

Blessed are You...

PEACE CONNECTIONS
January 29, 2020

Blessedness

Blessed are the unimpressive; blessed are the unemployed; blessed are the hurt; blessed are those failing algebra.

Many of you are familiar with Lutheran Pastor Nadia Bolz-Weber. One of our members introduced me to her version of the Beatitudes this past week, and you'll be hearing more about them soon. Just when we would like to think that blessedness is a sign of God's favor -- blessed am I due to my health, my job, my new house -- Jesus' Beatitudes remind us that the blessed are the poor and the hungry and the grieving.

Blessedness does not mean that we are lucky. Blessedness means that we are called by God to participate in God's realm of love.

And Pastor Nadia brings that promise home to us by using contemporary challenges to remind us: It is in our struggles that God draws especially near and invites us to experience the vast range and abundance of God's love.

May you know God's presence and love this week!

Pastor Robin

Prince of Peace Annual Meeting Sunday, February 16, 2020

Community Worship Service at 10:00 am

Save the Date! Join us on Sunday, February 16 for a Community Worship Service at 10:00 am. Lunch will be served in the Fellowship Hall immediately following service before the Prince of Peace annual meeting. Plan to attend!

Youth will provide a soup and grilled cheese lunch for National Youth Gathering Fundraiser.



Blood Pressure Screening



Sunday, February 2, 2020 by Prince of Peace member Deb Gibbons.
Blood Pressure Screenings are from 10-11:00 am in the main office.

Soup-er Bowl Sunday

Sunday, February 2nd

Your donations in the soup kettles on Super Bowl Sunday will help provide food for homeless men. This enables us to serve a couple of times a year at the Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry Homeless Men's Shelter, 2100 E. Lakeside.

The PoP Youth will collect donations to support hunger related ministries. Collection goal is \$1,500. If you would like to make a donation online, go to: [Donations](#) Thank you!



Second Harvest Food Bank



For the months of **January - March**, requested items are **Canned Beef Stew and Canned Vegetables**. The collection containers are located as you enter the Education Wing. Thank you!

This Week's Music

If you are joining us this Sunday for the 9:00 am Contemporary Worship Service, please go to the links below to hear what we will be playing. See you then!

[Hands](#)

[When We Pray](#)

[All the People Said Amen](#)



Christian Education Winter Outings

Tobogganing at The Chalet in Mill Stream Run Reservation

Sunday, February 9th -

Leave Prince of Peace at 12 pm and return at 5 pm. Cost: \$12 adult/\$11 children (11 and younger)

All Riders must be 42" or taller and must wear gloves or mittens. Sign up in the lower lobby.

Skyzone

Sunday, March 1st from 11:30 am - 2:30 pm

Is your family interested in joining us for an afternoon of fun at Skyzone? Please sign up in the lower lobby. Pricing will be determined based on number interested.



Calendar

January 29 -
February 9, 2020

Wednesday, January 29
7:00 pm Organ Practice

Thursday, January 30
Sexton Day Off
9:00 am FLOW
7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday, January 31
Pr. Robin Day Off

Saturday, February 1
10:00 am Organ Practice

Sunday, February 2
Soup-er Bowl Sunday
9 am Contemporary Worship
10:10 am Christian Education
11:00 am Traditional Worship

Monday, February 3
1:00 pm Comfort Quilters/FH
6:00 pm Council Exec Mtg/Library

Tuesday, February 4
7:00 pm CrossFire Rehearsal

Wednesday, February 5
7:00 pm Organ Practice

Thursday, February 6
Sexton Day Off
9:00 am FLOW
6:30 pm Pastoral Parnters
7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday, February 7
Pr. Robin Day Off

Saturday, February 8
10:00 am Organ Practice
6:30 pm Open Mic/FH

Sunday, February 9
9 am Contemporary Worship
10:10 am Pancake Breakfast
10:10 am Christian Education
11:00 am Traditional Worship
3:00 pm Confirmation Class/FH
6:00 pm Council Meeting/CR

Prince of Peace Youth

January 30th - February 3rd Youth and Christian Ed. Conference for Hilary and Beverly. No Faith Impact class this weekend.



Soup-er Bowl Sunday February 2nd This is a special Sunday where youth from across the nation will collect money to fight hunger in America. Our church will be collecting at both services and we need youth to help with the collection.

Lock-In February 15th - 16th at POP. Open to all middle school and high school students and friends! Meet at POP at 5 pm Saturday. Bring any crock pots and soup recipes to make for the soup lunch fundraiser the next day. Bring board games, movies, video games and we will have a big sleepover at the church!

February 16th - Soup and Grilled Cheese Lunch Fundraiser for National Gathering Youth will provide a soup and grilled cheese lunch during the congregational meeting. Youth families are asked to bring a soup to share and all congregational members are welcome to attend the lunch!



February 23rd - Join the high school and adult education classes in the charter room from 10-10:50 am to learn more about "What is Human Trafficking" and "How is it affecting our community". Presentation by the [Collaborative to End Human Trafficking](#)

March 1st - Tour of Islamic Center to learn more about our Muslim neighbors. A response to "Tea time for Peace". Open to all congregation members. Please sign up on the list in the narthex. 20 spots available. Church van and carpool will transport the group. We will leave POP at 11:30 am sharp. The tour/experience will last about 2 hours. More details will be advertised closer to the event.



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For more information, visit our website: www.princeofpeacewestlake.org/youth

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Bring in your Palms

We will burn the palms from last year's Palm Sunday to make ashes for use at our Ash Wednesday Worship Service. Deposit palms in the container in the welcome center between now & **Sunday, February 23rd**.



Wednesday, February 26, 2019 at 11:00 am and 7:00 pm

Please join us! Wednesday, February 19, 2020 at 12:15 pm. We will be enjoying good food and fellowship at the Harry Buffalo located at 4824 Greath Northern Blvd. in N. Olmsted. See sign-up sheet in the lower lobby. Questions, contact Kathy Kettler at 440-734-6511.



Did you know?

Our Social Ministry committee has opportunities available for interested individuals to share their time and talents on a number of different projects throughout the year. Our projects include: God's Work Our Hands, Boots for Christmas, Mitten Tree, Soup-er Bowl Sunday, Love INC, Feeding the Homeless and more.

Whether you are available for a single afternoon, or are looking to become a committee member, there is a place for you. To learn more, please go to: [Social Ministry](#)

Save the Date for Opportunity to Serve!

Prepare and Serve Event at 2100 Lakeside Men's Shelter on Saturday, March 21st!



Volunteers needed to prepare and serve as well as bake cookies! Look for sign up sheets in the lower narthex and/or contact Shawn Merhaut with any questions! 440-655-2172.



**Please note, must be age 15 or older to serve down at the shelter but all ages can bake cookies!*



Lorain Civic Orchestra

The Lorain Civic Orchestra will be playing the composition of Prince of Peace's own, Dan Shell. The composition is for 2 solo clarinets. The performance will be held on **February 22 at 7:30 pm** at the Stocker Center. For more information: [LCCC](#)

Women's Re-Entry

With the cold weather there is a need for socks, gloves and scarves along with toiletries and underwear. Items can be dropped off at the donation station. Thank you! ?'s, Jan Filkill 440/871-6673.



Promote Your Prince of Peace Event or Program!

If you are a committee member, outreach member or a member that has an event you would like to promote, please contact the church office at 440/871-5565. We will promote your announcement or event on our website, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and/or Peace Connections. All are available. Thank you!



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Prayer Concerns

Please join us in praying for members and friends with recent needs: Nell (friend of Diane Merhaut), Sebastian (friend of Cindy Strieter), Becky Casselberry (friend of Jann Daniels), Char Cuciak (daughter-in-law of John Cuciak), Michael Cuciak (son of John Cuciak), David Houry (friend of Cindy Strieter), Aili MacKenzie (granddaughter of prayer partners, Terry and Dennis MacKenzie), Mary Meadows. **Also, we pray for chronic, long-term care needs:** Charlotte (gr. granddaughter of Jan Schoch), Ren granddaughter of Linda Baumbach, Joyce (sister of Diane Fortuna), Carole Anderson (relative of Lia Staaf), 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), Sam Fekete (brother of Mary Sue Claus), Matthew Gilbride, Denny Giza (friend of Ellie Sanow), Chris Henry (nephew of Lisa Arrigo), Dawn Higgins (neighbor of Fran Molnar), Gale Johnson (friend of Kathy Kettler), Gail Jones, Deanne Lahner (niece of Mary Sue Claus), Angela Missig (daughter of Gloria Starr), Lois Reichert, Larry Renman (brother of Judy Kazak), Pam Rotella, Karla Sexton (friend of Pat Sprague), Phil Smits, Lin Smothers (father of Judy Smothers, long time PoP visitor). **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

Date	Contemporary	Traditional	Total
01/26	90	67	157
01/19	83	53	136
01/12	114	76	190
01/05	115	53	168



01/29 Molly Fortuna	02/04 Abigail Matalavage
01/29 Nicholas Hrouda	02/04 James Wilhelm
01/31 Jim Heimbuch	02/05 Erin Jagels
01/31 Ellie Sanow	02/05 Julia Vorobej
02/01 Katarina Rolik	02/06 Sean Biller
02/02 Rachel Drobnak	02/07 James Arrigo
02/02 Emma Perry	02/07 Esther Wolff
02/04 Diane Christian	02/08 Joann Burson
02/04 Tom Herren	02/09 Diane Miller

02/01 Dan & Jan King
02/02 Tom & Sandy Herren
02/06 Dan & Gail Pogue



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Office Hours

Mon, Tues & Thurs, Fri, 7:00 am- 11:00 am
Monday - Friday, 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

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Sunday Worship Services

9:00 am Contemporary & 11:00 am Traditional

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.