



PEACE CONNECTIONS

May 19, 2021

9:00 am and 11:00 am In-Person Worship Services

Prince of Peace welcome's you to worship with us on Sunday morning! PoP continues to follow all health guidelines directed by our Governor and The Ohio Department of Health. Cuyahoga County and our surrounding counties are still in the Red Zone. As the county continues to recover, the mask mandate reinstated on Nov. 12th will still be in effect.

RESERVATIONS:

Worship changes:

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

1) Scroll down to an open sign-up spot. 2) Click the box that says "Sign Up", a check mark should indicate that it has been chosen. 3) Once the box is marked, click "Submit and Sign Up" button 4) Fill in your First and Last name, and in the comment box with the number of people you plan to attend, and if you need specific seating due to hard of hearing/vision, or preference. 5) Once everything is filled in click "Sign Up Now".*If you have any complications or questions please call the church office. If no one can pick up the phone at the time of your call, please leave a message and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

PHONE RESERVATIONS:

For those who do not have access to a computer or smartphone there are five family group spots available for reservations by phone. To reserve your spot please call the office at 440/871-5565. Please leave a voicemail with your groups first and last name, the total amount of people in your group, and your phone number (so we can call back and verify your reservation was received, or to let you know that all the call reservations have been filled). Phone reservations can be made **now through Friday, May 21st at 11:59 pm.**

*Members and friends who are fully vaccinated, if you feel comfortable sitting a little closer to others who are fully vaccinated, please email our Office Administrator Megan Harber (popw.officemanage@gmail.com) and let her know you feel comfortable sitting closer to others. *If you have already let her know, you do not need to email her again.**

Ask the Pastor!

Join us on **this Sunday, May 23rd at 6:00 pm** in the church parking lot with Pastor Charlie and Prince of Peace friends!

Bring your lawn chairs and come for a conversation about what's happening at Prince of Peace and our plans for the coming months.



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!



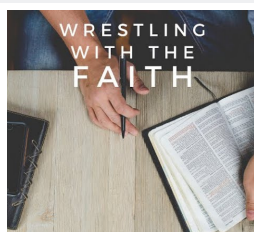
Sunday Worship Projector Operators Needed!

- 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 19-30, 2021

Wednesday, May 19
10:00 am String Trio Rehearsal
7:00 pm Organ Practice

Thursday, May 20
Sexton Day Off

Friday, May 21
Pr. Charlie's Day Off

Saturday, May 22
10:00 am Organ Practice
10:30 am Altar Guild Meeting
12:00 pm Pet Blessing

Sunday, May 23
7:00 am Red Cross Blood Drive
8:00 am Online Worship Service
9 & 11 am In-Person Service/by appt.
10:10 am Adult Gospel Study
6:00 pm Ask the Pastor/POP outdoors

Monday, May 24
10:00 am Staff Meeting
7 pm Bible Study - All are welcome!

Tuesday, May 25
10:00 am Discovery Group

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

Our next drive will be Sunday, May 23rd. [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.

Blessing of the Pets Pet Adoption

Saturday, May 22, 2021, Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
12:00 pm - 3:00 pm



Our dear pets need the Lord's blessing as much as we do! Bring your pets for a blessing. Dogs must be on a lead at all times. Other animals must be on a lead or secured in a carrying cage of some type. All Creatures Great and Small!

Altar Guild "Reboot" Meeting

Saturday, May 22, 10:30 am, Fellowship Hall

New members (women and men) are always welcome!

Altar Guild is restarting our weekly in-person worship service preparations. Worship plans are coming together for the summer and fall. We'll discuss those plans as well sign up for monthly teams for the month(s) that work best for you at our meeting.

Altar Guild is a very rewarding, behind the scenes way to serve the Lord. No specific skills required...just bring your love of the Lord. Participating is great way get to know and build lasting friendships with other Prince of Peace members through that casual fellowship. After of year of staying at home, this might just be the new thing you want to try!!

Interested? Come to the meeting to see if this is something for you!!

Call Dineen Terstage with questions (440-455-9558).



Comfort Quilters



Now that we have permission to resume meetings at Prince of Peace, the Comfort Quilters are planning to start quilting again in September. We will have an "end of the school year meeting" on **Monday, May 24th at 1:00 pm** in the Fellowship Hall to go over our supplies and brainstorm some possible new ideas.

If you are thinking of joining our group next fall, this would be a great opportunity to see what we do. No sewing skills necessary!! Questions? Call Diane Fortuna (440)785-8754 or Becky Wagoner (440)781-5529.

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

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)



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



SUMMER EVENTS

JUNE

13TH **PANCAKE PROJECT**
9-11:30am Drive-thru or pick up
Pre-Register online at POP website
Proceeds to Christian Ed

18TH **CAMPFIRE STORYTIME**
7pm - 9pm
Pre-k to 6th Grade
Friends and family welcome
S'mores provided

JULY

11TH **PANCAKE PROJECT**
9-11:30am Drive-thru or pick up
Pre-Register online at POP website
Proceeds to Christian Ed

18TH **ICE CREAM SOCIAL**
5:30-8pm All are welcome
open to community and dog friends
Free event with games and prizes

18TH **RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**
Register at redcrossblood.org

AUGUST

15TH **PANCAKE PROJECT**
9-11:30am Drive-thru or pick up
Pre-Register online at POP website
Proceeds to Christian Ed

SEPT

12TH **RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**
Register at redcrossblood.org

19TH **RALLY DAY**
First day of Sunday School
celebration
Festivities TBD



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CAMPFIRE STORYTIME

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FRIDAY
JUNE 18, 2021
7:00 - 9:00 PM

PRE-K TO 6TH GRADE
AT PRINCE OF PEACE
ALL ARE WELCOME

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Prayer Concerns

Please join us in praying for members and friends with recent needs: Greg (friend of Ron and Mary Sue Clause), Irma Cronenwett (mother of Julie Smith), Toni Crow (friend of Jean Winslow), Barb and Dan Fronczak, Casey Jones (fiancé of 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. **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
05/16/2021	23	90	113
05/09/2021	32	84	116
05/02/2021	23	83	106
04/25/2021	39	67	106



05/19 Blake Beard	05/27 Robert Mayer
05/22 Ron Filkill	05/28 Craig Jagels
05/24 Addison Kovach	05/31 Jeff Babinski
05/26 Jean Adamcik	05/31 Logan Vitko

Happy Anniversary!

05/20 Steve & Kellie Duktig
05/20 Keith & Jane Wyant
05/25 Bob & Kristi Draper
05/29 Tom & Tracy Biller
05/31 David & Kathy McCollum

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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.