

Prings of Peace

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**PRINCE OF PEACE
 LUTHERAN CHURCH
 APPLETON, WI**

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Connecting with Christ, Each Other & Our Community!



Pastor Roger McQuiston (left), Pastor Keith Tomlinson (center right), Pastor Will Bloedow (seated) and Pastor Jennifer (not pictured) adorned in dress robes dispersed ashes for Ash Wednesday Services.



"I put in a jelly bean for pastor."

On March 17th Anna Reinhold (left) and Brigetta Wingender (right) shared thanks for our Faith Formation & Confirmation leaders during worship, handing out small "pots o' gold" gifts to each afterwards.



In March, 4th Graders received instruction from Pastor Roger in preparation for their 1st Communion (see pg. 11)



Our February 27th FROLIC Family Night lesson kicked off with some music - egg shakers are the best!
 (more photos see pg. 10)

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

Attendance	Total/By Service	
February 27 (OASIS)		81
March 3		
First Service	115	
Second Service	146	
Third Service	46	
March 6 (Ash Wed)		264
Noon	55	
6:15 pm	209	
March 10		156
First Service	45	
Second Service	81	
Third Service	30	
March 13 (Lent)		171
March 17		292
First Service	100	
Second Service	136	
Third Service	56	
March 20 (Lent)		128
March 24		282
First Service	116	
Second Service	130	
Third Service	36	

**SPRING CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING
MAY 19TH @ 12:15 P.M.**

MEET OUR NEW POP FAMILY MEMBERS - SPRING 2019:



Joshua and Jennifer Iverson (Markus)
Kimberly, WI
Joshua: I love to cook and bake!
Jennifer: The most fun place I've traveled to was Jamaica.



Tom and Kathy McNeely
Appleton, WI
Tom: Designed a virtual pipe organ using my old console and purchased parts. The organ is in the basement studio where we give concerts and have guest organists – "Studio 76."
Kathy: I'd rather be outside than inside, gardening, hiking and biking.



David Rades
Appleton, WI
Dave: Nearly 40 years in water pollution work gave me an opportunity to see some of man's worst against God's creation, followed by some rebuilding when we began taking care of what He gave us.



Tom and Ellen Rick
Appleton, WI
Tom: I love riding my Harley Davidson motorcycle and fishing up in Eagle River.
Ellen: I enjoy reading, biking and traveling. I love to explore state parks and hike the trails with our beloved golden retriever, Kuma

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SCRIP will be available April 7th & 28th. We usually sell on the first and third Sundays, but with EASTER being the third weekend, SCRIP will be sold the first and fourth Sunday, April 7th & 28th. We have many grocery cards available and now we carry Kwik Trip cards! Remember to bring your checkbook to church!

For Scrip Order Information - Contact [Sandy Weihing](#) .

WINTER DREAMS

As I look out my window, the snow and ice are in full retreat! (By the time you get this, I hope it has continued.) The long-awaited Spring seems to be upon us! Is it just me or has this been a hard and long winter for you too?

Remember those dark days of winter when you looked out the window and dreamed of spring activities? Well now is the time to do them: take a walk, stroll through the neighborhood, wash the car, clean the windows....now is the time when all those dreams can come true.

But let me go a bit further with you. Did you make any dreams about your faith life? Have you promised to get involved in a Bible study, or serve someone in need, or pray more intentionally, or make amends with someone with whom you are estranged, or treat your body as the gift it is? Well, whatever it is, now is the time to make those winter dreams a reality.

But be kind to yourself! Our actions don't save us. Christ did! He wants us to have life and have it abundantly, here and now. That is the free offer. That is grace. We simply need to open ourselves to the Holy Spirit, trust God and accept and appreciate the gift. And like any gift, we experience it most fully when we share it with others. So think of this Eastertide as a time to unwrap God's gift of grace: wash our faces that have been encrusted with ashes and salty tears, forgive ourselves and others for the debris of the past, allow God's Word to plant new seeds in our eager souls and celebrate how God will bring forth a surprising and bountiful harvest. The great news is that God is already at work, opening our graves and bringing forth life. In fact, Jesus is the first fruits of the harvest that is offered to us. May we be open to his offer to turn our winter dreams into reality!

Joy,




LENTEN CONNECTIONS: I LOVE TO TELL THE STORY...

What does it mean to you to follow Jesus? We all do this in our daily lives. At times it is easy and at other times it is not. But through it all, Jesus never abandons us and is always by our side leading us. Following is as varied as there are people. During our Lenten Midweek services we will be using *Holden Evening Prayer*, reading from the gospels and witnessing how various people in the Bible followed Jesus, and we will also hear personal stories of how members of our own family of faith follow our Lord. Their responses and experiences will inspire us in our own daily walks. After our sessions, you can join us in the Library for a brief reflection on how their story intersects with yours.

We invite you to join in our journey on these **Wednesday evenings during Lent. All services will be at 6:15 pm.** (Nursery care provided.) As is a tradition at PoP, worship will be preceded by **family-style meals hosted by our Women of the ELCA (WELCA) ministry starting at 5:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall**; please sign up on the display stand in the Narthex to bring a dish to pass.

Our final midweek worship will conclude on April 10th with a Healing service, as we ask for the Holy Spirit to heal us wherever we are in our faith journey. Feel free to invite family members and friends to come for that and any of these opportunities.

To help prepare you, here are each night's themes and hymns.

March 27 – Matthew 8:18-23 – Jesus heals a blind beggar who follows him; *Hymn 798* – “Will You Come and Follow Me”

April 3 – John 8:12 – Jesus is the light of the world; *Hymn: 677* – “This Little Light of Mine”

April 10 – Service of Healing – Matthew 12:9-15

April 18 – Maundy Thursday

April 19 – Good Friday, we will host our neighboring ELCA congregations at 12:15 pm, also our regular worship at 6:15 pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COUNCIL'S CORNER

Highlights from March 19, 2019 Meeting*

Furnace update – replacement of 9 furnaces will begin this spring to take advantage of lower costs. A total charge of \$23,000 is lower than expected, plus we qualify for Focus on Energy rebates of \$5,400, so final cost is under \$18,000. Payment comes from our Building Fund.

Stewardship – General and Building Fund contributions are down for the first two months of 2019. (See monthly chart on wallboard in the narthex.) Some of this may be weather related. Please keep your giving up-to-date and THANK YOU for your donations.

Upcoming Events –

- Apr. 13 – PoP Community Easter Egg Hunt
- Apr. 30 – Next Council Meeting
- May 18 - Electronic Recycling Event, PoP parking lot
- May 19 – May Congregational Meeting
- May 26 – New Sunday worship times begin, 8:00 & 9:40 am

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This year Prince of Peace will be working with seven other faith groups to build a FIVE bedroom, two bath house at 971 Stead Dr., Menasha. **Volunteers are needed from May 8 through August 10.** Volunteers are needed for a variety of construction tasks as well as meal preparation and site support. **No construction experience is necessary, just a willingness to help others!**

Signing up to help is easy. This year there's a greater variety of dates to choose from! Instead of assigning specific days to each congregation as in the past, now all dates are open to all congregations. So the sooner we sign up, the more dates we will have available to choose from. Simply visit the Interfaith build link to sign up:

<https://foxcitieshabitat.volunteerhub.com/lp/interfaith/>

After you sign up, we would also appreciate it if you would let [Aaron Juhl](#) (920-522-2177) know that you signed up so he can keep track of how many Prince of Peace folks are participating. Thank you! You may also contact him with any questions you may have about the project. We appreciate your consideration and hope you will get involved in this great ministry opportunity!

LENT & HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

Wednesdays -

Lenten Suppers @ 5:15 p.m. hosted by WELCA
"Holden Evening Prayer" Lenten Services-
March 27 & April 3 & 10 @ 6:15 p.m.

Palm Sunday - April 14*

Maundy Thursday - April 18 @ 6:15 p.m.

Good Friday - April 19 @ 12:15 & 6:15 p.m.

Easter Sunday - April 21st*

* 8:00, 9:20 & 10:45 a.m.



We continue to celebrate our Silver and Gold year, but also the Season of Lent. Our Lenten Series, *Cross Purposes*, continues on April 3 with Zion Lutheran Church leading us, then on April 10th, First English Lutheran Church leads us, and on April 18th, Maundy Thursday, our Chaplain, Pastor Dan from Grace Lutheran leads us. The services start at 11:30, followed by a light luncheon. Please remember our \$50,000 Matching Gift Campaign for our elevator, as well as our Spring Appeal, which are both still ongoing. Your generosity is what keeps Fox Valley Lutheran Homes ministry alive and well! Towards the end of April, besides the Resurrection of our Lord, we also will be celebrating two other occasions at Fox Valley Lutheran Homes. On Saturday, April 28, we will be holding our *Annual Meeting* in the Commons. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and the meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. Each congregation is entitled to send two voting delegates to this meeting. (Prince of Peace's delegates are Arlyn & Pat Plate). On Monday, April 29, Fox Valley Lutheran Homes will be hosting our *Annual Volunteer Tea*. Watch the mail for your invitation! Volunteers are *Very Important People* at Fox Valley Lutheran Homes! Your hands are indeed doing God's work! We at Fox Valley Lutheran Homes are thankful for you!

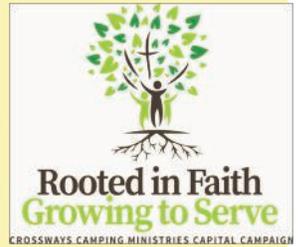
Fox Valley Lutheran Homes:

Apartments for rent: 1 BR & 2 BR; Call Becky or Katie at 734-7225.

Mid-week Lenten services: Fox Valley Lutheran Homes at 11:30 A.M.: April 3, 10, 18; meal to follow.

FVLH Annual Meeting: Saturday, April 27, Registration @ 8:30 a.m., Meeting @ 9:00 a.m.

All Donations Matched! Until May 31, 2019 all donations to elevator fund at FVLH will be matched up to \$50,000! Donate online, by mail, or in person!



Dear Fellow PoP Members,
Which individuals in our communities and churches are facing the greatest challenges in their lives?

Many of us would say that the answer is our youth. Their lives are filled with difficult choices and many different influences. Others would respond that it is families. Crossways Camping Ministries is a shining star in producing positive influences on children, youth, and families. The counselors and leaders offer positive role models through small-group, relationship-based programs that teach identity as children of God. Families have the opportunity to move out of their normal routines in order to connect with one another.

Once the "**Rooted in Faith, Growing to Serve**" campaign is successfully completed, the much-needed upgrades to the camping and retreat facilities and programs will help provide even stronger ministry and will be available to more youth and families than ever before. The need is critical to complete the campaign over the next three years.

You have an opportunity to join in this effort by making a commitment to the campaign. Please prayerfully consider your support of Crossways Camping Ministry.

~ Yours in Christ, Pastor Will Bloedow, Prince of Peace/
Crossways Campaign Coordinator

(Note: All Crossways capital campaign contributions are to be made directly to Crossways (not Prince of Peace).

They will provide 'commitment cards' to fill out on March 31st. However, if you do wish to make a check out today, please make it out to: Crossways Camping Ministry with "Capital Fund" in the memo line and place it in a blue pew envelope and into the offering plate.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Will Bloedow
Prince of Peace/Crossways Campaign Coordinator

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF KITS

Women of the ELCA (WELCA) have long supported Lutheran World Relief (LWR). We do so by preparing kits (Personal Care, School, Baby), as well as quilts, which are distributed throughout the world wherever needed. We need your help in preparing these kits by donating items to include. The first kits we wish to work on are the **Personal Care Kits**.

Items we're now collecting are:

- Bath-size bars of soap in original packaging
- Sturdy combs (no picks or fine-toothed combs)
- Lightweight bath-size towels (dark colors preferred - 20" to 27" x 40" to 52")
- Single wrapped adult-size toothbrushes
- Metal nail clippers

All items should be in new condition and may be placed in the white baskets, back in the room off the north side of the library. (Ask at the office if you need assistance.) Your help completing as many kits as possible will be greatly appreciated!



MINISTRY NEWS

LIBRARY CORNER:

New books:

66 Ways God Loves You by Jennifer Rothschild views the Bible as God's love letter. In each of the 66 books of the Bible, the author pinpoints how God demonstrates His love for us.



Alicia Britt Chole's *40 Days of Decrease: A Different Kind of Hunger, a Different Kind of Fast* offers a meaningful consideration of Jesus' journey and then invites readers into a daily fast of heart-clutter, the stuff that sticks to our souls and weighs us down. Designed for the Lenten season as preparation for the glory of Jesus' resurrection, this forty-day journey can be done any time of the year.

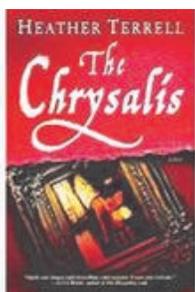
Recently donated to the library:

Beth Moore teaching CDs:

- *Learning to Be Led by the Holy Spirit—Letting God Guide You in Every Area of Your Life*
- *What Do You Want Out of Life?*
- *Trust God and Do Good: You Can Live With Joy... Even When You Don't Have All the Answers*
- *Let God Fight Your Battles*

Book: *Vulnerable: Rethinking Human Trafficking* by Raleigh Sadler tackles a timely issue—there are more than 40 million enslaved people in the world today. The author demystifies the issue and provides keys to how readers can play a part in bringing about a solution. Sadler is the founder of a movement called *Let My People Go* which has grown into a nonprofit organization that joins with and empowers local churches to address the injustice of human trafficking.

POP PAGE TUNERS BOOK CLUB



Our next Page Turners' gathering will be: **Thursday, April 11th at 1:30 in the Library.**

For April, we will be reading *The Chrysalis*, by Heather Terrell.

Synopsis: Haarlem, Holland, seventeenth-century: The city's chief magistrate commissions a family portrait from Dutch master painter Johannes

Miereveld. He creates a captivating masterpiece, *The Chrysalis*—a stunning portrait of the Virgin Mary, full of Catholic symbols, that outrages his Protestant patron and signals the death of his career.

New York, present day: Mara Coyne is one high-profile case away from making partner when the prestigious Beazley's auction house is about to sell a lost masterwork, *The Chrysalis*, in an auction that is destined to become

legendary. Spanning centuries and continents, *The Chrysalis* is a brilliant, intelligent, fast-paced thriller that melds art and history into a provocative work of fiction. From the underground Catholicism in seventeenth-century Holland, to the unspeakable crimes of the Nazis and the repercussions that reverberate to this day throughout the art world, Heather Terrell has created a fascinating story that will entrance readers to the very last page.

The May book is: Shirley Temple: American Princess, by Anne Edwards:

At the age of five, Shirley Temple became the world's most famous and acclaimed child—the most talented, beautiful child performer ever to capture the public's imagination. Nine-tenths of the world could recognize her on sight. She single-handedly cheered an entire nation caught in the firm grip of a depression. Her films saved a major studio from bankruptcy. As lionized, idolized and protected as royalty, Shirley Temple was the one and only American Princess.

Shirley Temple is brought into focus in this definitive, intimate portrait of her as a child and as the woman that child became: a woman forced to live her entire life in the shadow of her own past glory. We follow the tumultuous events and disappointments that marked Shirley Temple's meteoric rise to unprecedented fame as a child star, her fall as an adolescent who had outgrown her appeal, and her surprising ascent into a world figure as ambassador to the United Nations, Chief of Protocol for the United States, and Ambassador to Ghana; her "princess in the tower" upbringing that isolated her from friends and real child's play and from studio co-workers as well; her obsessive relationship with her mother, Gertrude, who lived her life through her famous daughter; and her transformation from film star to society matron, television tycoon, to American diplomat; her courageous battle with cancer; and her ever-present realization that "little Shirley Temple's" greatness would always exceed that of the grown woman.

Anne Edwards has had the cooperation of those who have been closest to Shirley Temple in all stages of her unique life. She has written a book that does not spare the truth, and is as glittering an exposé of Hollywood and its power brokers as any bestselling novel of that genre.

All are welcome to join in for one or both discussions!



WHO'S UP for some BREAKFAST?

Want to get out of the house for a bit! Seniors, come meet up for a some PoP family-time with food and fellow-

ship at **9:00 a.m., the 4th Thursday of each month, at Angel's Restaurant (1401 E. John St.).** Call Elaine Cotton at 733-7907 with questions. See you there (weather permitting.) **Next event: Thursday, April 25th.**



2019 OFFERING OF LETTERS: BETTER NUTRITION, BETTER TOMORROW

What is the Offering of Letters?

Bread for the World's annual Offering of Letters campaign engages churches, campuses, and other faith communities in writing letters to Congress. Each year, for the focus of the campaign, we choose specific legislation or a legislative emphasis that can make a real difference to people struggling with hunger and poverty.

People write letters, usually as a group, and present them as an offering to God before mailing them to Congress. Hundreds of Offerings of Letters are held each year, resulting in tens of thousands of letters to Congress. Supported with prayer, these letters are a bold witness to God's justice and mercy. They have, and continue to have, a significant impact on the decisions made in Congress.

What is the 2019 Offering of Letters About?

Today, nearly 821 million people in the world—11 percent of the world's population—remain hungry. One in 4 of the world's children are affected by stunting, resulting in irreversible life consequences. Countries in Central America, South Asia, and Sub-Saharan Africa are disproportionately affected. Almost half of all child deaths worldwide are linked to malnutrition.

Take Action

To accelerate progress on nutrition, we must scale up what we know works: improved access to nutritious foods, vitamins and minerals, clean water and sanitation, promotion of breastfeeding, and treatment for severe malnutrition. Current funding is not enough to reach our global nutrition goals, and powerful political forces are pushing to curtail poverty-focused assistance.

Every child deserves a chance to survive and thrive. And when children thrive, so do economies—leading to greater global economic and political stability. Let's join together to urge our government to expand support for global nutrition programs that will improve the lives of millions of children and mothers worldwide.

Nutrition for children experiencing hunger is a bipartisan issue that will draw support from people in churches across the country, people of goodwill, and leaders from both political parties in Washington, D.C. At a time of sharp political divide in our country, participating in the Offering of Letters can unite Americans around a common cause for which millions stand to gain.

Your messages to Congress will urge legislators to support a global initiative to accelerate progress on nutrition and to protect and increase funding for global nutrition.

SOURCE: <http://www.bread.org/2019-offering-letters-congress-better-nutrition-better-tomorrow>

HERE'S WHAT YOU CAN DO:

- Take a few minutes to **join other PoP members in the Congregational Life Room on April 7** anytime between services or after third service. George Mbatia will be joining the Advocacy Team to describe the effects of hunger he has witnessed in his home country of Kenya as part of the orientation sessions at 9:15, 10:00, 10:30 and 11:45.
- We will have information and supplies, address your questions, and discuss how to write letters to your members of Congress. You can choose to write a letter (or three!) on the spot or take materials with you and write letters at home. Short letters are best! Our goal is to generate 100+ letters from Prince of Peace members to Congress.
- If you write at home, please be sure to add your return address to the envelopes and bring your letters by April 14. We will offer and bless the letters on April 14 before we send them on their way to our representatives and senators. We can do this, and Bread for the World has shown time and again that the Offering of Letters makes a real difference.

For at-home letter-writers: find a tool kit for meaningful, handwritten letter or personalized e-mails at:

<http://www.bread.org/2019-offering-letters-congress-better-nutrition-better-tomorrow>

Thank you, PoP ELCA Advocacy Team

APRIL 2019 | WORSHIP SUPPORT

ASSISTING MINISTERS

April 7 Michelle Landsverk
 April 14 Mark Steine
 April 21 8:00 - Mark Steine
 (Easter) 9:20 - Kris Gurholt
 10:45 - Bill Lempesis
 April 28 John Allhiser

USHERS

8:00 am Jack Anderson / Mark Anderson
 9:20 am Chris Howard / Cason Mohr / Brennen Howard
 10:45 am Scott Perrine / Lee Grosskreutz
 Maundy Thu - Dean Buffington
 Good Friday - Noon: Dennis Sauberlich 6:15pm: (TBD)
 Easter: 8:00 - Greg Grunert; (9:20 & 10:45 - TBD)

ACOLYTES

8:00 am
 April 3 , 6:15 pm - Ben Engebos
 April 7 Carson Mayer
 April 10, 6:15 pm - Kaleb McGinnis
 April 14 Kelsie Mohr
 April 17, 6:15 pm- NO Worship/Confirmation
 April 18, 6:15 pm - Maundy Thursday:
 April 19, 6:15 pm - Good Friday: Bailey Wheeler
 April 21 (Easter) TBD
 April 28 Tyler Mohr

9:20 am

Sophia Roehrborn
 Kyra Nickel
 Brianna Sackett
 Matt Leder

10:45 am

Logan Lowry
 Alivia Brown
 TBD
 Ben Schuller

GREETERS

8:00 am
 April 7
 East Tom & Shari Mason
 West Bill & Marilyn Helmeid

9:20 am

Kris Gurholt
 Mike & Cindy Romnek

10:45 am

Jeff & Pam Wickman
 N/A

April 14 (Palm Sunday)

East Spielvogel Family
 West Tim & Judy Norum

Julie Lawler/Joyce Lee
 Ron & Carol Rank

Lempesis Family
 N/A

April 21 (EASTER)

East Anne Jackson/Sharyn March
 West Greg & Sue Knudson

Tom & Nancy Scheuerman
 Yvonne Gurholt

Jay & Kate Worth
 N/A

April 28

East Arlyn & Pat Plate
 West Terry & Shirley Clemmons

Gary & Michelle Wiesman
 Adam & Jackie Piette Family

Gene Begalske
 N/A

PARAMENTS & CANDLE VOLUNTEER: TBD (SEE BELOW)

NURSERY CARE PROVIDERS: Lynda Chavez / Linnea Dolan



CANDLES & PARAMENTS SUPPORT PERSON NEEDED:

We're looking for a Worship Support team volunteer(s) to help with Candles & Paraments for April & August. The person(s) would be responsible to check, clean as needed and/or change out the worship/eternal candles weekly (in the Sanctuary by the altar, baptismal font, by the cross & in the CLR) and re-set paraments (altar cloth/banners) to match the colors of the church season. We typically have 6 people on the team, each covering two months of the year and our April/August person is no longer able to serve.

Typically you'll stop by church weekly during assigned months to make sure the candles are fresh and ready for that week's services. We also have two 'eternal' candles (1 in the sanctuary and 1 in the CLR) to keep lit weekly. If you are interested, or have questions, please contact our new paraments coordinator, Carrie Sinotte (cmsinotte@new.rr.com; 585-0669). She will provide guidelines and instruction as needed. Thank you!

APRIL 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7 5th Sunday in Lent / SCRIP Sold between services 8:00 AM Worship w/ Holy Communion (Choir) 8:45 AM BREAD FOR THE WORLD/Letter Writing 9:20 AM Worship with Holy Comm + FF 10:30 AM FROLIC Faith Formation 10:30 AM Mental Illness Ministry Meeting 10:45 AM Seder Meal 10:45 AM Worship with Holy Communion (BG)	1 10:00 AM AA Meeting 2:00 PM Gathering Room Reserved 6:30 PM BS Troop 127 Wkly Mtg 7:00 PM NA Meeting	2 SPRING ELECTION DAY 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 9:30 AM Tuesday Bible Study 10:00 AM AA Meeting 10:45 AM 4th Gr Classroom reserved 6:30 PM Property Ministry Meeting 6:30 PM Stewardship Ministry Meeting	3 6:30 AM Men's Bible Study 9:00 AM Quilters Meet 9:30 AM Soli Deo HB rehearsal 10:00 AM AA Meeting 1:00 PM B. Mendyke Bible Study 5:15 PM Lenten Supper 6:15 PM Lenten Evening Service 7:00 PM Canticle Choir rehearsal 7:00 PM Conf./Lenten Lrg Group 7:00 PM LRP Meeting	4 9:30 AM Gathering Room Reserved 10:00 AM AA Meeting 6:30 PM PoP A Stitch	5 10:00 AM AA Meeting	6 7:00 AM AA Meeting 9:00 AM Centering Prayer (Library) 10:00 AM AA Meeting
8 8:30 AM CWU Board Meeting 10:00 AM AA Meeting 10:00 AM Salvation Army 1:15 PM Sarah Circle (Ann N./Ruth B.) 2:00 PM Gathering Room Reserved 6:30 PM BS Troop 127 Wkly Mtg 6:30 PM NAOMI Circle (Marilyn H.) 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study (Library) 7:00 PM ESTHER Circle (Dena W./Pat H.) 7:00 PM NA Meeting	9 8:30 AM FH reserved - Kostelny 9:30 AM Tuesday Bible Study 10:00 AM AA Meeting 10:00 AM RUTH Circle (J.Barndt, Host & BS) 10:45 AM 4th Gr Classroom reserved 2:15 PM Staff Meeting 6:00 PM Girl Scout Meeting	10 6:30 AM Men's Bible Study 9:00 AM Quilters Meet 9:30 AM Soli Deo HB rehearsal 10:00 AM AA Meeting 1:00 PM B. Mendyke Bible Study 5:15 PM Lenten Supper 5:30 PM REDEEMERS HS Group (Movie) 6:15 PM Lenten Evening Healing Service 7:00 PM Canticle Choir rehearsal 7:00 PM Confirmation - Last Day Celebration	11 9:00 AM 1st Call Pastors Gathering 9:30 AM Gathering Room Reserved 10:00 AM AA Meeting 1:30 PM "PoP Page Turners" Book Club	12 Easter Egg Hunt Prep 10:00 AM AA Meeting	13 7:00 AM AA Meeting 8:00 AM WELCA Appleton Conf. 2019 Spring Event "Fruits of the Spirit" 9:00 AM Centering Prayer (Library) 10:00 AM AA Meeting 10:00 AM Easter Egg Hunt 	20 PALM SUNDAY / 1st Communion 8:00 AM Worship w/ Holy Comm (Soli Deo) 9:20 AM Worship with Holy Comm + FF (Soli Deo) 10:45 AM Worship with Holy Communion
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YOUTH, FAMILY & OUTREACH

For any Faith Formation/Confirmation/Youth Outreach questions or concerns, please contact us through the church office #739-5255 or by email:
Anna Reinhold (Birth - 5K) areinhold@popappleton.org
Brigetta Wingender (1st -9th Grade)
bwindgender@popappleton.org

Frolic Family Night

At our February Frolic Night, PoP families with young children came together for a meal, learning about the ways that Jesus teaches and heals, and for play time! We had five families join us for the fun: The Guthus, The Hass', the Iversons, the Nelson/Mastersons and the Preuss'. (photos below and front cover)



Say "Cheeeese!!!"



FAITH FORMATION KEY DATES

April

- 7th- Seder Meal and Communion Walk-thru (4th graders)
- 14th- Faith Formation Large Group (in the Fellowship Hall)
- 14th - 1st Communion
- 21st- 1st Communion / No Faith Formation (Happy Easter!)

May

- 19th- Last Day of Faith Formation (large group activity in the Fellowship Hall)

June

- 15th - PoP Camp at Calumet County Park—
Mark your Calendars!!

Dr. Abe helping to heal our stuffed animal friends.



Building with blocks takes a lot of focus!



FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATIONS

Beginning March 10th, 4th grade students at Prince of Peace began preparation for their First Communion. Preparations began with a series of 2 classes, held on March 10th and 17th, and were taught by Pastor Jennifer, and Pastor Roger, respectively. The curriculum we are using this year is called "A Place For You." Its focus is that there is a place for EVERYONE at the Lord's Table.



The students did a fantastic job contributing and exchanging ideas! On March 17th, following the second preparation class, students participating in a PoP tradition of decorating a cross with colored glass beads and cut glass, to commemorate their First Communion. To complete their preparation, students will participate in the Seder Meal on April 7th, which will be followed by an introduction to, and practice of, how to receive Communion. Once all of that is complete, they will receive their First Communion at an upcoming service of their family's choosing. They will be wearing a commemorative white stole, so if you happen to see them, please join us in welcoming them to the Lord's Table!



CONFIRMATION CLASSES make chew toys and write letters to Service Members!

On Ash Wednesday our 6th-8th grade Confirmation Youth took part in a service project. They made chew toys to be donated to the Fox Valley Humane Society, and wrote letters to our armed services members.

We only had about 20 minutes to do this multi-service project and they ended up making 100 chew toys and writing 26 letters! WOW!

Thank you for your hard work and sharing the love of God, both near and far!!



Braided fleece dog toys

Cards for our service men/women



MORE YOUTH, FAMILY & OUTREACH



Last month's *Pizza with a Purpose* kicked off a new era for REDEEMERS, the H.S. youth group! Katie, the new High School Connections Coordinator, was able to meet and mingle with many of the high schoolers while making some pretty great... even creative pizzas. This turned out to be an informative evening for everyone involved. This summer will instate a boost in programming, events and fellowship for our teens!

April marks the end of confirmation for 9th graders (congrats!) with their Celebration Dinner. So we'll kick off monthly REDEEMERS gatherings for high school students, starting with a '*Cinco De Mayo*' themed Taco Night the following Wednesday, May 1st!

We are excited to provide more opportunities for our teens to connect. We also look forward to encouraging an increase in intergenerational connections within our church family. Additionally, there will be a stronger focus on charitable efforts to engage the youth with their community. Basically, if you're a teen you're going to want to be a REDEEMER!

Katie Castel's PoP Work Schedule (Revised)

Monday: 5-7 hours (Home)
 Tuesday: 2-6 pm (POP)
 Wednesday: 2-8 pm (POP)
 Thursday: 2-6pm (POP)
 Sundays on occasion as applicable

4TH GRADERS & FIRST COMMUNION

The Children can receive their First Communion on April 14th or 21st, or whenever they are able if those dates don't work. Please connect with Brigetta Wingender if you have any questions.

1ST COMMUNION SCHEDULE:

April

7th- 10:45-12:15 Seder Meal/Communion Walk-thru (4th graders)

14th or 21st- 1st Communion (either date)

21st- No Faith Formation (Happy Easter!)

May

19th- Last Day of Faith Formation (large group activity in the Fellowship Hall)

CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE

- **March 27th** – No Confirmation
- **April 10th** – Last day of Confirmation for 2018-2019 year
- **April 24th** – Confirmation Celebration dinner for 9th grade Confirmation Students, their parents and their mentors.
- **April 27th** – 10:00 am Confirmation Sunday rehearsal for 9th graders.
- **April 28th** at 10:45 service – Confirmation Sunday



Thank you Faith Formation Teachers, Faith Formation Helpers and Confirmation leaders!

On Sunday, March 17 we recognized all of the hard work our teachers, helpers and leaders put into guiding our PoP children and youth in their faith journeys this school year. Thank you again!!





HELPING HANDS OUTREACH –

New Volunteers are always welcome with the Helping Hands Outreach.

Benefits of Volunteering with Helping Hands:

- Meaningful and rewarding experiences.
- A sense of satisfaction contributing to the quality of one's self.
- 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.

Connect with Erin Larson (Helping Hands Chair) at hankeyej@gmail.com, if you are interested in this wonderful outreach at Prince of Peace.

Shedding the Light: Learning about Opioid Addiction, Trauma and Self-Care, a free Community Event Saturday, May 4th – 9:00 – Noon, at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

Join us as we learn about opioid use and childhood trauma in our community. Presenters will include Bev Kelley-Miller of the Megan Kelly Foundation, Jesse Heffernan of Helios Addiction Recovery Services and Chris Wardlow of Catalpa Health in Outagamie County. In addition to the presentation, the Wisconsin Faces of Addiction and Recovery Quilts will be on display. These quilts are a visual reminder of the impact addiction has made on our Wisconsin communities and families. A presentation on ACEs (Adverse Childhood Experiences) childhood trauma will be presented by NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) of the Fox Valley.

We will grow our understanding of the issues, make connections with local providers and learn how to support those dealing with opioid addiction. Refreshments and a 30 minute meditation educational experience will be offered mid-morning to rejuvenate our minds and give us some tools for self-care. Don't pass this wonderful opportunity to find how we can help our loved ones. Break the stigma!

Advance registration is not required but appreciated at www.felc.com/forms.

For more information, please contact [Cindy Romnek](#).
(See flyer page 15.)

COMPASSION PANTRY

Helping our backyard neighbors!

Did you know that for the last several years, area Fox Valley schools have developed food pantries at their campuses to help students who live in poverty, have mental illness or have other overwhelming family circumstances? Appleton East is one of those schools. Unfortunately, AE has exhausted their donations from most of their pantry and they need our help with some simple donations, by providing food and hygiene items for their students.

Donation ideas include: granola or protein bars, men's deodorant, single serve snacks, cereal, nuts, dried fruit or trail mix, soup, Ravioli, Chicken Ramen noodle packets, applesauce or fruit cups, Hamburger Helper, Tuna Helper, Spaghetti noodles and sauce, simple dinner mixes, paper towels, toilet paper and any cash donations (checks can be written out to *Prince of Peace with Appleton East* noted in the memo line). A number of family situations are in need of \$25.00 gas cards from Kwik Trip, so those are welcome as well. (Use the church SCRIP program for these and you receive double the reward, by helping an AE student while earning a return for our Youth programs.)

We will be collecting the items from April 1st – April 15th. Please drop off your items in the container marked "Compassion Pantry," which will be located in the narthex.

Do not neglect to show
hospitality to strangers,
for by doing that some
have entertained angels
without knowing it.

~Hebrews 13:2 (NRSV)

POP HOSPITALITY TEAM

The mission of our Hospitality ministry is to provide a welcoming environment of love, acceptance, comfort, support, and care for visitors, members, guests and friends in order to enhance their worship experience, encourage fellowship, and help build community at Prince of Peace. Hospitality is the "Window of the Church." If you are interested in contributing to the life of the church in this way, or have questions about the Hospitality team, please contact Cindy Romnek, Pastor Roger or Pastor Jennifer.



WELCA FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT EVENT

The Women of the ELCA-Appleton Conference invites you to attend the **2019 Spring Event "Fruits of the Spirit."** The event will be held **Saturday, April 13 from 8 am to 1 pm at St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Neenah.** Nursery care is available. Registration cost is \$15.00 and registration forms are available on the Women of the ELCA bulletin board in the narthex. Registration deadline is April 5th. All women who are members of Prince of Peace are invited to attend Women of the ELCA events and we hope you will join us.

EASTER PLANT ORDER FORM: DEADLINE TO ORDER IS SUNDAY, APRIL 7

Easter flower orders to help beautify our chancel on Easter morning, may be made using this form. If you wish to place the flowers "In Honor of" or "In Memory of" a loved one, please write their name in the space provided below, as you'd like it to appear in the Easter bulletin. Or simply share your plant for the "Glory of God." (List your name below as you'd like it printed in the bulletin; you may add a brief Easter message as well which will be included as space allows.)



Full Name(s) of Person(s) placing this flower order:

"In Honor" of: _____

"In Memory" of: _____

For the "Glory of God" (optional, please include this brief Easter message for us):

Please indicate a quantity for each type/price of flower(s) you wish to order: The florist's special prices this year are:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Quantity by Size / Price</u>
Easter Lily	____ (Sm) \$15.00 ____ (Lg) \$25.00
Daffodils	____ \$15.50
Hydrangea	____ \$26.00 Color(s): ____ Blue ____ Pink
Azalea	____ \$24.00 Color(s): ____ Pink ____ White

Please make your check payable to: **"Prince of Peace Lutheran Church"** and mark **"Easter Flower"** in the memo line. Place your cash or check with your completed order form (more available in the office) in an envelope to mail in, or drop it off at church. Mailing Address: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 2330 E. Calumet St., Appleton, WI 54915). Flowers may be taken home after the last service on Easter morning or picked up during the following week. Thank you!



**SHEDDING LIGHT:
LEARNING ABOUT
OPIOID ADDICTION,
CHILDHOOD TRAUMA
& SELF-CARE**

WITH PRESENTERS
BEV KELLEY-MILLER OF THE MEGAN KELLEY FOUNDATION,
JESSE HEFFERNAN OF HELIOS ADDICTION RECOVERY SERVICES,
CHRIS WARDLOW OF CATALPA HEALTH
AND OUTAGAMIE COUNTY,
NAMI OF THE FOX CITIES, AND MORE

FREE AND OPEN TO ALL

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 9 A.M.-NOON
PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
2330 E. CALUMET ST., APPLETON

**NEIL DIAMOND TRIBUTE
AND NOSTALGIA SHOW**



**Featuring
Eric Diamond**

Please join us for an evening of fun and enjoyable music presented by Eric Diamond. This is a matching fundraiser to replace the 50-year-old elevator.

**Tickets are \$30 for Cabaret Tables or
\$25 for General Seating**

Friday, May 3, 2019 at 7:00 pm
OuterEdge Stage,
303 N Oneida Street, Appleton

Tickets available online at
www.fvlhomes.org or by calling
920-734-7225

Linwood Place, a Ministry of Fox Valley Lutheran Homes
is a 501(c)3 corporation providing supportive independent living for seniors

ELCAvotes!



ELCAvotes! encourages, empowers, and equips Lutherans for responsible civic engagement based on their faith values. Your PoP ELCA Advocacy Team reminds you that there is an important Spring Election in Wisconsin on April 2. Many citizens pass on their opportunity in local elections when their votes count the most. Cast your ballot this spring in races for :

- Wisconsin Supreme Court Justice & Court of Appeals
- Local School Boards (Appleton, Neenah, & Kaukauna all have contests)
- City & county offices



To find out what is on your ballot this spring, visit: <https://MyVote.WI.gov>. If you are not sure you will be able to get to the polls on April 2, consider early voting. In Appleton, early voting runs from March 18-29. MyVote.WI.gov can connect you with your city clerk to request an absentee ballot, find early voting dates & times, and help you check your voter registration and polling place. Need to register to vote? Remember, in Wisconsin you can register at the polls on Election Day. For more information on *ELCAvotes!* visit www.elca.org/Our-Work/Publicly-Engaged-Church/ELCAvotes.

KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY INTERNATIONAL INVITES YOU TO A "CONNECT & LEARN"

Saturday, April 13, 2019... 1:00-3:00pm
Valley Baptist Church, 3600 N Chippewa, Appleton
(Intersection Hwy. 41 and 47/Richmond Street)

Come and hear about the KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY programs and how you can become involved in this ministry as a volunteer. You can make a difference in the lives of others. This will be an informal gathering to hear about the ministry and meet other Wisconsin volunteers.

Kairos Prison Ministry consists of three core ecumenical programs:

- **Kairos Inside** for incarcerated adults
- **Kairos Outside** for women impacted by incarceration
- **Kairos Torch** for incarcerated juveniles

For more information: www.kairosprisonministry.org
Wisconsin: www.kairoswi.org
Call: Carlene Griffith at 910-810-9242.





Community-Wide Easter Egg Hunt-- a fun event for the whole family!

Free refreshments, games, crafts and an indoor egg hunt for ages 0-12, including a special egg hunt just for toddlers!

RSVP is required-- please indicate the number of children who will be attending and their ages. All children must be accompanied by an adult (but you do not need to indicate # of adults attending).

To register, use the link on our website homepage under "Connect & Share" or use the Eventbrite event link below:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/community-easter-egg-hunt-tickets-58684068629>

Please bring your own baskets or buckets for the egg hunt. Please arrive at 10:00 am for egg hunt instructions. The egg hunt will begin at 10:15 am, with refreshments, crafts and games to follow.

Use the Calumet St. driveway to park in the west parking lot and then enter the building through entrance #5.

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Wednesdays at 6:15 p.m.

Holy Communion Every Service



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