



# PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**From Pastor Joel Skindlov**

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

Where does Jesus show up in your life? Where have you seen God at work in and around you? A few weeks ago, the praise group at Prince of Peace, offered a song entitled, "There was Jesus", sung by Dolly Parton and Zach Williams. You can check it out on YouTube here <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=37wV6D49iEY> The song's chorus struck me as straightforward, yet amazing! The lyrics speak of meeting or encountering Jesus' presence, not just in the good and celebratory times of life, though that is true, but also in the challenging and difficult times in our lives, both individually and communally.

"In the waiting, in the searching  
In the healing and the hurting  
Like a blessing buried in the broken pieces  
Every minute, every moment  
Where I've been and where I'm going  
Even when I didn't know it or couldn't see it  
There was Jesus" (chorus, "There was Jesus", Source: [Musixmatch](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=37wV6D49iEY), retrieved YouTube, 9-25-2023).

Psalm 25, encourages us, as followers of Jesus, to continue noticing those places and spaces in our lives where God shows up! The psalmist writes,

"Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation" (Psalm 25:4-5, NRSV). For me, the most difficult places to notice God at work, are when things are not going the way I planned and in the midst of the ordinary and busyness of my day and week.

Yet the psalm and these lyrics might help us pause and notice when God arrives, "in the waiting, in the searching, in the healing and the hurting". Many times, we might not notice God's presence, at the time, yet looking back on the situation, we might be able to notice and appreciate Christ's presence as one who comes to comfort and guide us in challenging times and in the tasks of our daily lives.

What helps you to be more aware of God's presence in your daily life?

I'm encouraged by the apostle Paul's letter to the church in Philippi. In the last portion of the letter, a very normal situation occurs. An argument or disagreement, maybe even a conflict, between Euodia and Syntyche, two co-workers in sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ. We do not get a lot of details about what the disagreement might be about, but Paul encourages them to be of the same mind. I do not think this means to think exactly alike, but to work together and work it out as much as humanly possible for the greater good of the community. What a challenging task, yet even in discussion and conflict, Jesus promises to show up! The apostle Paul offers these words to the church in Philippi, but also to us:

"Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, what ever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you" (Philippians 4:8-9, NRSV). God's Holy Spirit continue to help us notice the ways that Christ shows up within and around us.

Peace,  
Pastor Joel

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### Caritas Needs For October

**Food:**  
Small peanut butter jars, jelly/jam, pancake mix, syrup, cereal, canned tuna/chicken, individual trail mix, meat sticks, granola bars, boxed meals, hearty soups and chili.

**Necessities:**  
Toothpaste, wrapped toothbrushes, deodorant, little lotions and dish soap (non perishables)  
Please don't tie bags shut!  
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# From The President

*"Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."*

Matthew 6:33

I really debated about this article this month, and then I decided to go back to the basics. During October, you will be receiving information from a variety of sources with the help of the Stewardship Committee. They have been working hard and participated in a new program called "Building a Culture of Generosity." While generosity is nothing new to Prince of Peace, it is time to begin planning for 2024. So, before I continue...

I want to stop and reflect for a moment on how much we have been blessed this year. With God's help, we have a smooth working elevator, a wonderfully tuned grand piano, a brightly lit (and painted) parking lot AND we retired our mortgage. Hallelujah! But it doesn't stop there. We have been and were blessed with an incredible concert series this summer, a great start to our Sunday School program, adult class following worship and continue to have *wonderful new members* join us!

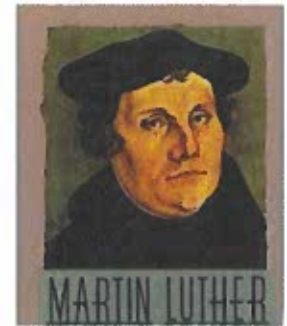
But I digress... while the above-mentioned doesn't begin to cover everything, it is simply *why* we give thanks to God for everything. As you (and your family) begin to think about your commitment for next year, start by talking with God and listening to God. Yes, through prayer! Thank God for the MANY blessings He has bestowed upon you; and consider what he asks of you.

Yours in Christ,

*Karen Chaffins*

## Martin Luther Quotes

***"Be a sinner and sin strongly, but more strongly have faith and rejoice in Christ even more boldly."***



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### **SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Worship Service – 9:00 am  
*Worship currently also streamed on FB at "Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Spokane"*  
Fellowship– 10:15 am  
Sunday School 10:30 am

### **OFFICE HOURS**

Mon. - Fri. 9:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Office closed on Fridays  
Memorial Day-Labor Day Weekends



**Saturday, October 28, 2023**

**POP Fellowship Hall**

**7am- Start cooking**

**8am-Enjoy breakfast & discussion**

# Serving You This Month

October	Altar Guild	Worship Assistants	Altar Flowers	Media	Ushers	Communion Servers	Fellowship
1	Susan Ames	Dave Liezen	The Sanborns	Matt Christoff	Joe Rock & Doug Elliott	Susan Ames	Peggy Renford & Ami Elliott
8	Sue & Paul Parrish	Rod Tamura	The Elliotts	Erica & Lee Salkin			
15	Ginny Zimmerman	Cliff Hendrickson		Bernie Polikowsky	Mel Nebelsieck		Brunch Potluck
22	Holly Christoff	Mike Sanborn		Bernie Polikowsky	Randy Fleiger	Holly Christoff	Surprise!
29	Judi Holden	Curt Froscheiser	The Christoffs	Erica & Lee Salkin			Endowment Committee

## Bible Readings for the Month

### Sunday, October 1

1st Reading: Ezekiel 18:1-4,25-32  
 Psalm: 25:1-9  
 2nd Reading: Philippians 2:1-13  
 Gospel: Matthew 21:23-32

### Sunday, October 15

1st Reading: Isaiah 25:1-9  
 Psalm: 23  
 2nd Reading: Philippians 4:1-9  
 Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

### Sunday, October 29

1st Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34  
 Psalm: 46  
 2nd Reading: Romans 3:19-28  
 Gospel: John 8:31-36

### Sunday, October 8

1st Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7  
 Psalm: 80:7-15  
 2nd Reading: Philippians 3:4b-14  
 Gospel: Matthew 21:33-46

### Sunday, October 22

1st Reading: Isaiah 45:1-7  
 Psalm: 96:1-13  
 2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10  
 Gospel: Matthew 22:15-22



Birthdays	Anniversaries
October 1- Jan Gilliam October 6- McKenzie Elliott October 11- Melissa Skindlov October 12- Linda Fernan Joel Skindlov October 14- Evelyn Heider	October 21- Mel Nebelsieck October 24- Kendra Barclay October 25- Earl Smith October 26- Stephanie Perreiah October 27- Marie McMahon Sharri Polikowsky October 30- Bernie Polikowsky
	October 1- Rod & Marie Tamura October 3- Mike & Susan Sanborn October 18- Dave & Lindy Moeller



# News from POP

## To Ponder:

Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him; . . . a bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench.

Isaiah 42: 1a,3 ESV

"Preaching should break a hard heart, and heal a broken one."

John Newton



## Help us get the Church grounds ready for winter!

Join us **Saturday, October 28th at 9:15 am** following men's breakfast to trim, prune, rake and weed. This will not only make the area look nice for fall it will help make spring cleanup easier. Please bring a yard rake, shrub trimming shears, yard waste bags, broom and power blower. Snow shovel works great as a dust pan.

No major shrub shaping is necessary just remove the spikes that have grown during the summer. Some areas need some weeding. This made a huge difference last spring!

See you on the 28th.

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

	INCOME	EXPENSES	TOTAL Income/(Loss)
August 2023	\$ 47,956.85	\$ 27,676.40	\$ 20,280.45
2023 Year to Date	\$ 250,456.09	\$245,564.49	\$ 4,891.60

- Our final mortgage payment of \$28,626.16 was paid on 9/12/23

Current monthly PROFIT & LOSS statements are located on the Council bulletin board opposite the office.

### Fellowship

We are having fellowship following Worship Service. Treats can be very simple, for example... donuts cut in half, store bought cookies, homemade treats, or cheese and crackers. Please do whatever you are comfortable providing. The sign up is on the bulletin board to the left of the kitchen window opening. Lets share a treat and visit after service.



### Altar Flowers

**Check out the sign-up sheet for Altar Flowers. There are many dates available. There are vases available in the closet in the kitchen if you need one. Arrangements don't have to be large or fancy but add a nice touch to the altar on Sunday.**



## Upcoming October Events

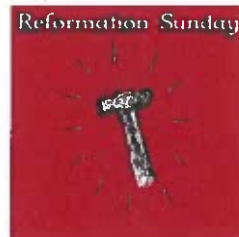
Sunday, October 1st- New Member Sunday



Sunday, October 15th- Brunch Potluck following  
Worship Service



Sunday, October 29th- Reformation Sunday-  
**WEAR RED!**



Please submit all names for  
*All Saint's Sunday (November 5th)* by  
Monday, October 30th to the church office at  
509-465-0779 or [popoffmgr@comcast.net](mailto:popoffmgr@comcast.net)





Bible Study: 9:30 am Wednesday, October 4, 2023



Quilts for Kids: 9:00 am Tuesday, October 10, 2023



Charity Quilters: 9:00am Tuesdays, October 24 & 31, 2023



Please join the women for these monthly events. Also, before leaving any fabric, speak with a quilter about what they could really use to complete quilts.

### Annual POP Quilt Raffle

**Beautiful Quilt 97"X105"**

**Made with Kansas Troubles "Candle in the Window" pattern  
Quilt Kit donated by Ewen Akers**

**All proceeds go back into quilts for the community**

**Drawing to be held on Saturday, October 21, 2023.  
Need not be present to win.**

**Tickets available following Sunday Worship service and the  
day of the Arts & Crafts Show.**

**Quilt ticket \$1.00**



# Mark your calendars...



The Prince of Peace Holiday Arts & Crafts Show will be held on **Saturday, October 21st!**

All sign ups are on bulletin board in the hallway by restrooms.

Lefse mixing will be on Thursday, October 5th 9am -3pm.

Lefse baking will be on Friday, October 6th 8am-3pm.

Lefse ingredients due October 1st!!



We have a short time to prepared beautiful hand crafted items and plan on what delicious baked goods to make.

## Ideas for donated hand craft items

- Sewn & quilted projects
- Woodcrafts
- Knitted & Crocheted items
- Christmas ornaments
- Paper crafts
- Painted creations



## Ideas for Baked Goods

- Cookies & Brownies
- Fudge & Candy
- Specialty Breads & rolls
- Pies and cakes







# Community Events

Save the  
**DATE**

**YOU'RE INVITED!**

To the 12th Annual

## HOEDOWN FOR HOPE

Benefiting Spokane HOPE  
Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Children

**SATURDAY OCTOBER 7, 2023**  
**5:30-10 PM**

Spokane Convention Center 21 +

**\$85 Per Ticket**



**To purchase tickets**

Visit [spokanehope.org/hoedown](http://spokanehope.org/hoedown) or scan  
the QR code to get your tickets today!



Center for Deaf & Hard of Hearing Children

RSVP or Questions

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We are continuing to plan for our fundraiser on Oct. 19th. We need donated theme baskets. Here are some ideas for themed baskets: Gardeners, For the BBQ, Dog or Cat, Home Chef Starter, Car Care, Beach Day, or Date Night at Home.

We also need help at our fundraising event with mailings and canvassing.

If you are interested please contact:

[Staff@caritasoutreachministries.org](mailto:Staff@caritasoutreachministries.org) attn. Chris

# October 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	
<b>1 NEW MEMBER SUNDAY</b> 9am Worship Streamed on Facebook at "Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Spokane" <b>Lefse ingredients due</b>	2	3 5:30 pm Praise Group 7:00 pm All Committee Night	4 9:30 am Women's Bible Study/11:30am Sort Beans 6:15 pm Men's Choir 7:00 pm Adult Choir	5 9:00am Lefse Mixing 	6 8:00am Lefse Baking 	7	
<b>8 CARITAS SUNDAY</b> 9am Worship Streamed on Facebook at "Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Spokane" 	9 1:00 pm Exec. Council	10 9:00 am Quilts for Kids 5:30 pm Praise Group 	11 6:15 pm Men's Choir 7:00 pm Adult Choir	12 1:00 pm Bible Study	13	14	
<b>15 POTLUCK</b> 9am Worship Streamed on Facebook at "Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Spokane" 	16 6:30 pm Council Meeting	17 5:30 pm Praise Group	18 6:15 pm Men's Choir 7:00 pm Adult Choir	19 9:00am Cookies etc drop off 12:00 pm Cookie packaging	20 9am Arts & Crafts set up	21 9am-3pm Arts & Crafts Show 	
22 9am Worship Streamed on Facebook at "Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Spokane"	23	24 9:00 am Charity Quilters 5:30 pm Praise Group 	25 6:15 pm Men's Choir 7:00 pm Adult Choir	26 1:00 pm Bible Study	27	28 7:00 am Men's Breakfast 9:15am Fall Clean up	
<b>29 REFORMATION SUNDAY</b> 9am Worship Streamed on Facebook at "Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Spokane"	30	31 9:00 am Charity Quilters 5:30 pm Praise Group  *NO 					



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