

From Pastor Joel Skindlov

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

February 17th marks the beginning of Lent. Ash Wednesday begins the season with the imposition of ashes and the words, "Remember you are dust and to dust you shall return". These words remind us both of the fragile nature of life, the hard realities that we face and also God's promised presence and movement toward new life, hope and new creation. What is most challenging for you about Lent? What do you appreciate the most about this season of the church year?

Traditionally, Lent has a more somber and serious tone, focusing on the confession of sins, the reality of our relationship with God and our relationships with other people. Lent also serves as a time of baptismal preparation and renewing and remembering the gift and responsibility of Holy Baptism. During Lent, you are invited to join together, online and in person, as we worship together, consider Jesus' wondrous love and gracious obedience in his arrest, trial, crucifixion and death. The gospel of Mark will be our focus for this Lenten season, along with readings from the Gospel of John.

Jesus, in Mark's gospel, invites us to consider what taking up our cross and following Jesus look like and mean for us as we head toward Holy Week and Easter. ³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life?" (Mark 8:34-37).

Lent grants us the opportunity to fast from something, to give something up for the season. It can be anything from chocolate to some habit that does not serve you well. You might also consider adding something to your life, a spiritual practice such as reading a passage of the Bible, prayer, creative or non-creative service opportunities in your home or around the neighborhood, physically distanced, phone, or computer check ins with friends or family, or any number of activities that bring you joy and sustain and strengthen your relationship with God and others.

We will have two Worship services on Ash Wednesday at 12 Noon and 7 PM. Both services will meet in person with protocols in place, along with streaming on our Facebook page. We will have mid-Week Lenten services beginning Wednesday, February 24th at 7 PM. Unfortunately, we will not be able to gather for a meal beforehand, but we will meet online and in person for Worship on those Wednesday evenings.

A devotional entitled, "A Story to Tell" will be available, along with a Lent At Home kit, to help support our learning and growth during the season. More information will follow in the coming weeks.

Lord bless us as we listen, learn, and follow Christ during this Lent!

Peace,
Pastor Joel

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Caritas Needs For February

Food: peanut butter, jelly & jam, pancake mix & syrup, pasta sauce, canned meat, beans, canned veggies, canned fruit, chunky style soup, chili, and mac & cheese

Necessities: deodorant, laundry soap, liquid dish soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, feminine hygiene items, toilet paper, shampoo & conditioner, can openers, diapers & wipes.

(non perishables)
Please don't tie bags shut!



From The President

Here we are starting into the second month of 2021. We certainly have been through a lot and while the end of this pandemic may be a ways off, I believe a lot of prayers are being answered. Vaccines are starting to roll out and people are looking ahead in a positive way. Ash Wednesday will be here on February 17th. We will have our service as in the past although we may still be limited in size. Easter will be in person this year! Again, possibly limited in size but in person. Now this brings up an interesting question. Many people have expressed how they have enjoyed worshipping from home on line. That certainly has been a blessing to those who have health or other personal concerns during the pandemic. This is not just happening at Prince of Peace. Recently an article in BBC News described how on line services have allowed many people who ordinarily would not go to church to take it one step at a time. Think about that for a minute. Many times we have encouraged members to seek out a visitor and make them feel welcome. Is it possible that we can scare a visitor away with too much attention? Let's hope not but who knows? These on line services do give an opportunity however. We have already applied for and been given funds to improve our use of video equipment. We need to now focus on ways to improve our online service. Perhaps in this we have found another way for Prince of Peace to fulfill its mission statement in our community. This will be something for the new council members to discuss in the days ahead.

Yours in Christ
Curtis Froscheiser

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OFFICE HOURS

Mon. - Fri. 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Traditional Service – 9:00 am
(Contemporary Service 3rd Sunday
of the month) Worship currently streamed.)



***TBD if meeting will happen because of
Covid-19***

**POP Fellowship Hall — 7am—Start cooking
8am—Discussion begins**

Serving You This Month

| February | Altar Guild | Worship Assistants |
|----------|------------------------|---------------------|
| 7 | Susan Ames | Mike Sanborn |
| 14 | Rebecca Hendrickson | Rebecca Hendrickson |
| 21 | Karen & Jon Heimbigner | Joy Liezen |
| 28 | Ginny Zimmerman | John Renford |

Prince of Peace in Person Service

The service is limited to 62 members, so for the time being there will be a reservation system. If you wish to attend this service in person contact the church office either by phone or email, by the **Thursday** before. The reservations will just insure the spot. **Services will continue to be streamed on Facebook also.**



Bible Readings for the Month

Sunday, February 7

1st Reading: Isaiah 40:21-31
 Psalm: 147:1-11, 20c
 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:16-23
 Gospel: Mark 1:29-39

Sunday, February 14

1st Reading: 2 Kings 2:1-12
 Psalm: 50:1-6
 2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:3-6
 Gospel: Mark 9:2-9



Sunday, February 21

1st Reading: Genesis 9:8-17
 Psalm: 25:1-10
 2nd Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22
 Gospel: Mark 1:9-15

Sunday, February 28

1st Reading: Genesis 17:1-7,15-16
 Psalm: 22:23-31
 2nd Reading: Romans 4:13-25
 Gospel: Mark 8:31-38

News from POP

February Meetings suspended because of COVID-19 unless otherwise notified



Bible Study:
Baby Quilters:
Charity Quilters:

Edith Zimbelman

EXCELSIOR BIRTHDAY CAKES

Unless Marie McMahon contacts you, do not plan on providing a cake for your designated month.

Thank you to Prince of Peace!

On behalf of Melissa, the girls and myself, thank you for the generous Christmas gift! It is a blessing to serve as your pastor and partner with you in sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ in our church, community and world. Thank you again and I look forward to our work and witness to the mission and ministry of Prince of Peace in this coming year!



Peace,

Pastor Joel, Melissa, Harper, Hannah, Hadley

February Birthdays

Feb.1- Lindsey Moen

Feb.6- Judy Reihman

Feb. 7- Lindy Moeller

Feb. 9- Paul Parrish

Feb. 10- Debra Trujillo-Gilbert

Feb. 20- Larry Meyers

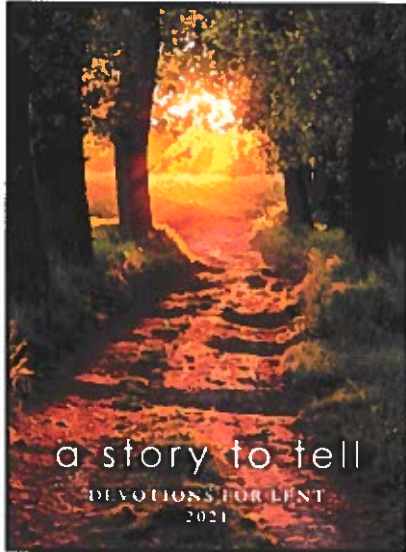
Feb. 25- Seth Feist

Feb. 26- Luke Bauernfeind

Feb. 28- Janet Robel

Feb. 29- Mike Sanborn





2021 Lenten Devotional

Pick up a copy of "A Story to Tell" which focuses on texts from the Gospel of Mark that follow Jesus from baptism to the cross.

The devotionals are on the table where communion is set up. Large print editions also available.

February Lenten Schedule

Lent IS A TIME TO
GROW
CLOSER TO JESUS

Ash Wednesday:

February 17th, 12pm & 7pm

Mid-Week Lenten Service:

February 24th at 7pm

2021 Council Members

| President: Curt Froscheiser

| Vice President: Cliff Hendrickson

| Secretary: Karen Rogge

| Treasurer: Mary Froscheiser

| Council Members: Karen Bauernfeind, Karen Chaffins, McKenzie Elliott, Jan Gilliam, Dick Hawley, Karen Heimbigner, Jacob Rapp, Joe Reihman, & Al Wisor.



Community Events



Prince of Peace Preschool

Registration for current families and congregation members begins **Monday, February 8th**. If you have children, grandchildren or nieces and nephews, please consider our program for them. Also, let your neighbors and other community members know that public registration begins **Monday, March 1st**.

Information and forms available in the office or online at popsokane.org/preschool.

Thank you! Thank you!

Thank you all so much for the blankets, socks & gifts for local teen moms & babies. It has been a difficult year for so many and your generosity brought so much joy to these moms & babies.

Karilynn- South Central YoungLives



Did you know that Valentine's Day is on a 3-Day Weekend this year? Come celebrate with your loved ones at Camp Lutherhaven!





Cabin rentals are just \$50/night; come enjoy home-cooked meals, lakeside bonfires with s'mores, and a chance to play outside in the mountains.

You can even play glow-in-the-dark mini golf, practice archery, or select from a variety of family and couples board games by the fireplace!

www.lutherhaven.com

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February 2021

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|---|---|---|--|-----|-----|-----|
| | 1 | 2 1pm Bible Study 7pm All Committee Night | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 7 9am Worship Streamed on Facebook at Prince of Peace Luther- an Church Spokane" | 8 Pre School Registration Begins | 9 1pm Bible Study | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 14 CARITAS SUNDAY VALENTINE'S DAY 9am Worship Streamed on Facebook at Prince of Peace Luther- an Church Spokane"  | 15 PRESIDENTS DAY Church Office Closed  | 16 1pm Bible Study 7pm Council Meeting | 17 ASH WEDNESDAY 12pm Worship Service 7pm Worship Service  | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 21 9am Worship Streamed on Facebook at Prince of Peace Luther- an Church Spokane" | 22 | 23 1pm Bible Study | 24 7pm Lenten Service  | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28 9am Worship Streamed on Facebook at Prince of Peace Luther- an Church Spokane" | | | | | | |



THE GOOD BOOK CLUB

2021 ~ Gospel of Mark

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|---|------------------------------------|--|---|
| Friday, January 1 <i>Mark 1:1-11</i> | HOLY NAME | Tuesday, January 19 <i>Mark 7:31-37</i> | Saturday, February 6 <i>Mark 13:28-37</i> |
| Saturday, January 2 <i>Mark 1:12-20</i> | | Wednesday, January 20 <i>Mark 8:1-13</i> | Sunday, February 7 <i>Mark 14:1-11</i> |
| Sunday, January 3 <i>Mark 1:21-45</i> | | Thursday, January 21 <i>Mark 8:14-26</i> | Monday, February 8 <i>Mark 14:12-25</i> |
| Monday, January 4 <i>Mark 2:1-12</i> | | Friday, January 22 <i>Mark 8:27-38</i> | Tuesday, February 9 <i>Mark 14:26-42</i> |
| Tuesday, January 5 <i>Mark 2:13-28 *</i> | | Saturday, January 23 <i>Mark 9:1-13</i> | Wednesday, February 10 <i>Mark 14:43-65</i> |
| Wednesday, Jan. 6 <i>Mark 3:1-12</i> | EPIPHANY | Sunday, January 24 <i>Mark 9:14-32</i> | Thursday, February 11 <i>Mark 14:66-72</i> |
| Thursday, January 7 <i>Mark 3:13-35 *</i> | | Monday, Jan. 25 <i>Mark 9:33-49</i> | Friday, February 12 <i>Mark 15:1-15</i> |
| Friday, January 8 <i>Mark 4:1-20</i> | | Tuesday, January 26 <i>Mark 10:1-12</i> | Saturday, February 13 <i>Mark 15:16-32</i> |
| Saturday, January 9 <i>Mark 4:21-34</i> | | Wednesday, January 27 <i>Mark 10:13-31</i> | Sunday, February 14 <i>Mark 15:33-47</i> |
| Sunday, January 10 <i>Mark 4:35-41</i> | | Thursday, January 28 <i>Mark 10:32-52</i> | Monday, February 15 <i>Mark 16:1-8</i> |
| Monday, January 11 <i>Mark 5:1-20</i> | | Friday, January 29 <i>Mark 11:1-11</i> | Tuesday, February 16 <i>Mark 16:9-20</i> |
| Tuesday, January 12 <i>Mark 5:21-43</i> | | Saturday, January 30 <i>Mark 11:12-19</i> | |
| Wednesday, January 13 <i>Mark 6:1-13</i> | | Sunday, January 31 <i>Mark 11:20-33</i> | |
| Thursday, January 14 <i>Mark 6:14-29</i> | | Monday, February 1 <i>Mark 12:1-17</i> | |
| Friday, January 15 <i>Mark 6:30-44</i> | | Tuesday, February 2 <i>Mark 12:18-34</i> | |
| Saturday, January 16 <i>Mark 6:45-56</i> | | Wednesday, February 3 <i>Mark 12:35-44</i> | |
| Sunday, January 17 <i>Mark 7:1-13</i> | | Thursday, February 4 <i>Mark 13:1-13</i> | |
| Monday, Jan. 18 <i>Mark 7:14-30 *</i> | CONFESSION OF ST. PETER | Friday, February 5 <i>Mark 13:14-27</i> | <i>* If you're following along with the book, A Journey with Mark, these days combine two readings.</i> |