

### PRINTS OF PEACE

The Monthly Church Newsletter of

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### February 2018

## 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

### 2018 Congregation Officers:

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President

- + Mike Wallace, Vice President
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Secretary

+ Ryan Fisher, Treasurer

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

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



### ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP, FEBRUARY 14<sup>TH</sup>

We begin the season of Lent with this day of repentance and renewal, on which we remember that "we are dust, and to dust we shall return." Come and join us at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, for a service of Holy Communion, with imposition of ashes.

## LENT WEDNESDAY SOUP SUPPERS: 6:00 p.m. FEBRUARY 21<sup>ST</sup>—MARCH 21<sup>ST</sup>



A variety of home-made soups will be served for dinner before our Wednesday Lenten worship services this year, starting on February 21<sup>st</sup>. Come with your family to the West Fellowship Hall at 6:00 p.m. for fellowship and a simple, delicious Lenten meal.



## WEDNESDAY LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICES, 2018: CITIZENSHIP HAS ITS PRIVILEGES "ROUND ROBIN" PREACHING SERIES

Be sure to make Wednesday worship part of your observance of Lent this year! Worship will take place in the main sanctuary at 7:00 p.m. on all Wednesdays from February 21<sup>st</sup> through March 21<sup>st</sup>.

Pastors of local North American Lutheran Church congregations will be rotating between the churches each week. Each pastor will preach on a different scriptural example of faithful endurance in the face of extreme challenges. Come and join us!



### **SALT AND LIGHT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** LAST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH

Members of Prince of Peace and any friends who would like to come will be meeting at 6:00 p.m. at Salt and Light (1819 S. Philo Road, Urbana) on the last Tuesday of each month to volunteer. Salt and Light provides food, clothing, specialized job training, and counseling to families in need in Champaign County. Go their website at saltandlightministry.org to find out more about their philosophy of service and the Christ-centered ministry they are doing in our community. We hope you can join us on any of the following upcoming dates:

-February 27th; March 27th; April 24th; May 29th; June 26th If you have any questions about Salt and Light, call Pastor Seth at 255-2118.

### FIFTH GRADE COMMUNION **CLASS BEGINS IN MARCH**

All Prince of Peace 5th-graders are invited to receive instruction in the meaning and practice of Holy Communion at church on the following three dates in March:

- -Tuesday, March 6, 6:00 p.m.
- -Tuesday, March 13, 6:00 p.m.
- -Tuesday, March 20, 6:00 p.m.

Students who participate in the classes will receive the sacrament for the first time on Palm Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, at our 9:00 a.m. worship service. If you have a fifth grader, or an older child who is ready to receive this instruction, be sure to enroll them in these classes. If you have any questions about communion instruction, please call Pastor Jersild at 255-2118 or 469-7422.

### COMING IN APRIL: COMPASSION SUNDAY

**Compassion International** is a Christian humanitarian aid child sponsorship organization dedicated to the long-term development of children living in poverty around the world. In



April, at one of our church services (date to be determined), we will be introducing the ministry of Compassion International to the congregation and presenting a special opportunity for Prince of Peace Members to get involved in child sponsorship. Kalee Bensyl, the daughter of Lori, our church secretary, will be with us that day to talk about her experience of actually meeting the child whom she is sponsoring while on a trip to Africa this past summer. If you would like to know more about Compassion International, visit https://www.compassion.com We are excited to introduce this beautiful Christian service opportunity to the people of Prince of Peace.



### **THURSDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: THE GOSPEL OF MARK**

Everyone is encouraged to attend our Thursday night bible classes; you can jump in any time! The reading assignments are short, which allows us to dig into some particular passages each week. In February-March, we will concentrate on the Gospel of Mark, which we will be hearing from often at our worship services this year. No prior bible study experience is expected of participants. We meet at 6:30 p.m. in the newly renovated Sunday School room. Our discussion schedule for February-March is as follows:

February 1: Mark 3-4 February 8: Mark 5-6 February 15: Mark 7-8 February 22: Mark 9-10 March 1: Mark 11-12 March 8: Mark 13-14 March 15: Mark 15-16

### "EAT, PRAY, CARDS" **FEBRUARY SCHEDULE**

In February, our "Eat, Pray, Cards" group will meet twice, on Wednesday February 7th, and Wednesday February **21**st. All are invited to come! We meet in the newly revamped Sunday School room for a light brunch, a brief devotion led by Pastor Seth, and a highly competitive round of cards. We start at 10:00 a.m. Hope to see you there!





### 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!

### ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL IN FEBRUARY: **GREAT FIGURES OF THE NEW TESTAMENT**

Our adult Sunday education class meets every week in the main sanctuary at 10:30 a.m. Bring your coffee and donuts and join the discussion! Pastor Donna Smith will be leading classes in February centering around Great Figures of the New Testament. The schedule for February is as follows:

#### February 4: "John and James, the Sons of Zebedee"

Although they seem slow to grasp the teaching of Jesus when we meet them in the Synoptic Gospels, the fishermen John and James are unwavering witnesses in the early church. We will follow them from their first encounter with the Lord to their development in tradition, art and legend.

### February 11: "Martha, Mary and Lazarus"

These siblings and friends of Jesus appear several times in the Gospels and are familiar to us from the lectionary. We will explore the scriptural traditions as well as the possible historical realities along with how the church has viewed them.

### February 18: The Good Samaritan and the Prodigal Son

Figures in parables often become more "real" to us than historical figures! We will consider how Luke's audience might have viewed these characters, then discuss how the church has traditionally interpreted them, and, finally, later theological and literary readings of the Samaritan and the Prodigal.

### February 25: The Samaritan Woman

There are many unnamed people in the Gospels whose experiences and witness impact our own faith. John's account of Jesus' meeting with the Samaritan Woman at the well teaches us not only about her, but gives us a deeper view of the character of Jesus.

### 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).



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 guickest 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!



Mike and I would like to thank all who have remembered us both with cards, notes, food, and visits while I was recovering from my broken arm and for Mike during his illness. A special thank you to Pastor Jersild for his visits with us. Everyone's love and kindness has been very much appreciated. Mike has a long road ahead, your prayers are also appreciated. Blessings to all of you in this new year. In Christian love,

Mike and Vicky Hastings

### **KidsZone**

Thank you to everyone who has come forth and offered to support and help.

## POP 4/5/6

Parents and Kids alike, get ready! On February 16th, we will be having a lock-in at the church and be going skating at Skateland. We will start the lock-in by meeting at the church and going straight to Skateland for some great energy burning fun! We will be meeting at the church at 6:30 PM so the kids should eat supper before they come. The kids should bring a snack to share as well as a sleeping bag and pillow for the rest of the night. We will be staying up late and playing lots of games! We will have some breakfast food for the morning and pickup will be at 9 AM on the 17th.

### **Confirmation**

This month the Confirmation students get the opportunity to serve alongside Salt and Light Ministries! The Confirmation students will be helping the staff to do whatever is needed and you can see what they do by visiting <u>saltandlightministry.org</u>. We will be there at 6 PM so students should be at the church at least by 5:45 and we will be returning about 8:15 PM. This will all take place on Tuesday, February 27th.

## **High School Students**

Do you know what time it is? It's Game Time! We will be having a game day on Sunday, February 25th after Sunday School. Board game, card game, video game, if you have a great game that we should play, bring it! We will grab some lunch for our game fuel so bring a few bucks and we will get some takeout. Also, students should bring a friend because when it comes to games, the more the merrier.

YGG will continue to meet at its normal time through Lent. Supper will start at 6 PM and we will meet as normal in the youth room every week other than Ash Wednesday. On Ash Wednesday we will join the rest of the congregation for the evening worship service.







#### WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD FOR:

- +Roger Koss, Leslie Froeschl, and Joyce Kesler, our three outgoing members of the church council. Thank you, Roger, Leslie, and Joyce, for your faithful leadership these past three years!
- **+Brian Moline**, for his leadership of the Choir.
- **+Susi Huls**, for her leadership of the Chimes Choir.
- **+Sue Grindley**, for her organ accompaniment of our worship services.
- +All Our Confirmation Parents, for helping out with Wednesday afterschool meetings and the special monthly activities.
- +All who support the continuing mission of our congregation through regular worship, prayer, financial giving, evangelism, fellowship, and service for Jesus Christ.

# **POPS PLUS**

We will be gathering for breakfast at **Urbana Gardens** on **February 15th at 9AM**. Please sign up if you are able to join us. The sheets have been posted on the bulletin boards.

Come join us for good food and fellowship!



## Happenings at the Community Early Learning Center ..... February 2018 Teaching and Learning in Christ

### Classroom of the Month -- White Dog Classroom, School-agers

In the White Dog room, we have been learning a lot about rocks and crystals. We've talked about the 3 different types of rocks; sedimentary, igneous, and metamorphic and the different rocks within each category. We have also had to opportunity to grow our own crystals, using the scientific method during the process. Throughout this discovery with rocks and crystals we've been able to link this to Christ and how he is our rock, and have been memorizing the verse *Psalm 18:2 The LORD is my rock, my fortress, and my savior; my God is my rock, in whom I find protection. He is my shield, the power that saves me, and my place of safety.* 

### Ms. Katie made the Employee Honor Roll!

Ms. Katie is the co- teacher in the Blue Horse Room. Her favorite part of working here is helping the children learn and grow each day. She is a very important part of Prince of Peace!

### Ms. Katie's Fun Facts:

Ms. Katie's birthday is on February 7<sup>th</sup> and has been employed at PoPCELC since December of 2016.

She is originally from Monticello and currently lives in St.

Joseph with Steven, her husband, who she has been married to since 2014. They recently bought their 1<sup>st</sup> home together! She has a younger brother, Kyle, who lives in Savoy, and her parents live in Monticello. Her favorite colors is pink. She enjoys Cardinals baseball and her favorite restaurant is Seven Saints. She enjoys going to the movies, reading, traveling, and shopping.

She loves all the wonderful kids here and says everyone has been so welcoming since she started here.

Be sure to congratulate Ms. Katie when you see her!

Director: Diane Williams
popcelcdirector@comcast.net
Assistant Director: Jennifer Nirider
popcelcad@outlook.com

### Ms. Rhonda made the Employee Honor Roll!

Thank you, Ms. Rhonda, for being very dependable and

helping us when we need you!

fun shopping with friends.

Rhonda has been employed with Prince of Peace since 2004. She is one of the floating teachers. You can find Rhonda giving teachers breaks, doing dishes, and hanging out with the kids. Rhonda is also the director on duty when Diane isn't here. She enjoys having the flexibility to be able to help anywhere she is needed. She is originally from Lafayette, IN and currently lives in Danville. She has 2 children, Brent and Britany. Brent and his wife, Amy, live in Springfield and have 2 children. Their son is Caden and their daughter is Rylee. Britany and her husband, Jim, live in Urbana and have 2 daughters named Jacy and Ainsley. Rhonda loves being a

grandma!!! Her birthday is on August 17th. Her favorite

food is pizza, so she enjoys going to eat at places like Old

Chicago and Monicals. Her favorite color is blue and her favorite team is the Cardinals. She enjoys spending time

with her family, especially her grandchildren. She also has

Thanks again, Ms. Rhonda!



FROM THE DIRECTOR--- To be educated meant you could, take your place in life. --- Ardie Clark Halyard

After the "big kids" leave for school, the preschoolers gather for stories and songs. "Now I know my ABCs. Next time won't you sing with me," the children sing.

"I can say my ABCs," brags Grace. "Do you want to say them for us?" the teacher asked.

Grace breezes through the letters and ends "W, x, y, z. Did I get them right?" "You certainly did," I answer. Looking satisfied, with a small curl of a smile, she says, "Good, now I can get on with my life."

We give children the self-esteem and skills they need to boldly take their places in the world.

Child quote from a Purple Cat preschooler: "When God is done with my heart, will He go to another heart?"

### **STEWARDSHIP**



# Prince Of Peace Lutheran Church

8 Blessings We Experience By Serving Others:

### 1. Serving allows us to discover and develop our spiritual gifts.

1 Corinthians 12 compares the church to a human body. Just like our bodies are made of many parts serving specific functions, the church is made up of people with different skills and abilities. Alone these pieces aren't very useful, but together we create something beautiful.

### 2. Serving allows us to experience miracles.

In John 2, Jesus was at a wedding and the couple was running out of wine for its guests. He tells the servants to fill several big jars to the brim. When they served the water to the guests, it was wine! The guests never knew what happened; the servants were the ones who witnessed the miracle. The same is true for us when we serve.

### 3. Serving allows us to experience the joy and peace that comes from obedience.

1 Peter 4:10-11 says, "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms... so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ." Serving is a form of worship, a way to express gratitude for what Jesus has done for us, and to share the love and grace we've been given.

### 4. Serving helps us to be more like Jesus.

We shift our focus off of ourselves onto others through serving. We begin to see others as Jesus sees them. And we see Jesus IN others (Matthew

### 5. Serving surrounds us with other Christians who can help us follow Jesus.

When we're working side by side with other people, a bond inevitably forms. This was part of God's plan for how the church is supposed to work. That's why Hebrews 10:24-25 instructs us to "spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together... but encouraging one another."

### 6. Serving increases our faith.

As we move out of our comfort zones, God increases our faith by revealing new potential — in ourselves and in His Church. When we see what He can do when His power is at work within us, we begin looking for the doors He's opening rather than pushing our way through the one's He's closed (Ephesians 3:20).

### 7. Serving allows us to experience God's presence in new ways.

Encouragement and healing go hand in hand. As we

encourage others and they find healing, we're encouraged. It's the reason so many people who go on mission trips say they came home feeling like they got more than they gave.

### 8. Serving is good for your soul.

Studies have shown that volunteering is so good for the mind and body that it can ease symptoms of stress and depression. Tapping into our gifts and passions builds self-confidence, energy, and strength. Serving others can also be the best distraction from our own worries.

We make all sorts of rational explanations for not serving:

I don't have time.

I don't know what I would do.

I don't have any special skills to contribute.

They don't need me.

But the reality is the Lord doesn't call the equipped; He equips the called. God used men and women with similar doubts to change the course of history. Moses didn't think he was a leader or speaker, but God worked through Moses to bring Israel out of slavery. David was the youngest (and therefore most insignificant) of all his brothers, but God worked through David to defeat a giant and eventually made him a king. Paul used to kill Christians before he met Jesus, but he went on to become one of the most highly-regarded and prolific writers/church planters in history.

Reprinted from https://newspring.cc/articles/8blessings-we-get-from-serving.



**2018 Meal Packing Event** March 3rd **Details on page 8** 



I would like to thank each and every one of you who purchased gifts/gift cards for the children. We really appreciate your generosity this holiday season.

-Pamela Wendt

Dear Prince of Peace Members,

What a happy surprise it was to open a letter from Prince of Peace a few days ago and find a check for \$1,290.83 for the Lullabye Foundation! Our hearts immediately swelled with thanks for all of the People at Prince of Peace, and for our loving God who gave us the years we had together and now made this gift happen!

This past Tuesday we had our regular Lullabye Board Meeting and our Board also felt overwhelmed with thankfulness for your gift. Your gift will enable us to continue to serve our at-risk children here in Lake County, IL, in ways they would not be served by any other organization.

This past Fall, we were able to use Lullabye dollars to start up an Art Program in a school that had no Art Program. Can you imagine that? They have little to no Fine Arts Programs whatsoever at this school! This school is possibly the poorest in all of Lake County. Presently, they are working towards re-establishing a Music Program. They have not had a Music Program in a number of years. Perhaps our Board will choose to use some of the dollars you donated to try to get this program up and going again!

Also this past Fall, we gave dollars to a "Life Skills" Class in one of our schools. The Special Ed Teachers in this school strive to go the extra mile for their kids, and they do! One of the Special Ed Teachers came up with the idea of setting up a Neighborhood Little Library Program. Lullabye bought the materials and the children helped to build 3 Library Stations in 3 different locations for local neighborhoods to enjoy. Then, they service the Little Libraries, monitoring their use and keeping things tidy. The children were and are very proud of all of the work they did and are doing to provide these Little Libraries to neighborhoods where children have little to no access to regular libraries.

We also gave Gift Cards to the Special Education Department in this particular school to purchase personal supplies for their kids, such as soap, deodorant, feminine hygiene products, hair brushes and combs, toothbrushes and toothpaste, etc. These children are mainly 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade students who often come to school dirty, smelly, etc., with seemingly no "resources" at home to help them keep clean. One of our goals for this Spring, or next Fall, is to obtain (new or gently used) washers and driers for 4-5 area Middle Schools/Junior High Schools. One of our board Members is working on a grant to get these items purchased!

Last Spring we donated dollars to our Local High School's Fine Arts Program. The staff as well as the students were so thankful! Especially the Band Program ..., as some of the students could not afford the Marching Band clothes/shoes, or rental fees for the instruments or fees for field trips with the band.

I could go on and on! Right now we serve six School Districts in Lake County, and we hope to add more as time goes on. There are so many kids in our area who need assistance!

Needless to say we are always thankful for donations of any kind. We are especially thankful for your most timely generous donation!

We hope to see you all again sometime in 2018! We hope to be looking at homes in the St. Joseph area in late Summer or early Fall. We are looking forward to moving back to your area! God willing!

Sincerely and with much Love,

Sally and Dennis Meyer

Dear Prince of Peace Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your gift of \$1,248.93 to Lutheran Disaster Response. Thank you for joining with the whole church in this season of unprecedented generosity as, together, we support communities hard-hit by hurricanes, earthquakes and wildfires.

Your gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response help provide supplies needed immediately, such as water and generators, and support for long-term recovery: disaster case management, volunteer team placement, community development and professional care for daily and continues challenges.

Thank you for your trust in this work we do as church here and around the world. Through your generosity, you are sharing with neighbors near and far, revealing God's holy promises of peace and hope, shelter and safety, restoration and abundance.

In the light and life of Christ,

The Rev. Daniel Rift

Director, ELCA World Hunger and Disaster Appeal

Dear Friends,

We recently received your gift of \$2,029.52 to Lutheran World Relief. Thank you! I'd like to share with you one way your support is making a big difference.

Just like me, I'm sure you've been praying for the people of Syria. Years of ongoing conflict have left the country in shambles, with many people struggling for daily survival. High on the list of needs for the people of Syria is a daily staple: bread.

With your support, LWR is able to work inside Syria, helping repair and renovate bakeries in two areas of the Aleppo district. Those bakeries will go on to provide affordable, daily bread to more than 80,000 people.

That's just one example of how your gift helps alleviate suffering around the world. I hope you will visit our website (lwr.org) or blog (blog.lwr.org) to learn more about the great work you make possible. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or the LWR staff at 800.597.5972 or lwr@lwr.org.

On behalf of LWR, our partners and those we serve, please accept my thanks for your generous support and partnership. May God bless you!

Warm Regards,

Daniel V. Speckhard President and CEO



Search for these words that are all associated with the Lenten journey.

crown donkey hosanna penance Pilate sins colt crucifixion forsaken kiss prayer suffer confess death Gethsemane lots repent thorns cross denial Golgotha palms silver vigil

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### **MEAL PACKING EVENT**

On March 3, 2018, Prince of Peace will again partner with Illini Fighting Hunger (illinifightinghunger.org) to pack over 60,000 meals to be distributed to the Eastern Illinois Food Bank. Please mark your calendars and plan for your family to attend this fun and meaningful event! Sign-up sheets are posted in the narthex and on the bulletin boards outside the office and the East Fellowship Hall where you can sign up for one- or two-hour shifts packing food between 9am-1pm, setting up Friday night, and cleaning up at the end of the packing event. There is also a sheet to sign up to bring baked goods, fruit, and water for the workers. Together our congregation has raised over \$9,000 for this event, which means we'll be able to pack more meals than ever before! Thank you for helping to feed the hungry in our community!

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Sherry Bivens Lucille Conrad Doris Deremiah Bev Goldenstein Mike Hastings

Abby Immke Linda Johnson Tom Long Cheryl Merkel Pastor Dennis Meyer Richard Shiley

Don Alsip; father of Michelle Trame

**Adley Bartok**; great niece of Dave and Donna Patton **Anna Lee Bouslog**; mother of Annette Ackerman

**Dalton Brownfield**; son of Lee Jannusch **Christine Brucker**; mother of Stacy Fisher

Brianne Buckmaster; granddaughter of Dale and June Kopmann

Neil Camp; son of Pat Camp

Danny Carter; brother-in-law of Barb & Paul Swinford

Sandy Cheek; friend of Joyce Kesler

**Ted Collins** 

Dan Conley; friend of Tom and Sue Grindley

Josh Conrad; grandson of Lucille Conrad and Donna Guzy

**David**; friend of Brian and Karinsa Moline **Debbie Ellis**; friend of Sherrill Mohr **Chuck Evans**; brother of Dee Evans

Linda Frerichs; aunt of Rhonda Littlefield/Franzen cousin

Owen Giertz; nephew of Ed and Tonya Dunn Roger Grace; friend of Terri Modd and Mary Rolfe

Jason Holt; friend of POP members Phil Hudson; brother of Pam Franzen Shaun Knipfer; cousin of Susi Huls

Cheryl Kopmann; mother of Kari, Kelli and Kristi Leah McDowell; cousin of Terri Modd & Mary Rolfe

Pete Meier; father of Melissa Idleman Lowell and Ellen Mennenga

**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

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
Maddi Reynolds; niece of Katelynn Masengale
Mildred Rincker; mother of Sharan Carmichael
Glenn and Shirley Rothermel; parents of Susan Allen
Arcie Sapato; grandfather of Shelley Altenbaumer

Josh Stone; co-worker of Susi Huls Jeff Welch; friend of PoP members

### PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS...

**+Mark Olson, Tim Huls and Stacey Rudolph,** our incoming council members, as they begin their three-year term of service.

+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 — 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 at Fort Bliss, El Paso, TX

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

Michael Scott Friend of Swinford family – Stationed at AFB in Minot, ND

Dyllan Trautmann Grandson of Gerald and Darlene Sappenfield – Stationed at AFB in Eglin, Florida