

"Follow me."

Mark 8:34

PEACE CONNECTIONS September 8, 2021

God's Work. Our Hands.

September 2021! Wherever God is calling...our hands are ready to do God's work! Let's work together again for God's Work Our Hands MONTH...2021.

Week 1 (Sept 1-11): Scranton Schools: 'Caught Being Good' bags for teachers. Goal: 50 of each item

- pre-packaged snacks (no peanuts)
- socks (new)
- gift cards
- simple place (Ex: McDonalds, Burger King, Wendys)
- \$5 - \$10/gift card

Prince of Peace Children's Busy Bags. Goal: as much as we receive

- Amazon wish list [click here](#): Please send directly to POP

Week 2 (Sept 12-18): Women in Transition (previously WREN).

Goal: 500 total items

- toiletries/women's hygiene
- umbrellas - HUGE need
- socks - **new only**

LMM Men's Shelter. Goal: 500 total items

- socks
- underwear
- pants (all sizes)
- shoes (new or gently used)

Week 3 (Sept 19-25): OMNI. Goal: \$2000 = 200 sweaters

- \$\$ can be given online, mailed in, or brought in during the service. *Please keep donations separate from regular Sunday offering.*

Week 4 (Sept 26-Oct 2): Second Harvest. Goal: 400 lbs

- boxed and canned goods can be brought in and placed on the food donation shelves in the Christian Ed hallway
- \$\$ donations can also be given - this will then be given to the shelter for food purchasing.

Drop Off Hours:

- Sunday: 8:30am - 12:00pm (we will have a time during the services that people can bring their donations forward)
- Monday and Friday: 10:00am - 3pm
- Donations will be collected down in the lower Narthex - Food donations will be collected in the C.E hallway on the food shelves. *Financial donations can be mailed in, or collected in the upper narthex in a box. Please keep GWOH donations separate from regular Sunday offering.*



COVID Directions – August 2021 Update

COVID-19 UPDATE

Dear Members and Friends of Prince of Peace:

The news is always changing, isn't it? We have been dealing with COVID issues for nearly 18 months, and sometimes it feels like we take two steps forward and another one back.

Even though guidelines and information continue to change, our two guiding principles at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church remain the same:

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

First of all, we offer these words of thanks.

- THANK YOU to all have been vaccinated. This is our best line of defense in addressing the virus.
- THANK YOU to all you parents who are making sure your kids are wearing masks, to keep them safe and healthy. Well done.
- THANK YOU to all of you who are wearing masks, vaccinated or not, out of care and concern for your neighbor and yourself.
- THANK YOU to those who join us for our live streaming services – either out of necessity or choice. You are a part of our worshipping family, and we are thankful for the resources to share the good news those outside of the bricks and mortar of our buildings.

We cannot tell you what to do. We will not turn people away at the door. ALL are welcome. That being said, we would encourage the following:

- If you are able to do so, get vaccinated. We ask that all our volunteers and staff are vaccinated to ensure their health and well-being as well as those they serve. We encourage you to do the same.
- We strongly encourage children to be masked, as well as all who come in contact with them in the church building.
- Masks are recommended for the times we gather in close quarters with each other. That includes the sanctuary.
- Communion will continue to be offered at the altar by Pastor Charlie and a communion assistant, both who are fully vaccinated. We will both be masked as you come forward. We will continue to offer individual pre-packaged cups for those who wish to commune using these.
- Musicians and singers will be located away from the congregation and will be masked – we will ask that the chairs be reserved only for the singers and band members at the 9 am service, while those gathered for worship sit in the pews.
- For groups meeting at the church, we encourage masks if any of those gathered are not vaccinated.

Please know this is one step forward. As other changes are possible, we will share them with you. As we move forward, let us remember that the concern is not just for ourselves, but for our neighbor as well.

If you have any questions or comments, please let us know.

[August 2021 Health and Safety Meeting \(watch now on the POP 'Members Only Page'\)](#)


Health And Safety Team.

- Judy Splawski, MD
- Cynthia Strieter, MD
- Dave Covell, Lorain County Health Commissioner
- Pastor Charlie Woodward

HEALTH AND SAFETY TEAM UPDATE

PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
AUGUST 2021

Sunday Livestream Worship Services at 9 am & 11 am

This Sunday, worship with us online! Please visit our [website](#) where we will Livestream our Sunday Worship Services at 9:00 am and 11:00 am. 

Sunday, September 12, 2021 Worship Services

Pastor Grant Eckhart will be preaching and presiding on Sunday, September 12th. He is the pastor of Jacob's Porch, a Lutheran campus ministry at The Ohio State University, serving OSU and other campuses in the Columbus area. Pastor Eckhart has been serving there for eight years. We welcome him as he brings the Good News to us.

Online Giving

Your generous online offering allows us to preach the gospel, make disciples, and support others in our community who need help. As a community, we are grateful for one another's loving support. [ONLINE GIVING](#)



Second Harvest Food Bank

For the month of **September** requested items are **peanut butter and canned meats**. The collection containers are located as you enter the Education Wing. Thank you.



FOODBANK HELP DAY

Monday, October 18, 2021

Prince of Peace has an opportunity for members and friends to help out the Second Harvest Foodbank of Lorain on Monday, October 18, 2021. We will meet at the Foodbank at 5:00 pm for pizza 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.

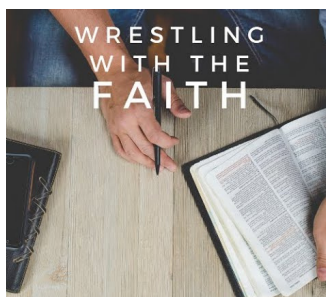
The Foodbank is located at 5510 Baumhart Road, Lorain, Ohio 44053.

We are looking for up to 12 people to help out that evening. Please sign up in the lower lobby or contact Charlie Koch at cakoch13@aol.com to let him know you are planning to attend.

"Wrestling with the Faith"

Check out the latest episode of the [Wrestling with the Faith](#) podcast. This episode, we discuss Mark 8: 27-38 "The Way of the Cross". We were joined this week Pr Grant Eckhart from Jacob's Porch at The Ohio State University.

Join us in our discussion and let us know your thoughts in the comments section! You can watch on YouTube, Spotify, Apple or Google!



September!

September 8-19, 2021

Wednesday, September 8
9:00 am Organ Practice
2pm Bible Study - Canceled

Thursday, September 9
Sexton Day Off

Friday, September 10
Pr. Charlie's Day Off

Saturday, September 11
9:00 am Organ Practice

Sunday, September 12
Red Cross Blood Drive
9 am Contemporary Worship Service
11 am Traditional Worship Service
9 am & 11 am [Livestream](#)

Monday, September 13
6:00 pm Council Meeting
7 pm Bible Study - All are welcome!

Tuesday, September 14
10:00 am Staff Meeting
7:00 pm CrossFire Rehearsal

Wednesday, September 15
9:00 am Organ Practice
2:00 pm Pr. Charlie's Bible Study/CR

Thursday, September 16
Sexton Day Off
9:00 am FLOW

Friday, September 17
Pr. Charlie's Day Off

Saturday, September 18
9:00 am Organ Practice

Sunday, September 19
Rally Day!
9 am Contemporary Worship Service
10:10 am Christian Education
11 am Traditional Worship Service
9 am & 11 am [Livestream](#)

Prince of Peace Youth



Red Cross Blood Drive - September 12th from 8 am - 2 pm



American
Red Cross

Our next Blood Drive will be held this Sunday, September 12th. [Register Now](#)

Prince of Peace Rally Day! Sunday, September 19th

- First day of Sunday School
- All families K-12 will join together to create a special project titled "Together and Stronger than Ever" that will be displayed in the Christian Education hallway.

International Dinners Series - September 30th

Join us in exploring international cuisines located right here in Cleveland! Your adventure will also support a local small business. Our first International Dinner will take you to the Middle East for some Falafel and Shawarma, served by a Syrian refugee on his way to citizenship in the US. Meet us at Ferris Shawarma on 13507 Lakewood Heights Blvd, Cleveland, OH 44107 on **September 30th at 6:00 pm**. [Sign up here](#)

Pancake Project - October 10th

Our next Pancake Project will be held on October 10th, from 9:00 am - 11:30 am. Pancake Breakfast with French Toast, Bacon, and Eggs. Proceeds go to Christian Education. [Preregister here](#)



Affogato Cat Cafe Visit - October 24th

Open to all K-12 students. We will visit the cat cafe and spend time with the kitties, go for lunch, and get some ice cream. Attendees will need their own money for lunch, but admission to the cat cafe will be covered by Youth/CE. We will also be delivering homemade toys for the cats to use. Meet at Prince of Peace and leave together at noon. Adult chaperones needed for kids under 10 yrs old. [Sign up here](#)

POP Christian Education Registration ~ We are stronger together!

We are looking forward to seeing our Prince of Peace/Christian Education families on **September 19, 2021** to begin the celebration of once again being able to have our classes in person. We will have an activity for all ages centered around the theme "**We are Stronger Together**"; your creative artwork will be framed and displayed in our Christian Education wing.

All children, family members, guests and teachers/volunteers/staff are asked to wear a mask while in the Christian Education area. There will be adult and child-sized masks available in each classroom along with hand sanitizer and wipes to ensure all participants will feel safe and comfortable. This will continue as long as our Prince of Peace Health and Safety committee deem it appropriate and necessary.

Please follow the [link here](#) to register your child(ren) for our Christian Education program that will begin on September 19, 2021 at 10am. A mailer and email with additional class dates and schedule of fun events will be available and sent soon so you can mark your calendar.

If you have any questions, please contact Beverly Braun at ChristianEducation.POP@gmail.com or 216-767-3427.

Looking forward to seeing everyone soon!

In prayer and service, Beverly Braun, Christian Education Coordinator



POP Habitat Paint Party was a Success!

Within two days, our team cleaned out debris from a new four-bedroom house, vacuumed every wall, and primed and painted over 2/3's of the ceilings and walls. Better yet, all appeared to have a good time doing it.

Thanks to Rich Balch, Laurel Covell, Lynne Knoll, Barb Fronczak, and Phil Sprague, who joined our Habitat regulars, Tom Robinholt, Julia Castell, Dick Hardy, Sue Hesse, and (our leader). Ron Kear.



Comfort Quilters Return!

Join us on **Monday, September 20th at 1:00 pm** when the Comfort Quilters meet for the first time this fall! Caring volunteers meet twice a month at Prince of Peace to create crib quilts and lap quilts using new and recycled materials. no sewing skills necessary. Full-size, baby and youth quilts are donated to Genesis House, a shelter in Lorain County for families that are dealing with domestic violence. Any questions please see Becky Wagoner or Diane Fortuna. See you then!



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, November 16, 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.

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The intent of *The Dawn* is to inform the members of the Women of the ELCA in our member churches of events, share news (both happy and sad) and invite others to join us. As the Northeastern Ohio Synodical Women's Organization, we invite you to become a part of the organization, become involved in your church and your community.

We ask that you share this publication and any other news that may be sent with others in your congregation and with those who you know who may not have email.

***The Dawn* is emailed to every church for whom we have an email address. If your church's email address has changed, or the church just recently got one, please let Cathy know so it can be updated. We email many to individuals and will appreciate being advised of new and/or changed email addresses.**

Letters and articles of interest to the members of NEOSWO should be submitted to the editor as soon as possible.

Publication of *The Dawn* will occur at least 4 times per year and other information will be mailed to groups as needed.

Clusters are broken down into groups so if your church wants something to be mailed just to your cluster, please forward it to me and I'll do that for you.

We invite you to share items of interest for your congregation and/or community. They will be included in *The Dawn* and shared with everyone who receives it.

[Learn more](#)

Prayer Concerns

Please join us in praying for members and friends with recent needs: Ellie (ex-sister-in-law of Myrta Holden), Lori (daughter-in-law of Mary Meadows), John Cuciak, Joyce Haywood (friend of Fran Wilhelm), 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), 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), 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), Gary Lucas (father of Hilary Lucas), Angela Missig (daughter of Gloria Starr), Steve Park (cousin of Deb Gibbons), Jenn Pitts (daughter of Judy Kazak), Lois Reichert, Katy Rolik (daughter of Dolph and Judy), Greg Rolitsky (friend of Mary Sue and Ron Claus), Pam Rotella. **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 August 31, 2021	\$230,377
Percent of Annual Budget Received	66%
Remaining Goal	\$119,623

Attendance at Prince of Peace

Date	Online	In Person	Total
09/05/2021	58	104	162
08/29/2021	Outdoor Service		160
08/22/2021	14	109	123
08/15/2021	17	108	125

September 12, 2021 Sunday Readings:

First Reading:	Isaiah 50:4-9a and Psalm 116:1-9
Second Reading:	James 3:1-12
Gospel Reading:	Mark 8:27-38

Happy Birthday

09/08 Donna Fagerhaug	09/13 Rebecca Wagoner
09/09 Joseph Arthur	09/14 Sami Jablonski
09/09 Scott Goggin, Jr.	09/15 Brent Juhn
09/11 Ken Krueger	09/15 Michelle Mixer
09/12 Joan Drobnak	09/17 Eric Fortuna
09/12 Caden Vinci	09/17 Kara Vinci
	09/18 Dan Fronczak

Happy Anniversary!

09/08 Mark & Rusty Blakeslee
09/09 David & Stephanie Pogachar
09/09 Matthew & Lola Wenham
09/12 Tom & Sara Vitko
09/13 Ron & Jan Filkill
09/19 Richard & Sally Balch

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Sunday Worship Services

9:00 am & 11:00 am in person.

[Livestream](#)

Christian Education - Sundays online

Child Care - Currently suspended due to Covid.

