



Trinity

SUNDAY

PEACE CONNECTIONS
May 26, 2021

COVID Directions – The Next Steps

The good news is that things are getting better! Numbers of new cases are falling, and restrictions are being lifted in our communities, and we hope and pray things will get back to normal soon.

At Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, our two main principles guide us:

1. To proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ in Word and Sacrament and carry out God's mission as God leads.
2. To be mindful of the health and safety of all.

We do plan to get back to normal and will do it in a manner that is slow, steady and safe. The Safety Task Force met together with council representatives and me to discuss the best path forward. Some of the changes you will experience come June are listed below.

- Beginning June 6, we will be incorporating more live elements in worship, including music ensembles and musical accompaniment.
- We will live stream the 9 am (contemporary) and 11 am (traditional) services. These services will be available on our YouTube page afterwards as well.
- In Person reservations no longer needed for worship.
- Everyone is asked to wear a mask as they enter into the building. Once in the church and in the pews, those who feel comfortable may take off their mask while in the sanctuary.
- Communion will be offered at the altar by Pastor Charlie and a communion assistant, both who are fully vaccinated. Directions on how this will flow will be made available in a video as well as morning announcements at worship.
- We will continue to offer individual pre-packaged cups for those who wish to commune using these.
- For groups meeting at the church, we encourage those who are not vaccinated to still wear masks.

We will continue to transition to a full no mask policy. Once again, the concern is not just for ourselves, but for our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Worship In Person

RESERVATIONS:

Reservations required but no assigned seating; 9am and 11am service still pre-recorded through May - same service at both times; social hour in between services; continue to let Megan Harber know if you are fully vaccinated if you have not yet. [9:00 am and 11:00 am Sunday Worship Service Sign Up Link](#)

Sunday Online Worship Services at 8:00 am



This Sunday, worship with us online! 

Please visit our [website](#) where you will find the Sunday Bulletin, music, prayers and Pr. Charlie's Sunday sermon.

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 Food Bank

For the months of **April-June** requested items are Canned Tuna Fish and Canned Fruits. The collection containers are located as you enter the Education Wing. Thank you!



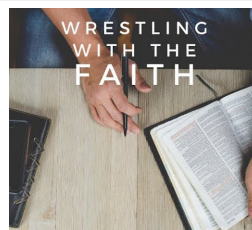
Sunday Worship Projector Operators Needed!

- Projector Operators needed for Sunday mornings starting in June, for both services.
- Our goal is to have enough volunteers so that each person only works one Sunday per month.
- Volunteers will need to arrive about 30 minutes prior to their assigned service to review slides and bulletin so you have time to resolve any questions. Then be at the computer for the entire service. Slides will be ready when you arrive on Sunday.
- Volunteers need to be familiar with Windows PCs and searching for files. PowerPoint and similar experience is not needed as we use a worship specific program that is unrelated.
- Volunteers will need to schedule a 60-90 minute training session before their first Sunday. This will include time with Jerry Ackerman or Ben Ubenski to learn the software and followed by a run through with Pr. Charlie.
- Contact Jerry Ackerman at jerry.ackerman@ymail.com, or Ben Ubenski at benubi97@gmail.com, for more details and to arrange training. Thank you!

"Wrestling with the Faith" Episode 19

Check out the latest episode of the [Wrestling with the Faith](#) podcast. Tune into "WWTF" Episode 18! In this episode, we wrestle with Romans 8:22-27, "how the Holy Spirit and God know us." This week, we are joined by Pr. Charlie.

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!



May 26-June 6, 2021

Wednesday, May 26

7:00 am Swing and a Prayer
10:00 am String Trio Rehearsal
1:00 pm Caring Connections
7:00 pm Organ Practice

Thursday, May 27

Sexton Day Off

Friday, May 28

Pr. Charlie's Day Off
6:30 pm Youth Movie Night/FH

Saturday, May 29

10:00 am Organ Practice

Sunday, May 30

Senior Recognition!
8:00 am Online Worship Service
9 & 11 am In-Person Service/by appt.
10:00 am Trip Info Session/FH
10:10 am Adult Gospel Study

Monday, May 31

10:00 am Staff Meeting
7 pm Bible Study - All are welcome!

Tuesday, June 1

Wednesday, June 2

7:00 am Swing and a Prayer
10:00 am String Trio Rehearsal
1:00 pm Caring Connections
7:00 pm Organ Practice
7:00 pm Trip Info Session/FH

Thursday, June 3

Sexton Day Off

Friday, June 4

Pr. Charlie's Day Off

Saturday, June 5

10:00 am Organ Practice

Sunday, June 6

8:00 am Online Worship Service
9:00 am Contemporary Worship
10:10 am Adult Gospel Study
11:00 am Traditional Worship Service

The mission of Prince of Peace is to inspire followers of Jesus Christ through service, spiritual growth, and hospitality

Our next drive will be Sunday, July 18. [Register Now](#)



American
Red Cross



Christian Education and Youth are seeking your unused grocery bags and cardboard shipping boxes. These will be used for the Pancake Project and food donation collection to more easily transport items for distribution. Please drop off to Christian Education Office. Thank you!

Graduating Seniors!

Hello Graduating Seniors!



Congratulations on making it to the end of the year in what has been one of the craziest years of our lives!

We want to celebrate you and your success with the church family of Prince of Peace. We will put together a display board and post your photo in the Peace Connections so that everyone can celebrate your accomplishments with you!

Please send us the following information so that we can put together the displays: poplutheranyouth@gmail.com

- Name
- High School
- Any awards or honors received
- College/Vocation school you will be attending (if not applicable, share what you plan to do next, ex. military, work, etc.)
- Course of study (if not decided you can leave blank)
- Any special scholarships received for college (example: soccer program scholarship, leave blank if not applicable)

We are all looking forward to celebrating with you! I will be sending you details in the coming weeks of how we will do the recognition ceremony whether it will be in person or if we will ask for recordings from you. Thank you! -Hilary Lucas

A Swing and a Prayer! Every Wednesday beginning May 26th

Come join us for a time of fellowship and food at Panera Bread. We will discuss the Gospel for the coming Sunday, and offer a prayer and blessing for the day. For those who wish to continue to the golf course for a round, we will head to Bob-O-Link, weather permitting. Please RSVP by Friday before if you are going to join us on the links, so we can get tee-times set. [SIGN UP HERE!](#)

7 am – Devotions and Breakfast at Panera – Avon Commons

8 am – Nine Holes of Golf at Bob-O-Link Golf Course



Bible Study with Pr. Charlie Wednesdays at 2:00 pm

Beginning on June 9th, on Wednesday afternoons at 2:00 pm, come and join Pastor Charlie for an hour long Bible Study focusing on the Gospel lesson for the upcoming Sunday.

ALL are welcome! Bring your Bible. All other materials will be provided. We will meet in the Charter Room.



Women's Re-Entry

With the spring weather, there is a great need for umbrellas, along with socks, toiletries, hygiene products and underwear. Items can be dropped off at the donation station. Sorry, but we are not accepting other clothing donations at this time. Thank you! Questions, please contact Jan Filkill 440/871-6673.

Life Line Screening, the nation's leading provider of preventive health screenings, will offer affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at **Prince of Peace Lutheran Church on Tuesday, July 6, 2021.**

A package of five screenings to identify risk for stroke, heart disease and other chronic conditions will be offered:

- Carotid artery ultrasound to identify plaque buildup in the carotid arteries, a major risk factor for stroke
- Abdominal aortic aneurysm ultrasound to identify presence of an enlargement in the largest blood vessel in the body
- An EKG to identify the presence of atrial fibrillation, which increases the risk for stroke
- Ultrasound of the lower legs to look for plaque buildup known as peripheral artery disease
- Ultrasound of the shin bone to identify risk for osteoporosis

These 5 vital screenings are offered for only \$149 and take 60-90 minutes to complete. If you register today, you will receive a \$10 discount.

Register by calling toll free 1-888-653-6441 or text the word "circle" to 797979.

Prince of Peace Christian Ed and Youth Events!

PRINCE OF PEACE

END OF THE YEAR MOVIE NIGHT

IN COMING 6th GRADERS - 12th GRADERS
BRING A FRIEND AND YOUR MASKS!
PIZZA - POPCORN BAR - ROOTBEER FLOATS

MAY 28TH, 2021
7 PM TO 10 PM
FELLOWSHIP HALL
MOVIE IS A SURPRISE
(RATED PG-13)

A stylized illustration of a graduation cap (mortarboard) with a tassel, and a rolled-up diploma tied with a ribbon. The background is orange and yellow with abstract shapes.

Prince of Peace invites you
and your family to ...

Senior Recognition

May 30th
9am

Please reserve your seating
online and stay for cake and
celebration after the service

CLASS OF 2021

Congratulations graduates!



ALEX BABINSKI

Westlake High School

Attending: The Ohio State University

Studying: Undecided



ALLIE HALLOWELL

Avon Lake High School

Attending: Bowling Green State University

Studying: Early Childhood Education



BRIAN DROBNAK

Olmsted Falls High School

Attending: University of Cincinnati

Studying: Mechanical Engineering



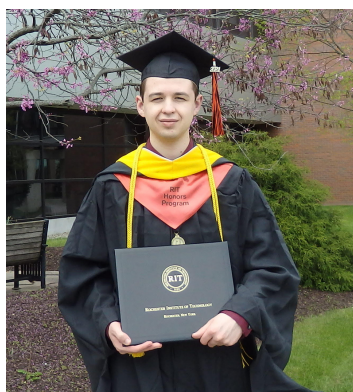
KEVIN OLAH

North Olmsted High School

Attending: The Ohio State University

Studying: Business

President's Award for Educational Achievement



MARK DROBNAK

Graduated from RIT (Rochester Institute of Technology)
with a BS and a MS in Computer Science (Summa Cum Laude).

He starts his Microsoft job June 1st remotely and will be moving
to Seattle, Washington later this summer.



Christian Love And Faith in This Coronavirus World

This is not only a story of Christian love and faith; it is a short essay on Christian understanding. I just finished reading a short book by John Lennox, a Professor of Mathematics at the University of Oxford and a strong person of Christian Faith. The book, or rather a 60-page pamphlet, is titled “Where is God in a Coronavirus World?” from whence I stole the above title.



For the past 18 months or so we all have been feeling very vulnerable, and our lives have been altered in so many ways. Most of us have thought that with all of today’s modern technology and medicine we would never have another world-wide pandemic, but yet here we are trying to get through. We are isolated, and some of us have lost friends or relatives to this easily transmitted pathogen. Questions like, “Did God cause this pandemic to happen?” or “If there is a loving God, why has he allowed it to happen with all its death and misery?” Not only our lives are shaken, but our faith can be shaken. So, I will address some of the points John Lennox makes, sometimes using my words to paraphrase and sometimes using his words.

First, we must recognize that there have been many pandemics over the past 2,000 years.

The Plague of Galen (AD 165-180) killed about 5 million people. The bubonic plague of AD 542-542 killed over 25 million people. The Black Death, another bubonic plague from 1346-1352, killed an estimated 70 to 100 million people. Cholera (1 million dead); flus, including the 1918 flu (20-50 million dead); HIV/AIDS (over 36 million dead) have all been listed as pandemics. And yet, as with the Covid-19, Christians understand that we live in a fractured world. The Bible explains that we turned away from God (Genesis 3). But God has continued to give us strength and has even sent himself in the human form of His Son, Jesus, to experience the misery and pain of this fractured world. So, Christianity has something to say about the issue of natural disasters, like Covid-19. But Jesus did more than just experience this fractured world’s pain and suffering; He arose from the dead. And, because of His resurrection, as Christians, we are able to speak about hope and feel a sense of peace, even in these uncertain times. This hope is a fundamental difference between Christians and the atheistic world view. With this hope comes love.

Throughout all the past pandemics, Christians have responded and not run from the dangers. Christian doctors, nurses, clergy, first responders and lay folks, as well, have always had the faith that there is more than just this life, and they have put their lives at risk to follow the commandment of loving and caring for their neighbors.

Lennox concludes his short book by stating, “Peace in a pandemic? Only Jesus can give that. The issue for all of us is this: will we trust him to do so?”

Dick Hardy
Profile Reporter

Europe and Passion Play at Oberammergau



Vienna

May 23 – June 2, 2022

Led by Pastor Charlie Woodward

Add-On Possible for Lutherland Sites

Come join us for a trip of a lifetime, as we journey to Europe in May of 2022. We will travel to Vienna, Prague and Salzburg and then make our way to Bavaria. We will attend the Passion Play at Oberammergau, then on to Munich.

For those interested in a little bit longer of a trip, we will offer a four-day add on to visit the sites of Martin Luther and the Reformation.

DETAILS

May 23 – June 2, 2022

Arrive in Vienna, Austria and Depart from Munich, Germany

Cost not including airfare is \$2295 per person

Add On: Lutherland - June 2 – June 6, 2022

Depart from Berlin, Germany

Cost for additional days is \$490 per person

INFORMATION MEETINGS

Attend one of the INFORMATION MEETINGS in the Fellowship Hall.

- Sunday, May 30, 2021 between worship services
- Wednesday, June 2, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

A \$700 is required by August 1, 2021. Please make the check out to “Prince of Peace Lutheran Church” – with “Europe 2022” in the memo section.

Spots are limited so sign up soon!

Any questions, see Pastor Charlie or email at: pcpopwestlake@gmail.com

MORE DETAILS AVAILABLE: 2022 Flyer



Salzburg

Blessing of the Pets

On Saturday, we had 23 pet blessings and 7 were from our congregation. Thank you to all who came out!



Prayer Concerns

Please join us in praying for members and friends with recent needs: Greg (friend of Ron and Mary Sue Clause), Laura (niece of Barb Fronczak), Irma Cronenwett (mother of Julie Smith), Toni Crow (friend of Jean Winslow), Barb and Dan Fronczak, Crosby Jones (fiancé of Ron and Jan Filkill's granddaughter), Joanne Pfingsten Germuska (friend of Jean Winslow), Burt and Annie Hazelbaker (In-laws of Lia Staaf's daughter, Norma), Ellie Sanow, Barbara Viets. **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), Pr. Sherman Bishop, Cathy Blitz (sister-in-law of Jann Daniels), Joanne & Tony Cacciatore, Don Chismar, Marcia Drysdale (friend of Jane Dillon), 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), Angela Missig (daughter of Gloria Starr), Steve Park (cousin of Deb Gibbons), Lois Reichert, Katy Rolik (daughter of Dolph and Judy), 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.**

Giving Report

Operating Giving through April 30, 2021	\$ 125,402
Percent of Annual Budget Received	36%
Remaining Goal	\$224,598

Attendance at Prince of Peace

Date	Online	In Person	Total
05/23/2021	29	90	119
05/16/2021	23	90	113
05/09/2021	32	84	116
05/02/2021	23	83	106



05/26 Jean Adamcik	06/05 Joey Weaver
05/27 Robert Mayer	06/07 Elise Covell
05/28 Craig Jagels	06/08 Kosta Heimbuch
05/31 Jeff Babinski	06/08 Erika Marquardt
05/31 Logan Vitko	06/09 Mary Sue Claus
06/04 Tom Colcord	06/09 Scott Goggin
06/05 Joey Weaver	06/09 Elizabeth Grider
	06/09 Claire Perry

Happy Anniversary!

05/29 Tom & Tracy Biller
05/31 David & Kathy McCollum
06/06 Dan & Tami Arthur
06/08 Mike & Sue Hosler
06/09 Roger & Melody Hauser

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Office Hours

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

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Sunday Worship Services

8:00 am online worship service
9:00 am & 11:00 am in person by reservation

Christian Education - Sundays online

Child Care - Currently suspended due to Covid.