

‘This people honors me
with their lips, but their
hearts are far from me;

PEACE CONNECTIONS
August 25, 2021

The Installation of Pr. Charlie and Homecoming Outdoor Worship Service

Sunday, August 29th at 10:00 am

Please join us for the installation service of Pr. Charlie. It will take place at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church this Sunday, August 29th at 10:00 am. The Rev. Mitch Phillips, Assistant to the Bishop for leadership, Northeastern Ohio Synod will preach and preside at this special occasion, taking place during the congregation's Sunday service.

Westlake Mayor Dennis Clough will also attend the installation service on August 29th and will present a proclamation to Pr. Charlie.

- 10 am Outdoor Service (bring your own lawn chairs)
- Installation of Pastor Charlie
- Outdoor Lunch
- Bring your own food
- Bring your own tailgate equipment
- Prince of Peace will provide dessert
- Wear your favorite team's colors



Communion instructions at Prince of Peace

Please view [Pr. Charlie's video](#) for the new communion instructions at Prince of Peace.



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.



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

#GodsWorkOurHands



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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. 1-11th collecting for Scranton Schools/Activity Bag Collections
Items requested are pre-packaged nut free snacks, new children's socks, and \$5-\$10 fast food gift cards.

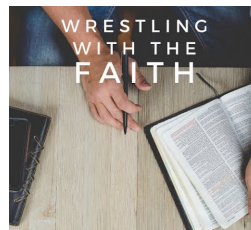
Week 2: Sept 12-18 collecting for LMM/Women In Transition (WREN)

Week 3: Sept 19-25 collecting for OMNI

Week 4: Sept 26-Oct 2 collecting for Second Harvest

"Wrestling with the Faith"

Check out the latest episode of the [Wrestling with the Faith](#) podcast coming out Thursday, Aug 5th! This episode, we discuss Ephesians 4:25-5:2 "Not Giving Into Anger". We were joined this week by PoP member, Mark Givens.



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



Aug 25-Sept 5, 2021

Wednesday, August 25
9:00 am Organ Practice
2:00 pm Pr. Charlie's Bible Study/CR

Thursday, August 26
Sexton Day Off
1:00 pm Caring Connections

Friday, August 27
Pr. Charlie's Day Off

Saturday, August 28
9:00 am Organ Practice

Sunday, August 29
10 am Homecoming Worship Service

Monday, August 30
10:00 am Staff Meeting
6:30 pm Social Ministry Meeting
7 pm Bible Study - All are welcome!

Tuesday, August 31
7:00 pm CrossFire Rehearsal

Wednesday, September 1
9:00 am Organ Practice
2:00 pm Pr. Charlie's Bible Study/CR

Thursday, September 2
Sexton Day Off

Friday, September 3
Pr. Charlie's Day Off

Saturday, September 4
9:00 am Organ Practice

Sunday, September 5
9 am Contemporary Worship Service
10:10 am Adult Gospel Study/CR
11 am Traditional Worship Service
9 am & 11 am [Livestream](#)

Return of Open Mic - On Hold



The restart of our Coffee House & Open Mic scheduled for September has been put on hold due to Covid 19. Stay tuned for the new restart date when available. Hopefully it will not be too long!

The Prince of Peace Chancel Choir - Postponed

The return of the Prince of Peace Chancel Choir is currently postponed.

Please stay tuned for further updates. If you have questions, please see Choir Director, Ian Faleer.



Women's Re-Entry Needs You!

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.* Questions, please contact Jan Filkill 440/871-6673. Thank you!

Learn more about [Chopping4Change](#), an innovative re-entry program for incarcerated women.



School Supplies for Scranton Elementary

Back to school season is here! We will be collecting school supplies again to support Scranton School in Cleveland.

Please consider donating the following items identified by Scranton School teachers as items of need:

- Crayons
- Pencils
- Glue Sticks
- Dry-Erase Markers
- Loose Leaf Notebook Paper
- Disinfectant Wipes
- Hand Sanitizer
- Hand Soap
- School Scissors
- Book Bags
- Kleenex
- Deodorant
- Wrapped Sanitary Pads



Donations can be left in bags by the Donation Station in the Administration Wing. **Please return by this Sunday, August 29th** for delivery the following week.

Any questions, please contact Diane Merhaut at teachmeabc123@aol.com

Prince of Peace Youth



Red Cross Blood Drive - September 12th



American
Red Cross

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

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](#)



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For more information, visit our website: www.princeofpeacewestlake.org/youth



Sunday School Kick-Off

Prince of Peace Rally Day! Sunday, September 19th

Save the Date!

- 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.

Honor and Remember with Altar Flowers

Altar flower sponsorships are back beginning in September!

There are openings to sponsor flowers in the upcoming weeks. Altar flower sponsorship is \$27 per arrangement. There are two arrangements available per Sunday. Sign up in the lower lobby by the signup station.

Sponsors may take the flowers home following the late service that day, otherwise, the staff will deliver the flowers when making visits to members.

Thank you, Prince of Peace Altar Guild



Prayer Concerns

Please join us in praying for members and friends with recent needs: Ellie (ex-sister-in-law of Myrta Holden), Nancy Weiss Havens (friend of Mary Sheridan), Joyce Hayward (friend of Fran Wilhelm), Olivia Pacheco (granddaughter of Jan Juhn's friend), Maria Salinas (friend of Deb Gibbons). **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), 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, 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

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| Operating Giving through July 31, 2021 | \$202,293 |
| Percent of Annual Budget Received | 58% |
| Remaining Goal | \$147,707 |

Attendance at Prince of Peace

| Date | Online | In Person | Total |
|----------------------------|--------|-----------|-------|
| 08/22/2021 | 14 | 109 | 123 |
| 08/15/2021 | 17 | 108 | 125 |
| 08/08/2021 | 28 | 112 | 140 |
| 08/01/2021 Outdoor Service | | 160 | 160 |

August 29, 2021 Sunday Readings:

First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9 and Psalm 15

Second Reading: James 1:17-27

Gospel Reading: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Happy Birthday

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| 08/27 Shari Dembi | 09/01 Bill Beard |
| 08/27 Tyrus Petta | 09/01 Emily Saunders |
| 08/28 Evan Saunders | 09/02 Ben Hallowell |
| 08/28 Kate Weaver | 09/03 Eileen Robinson |
| 08/29 Ron Thorne | 09/05 Jacob Jablonski |
| 08/31 Mariah Thompson | 09/05 Tim Regan Sr. |

Happy Anniversary!

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| 08/30 Mike & Abbie Gleespen |
| 08/30 Steve & Cindy Zinram |

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Office Hours

Monday and Friday 10 am-3 pm; Sunday 8:30-11:30 am

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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.

