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PEACE CONNECTIONS August 19, 2020

Sign Up to Join Us for In-Person Worship Service ~ This Sunday, August 23, 2020

Hello members of Prince of Peace,

In this ever changing world we try our best to create a safe environment for all. Prince of Peace is following all health guidelines directed by our Governor and The Ohio Department of Health. Cuyahoga County is still marked as a Level 3 Red Alert, meaning that Cuyahoga has hit 4-5 of DeWine's risk indicators. Due to continuing in the Red Zone, beginning on July 17th, face masks are now required by all to be worn in public areas.

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We understand that these times are hard and that many people have yet to feel comfortable being in a group setting, however for anyone who does feel comfortable returning, we hope to see you this **Sunday, August 23rd** for our one, in-person service at 10:00 am. Our at-risk members are still encouraged to participate through digital worship until they are comfortable worshiping 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).

If you will be attending in-person worship service on Sunday, for the health and safety of all our members, please exit the building immediately after service. If you would like to catch up with friends afterwards, please do so outside. While on Prince of Peace property, everyone must maintain 6 feet of social distancing and wear face masks.

RESERVATIONS: There are 19 family group spots on <u>SignUpGenius</u>. Sign-ups are available through **Thursday**, **August 20 at 11:59 pm**. A family group ranges from 1-5 people. If a family group has more than five, that family will need to reserve two different family group spots to cover their whole family. Please make sure to check that the date you are signing up for is **August 23rd**. 1) Scroll down to date **08/23/2020**. 2) Click the box that says "Sign Up", a check mark should indicate that it has been chosen. 3) Once box is marked, click "Submit and Sign Up" button 4) Fill in you 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).

Sunday Online Worship Services





This Sunday, worship with us online! Please visit our website where you will find the Sunday Bulletin, music, prayers and Pr. Tom's Sunday sermon.

For those who prefer to worship earlier, our online worship service will now be available on Sundays at 8:00 am.

Online Giving

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



Second Harvest



For the months of August-September, requested items are **Peanut butter and** canned meats. The collection containers are located as you enter the Education Wing. Thank you!

Also, please consider bringing canned food items to the Sunday at 7pm gathering on August 23rd to help support our hungry neighbors! Bins will be available by the lower entrance to POP

Tune Into Our New Podcast, "Wrestling with the Faith"

Welcome to the "Wrestling with the Faith" (WWTF) podcast! 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 Sundays of each month on the Prince of Peace YouTube channel. Get your thinking caps ready and let's have some great conversations!"

Our first episode of the Wrestling with the Faith podcast! This week, we are discussing Matthew 16: 13-20, and if

Jesus wants us to wrestle with our faith.

Join us in our discussion and let us know your thoughts in the comments section!





Calendar

August 19-30, 2020

Wednesday, August 19 *WWTF Podcast* 7:00 pm Organ Practice

Thursday, August 20

Friday, August 21

Saturday, August 22 10:00 am Organ Practice

Sunday, August 23 10:00 am In Person Worship Service (by reservation) 10:00 am Online Worship Service 7 pm Gathering and Service/Prince of Peace Parking Lot

Monday, August 24 7:00 pm Men's Bible Group

Tuesday, August 25 10:00 am Discovery Group

Wednesday, August 26 7:00 pm Organ Practice

Thursday, August 27

Friday, August 28

Saturday, August 29 10:00 am Organ Practice

Sunday, August 30 10:00 am In Person Worship Service *(by reservation)* 10:00 am Online Worship Service

Sunday's at 7:00 pm!

Join us *this* Sunday, August 23rd at 7:00 pm in the church parking lot for a gathering and service with Prince of Peace friends and Pastor Tom.

This will also be the Prince of Peace Christian Education Kick Off Event! This will be a church wide event. Bring your own dinner and then have root beer floats (provided by Youth/Christian Ed) during the Sunday's at 7 pm gathering. See you then!

Profile Communications

I don't know about you, but in this current lock down due to Covid 19, I find myself really missing the interaction of my friends from church. I miss going to church, I miss the coffee and conversation after the service, and I miss you.

This is a time when we can't get together often, but it is a time when we need to hear from each other. We do have church restarted, but it is limited. We do have the Sunday night parking lot get-togethers, and Judy is still coordinating member visits. But I think this spot in the newsletter might be best served if we don't do profiles right now, but we hear from you. I want you folks to write a short note and email it along with a photo to Mary Humer princeofpeacewestlake **@**gmail.com, and she will put it in this space in the newsletter. Write it as if you are talking to your friends here at church. Tell us how you are holding up, what you are doing to keep busy, what things do you miss, what are you thankful for, and how you came to know Jesus Christ. I will start with my Profile Communication.

Profile Communication - Dick Hardy

I got back from my winter in Tucson in May, and self-quarantined for two weeks. I now have resumed working for Habitat for Humanity one day a week, wearing a mask, of course. I am excited to tell you that, with the help of some great coaches, I was able to organize and hold a five-day tennis camp for High School Tennis players. The camp was sponsored by the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and the Northeast Ohio United States Tennis Association. Tennis is a sport that naturally allows the athletes to social distance. Each day the young athletes were coached on their tennis skills by two USTA hall-of-fame coaches in the Cleveland area. And, each day we had a speaker share a faith message about the saving grace of Jesus Christ. This is a first in the Cleveland area, and a dream-come-true for me personally.



I continue as the church Financial Secretary, with the help of wonderful church members, and I participate in the POP Men's Bible study each Monday night. I grew up Lutheran. My grandfather was a Lutheran Minister and Teaching Theologian. But, I have to admit that church, and faith seemed more academic rather than personal. I knew the stories and Bible verses, but I didn't have a close personal relationship with my Lord. I have friends who know the exact date and time they came to accept Jesus as their personal savior. I think that is wonderful, but my story is more of a journey. That personal journey started with my wife, Ilene, who taught me how to pray. I continued when I lost Ilene to Leukemia three years ago. Over time I came to understand and know that Jesus is present in my life, every day, guiding, pulling and correcting. And this journey continues in the back nine of my life, if I am allowed to use a golf metaphor. In this time of change, I am thankful for friends; I am thankful for my best buddy, Petey; and I am thankful for the wonderful blessing of giving back, and thankful that the Lord continues to open doors for me to do so.

Dick Hardy, Prince of Peace Profile Reporter

Prince of Peace Youth

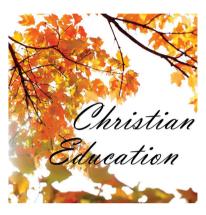
Join us for worship every Sunday!



Happy Hour Hangouts - I know many of you are camping with your family, completing summer reading projects, have band practice starting, or are just enjoying your time outside. With that, we are going to take a break for the month of August, from our Friday Happy Hour Hangouts on Zoom. I will be working on getting other projects put together and will keep in touch with you via email, text, and instagram/Facebook.



Get on Board and Follow Us! Facebook ~ Instagram email: poplutheranyouth@gmail.com For more information, visit our website: www.princeofpeacewestlake.org/youth



Save the Dates! Christian Education Rally Day!

Join us on August 23rd for the Prince of Peace Christian Education Kick Off Event This will be a church wide event. Bring your own dinner and then have root beer floats (provided by Youth/Christian Ed) at 7 pm during the *Sunday's at 7 pm* gathering.

Join us on September 20th for Rally Day, "Chalk the Church"

An activity at 6pm where kids (and whoever else wants to join) draw with sidewalk chalk on the church parking lot. It will be followed by the *Sunday's at 7pm* gathering where we will have an assembly line "care package for health care workers" event. More information to follow.

Volunteers Needed!

We are looking for people who would be willing to make phone calls to members who have not attended either the in-person Sunday services or our Sunday evening get togethers. We want to let them know that their church family is thinking of them and that we miss seeing them. If you would be willing to make some calls, please contact Judy Kazak at judykazak@yahoo.com or 440-476-6318.

Let's Stay Connected!

Hello Prince of Peace Members,



Due to COVID-19 it has been harder to see and communicate with fellow members, especially when addresses, emails, and phone numbers change. With Prince of Peace being open again, we are so glad to see members coming together (safely), to be able to worship together. However, we completely understand that right now, choosing to worship from home is the best option for some people/families. As we continue to wait for what the future holds, we would like to encourage you to stay connected with fellow members. Whether that be through a phone call, text, email, or writing a letter.

Please use this link with the <u>updated directory info</u>. Please use this information only to contact one another. For a quicker way to have access to the complete directory, you can download the Universal Church Directory on your phone. This app allows you to view members information, with photos (if families have included one).

Use this link which explains <u>what you need to do in order to work the app</u>. Each family has a specific access code that is specified only to them. This access code will be needed in order to login to the app and identify who you are. We would also like to encourage members to send in an updated photo to include in the Universal Church Directory.

To obtain your access code, send in a picture, or give any updated contact information, email popw.officemanger@gmail.com

Peace, Prince of Peace Staff

Prayer Concerns

Please join us in praying for members and friends with recent needs: Tom Ely (friend of Deb Gibbons), Becky Kear, Deanna Rose. 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), Jeannine Blakeslee, Cathy Blitz (sister-in-law of Jann Daniels), Joanne & Tony Cacciatore, Don Chismar, Marcia Drysdale (friend of Jane Dillon), Ron Filkill, 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), Gary Lucas (father of Hilary Lucas), Dana Meier (friend of Deb Gibbons), Angela Missig (daughter of Gloria Starr), Toni Plute (sister of Charlie Koch), Lois Reichert, 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. In Death: Dennis Collister (brother of Liz Grider)

Giving Report

Weekly Operating Giving - August 17, 2020:	\$215,260
Budget for 33 Sundays:	\$223,500
Giving Deficit as of August 17, 2020:	\$ (8,240)

Attendance at Prince of Peace

<u>Date</u>	<u>In Person</u>	<u>Online</u>	<u>Total</u>
August 16, 2020	27	64	91
August 9, 2020	45	45	90
August 2, 2020	39	58	97
July 26, 2020	34	57	91



08/20Vivian Gleespen08/27Shari Demby08/20Kert Lauterbach08/27Tyrus Petta08/21Jon Peter08/28Evan Saunders08/22Benjamin Creech08/28Kate Weaver08/22Peggy Krueger08/29Ron Thorne08/25AJ Jagels08/31Mariah Thompson

Happy Anniversary!

08/20 Uwe & Helga Susemihl 08/21 Mark & Karen Givens 08/23 Ron & Becky Kear 08/30 Mike & Abbie Gleespen 08/30 Steve & Cindy Zinram

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Office Hours Office hours are variable and limited due to the Covid-19 crisis.

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> Sunday Worship Services 10:00 am online worship service

Christian Education Sundays at 10:10 - 10:50 am for all ages

Child Care Adult supervised child care for children 5 and under is offered for both services and during the Christian Education hour between services.