

A message from Doug Leavans - POP Peace Pavilion Bench Building Team Coordinator:

Thank you for volunteering to help build the benches for the Peace Pavilion. We're ready to get to work!! Join us in getting dusty!

November 9 and November 16, 10 am - mid afternoon or as long as you can help

- Bench assembly days
- Bring battery drill with drill and drive bits for bench support boards if you have one
- Coffee, donuts and light lunch will be provided

Please let us know the date(s) you will be able to help so we can create assembly teams.

RSVP to Dineen Terstage by email at dterstage@gmail.com or text 440-263-6759.

Decorate the Sanctuary with Poinsettias for Christmas!

Altar Guild is looking forward to arranging poinsettia plants in the sanctuary for Christmas Eve services -- with your help by providing the plants! The plants are purchased from Casa Verde Growers. Take your plant(s) home after the traditional service on Christmas Eve.

Order early to be sure to get the size/color you love! Prices are \$9 and \$25. Place your completed order form and payment (cash, check/or online giving) for poinsettias in the basket on table in the narthex today! Or, contact Dineen Terstage (440-263-6759 or dterstage@gmail.com) to order. Place your order now through Sunday, November 24.



November 1st, 2024

PEACE CONNECTION

Friday November 1st Pastor Charlie's Day Off

Saturday November 2nd 2:00 pm Organ Practice

Sunday November 3rd In Person Worship 9 & 11 am 10:00 am Blood Pressure Screening 10:00 am Christian Education

Monday November 4th 10:00 am Staff Meeting 1:00 pm Comfort Quilters 2:00 pm Organ Practice 7:00 pm SOAP Bible Study

Tuesday November 5th 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Health Screening 6:15 pm CrossFire Rehearsal

Wednesday November 6th 2:00 pm Book & Bible Study with Pastor Charlie

Thursday November 7th Sexton's Day Off 11:00 am FLO 3:00 pm Organ Practice 7:30 pm Choir Practice

Friday November 8th Pastor Charlie's Day Off 9:00 am Herb Guild

Saturday November 9th 10: 00 am Bench Building 2:00 pm Organ Practice

Sunday November 10th 9 & 11 am In Person Worship 10:00 am Coffee with the Pastor 10:00 am Christian Education 7:00 pm Council Meeting

Monday November 11th 10:00 am Staff Meeting 2:00 pm Organ Practice 7:00 pm SOAP Bible Study

Tuesday November 12th
1:30 pm Watercolor Class with Mel
6:15 pm CrossFire Rehearsal

Grow in Faith * Serve In Love *
Live In Peace

NEOSW

Celebrating some of our members who attended the Fall Gathering of the NEOSW Women of the ELCA meeting at Zion Lutheran Church in Valley City.

Next Spring Prince of Peace will host the Spring Gathering!



Sisters in Spirit (S.I.S)

Sisters in Spirit (S.I.S) is having a Friendsgiving Feast on Saturday, November 16 from 12PM-2PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Main dish and desert will be provided.

Bring a side dish and a donation(s) for the Second Harvest Food Pantry.



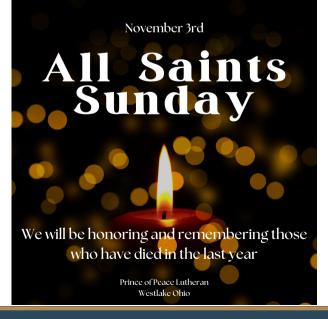
Attention all Young Families

The church council would like input from young families on how we can continue to provide a supportive and inviting church home for this specific group. There will be a meeting in fellowship hall for you to give input on Sunday, November 10th between services during the Sunday school hour.

If you can't make the meeting, you can email any thoughts or suggestions to Tom Lehman (tomlehman2@outlook.com) or Dave Covell (thecovells@gmail.com) Thanks for helping us make POP a better place to Grow in Faith, Serve in Love, Live in Peace.



Join us Sunday



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*Hallewell Party



































Confirmation
Sunday







Stewardship Message

A Beacon of Hope

Theme: Abundant Hope
Hymn: My Hope is Built on Nothing Less
Praise Song: Jesus Messiah
Bible Reference: Jeremiah 29:11

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

"For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope." Jeremiah 29:11

With a promise like that, how can we not have abundant hope? This weekend we will be remembering those who have passed away; many are friends and family, and several were key contributors to life here at Prince of Peace. While we mourn our loss of these saints, we take solace and gain hope with the knowledge that they have gone before us and are now with our Lord. How comforting is it to have that kind of abundant hope for our future!

My family and I have been members of Prince of Peace for 27 years. We have witnessed significant change over the years and always have abundant hope for the future of our church. How great is it when Pastor Charlie calls up the kids for the Children's Message and they easily fill the front pew and often spill into the second! The key point of the message is that God loves them – God love us, all of us, without exception. What a wonderful reminder for us all!

For years, I have believed our vision for POP should be that we are a beacon of hope, peace, and love – that place where our neighbors in Westlake and other communities in Northeast Ohio, across our country and as far away as Zambia, look to for assistance, for love, for hope. There is absolutely no question that we are a very caring and giving congregation. You do an outstanding job of demonstrating our mission to Grow in Faith, Serve in Love, and Live in Peace. As you prayerfully consider your financial commitment, please think about the impact, the hope, you can provide to our neighbors.

God promises to give us a future with hope, one that can be more meaningful with your active support. Thank you for generously supporting our ministry.

Blessings,

David Saunders

P.S. As I began to write this article, I wondered what the difference was between faith and hope. Faith is our unwavering belief in something greater than ourselves (God), while hope is the anticipated outcome that faith inspires. Different but inseparable.



PASTOR

CHARLIE'S

BLOG



Matthew 19:16-22

The Rich Young Man

16 Then someone came to him and said, "Teacher, what good deed must I do to have eternal life?" 17 And he said to him, "Why do you ask me about what is good? There is only one who is good. If you wish to enter into life, keep the commandments." 18 He said to him, "Which ones?" And Jesus said, "You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; 19 Honor your father and mother; also, You shall love your neighbor as yourself." 20 The young man said to him, "I have kept all these; what do I still lack?" 21 Jesus said to him, "If you wish to be perfect, go, sell your possessions, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." 22 When the young man heard this word, he went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Two things I would like to lift up from this lesson today. The first is a question - "What defines YOU?" Is it your possessions, your family, your work? And is God revealed in that which defines you? What defines who you are? The young rich man thought it was all he had and all he had done that defined him. HE DEFINED HIMSELF!

When we come to the waters of baptism, we are defined. When the cross is placed on our brow, the words are spoken, "You are a child of God!" Made, named, claimed and forgiven by God, that is what is to define us. Daily we must remember that it is GOD who defines us!

The second question is, "What do you need?" A woman bought a parrot named Chirpy to keep her company but returned him the next day. "This bird doesn't talk," she told the owner of the pet store.

"Does he have a mirror in his cage?" he asked. "Parrots love mirrors. They see their reflection and start a conversation." The woman bought a mirror and left.

The next day she returned; the bird still wasn't talking. "How about a ladder? Parrots love ladders. A happy parrot is a talkative parrot." The woman bought a ladder and left.

But the next day, she was back again. "Does your parrot have a swing? No? Well, that's the problem. Once he starts swinging, he'll talk up a storm." The woman reluctantly bought a swing and left.

When she walked into the store the next day, her countenance had changed. "The parrot died," she said. The pet storeowner was shocked.

"I'm so sorry. Tell me, did he ever say anything?" he asked.

"Yes, right before he died," the woman replied. "In a weak voice, he asked me, 'Don't they sell any food at that pet store?"

Chirpy had everything that a parrot could want, everything except the most important thing of all. Without that one important thing Chirpy was doomed. We too can have everything – cars, big house, be the star player of the local football team, prestige and honor, money and fame – and don't get me wrong Jesus isn't saying that any of these things are bad in themselves. However, if having these things means we endanger our relationship with Jesus, or even our hope of eternal life, then we are better off without them. Chirpy's cage was full of all the gadgets that a parrot could want, but he ended up dead. I guess that's what Jesus is saying today. We can be rich in a worldly sense but miss out on what makes us truly rich – life with Jesus.

But remember the question at the beginning of the lesson for today. The rich young man asked, "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" Oh, you can try, but remember, all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. In other words, you CAN'T! It is only by God's grace that we are saved.

Jesus died on the cross so that we might inherit his Father's riches. Not what I do, but what Jesus has done for you and me!

Let us pray: Thank you, God for all that I have and all that I am. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

November 247:00pm Community Thanksgiving Worship and Pie Fest Dover Congregational UCC

Participating Congregations

Church of the Redeemer UCC + Dover Congregational UCC

Westlake UMC + St. Ladislas Catholic Church

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

2239 Dover Center Road - Westlake

A Special Offering will support GLOBAL HOPE
Hurricane 2024 Relief Appeal: The National Ministries
of the United Church of Christ has a long history of
supporting communities as they recover from disaster
and their plight fades from the headlines. Your support
of this appeal will ensure that communities are
supported and accompanied for years as they rebuild.

Bring a PIE to SHARE!



Sunday, November 3, 2024

Prayer Request - Long Term

(All prayer requests made after Thursday at Noon will be posted the following week)

Ren Granddaughter of Linda Baumbach

Patty Doran Sister-in-law of Chuck Sieving

Dawn Higgins

Jayne Kramic

Angela Missig

Jenn Pitts

Neighbor of Fran Molnar

Friend of Kathy McCollum

Daughter of Gloria Starr

Daughter of Judy Kazak

Lois Reichert Pam Rotella

Bill Sweeny
Robert Sieving
Friend of Kathy McCollum
Brother of Chuck Sieving

Al Tielke Mike Hosler Chris Sikora Claudette Plavan Hilary Mason

Kathy and Tim Needham

Cynthia Flores Ron Peckham

Recent prayer requests received within the past 3 weeks:

October 20 Mike Hosler

Dr. Henry Mackie

Carolyn Hansen (Relative of Wendy Hansen)

Krystle Henry (James and Lisa's Daughter & staff member)

Daniel Reisner (Relative of Krystle Henry)

October 27

November 3

Attendance at Prince of Peace

appy Birthday

11/02 Kathleen Kettler 11/02 Mary Babinski 11/02 Tony Marguardt 11/03 Ann Estesen 11/05 Jane Dillon 11/06 Austin Pogachar 11/06 Christine Tielke 11/07 Doug Olson 11/08 Madelyne Roman 11/10 Linda Thompson 11/11 John Cuciak 11/12 Barb Koch 11/13 Isabella Cesare 11/15 Dan Pogue 11/15 Tami Arthur 11/16 Anne Steinbrecher

11/20 Laurie Green 11/22 Anthony Matalavage 11/23 Lia Staaf 11/24 Lowell Dillon 11/25 Johnathon Missig 11/25 Teresa Peter 1/26 Ezekiel Petta 11/26 Pat Uber 11/26 Steve Duktig 11/27 Colleen Regan 11/28 Mary Meadows 11/29 Matthew Winar 11/30 Iulia Worsencroft

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ANNIVERSARY

11/03 Andrea & Chris Petta 11/12 Betsy & Chip Bailey 11/16 Sean & Liz Lavin 11/18 Tim & Marsha Regan Sr 11/26 Dave & Jan Saunders 11/28 Doug & Sharon Olson

Second Harvest

The requested items for October are: Cereal, Applesauce & Canned Soups



Giving Data

Operating Giving Report	YTD	AVG/Week		
Total Giving as of September 30th, 2024	: \$354,060	\$10,413.53		
% of Annual 2024 Budget Received to Date: 73%				
Remaining Giving to Meet 2024Budget:	\$131,940	\$7,330		
Total Expenses incurred through 8/31/24	\$59,191	\$10,564.41		









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<u>Date</u>	<u>Online</u>	In Person	<u>Total</u>
10/27/2024	49	120	169
10/20/2024	29	164	193
10/13/2024	32	153	185
10/06/2024	49	220	269

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> Office Hours Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 9-3

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> Sunday Worship Services 9:00 am & 11:00 am in person. **Livestream**

Christian Education - Sundays 10-10:50 am

Adult supervised child care for children 5 and under is offered for both services and during

the Christian Education hour between services.