



May 22nd, 2026

PEACE CONNECTION

Friday May 22nd
Pastor Doug's Day Off
12:30 pm Young at Heart Lunch

Saturday May 23rd
2:00 pm Organ Practice
5:00 pm Chardon Polka Band

Sunday May 24th
8:30 Indoor Worship
10:00 am Outdoor Worship

Monday May 25th
Memorial Day

Tuesday May 26th
1:30 pm Watercolor Class with Mel
6:15 pm CrossFire Rehearsal

Wednesday May 27th

Thursday May 28th
Sexton's Day Off
3:00 pm Organ Practice
7:30 pm Choir Practice

Friday May 29th
Pastor Doug's Day Off

Saturday May 30th
10:00 am Clean Up Day
2:00 pm Organ Practice

Sunday May 31st
8:30 am Indoor Worship
10:00 am Outdoor Worship
1:00 pm Youth Bowling

Monday June 1st
10:00 am Staff Meeting
2:00 pm Organ Practice

Tuesday June 2nd
7:00 pm SOAP Bible Study
8:00 am - 5:00 pm Lifeline Screening
6:15 pm Crossfire Rehearsal

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

Pentecost Sunday May 24th

830am Traditional Service Inside the Sanctuary

10am Contemporary Service with choir selection Outside in the Pavilion

Pentecost derives its name from the Jewish festival celebrating the harvest and the giving of the law on Mount Sinai fifty days after Passover. Fifty days after Easter, we celebrate the Holy Spirit as God's presence within and among us. In Acts the Spirit arrives in rushing wind and flame, bringing God's presence to all people. Paul reminds us that though we each have different capacities, we are unified in the Spirit that equips us with these gifts. Jesus breathes the Holy Spirit on his disciples, empowering them to forgive sin. We celebrate that we too are given the breath of the Holy Spirit and sent out to proclaim God's redeeming love to all the world. Remember to wear Red!

Prince of Peace Clean Up The Woods Day

Join us on Saturday May 30th from 10 am to 1 pm. We will be picking up all sizes of sticks and branches. Bring rakes, saws, branch clippers, wheelbarrows, gloves, etc. Pastor Doug predicts blue skies and warm fellowship.

Men's health is a family matter...

This is why Prince of Peace Lutheran Church is hosting Life Line Screening, the nation's leading provider of preventive health screenings on Tuesday, June 2, 2026. The screenings provided focus on vascular disease, a leading cause of illness and disability among men. Screenings are fast, painless and affordable. Three key tests check for blocked carotid arteries, an irregular heart rhythm called atrial fibrillation, and high blood pressure, which are the three leading risk factors for stroke. Other tests check for abdominal aortic aneurysms and hardening of the arteries in the legs. A bone density screening to assess osteoporosis risk is also offered and is appropriate for both men and women. Many events also offer blood tests, including cholesterol, glucose and c-reactive protein screenings, as well as take-home colon cancer early detection tests. For more information regarding the screenings or to schedule an appointment, call 1-844-591-7160 or go to <https://llsa.social/HC> or text the word circle to 216-279-1607. Pre-registration is required.

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 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

Pavilion Service Volunteers Needed

We are looking for 2–4 volunteers each week to assist with setup and takedown before and after pavilion services. If you are interested in serving, please contact Brandon Bilek at brandonbpop@gmail.com.



Travel Quest

On Friday, May 15, six stalwart Prince of Peace members traveled to Dover, Ohio to experience the Warther Museum.

Mr. Warther was an extraordinary woodworking carver while Mrs. Warther made gorgeous button designed squares!

Watch for details coming for Travel Quest's summer event at the Castle Noel in Medina. Join us for the next outing!



GWOH

We are looking for some projects for this year's God's Work. Our Hands. on September 13, 2026. Please contact Nick Marple if you have any ideas and would like to lead your project. We will hold our first planning meeting in June. Nick's contact info: nicktmarple@gmail.com



Women in Transition

We would like to welcome Melody Hauser as our new contact for Women in Transition! We are grateful for her leadership!

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!

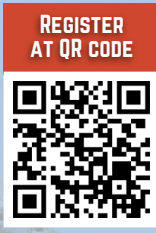
You may leave these items in the donation center. Thank you! With questions, please email Melody at affwintre@gmail.com.





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



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 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 14th

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 and enter Sponsor Code: POP2024



Scan to be directed to RedCrossBlood.org

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



Scan to schedule an appointment

Give Blood.

1-800-RED CROSS | RedCrossBlood.org | Download the Blood Donor App

Let's go bowling!

Sunday May 31st

**Roll House North Olmstead
1:00PM**

Come celebrate our successful
Sunday School year with your
Prince of Peace friends and
family!

All ages welcome!

High school students
encouraged to help little ones
bowl and then we will do an
escape room!

RSVP Required
See Beverly Braun



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 10:10-11:00 am on the following Sundays:

- May 17
- June 14
- 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

PRINCE OF PEACE

FOOD BANK HELP DAY

2 JUNE | 05:00 PM - 07:00 PM



PRINCE OF PEACE HAS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS TO HELP OUT THE SECOND HARVEST FOODBANK AT 5510 BAUMHART ROAD, LORAIN, OHIO 44053 ON TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2026. WE WILL MEET AT THE FOODBANK AT 5:00 PM FOR PIZZA AND AT 5:30 PM BEGIN SORTING AND REPACKING DONATED FOOD ITEMS UNTIL 7:00 P.M. IT IS A FUN EXPERIENCE WITH TASKS FOR ALL. VOLUNTEERS MUST BE 16 OR OLDER PER THE FOOD BANK'S POLICY. WE ARE LOOKING FOR UP TO 15 PEOPLE TO HELP OUT THAT EVENING. PLEASE CONTACT CHARLIE KOCH AT (440) 478-9235 OR EMAIL HIM AT CAKOCH13@AOL.COM TO LET HIM KNOW YOU ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND. YOU CAN ALSO USE THE SIGN-UP SHEET IN THE LOWER NARTHEX. A LINK TO SIGN UP AS A VOLUNTEER ON THE SECOND HARVEST WEB SITE FOR THIS REPACK DAY AT SECONDHARVESTFOODBANK.ORG WILL BE PROVIDED AS WE GET CLOSER TO THE REPACK DAY.



Sunday, May 24th, 2025

Prayer Request - Long Term

(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 10

Family of Larry Nickel (PoP Member)
Barb Fronczak (PoP Member)
Audrey Swanson (PoP Member-Mother of Rusty Blakeslee)

May 17

Family of Joan Schroeder (Friend of Jann Daniels)

May 24

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

05/01 Dineen Terstage
 05/01 Jim Lappin
 05/02 Lillian Franz
 05/03 Brian Drobnak
 05/03 Grant Comnick
 05/05 Ellen Oster
 05/06 Lois Smilor
 05/07 Lillian Fortuna
 05/07 Ben Blakeslee
 05/08 Dave Saunders
 05/09 Josh Dragony
 05/12 Margaret Bailey
 05/12 Diane Karp
 05/14 Gloria McClellan

05/14 Cassandra Frey
 05/14 Jason Franz
 05/15 Brianna Lehman
 05/16 Hailey Vitko
 05/18 Stephanie Pogachar
 05/19 Blake Beard
 05/25anelle Marple
 05/27Robert Mayer
 05/29 Jerry Karp
 05/31 Jeff Babinski
 05/31 Logan Vitko

Date	Online	In Person	Total
05/17/2026	169	152	321
05/10/2026	154	176	330
05/03/2026	161	157	318
04/26/2026	180	157	337



Alden & Connie McGee 05/01
 Dennis & Terry MacKenzie 05/10
 Jeff & Chrissy Frey 05/13
 Dale & Monica Dragony 05/16
 Diane & Pat Fortuna 05/18
 Keith & Jane Wyant 05/20
 Kristi & Bob Draper 05/25
 Tracy & Tom Biller 05/29

Second Harvest

The requested items for May 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



Follow Us!

Prince of Peace Staff

Pastor Doug Gunkelman, Interim Pastor
 pdpopwestlake@gmail.com

James & Lisa Arrigo, Sextons
 jamespopwestlake@gmail.com

Brandon Bilek, Sound Technician
 brandonbp@gmail.com

Beverly Braun, Christian Education Coordinator
 christianeducation.pop@gmail.com

Hailey Desmond, Marketing/Communications
 princeofpeacecommunication@gmail.com

Ian Faleer, Contemporary Music Director
 & Chancel Choir Director
 ifaleer@gmail.com

Adrienne Patenaude, Office Administrator
 princeofpeacewestlake@gmail.com

Hilary Lucas, Youth Director
 poplutheranyouth@gmail.com



Ruth Williams, Organist
 mrsruthwilliams@yahoo.com

Mark Givens, Church Council President
 mpgivens@ameritech.net

Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 9-3
 28455 Center Ridge Rd., Westlake, Ohio 44145
 440/871-5565 • www.princeofpeacewestlake.org

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.