



August 7th, 2026

PEACE CONNECTION

Friday August 7th
Pastor Doug's Day Off

Saturday August 8th
2:00 pm Organ Practice

Sunday August 9th
7:00 am - 3:00 pm Blood Drive
8:30 am Indoor Worship
10:00 am Outdoor Worship
5:30 pm Council Meeting

Monday August 10th
10:00 am Staff Meeting
2:00 pm Organ Practice
7:00 pm SOAP Bible Study

Tuesday August 11th

Wednesday August 12th

Thursday August 13th
Sexton's Day Off
10:00 am FLOW Recruitment
3:00 pm Organ Practice
7:00 pm Call Committee Meeting

Friday August 14th
Pastor Doug's Day Off
7:30 pm Godspell Performance

Saturday August 15th
2:00 pm Organ Practice
7:30 pm Godspell Performance

Sunday August 16th
8:30 am Indoor Worship
10:00 am Indoor Worship
10:30 am Arden Courts
3:00 pm Godspell Performance

Monday August 17th
10:00 am Staff Meeting
2:00 pm Organ Practice
7:00 pm SOAP Bible Study

Tuesday August 18th
11:00 am Women's Discipleship Group

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

Blood Drive

Please consider donating blood at the Red Cross blood drive at Prince of Peace on Sunday, August 9th from 7:00 am to 3:00 pm. You can schedule your appointment ahead of time by clicking on the [Red Cross Blood Drive link](#).



Buds and Suds

Buds and Suds reminds everyone that Flowered Shirt Sundays are here for the month of August. Don't forget to wear your flowered shirt.

Young at Heart

Please join us on Friday, August 28th, 2026 at 12:30 pm. We will be enjoying good food and fellowship at Blue Sky Restaurant, located at 802 Cleveland St. in Elyria. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the lower lobby. Questions, contact Kathy Kettler at (440) 825-2674.

Council Retreat

POP council is having their council retreat this Sunday at 5:30 in fellowship hall.

Thank You

Thank you for your faithful generosity during this time of transition as we continue our pastoral call process. Your ongoing support has been a true blessing and enables the ministry of our congregation to continue. We are grateful for Pastor Doug's leadership and for the many volunteers who faithfully serve our church in so many ways. As we approach God's Work, Our Hands Sunday, we invite you to continue your regular giving or consider updating your offering if you are able. Our goal is to begin the new education year and continue the active call and interview process from the strongest possible financial position. Thank you for your prayers, your generosity, and your commitment to our shared ministry as we move forward together.

Time & Talent!

Prince of Peace is a very active and engaged congregation with more than 40 groups available for joining. These include social groups, outreach groups, congregational committees, religious education groups and worship/sanctuary volunteers. The Engagement Committee invites you to participate in our annual Time and Talent Survey so we can learn more about your interests and how you engage with others. Even if you have completed this survey in the past, we ask that you complete it again to reflect your current activities.

On Sunday August 9th we will offer more information and have survey printouts available. A Google Form is also available and linked here. We request that all members and visitors complete the survey by August 23rd so the results can be shared by the end of August with the group leaders, Church Council and the Call Committee.

Are you surprised to learn there are so many groups? The Engagement Booklet is a great resource for learning about all the engagement opportunities. Please take a look to help you prepare for the survey. Blessings to All!

Click on the links below to see more:

[Engagement Booklet](#)

[Engagement Booklet Addendum](#)

[Time and Talent Survey Google Form](#)





Major Robert Skufca Memorial Cruise-in & Pinewood Derby races



Christmas POTLUCK

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who made our potluck dinners such a wonderful success! Whether you joined us for the fellowship, prepared a delicious dish to share, helped set up the food and pavilion, or stayed afterward to clean up and reset everything, your time, generosity, and teamwork were truly appreciated.

Because of each of you, we enjoyed not only wonderful food but also great fun, warm fellowship, and a stronger sense of community. Thank you for sharing your time, your talents, and your hearts. We look forward to many more opportunities to gather in friendship and fellowship!





WALK RUN MOSEY

July 27, 2026

Pastor Doug Gunkelman
Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
28455 Center Ridge Road
Westlake, OH 44145-3806

Dear Pastor Gunkelman,

Thank you for supporting Greater Cleveland Habitat's 25th annual Walk, Run, Mosey. Unfortunately, the Walk, Run, Mosey was canceled due to wildfire smoke and poor air quality – the fun is still on! From the Walk, Run, Mosey to ReStore Rally will be on Friday, August 7 and Saturday, August 8. Please look for more details soon.

This event will not only be to raise money for affordable homeownership and to have fun with friends and family, but it is also an opportunity to gather with like-minded people and demonstrate just how much affordable housing means to us all and to our community.

In 2025, we were able to help 25 families purchase an affordable home. In 2026, we want to help 27+ families. Your gift makes this goal possible.

We look forward to sharing more information about the From Walk, Run, Mosey to ReStore Rally. You can also find information below.

Dates: Friday, August 7 and Saturday, August 8

Location: Cleveland ReStore, 2110 West 110th Street, Cleveland, OH 44102

Learn More:
cleHABITATwalk.org



To Purchase Raffle Tickets:

For featured items, a custom wood playhouse, and more! Check back weekly with items being added.



Thank you for helping families become stakeholders in the community, build wealth, and have a more stable family life.

With gratitude,

Kimberly Pride
Director of Development

*Dear Pastor Doug,
Thanks you and Prince of Peace
for watching the Pop team's
fundraising. We are blessed
to walk with your church!*

Thank you for your contribution of \$4,000.00 on July 14, 2026, \$200.00 on July 14, 2026, and \$50.00 on July 21, 2026, to Greater Cleveland Habitat for Humanity. No goods or services were provided in exchange for your contribution.

Worship Plans for Summer 2026

SUMMER	SCHEDULE	2026
Date	Inside	Outside
Sunday	8:30am	10:00am
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	NO SERVICE!	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



Sunday, August 7th, 2026

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)
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) _____
Toni Kulma and Pastor Jim Kulma (Supply Pastor for PoP)
Shane Overcash (Relative of Deb Gibbons)
Cindy Kreis (PoP Member)
Jane Carlson (PoP Member)

Recent prayer requests received within the past 3 weeks:

July 26

Diane Diekroger (PoP Member)

August 2nd

Gloria McClellan (PoP Member)

Theo Bansley (Family of Cindy Strieter)

Barry Robinholt and Ashley Yee (Family members of Tom Robinholt)

August 7

Helen Comnick (Mother of Grant Comnick)

Phyllis Branson (Friend of the Comnick Family)

Happy Birthday

Attendance at Prince of Peace

Natalie Pearce 8/01
 Anita Briggs 8/02
 Josie Wilhelm 8/02
 Paul Winslow 8/02
 Cindy Kreis 8/04
 Mike Piskunoff 8/05
 Chip Bailey 8/05
 Dale Dragony 8/06
 Cindy Mittag 8/07
 Bill Vorobej 8/09
 Joey Frey 8/11
 Tom Drobnak 8/14
 Christian Juntunen 8/16
 Michelle Christian 8/17

Cameron Wenham 8/17
 Jon Peter 8/21
 Peggy Krueger 8/22
 Sherry Weber 8/22
 Phillip Bruneau 8/24
 Bryce Bruneau 8/25
 Shari Demby 8/27
 Christine Piskunoff 8/28
 Ron Thorne 8/29
 Mariah Thompson 8/31
 Nick Marple 8/31

<u>Date</u>	<u>Online</u>	<u>In Person</u>	<u>Total</u>
08/02/2026	85	130	215
07/26/2026	115	150	265
07/19/2026	115	121	236
07/12/2026	120	161	281



Barb & Dan Fronczak 8/02
 Debbie & Bob Thomas 8/03
 Bradley & Bethany Pearce 8/04
 Brent & Daniea Beard 8/07
 Doug & Carol Leavens 8/10
 Michael & Patricia Pietraroia 8/10
 Christine & Al Tielke 8/13

Mary & Joseph Olah 8/15
 Jerry & Diane Karp 8/18
 Uwe & Helga Susemihl 8/20
 Jerry & Cindy Kreis 8/20
 Mark & Karen Givens 8/21
 Ron & Becky Kear 8/23
 Steve & Cindy Zinram 8/30

Second Harvest

The requested items for July are:
 Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Olive Oil & Canned Fish

Giving Data

<u>Operating Giving Report</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>AVG/Week</u>
Total Giving as of June 30 th 2026:	\$279,859	\$10,763
% of Annual 2026 Budget Received to Date:	54%	
Remaining Giving to Meet 2026 Budget	\$239,141	\$9,197
Total Expenses Incurred through 6/30/26	\$259,324	\$9,974



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Sunday Worship Services

8:30 am & 10:00 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.