

# Prin s of Peace



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**PRINCE OF PEACE  
LUTHERAN CHURCH  
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## FRONT PAGE NEWS: ALL CONGREGATION VBS / CAMP



On Saturday, June 24th, members of Prince of Peace gathered at Calumet County Park for our first All-Congregational VBS! The rain held off, and the gusty winds kept the bugs away- the Lord blessed us with a perfect day! We kicked the day off with a bike ride, and due to a missed turn on the course, the participants enjoyed an extra 4 miles of the scenic eastern shore of Lake Winnebago. The day continued with fun for all ages with activities centered around our theme "Let Jesus Be Our Guide".

We did a Bible verse scavenger hunt, made garden stones, assembled and enjoyed campfire cookies, played games led by Kevin Hietpas and praised God through music led by Colleen Perrine, Erik Larson and George Mbatia. The evening continued with a pot-luck, a sunset service with bluegrass music and a campfire as part of the camping weekend. We are filled with gratitude for all of our wonderful volunteers that helped with bringing supplies out to the park, set up, take down and assisting with the activities. We can't wait for next year!

*(see more photos on back page...)*



**"We Are A Family of Christians - Growing In Faith & Reaching Out In Love"**

Attendance	By Service	Total
<b>June 4</b>		
	First Service	116
	Second Service	128
<b>June 11</b>		
	First Service	96
	Second Service	110
<b>June 18</b>		
	First Service	99
	Second Service	132
<b>June 24 (Camp/VBS)</b>		
<b>52</b>		
<b>June 25</b>		
	First Service	91
	Second Service	98

Mark calendars now for "Celebration/Rally Sunday" when Faith Formation and regular worship hours return: Sunday, September 10th.

**CHANGES TO CHURCH RECORDS (e.g. address, phone number, email or membership status):** Please contact the church office when changes occur, so we can update church records accordingly. Now accepting new photos for the directory as well. Please contact the office if you have questions about transfers (in/out) as well. (739-5255 or Admin@popappleton.org).

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*"Thank you" The Thompkins family would like to thank Pastor Roger, Pastor Jennifer and the rest of their church family for your prayers of comfort and support during April & Tom's difficult pregnancy and the passing of their infant son.*



**DID YOU KNOW?** The Glass Cross on the altar is unique. There are only 3 of these handmade crosses in the world. The other two are in congregations, with whom we share our ministry. One is on the altar of Kopano Lutheran Church in Mogwase, South Africa and the other is now at the Evangelische Stadtpfarrkirche Hermannstadt in Sibiu, Romania. These Lutheran churches are ministry partners with us, with whom we have shared visits, resources and mutual support. Each Sunday as we gather in worship under this common cross, we are reminded of our faith in our Savior, Jesus the Christ, whose Spirit unites peoples of different countries, races, cultures and histories under His benevolent love.

(Photos to the lower right are Pastor Roger, Beth & Ian McQuiston attending to the presentation of the glass cross in Romania recently.)



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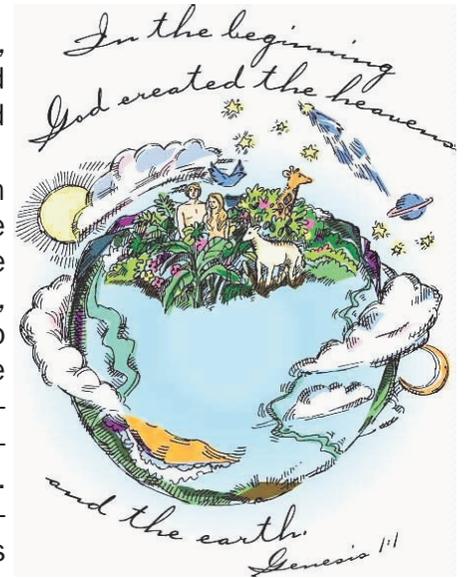
**WHAT IS SCRIP?** The short answer: Gift Cards! We sell gift cards each Sunday at the Welcome Window between services. We sell a variety of cards in stock or we can order others. In stock we have *Festival, Pick and Save, Woodmans, Target, Walmart, Walgreen's, Shopko* and *Subway*. A percentage of each sale comes directly back to Prince of Peace! Come and check it out. If you like shopping online, please stop and ask Sandy how you can use SCRIP online, where you can use your phone directly at check-out for some stores. ([www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com)). SCRIP will continue to be sold over the summer (except Holiday wknds, e.g. not July 2).

For the Beauty of the Earth...

It is a beautiful time of year. I enjoy sitting on my porch in my gliding chair, feeling the breeze, hearing the birds sing, looking at my purple flowers and the green plant life that is everywhere. The beauty of the earth is all around us.

We, as human beings, belong to this earth. In the second story of creation in Genesis, the Lord God formed a human being out of the dust of the ground and out of the ground made every tree to grow. We are rooted in the earth like the trees are rooted in the earth. We are dependent on this earth, just as animals and plant life are dependent on this earth. We are also called to care for this earth and all creation. The word Adam comes from the Hebrew word 'adamah' which means soil or earth. Adam is an earth creature who belongs to the earth and who is responsible to care for it. The command to 'till and keep the garden' in Hebrews means to serve and preserve. Humans are to serve the land so that it will bring forth life and we are to preserve creatures and plants so they thrive. In a sense, we are all farmers called to care for the earth that gives us life, so that it will also give life in a sustainable way for future generations.

Both of my grandfathers were farmers. My paternal grandfather was a dairy farmer and my maternal grandfather was a crop farmer. Their children did not carry on with farming, but left for the towns and cities. However, when my dad retired, we had a big garden in our back yard - all kinds of vegetables, a potato patch, a raspberry patch and an apple tree. I started to really appreciate the "fruits" of the earth and how good they tasted. Although I do not have a garden now, I am caring for potted plant life which means I need to be attentive to the plants' needs for water and sun. Through this caretaking I feel not only a closer connection to my plant life, but also to all of creation. It is exciting to see green shoots sprout up out of the soil and to think I helped -if only a little -in this creative process. As you enjoy the beauty of the earth this summer, how is God calling you to serve and preserve creation?

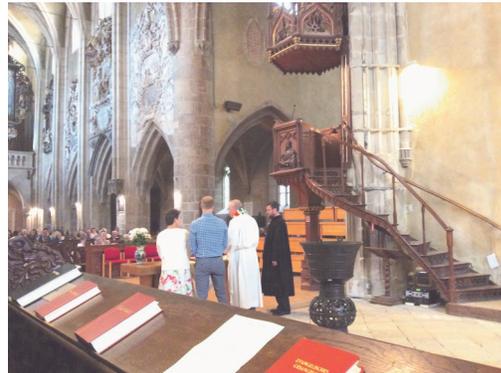


*Pastor Jennifer*



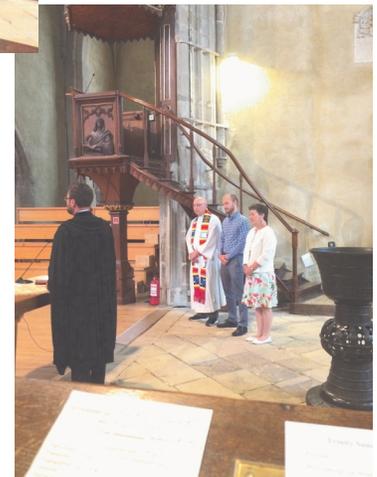
A "re-enactment" of presenting the cross, and the cross on the altar in Sibiu.

Ian McQuiston (above, left) assisted with translations for all the activities.



Photos taken during the church service on Sunday, June 11 in Sibiu. Pastor Hans-Georg Junesch is introducing us to the German speaking congregation.

*Photos courtesy of Susan Schlachtenhaufer*



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CHRISTMAS IN AUGUST

Our 22nd annual Prince of Peace Christmas in August project is now

**underway!** This project, coordinated with Outagamie County Health and Human Services, provides 100 area K through 8th grade children with new pants, short-sleeved t-shirt, sweatshirt, haircut, and shoes to start the new school year.



Christmas trees are in the entryways now through the first week of August. Please take an ornament or two from the tree, purchase that item, and place it back under the tree with the ornament (and gift receipt if available) attached by August 6th. Or take a cash envelope and place it in the offering plate during any service. Checks should be written to Prince of Peace with "Christmas in August" in the memo line. All monetary donations

will be used to purchase undergarments and pay the invoices for the shoes and haircuts. If you have any questions, please contact Stacy Juhl at 920-522-3142 or email [ajuhl@tds.net](mailto:ajuhl@tds.net).

### GLOBAL MISSIONS MINISTRY - MISSION JAMAICA 2018

Plans for another mission trip to Jamaica in January have begun.

The proposed dates will be **January 13-20, 2018**. We will be putting together a mission team in late July or early August. Please call or e-mail Nancy Wittrock (739-4733 or [wittrock@athenet.net](mailto:wittrock@athenet.net)) with questions or to indicate an interest in participating.



Our mission coordinators from Minnesota, Jeff and Paige Peterson, plan to join us in leading worship here at PoP on **Sunday, August 6**. Come learn more about the trip and hear Jeff's update on the progress of a new home for the Clifton Boys, just one of POP Global Mission Ministry's benefactors.

The tagline for our Jamaica mission trips is "vacation with a purpose." Ask any of our missionaries from previous trips to share with you how this description resonates for them and how you can participate first hand or through various donations.

Note, all PoP folks are invited to visit with Jeff and Paige between services and/or sign up to join them for **brunch at Angel's Restaurant (1401 E. John St) at 11:00 that Sunday**. (Dutch treat, but we would like a head count ahead of time to reserve enough tables.)



## CROSSWAYS CAMPING MINISTRIES

### CROSSWAYS CAMP SUNDAY, JULY 2ND

Crossways Camp Director and PoP member, **Jake Czarnik-Neimeyer**, along with camp guest leader, **Boitumelo Phetoe\*** from South Africa (see more about her below), will lead worship and share about all the wonderful camping opportunities at the various Crossways Camps. Also, find more information at the Crossways Camps information table in the narthex, along with a "campfire 'n marshmallows wish list" of items displaying the camps' needed donations. (Or, find more information by checking out their website [www.crosswayscamps.org/donate](http://www.crosswayscamps.org/donate)); you may donate items directly or Jake will collect items on July 2nd.

**\*Boitumelo Phetoe** is from S. Africa and will be working at Crossways Camps this summer. She plans on visiting us with Jake Czarnik-Neimeyer on Sunday, July 2nd, to say a few words of thanks during the sermon at both services and to visit with folks afterwards. Boitumelo is 21, speaks English and has worked as a social worker.



### COMMUNION FOR OUR SHUT-INS:

Are you looking for ways to meet others and share your faith? Do you need service hours for school? Have you ever wondered how to help a stranger in a safe and caring way? Well, PoP is looking for volunteers to serve Holy Communion to our shut-ins. Volunteers rotate who they visit each week, making this a great opportunity to build relationships with our members who aren't able to worship at church. Please contact Cindy Romnek for more information about this meaningful ministry.



PoP Members - you are invited  
to a special  
Appleton Conference ELCA  
God's work, Our Hands"  
Workday  
at Riverview Gardens  
July 29, 2017  
9:00 - Noon

Please join fellow ELCA  
members in volunteering for  
this great community  
organization -  
"72 acres with a mission."

Riverview Gardens is a non-profit organization in Appleton, Wisconsin with a mission to provide job training for people in need, to transform their lives and our community. We believe in the dignity of hard work and allowing people to be part of their own solution. This project engages the entire community in addressing the root causes of unemployment, poverty and homelessness through hard work, creativity and human dignity.

This is a great opportunity for families. Children are welcome as long as any children under 16 are accompanied by an adult.

Sign up at this link:

[www.SignUpGenius.com/  
go/4090D44AEAB23A5FF2-gods](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/4090D44AEAB23A5FF2-gods)

Once you sign up, please watch for a message with itinerary and Waiver attachments.

NOTE: The Prince of Peace  
Social Concerns Ministry applied for and  
received an Appleton Conference grant  
in support of Riverview Gardens to be  
presented as part of our day of service.

## "FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS" PRAY. FAST. ACT.

Back in May, the Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton, presiding bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), and the Most Rev. Michael B. Curry, presiding bishop of The Episcopal Church, issued a joint statement calling for prayer, fasting and advocacy addressing cuts to public programs that are vital to hungry people who are living in poverty. **The statement (shown below) "For Such a Time As This" calls for fasting on the 21st of each month through December 2018**, at which time the 115th Congress will conclude. The 21st of each month is targeted because by that day about 90 percent of Supplemental Nutrition Benefits Program (SNAP) benefits have been used. The call to fast launched with a group of national and local leaders participating in a three-day fast May 21-23, in anticipation of the May 21 Global Day to End Famine - a broad coalition of church networks, denominations, faith-based organizations and concerned believers led by the World Council of Churches. If interested, please find copies of the "Fasting Guide" posted on the SCM board in the narthex. We encourage those who can, and are willing, to participate, **PRAY, ACT & FAST July 21st.**



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Church in America**  
God's work. Our hands.

### "For Such a Time As This" Joint Call to Prayer, Fasting, and Advocacy

We are coming together as leaders of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and The Episcopal Church to oppose deep cuts to programs that are vital to hungry people struggling with poverty. We make this call in anticipation of the May 21 Global Day of Prayer to End Famine. We highlight the importance of foreign assistance and humanitarian relief as members of the World Council of Churches.

We also make a call to pray, fast and advocate not just on May 21, but throughout the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress. At the invitation of Bread for the World, we join with ecumenical partners and pledge to lead our congregations and ministries in fasting, prayer and advocacy, recognizing the need to engage our hearts, bodies and communities together to combat poverty. As the call to prayer articulates:

*We fast to fortify our advocacy in solidarity with families who are struggling with hunger. We fast to be in solidarity with neighbors who suffer famine, who have been displaced, and who are vulnerable to conflict and climate change. We fast with immigrants who are trying to make a better future for their families and now face the risk of deportation. We fast in solidarity with families on SNAP, who often run out of food by the last week of the month.*

Domestically, Americans throughout the country are struggling with poverty, and many government-funded programs allow them to care for and feed their families. As we look overseas, we must acknowledge that foreign assistance and humanitarian relief can help address regions confronting famine and food insecurity, including South Sudan, Somalia, Yemen and Lake Chad Basin. We will challenge proposals to eliminate or defund proven anti-poverty programs, at home and abroad.

The story of Esther provides encouragement for our fasting, prayer and advocacy. Esther, a Jew, was the wife of the Persian king. When plans were made to slaughter all the Jews in the empire, Esther's cousin Mordechai pleaded with her to go to the king and use her voice to advocate for them, even though this might place her life in danger. He urged her not to remain silent, as she may have been sent "for such a time as this." Esther asked people to fast and pray with her for three days to fortify her advocacy before the king, resulting in saving the lives of her people.

God's intention is the flourishing of all people, and we are called to participate in God's loving purpose by standing with our neighbors who struggle with poverty and hunger. Following the [Circle of Protection](#) ecumenical fast in 2011 to fortify the faith community in opposing cuts to vital anti-poverty programs, we may have also have been prepared "for such a time as this." We commit ourselves to and invite our members to one day of fasting every month to undergird our efforts to convince our members of Congress to protect poverty-focused programs.

The Most Reverend Michael B. Curry, presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church  
The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton, presiding bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America



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# JULY 2017 | WORSHIP SUPPORT

## ASSISTING MINISTERS

July 2 Arlyn Plate  
 July 9 Lori Adams  
 July 16 Adam Brown  
 July 23 Mike Kalinowski  
 July 30 Greg Knudson

## USHERS

8:00 a.m. Jim Genskow / Don Herzberg  
 9:45 a.m. Rick Jacob / Greg Koller

## ACOLYTES

July 2	8:00 am	Abby Hutchinson	9:45 am	Alex Schuller
July 9	8:00 am	Vivian Tripp	9:45 am	Max Wheeler
July 16	8:00 am	Jackson Armstrong	9:45 am	Abigale Brown
July 23	8:00 am	Alyssa Kislewski	9:45 am	Anna Hietpas
July 30	8:00 am	Nathan Jansen	9:45 am	Logan Kaltenbrun

## GREETERS

July 2 8:00 a.m.  
 9:45 a.m.  
 July 9 8:00 a.m.  
 9:45 a.m.  
 July 16 8:00 a.m.  
 9:45 a.m.  
 July 23 8:00 a.m.  
 9:45 a.m.  
 July 30 8:00 a.m.  
 9:45 a.m.

## EAST ENTRANCE

Pat McCarthy  
 Mark & Jeanna Rodriguez  
 Kathy Buffington  
 Lempesis Family  
 Tim & Judy Norum  
 Roger & Leah Johnson  
 Terry & Shirley Clemmons  
 Rowinsky Family  
 Greg & Sue Knudson  
 Gary/Michelle Wiesman Family

## WEST ENTRANCE

Marilyn Miland  
 Tom & Nancy Scheuerman  
 Dean Buffington  
 Kostelny Family  
 Peggy Miller  
 Michael & Eve Kochanek  
 Bill & Marilyn Helmeid  
 Adam & Jackie Piette Family  
 Arlyn & Pat Plate  
 Chris & Mary Volkman

PARAMENTS & CANDLE VOLUNTEER: Kelley Carpenter

NURSERY CARE PROVIDERS: Shayla Mason / Lynda Chavez



SUMMERTIME is upon us, choirs are taking a restful sabbaticals, and so it's the perfect time to share your musical talents during worship on Sunday mornings. Contact Sondra Joten at [sjoten@popappleton.org](mailto:sjoten@popappleton.org) or call her at 920-213-2713.

Worship dates available to perform are **bolded**:

<b>July 9 - Piano INVITATIONAL</b>	<b>August 6</b>
July 16** - PoP's BG	August 13 - HB
<b>July 23</b>	<b>August 20</b>
July 30**	<b>August 27</b>
	<b>September 3</b>

\*\* Colleen Perrine subs for Sondra

## WHAT'S THE PIANO INVITATIONAL ALL ABOUT?

On **Sunday, July 9th**, we want to encourage members, be they young or old, novice or advanced, to share their keyboarding gifts at prelude or offering time. Please talk to Sondra Joten directly to volunteer and she'll help you find just the right niche for you to "... make a joyful noise unto the Lord!"



# July 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 7:00 AM Alcoholics Anonymous
2 CROSSWAYS CAMPS SUNDAY 8:00 AM Worship w/ Holy Communion 9:45 AM Worship with Holy Communion	3 OFFICE CLOSED 7:00 PM NA Meeting	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY OFFICE CLOSED	5 6:30 AM Men's Bible Study 9:00 AM Quilters Meet	6 6:00 PM Personnel Meeting	7	8 7:00 AM Alcoholics Anonymous
9 PIANO INVITATIONAL SUNDAY 8:00 AM Worship w/ Holy Communion 9:45 AM Worship with Holy Communion	10 10:00 AM Salvation Army (Subs) 6:30 PM WoFBS Rm Reserved (closed grp) 7:00 PM NA Meeting	11 WELCA 10th Triennial Convention in Mpls. 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Reimagine Church Book Discussion 6:30 PM Social Concerns Ministry Mitg	12 WELCA 10th Triennial Convention in Mpls. 6:30 AM Men's Bible Study 9:00 AM Quilters Meet 6:30 PM Stewardship Meeting	13 WELCA 10th Triennial Convention in Mpls. WELCA 10th Triennial Gathering in Mpls.	14 WELCA 10th Triennial Gathering in Mpls.	15 WELCA 10th Triennial Gathering in Mpls. 7:00 AM Alcoholics Anonymous
16 GARDEN SUNDAY WELCA 10th Triennial Gathering in Mpls. 8:00 AM Worship w/ Holy Communion 9:45 AM Worship with Holy Communion	17 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 6:30 PM PoP-A-Stitch Group 7:00 PM NA Meeting	18 9:30 AM Staff Meeting	19 6:30 AM Men's Bible Study 9:00 AM Quilters Meet 6:30 PM Reimagine Church Book Discussion	20 1:30 PM Book Club	21 PRAY. ACT. FAST. - Day of Global Fasting	22 7:00 AM Alcoholics Anonymous
23 8:00 AM Worship w/ Holy Communion 9:45 AM Worship with Holy Communion	24 7:00 PM NA Meeting	25 9:30 AM Staff Meeting	26 6:30 AM Men's Bible Study 9:00 AM Quilters Meet 6:00 PM WELCA SALAD POTLUCK	27 9:00 AM Senior Breakfast @ Angels Restaurant	28	29 7:00 AM Alcoholics Anonymous 9:00 AM God's Work, Our Hands @ Riverview Gardens
30 8:00 AM Worship w/ Holy Communion 9:45 AM Worship with Holy Communion	31 7:00 PM NA Meeting					

# WITNESS / HELPING HANDS / MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

## Step into Serving this Fall!

You can make a difference at Prince of Peace and in the Community!

***We are called to love the Lord with our Head, Heart, Mind and Strength and serve Him with our Hands – and there are hundreds of ways to step into service and build our relationship in faith at Prince of Peace.***

Prince of Peace engages a large network of volunteers for its various ministry teams and small tasks. We need your God-given gifts to serve a mission-driven and a growing church. Serving opportunities are seven days a week! We need families and individuals to “Build the Body of Christ!” And we need volunteers for this upcoming school year! Please prayerfully consider volunteering in one of the following areas: Sewers for quilting projects, helping with small outdoor projects around the church, welcoming and offering information to visitors and members, singing wonderful music in choir, ministry leaders facilitating vision and goals, mentoring 9<sup>th</sup> grade youth, and so much more. For more information contact Cindy Romnek, Pastor Jennifer, Pastor Roger or staff members.



### Helping Hands

***New Volunteers are always welcomed with the Helping Hands Outreach***

#### Benefits of Volunteering with Helping Hands

- Meaningful and rewarding experiences.
- A sense of satisfaction contributing to the quality of oneself.
- Visibility in the community (PoP Cares!).
- Opportunities to grow from interaction with other members.
- Helping PoP to become more connected and a Centered Life Church.
- Opportunities to develop understanding of different relationships.
- Building new and old relationships.
- Developing faith for daily living.

Contact Erin Larson or Cindy Romnek for more information.

## Ministry Spotlight!



### MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT OF THE MONTH: GLOBAL MISSIONS

This team provides focus and leadership so Prince of Peace Lutheran Church and the members can become more deeply involved in Global Mission relationship and activities.

The purpose of the team is:

- To develop a deeper understanding of Global Mission and increase involvement with various partners.
- To develop deeper and broader relationships in our congregation and with our mission partners in other parts of God's world.
- To provide a focal point for discussions as our members and congregation seek to discern how God is calling us to be involved in God's Global mission.
- Fostering Global Mission support through ELCA, PoP's Companion Congregation, Kopano Lutheran Church in Mogwase, Republic of South Africa, Alternative Gifting and Fair Trade.
- To introduce and educate PoP members on our work in Jamaica with 4 areas of outreach in the country. To plan a Prince of Peace mission trip to Jamaica, including promoting the program, fund raising for the 4 areas we will work with, and reviewing the trip after returning. Our plans coordinate with several churches in the Midwest who are part of Mission Jamaica team.
- To promote, educate, fund raise, and work with “Feed My Starving Children.”

What a great outreach for our congregation to engage a better understanding and support in our world! If you are interested in joining the team, please contact Pastor Jennifer @ 739-5255 or Cindy Czarnik-Neimeyer at [cindy@czarnik.net](mailto:cindy@czarnik.net).

### HOMELESS CONNECTIONS Help is Needed!!

We are in need of volunteers to serve at Homeless Connections or donate a dessert on the nights Prince of Peace serves; we have times in July, August and September. Sign up on SignUpGenius.com at: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0b4eaeac2da4f58-homeless>; or email Trisha Kostelny at [kostelny4@gmail.com](mailto:kostelny4@gmail.com) or phone at 734-4927. Your help is greatly appreciated! Also, a great big hug for the people who filled our pans for Homeless Connections! We couldn't help those in need without you!



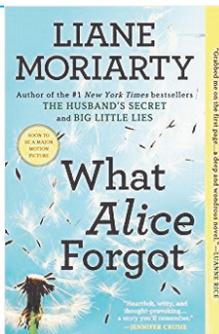
Check out these additions to the library:

- DVD *My Son My Savior: Mary, Mother of Jesus*
- *The Story Keeper* by Lisa Wingate
- *Bygones (Book 1); Beginnings (Book 2) and Blessings (Book 3)* an Amish Trilogy by Kim Vogel Sawyer
- *Extraordinary Answers to Prayer: True Stories of God's Intervention* by the Editors of Guideposts
- *One Thousand Gifts: A Dare to Live Fully Right Where You Are* by Ann Voskamp
- *Let This Mind Be in You: Thinking the Thoughts of Jesus* by Frances Hunter
- *Breaking the Code: Understanding the Book of Revelation* by Bruce M. Metzger
- *The Pastor's Wife* by Sabina Wurmbrand
- *Outrageous Love: A Love that Seeks No Reward* by Sheila Walsh
- *Left Neglected* by Lisa Genova (A POP book club selection)
- *A Man Called Ove: A Novell* by Fredrik Backman (A POP book club selection)
- *Only God Can Heal the Wounded Heart* by Ed Bulkey
- *Hymns of Faith and Inspiration* by the Editors of Guideposts

There are Bibles/other resources on cassette and video tape available until the end of July if anyone is interested. They are yours for the taking if you have the equipment to use them.

If you haven't already, check out the **Little Free Library** located off the Matthias St. parking lot. Tell your friends and neighbors that we are open for business. It is fully stocked with books for all ages and interests.

The **POP BOOK CLUB** is looking forward to discussing "What Alice Forgot" by Liane Moriarty at our next meeting, **July 20th at 1:30** and "Angels on Earth" by Laura Schrod August 17th. This book is a follow up to "The Invisible Thread" which we read earlier and consists of short stories that the author collected in response to her book. Come and join us.



## Garden Sunday



## BRING YOUR FLOWERS SUNDAY, JULY 16TH!

Calling all PoP gardeners and flower appreciation folk. It's time to share your pretties for this summer. Sunday, July 16th is Garden/Flower Sunday. Bring in your potted or fresh cut flowers to decorate the altar...they can be dropped off by 3 p.m. Friday, July 14th or before church on Sunday morning.

## WELCA SALAD POTLUCK - Wednesday, July 26 @ 6 p.m.



## ALL WOMEN of POP INVITED TO ATTEND!

Bring your favorite summer salad to share - desserts will be provided. Program: Intro to the 2017-2018 Bible Study AND highlights of the 10th Triennial Convention and Gathering presented by the PoP WELCA members who are attending. Bring a friend, meet new people, come see what WELCA is all about!



## LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF KITS supported by WELCA

Throughout the year, the Women of the ELCA (WELCA) collect items for Lutheran World Relief Kits. In 2016, let's continue to reach out to those less fortunate. The items listed below may be put on the white rack in the storage room behind the library (ask in the office if unsure). Only donate items that are on the list. If you prefer to make a monetary donation, please make checks payable to WELCA, noting 'LWR Kits' in the memo line. Send to Jeannine Bultman at W6072 Cornflower Drive, Appleton, WI 54915. Any questions: call Ann Nelson, 739-1870, or Martha Prill at 903-8003. Thank you for your support.

### In July & August, we will collect for School Kits:

Basic supplies needed are:

- 70 sheet ruled notebooks 8" x 10 1/2" (4 per kit).
- Blunt scissors
- 30 centimeter rulers (may have inches on reverse side)
- Pencil sharpeners
- 2.5" erasers
- Boxes of crayons, 16-24 count size
- Black or blue ballpoint pens (NO gel ink)
- Pencils
- Sturdy drawstring backpack-style cloth bag approximately 14" x 17" with shoulder straps (no standard backpacks). Recommended fabrics are heavy cotton, canvas, denim & twill).

# YOUTH, FAMILIES & OUTREACH

## 2017-2018 FAITH FORMATION YEAR

Parents of all children entering 3K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade this fall- please turn in your children's Faith Formation registration forms ASAP! We need these forms to determine class sizes, order curriculum and plan for teachers. Registration forms can be picked up and returned to the bulletin board outside Anna's office. Thank you!

## FAITH FORMATION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Planning for a fun 2017-2018 Faith Formation year is in full swing! We are looking for volunteers to help with Faith Formation and Confirmation for next year—3K through 9<sup>th</sup> grade! Teaching or helping in the classroom is a wonderful opportunity for parents to get engaged in their child's Faith Formation journey here at church. It's also a great way for our youth to get involved! Volunteers are not expected to be here every week. A rotation schedule will be set up to allow flexibility for our volunteers. Sign up as a teacher or helper on the Faith

Formation bulletin board outside Anna's office.

Interested in helping out with Faith Formation behind the scenes? A Faith Formation team is being put in place to support the ministry in a variety of ways—sharing ideas for improving the Faith Formation program, helping set up classrooms, being a part of the Christmas program and VBS planning and more!

If you have questions or would like more information about volunteering in the Faith Formation and Confirmation ministries, please connect with Anna Reinhold (Birth-5) or Brigetta Wingender (1<sup>st</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade).

## NURSERY:

We would like to create a little reading corner for the Nursery! If you have gently used board books that your child has outgrown, consider donating them for our littlest members to enjoy! Books can be dropped off either right in the nursery or in Anna Reinhold's mailbox. Please reach out to Anna ([areinhold@popappleton.org](mailto:areinhold@popappleton.org)) if you have any questions.

**THE STORY OF GEORGE MBATIA :** A native of Kenya, George Mbatia is a competitive cyclist on the Men's Kenyan team. He was discovered by sponsors from the Netherlands, while they were stranded in the African savannah, when George stopped to help. As a goat herder from his village, he made a decision to leave his goats and help the strangers. He was only 10. These people taught him how to ride a bike and eventually trained him as a cyclist. Taking third place in national competitions, he was sponsored to attend Ripon College in 2015/2016 for further training and to receive a business degree which will help build a non-profit ministry called "Rims of Sweat." He wants to develop leaders from other villages and help them not only win races, but find faith.



*George, his wife Rahab, and their soon to be 3 year old daughter Makena.*

Last summer, as well as this summer, George has been working at Crossways Camping Ministries. He's a counselor and leads camper in a week long faith discovery through games, activities, bible study and shares his experiences from Kenya. His quiet leadership speaks loudly to who George is...a man of faith, compassion and hope for God's work to catch on throughout the world.

Unfortunately, George's sponsorship for Ripon College ended early. There are not many job opportunities in Kenya, and without a college degree, providing for his family has become a struggle. George's dream is to complete a business degree in the US so that he can grow his ministry in Africa. Each race they win not only puts money into the villages, it builds leaders and helps these racers grow in their faith.

During the 2016/2017 school year, George and his family lived with a hostess in Green Bay. Members from Bethel Lutheran Church drove George to and from Green Bay to Fox Valley Technical College. George's educational VISA limits him to work on campus within his scope of study. Through the efforts of the East Central Synod of WI Global Mission Committee, Crossways Camping Ministries, Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Appleton, and other caring members from across the synod, we are raising money to move George and his family from Green Bay to the Appleton area, so George can continue to attend Fox Valley Technical College.

We are in need of funding so that George can continue his education, be independent, and follow God's call in his life. Please prayerfully consider contributing. Make checks payable to: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church (Include GEORGE MBATIA in the memo). Send to: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church ▪ 2330 E. Calumet St. ▪ Appleton, WI 54915

**Added Note:** Please continue to save your aluminum cans over the summer so that we can cash them in for laundry money. And thank you from the bottom of our hearts for you generosity - the Mbatia family & committee have been blown away with the many & various contributions to date, praise be to God!

## FOX VALLEY LUTHERAN HOMES - JULY 2017 NEWS

Isn't it hard to believe that it could be time for the Fourth of July already? Do you remember when you were in grade school and a school year seemed to last FOREVER? Well, I guess I'm in the right place now, because time just seems to fly by here. I think it has something to do with the number of years I've seen fly by me!

Our big news is that we are **saying "good bye" to our Care Coordinator, Ruth Laughlin**, who will be moving back to her beloved state of Washington at the end of July, so we have an **opening for a part-time (16 hours per week) Care Coordinator**. We prefer an experienced RN with a current Wisconsin Licensure. Anyone who is interested should send resume and/or a request for additional information to [becky.fvlhomes@gmail.com](mailto:becky.fvlhomes@gmail.com) or mail to Fox Valley Lutheran Homes, Inc. 425 N. Linwood Ave. # 111, Appleton, WI 54914, ATTN: Becky Luett, Executive Director.

Our **Spring Appeal is progressing and so far we have raised enough money to carpet the first and second floors of Linwood Place Apartments**. Only one more floor to go! A few more generous donations will do the trick. If you haven't sent your donation in yet, please do so as soon as you are able. We so appreciate any and all donations. Our tenants are really enjoying the new look!

We are **planning for the fall and our annual Pie, Ice Cream and Silent Auction**. The 2017 event will take place on October 1, from 10 AM to 1PM in the Fox Valley Commons. Put that date on your calendar now! Bakers please put that date on your calendars so you can once again bring us some of your delicious pies. Crafters, woodworkers, artists, artisans, and business people put us on your calendars for donations to our Silent Auction! This is where we raise a large portion of our funds for the extra projects we do in the fall. I will be sending out more information through your Connector. Find your Connector(s)! Watch for more information as the date gets closer. Have a great summer!

Thanks to all of you for what you do to support us and our ministry! You make a difference!

*Becky Luett, Deacon / Executive Director*

**HUGE SHOUT-OUT FROM "THE MUSIC MISSION"** to all those who helped set up, sell baked goods, sell tacos, water and soda for the "GIMME 5 TO KEEP MUSIC ALIVE" benefit concert - THANK YOU! And thank you to everyone who came to listen and/or donate to this worthy cause. They raised \$1400.00 plus a few much appreciated instruments, plus the Mission Trippers earned \$393.00 in food sales. Prince of Peace, and all the organizers involved, thank you for your generosity! (If you were unable to be there and/or have an instrument to donate, please contact the Music Mission directly at [MusicMissionAppleton@gmail.com](mailto:MusicMissionAppleton@gmail.com) / 920-733-5172, or on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/MusicMissionAppleton>.

## Foster the Future, Become a Foster Parent!

Did you know that around 8,000 children are placed in foster care each year in Wisconsin alone?

Many children in foster care are unable to safely return to their families and are in need of a loving home. Foster families open their hearts and homes to children requiring placement on a short or long-term basis.

Foster parents can be married, single or non-marital partners, homeowners or renters, employed or retired. LSS staff are available to guide parents every step of the way! Other supports include: **ongoing training, 24/7 support, respite & financial stipend.**



To learn more about becoming a licensed foster parent, please contact:

Meghan Presing  
[Meghan.Presing@lsswis.org](mailto:Meghan.Presing@lsswis.org)  
(920) 730-1343



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## BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

We are STILL saving box tops and also labels for education from Campbell Soup cans. Thank you for your help in the past! The box for box tops and labels is located above the mail boxes across from the offices in the hallway. Thank you for continuing to save and support the Box Tops for Education program!



## MONTHLY SPOTLIGHT ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Through financially supporting Lutheran Social Service of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan, we help victims of human trafficking. In response to the growing problem of sex trafficking, LSS has opened a new residential treatment center for girls ages 10-18 who have been victimized. This kind of human trafficking causes severe, complex trauma and recovery is not quick or easy.

Many of the girls who are treated are dealing with sexual abuse, anxiety, depression and drug and alcohol addiction. The therapy they receive helps them overcome their past, manage their emotions, and build their self-esteem and trust others. Go to [lsswis.org/transitions](http://lsswis.org/transitions) and read about the work of LSS with human trafficking victims and watch the video of a 15 year old girl who found hope and healing through their Transitions Treatment Program.



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### Mission Statement

*Prince of Peace Lutheran Church is a Family of Christians Growing in Faith & Reaching Out in Love*

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### **Sunday Worship Services:**

**Summer** (Memorial to Labor Day Weekend):

8:00 & 9:45 am

**Sept. - May:** 8:00, 9:20 & 10:45 am

### **Wed. OASIS Worship:**

on hiatus until September 13

**Holy Communion** Every Service

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