

School's  
out for  
Summer



June 5th, 2026

# PEACE CONNECTION

Friday June 5th  
Pastor Doug's Day Off

Saturday June 6th  
2:00 pm Organ Practice

Sunday June 7th  
8:30 am Indoor Worship  
10:00 am Outdoor Worship  
9:00 am Blood Pressure Screening

Monday June 8th  
10:00 am Staff Meeting  
2:00 pm Organ Practice  
7:00 pm SOAP Bible Study

Tuesday June 9th  
6:15 pm CrossFire Rehearsal

Wednesday June 10th

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

Friday June 12th  
Pastor Doug's Day Off

Saturday June 13th  
11:00 am Celebration of Life- Joe  
Newman  
2:00 pm Organ Practice

Sunday June 14th  
8:00 am - 1:00 pm Blood Drive  
8:30 am - 9:00 pm Cedar Point Day  
8:30 am Indoor Worship  
10:00 am Outdoor Worship

Monday June 15th  
9:00 am - Noon VBS  
10:00 am Staff Meeting  
2:00 pm Organ Practice  
7:00 pm SOAP Bible Study

Tuesday June 16th  
9:00 am - Noon VBS  
11:00 am Women's Discipleship Group  
6:15 pm CrossFire Rehearsal

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

## Save the Date!

Ice Cream Social and a second send off for Pastor Charlie on Sunday July 26th 4:30 - 7:00pm! If you didn't have a chance to attend the celebration in February and would like another chance to say goodbye, there will be a brief presentation in the pavilion during the Ice Cream Social. Charlie and Lisa will be in attendance.

## Young at Heart

Please join us on Friday, June 19, 2026 at 12:30pm. We will be enjoying good food and fellowship at BJ's Restaurant & Brewhouse, located at 25779 Brookpark Rd. in North Olmsted. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the lower lobby. Questions, contact Kathy Kettler at (440)825-2674.

## Mark Your Calendars!

JULY 5th – Happy Birthday America Potluck Picnic

AUGUST 2<sup>nd</sup> – Christmas in Summer Potluck Picnic

SEPTEMBER 13th – God's Work Our Hands

## Second Harvest Food Bank Repack

Thank you to all the volunteers who joined us for the Second Harvest Food Bank Repack event! Volunteers formed groups, assembling packing boxes, labeling the contents, weighing each box. Taping and stacking on pallets various categories of protein items and beverages took about 90 minutes.





*Congratulations*  
to  
**Mrs. Judy Rolik**



**on her retirement after 50 years  
of service to Lutheran West**

# BIBLE STUDY



Join Pastor Doug and Ruth Chou Simons for a six week Bible study of Colossians. You can order the "Truthfilled" book on your own or through Adrienne in the PoP office. The study will meet in the Charter Room at 2:00 pm on Wednesdays July 1<sup>st</sup> - August 6<sup>th</sup>

- Session 1, July 1, Introduction, Colossians 1:1-14
- Session 2, July 8<sup>th</sup>, Rest In God's Character, Colossians 1:15-2:3
- Session 3, July 15<sup>th</sup>, Rehearse Who You Are, Colossians 2:4-23
- Session 4, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, Respond In Faith, Colossians 3:1-4:1
- Session 5, July 29<sup>th</sup>, Remember God's Provision, Colossians 4:2-18
- Session 6, August 5<sup>th</sup>, Put it Into Practice

The book is \$21 and the direct link to order <https://amzn.to/3Qli0Ny>  
No sign up needed, with questions, please contact the office.

## About the author

Ruth Chou Simons is a bestselling and award-winning author of several books—including GraceLaced, Beholding and Becoming, and Foundations. She is an artist, entrepreneur, and speaker, using each of these platforms to spiritually sow the Word of God into people's hearts. Through her online shoppe at GraceLaced.com and her social media community, Simons shares her journey of God's grace intersecting daily life with word and art. Ruth and her husband, Troy, are grateful parents to six boys--their greatest adventure.

## Worship Plans for Summer 2026

<u>SUMMER</u>	<u>SCHEDULE</u>	<u>2026</u>
<u>Date</u>	<u>Inside</u>	<u>Outside</u>
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>8:30am</u>	<u>10:00am</u>
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	Service of the Word	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 24<sup>th</sup> and continuing through September 6<sup>th</sup>, 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- 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend- Happy Birthday USA

August 2- Christmas in Summer Celebration



## WESTLAKE ECUMENICAL VBS 2026

WHERE FAITH MEETS FUN THIS SUMMER!

**JUNE 15-19, 9AM-NOON**

FOR KIDS AGED 4THRU RISING 5 GRADERS  
COST IS \$20 PER CHILD, MAX\$50 PERFAMILY  
HELD AT PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN



REGISTER  
AT QR CODE



Adult and Teen Volunteers Needed for Vacation Bible School!

Get ready for an exciting adventure at our Snowball Mountain Challenge VBS! We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help make this year's Vacation Bible School a fun, faith-filled, and unforgettable experience for our kids.

There are many ways to serve:

- Group leaders
- Registration helpers
- Snack team
- Games & activities
- Craft station helpers
- Decorating team

Whether you can help for one day or the entire week, your time and talents can make a lasting impact on the lives of children as they learn about God's love and grow in their faith.

Join us as we climb higher in faith and friendship at Snowball Mountain Challenge!

If you would like to volunteer or learn more, please contact Lisa Belza [lbelza@stlads.org](mailto:lbelza@stlads.org) or sign up at

Adults: <https://stladislas.org/event-details/?id=6961>

Teens: <https://stladislas.org/event-details/?id=6963>

Sign up deadline June 1st.

We can't wait to serve alongside you!

### Donation and Borrow Request

Vacation Bible School is looking for blow up winter themed decorations, ski lodge, snowflakes, ski and snowboarding themed items, etc to go with their Snowball Mountain Challenge. If you have something that you think would be a great fit for this years vacation bible school (June 15-19) reach out to Lindsay (440) 623-2614.

# Cedar Point®

**Sunday June 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Grades 6th - 12th**

Meeting at Prince of Peace at  
8:30AM and returning  
approximately 9:00PM

**Bring a friend!**

Sign up via text to Hilary  
**216-258-1639**

Park pass, including food  
provided to those without  
existing season pass





American Red Cross

# CELEBRATE MORE

# Life

## **Blood Drive** **Prince of Peace** **Lutheran Church**

Fellowship Hall  
28455 Center Ridge Road  
Westlake, OH 44145

**Sunday, June 14, 2026**  
**8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-RED-CROSS or go to [RedCrossBlood.org](https://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter Sponsor Code: POP2024



Scan to be directed to KeyPass®

**Come to give blood 6/1-28 for a \$15 e-gift card + chance to win a \$7.5K prize! See [rcblood.org/June](https://rcblood.org/June).**



Scan to schedule an appointment

## **Give Blood.**

1-800-RED CROSS | [RedCrossBlood.org](https://RedCrossBlood.org) | Download the Blood Donor App

PRINCE OF PEACE

# *Member Photo* **DIRECTORY**

We are in the process of updating the Prince of Peace member directory and we noticed many photos are several years old. We would love to update your picture in the directory. We will be taking photos in the Fellowship Hall between services from 11:10-11:45 am on the following Sundays:

**June 7 & June 28**

These photos are casual and are taken in front of the black background. Please plan on joining us one of these scheduled days!



Questions? Contact:

[gibbons.95@gmail.com](mailto:gibbons.95@gmail.com)



**Sunday, June 7th, 2026**

**Prayer Request - Long Term**

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

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)  
Jan and Larry (Friends of Dan and Barb Fronczak)  
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)  
Max Jensen (Cousin of Jann Daniels)  
Toni Kulma and Pastor Jim Kulma (Supply Pastor for PoP)  
Shane Overcash (Relative of Deb Gibbons)

**Recent prayer requests received within the past 3 weeks:**

**May 24**

Charlie Zak (Friend of Kathy Kettler)  
Cindy Kreis (PoP Member)  
Gerry Wilhelm (PoP Member)  
Darryl and Ann K (Friends of Sue Hosler)

**May 31**

Kira Johnston (Friend of Liz Grider)

**June 7**

Jane Carlson (PoP Member)  
Family of Jacobi Clement (Relative of the Gros Family)

# Happy Birthday

6/4 Tom Colcord  
 6/4 Patricia Pietraroi  
 6/5 Joey Weaver  
 6/7 Elise Covell  
 6/8 Erika Marquardt  
 6/9 Elizabeth Grider  
 6/10 Bob Thompson  
 6/10 Lynnette Stevens  
 6/12 Bob Thomas  
 6/12 Logan Beard  
 6/13 Lindsay Weaver  
 6/13 Tom Robinholt  
 6/14 Mitchell Gros  
 6/14 Tyler Rowe  
 6/14 Susan Franz  
 6/16 Terry MacKenzie

6/17 Joyce Hayward  
 6/20 Debbie Thomas  
 6/21 Ron Kear  
 6/22 Brent Beard  
 6/23 Walter Diekroger  
 6/24 Jeff Frey  
 6/25 Joseph Olah  
 6/26 Cindy Strieter  
 6/27 Diane Fortuna  
 6/27 Samantha Bailey  
 6/27 Diego Cesare  
 6/27 Kristen Chengery  
 6/29 Adrienne Patenaude  
 6/29 Eva Vitko  
 6/30 David Zinram  
 6/30 Claire Wenham

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Melody & Roger Hauser 6/09  
 Phil & Pat Sprague 6/15  
 Jon & Riki Wilhelm 06/17  
 Gerry & Fran Wilhelm 06/19  
 Ken & Peggy Krueger 06/20  
 Mark & Ellen Oster 06/26  
 Joan & Tom Drobnak 06/29  
 Dolph & Judy Rolik 06/29  
 Tom & Lora Robinholt 06/30

## Second Harvest

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

## Giving Data

Operating Giving Report	YTD	AVG/Week
Total Giving as of April 30th, 2026:	\$202,071	\$11,886
% of Annual 2026 Budget Received to Date:	42%	
Remaining Giving to Meet 2026 Budget	\$316,929	\$9,055
Total Expenses Incurred through 4/30/26	\$176,948	\$10,408



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## Attendance at Prince of Peace

Date	Online	In Person	Total
05/31/2026	67	145	212
05/24/2026	132	137	269
05/17/2026	169	152	321
05/10/2026	154	176	330

## Prince of Peace Staff

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Mark Givens, Church Council President  
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### Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 9-3

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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.