



August 21st, 2026

PEACE CONNECTION

Friday, August 21st
Pastor Doug's Day Off

Saturday, August 22nd
2:00 Organ Practice

Sunday, August 23rd
8:30 am Indoor Worship
10:00 am Outdoor Worship

Monday, August 24th
10:00 am Staff Meeting
2:00 pm Organ Practice
7:00 pm SOAP Bible Study

Tuesday, August 25th

Wednesday, August 26th

Thursday, August 27th
Sexton's Day Off
3:00 pm Organ Practice
7:00 pm Call Committee Meeting

Friday, August 28th
Pastor Doug's Day Off
12:30 pm Young at Heart Lunch

Saturday, August 29th
2:00 pm Organ Practice

Sunday, August 30th
8:30 am Indoor Worship
10:00 am Outdoor Worship

Monday, August 31st
10:00 am Staff Meeting
2:00 pm Organ Practice

Tuesday, September 1st

*Grow in Faith * Serve In Love *
Live In Peace*

Buds and Suds

Buds and Suds reminds everyone that Flowered Shirt Sundays are here for the month of August. Don't forget to wear your flowered shirt.

Young at Heart

Please join us on Friday, August 28th, 2026 at 12:30 pm. We will be enjoying good food and fellowship at Blue Sky Restaurant, located at 802 Cleveland St. in Elyria. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the lower lobby. Questions, contact Kathy Kettler at (440) 825-2674.

SOAP Bible Study

Please join us for our SOAP Bible Study on Monday's at 7:00 pm! Our next meeting will be on August 24 and will be discussing Hebrews 5.

Sisters in Spirit

Thanks to all the sisters who joined for our Huntington Beach outing on , Wednesday July 29th!



Women in Transition

We would like to ask for donation items for Women In Transition. The items needed are: personal care items (including tampons, pads etc), toiletries (deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, hair brushes, hand cream, shampoo & conditioner etc), underclothing (bras, panties and socks ONLY... no clothing), and umbrellas. These women often walk to the bus stop and umbrellas are a wonderful item to have!



You may leave these items in the donation center. Thank you! With questions, please email Melody at affwintre@gmail.com.



OMNI, with the support of **Prince of Peace**, presents a fundraiser

from 5-9 pm at the
Pavilion at St. Clarence
30106 Lorain Road
North Olmsted, Ohio

Concert & Auction

Featuring *Colin Dussault's Blues Project*

Proceeds will provide food, education & medical care for vulnerable children at the OMNI Children's Village in Zambia, Africa.

Learn more about OMNI at www.omnimissions.com



Orphan Medical Network International
a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization

Watercolor Class with Mel!

We have the water color class with Mel. Starting Tuesday September 15th from 1:30 to 3:30, and will meet every other week. Sign up in the lower narthex.



Westlake in Bloom

We are excited to share that we placed 3rd for the Business/Institutional division for Westlake in Bloom's contest! Thanks for making our space such a beautiful place to worship! For more pictures and to see all the awards you can click on the link below!





God's work. Our hands.



Join us for a
day of service

SAVE THE DATE • Sunday, September 13th

Mark your calendars! On Sunday, September 13, our congregation comes together for God's Work, Our Hands - a churchwide day of service to our neighbors and one another. There's a place for everyone. Below are this year's projects and the donations we're gathering.

SERVICE PROJECTS

Soap S.A.C.K. - Support A Community with Kindness • Led by Joanne Burns

Crochet and knit "soap sacks" for those in need. Patterns are in the church entryway if you'd like a head start. Please donate unopened, bath-size bars of soap. soapsacks.com

2100 Lakeside Men's Shelter Lunches • Led by Bev Braun

Pack grab-and-go lunches to deliver to the shelter. Volunteers with vehicles are needed to help transport lunches that day.

Notes to Our Homebound & Inactive Members • Led by Diane Schlegel

Handwrite and sign notes to let members know they're in our hearts, sharing a little of God's love.

P.O.P. Church Windows & Walls Cleaning • Led by James & Lisa Arrigo

Help clean interior windows and wipe down inside walls to give our church home a little extra care. Supplies provided.

Friendship Animal Protective League Donations • Led by Diane Schlegel

Collecting ahead of time for shelter animals: pet food, cleaning supplies, and new pet toys. Learn more at friendshipapl.org

Example donations needed for the FAPL:

Food: Any brand canned cat, kitten, dog, and puppy food; Purina Brand dry cat, kitten, dog, and puppy food; Spray Cheese (Cheeze Wiz or Easy Cheese); Smuckers Natural & Organic Peanut Butter (Dog-safe brand)

Cleaning supplies: bleach, unscented Dawn dish soap, unscented liquid laundry detergent, towels, rags, blankets, flat sheets or comforters

New Dog and Cat Toys: Kongs, Nylabones, Squeaker Toys, Springs, Crinkle Toys

Cleveland Kids' Book Bank (Tuesday, Sept. 15 • 1:00–2:45 p.m.) • Led by Diane Schlegel

A mid-week add-on, off-site at 13913 West Parkway Rd., Cleveland. Sort books for children in need across greater Cleveland. *Closed toed shoes required. Parking is on the east side of the building. kidsbookbank.org

Questions or ready to help? Contact Nick Marple – nicktmarple@gmail.com

God's work. Our hands.

Time & Talent!

Thank you to all who have completed the Time and Talent Survey. It is wonderful to learn about your current activities and also see interest in “trying something new,” as suggested by Pastor Doug. We hope to keep the momentum going with the surveys so we can help everyone connect with a group or activity they enjoy.

Prince of Peace is a very active and engaged congregation with more than 40 groups available for joining. These groups include social, outreach, and religious education groups, as well as congregational committees and worship volunteers. Are you surprised to learn there are so many groups? The Engagement Booklet is a great resource for learning about all the engagement opportunities. Please take a look!

The survey is available as a hardcopy and as a Google Form (linked here). We request that all members and visitors complete the survey by August 23rd so the results can be shared by the end of August with the group leaders, Church Council and the Call Committee. You will find hardcopies and a collection bin at the lower narthex, and we will also distribute and collect in the pavilion August 23rd.

Blessings to All!

Click on the links below to see more:

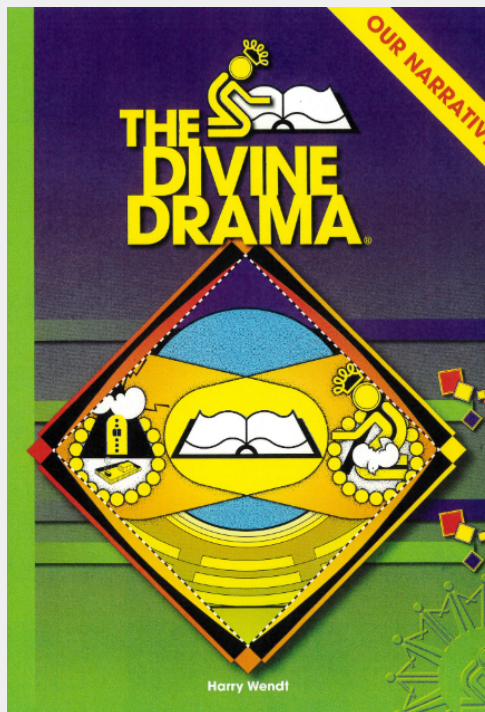
[Engagement Booklet](#)

[Engagement Booklet Addendum](#)

[Time and Talent Survey Google Form](#)



Bible Study



THE DIVINE DRAMA

Join Pastor Doug in the Upper Narthex on Tuesday nights at 7pm or Wednesday afternoons at 2pm beginning September 8 and 9 to discuss The Divine Drama.

A Challenging but grand story that unfolds in the Bible's 66 books, from Genesis to Revelation. That story is not a remote one. It is present and ongoing. All who live on Planet Earth are involved in it. That story has to do with God and you, God and me. God and everyone.

The story tells about God's original and good plan for creation and humanity- and about humanity's pride, rebellion, sin, ignorance, and folly. But the focus is on God's forgiving grace- grace stops at nothing to restore the relationship between God and humanity- in time and for all eternity. You and I are at "center stage" in this Divine Drama- whether we know it or not, or whether we want to be or not.

Our Narrative equips people to understand the Bible's key themes and teachings, such as the Trinity (Father, Son, & Holy Spirit), Sin & Grace, The Church & Worship, Prayer & the Lord's Prayer, Holy Baptism & Holy Communion, Stewardship & Life Management, and, finally Eschatology (or "The Last Things")

Throughout, students learn how the events of the Old Testament all connect and set the stage for the life and mission of Jesus the Messiah, as revealed in the New Testament. They also learn what it means to know Jesus the Messiah as Savior, and to follow Him as Lord in servant- discipleship.

Bible Study Book is \$22

Contact Adrienne in the POP office or sign up sheet in the lower Narthex if you would like a book ordered. Deadline to order August 25th.

Worship Plans for Summer 2026

<u>SUMMER</u>	<u>SCHEDULE</u>	<u>2026</u>
Date	Inside	Outside
Sunday	8:30am	10:00am
May 23, 2026	Traditional	Praise & Choir
May 31, 2026	Praise	Traditional
June 7, 2026	Traditional	Praise
June 14, 2026	Praise	Traditional
June 21, 2026	Traditional	Praise
June 28, 2026	Praise	Traditional
July 5, 2026	Service of the Word	COMBINED
July 12, 2026	Traditional	Praise
July 19, 2026	Praise	Traditional
July 26, 2026	Traditional	Praise
August 2, 2026	NO SERVICE!	COMBINED
August 9, 2026	Praise	Traditional
August 16, 2026	Traditional	Praise
August 23, 2026	Praise	Traditional
August 30, 2026	Traditional	Praise
September 6, 2026	Praise	Traditional

Beginning on Memorial Day, May 24th and continuing through September 6th, this will be our summer worship schedule.

8:30 am – INSIDE

A short 30-minute communion service will be held each Sunday inside.

This gives people the opportunity to worship inside if it's too hot or they don't care to be outside or just want to get on with the day before it gets too late with the short worship service that will include communion every week.

10 am – OUTSIDE

A 10 am service will be held every week in the pavilion. The format will be the praise service one week and the traditional service the next week. Whoever is not responsible for the 10 am service will be leading the 8:30 am service music.

If the weather is too threatening, too hot or too cold, we will move inside for the 10 am service.

Once a month, or more frequently, a potluck lunch to follow the 10 am service, starting in July.

COMMUNION USING BREAD & CUP

We will be using the same format we use for our indoor services.

COMBINED SERVICES- FOLLOWED BY A POPLUCK

May 24- Memorial Day Weekend (we will NOT have a potluck this day as we have the Chardon Polka Band schedule the day before- May 23 5-7

July 5- 4th of July weekend- Happy Birthday USA

August 2- Christmas in Summer Celebration



Sunday, August 23rd, 2026

Prayer requests may be sent to Sue Hosler, chairwoman of the Prayer

Chain Ministry at: suehosler@yahoo.com or to the church office at:

princeofpeacewestlake@gmail.com

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

Prayer Request - Long Term

Emily Saunders (PoP Member)
Pam Rotella (PoP Member)
Al Tielke (PoP Member)
Angela Missig (Daughter of Gloria Starr)
Laura K (Friend of Deb Gibbons)
Bill Sweeny (Friend of Kathy McCollum)
Paula Collister (Sister-in-law of Liz Grider)
Daniel Reisner (Friend of James and Lisa Arrigo)
Monica Doptis (Grandchild of Dan and Barb Fronczak)
Liz Jones (Daughter of Dan and Barb Fronczak)
Robert Sieving (Brother of Chuck Sieving)
Lisa Piscola (Friend of Jann Daniels)
Tony and Michelle Glashauckus (Friends of Jann Daniels)
Matt Darcangelo (Friend of Matt Wenham)
Toni Kulma and Pastor Jim Kulma (Supply Pastor for PoP)
Shane Overcash (Relative of Deb Gibbons)
Cindy Kreis (PoP Member)

Recent prayer requests received within the past 3 weeks:

August 9

(remove Helen Comnick-died)
Phyllis Branson (Friend of the Comnick Family)

August 16

Grant Comnick and Family (PoP member)
Maureen (Sister of Myrta Holden's Friend)
Gloria Starr (PoP Member)

August 23

Matt Wenham (PoP Member)
Barb and Bill Armstrong (Regular PoP Visitors, Friends of Fran Wilhelm)
Shoko Morton (Wife of PoP member, Tom Morton)

Happy Birthday

Attendance at Prince of Peace

Natalie Pearce 8/01
 Anita Briggs 8/02
 Josie Wilhelm 8/02
 Paul Winslow 8/02
 Cindy Kreis 8/04
 Mike Piskunoff 8/05
 Chip Bailey 8/05
 Dale Dragony 8/06
 Cindy Mittag 8/07
 Bill Vorobej 8/09
 Joey Frey 8/11
 Tom Drobnak 8/14
 Christian Juntunen 8/16
 Michelle Christian 8/17

Cameron Wenham 8/17
 Jon Peter 8/21
 Peggy Krueger 8/22
 Sherry Weber 8/22
 Phillip Bruneau 8/24
 Bryce Bruneau 8/25
 Shari Demby 8/27
 Christine Piskunoff 8/28
 Ron Thorne 8/29
 Mariah Thompson 8/31
 Nick Marple 8/31

<u>Date</u>	<u>Online</u>	<u>In Person</u>	<u>Total</u>
08/16/2026	0	140	140
08/09/2026	94	146	240
08/02/2026	85	130	215
07/26/2026	115	150	265

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Barb & Dan Fronczak 8/02
 Debbie & Bob Thomas 8/03
 Bradley & Bethany Pearce 8/04
 Brent & Daniea Beard 8/07
 Doug & Carol Leavens 8/10
 Michael & Patricia Pietraroia 8/10
 Christine & Al Tielke 8/13

Mary & Joseph Olah 8/15
 Jerry & Diane Karp 8/18
 Uwe & Helga Susemihl 8/20
 Jerry & Cindy Kreis 8/20
 Mark & Karen Givens 8/21
 Ron & Becky Kear 8/23
 Steve & Cindy Zinram 8/30

Second Harvest

The requested items for August are:
 Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Olive Oil & Canned Fish

Giving Data

<u>Operating Giving Report</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>AVG/Week</u>
Total Giving as of June 30 th 2026:	\$279,859	\$10,763
% of Annual 2026 Budget Received to Date:	54%	
Remaining Giving to Meet 2026 Budget	\$239,141	\$9,197
Total Expenses Incurred through 6/30/26	\$259,324	\$9,974



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Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 9-11

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Sunday Worship Services

8:30 am & 10:00 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.