



PEACE CONNECTIONS

September 16, 2020

Sign Up to Join Us for In-Person Worship Service ~ This Sunday, September 20, 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.

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, September 20** 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 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).

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 [SignUpGenius](#). Sign-ups are available through **Thursday, September 17 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 **September 20th**. 1) Scroll down to date **09/20/2020**. 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).



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 a.m.



Calendar

September 16-27, 2020

Wednesday, September 16
7:00 pm Organ Practice

Thursday, September 17
Sexton's Day Off

Friday, September 18

Saturday, September 19
10:00 am Organ Practice

Sunday, September 20
10:00 am In Person Worship Service (by reservation)
10:00 am Online Worship Service
5:30 pm Rally Day/POP Parking Lot
7:00 pm Sunday's at 7 pm!

Monday, September 21
1:00 pm Comfort Quilters/FH
7:00 pm Men's Bible Group

Tuesday, September 22
Discovery Group/Library

Wednesday, September 23
7:00 pm Organ Practice

Thursday, September 24
Sexton's Day Off

Friday, September 25

Saturday, September 26
10:00 am Organ Practice

Sunday, September 27
10:00 am In Person Worship Service (by reservation)
10:00 am Online Worship Service
11:45 am All Grade Virtual Sunday School

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 month of **September**, requested items are **Peanut butter and canned meats**. The collection containers are located as you enter the Education Wing or **bring your donations to Rally Day on Sunday, September 20th!**

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 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 our latest episode of the [Wrestling with the Faith podcast!](#) We discuss Jonah 3:10-4:11 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! You can watch on YouTube, Spotify, Apple or Google...your choice!



POP Rally Day!

This Sunday, September 20th!

Join us **THIS Sunday, September 20th** in the church parking lot for a gathering and service with Pr. Tom and Prince of Peace family and friends.

The Prince of Peace Christian Ed Rally Day will begin at 5:30 pm. Children and adults will enjoy Chalk the Church, making care packages for essential workers and cupcakes, ice cream and soda for all! We hope to see you there!

Let's work together for God's Work. Our Hands. We will be collecting for Second Harvest Food Bank. Requested items are Peanut butter and canned meats. Please bring your donations to Rally Day!

Watch the magic happen!

Want some fish? It will cost you down to your socks and undies.

Join us **Sunday, September 20th** at 5:30 pm in the church parking lot our Loaves and Fishes dinner during Rally Day. We will provide the fish, you provide your own side dish for you and your family.

We are collecting socks and underwear for the 2100 Lakeside Men's Shelter in addition to an overflow shelter for 70 men and women at the Day's Inn in Lakewood, which is being coordinated through Lutheran Metro Ministries. Larger sizes appreciated. Also, we are still collecting socks for the LMM Women's Re-Entry socks as well. Thank you!

Christian Education Rally Day!

Join us on Sunday, September 20th at 5:30 pm at Prince of Peace. Rally Day activities will be followed by the Sunday's at 7:00 pm gathering and service.

The following activities sponsored by Christian Education:

Chalk the Church - An activity at 6pm where kids (and whoever else wants to join) draw with sidewalk chalk on the church parking lot.



Care Packages for Essential Workers - All supplies ready to be packed with love by participants.

Cupcakes, ice cream, and soda floats provided to all.



Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
Rally Day

LOAVES



DINNER TOGETHER

We invite you to join us for our Loaves and Fishes Rally Day Dinner. Prince of Peace will provide fried fish, however you will be in charge of providing your own side dish for you and your family

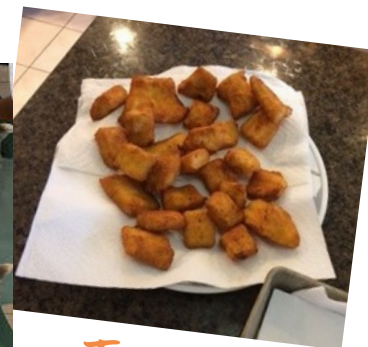
** There will also be a place to come and donate food for Second Harvest Food Bank**

September 20th, 2020
5:30-7pm

5:30-6pm: Loaves and Fishes
6-7pm: Chalk the Church,
7pm: Sunday Evening Worship Service



Come decorate the church parking lot, package care packs for essential workers, decorate your own cross and enjoy rootbeer floats!



From This...

To This!



#GodsWorkOurHands



Thank you to all who have donated! So far we have collected:

- 129 pairs of women's socks
- 12 pairs of men's socks
- 68 pairs of men's underwear
- 63 canned goods for Second Harvest
- \$325 to purchase shoes for the OMNI students

Let's see if we can hit and exceed our goals! For the week of September 20th: *Let's focus on Second Harvest Food Bank and see if we can achieve our goal of 500 lbs of food to provide 400 meals!* You can also continue donations for WREN (women's socks, feminine hygiene products, toiletries, and umbrellas) and LMM (new men's underwear). Please drop off on Sunday or in the bin outside the west entrance. Thank you!



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.



**Wherever God is calling...our hands are ready to do God's Work!
Let's work together for God's Work Our Hands **Sunday...Month 2020!****

COVID-19 has impacted us all and our capacity to come together to serve is limited. While GWOH Sunday is September 13th, let's dedicate the **month** of September to GWOH service! See below for all the opportunities to serve and watch the Peace Connection for the "focus of the week." **Will be collecting donations for all ministries throughout the month and plan to celebrate on October 4th!**

Where can we serve??
Close to home?? Near?? Far?? Anywhere?? Let's see how far our hands can reach!

<p>Close to home...Second Harvest Food Bank Goal: 500 lbs which will feed 400 families!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food donations can be left in the usual location, by the donation station, or outside by the west entrance. 	<p>Near....Lutheran Metropolitan Ministries Women's Re-Entry (WREN) Goal: 100 pairs of socks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional needs include toiletries, feminine hygiene products, and umbrellas. <p>Men's Shelter Goal: 100 pairs of new underwear (all sizes/styles)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The shelter is also collecting gently used men's clothing for donation.
<p>Far...OMNI Goal: \$6000 towards shoes for 240 students!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$3000 goal with \$3000 matching from our Zambia Mission Fund <p>Please make checks out to OMNI and send into Prince of Peace!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donations above \$6000 will be used for other needs: school supplies-uniforms, treated mosquito nets, PPE for COVID • Save the date "virtual" Bluz Over Africa event October 24th (details forthcoming) 	<p>Anywhere...wherever called to serve! Do you know of someone in your neighborhood that needs a hand? A favorite outdoor trail or space that needs cleaned up? A letter to share a kind word or blessing for those in need such as our first responders or those living in our local nursing homes? Or an opportunity to share your voice to ELCA advocacy causes such as funding for food supports, fair housing initiatives, climate change or other advocacy initiatives? The answer is YES to all! Serve however you feel called and serve often! Let us know if you are planning something with other groups!</p>

So many ways to serve! Choose one event or choose many over the month! Please participate however you feel called! Please share a picture or quick video if able and we can all share each other's efforts! If possible, wear your God's Work Our Hands shirts!!

Donations for all events will be collected throughout the month. Please bring during worship, Sunday evening events, or can leave in the dedicated bin outside the West Entrance.



lutheran metropolitan ministry



Prince of Peace Youth

As you know, 2020/2021 is going to be 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!

First things first, it's Sunday School registration time. Parents, please take 5 minutes to complete the [registration form](#).

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH!! POP UP SERVICE PROJECT AND ICE CREAM!



WHAT: A shopping trip to purchase \$100 worth of socks and underwear for POP's God's Work Our Hands event

WHEN: TODAY, Wednesday, September 16th at 7:00 pm

WHERE: Meet Hilary at the Dollar Tree, 4650 Great Northern Blvd. in North Olmsted
Plan on wearing a mask and going for ice cream at Malley's after shopping. Bring a friend too!

**God's work.
Our hands.**

September 20th - Rally Day starting @ 5:30pm. Join us at Prince of Peace in the parking lot for some socially distanced family fun. Each family will be given a parking space to create some beautiful chalk art in an activity called "Chalk the Church". We will also have care kits for essential workers that all attendees can help pack to support our heroes in local nursing homes and hospitals. And the best part, there will be ice cream, cupcakes, and soda floats for all!

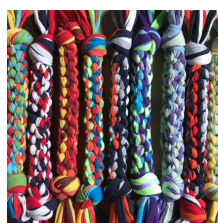
Sunday School 2020/2021 - As of now, Sunday School will be completely virtual from September - December 2020. A schedule of classes, including times and live Google meet group links will be emailed after Rally Day.

It is my plan to make sure everyone is as safe as possible this year and that we can still have a fun time together. Thank you in advance for your answers! - Hilary Lucas

2020-2021 Christian Education Registration!

While the 2020-2021 Christian Education program will look different than any other in our lives, we are looking forward to beginning with online classes for grades PreK-12 on Sept. 27th.

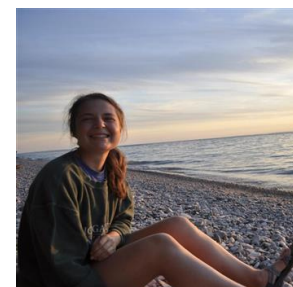
Our classes will be PreK-2, 3-6, 7-8 and 9-12. A different class will be held each Sunday and monthly activity kits will be available for pick up at Prince of Peace or dropped off at your house once a month. We will publish class days and times as well as a sign up for the activity kits soon. [Register Now!](#)



Calling All Old T-Shirts!

Looking to make some space in your closet and put those old t-shirts to good use? Well look no further! Bring your t-shirts to Rally Day September 20th and the youth will turn them into a service project of making toys for dogs at the Friendship APL in Elyria.

*Hello friends! On **October 11, 2020**, I will be participating in the CROP Hunger Walk by walking a 5k to raise money for many Lansing-based organizations fighting food inequities. The CROP Hunger Walk means we can take action for someone experiencing hunger; it means someone will get enough to eat. My goal is to assist as many people as I can...that's why I'm fundraising for more meals in my community and for long-lasting solutions to hunger around the world like community gardens and small-scale farming. I would love it if you could help through a [donation](#)! The steps we take and the funds we raise will make a real impact! - Thank you! Rachel Drobnak*



Thank You!

Thank you for your prayers, phone calls and cards during my recovery. Your concern and support have meant so much to me. Ron Filkill

thank you

Thinking of You!

As part of GWOH, Prince of Peace members can send a note to members of the congregation that you haven't seen for awhile to let them know you are thinking about them. If you would like to send a note to members or their families who are in the fields of education, medical or essential services or are living in a senior residence or are home bound, please contact Judy Kazak for their address. What a wonderful way to bring cheer to a friend!
judykazak@yahoo.com

Endowment Committee Update

The Endowment Committee continues to be active via Zoom during the pandemic. We are pleased to inform the congregation that we have completed grants of over \$6,100 during 2020 to fund a variety of efforts to extend the mission of Prince of Peace. Efforts completed have focused on needs brought on by the pandemic and to date are:

- Supporting urgent needs at the Second Harvest Food Bank and the Lutheran Metropolitan Ministries
- Helping to develop a virtual mission for the United Protestant Campus Ministries serving Case Western Reserve, Cleveland State, and Tri-C Metro
- Extending the reach of our online worship services through support of the Chardon Polka Band (over 320 views on YouTube) and purchase of required audio/visual equipment

We are able to support additional efforts during the remainder of 2020 to extend our Christian mission. We have over \$1,300 of grant money available, so if you have a project or initiative in mind, please don't hesitate to make a grant request. Grant requests may be found on the [Prince of Peace Website](#). Please send completed grant requests to Doug Olson at springman38@aol.com. Thank you.

Profile Communications ~ Becky Wagoner

I recently moved to a new house in Olmsted Township, and have been busy getting things organized, learning the area, and meeting new neighbors and their dogs. I meet new neighbors easily when I walk Corky, who is 16 years old. And, I spend time, almost every day, FaceTiming with my sisters and family.

I have not returned to church yet, and won't until I think it is safe to be in larger groups for an extended time. But I have tuned into the taped Sunday services. Although I live farther away from church, I will continue as a member of POP. I continue to sew and have been sewing masks of various colors and designs. By the way, we are planning to resume the Quilters Group, because we usually have less than 10 gals present at any one time, and we can social distance easily as we spread out to work on quilts and fidget mats.

You ask, "How did I come to Christ?" Well, I grew up Catholic and had two cousins who were priests, and an aunt who was a nun. When I was younger, I thought all my non-Catholic friends were going to Hell, because that is what I was taught. I attended a Catholic girl's college, and taught in church, but I realize now that I did not have a relationship with Jesus; I had a relationship with the Catholic Church. When I prayed, the prayers were short and always memorized. But things started to change. I took a Comparative Religion Course and eventually met and married Byron, my husband, who was Lutheran. I have never had an "Aha Moment," that exact time when you know you have accepted Christ into your heart. But over the years I have definitely grown in my faith, and I now feel that God is close to me, always. And I have learned to pray openly and easily, which took some time. There was a time when Byron and I drifted away from the church, but we did rejoin, and I again feel at home with my Christian friends at POP.



Prayer Concerns

Please join us in praying for members and friends with recent needs: Amy Babinski, Betty Babinski (mother of Jeff Babinski), Char Cuciak (daughter-in-law of John and Judy Cuciak), Katy Rolik (daughter of Dolph and Judy), Deanna Rose, Marilyn Wingfield. **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.**

Please pray for all the Military men and women who are serving our country and for their families who are supporting them during this time of COVID-19. We pray they will be reunited soon.

Giving Report

Weekly Operating Giving - September 15, 2020: \$235,071
 Budget for 37 Sundays: \$250,500
 Giving Deficit as of September 15, 2020: \$ (15,429)

Attendance at Prince of Peace

Date	In Person	Online	Total
September 13, 2020	32	48	80
September 7, 2020	23	32	55
August 30, 2020	38	40	78
August 23, 2020	39	53	92



09/17	Eric Fortuna	09/24	TJ Worsencroft
09/17	Lois Reichert	09/26	Rian Dillon
09/17	Kara Vinci	09/26	Deb Gibbons
09/18	Dan Fronczak	09/29	Marsha Regan
09/20	James Dickey V	09/29	Alli Walker
09/23	Doris Horvath	09/30	Remi Bailey
09/23	Aaron Katrincsak	09/30	Deb Yandala

Happy Anniversary!

09/19 Richard & Sally Balch

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Office Hours

During the Covid-19 crisis, our office hours are:
Monday and Friday 10 am-3 pm; Sunday 8:30-11:30 am

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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.