

Food Bank Repack Opportunity

Prince of Peace has an opportunity for members and friends to help out the Second Harvest Food Bank of Lorain on Tuesday, June 4, 2024. We will meet at the Food Bank at 5:00 pm for a quick meal 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.

The Food Bank is located at 5510 Baumhart Road, Lorain, Ohio 44053. Take I-90 west to Route 2 west and exit at Baumhart Road. Turn right on Baumhart Rd. and go 1½ miles. The Food Bank will be on your left. There is a parking lot in front and enter through the front doors. Or an alternate route would be to take the turnpike (I-80) to Baumhart Road exit (#135) and go north. This will avoid any rush hour traffic. Either way the drive takes approximately 25 -30 minutes from POP.

We are looking for 6 more people to help out that evening. Please also contact Charlie Koch at cakoch13@aol.com or Barb Fronczak at bartonhab@gmail.com to let us know you would like to attend.

Sister's in Spirit

Mark your calendar for our summer SIS event!

Wednesday, July 10th at 6 pm, we will be meeting at Huntington Beach! Bring your dinner & beverage! In the event of rain, we will move to the covered pavilion. No RSVP is needed! If you have questions reach out to Laurel!



May 17th, 202

PEACE CONNECTION

Friday May 17th Pastor Charlie's Day off

Saturday May 18th 2:00 pm Organ Practice 5:30 pm Sisters In Spirits

Sunday May 19th
Last day of Sunday school*
7:00 am-3:00 pm Red Cross Blood
Drive
9 & 11 am In Person Worship

10:00 am Christian Education 10:15 am Peace Pavilion Ground Breaking Ceremony 7:00 pm Council Meeting

Monday May 20th
10:00 am 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 May 21st 6:15 pm CrossFire Rehearsal

Wednesday May 22nd 1:30 pm Watercolor Painting Class 2:00 pm Book & Bible Study

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

Friday May 24th
Pastor Charlie's Day Off
12:30 pm Young at Heart Lunch

Saturday May 25th 2:00 pm Organ Practice

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

Monday May 27th 10:00 am Staff Meeting 2:00 pm Organ Practice 7:00 pm SOAP Bible Study

Tuesday May 28th 6:15 pm CrossFire Rehearsal

Grow in Faith * Serve In Love *
Live In Peace

Summer Hours

During the Summer, office hours may vary due to staff vacations. Regular hours will resume after Labor Day.

Thank you and enjoy a safe and happy Summer! Thanks so much.
Wendy



New Member Classes!

Thinking about joining the church!? Please join us! June 2 and 9 at 10:10 am in the Fellowship Hall.

New members will be welcomed on Sunday, June 16 at the service they usually attend. Please contact the office with any questions!

Young at Heart Lunch, May

Please join us on Friday, May 24, 2024 at 12:30pm. We will be enjoying good food and fellowship at Das Schnitzel Haus, located at 5728 Pearl Rd. in Parma.

Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the lower lobby. Questions, contact Kathy Kettler at (440)734-6511.



Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Coffee House & Open Mic Night

Due to the Coffee House & Open Mic falling on Memorial Day weekend, we will be cancelling the event on May 25th. This also brings us into our summer vacation from June to August so we will see you in September. Many thanks for your continued support. Have a blessed and enjoyable summer!



SISTERS IN SPIRIT



Saturday, May 18th at 5:30 pm- Gather in the Narthex, bring your dinner/beverage, a photo from your youth and the story behind it, and a donation for MetroHealth Foster Care Fund see full list below. No RSVP required. Contact Beth Comnick or Monica Dragony for questions!

Essential Items:

- Socks, underwear, and wireless bras
- Deodorant (men & women's)
- single toothbrushes (child & adult)
- Women's body spray
- Single bars of soap
- Lotion (men's and women's)
- Single hairbrushes and combs
- Body wash and loofas
- Baby booties & socks
- Baby bottles
- Sippy cups
- Baby onesies (all sizes)
- · Baby bibs, rattles, and teethers
- Diapers (all sizes)
- Book bags

Comfort Items:

- Hoodies
- T-Shirts
- Leggings
- Journals
- Water bottles
- Coloring books (for kids & teens) with Crayons
- Nail polish
- Makeup
- Lip gloss
- Lip balm
- Barbie dolls
- Toy cars
- Baby toys
- Play dough
- Books & puzzles
- Bedding, including pillowcases

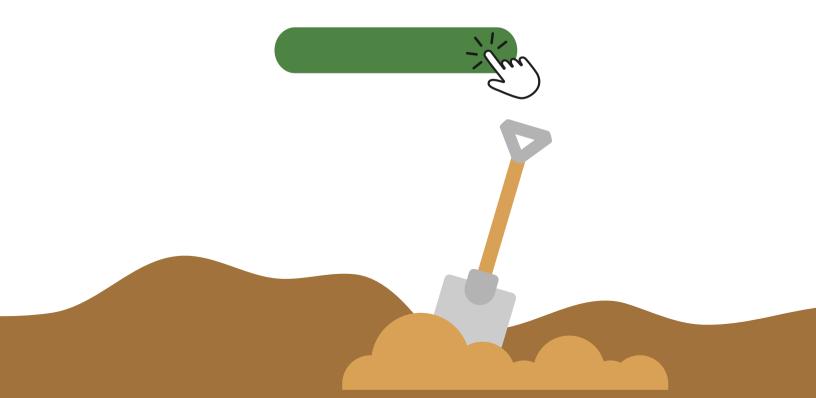
GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY!

Please join us for the groundbreaking ceremony for the Peace Pavilion. Sunday, May 19 at 10:15 (between services).

Bring your own shovel (KIDS TOO) and join us as we turn the dirt and celebrate the beginning of the project, asking God to bless the space and the project.

All are welcome!

Would you like to make a donation to the Peace Pavilion project? Click here for more information:



Peace Pavilion Capital Campaign Status as of May 15, 2024

Construction Cost = \$521,793

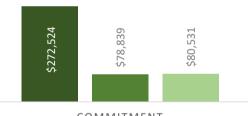




Donor Level	3 Year Commitment	Number of Pledged Donors
Buckeye	\$50,000+	2
Oak	\$25,000 -\$50,000	4
Maple	\$10,000 -\$25,000	7
Rose	\$5,000 -\$10,000	8
Tulip	\$3,000 -\$5,000	8
Daisy	\$1,000 -\$3,000	14

COMMITMENT BY YEAR

■ 2024 **■** 2025 **■** 2026



COMMITMENT



Want to help out with the Peace Pavilion? Click on the link below for our Capital Campaign Commitment Card (lick Here)















Peace Pavilion, Kick Off Meeting & Excavation!



Travel Quest Presents:

All aboard the Prince of Peace Chartered bus. Even if you already have tickets, you can ride on the bus for \$15. Group rate for Pavilion & Lawn Seating.

Depart Prince of Peace Parking Lot 5:00pm Return approx.11:30pm Prince of Peace members and Guests welcome.

Checks payable to Prince of Peace, please use the memo: TQ
Blossom and are due by June 2nd.
Please contact msfiddlesticks@hotmail.com to register!

★ SLAUTE TO FREEDOM ★

Concert

July 3rd, 2024 8:00 PM

BLOSSOM MUSIC CENTER

1145 W STEELS CORNERS RD, CUYAHOGA FALLS, OH 44223

FOOD

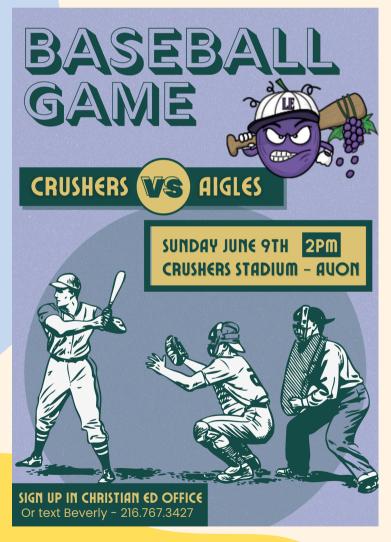
FUN

MUSIC

LAWN SEATS \$20, BUS \$15, BOXED LUNCH TBD,
PAVILION SEATING \$23-\$31

PRINCE OF PEACE—

YOUTH EVENTS





PASTOR

CHARLIE'S

BLOG



Exodus 3:1-12

Moses at the Burning Bush

3 Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. 2 There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. 3 Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." 4 When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." 5 Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." 6 He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

7 Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, 8 and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. 9 The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. 10 So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." 11 But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" 12 He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain."

Moses was just trying to mind his own business, as well as mind the sheep that were his Father-In-Law's business. But God shows up with an angelic greeting, a burning bush, and a word to let Moses know who's talking – "I am.." Yahweh. The God of your father.

God appeared to Moses to call Moses to action. In this interaction between God and Moses, in which God called Moses to lead God's people

out of Egypt, God gave Moses some insight to how God operates.

First and foremost, the cry of the people and the sufferings they endure were not ignored by God. God heard them loud and clear. And not only did God hear them, God had a plan on how God would deliver them.

God hears our cries and knows our suffering. We know that this is not the only time God devised a plan to deliver those God loves. In the passage John 3:16-17, we hear of God's desire to deliver us:

16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

17 "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Our prayers do not fall on deaf ears. God knows.

The second insight to how God operates is evident in God's response to Moses, who cannot comprehend how he (Moses that is) could possibly be the one to go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt.

God's response to Moses wasn't a pep talk on how great Moses was. Instead, God offered a word of assurance to Moses – "I will be with you."
I will be with you.

Again, that same promise comes to us in Jesus Christ. Joseph, who was engaged to Mary at the time, received word that the child to be born to Mary was something (SOMEONE) special:

20 But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. 21 She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." 22 All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

23 "Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,

and they shall name him Emmanuel,"

which means, "God is with us." (Matthew 1:20-23)

God with us

As we journey today, know that God hears your prayers, knows your sorrows and your joys, your hopes and your fears. And not only that, God is with you. God is with us.

Let us pray:

Almighty God, we give thanks for the gift of your Son, Emmanuel, God With Us. Hear our prayer and lead us in your paths. We pray this in the name of the Good Shepherd Jesus Christ, our Risen Savior. Amen.



Erin & Phil Bruneau THIS WEEK'S PROFILE

Erin was born in Cleveland and grew up in North Ridgeville. She has two sisters, Meghan Kollas that is living in Marion, Ohio and Susan Franz that is a member of Prince of Peace. After high school, Erin attended Bowling Green State University where she earned a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. Erin was a nurse at St. John's Medical Center Emergency Room in Westlake. After 10 years of ER Nursing, she became the Breast Center Care Coordinator in 2016 taking care of Breast Cancer patients.

Phil was born in New Haven, CT and grew up in East Haven, CT before moving to Cape Coral, Florida then Strongsville, Ohio. After high school, he studied Paramedic Training at Parma School Of EMS. Erin and Phil met while he was working at Donald Martens, he would bring her patients. In 2019, after 10 years as a Paramedic, Phil went to Great Lakes Trucking School and obtained his Commercial Drivers License. He now works at Ross Transportation Services in Grafton.

Erin became a member of POP at the age of 4 with her parents Ken and Margaret Krueger. After college, she was a member of Messiah Lutheran Church in Fairview Park where Erin and Phil were married! They are raising 2 children now, Bryce 7½ now in 2nd grade and Carter age 6 now in kindergarten. Both are students at St. Peter School in North Ridgeville. They rejoined POP in February 2022 after they decided to have their children participate in First Communion after COVID. The Bruneau family participates in many of the activities for Youth, baseball games and ice cream socials.

Phil and Erin have hobbies and interests to enjoy when their busy schedule allows. Erin enjoys knitting and New York Yankee baseball, while Phil is a die hard Cleveland sports fan. I hope they can have harmony as those teams are polar opposites. They have a bucket list to visit all 30 Major League Baseball stadiums!

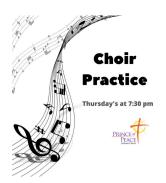
Lots of great things are happening at POP, especially with young families contributing to our growth and missions. We know the future will be bright with the Bruneau family. Their children will hear the message of Jesus's Love each week! Take the opportunity to get to know them, you will be glad you did!

By Tom Robinholt: Profile Reporter

Choir

Interested in joining the choir?
Please join us for practices on Thursday's at 7:30 pm!

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



Second Harvest

For April through June the requested items are pasta, canned fish & packaged fruits







Giving Data

Operating Giving Report	YTD	AVG/Week
Total Giving as of March 31st, 2024:	\$130,212	\$10,016
% of Annual 2024 Budget Received to Date:	27%	
Remaining Giving to Meet 2024Budget:	\$355,788	\$9,123
Total Expenses incurred through 2/29/24	\$123,329	\$9,480



Lending Closet

Are you in need of some crutches? A shower chair? Walker? Cane? Please click on the logo on the right hand side of the page or check the website for our updated lending closet list!



Comfort Quilters

May 20th will be our last meeting before we begin our summer break.

We will resume quilting in September. Watch for details in August!



Coffee with the Pastor

Coffee with the Pastor will be held the second Sunday of every month at 10 am.

We will meet in the Education Wing Second Cup of Coffee Room. Come for conversation, questions and fellowship. Bring your coffee and donut and join us.





Sunday, May 19, 2024

In Memory of

Marian Koch (Charlie Koch's sister)

Prayer Request - Long Term (All prayer requests made after Thursday at Noon will be posted the following week)

Ren Don Chismar Patty Doran Marcia Drysdale Dawn Higgins Jayne Kramic Angela Missig Jenn Pitts Lois Reichert Pam Rotella Bill Sweeny Robert Sieving Al Tielke Mike Hosler Ron Filkill Chris Sikora Claudette Plavan Hilary Mason Kathy and Tim Needham

Granddaughter of Linda Baumbach

Sister-in-law of Chuck Sieving Friend of Jane Dillon Neighbor of Fran Molnar Friend of Kathy McCollum Daughter of Gloria Starr Daughter of Judy Kazak

Friend of Kathy McCollum Brother of Chuck Sieving

Recent prayer requests received within the past 3 weeks:

May 5 Family of Charlie Koch

May 12 Don Chismar

Kathleen Filler (Monica Dragony's friend)

Shawn Merhaut

Jessica Dalrymple (Shawn Merhaut's cousin)

May 19 Brandon Bilek (close friend and grandfather figure, Ty Morgan, who recently

passed away)

Eunice Reynolds (Matt Wenham's grandmother)

Marilyn Wingfield

Attendance at Prince of Peace

Happy Birthday

<u>Online</u>	In Person	<u>Total</u>
32	155	187
11	149	160
15	161	176
23	143	166
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05/14 lason Franz 05/15 Brianna Lehman 05/16 Hailey Vitko 05/17 Ian Kelly 05/18 Stephanie Pogachar 05/19 Blake Beard 05/22 Ron Filkill 05/24 Addison Kovach 05/27 Robert Mayer 05/28 Craig Jagels 05/29 Jerry Karp 05/31 Jeff Babinski 05/31 Logan Vitko



05/01 Alden & Connie McGee 05/10 Dennis & Terry MacKenzie O5/13 Jeff & Chrissy Frey 05/16 Dale & Monica Dragony 05/18 Diane & Pat Fortuna 05/20 Keith & Jane Wyant 05/20 Steve & Kellie Duktig O5/25 Kristi & Bob Draper 05/29 Tracy & Tom Biller









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> Office Hours 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.