



PRINTS OF PEACE

The Monthly Church Newsletter of

PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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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, 10:30-11:15 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 PRAYERS FOR ALL SAINTS DAY, NOVEMBER 4-5:



On All Saints Sunday we give thanks to God for all the saints who have passed down the Christian faith through the generations. During the prayers, we remember with love those members of our congregation who have entered into eternal life in the last year. If you would like to add the name of someone close to you who has passed away in the last year, please write their name(s) down on a piece of paper and give it to Pastor Seth, or call the church office (469-7422) and leave a message with their names.



COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE AT LIVING WORD FAMILY CHURCH: SUNDAY NOVEMBER 19TH

The members of four St. Joseph churches will be gathering at **6:30 p.m.** on **Sunday, November 20th** for a community Thanksgiving service. Living Word Family Church (1000 Park Ave., St. Joseph) will be hosting the service this year; Pastor Gene Turner from St. Joseph United Methodist Church will be preaching. Several church groups will be providing music for the occasion. We hope you can attend the celebration!

HEALING SERVICE, NOVEMBER 12:



There will be an opportunity for people to come forward at the Sunday service on November 12 for special prayers for healing with the laying-on-of-hands.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Everyone is encouraged to attend our Wednesday night bible classes; you can jump in any time! We meet at 6:30 p.m. in the newly renovated Sunday School room. Drinks and snacks are provided at the beginning of each session. Our discussion schedule will be as follows:

- November 1: 1 John chapters 1-2
- November 8: 1 John chapters 3-5
- November 15: James chapters 1-2
- November 22: *No class (day before Thanksgiving)*
- November 29: James chapters 3-5
- December 6: Ephesians chapters 1-2
- December 13: Ephesians chapters 3-4
- December 20: Ephesians chapters 5-6

ADULT SUNDAY EDUCATION THROUGH CHRISTMAS:



We meet in the main sanctuary from 10:30-11:15 each week. Bring your coffee and join us! Our schedule through December is as follows:

- November 5: New Testament Figures: Mary Magdalene (Pastor Donna Smith)
- November 12: New Testament Figures: Paul, Hero of Acts (Pastor Donna Smith)
- November 19: Dealing with Grief (Melissa Idleman)
- November 26: Dealing with Grief (Melissa Idleman)
- December 3: Dealing with Grief (Melissa Idleman)
- December 10: Dealing with Grief (Melissa Idleman)
- December 17: Birthday Party for Jesus: East Fellowship Hall



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!



EAT, PRAY, CARDS:

WEDNESDAYS AT 10:00 A.M.

Each Wednesday, you are invited to meet in the newly revamped Sunday School room for a light brunch, a brief devotion led by Pastor Seth, and a few rounds of cards. We will meet at 10:00 a.m. every Wednesday. Please sign up in the Narthex if you will be attending.



LOOKING FOR A MISSING COAT:

We are looking for a black hooded raincoat, women's, which wandered from the coat rack at church on October 15. Tag inside indicates "Magellan." Please check your closets – thanks!

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).



POPS PLUS

Soup and Sandwich POTLUCK
Thursday, November 16th at Noon

PoP's Plus will gather in the west fellowship hall of the church beginning at 11:45 on Thursday, November 16th for their Annual Soup and Sandwich Luncheon. We will plan to eat at noon. There will be sandwiches, salads, and wonderful desserts to top off this Annual Lunch. Please sign up if you plan to attend, on the bulletin board, near each worship space, and indicate what you will be bringing for the luncheon. Anyone available during the day is invited to attend, and guests are welcome too!

November –

Gordon and Linda Green/
Gerald and Darlene Sappenfield
(Soup Luncheon at church)



WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD FOR:

- +**Mernice Wakefield**, for providing and setting up refreshments and snacks for Professor Joe Thomas' presentation "Luther and the Reformation" on October 15th.
- +**Keith and Abby Schlueter** for faithfully volunteering to work the screens and sound equipment each Sunday.
- +**Bunny Schlueter** for assisting our confirmation student acolytes each Sunday morning.
- +**The parents of our confirmation students**, for their constant support of our confirmation program and for the encouragement they give to their students.
- +**Melissa Idleman**, for her excellent leadership of the Tuesday night women's bible study.
- +**Sue Grindley, Dena Rydell, and Micki Suits**, for accompanying our worship services.
- +**Dwayne Gilliland**, for his guidance for the ushers and communion assistants each Sunday morning.
- +**Eileen Duitsman**, for overseeing and providing guidance for the sacristans.
- +**Members of the Outreach Committee**, for organizing the Halloween Festival on October 29th.
- +**All** who support the continuing mission of our congregation through regular worship, prayer, financial giving, evangelism, fellowship, and service for Jesus Christ.



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.

POP 4/5/6

The POP 4/5/6 will be serving the community in November by raking leaves. We will be raking leaves on Sunday, November 5th right after Sunday School! Kids should bring clothes to be working in, gloves, a rake, and \$10 for lunch at Dairy Queen afterward!

BAKED GOODS AUCTION!

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3rd:

We will be auctioning **baked goods** after the 9:00 a.m. worship service on **Sunday, December 3rd** to support our high school **Workcampers**. What can you do to help?
1) Provide baked goods for the auction! Just bring them in before worship that day, and our high schoolers will get them ready for the auction.
2) Attend the auction after church!
Remember, your donations will enable our high school youths and their adult chaperones to go on Workcamp in July of 2018 to make repairs on the homes of people in need. Thank you for making this excellent Christian mission trip possible for our young people!

WE COMMEND INTO ETERNAL LIFE...



+Pastor Jersild performed graveside service for **Thelma Hastings**, the mother of Mike and Vicky, on Thursday October 26 in Decatur.



KIDSZONE SUNDAY CLASSES! All youths aged pre-K through 6th grade meet in the West Fellowship Hall after worship. After singing together, the children break into three separate groups (pre-K-K; grades 123, grades 456) for the rest of class. Parents, please pick your children up at 11:15 in their separate classrooms!

KIDSZONE LEADERS' SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER:

November 5 (Session 8)

Full Group Leader: Tami Fruhling-Voges
 Pre-K and K Breakout Discussion Leader: Nichole Jones
 123 Breakout Discussion Leader: Tami Fruhling-Voges
 456 Breakout Discussion Leader: Mary Benoit
 Song Leader: Stacy Fisher
 Attendance: Lindsay Beeler
 Offerings: Darci Wilson
 Pre-K and K Crew Leader: Katrina Hueber
 123 Crew Leader: We need someone!
 456 Crew Leader: Carmine Dwyer

November 12 (Session 9)

Full Group Leader: Tami Fruhling-Voges
 Pre-K and K Breakout Discussion Leader: Tracey Mathis
 123 Breakout Discussion Leader: Tami Fruhling-Voges
 456 Breakout Discussion Leader: Katrina Hueber
 Song Leader: Stacy Fisher
 Attendance: Lindsay Beeler
 Offerings: Darci Wilson
 Pre-K and K Crew Leader: Nichole Jones
 123 Crew Leader: Sherrill Mohr
 456 Crew Leader: Sarah Olson

November 19 (Session 10)

Full Group Leader: Tami Fruhling-Voges
 Pre-K and K Breakout Discussion Leader: Katrina Hueber
 123 Breakout Discussion Leader: Tami Fruhling-Voges
 456 Breakout Discussion Leader: Mary Benoit
 Song Leader: Stacy Fisher
 Attendance: Lindsay Beeler
 Offerings: Darci Wilson
 Pre-K and K Crew Leader: We need someone!
 123 Crew Leader: Sherrill Mohr
 456 Crew Leader: Carmine Dwyer

November 26

Leaders are needed for our Annual KidsZone Thanksgiving Weekend Outreach Project.

JOIN THE NORTH AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH'S RESPONSE TO THE HURRICANE DISASTERS IN TEXAS AND FLORIDA

To support Hurricane Harvey and Irma relief efforts, you can securely donate online by going to www.thenalc.org and following the cues. Be sure to click "Disaster Response Fund" on the donation page online. Thank you so much for your prayers and support!

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 Geschen 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!

OFFERING / BOOKKEEPING INFORMATION FOR 2017 YEAR END

Before we know it, we will be at the close of 2017! Please be sure to get your receipts in on time for reimbursement by mid December, if possible, so we are sure to get a check cut before year end.

In the same manner, sometimes we have members who wish to make an offering for the end of the year to be included on their financial giving report. If you plan to do this, please have your offering into the church office by 9:00 AM on Thursday, December 28, so that we can process the proper paperwork to get your offering in the records for



Classroom of the Month -- Red Birds

The Red Bird Room consists of fun and very energetic two year olds! We have been blessed with some beautiful weather and have enjoyed buggy rides around town and playing on the playground. We are learning our letter sounds, counting, shapes and colors as well as, sharing, taking turns, caring for our friends and all the love and blessings God has given us!!

Love and God Bless,
Ms. Stacey & Ms. Holly



Ms. Kerstin made the Employee Honor Roll!

Ms. Kerstin is one of the Floater Teacher. She started with us on October 29th 2015. One of the things she enjoys about working here is that we are Christian based and teaching the Bible to the children. Kerstin enjoys singing and doing art projects with the children, reading stories and acting them out, and helping the teachers work out themes.

She is a very important part of Prince of Peace!

Ms. Kerstin's Fun Facts:

Ms. Kerstin's birthday is on March 14th. She is from Germany and currently lives in Newman, IL. She is married and has two dogs Brillo and Happy. They are rescue animals. She graduated in 2010 with a Bachelor's of Science in Biology degree from Eastern.

Her favorite color is black and she enjoys reading and science. She loves vegetable and flower gardening and crafts. She also does a lot of volunteering. She's a member of the Douglas County Ground Search and Rescue, serves on the Advisory Board of the Douglas County Health Dept Medical Reserve Corps, belongs to the National Animal Health Emergency Response Corps, and holds a 1st Responder License.

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

Ms. Kaleigh made the Employee Honor Roll!

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

Kaleigh started working at POPCELC in April of 2107. She is the Head Teacher of the White Dog room. Her favorite part of her job is working with the kids. The children are all sweet, and funny, and I enjoy developing relationships with them. She enjoys working with all the staff at POPCELC and she like that she works at a Christian based center.

Kaleigh attends the University of Illinois and is working towards her Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education. She is from St. Joseph and currently lives in Thomasboro.

Kaleigh has two older brothers, a younger sister, and a niece and nephew who are the favorite people in her world! Her birthday is on April 4th. Her favorite place to eat in Chilis. Her favorite color is purple and her favorite team is the Fighting Illini. Kaleigh spends her free time hanging out with family and friends, and playing with her dog Ruby. She also likes to paint and go to sporting events in her free time.

Thanks again, Ms. Kaleigh!

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FROM THE DIRECTOR---

Two parents can't raise a child any more than one. You need a whole community---everybody---to raise a child.

~Toni Morrison

Andy and Dean munched on syrup-dripping from waffles. Leaning his hand on his chin, Andy grumbled, "Boy, mom and dad were crabby last night. I wanted to eat at the pizza shop but no, we don't have enough money. Dad went to his night job and Mom made me got to my room while she cleaned. What a drag."

"Could you help your mom next time so she would get done faster?" I asked.

Dean had his own question. "You have a mom and a dad who both live with you?"

"Yeah."

"Weird. I don't think I could take that."

We are a vital part of the community that families need. We ease the stress in kid's lives by providing them with stability and a sympathetic ear.

STEWARDSHIP



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“Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with all your might” (Eccl. 9:10).

God bids us to be faithful in the tasks He calls us to do. He calls us to be members of a family (husbands and wives; fathers and mothers; sons and daughters). He calls us to be members of society (those who govern and those who are governed). And He calls us to be members of His family, the Church (those who preach and teach and those who hear and learn). Each of these callings from God places a duty on us.

As members of a family, husbands are given the duty to die for their wives as Christ gave His life for His bride, the Church; while wives are given the duty to respect their husbands and submit themselves to them as the Church does to Christ. Fathers and mothers are to raise their children in the fear and admonition of the Lord, teaching them the Ten Commandments, the Creed, the Lord’s Prayer, and the Scriptures concerning Baptism, Confession, the Office of the Keys, and the Lord’s Supper. Children are to honor their parents throughout their lives, and even when their parents are no longer alive, serving and obeying them, loving and cherishing them, and speaking well of them.



As members of society, God calls those who govern to bear the sword, that is, to punish those who do evil—those who live contrary to God’s will—and to reward those who do good—those whose lives are lived in conformity with God’s will. Those who are governed are to obey their leaders as to the Lord Himself, for their leaders bear the sword of God’s temporal justice for a purpose.

As members of God’s own family, the Church, He calls those who preach and teach to do so in faithfulness to His holy Word. To preach and teach the Law of God to convict the hearts of hearers of their sin and to encourage, admonish, and exhort them to do good works in accordance with God’s will. They are to preach and teach the Gospel, the full forgiveness of their sins accomplished by Christ and received through faith, not by works. They are to administer the means of grace in accordance with the Gospel and the Word of God. They do all this for the young and old alike, for those who are near and far off. Those who hear and learn are to submit themselves to their preachers and teachers. They are to support them by their prayers and their gifts.



Each of these callings from God places a duty on us. They make a claim on our presence, our prayers, and on our time, talents, and treasures. So, “Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with all your might” (Eccl 9:10). Pray for your family, for your government, and your church. Give of yourself by means of your time, your talents, and your treasures to your family, your government, and your Church. That is what it means to be faithful in the tasks that God has given us. That is what it means to do it with all your might.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Penny Bates **Sherry Bivens** **Lucille Conrad** **Bev Goldenstein**
Mike Halbach **Vicky Hastings** **Abby Immke** **Linda Johnson** **Tom Long**

Don Alsip; father of Michelle Trame
Anna Lee Bouslog; mother of Annette Ackerman
Dalton Brownfield; son of Lee Jannusch
Christine Brucker; mother of Stacy Fisher
Danny Carter; brother-in-law of Barb & Paul Swinford
Sandy Cheek; friend of Joyce Kesler
Betty Clark; mother of Teresa Clark
Ted Collins
Sonja Cully; friend of Wendt family
Joseph D'Antonio; father of Nichole Jones
Debbie Ellis; friend of Sherrill Mohr
Stephanie Erickson; friend of PoP members
Chuck Evans; brother of Dee Evans
Donna Ferguson; mother of Gary Ferguson
Jeff Finis & family; friends of Paul & Barb Swinford
Twila Freeman; friend of Gerry Windler
Bill Gilbreath; brother of Nancy Bishop
Roger Grace; friend of Terri Modd and Mary Rolfe
Mary Guzy; sister in law of Donna Guzy
Mike Halbach; father of Michelle Shaw
Linda Halleck; friend of Micki Suits
Jason Holt; friend of POP members
Phil Hudson; brother of Pam Franzen
Gayle Jannusch; daughter-in-law of Mardella Jannusch
Mike Kerner; friend of the Pence family
Cheryl Kopmann; mother of Kari, Kelli and Kristi
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
Sam Morris; son in law of Jim and Dea Taeger

Suellyn Norton; friend of Tom and Doris Long
Dottie Olson; mother of Gary Olson
Earl & Carole Olson, parents of Debi Johnson
Dennis Osterbur; brother-in-law of Lori Bensyl
Heidi Ostrowski; niece of Norris Schlueter & Verna Hasty
John Otloe; uncle of Doug Wendt
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
Mildred Rincker; mother of Sharan Carmichael
Glenn Rothermel; father of Susan Allen
Bob Rudolph; father of Rob Rudolph
Arcie Sapato; grandfather of Shelley Altenbaumer
Josh Stone; co-worker of Susi Huls
Jeff Welch; friend of PoP members
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.
+**Pastor Matt Bahnfleth** as he begins his ministry with the people of American Lutheran Church in Rantoul.
+The **pastors** of all the Saint Joseph Christian congregations: **Jud Travis, Scott Millis, Gene Turner, 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 AFB, NM
Matthew Giertz	Brother of Tonya Dunn – Stationed at Charleston, WV
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 AFB, 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