

From Pastor Joel Skindlov

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

"Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempting by the devil" (Luke 4:1-2a). I like camping and hiking in the woods. The clear or even partially cloudy views of a mountain or lake fill my heart with joy. Jesus' testing in the wilderness sounds like a different story. This sounds more like the type of adventure my brother in law likes to make out in the wilderness between the border of Idaho and Montana, where the mountain peaks are amazing and also perilous. Just the supplies on your back, good hiking boots and proper clothing and the people in your group are what you can rely upon.

My attention heads right toward Luke's phrase, "tempted by the devil" as we head into the seasons of Lent. From these first few verses, Jesus and Satan duel, a verbal and visceral contest that reveals not only who Jesus is, he is the Son of God, God in the flesh, but how Jesus will embody and live out this reality, this identity this embodiment of who he is in his earthly life. My eyes go towards "tempted by the devil" because these days, Do you feel caught in the snare of the endless news cycle, the realities of the invasion of Ukraine, the weariness and anxiety of life, get pulled and pushed in many directions, wanting to see the glorious bright warm sun and being met with an arctic blast that almost freezes you in your tracks. Tested, from the frying pan into the fire and now the season of Lent, which means Spring, comes knocking on the door. March 2nd marks the beginning of the season of Lent with Ash Wednesday. This church seasons consists of forty days, excluding Sundays.

This time in the church year usually catches me by surprise, not because I do not see it arriving on the calendar, but that we hear these stories of Jesus' testing and temptation and I'm not sure I'm ready for them. We've been tested over these last two years and I'm ready for a break, yet here we are, as we walk, work and witness to the presence of Jesus Christ in our life. The wilderness, a place of uncertainty, yet also a place of God's provision and presence, even when I cannot see it, or hear it, nevertheless, God remains with us.

I notice Jesus being tempted by the devil and I wonder if I have the strength, moxie, and fortitude to make it through those temptations, those testings. And the first answer is no, that's why I need Jesus, that's why we need Jesus. And one of the purposes of Lent reminds us that we do not walk this life alone, we will be tempted and tested as followers of Jesus and we have been given God's Holy Spirit, the presence of Christ, the connection of Christian community to navigate the twists and turns of life, the roadblocks and frozen soil of my heart, that takes multiple doses of Sonshine, to reveal our true selves, both messy and marvelous, broken and healing, shattered and put back together, through the persistent presence of our Lord and Savior, who invites us to the hard, yet rewarding work of self-examination, the practice of prayer, whether seated, standing, out loud, walking, single words or written. Prayer is speaking and listening to God. Fasting, giving something up, in order to allow God's presence room in our lives.

These ancient practices grant us opportunities to live into and be shaped and reshaped by Christ's life giving presence. These are but a few of the practices and possibilities to help shape and strengthen our relationship with God. The God that meets us right where we are, as the presence and reflection of the crucified and living Christ lives in and through us. What might you practice during these weeks of Lent? How can they remind you of your identity as a child of God, as a participant in the body of Christ?

Peace,
Pastor Joel

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Caritas Needs For March

Food: hearty soups, individually wrapped trail mix, granola bars, fruit cups, meat sticks, peanut butter, jam, tuna and chicken salad pouches

Necessities: feminine hygiene products, tooth paste and individually wrapped tooth brushes, shampoo, deodorant (non perishables)

Please don't tie bags shut!

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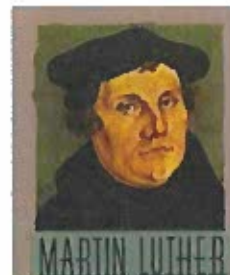
From The President

God's purpose for Prince of Peace is to share the story of God's love in, with, and for the community. This is the commitment we all make at the completion of every Sunday worship service. But have you really, truly, deep down in your heart, thought what those words mean? God indeed has a purpose for us. A large part of that is belonging to a fellowship of Lutheran Christian believers who worship at Prince of Peace in the Indian Trail neighborhood of Spokane, WA. Okay, now we know that we belong to a congregation that can be described as a family. Families come in a variety of shapes, ages, and sizes and, as with most families, it's members have many different talents and abilities! What is your talent, what is your special gift that can be used to further God's love for the world? I am proud to be on your church council with such a committed group of family members who truly care for and about this congregation. But we are just a small representation of our entire church body. The council is not tasked with staffing all the committees and accomplishing all the ongoing projects of this church. We need your help, many hands lighten the load. Committees are the foundation of how much of our ongoing ministry occurs. For your consideration, the committees are: Church & Family Fellowship, Outreach, Property, Stewardship, Worship & Music, Youth, Endowment, Education & Finance/Memorial. On behalf of your council, I ask for your prayerful consideration! The committees meet one day a month for approximately one hour. Considering all the time God has blessed us with, that's a small amount out of your busy schedule. Council meets each month on the third Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. and all are welcome to come and see what we accomplish. I thank all those who give of themselves to make this a vibrant and welcoming place of worship and I look forward to seeing many more of you at committee and council meetings. Go in peace, serve the Lord. Thanks be to God!

In His service
John Renford

Martin Luther Quotes

*"Music is the art of the prophets
& the gift of God"*



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OFFICE HOURS

Mon. - Fri. 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Office closed on Fridays
June-August

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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



Saturday, March 19th

**POP Fellowship Hall 7am- Start cooking
8am-Enjoy breakfast & discussion**

Serving You This Month

March	Altar Guild <small>*Claudia Crawford-early bird helper (thank you)</small>	Worship Assistants	Altar Flowers	Media	Ushers
6	Debra Trujillo-Gilbert	Joy Liezen	No Flowers Lent		Doug Elliott
13	Sue & Paul Parrish	Curt Froscheiser	No Flowers Lent		The Parrishs
20	Susan Ames	Rebecca Hendrickson	No Flowers Lent		Joe Rock
27	Sue & Paul Parrish	Cliff Hendrickson	No Flowers Lent		

Bible Readings for the Month

Sunday, March 6

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Psalm: 91:1-2,9-16

2nd Reading: Romans 10:8b-13

Gospel: Luke 4:1-13



Sunday, March 20

1st Reading: Isaiah 55:1-9

Psalm: 63:1-8

2nd Reading: 1Corinthians 10:1-13

Gospel: Luke 13:1-9

Sunday, March 13

1st Reading: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

Psalm: 27

2nd Reading: Philippians 3:17-4:1

Gospel: Luke 13:31-35

Sunday, March 27

1st Reading: Joshua 5:9-12

Psalm: 32

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Gospel: Luke 15:1-3,11b-32

March Birthdays

3rd- Karen Rogge

7th Susan Burgermyer

11th- Randy Lasswell

Isaac Edwards

12th- Donna Claypool

14th- Abby Bauernfeind



16th- Joel Lalley

Iris Pehan

19th—De Dupuis

21st- Curt Froscheiser

Jake Rapp

24th- Jeff Bottjen

News from POP

To Ponder:

I will sing of thy steadfast love, O Lord, for ever;
with my mouth I will proclaim
thy faithfulness to all generations.

For thy steadfast love was established for ever,
thy faithfulness is firm as the heavens.

Psalm 89: 1-2 RSV

"Be still my soul! thy God doth undertake
To guide the future as he has the past.
Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake;
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul! the waves and winds still know
His voice who ruled them while he dwelt below."

Katharina Von Schlegel



Prayers of the Church

Congregation members have asked if there is a way to keep the prayers of the church on the front of the insert more updated and current. A person will be kept on the prayer list for a month unless a request is sent to the office via email, phone call or note to remain on the list, due to continued need, If you don't see a name that should be on the list and want the name added, please contact the office. 509-465-0779 or popoffmgr@comcast.net



FINANCIAL UPDATE

	INCOME	EXPENSES	TOTAL (Income/Loss)
<u>January 2022</u>	\$27724.67	\$28,377.22	\$652.55
<u>2022 Year to Date</u>	\$27724.67	\$28,377.22	(\$652.55)

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



Lenten Schedule

Shrove Tuesday March 1st
Pancake Dinner at 6:00 pm

Ash Wednesday March 2nd
March 1 at 12pm and 7pm

Ashes to Go:

7:30am-9am & 4pm-6pm

Mid-Week Lenten Services:
March 9, 16, 23, 30 & April 6
at 7pm
(Soup Supper at 6:00 pm)

Shrove Tuesday

Plan on joining us for a Shrove Tuesday pancake feed on Tuesday, March 1 at 6:00. Menu will include pancakes, sausage, fruit and drinks. If you are willing to help flip pancakes, please let Ami or Peggy know. There will be a free-will offering to help defray costs.



Lenten Soup Suppers

Wednesday Lenten Soup Suppers are returning. The dates are March 9,16,23,30 & April 6 at 6:00.

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board near the kitchen. Sign up to help set up, bring soup and or bread.



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.



Fellowship



We are going to start 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.



Lenten Community Outreach Project

During Lent, we will be collecting the following necessity items to distribute to Caritas. Please bring the following items on each of the following Wednesdays/Sundays during Lent. Items can also be left in the office.

March 6- comb/brush

March 13- toothbrush/toothpaste

March 20- Deodorant

March 27- small hand lotion

April 3- nail clipper/ files



Women ^{of the} ELCA 

Bible Study: 9:30 am Wednesday, March 2, 2022



Quilts for Kids: 9:00 am Tuesday, March 8, 2022



Charity Quilters: 9:00 am Tuesdays, March 22 & 29, 2022

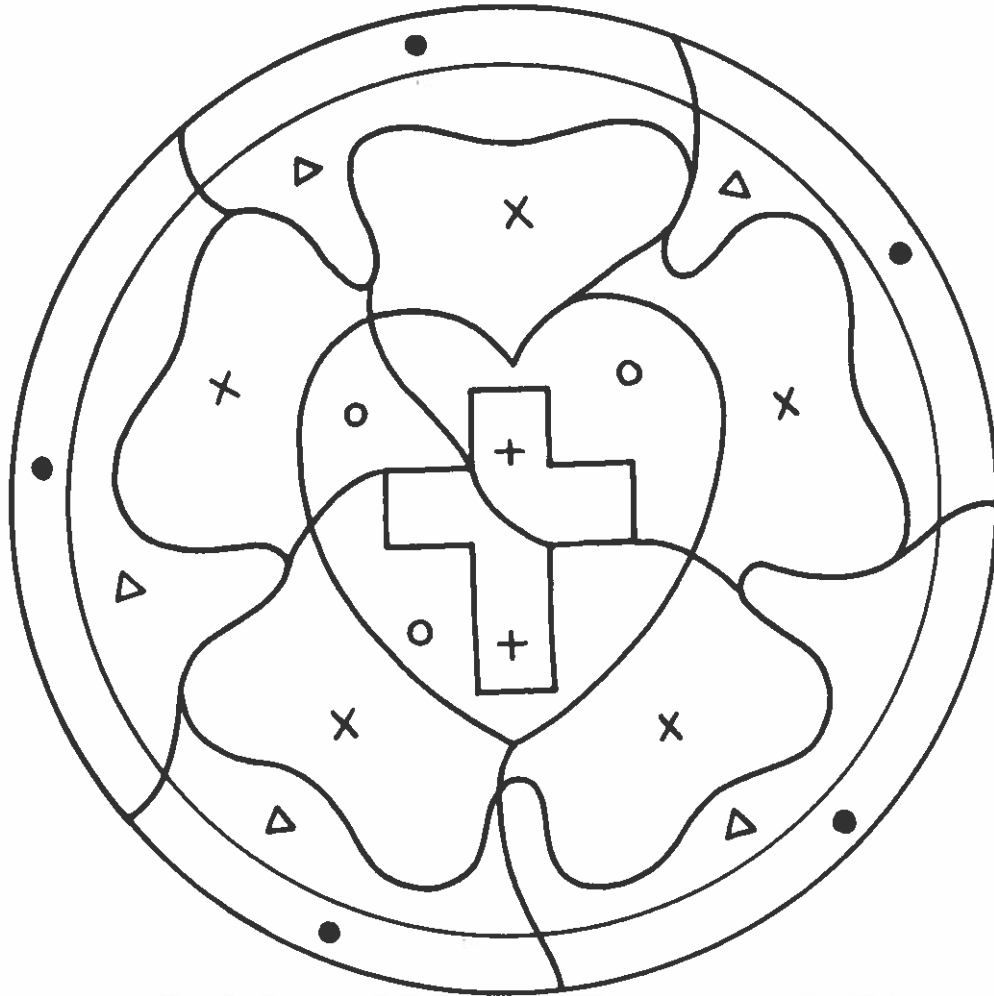


Please join the women for these monthly events. Also, before leaving any fabric, speak with a quilter about what they could really use. We have more scraps of fabric than we will ever be able to use, thanks to generous donations.

Luther's Seal


Use the key to color in Luther's seal.

+ = Black O = Red Δ = Blue ● = Gold X = White



1. In the center is the black cross that reminds us that Jesus died for the forgiveness of our sins. Jesus is the center of our lives.
2. The red heart reminds us that Jesus loves us. We can show His love to others.
3. The white flower reminds us of the joy we have because Jesus lives and is always with us.
4. The blue background stands for the faith and trust the Holy Spirit brings to our hearts as we learn from God's Word, the Bible.
5. The gold circle reminds us of our most precious gift—eternal life in heaven.

March 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 SHROVE TUESDAY 1:00 pm Praise Group 6:00pm Pancake Dinner 7:00 pm All Committee Night	2 ASH WEDNESDAY 9:30 am Women's Bible Study 12:00pm Worship Service 6:15 pm Men's Choir 7:00 pm Adult Choir 7:00pm Worship Service	3 1:00 pm Bible Study	4	5
6 9am Worship Streamed on Facebook at "Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Spokane"	7 1:00pm Exec. Council	8 9:00 am Quilts for Kids 1:00 pm Praise Group 	9 6:00pm Soup Supper 6:15 pm Men's Choir 7:00 pm Adult Choir 7:00pm Lenten Worship Service	10 1:00 pm Bible Study	11	12
13 CARITAS SUNDAY 9am Worship Streamed on Facebook at "Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Spokane" 	14	15 1:00 pm Praise Group 7 :00 pm Council Meeting	16 6:00pm Soup Supper 6:15 pm Men's Choir 7:00 pm Adult Choir 7:00pm Lenten Worship Service	17 ST PATRICK'S DAY 1:00 pm Bible Study 	18	19 7:00 am Men's Breakfast
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