



PEACE CONNECTIONS

August 11, 2021

The Installation of Pr. Charlie and Homecoming Outdoor Worship Service

Sunday, August 29th at 10:00 am

Please join us for the installation service of Pr. Charlie. It will take place at Prince of Peace on Sunday, August 29th at 10:00 am. The Rev. Mitch Phillips, Assistant to the Bishop, will preach and preside at this special occasion, taking place during the congregation's Sunday service.

- 10 am Outdoor service - bring your own lawn chairs
- Installation of Pastor Charlie
- Outdoor Lunch
 - Bring your own food
 - Bring your own tailgate equipment
 - Prince of Peace will provide dessert
 - Wear your favorite team's colors

HOMEcoming OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE!

Sunday, August 29th
10:00 am



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Thanks again to The Chardon Polka Band for joining us on "I'll Be Home for Christmas Sunday". Enjoy the highlights!



COVID Directions – August 2021 Update

COVID-19 UPDATE

Dear Members and Friends of Prince of Peace:

The news is always changing, isn't it? We have been dealing with COVID issues for nearly 18 months, and sometimes it feels like we take two steps forward and another one back.

Even though guidelines and information continue to change, our two guiding principles at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church remain the same:

1. To proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ in Word and Sacrament, carrying out God's mission as God leads.
2. To be mindful of the health and safety of all.

First of all, we offer these words of thanks.

- THANK YOU to all have been vaccinated. This is our best line of defense in addressing the virus.
- THANK YOU to all you parents who are making sure your kids are wearing masks, to keep them safe and healthy. Well done.
- THANK YOU to all of you who are wearing masks, vaccinated or not, out of care and concern for your neighbor and yourself.
- THANK YOU to those who join us for our live streaming services – either out of necessity or choice. You are a part of our worshipping family, and we are thankful for the resources to share the good news those outside of the bricks and mortar of our buildings.

We cannot tell you what to do. We will not turn people away at the door. ALL are welcome. That being said, we would encourage the following:

- If you are able to do so, get vaccinated. We ask that all our volunteers and staff are vaccinated to ensure their health and well-being as well as those they serve. We encourage you to do the same.
- We strongly encourage children to be masked, as well as all who come in contact with them in the church building.
- Masks are recommended for the times we gather in close quarters with each other. That includes the sanctuary.
- Communion will continue to be offered at the altar by Pastor Charlie and a communion assistant, both who are fully vaccinated. We will both be masked as you come forward. We will continue to offer individual pre-packaged cups for those who wish to commune using these.
- Musicians and singers will be located away from the congregation and will be masked – we will ask that the chairs be reserved only for the singers and band members at the 9 am service, while those gathered for worship sit in the pews.
- For groups meeting at the church, we encourage masks if any of those gathered are not vaccinated.

Please know this is one step forward. As other changes are possible, we will share them with you. As we move forward, let us remember that the concern is not just for ourselves, but for our neighbor as well.

If you have any questions or comments, please let us know.

[August 2021 Health and Safety Meeting \(watch now on the POP 'Members Only Page'\)](#)

Health And Safety Team.

- Judy Splawski, MD
- Cynthia Strieter, MD
- Dave Covell, Lorain County Health Commissioner
- Pastor Charlie Woodward

HEALTH AND SAFETY TEAM UPDATE

PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
AUGUST 2021

Sunday Livestream Worship Services at 9 am & 11 am



This Sunday, worship with us online! **You** 

Please visit our [website](#) where we will Livestream our Sunday Worship Services at 9:00 am and 11:00 am.



Online Giving

Your generous online offering allows us to preach the gospel, make disciples, and support others in our community who need help. As a community, we are grateful for one another's loving support.

[ONLINE GIVING](#)

Second Harvest Food Bank



For the month of **August and Sept**, requested items are **peanut butter and canned meats**. The collection containers are located as you enter the Education Wing. Thank you.

Annual Altar Guild Rummage Sale

Thank you for everyone who helped with this year's Annual Altar Guild Rummage Sale.

We made \$1803.60! We had a lot of wonderful donations and a lot of help unpacking and organizing the "treasures" from Prince of Peace members and friends. Thank you!

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ELCA World Hunger

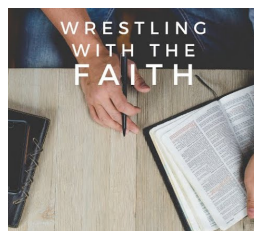
The loose offering received on the 3rd Sunday of the month is donated to the ELCA World Hunger Appeal. ELCA World Hunger responds to neighbors around the corner & around the world. Thank you Prince of Peace!



"Wrestling with the Faith"

Check out the latest episode of the [Wrestling with the Faith](#) podcast coming out Thursday, Aug 5th! This episode, we discuss Ephesians 4:25-5:2 "Not Giving Into Anger". We were joined this week by PoP member, Mark Givens.

Join us in our discussion and let us know your thoughts in the comments section! You can watch on YouTube, Spotify, Apple or Google!



August 11-22, 2021

Wednesday, August 11
9:00 am Organ Practice
2:00 pm Pr. Charlie's Bible Study/CR

Thursday, August 12
Sexton Day Off
6:30 pm Pastoral Partners

Friday, August 13
Pr. Charlie's Day Off

Saturday, August 14
9:00 am Organ Practice

Sunday, August 15
9:00 am Contemporary Worship
10:00 am Adult Gospel Study/CR
11:00 am Traditional Worship

Monday, August 16
10:00 am Staff Meeting
7 pm Bible Study - All are welcome!
7 pm Women's Discipleship

Tuesday, August 17
7:00 pm CrossFire Rehearsal

Wednesday, August 18
9:00 am Organ Practice
2:00 pm Pr. Charlie's Bible Study/CR

Thursday, August 19
Sexton Day Off

Friday, August 20
Pr. Charlie's Day Off

Saturday, August 21
9:00 am Organ Practice

Sunday, August 22
9:00 am Contemporary Worship
10:00 am Adult Gospel Study/CR
11:00 am Traditional Worship

Worship Volunteer Survey

Dear Prince of Peace Members,

It is difficult to believe that we are heading into the Fall, the summer seems to fly by so quickly. As we prepare for Fall worship, we are in need of volunteers to help our services run smoothly. If you are willing and able to serve our congregation in this capacity, please complete the survey hyperlinked below. Our next volunteer schedule will begin in September, so please complete ASAP.



Current Volunteers

Please also respond to the survey to verify that you are willing to continue to serve and in which capacity.

New Volunteers

Please do not be intimidated by a role you are feeling called to do, you will be given guidance in the role(s) you select. If you find it doesn't work, no worries you can be removed from the list at any time. When scheduling we survey to learn dates that don't work and typically assign for a few months at a time. We try to send reminders the week of serving. For most positions you will be assigned about once every month or two, depending on the number of volunteers.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration! [Worship Volunteer Survey](#)

Open Mic Returns!

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church is planning to restart our Coffee House & Open Mic in September! More details to follow. We have missed all of our musician friends and look forward to seeing everyone again! Tell your friends!



School Supplies for Scranton Elementary

Back to school season is here! We will be collecting school supplies again to support Scranton School in Cleveland.

Please consider donating the following items identified by Scranton School teachers as items of need:

- Crayons
- Pencils
- Glue Sticks
- Dry-Erase Markers
- Loose Leaf Notebook Paper
- Disinfectant Wipes
- Hand Sanitizer
- Hand Soap
- School Scissors
- Book Bags
- Kleenex
- Deodorant
- Wrapped Sanitary Pads



Donations can be left in bags by the Donation Station in the Administration Wing. **Please return by Sunday, August 29th** for delivery the following week.

Any questions, please contact Diane Merhaut at teachmeabc123@aol.com

Prince of Peace Youth



Red Cross Blood Drive - September 12th



American
Red Cross

Our next Blood Drive will be held on Sunday, September 12th. [Register Now](#)

International Dinners Series - September 30th

Join us in exploring international cuisines located right here in Cleveland! Your adventure will also support a local small business. Our first International Dinner will take you to the Middle East for some Falafel and Shawarma, served by a Syrian refugee on his way to citizenship in the US. Meet us at Ferris Shawarma on 13507 Lakewood Heights Blvd, Cleveland, OH 44107 on **September 30th at 6:00 pm**. [Sign up here](#)

Pancake Project - October 10th

Our next Pancake Project will be held on October 10th, from 9:00 am - 11:30 am. Pancake Breakfast with French Toast, Bacon, and Eggs. Proceeds go to Christian Education. [Preregister here](#)



Affogato Cat Cafe Visit - October 24th

Open to all K-12 students. We will visit the cat cafe and spend time with the kitties, go for lunch, and get some ice cream. Attendees will need their own money for lunch, but admission to the cat cafe will be covered by Youth/CE. We will also be delivering homemade toys for the cats to use. Meet at Prince of Peace and leave together at noon. Adult chaperones needed for kids under 10 yrs old. [Sign up here](#)



Sunday School Kick-Off

Prince of Peace Rally Day! Sunday, September 19th

Save the Date!

- First day of Sunday School
- All families K-12 will join together to create a special project titled "Together and Stronger than Ever" that will be displayed in the Christian Education hallway.

#GodsWorkOurHands



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

September 2021! Wherever God is calling...our hands are ready to do God's work! Let's work together again for **God's Work Our Hands MONTH...2021**. More information to follow!

Week 1: Sept. 5-11th collecting for Scranton Schools/Activity Bag Collections

Week 2: Sept 12-18 collecting for LMM/Women In Transition

Week 3: Sept 19-25 collecting for OMNI

Week 4: Sept 26-Oct 2 collecting for Second Harvest

Women's Re-Entry Needs You!

There is a great need for umbrellas, along with socks, toiletries, hygiene products and underwear. Items can be dropped off at the donation station. *Sorry, but we are not accepting other clothing donations at this time.* Questions, please contact Jan Filkill 440/871-6673. Thank you!

Learn more about [Chopping4Change](#), an innovative re-entry program for incarcerated women.



The Prince of Peace Nursery is Taking Donations!

In preparation for re-opening, the nursery is accepting donations of toys (please only donate toys in good working condition). Please drop off in the nursery.

Thank you!

What we are looking for:

- large cars
- baby toys (interactive and stimulating)
- soft small/medium bouncy balls
- table and floor puzzles (preferably with 24 - 100 pieces)
- building blocks



Caring Connections

Caring Connections is in need of used greeting cards for our cookie bags. We just need the front of the cards.

There will be a collection box on the table next to the fireplace in the upper narthex where the cards can be left.

Thank you!



Bible Study with Pr. Charlie ~ Wednesdays at 2:00 pm



On Wednesday afternoons at 2:00 pm, come and join Pastor Charlie for an hour long Bible Study focusing on the Bible readings for the upcoming Sunday.

ALL are welcome! Bring your Bible. All other materials will be provided. We will meet in the Charter Room.

Bluz Over Africa Annual Fundraiser!

Sunday, October 10, 2021 from 5-9:00 pm at St. Clarence Pavilion, 30106 Lorain Rd in North Olmsted.

Be a part of OMNI's biggest annual fundraiser! *More info to follow.*

For more info on Orphan Medical Network International, go to: [OMNI](#)



Prayer Concerns

Please join us in praying for members and friends with recent needs: Sam Dickey (son of Jim and Paige Dickey), Maddi Gaier (friend of Megan Harber), Joyce Hayward (friend of Fran Wilhelm), Dennis MacKenzie, Susan Prebish (sister of Beverly Braun), Bill Vorobej, Marilyn Wingfield. **Also, we pray for chronic, long-term care needs:** Charlotte (gr. granddaughter of Jan Schoch), Ren (granddaughter of Linda Baumbach), Stephanie Bailey (niece of Mary Sue Claus), Cathy Blitz (sister-in-law of Jann Daniels), Joanne & Tony Cacciatore, Don Chismar, Marcia Drysdale (friend of Jane Dillon), Matthew Gilbride, Denny Giza (friend of Ellie Sanow), Chris Henry (nephew of Lisa Arrigo), Dawn Higgins (neighbor of Fran Molnar), Gale Johnson (friend of Kathy Kettler), Gail Jones, Deanne Lahner (niece of Mary Sue Claus), Angela Missig (daughter of Gloria Starr), Steve Park (cousin of Deb Gibbons), Jenn Pitts (daughter of Judy Kazak), Lois Reichert, Katy Rolik (daughter of Dolph and Judy), Greg Rolitsky (friend of Mary Sue and Ron Claus), Pam Rotella, Karla Sexton (friend of Pat Sprague). **Please notify the office of prayer concerns. These names will be shared with our prayer chain ministry & remain on our prayer list during Sunday worship for 3 weeks.**

Giving Report

Operating Giving through July 31, 2021	\$202,293
Percent of Annual Budget Received	58%
Remaining Goal	\$147,707

Attendance at Prince of Peace

Date	Online	In Person	Total
08/08/2021	28	112	140
08/01/2021 Outdoor Service		160	160
07/25/2021	35	121	156
07/18/2021	37	128	165

August 15, 2021 Sunday Readings:

First Reading: Proverbs 9:1-6
 Second Reading: Ephesians 5:15-20
 Gospel Reading: John 6:51-58

Happy Birthday

08/11 Joey Frey	08/17 Cameron Wenham
08/14 Tom Drobnak	08/20 Vivian Gleespen
08/14 Addy Lipschutz	08/21 Jon Peter
08/16 Christian Juntunen	08/22 Benjamin Creech
08/17 Michelle Christian	08/22 Peggy Krueger

Happy Anniversary!

08/12 Paul & Jean Winslow
08/13 Christine & Al Tielke
08/15 Joseph & Christina Billings
08/15 Joseph & Mary Olah
08/18 Tom & Jaime Alspach
08/20 Uwe & Helga Susemihl
08/21 Mark & Karen Givens

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Office Hours

During the Covid-19 crisis, we have limited office hours:
 Monday and Friday 10 am-3 pm; Sunday 8:30-11:30 am

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Sunday Worship Services

9:00 am & 11:00 am in person.

[Livestream](#)

Christian Education - Sundays online

Child Care - Currently suspended due to Covid.

