

Peace Connection

March 15th, 2013

Wednesday March 15th
12:00 pm Lenten Soup and Study
7:00 pm Engagement Committee

Thursday March 16th
Sexton's Day Off
11:00 am FLOW
3:00 pm Organ Practice
7:30 pm Choir Practice

Friday March 17th
Pastor Charlie's Day Off
8:00 am Life Line Screening

Saturday March 18th
2:00 pm Organ Practice
5:00 pm Agape Feast

Sunday March 19th
7:00 am Blood Drive
In Person Worship 9 & 11 am
10:00 am Christian Education
10:00 am Adult Gospel Study
10:00 am Funeral Pre-Planning Workshop

Monday March 20th
10:00 Staff Meeting
1:00 pm Comfort Quilters
2:00 pm Organ Practice
7:00 pm SOAP Bible Study
7:00 pm Women's Discipleship Group

Tuesday March 21st
7:00 pm CrossFire Rehearsal

Wednesday March 22nd
12:00 pm Lenten Soup and Study

Thursday March 23rd
Sexton's Day Off
11:00 am FLOW
3:00 pm Communion Ministry Team Meeting
3:00 pm Organ Practice
7:30 Choir Practice

Friday March 24th
Pastor Charlie's Day Off

Saturday March 25th
2:00 pm Organ Practice
6:30 Open Mic Night

Sunday March 26th
In Person Worship 9 & 11 am
10:00 am Christian Education

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

Agape Feast

Please join us on March 18th at 5:00 pm for our Saturday night worship option! We will enjoy food and fellowship!



Young at Heart Lunch

Friday March 24th at 12:30 pm
Legacy Restaurant
750 Jaycox Rd.
Avon Lake, OH
A sign up Sheet has been posted in the lower lobby.



New Member Classes

Have you been thinking about becoming a member?

Please join us! call the church office or email Wendy to sign up

April 23rd & 30th at 10:00 am in the fellowship hall.



Women In Transition

We are accepting donations of women's toiletries, sanitary products, and umbrellas. The need is great. Please bring them to the donation station.

Questions, please contact Jan Filkill, 440-871-6673.



One Step Up (West Haven)

Donations of youth-teen clothing of all sizes. Jeans, shorts, t-shirts, sweatshirts, and hoodies. Please bring them to the donation stations.

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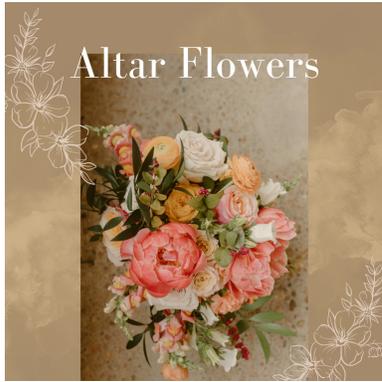


Irish Blessing

*May the road rise up to meet you. May the
wind be always at your back. May the sun
shine warm
upon your face, the rain fall soft upon your fields
and until we meet again, may God hold you in
the palm of His hand.*

Happy

**St. Patrick's Day
from Prince of Peace**



For \$24 you can purchase an arrangement for every Sunday service to honor a family member who has passed, an anniversary, birthday, or any other event.

You can sign up in the Narthex on the sign up sheet! You can pick any date, as often as you'd like!

ALL ARE WELCOME

Lent Soup & Study

Beginning on Wednesday, March 1st, we will gather for Soup and Study at noon in the Fellowship Hall through the season of Lent.

The video series "The Way" by Adam Hamilton will be our study focus for Lent. Pastor Charlie Woodward will lead the discussions.

S.I.S. = Sisters In Spirit

Join your fellow Sisters In Spirit on Saturday April 1st at 6:00 pm in the Prince of Peace Narthex.

Please bring your favorite photo (and the story behind it) along with a snack to share. Feel free to invite a friend or two as well. Any questions, ask Monica Dragony at mkmonica66@gmail.com



Funeral Pre-Planning Workshop

- Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall
- Sunday, March 19 at 10 am

What happens when you die? It may not be what you want to talk about, but it needs to be talked about.

Pastor Charlie can have the theological conversation with you about this, but what about the logistics? Who is contacted? How are funeral plans made? What are the details?

On Sunday, March 19 at 10 am, Pastor Charlie will be leading workshop on funeral pre-planning. A packet of materials will be given to each participant for guidance in making plans for funeral or memorial services and other details.

Your pre-planning of details will be a benefit to your loved ones as well as the church. Once the document is completed, a copy can be kept on file at Prince of Peace, and can be updated at any time. An additional copy can be kept with your other important document. Come join us for this information workshop.

PRINCE OF PEACE
FUNERAL PRE-PLANNING WORKSHOP

SUNDAY, MARCH 19 AT 10 AM POP FELLOWSHIP HALL

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU DIE? IT MAY NOT BE WHAT YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT, BUT IT NEEDS TO BE TALKED ABOUT.

PRINCE
OF PEACE
LENDING
CLOSET



We now have a virtual LENDING CLOSET of assistive devices people may need to borrow when they become sick or injured. These include items like walkers, raised toilet seats, bedside commodes, wheelchairs, crutches, etc. It will work like this. The office at POP will maintain a list of who has what available assistive devices to loan. A member in need will call the office for contact information and then reach out to the owner of the equipment. The borrower is responsible for picking up and returning the item to the owner. The owner of the equipment will then let the office know when the item is available again to loan.

IMPORTANT: We will NOT be storing any equipment at POP. Identification stickers for the equipment will be sent to the owners once they are registered with the office. This will make it easier to identify where the equipment needs to be returned once it is no longer needed. If you would have an assistive device you would like to lend, please contact the office at 440-871-5565. We are only registering equipment at this time. Items are now available, click on the logo to see the spreadsheet!

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

28455 Center Ridge Road, Westlake, OH

~ HOLY WEEK ~

Come and Join The Journey to The Cross and Tomb

Palm Sunday, April 2

9:00 am Contemporary † 11:00 am Traditional

Maundy Thursday, April 6

† Maundy Thursday Service 7:00 pm

Good Friday, April 7

† Good Friday Service 7:00 pm

Easter Sunday, April 9

† 6:58 am Sunrise Service at
Evergreen Cemetery

† 9:00 am Contemporary Service

† 11:00 am Traditional



PASTOR CHARLIE'S BLOG



From PC's PC (Pastor Charlie's Personal Computer!)

John 3:1-13

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. 2 He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." 3 Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." 4 Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" 5 Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. 6 What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7 Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' 8 The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." 9 Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" 10 Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? 11 "Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. 12 If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? 13 No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man.

At a church similar to ours, there was a new associate pastor, fresh out of seminary, and was scheduled to preach his first sermon. He got up to the pulpit, stumbled through the Gospel, and with a terrified look in his eyes, said to the congregation, "Do you know the message I am going to share with you today?" Stunned, the congregation looked at each other, and shook their heads, "No." He said, "Well, neither do I!" And he sat down. The senior pastor, a little perturbed, got up to the pulpit, and preached a sermon off the cuff.

The next week, after a pep talk from the senior pastor, the associate was up again, and again, he stumbled through the Gospel, and again, he said, "Do you know the message I am going to share with you today?" Figuring shaking their heads "No" didn't work last time, they all nodded their heads, "Yes!" He said, "Good, so I don't need to tell you!" And he sat down. The senior pastor, a little more perturbed, got up to the pulpit, and preached a sermon off the cuff.

After a couple of weeks, Easter Sunday came, and word came that the bishop was going to be present for the celebration, and would like to hear the new associate preach. The senior pastor told him that he needed to be ready to preach when the bishop came. The associate assured the senior pastor he had nothing to worry about, that he was ready to go. Just in case the associate crashed and burned again, the senior pastor prepared a back-up sermon.

The congregation got word that their new associate was preaching again, so they devised a plan. They hoped it would work.

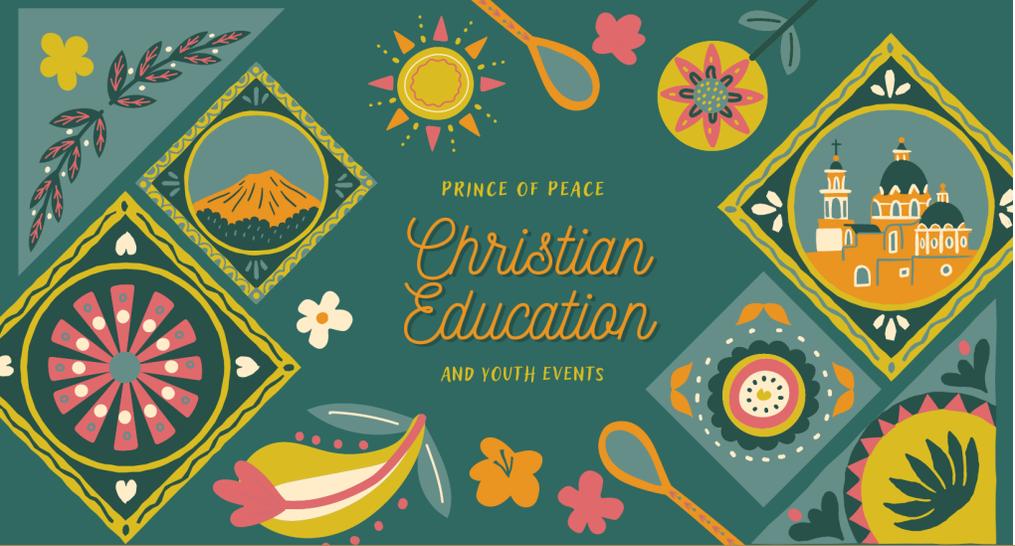
Time came, the bishop in the front row, seated next to the senior pastor, and all the people gathered in their Sunday best. Again, the young pastor stumbled through the Gospel. And again, he said, "Do you know the message I am going to share with you today?" This time, half the congregation nodded their heads, YES, the other half shook their heads NO. The young preacher said, "Good - those of you who know, tell those who don't!" And he sat down.

Furious, the senior pastor started up to the pulpit. But the bishop grabbed his robe and said, "Where are you going?" He said, "To preach the sermon!" The bishop said, "No need, I believe that is the best Easter sermon I have ever heard!"

Those of you who know, tell those who don't. That is why we exist as a church. That is what God has created us to be - messengers of the Good news. In all that we do and say, may we share the message, the good news, the truth we proclaim - the good news of Jesus Christ, who comes to die and to rise so that we might be forgiven and receive the gift of life forever in the Kingdom of God.

Those of you who know tell those who don't!

Let us pray: Lord, we come to you seeking answers to our questions, direction for our lives, and nourishment for our souls. May we hear and share your good news. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen



- February/March - Cleveland School of the Arts Black History Month choir performance, details TBA
- Feb - May- Guardians, Charge, and Cavs games for youth and CE - Outside events for little kids (Skyzone, Jumpyard, Play CLE, Bowling, etc.)
- June 26 - July 3rd - Cultural Immersion trip to El Salvador for upper high school and college students and graduates/young adults

General Endowment Grant

The Endowment Committee has established the General Endowment grant availability for 2023 at \$20,000. Applications will be considered from Prince of Peace members, regular visitors, or staff members. Applications received before May 1 will be held for group review and approval by the Endowment Committee. Applications received after May 1 will be reviewed for approval on a "first come first serve" basis.

Grant applications must be completely filled out and meet one or more of the "approval factors" shown on the Procedures and Guidelines for the General Endowment Funds. Both can be found on the church website under "Resources" and then "Endowment".

INTERNATIONAL DINNER SERIES



CAMBODIAN DINNER
THURSDAY APRIL 27TH
AT 6PM

27080 Lorain Rd, North Olmsted, OH 44070



Please text Hilary to sign up 216.258.1639
 All are welcome

Easter Garden Plant Sale--March 5 - March 26

Altar Guild is looking forward to arranging our traditional spring garden for Easter--with your help by providing the plants! Easter lilies, tulips, hyacinths and hydrangea plants will be ordered from Dean's Greenhouse. Take your plant(s) home after the Easter Sunday service. Place your completed order form and check/cash for flowers for our Easter Sunday Garden in the basket at the high table in the narthex. Order forms are available at the order table. We can take your order through Sunday, March 26. Questions? See Dineen Terstage.



Prayer Concerns for the week of March 15th

Please join us in praying for members and friends with recent needs: Alex Zhen, Benjamin, James Braun Sr., Dolores Perez and her family, DJ's wife, Michelle, and her two children Sophia and DJ Jr., Donna Kucera, Family of Dr. Phil Blitz, Family and friends of Carl Karp, Gloria Starr, her daughter Angie, and the family, Julia Vorobej, Karen Throckmorton, Liam Cyphers, Lori Stone, and Mary Kay Balch

Also, we pray for chronic, long-term care needs: Charlotte, Renn, James Arrigo, Stephanie Bailey, Tony Cacciatore, Don Chrismar, Patty Doran, Marcia Drysdale, Dawn Higgins, Jayne Kramic, Deanne Lahner, Angela Missig, Jenn Pitts, Eric and Nicole Quinn, Lois Reichert, Howard Ricke, Pam Rotella, Bill Sweeny, Robert Sieving, and Al Tielke.

Prayer requests submitted after Thursday at Noon will be posted the following week. 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.

Attendance at Prince of Peace

<u>Date</u>	<u>Online</u>	<u>In Person</u>	<u>Total</u>
03/12/2023	33	150	183
03/05/2023	33	166	199
02/26/2023	32	136	168
02/22/2023	11	52	83



Designate Your Thrivent Choice Dollars by March 31st

A big thank you to members who have already designated their Thrivent Choice Dollars to POP. The 2022 Choice Dollars will expire on March 31, 2023. If you own any Thrivent Financial products or services you have a choice in directing where Thrivent distributes some of its charitable outreach funds each year. We really appreciate those who direct those Choice Dollars to Prince of Peace. To direct Choice Dollars log on to Thrivent.com (<https://www.thrivent.com>) or call (800) 847-4836. If you have any questions or would like to find out more about Thrivent, please contact Tim Regan at 440-227-9593 or at timothy.regan@thrivent.com.

Happy Birthday

03/01 Judy Cuciak
03/01 Mary Olah
03/01 Rusty Blakeslee
03/01 Sandra Zanders
03/07 Isaac Worsencroft
03/07 Shawn Merhaut
03/08 Mark Drobnak
03/10 Jim Jaracz
03/12 Lisa Arrigo
03/13 Brooke Kovach
03/13 Judy Kazak
03/14 Karen Givens
03/15 John Bontempo
03/16 Jon Wilhelm
03/19 Carter Bruneau
03/20 Emma Goggin
03/21 Richard Balch
03/21 Sandy Connell
03/22 Lisa Woodward
03/23 Dale Mortensen
03/24 Xavier Worsencroft
03/27 Fran Wilhelm
03/27 Judy Heimbuch
03/27 Kyle Hallowell
03/27 Pamela Ventimiglia
03/28 Joseph Fortuna
03/28 Zack Dragony
03/29 Dominic Carimi
03/29 William Franz
03/31 Doug Leavens
03/31 Linda Baumbach

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Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 9-3

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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.

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