MAY 24, 2023

Peace Connection

Thank you God for freedom and those who have bravely served our nation

We have a problem, and it is a great problem to have! We have run out of percussion instruments for the kids to play during the last song at our 9 am Praise Service. Do you have any hand-held percussion instruments you would like to donate for the kids? Tambourines, maracas, shakers, you get the idea. You can bring them in on Sunday morning and pass along to the Praise Team. Help our kids make a joyful noise!

-Pastor Charlie



2023 Major Robert Skufca Car and Motorcycle Show

Total cash donations received from our 2023 Major Robert Skufca Car and Motorcycle Show for Second Harvest Food Bank were \$2,026. After the 100% match by the General Endowment of up to \$2,000, the total cash to Second Harvest Food Bank is \$4,026! Some non-perishable food items were also collected. Thank you all for your support of this outreach event! You can view a video highlight at the link below:

https://vimeo.com/828686159/11920585ef?share=copy



Wednesday May 24th 2:00 pm Book and Bible Study

Thursday May 25th
Sexton's Day Off
3:00 pm Communion Ministry Team
Meeting
3:00 pm Organ Practice
7:30 Choir Practice

Friday May 26th 12:30 Young at Heart Lunch

Saturday May 27th 2:00 pm Organ Practice 6:30 pm Open Mic Night

Sunday May 28th In Person Worship 9 &11 am 10:00 am Christian Education 10:00 am Adult Gospel Study

Monday May 29th The church offices will be closed for Memorial Day

Tuesday May 30th 7:00 pm CrossFire Rehearsal

Wednesday May 31st 2:00 pm Book and Bible Study

Thursday June 1st Sexton's Day Off 3:00 pm Organ Practice 7:30 pm Choir Practice

Friday June 2nd Pastor Charlie's Day Off

Saturday June 3rd 3:00 pm Organ Practice

Sunday June 4th In Person Worship 9 &11 am

Grow in Faith * Serve In Love *
Live In Peace



Coffee House & Open Mic

Saturday May 27, 2023



Come & go anytime from 6:30-Close Bring your friends to:

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church 28455 Center Ridge Rd., Westlake

Perform at our "Open Mic" or just come to listen to some great local musicians

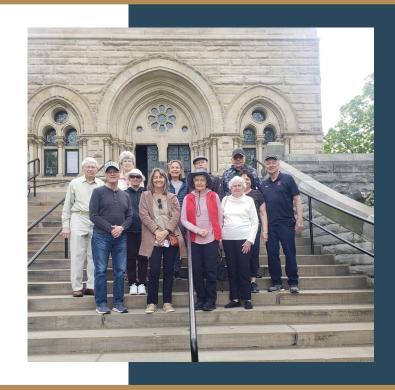
Ten(10) performance spots are available with up to three songs each. Sign-up starts at 6:15pm with first performance at 6:30 pm!

All are welcome!

Travel Quest Lakeview Tour

Travel Quest had a great trip to tour Lakeview Cemetery.

Please join us on Friday, May 26, 2023 at 12:30 pm. We will be enjoying good food and fellowship at Moosehead Hoof and Ladder Restaurant, located at 7989 Columbia Rd. in Olmsted Falls. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the lower lobby. Questions, contact Kathy Kettler at (440)734-6511.



Women In Transition

We are accepting donations of women's toiletries, sanitary products, and umbrellas. The need is great.

Please bring them to the donation station.

Questions, please contact Jan Filkill, 440-871-6673.



One Step Up (West Haven)

Donations of youth-teen clothing of all sizes.

Jeans, shorts, t-shirts, sweatshirts, and hoodies.

Please bring them to the donation stations.

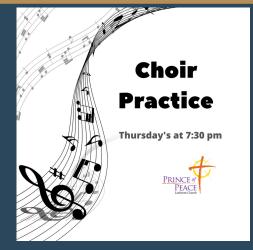
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Prince of Peace Choir

Prince of Peace's choir practices each Thursday at 7:30 pm.

Please join us, all are welcome!



Lending Closet

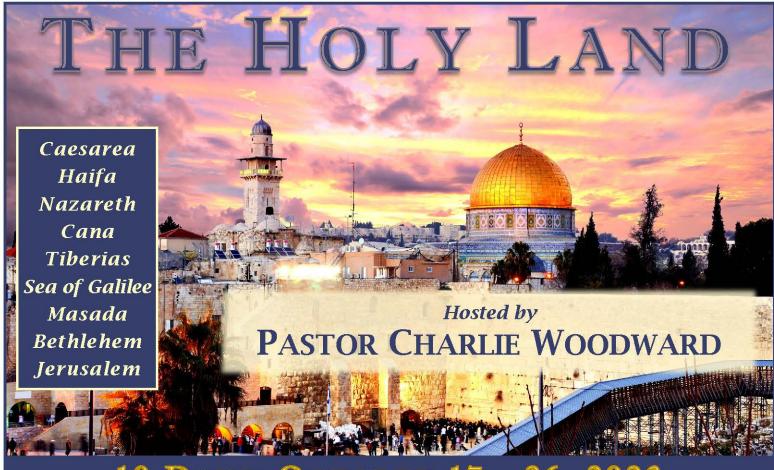
Are you in need of some crutches? A shower chair? Walker? Cane? Please click on the logo on the right hand side of the page or check the website for our updated lending closet list!



Giving Data

Operating Giving Report	YTD	AVG/Week
Total Giving as of March 31:	\$176,046	\$9,780
% of Annual 2023 Budget Received to Date:	39%	
Remaining Giving Required to Meet 2023 Budget: \$270,454		\$7,955
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Goal (i.e. Cover Cost Budget):	\$288,454	\$8,484





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Wanda Keaton

THIS WEEK'S MEMBER PROFILE

Wanda was born in Cleveland and grew up in Lakewood, OH. She currently lives in North Olmsted. She attended Lakewood High School, obtaining a managing cosmetology license as part of the two year program in high school. She continued her education at Cleveland State University receiving a Bachelor's Degree in Nursing. Additionally, she earned a Master's Degree in Healthcare Administration.

Wanda's mother, brother, sister and brother-in-law still live in Lakewood. Her family includes three nephews, two nieces, a great nephew, and two great nieces. Such a blessing it is to have a new generation to share! She had previously been a member at the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd. Then began attending POP in 2014.

Her work history has been devoted to health care, and it involves a high level of responsibility. She is certainly up to the task spending the last 27 years at the Cleveland Clinic. Wanda started in the cardiothoracic ICU and continued in critical care in cardiology. In 2009 she went into critical care transport and is now the nurse manager while still working clinically with the team.

Being a Northeast Ohio native, she is a passionate Cleveland Browns fan! If not at a game, her family and friends have Browns day parties on Sundays during football season. Other hobbies and interests include spending time with her 9 month old Alaskan Malamute puppy, Diesel, walking and training him. Spending time with her family includes going with her sister for dinners, plays, and concerts together. Working out and spending time outdoors provides her enjoyment.

Something that people may not know is that Wanda, in her position with critical care transport, is afforded many opportunities to travel to various locations to pick up patients. But not just locally, she has traveled both nationally and internationally. She has been to all the continents except Antarctica and Australia!

I learned of an interesting tradition regarding her career. For those that work the holiday, she wants to show appreciation for what they do so at Thanksgiving Wanda will cook the team a full turkey meal and at Christmas, a ham meal. The unique challenge is the team is spread out and located in different areas. There are 7 locations, which means she cooks 7 meals, one for each location. And for Nurses week in May, she will provide a couple meals during the week for each location to celebrate!

Wanda has chosen a very fulfilling and demanding path in life. The area we live in has a rich history of superb Heart Care, ranking at the top for many years. People choosing to offer healing spend many years gaining knowledge and continue to train constantly. Many in nursing look at it as a "calling from God". You can see her attending the contemporary service offering her heart to Our Lord.

By Tom Robinholt : Profile Reporter

PASTOR CHARLIE'S BLOG



1 Peter 4:7-11

7 The end of all things is near; therefore be serious and discipline yourselves for the sake of your prayers. 8 Above all, maintain constant love for one another, for love covers a multitude of sins. 9 Be hospitable to one another without complaining. 10 Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. 11 Whoever speaks must do so as one speaking the very words of God; whoever serves must do so with the strength that God supplies, so that God may be glorified in all things through Jesus Christ. To him belong the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen. Christ is Risen! He is Risen, Indeed! Alleluia!

Since I recognized my Dad's birthday a few days ago, I thought it appropriate to remember Mom, who was born 101 years ago on May 26th. Prudence Ann Triem Woodward. Everyone called her Pat. She got that nickname from her initials. Mom passed away 11 years ago, just a few days shy of her 90th birthday, and a few months before our daughter's wedding.

At my daughter and son-in-law's wedding reception, I shared the story with those gathered of when Mom first met my son-in-law to be. I asked Mom what she thought about Brad after that first meeting – she said, "Oh I think Brad is a fine young man. But the real question is, what does he think about us?"

These words from 1st Peter are like good motherly advice – love one another, be hospitable, give to others what God has given to you. Speak God's words. Serve with the strength God provides. In this, God is glorified.

I like the way Eugene Peterson interprets these words in the transliteration "The Message:"

7-11 Everything in the world is about to be wrapped up, so take nothing for granted. Stay wide-awake in prayer. Most of all, love each other as if your life depended on it. Love makes up for practically anything. Be quick to give a meal to the hungry, a bed to the homeless—cheerfully. Be generous with the different things God gave you, passing them around so all get in on it: if words, let it be God's words; if help, let it be God's hearty help. That way, God's bright presence will be evident in everything through Jesus, and he'll get all the credit as the One mighty in everything—encores to the end of time. Oh, yes!

These words for me take on a new meaning these days. Love one another. Be hospitable. Serve. I have noticed a heightened sense of bitterness and complaining these days. Have you noticed that too?

A lesson my parents taught my brothers and me is to see every person as worthy of honor and respect. In my interpretation of Mom's words today, I would put it this way:

"Instead of complaining about your neighbor's words or actions, consider how your neighbor sees you. Instead of focusing on what you think about God, consider what God thinks about you!"

What I believe God thinks about you is that you are God beloved, and are equipped to do great things, with love, hospitality, and service, in word and deed. Because of God's great love for us in Jesus Christ, who loved us in spite of ourselves, we are therefore set free from the bondage of sin to love and worship God, and to love and serve the neighbor.

Mom would be so proud! Let us pray:

Almighty God, thank you for parents and parental figures in our lives who guide us with wisdom and prudence, patience, and love. Strengthen us in our resolve to do your will and follow your ways. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, your Beloved, our Risen Savior. Amen.



Sunday, May 21, 2023 Prayer Request - Long Term

(All prayer requests made after Thursday at Noon will be posted the following week)

Charlotte Great granddaughter of Jan Schoch Ren Granddaughter of Linda Baumbach

James Arrigo

Stephanie Bailey Niece of Mary Sue Claus

Tony Cacciatore Father of Chrissy Cacciatore Frey

Don Chismar

Patty Doran Sister-in-law of Chuck Sieving

Marcia Drysdale Friend of Jane Dillon
Dawn Higgins Neighbor of Fran Molnar

Jayne Kramic Friend Kathy and Dave McCollum

Deanne Lahner Niece of Mary Sue Claus & Roseann Fekete Donna Kucera and family

Angela Missig Daughter of Gloria Starr Jenn Pitts Daughter of Judy Kazak Eric and Nicole Quinn Friends of Matt Wenham

Lois Reichert

Howard Ricke Father of Cindy Zinram

Pam Rotella

Bill Sweeny Friend of Kathy and Dave McCollum

Robert Sieving Brother of Chuck Sieving

Al Tielke

Recent prayer requests received within the past 2 weeks:

May 7 Cindy Olen (Terry MacKenzie's sister-in-law)

Deion Williams

May 14 Jan Schoch

Priscilla Woll (Pastor Charlie's Aunt)

May 21 Kira Johnston (daughter of Liz Grider's coworker)

Joel (grandnephew of Mike and Sherry Weber)



<u>Date</u>	<u>Online</u>	<u>In Person</u>	<u>Total</u>
05/21/2023	31	152	183
05/14/2023	17	153	170
05/07/2023	28	133	161
04/30/2023	36	129	165

05/01 Dineen Terstage 05/01 Jim Lappin 05/02 Abbie Gleespen 05/02 Lillian Franz 05/03 Brian Drobnak 05/03 Grant Commick 05/05 Ellen Oster 05/06 Lois Smilor 05/07 Ben Blakeslee 05/07 Lillian Fortuna 05/08 Dave Saunders 05/09 Josh Dragony 05/12 Diane Karp 05/12 Joyce Wood 05/12 Margaret Bailey
05/14 Cassandra Frey
05/14 Gloria McClellan
05/14 Jason Franz
05/15 Brianna Lehman
05/16 Hailey Vitko
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



O5/10 Dennis & Terry MacKenzie O5/13 Jeff & Chrissy Frey O5/16 Dale & Monica Dragony O5/18 Diane & Pat Fortuna O5/20 Steve & Kellie Duktig O5/20 Keith & Jane Wyant O5/25 Kristi & Bob Draper O5/29 Tracy & Tom Biller O5/31 David & Kathy McCollum

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Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 9-3

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Sunday Worship Services 9:00 am & 11:00 am in person. <u>Livestream</u>

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.