



The Good shepherd

PEACE CONNECTIONS
April 21, 2021

10:00 am In Person Worship Services

As Spring begins to bloom around us, Prince of Peace welcome's you to Sunday Worship. Prince of Peace continues to follow all health guidelines directed by our Governor and The Ohio Department of Health. Please keep in mind that Cuyahoga County and our surrounding counties are still in the Red Zone. As the county continues to recover, the mask mandate placed on July 17th, and reinstated on Nov. 12th will still be in effect.

RESERVATIONS:

Prince of Peace's top priority is to create a safe and comfortable environment for members and friends to worship in. If you feel comfortable, please sign-up to worship with us for our **April 25th**, single service. We will be worshipping together at Prince of Peace at 10am. We will also be having an outdoor, socially-distanced social hour after the service with coffee and donuts. Our at-risk members are still encouraged to participate through digital worship until they are comfortable worshipping in-person. There will be a limited number of "family groups" in the sanctuary so we can maintain social-distancing (a family group is 1 to 5 people). As more is known about the health and safety considerations, we will adjust our worship opportunities.

[10:00 am Sunday Worship Service Sign Up Link](#)

1) Scroll down to an open sign-up spot. 2) Click the box that says "Sign Up", a check mark should indicate that it has been chosen. 3) Once the box is marked, click "Submit and Sign Up" button 4) Fill in your First and Last name, and in the comment box with the number of people you plan to attend, and if you need specific seating due to hard of hearing/vision, or preference. 5) Once everything is filled in click "Sign Up Now".*If you have any complications or questions please call the church office. If no one can pick up the phone at the time of your call, please leave a message and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

PHONE RESERVATIONS:

For those who do not have access to a computer or smartphone there are five family group spots available for reservations by phone. To reserve your spot please call the office at 440/871-5565. Please leave a voicemail with your groups first and last name, the total amount of people in your group, and your phone number (so we can call back and verify your reservation was received, or to let you know that all the call reservations have been filled). Phone reservations can be made **now through Friday, April 23rd at 11:59 pm.**

*Members and friends who are fully vaccinated, if you feel comfortable sitting a little closer to others who are fully vaccinated, please email our Office Administrator Megan Harber (popw.officemanager@gmail.com) and let her know you feel comfortable sitting closer to others. *If you have already let her know, you do not need to email her again.**

Sunday Online Worship Services at 8:00 am



This Sunday, worship with us online!

Please visit our [website](#) where you will find the Sunday Bulletin, music, prayers and Pr. Charlie's Sunday sermon.



April 21-May 2, 2021

Wednesday, April 21
7:00 pm Organ Practice

Thursday, April 22
9:00 am FLOW

Friday, April 23

Saturday, April 24
10:00 am Organ Practice

Sunday, April 25
8:00 am Online Worship Service
10:00 am In-Person Service/by appt.
11:15 am Adult Gospel Study
5:30 pm Confirmation/Youth-Meet the Pastor

Monday, April 26
6:30 pm Social Ministry
7 pm Bible Study - All are welcome!

Tuesday, April 27
10:00 am Discovery Group/Library

Wednesday, April 28
12:00 pm Caring Connections
7:00 pm Organ Practice

Thursday, April 29
9:00 am FLOW

Friday, April 30

Saturday, May 1
10:00 am Organ Practice

Sunday, May 2
Last Day of Christian Education
8:00 am Online Worship Service
10:00 am In-Person Service/by appt.
11:15 am Adult Gospel Study



Online Giving

Your generous online offering allows us to preach the gospel, make disciples, and support others in our community who need help especially during these challenging times. As a community, we are grateful for one another's loving support. [ONLINE GIVING](#)

Second Harvest Food Bank



For the months of **April-June** requested items are Canned Tuna Fish and Canned Fruits. The collection containers are located as you enter the Education Wing. Thank you!

In the first two months of 2021, Prince of Peace has donated 267 pounds to Second Harvest Food Bank! You have brought a small measure of peace, comfort and hope to families in our area who are in need. Please continue your donations in 2021 so we can continue to help. Thank you!



Caring Connection Volunteers Needed

We are now able to visit our Caring Connection care receivers in person. We are in need of some volunteers who are willing to help distribute the cookies. We meet once a month on the fourth Wednesday and try to only have each person (or couple) visit two or three people. The visits are usually 30 to 45 minutes in length. This is a great way to meet members of the congregation who are not able to attend church.

If you are interested, please email me at judykazak@yahoo.com or call 440-476-6318. Returning members, please let me know if you plan to continue. Thank you, Judy Kazak

"Wrestling with the Faith" Episode 17

Hi everyone! We would like to thank everyone for the support we've received as we've started the WWTF podcast. As we continue grow the podcast, we would love to hear more from you! If you have any topics you would like us to cover, guests you would like us to have on, or any other feedback, please send us an email at wwtfpodcast.pop@gmail.com! We look forward to hearing from you. Keep wrestling!



In this series, we will be taking lessons from upcoming Sundays and discussing what they mean to us and to our lives. These discussions will be available on the first and third week of each month on the Prince of Peace YouTube channel. Get your thinking caps ready and let's have some great conversations!"

Check out the latest episode of the [Wrestling with the Faith podcast](#). Tune into "WWTF" Episode 17! In this episode, **we wrestle with Acts 4:5-12, *The Rejected Become the Cornerstone***. Join us in our discussion and let us know your thoughts in the comments section! You can watch on YouTube, Spotify, Apple or Google...your choice!

Love INC Golf Outing

Save the Date

Love INC's 11th
Annual Golf Outing

June 28, 2021 • Pine Hills Golf Club

All proceeds go directly to helping
residents of Cuyahoga County.

Visit loveinccuyahoga.org

Women's Re-Entry

With the spring weather, 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.

Thank you! Questions, please contact Jan Filkill 440/871-6673.





Prince of Peace Youth

As you know, 2020/2021 is a very unique year as far as programming and Sunday School. But don't fear! We have plenty of great things in store for you!

Youth National Gathering Fundraiser

Youth National Gathering Fundraiser continues! Come and grab your homemade, all natural bars of soap before they are gone! Great to share as gifts with neighbors, friends, and families. Some soap even have toys inside to get the kids excited for hand washing! There's something for everyone! All bars \$5, mega size bars \$8, mini soap build your own bag \$1 per piece Purchase in person on Sunday or place an order at poplutheranyouth@gmail.com



Sister Act! Olmsted Falls High School

Prince of Peace member, Brian Drobnak (Olmsted Falls High School), is playing trumpet in the pit orchestra of the musical "Sister Act." If you would like a night on your couch, below is some information for the livestream, at home viewing.

There are three showings of *Sister Act*

- Friday, April 30th at 7:30pm
- Saturday, May 1st at 2:00pm
- Saturday, May 1st at 7:30pm

\$8 plus service fee; Patrons can watch the musical from their homes. This is a livestream, however, so it must be viewed at the same time as the live show. Please purchase tickets from [ShowTix4U](https://www.showtix4u.com). This is livestream, not a recorded show. Therefore, start times are the same as the live show.



Thank you to everyone that donated blood with the Red Cross on Sunday March 21st! Our drive registered 35 total donors, collected 28 pints of blood and recruited 4 first-time donors! Our next drive will be Sunday, May 23rd. [Register Now](#)

Game Night and Meet the New Pastor!

All High school and confirmation students welcome!

- Sunday, April 25th from 6:30pm -8:30 pm
- Bring your favorite board game and your favorite snack to share
- Ice cream sundaes provided
- Masks mandatory



The Endowment Committee

The Endowment Committee is pleased to announce that the grant money from the General Endowment Fund will be \$11,000 for 2021. Application forms can be found on the [Prince of Peace website](#). Forms are also available on a clipboard in the lower narthex.

Prince of Peace members, regular visitors, or staff members may submit grant requests. Applications received before May 1, 2021 will be held for group review and approval by the Endowment Committee. Applications received after May 1 will be reviewed for approval on a "first come first serve" basis. Applications must be completely filled out. *Thank you.*

Prince of Peace Cares Assisted Living & Nursing Home Visitation Outreach Ministry

This activity consists of Sunday visitation to nearby Assisted Living/Nursing Home facilities where a short Communion service is held. Before the Covid 19 pandemic hit in early 2020, these visitations were taking place at Westlake Village, Arden Court, and Bickford of Rocky River. Communion kits were prepared by the Altar Guild and blessed during the 9:00 am service.



Pat and I can only speak to the visitations at Bickford of Rocky River (former Sunrise Assisted Living). In the way of a little history, Pat and I joined Prince of Peace in 2008 when our Saint Andrew Lutheran Church closed its doors and our congregation chose to make POP our new home. The visitation program called “Saint Andrew Cares” was developed at St. Andrew and our visits began at Sunrise assisted Living. When we came to POP, we continued this ministry with volunteers each week covering a Sunday so it has been active on a weekly basis for over 25 years at this same location! As part of her work as Congregational Care Coordinator, Judy Kazak provided coordination of the visitation volunteers. Other Bickford volunteers included Barb Fronczak, Patty Beard, Judy Rolik, as well Judy Kazak.

At Bickford (Sunrise), the Communion service was held in the Alzheimer’s wing. Attendance would range from two or three to as many as ten or twelve, usually based on the willingness of the staff to gather the residents. Many times we had to go and do personal invitations, helping with walkers, wheel chairs, etc. Both of our mothers had forms of dementia so we were knowledgeable of the challenges associated with this condition.

At the beginning of our time together, we just spent some time talking about things happening in our lives. Loneliness is a bitter pill to swallow in these conditions and we found that spending a few minutes in these general conversations focused their attention. Short term memory may be lacking but we were often amazed at the earlier life recollections. We sometimes read very short stories of books borrowed from the Sunday school library. The actual service was read from a bulletin that was the same each time except for the reading of the Gospel. There were sometimes interruptions of all types, some got up and walked out, some needed to get their meds, some even fell asleep even though the service reading only lasted about fifteen minutes. When it came time to say the Lords Prayer, we were always amazed that most were still able to say the prayer with us. Of course the Catholic members omitted the last sentence!

Communion was distributed using the host and grape juice from the kit. At the end of the service, we would go around the room and shake their hand and thank them for attending. This was one of the most emotional times for us as we looked into their eyes and saw the gratitude for our visit! One highlight of one of our visits was presenting a quilt to each person attending that Sunday. These were provided by our Prince of Peace Comfort Quilters. The smiles on their faces were heart warming and very touching!

Over the years we have been involved with this ministry we have become friends with these souls as they approach the end of their lives. We always make sure to remind them that the best is yet to come!

Phil & Pat Sprague

THE PANCAKE PROJECT



SUNDAY MAY 9TH
MOTHER'S DAY
9AM - 11:30AM



Drive up to POP and pick up your homemade breakfast for you and the family!
No dishes to clean! Tell everyone you know! All proceeds to benefit Christian Education

Meals include:

3 "silver dollar" pancakes
2 pork sausage links
Scrambled eggs

Registration now open.

To reserve your meal in advance, RSVP using this [LINK](#)



Blessing of the Pets Pet Adoption

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
28455 Center Ridge Road
Westlake, Ohio 44145

SATURDAY, MAY 22, 2021
(TIME TBD)

Our dear pets need the Lord's blessing
as much as we do!
Bring your pets for a blessing.

Dogs must be on a lead at all times

Other animals must be on a lead
or secured in a carrying cage
of some type.

All Creatures Great and Small!

Travel Quest! Ark Encounter Group



Time to Travel Again ... Let's explore the book of Genesis!

GROUP TRAVEL DATES: Depart - Sunday OCTOBER 3, 2021
Return - Monday OCTOBER 4, 2021

Americans are traveling again... Finally! Let's join them and experience the Ark Encounter and its sister attraction, the Creation Museum. The Ark is the largest timber structure in the World today!

Join the Prince of Peace (Westlake, Ohio) "Travel Quest Group" and Joe from Touched By Travel as they head to Northern Kentucky on a Biblical Bus Odyssey to delve into the book of Genesis and the stories of Creation and the Great Flood.

Package includes round trip deluxe motor coach transportation, snacks & bottled water on board, 1 night accommodations, admission to the Ark Encounter, and admission to the Creation Museum, 1 dinner, 1 lunch, 1 breakfast, and all taxes are included!

Package rates are at \$289 per person based on 2 in a room. Single, triple, and quad rates are available on request.

All checks and/or money orders made payable to: TOUCHED BY TRAVEL, 1217 Pheasant Run Lane, Ashland, OH 44805.

DEPOSIT: \$100 per person DUE BY JUNE 1, 2021

FINAL PAYMENT: DUE BY SEPTEMBER 1, 2021

(Phone Joe at Touched By Travel 419 207-8004 to book or for more information
OR send an email to: frantzthetripmaker@yahoo.com)

Get out of your house. Book your spot soon. Don't wait; come join us and experience the wonder of our truly awesome God!!



Prayer Concerns

Please join us in praying for members and friends with recent needs: Paul (brother of Diane Merhaut), James Braun Sr., Family of Carl Grispino (friend of Gerry and Fran Wilhelm), Marie Piotrowski (neighbor of Jan and Dave Saunders), Emily Saunders, Family of Lance Thickpenny (friends of Jan and Dave Saunders) . **Also, we pray for chronic, long-term care needs:** Charlotte (gr. granddaughter of Jan Schoch), Ren (granddaughter of Linda Baumbach), Carole Anderson (relative of Lia Staaf), Stephanie Bailey (niece of Mary Sue Claus), Pr. Sherman Bishop, 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), Midge Group (friend of Deb Gibbons), Chris Henry (nephew of Lisa Arrigo), Dawn Higgins (neighbor of Fran Molnar), Wendy Jenkins (friend of Deb Gibbons), 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), Lois Reichert, Katy Rolik (daughter of Dolph and Judy), Deanna Rose, 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 March 31, 2021	\$ 91,833
Percent of Annual Budget Received	26%
Remaining Goal	\$258,167

Attendance at Prince of Peace

<u>Date</u>	<u>Online</u>	<u>In Person</u>	<u>Total</u>
04/18/2021	41	71	112
04/11/2021	53	66	119
04/04/2021	157	125	282
03/28/2021	60	84	144



04/19 Susan Stevens	04/27 Avianna Carimi
04/20 Matthew Olah	04/28 Becky Kear
04/20 Norm Rehark	04/28 Sally Poirier
04/21 Amy Babinski	04/28 Helga Susemihl
04/23 Carley Frey	05/01 Jim Lappin
04/23 Abbey Smylie	05/01 Dineen Terstage
04/24 Laurie Vorobej	05/02 Lillian Franz
04/26 Ellen Babinski	05/02 Abbie Gleespen
04/26 Aili MacKenzie	05/02 Gail Jones

Happy Anniversary!

04/26 Susan & Paul Franz
04/28 Susan & TJ Worsencroft

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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

8:00 am online worship service
10:00 am in person by reservation

Christian Education - Sundays online

Child Care - Currently suspended due to Covid.