me laugh
- ✦ My dad hugs me
- ✦ He likes to play with me
- ✦ He tells me what not to do
- ✦ He is strong
- ✦ He gives me a kiss good night
- ✦ He always tickles me
- ✦ He is awesome
- ✦ Because he loves me
- ✦ He is special
- ✦ He throws me up in the air
- ✦ He spins me around



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Apples of Gold

Titus 2:3-5 talks in detail of older women teaching younger women by words and example, passing on values from generation to generation.

Apples of Gold (AOG) is a special ministry of senior women mentoring younger women. We will be building friendships and connecting in a deeper way. We will be learning tips for homemaking, decorating and entertaining. A delicious homemade meal will be served to the mentees. The Bible study is especially meaningful as we study practical ways of being Christian women in today's world.

AOG will meet on Wednesdays from 6-8 pm September 13 through November 1. This includes a welcoming tea at the church, 6 meetings at the home of Pat Camp and a celebration dinner that includes the husbands. The celebration dinner will be at the church. Mentors have been planning all summer. They are excited about nurturing and pampering the new mentees.

Mentors: Janice Koss, Jodi Gilliland, June Kopmann, Linda LeRette, Melissa Idleman, Nancy Olson, Pat Camp, Tonya Dunn and Pam Franzen.

2017 Mentees: April Barrowman, Lindsay Beeler, Kelly Carter, Lee Jannusch, Sarah Remington, Darci Wilson

There is always lots of learning, laughter and sometimes even tender tears as we become more confident in our special roles as wives and mothers in the spirit of being followers of Jesus Christ.



2017 NALC Convocation

From August 9 – 11, Larry and I were privileged to attend the NALC Annual Convocation in Nashville, Tennessee. We joined some 700 fellow members who gathered around the theme, “Holding Fast: Being Reformed.” The 500th Anniversary of the Reformation was the focus of the event.

The event began with a Mission Festival with leaders of the churches of Tanzania and Ethiopia speaking and preaching. With the emphasis on Discipleship, the event was an inspirational one. The festival worship service commemorating the Reformation featured the President of the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus, Rev. Yonas Yigezuas preacher.

The Convocation itself had the theme, “Renewing Congregational Life Through the Word of God.” After participating in many Synod Assemblies and Churchwide events in our former

church body, I will say that the strong emphasis on Scripture and living one's faith was refreshing and encouraging. There were two great Bible Studies and enlightening presentations from Roman Catholic and Reformed scholars.

Of course, business was transacted. A \$2.1 million budget was approved. The North American Lutheran Seminary (of which I serve on the Board of Regents) reported on its strategic plan as well as agreements with several colleges for programs that will allow students to earn a combined Bachelors degree/Master of Divinity in 6 years rather than the traditional 8.

A resolution seeking to change the process for electing the Bishop was rejected. A resolution calling for congregations to consider increasing their benevolence giving to the NALC by at least 1 per cent of their congregational budget annually passed resoundingly.

Of course, a great highlight and joy of the Convocation is the opportunity to renew acquaintances and get to know other partners in the NALC. Larry and I are grateful to have had this opportunity! Next year's Convocation will be held in Denver, Colorado, at the Crowne Plaza Convention Center, August 13 – 17, 2018. I would urge any of you to consider attending!

Pastor Donna Smith

STEWARDSHIP



Prince Of Peace Lutheran Church

Children's Stewardship Do Your Children See You Give?

Every parent wants to raise children who share and give generously. When our children someday meet God face to face we want to know that they will hear Jesus say to them the same words the master said to those who used their talents wisely, *“Well done, my good and faithful servant...Come, share your master’s joy.”* (Matt 25:21)

However, raising a generous child is a challenge in a society that constantly teaches children to want more and more things for themselves. One of the key factors in teaching children to be generous is to let them see you giving. After all, children mimic what they see, *not* what they hear.

Today many donations to the parish Offertory may be made electronically, monthly, quarterly, or via mail. Thus, children may never actually see their parents give. A child who never sees a parent place an envelope in the Offertory could grow up thinking, *“My parents never gave any support to the Church. Why should I?”*

Teaching Stewardship to Children

The Greatest Lesson We Can Impart



Therefore, it is important that parents talk with children about the charitable gifts the family makes. If you would like to increase your giving you might even ask your kids about ways the family budget could be adjusted so that there is more to share with God. Their suggestions might surprise you! More information for discussing God’s call to give can be found [here](#).

Using an Allowance To Help Teach Stewardship

We all know that money can’t buy happiness. Wealthy people can be just as unhappy as poorer people. Rather, happiness comes from being content with what we have and feeling like we are making a difference in the world. We can put our children on the path to a happy and successful life by teaching them how to use and manage money so that it brings them contentment, fills their needs and allows them to help others.

Financial experts suggest that children should be taught to divide their allowance into three or four sections – to spend, to save, to invest and to donate. **Spending** covers basic needs and wants. **Saving** teaches patience and planning. **Investing** looks to the future. For children this might mean future educational needs. **Donating** gives kids satisfaction by allowing them to be a part of sometime important, like the Offertory.

Our Lord calls each of us to share what we have. He tells us, *“Much will be required of the person entrusted with much and even more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more.”* (Luke 12:48) Children who learn to give away a portion of their financial blessings not only are following the Lord’s command but they also begin to discover that sharing part of their money can be very satisfying.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Penny Bates **Sherry Bivens** **Lucille Conrad** **Norbert Franzen** **Susi Huls**
Abby Immke **Linda Johnson** **Tom Long** **Gary Olson** **Jake Townsend** **Alan Woods**

Don Alsip; father of Michelle Trame
Nick Bates; friend of Lowell and Micki Suits
Anna Lee Bouslog; mother of Annette Ackerman
Dalton Brownfield; son of Lee Jannusch
Danny Carter; brother-in-law of Barb & Paul Swinford
Sandy Cheek; friend of Joyce Kesler
Betty Clark; mother of Teresa Clark
Ted Collins
Rob Criss; nephew of Connie Behrens
Sonja Cully; friend of Wendt family
Joseph D'Antonio; father of Nichole Jones
Debbie Ellis
Stephanie Erickson; friend of PoP members
Chuck Evans; brother of Dee Evans
Donna Ferguson; mother of Gary Ferguson
Phillip, Anne & Sawyer Finrock; friends of Katelynn Massengale
Jeff Finis & family; friends of Paul & Barb Swinford
Twila Freeman; friend of Gerry Windler
Bill Gilbreath; brother of Nancy Bishop
Robert Gilliland; father of Dwayne Gilliland
Roger Grace; friend of Terri Modd and Mary Rolfe
Mary Guzy; sister in law of Donna Guzy
Linda Halleck; friend of Micki Suits
Thelma Hastings; mother of Michael Hastings
Kim Hausman; friend of Carmine Dwyer
Jason Holt; friend of POP members
Phil Hudson; brother of Pam Franzen
Mike Kerner; friend of the Pence family
Cheryl Kopmann; mother of Kari, Kelli and Kristi
Ann Lindquist; neighbor of Hastings
Leah McDowell; cousin of Terri Modd & Mary Rolfe
Marcia McQueen; friend of Annette & Rick Ackerman
Pete Meier; father of Melissa Idleman
Lowell and Ellen Mennenga
Ryan and Heather Miller; co-workers of Jason Emmert
Dan Mills; father of Greg Mills

Earl & Carole Olson, parents of Debi Johnson
Dennis Osterbur; brother-in-law of Lori Bensyl
Heidi Ostrowski; niece of Norris Schlueter & Verna Hasty
Rex Phillips; friend of Tom & Sue Grindley
Bryan Pinaire; friend of Greg and Sadie Immke
Murelle Plotner; grand-daughter of Paula Plotner
Barbara Reinhold; sister of Bev Goldenstein
Maddi Reynolds; niece of Katelynn Massengale
Caitlynn Riblet; friend of Kathy McCormick
Mildred Rincker; mother of Sharan Carmichael
Glenn Rothermel; father of Susan Allen
Bob Rudolph; father of Rob Rudolph
Arcie Sapato; grandfather of Shelley Altenbaumer
Loretta Stoerger; friend of Gerry Windler
Josh Stone; co-worker of Susi Huls
Jeff Welch; friend of PoP members
Jason Wheatley; friend of the Hill family
Briella Wrench; niece of Mike and Tami Voges

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS...

+**Shane Remington**, our Director of Christian Education, in his service to the families of our congregation.
+**St. Paul Lutheran Church in Altamont IL; Trinity Lutheran Church in Shumway IL, and St. John Lutheran Church in Bloomington**, as they seek God's will for their congregations.
+**American Lutheran Church in Rantoul**, as they prepare to move forward with new pastoral leadership.
+The **pastors** of all the Saint Joseph Christian congregations: **Jud Travis, Scott Millis, Gene Turner, Vinny Santanelli, and Seth Jersild.**
+**The North American Lutheran Seminary**, the official training and educational institution for pastors of our national church.
+**The North American Lutheran Church**, as we grow in our outreach and mission for Christ.
+**The Ethiopian Evangelical Church, Mekane Yesu**, our full communion church partner in east Africa.
+**Jonathan and Carrie Federwitz** and their children, **Nathan, Julia, Leah** and **Rachel**, as they serve the mission of the Lutheran Bible Translators in Papua, New Guinea.
+**Matthew Sims**, who is teaching English in China and preparing to begin his pastoral education.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY:

Kambri and Lee Austin Friends of Ryley Smith and Smith family – Stationed in Vista, CA
Erin Bensyl Daughter of Fred and Trini Bensyl – Stationed in Fort Hood, TX
Robert Brown Stationed in California
MiReena Burris Niece of Mike and Lee Jannusch – Marine Corp, deployed to Middle East
Kendal Coffey Friend of Steve and Rhonda Littlefield – Stationed at Fort Bragg, North Carolina
Matthew Collins Friend of Dale and June Kopmann – Stationed in Fort Campbell, KY
Amy Crane Grand-daughter of Nettie Henry – Stationed at Crane Naval Base, Indiana
Don Cribbett Nephew of Connie Bensyl & Donna Weaver – Stationed at Fort Campbell, KY
Daylan Evans Son of Sara (Evans) & Travis Baker – Stationed at Quantico, Virginia
Tyler Foster Friend of Steve and Leslie Froeschl – Stationed at Cannon Air Force Base, NM
Matthew Giertz Brother of Tonya Dunn – Stationed at Fort Hood, TX
Traverse Jarman Nephew of Melissa Idleman – Stationed in Vilseck, Germany
Jesus Olmedo Nephew of Miguel Lucio – Stationed in Japan
Jose Orozco Nephew of Miguel Lucio – In training for the Marine Corp
Josh Reynolds Nephew of Mike and Lee Jannusch – Stationed at Whiteman Air Force Base, MO
Tommy Rohl Friend of the Gary Olson family – Stationed at Fort Campbell, KY
Dyllan Trautmann Grandson of Gerald and Darlene Sappenfield – Stationed in Eglin AFB, Florida