

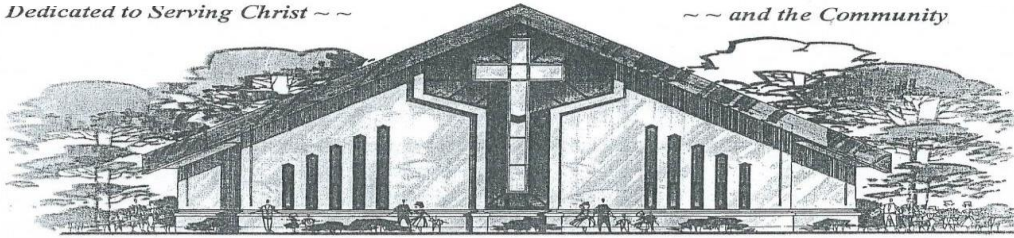
PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Child Care Center

Dedicated to Serving Christ ~ ~

~ ~ and the Community



May 2024

NEWSLETTER

“Give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all”

Last week in my sermon, I began by pointing out fun generational differences. Like I saw a cartoon where this dad has his young son on his lap and his son has a cell phone in his hand, and then the dad says to him, “When I was your age, the whole family had to gather around just one screen.”

I had to chuckle because it definitely illustrates the difference between my childhood and my kids. When I was growing up, we would gather around one screen in the living room on Friday nights to watch shows like “Home Improvement” and “Family Matters”, now we can have a show on in our living room and none of my kids are watching it because they are all on other screens. The time we live in!

Now we could say our generational differences are pretty stark these days, yet differences in generations have always existed. In fact, did you know Paul in his writings addresses these generational differences? In some places, he addresses older men in the congregation. In other places, he addresses older women. He also has specific teachings for younger men and also younger women. I thought I would share some of them with you.

To older men, he says, **“Older men are to be sober-minded (or temperate or sober with regard to alcohol), dignified (or worthy of respect), self-controlled, sound in faith, in love, and in steadfastness (Titus 2:2).”**

To older women, he says, **“Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers or slaves to much wine. They are to teach what is good, and so train the younger women to love their husbands and children (Titus 2:4).”**

It also talks about how they are encouraged to also be modest, chaste, kind and be respectful (as in submissive) to their husbands.

In I Peter 5:5, young men are addressed where it says, **“Likewise, you who are younger, be subject to the elders. Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.”**

Also in Titus 2:6, it says, **“Likewise, urge the younger men to be self-controlled (or sensible).”**

In other words, younger men are not to be carried away by their youthful passions and pride, but seek to be humble and sensible and respectful toward their elders.

The New Testament does not address younger women specifically, but it does address young widows and unmarried women and wives of husbands. It talks about adorning one's self with a gentle and quiet spirit (I Peter 3:4) rather than just worrying about adorning yourself in your physical appearance. It talks about being faithful wives to your husbands in both word and deed (I Peter 3:1-6, Ephesians 5:22-24).

Ultimately, the Lord is saying to us, no matter our age, that we are to live lives seeking to glorify Christ through our words and actions. It means treating each other with respect despite our generational differences. It means living soberly and modestly toward the Lord and others. It means being sound in faith, and love and steadfastness or patient endurance as we live ever with the challenges and temptations of this world. It means showing this most especially to our spouses and family and fellow believers, as Galatians 6:10 says, **“So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.”**

Therefore, as protests on college campuses rage and political tensions continue to be enflamed here and abroad with sometimes that rage and anger being directed toward other peoples or generations, let us keep the Word of God in mind no matter our age.

As it says in Romans 12:9-17, **“Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. ¹⁰ Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹² Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. ¹³ Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. ¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be conceited. ¹⁷ Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all.”** Amen.

Peace to you in Christ!

Pastor Chris

	<u>Worshipped</u>		<u>Communed</u>		<u>Offerings</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
April 2, 2023	--	195	--	108	--	8020
April 7	159	247	125	104	6089	9297
April 14	177	179	152	87	5651	4692
April 21	163	166	139	94	5751	4937
April 28	163	175	130	92	5094	4070
Averages	166	192	137	97	5646	6203

Prince of Peace Youth Group

Scrip –Youth Group Fundraiser: Gift Card Order due May 19th

Use for Easter Baskets or pay for everyday expenses, AND help our church's youth at the same time. Available cards include Kohls, Target, Walmart, Best Buy, Office Depot, Amazon, Home Depot, Menards, Pick N Save, Festival, Walgreens, Kwik Trip, BP, Speedway, Panera, Starbucks, and more.



Pre-paid orders **are due by Sunday, May 23rd**, to get cards the following week. Order forms are in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please contact Gina Janke, 262-880-6207 or gmaiorana@aol.com.

MONTH (UPCOMING HOLIDAY)	Order by (Sunday noon):	Cards Available by:
MAY (Dads & Grads-Take 2)	5/19	5/23
JUNE	6/23	6/28

SAVE THE DATE – ELVIS IS IN THE BUILDING



Our Youth Gathering kids will be hosting their 4th Annual Elvis Show on Saturday, **November 9th**, 2024 here at Prince of Peace. The "Voice of Elvis" will entertain us that evening with a special Veteran Tribute Show. Tickets are \$40.00 for regular seating and \$45.00 for VIP seating. Ticket prices includes a buffet dinner with dessert and one beverage. Additional desserts and beverages will be available for purchase. Tickets will go on sale closer to summer. Contact Julie Maiwald if you need more information.

We want to congratulate our new confirmands:

Audrey Herron, Molly Shaffer, Owen Fischer, Connor Borkowski, and Nevaeh Pittsley.
Confirmation is on May 19th.



YOUTH GROUP/GATHERING NEWS

Thank you for all of your support as we prepare for our trip next year. Our Spaghetti Dinner netted \$1,739.89 and our Dine and Donate at Culver's brought in \$130.00

We had our Roller Skating event at Traxside in Burlington on April 14th – forty one skated that day. There were a few minor injuries but overall, a good time was had by all.

The Fused Glass class, on 4/20 & 4/21, had a net profit of \$465.00. The attendees enjoyed the class and we can't wait to see the finished projects!

We are currently selling popcorn from Pop's Kettle Corn. They have a variety of flavors and they ship nationwide. Please use the code provided and you will receive 5% off your order. This would make a great gift for Mother's Day and/or Father's Day. You can use the direct link at <https://orderspop.com/discount/PrinceOfPeace24>.

This code is good through the end of the year. Please contact Julie Maiwald if you have any questions.



YOUTH AUCTION

Due to the success of last year's auction, we have decided to have another Youth Auction this year.

We are auctioning off our Youth members who will be attending the Youth Gathering next year. They will be offering many

services including babysitting, yard work, walking your dog, providing a meal, etc. The auction will run from **May 5th through May 19th**. Auction sheets will be located in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please contact Julie Maiwald. Thank you!



Give hope this spring.

Give blood.



American
Red Cross

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Blood Drive

Gym
4340 6 Mile Rd
Racine, WI 53402

Monday, May 13, 2024
1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Race to give April 29-May 19 and get a coupon for free haircut by email, thanks to Sport Clips Haircuts! Plus, chance to win a VIP NASCAR experience to the 2024 NASCAR Cup Series & Xfinity Races at Darlington Raceway. rcblood.org/win



Scan to schedule
an appointment

RE:VITALITY

BECAUSE WE'RE THE CHURCH

Dear Congregation,

Our congregation is exploring participation in the LCMS Re:Vitality Lutheran revitalization program. “Vital” is the key component of “revitalization.” Wherever the Word is proclaimed in its purity and God’s Sacraments are rightly administered, there is spiritual vitality. Re:Vitality builds upon spiritual vitality and guides the church in positive action for sustainable, adaptable, focused, and healthy ministry for years to come. The first step in the Re:Vitality process is to submit honest feedback about our congregation from everyone involved. I want to encourage every adult (18 years and older) to fill out this simple online survey. Simply click this link when you are ready to begin: <http://lcms.cadds.alchemer.com/s3/&cong=C751072>
Our church’s online survey will be open from May 12th until June 2nd, 2024. (A paper copy is available in the office if you don’t have internet access.)

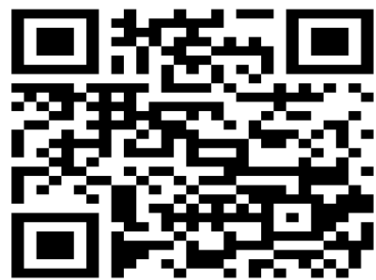
We need to hear from everyone, individually. We want to hear from you, whether you’ve been a member here your whole life or you’re new to Christianity; whether you’re a member, frequent attendee, or occasional visitor, we want to hear from you.

Your responses are completely anonymous. No one will know your name, and I will not see individual responses. It is important to be honest in your feedback so that we can have an accurate assessment about where we are as a congregation.

Help us find the answer to, “Where are we...*really*?” Thank you for submitting your responses by **June 2nd, 2024.**

Blessings,

Pastor Chris



Bible Study Opportunities



Sunday Morning Bible Class: Offered both in-person and online through Zoom at 10:30 a.m. The link is sent in email. Studying the topic: “Hot Topics”

Tuesday Morning Bible Class: Meets at church at 11:00 a.m. Studying Philipians.

Wednesday Women’s In-Home Study: Women are invited to meet at Tracie Ratz’s house on Wednesday nights at 6:30 pm. The group is currently studying the book “God is my Hiding Place”.

Friday Men’s Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. every Friday at Prince of Peace. We are studying the book of Hebrews.

Saturday W.O.W (Women of Worth) Gathering: Every 2nd Saturday at 10:00 a.m. Their gatherings consist of a devotion/study, food, and an activity/craft. This month they will have Jim and Susan Kaiser speaking about their mission work in Ethiopia.

Saturday Men’s Breakfast Bible Study: Meets every 3rd Saturday of the month at 8:00 am. Studying a video series called, “The Priesthood of All Believers”. Next Study is April 20th.

Saturday Bible Study for College/Post-College Age: Led by Joe Herron. They are examining the book “5 Things You Can Do to Witness Christ.” Saturdays at 10:00 am. Contact Joe at 262-744-2730 for specific days if interested.

WOMEN OF WORTH LADIES FELLOWSHIP NEWS

WOW picks back up on **Saturday, May 11th at 10:00 am.** WOW monthly gatherings are for ALL women of the church.

We would love for you to join us for the wonderful food and fellowship that we enjoy. Please let us know if you are interested by contacting Erika Skuhra at 262-818-3675, Corinne Lockie at 262-383-1235, or Dana Johnson at 309-363-6031.



CARING HEARTS MINISTRY



The Caring Hearts Ministry will be meeting during Sunday School on the **1st Sunday of each month.**

Caring Hearts is part of the Stephen Ministry program here at Prince of Peace. This program is open to all women who may need another woman to talk with. If anyone has any questions, please contact Tracie Ratz at 262-681-2987.

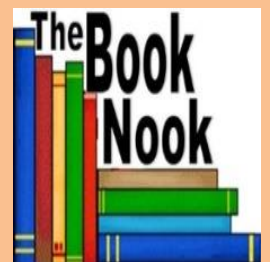
BOOKS FOR THE LIBRARY



We are looking for book donations for the updated library. Any appropriate books such as devotions or history would be appreciated.

PRINCE OF PEACE BOOK NOOK

Do you love to read, and have books that you would like to recycle? Please drop them off for others to enjoy! All appropriate books are welcome. If you see a book you would like to read, we ask for \$1.00 donation. All proceeds will be used for church repairs.



HOLY COMMUNION FOOD NEEDS FOR MAY

For the month of April, the food pantry is asking for the following items.



Chicken Noodle Soup
Peanut Butter
Pancake Mix & Syrup
Jelly

Cereal
Spaghetti Sauce

They are also looking for children's Bible storybooks, Brown Paper Bags and lightly used plastic bags. Thanks to all of you who donate to our pantry. We could not continue this ministry without your help!

AMAZING GRAYS SENIORS LUNCHEONS

Senior luncheons will be held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month thru May 2024.

The schedule is as follows:

Luncheons at Raymond Community Church (8217 West 6 Mild Road, Franksville) are scheduled for January, March, and May.

Luncheons at North Cape Lutheran Church (2644 Raynor Avenue, Franksville) will host the luncheons in December, February, and April.

Entertainment will begin at 11:00 am and the meal will be served at noon.

There is no cost, but a freewill offering is accepted and all area seniors are welcome.



Preschool & Childcare



May News from Child Care

Mother's Tea and Spa Day

Please reserve this special time with your child for our Mother's Day Tea.

3K – Thursday, May 9th from 10:30 am – 11:30 am

4K – Friday, May 10th from 11:00 am – 12:00 pm



This is a special time for Moms and their preschool children. Please make other arrangements for younger siblings.

Grandmas, Aunts, Child Care Givers are welcome IF mom is unable to attend. Don't forget your camera/phone!

SUMMER CHILD CARE

Summer Child Care will begin on Tuesday, May 28th. The staff is eager to begin the activities that have already been planned for this summer – Some of our units include: Camping, Candy, Flowers, Rainforest, Ice, Olympics, and more. Children ages 2-1/2 – 9 years old may attend child care during the hours of 7:00 am – 6:00 pm at a cost of \$5.25 per hour. Please spread the word about this special service we offer.



We are now enrolling 3K (currently full), 4K and childcare for the 2024-2025 school year. If interested, contact Carla Abel by phone at 262-639-1277 or email at poppssc.racine@gmail.com



May Birthdays

- 3 Madelyn Schroettner
- 4 Hayden Abel
- 4 Vicki Schultz
- 5 Samantha Swanson
- 7 Logan Austin
- 7 Sam Fraser
- 7 Katie Leiber
- 7 Jayde Peterson
- 8 Linnae Charpentier
- 9 Abel Baganz
- 9 Lacey Hawkinson
- 10 Maelle Brissey
- 10 Jackson Reeves
- 11 Emily Patzer
- 12 Isabella Hibbard
- 12 Jason Laird
- 13 Monica Bykowski
- 15 Jennifer Austin
- 15 Julie Bickel
- 15 Connie Jacob
- 16 Jordynn Hernandez
- 17 Nicholas Bissegger
- 17 Jennifer Browne
- 17 Madison Guziewicz
- 19 Allyson Davis
- 19 Hailee Ollman
- 19 Walter Winterle
- 20 Zachariah Paget
- 20 Molly Shaffer
- 21 Laura Petersen
- 22 Robyn VandeBerg
- 23 Jake Anderson
- 23 Michael Fox
- 23 Jack Herron
- 24 Jaelle Charpentier
- 25 Shelly Bent
- 26 Elizabeth Praeger
- 28 Doreen Conard
- 28 Weston Lampshire-Wolf
- 29 Paul Bartelt



May Anniversaries

- 7 Chris & Teri Nitka
- 11 Al & Tracie Ratz
- 11 Steve & Tricia Roehrig
- 13 Harvey & Deb Kilgora
- 15 Ralph & Margaret Anderson
- 15 Gary & Barb Miller
- 24 Nicholas & Nichole Brissey
- 26 Ryan & Alyssa Schaefer
- 27 Jeff & Lara Lambrecht
- 30 Steve & Samantha Moshinski

****If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, please call the church office.**

Lutherans For Life

May 5 – Easter VI

Surprise pregnancy does involve difficulties too great for our abilities. Terminal diagnosis indeed comes with insurmountable obstacles. Taking life-and-death matters into one's own hands only compounds the problems. Instead, trust the Son of God to overcome and deliver out of every threat (1 John 5:4). Cry out to Jesus in repentance and prayer, for the Father above will not fail to supply immediate and eternal salvation (John 15:16).

May 12 – Easter VII/Mother's Day

The world ridicules motherhood as hindrance. It complains that children get in the way of education, career, income, gratification, and even climate. But the testimony of God is greater than the testimony of men (1 John 5:9). Real life and full life come in Christ Jesus, His Son, who shows us the joy of loving and keeping every daughter and son the Holy Father gives (John 17:11-12).

May 19 – Pentecost

The Holy Spirit means to make a dwelling place of every human body (1 Corinthians 6:19-20). The Scriptures explicitly apply this mission to old and young, male or female (Acts 2:17), and even the unborn (Psalm 139:13). We have the invitation and commission to proclaim this prophetic message to a culture that beholds some neighbors as lifeless bones (Ezekiel 37:2-3). Let His precious breath of life (Genesis 2:7) inspire us all!

May 26 – Holy Trinity

The truth of Father, Son, and Spirit proves that God loves relationship, family, and community. He gives these blessings no matter how young or old (John 3:4-5), even inhabiting the womb or entering the tomb. The One who creates, redeems, and calls every human being reigns as Lord over life and death (Acts 2:36). Abortion and assisted suicide are idolatrous, and Jesus has come to save from it (John 3:17).

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT NOW MORE THAN EVER

May 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 6:00 pm Confirmation Class (8 th grade only)	2 6:00/6:30 pm Board Meeting	3 9:30 am Men's Bible Study	4 4:00 pm Worship/ Communion
5 9:00 am Worship/Communion 10:30-Bible Class/Sunday School hour	6	7 11:00 am Bible Study 6:30 pm Choir	8 6:00 pm Confirmation Class (8 th grade only)	9 6:30 pm Council Meeting	10 9:30 am Men's Bible Study	11 10:00 am WOW Meeting 4:00 pm Worship/ Communion
12 9:00 am Worship/Communion 10:30-Bible Class/Sunday School hour Baptism – Alexi Joost Last Day of Sunday School	13 1:00-6:00 pm Blood Drive	14 11:00 am Bible Study 6:30 pm Choir	15 6:00 pm Confirmation Class (8 th grade only)	16 6:30 pm Elder's Meeting	17 9:30 am Men's Bible Study	18 8:00 am Men's Bible Breakfast 4:00 pm Worship/ Communion 5:00 pm Confirmation Questioning
19 9:00 am Worship/Communion 10:30-Bible Class/Sunday School hour Confirmation Sunday Sunday School Party	20	21 11:00 am Bible Study	22 6:00 pm Confirmation Class	23	24 9:30 am Men's Bible Study	25 4:00 pm Worship/ Communion
26 9:00 am Worship/Communion 10:30-Bible Class/Sunday School hour	27	28 11:00 am Bible Study	29 6:00 pm Confirmation Class	30	31	

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ON 5/19**