



PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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From Pastor Joel Skindlov

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Blessed Lent as we venture and walk through this season! Even though snow stubbornly stays in my front yard, the season of Spring is on the way. It reminds me that the frozen tundra of my backyard needs a good spring-cleaning. One shrub in particular needs pruning. The forty days of Lent give us the opportunity to notice and reflect upon parts of our life that need tended, pruned, watered, nourished, and nurtured, in order that life can abound.

Nicodemus, in John's gospel, arrives in the middle of the night. Nighttime visits and the dynamic of night and daylight show up in a number of places in the Gospel of John. Nicodemus has questions and his curiosity leads to both insight and confusion. Nicodemus notices and proclaims that Jesus must have the presence of God within him. Jesus responds not with a simple "Yes".

Jesus says, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above/ born again/ born anew." (John 3:3). The conversation continues as Nicodemus comprehends the literal meaning, yet Jesus continues making sense of his relationship with God and Jesus' relationship with the whole world. I appreciate that Jesus and Nicodemus continue talking. It would be easy enough for Jesus to uproot and dig out the whole shrub of Nicodemus' thinking and responses. Instead, it seems that Jesus desires the back and forth as a way of helping Nicodemus notice and respond to the life and growth Jesus offers as the Good Gardener.

During Lent, God offers us opportunity to deepen our relationship with the Triune God. In John 15, Jesus declares, "I am the true vine, and my Father the vine grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been pruned by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you" (John 15:1-3). The original Greek word for prune can also be translated cleanse. Have you ventured through a briar patch of brush and brambles on a hike? Tromping through life trying to follow the path, yet brought down, cut or injured by the pesky thickets that trip you up or impede your way to follow the Way? Maybe it's the thistles that snag your willingness to admit, "I'm wrong". The season of Lent invites and challenges us to converse with Christ as gardener, Savior, and source of Life.

Notice that the God the Vinegrower prunes in order for us to bear more fruit. "I am the vine, you are the branches," Jesus proclaims! Rooted and grounded in God's good soil, Christ continues to speak, asking questions, confounding and comforting us as we bear fruit in word and deed.

Peace,
Pastor Joel

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Caritas Needs
For March

Food:
Small peanut butter jars,
jelly/jam, pancake mix, syrup,
diced tomatoes, canned
vegetables, Chili & soups

Necessities:
Paper towels, Laundry detergent,
and kleenex
(non perishables)

Please don't tie bags shut!
Caritas Outreach Ministries,
1228 W. Nebraska,
Spokane, WA 99205



From The President

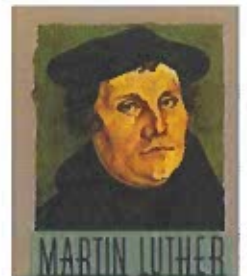
"Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10

This has always been one of my favorite Bible verses. It seems very simple and straightforward, yet depending upon your situation and circumstances can mean many things. In our busy world, do we slow down and take the time to thank God for the gifts and blessings He gives us each day? Do we stop and listen to what He is telling us? But also important is, are we listening to what God is asking us to do for Him. With Springtime just around the corner - *can you believe it!* - and the season of Lent here; remember to pause... take a minute to thank God... listen to God... and ask God how you can be of service to Him.

Yours in Christ,
Karen Chaffins

Martin Luther Quotes

*"You are not only responsible for what you say,
but also for what you do not say."*



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OFFICE HOURS

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

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Traditional Service - 9:00 am
Worship currently also streamed on FB at
"Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Spokane"
Fellowship - 10:15 am



Saturday, March 18th

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

Serving You This Month

March	Altar Guild	Worship Assistants	Altar Flowers	Media	Ushers	Communion Servers	Fellowship
5	Rebecca Hendrickson	Joy Liezen	No Flowers-Lent		Joe Rock & Doug Elliott	Rebecca Hendrickson	Peggy Renford
12	Ginny Zimmerman	Rebecca Hendrickson	No Flowers-Lent		Randy Fleiger	Rebecca Hendrickson	
19	Sue & Paul Parrish	Curt Froscheiser	No Flowers-Lent		Mel Nebelsieck & Dick Hawley	Helen Cogley	
26	Sue & Paul Parrish	Susan Ames	No Flowers-Lent		John & Peggy Renford	Matt & Joene Liezen	

Bible Readings for the Month

Sunday, March 5

1st Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a

Psalm: 121

2nd Reading: Romans 4:1-5,13-17

Gospel: John 3:1-17

Sunday, March 12

1st Reading: Exodus 17:1-7

Psalm: 95

2nd Reading: Romans 5:1-11

Gospel: John 4:5-42



Sunday, March 19

1st Reading: 1Samuel 16:1-13

Psalm: 23

2nd Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14

Gospel: John 9:1-41

Sunday, March 26

1st Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14

Psalm: 130

2nd Reading: Romans 8:6-11

Gospel: John 11:1-45

March

March 3- Karen Rogge

March 7- Susan Burgermyer

March 11- Randy Lasswell

Isaac Edwards

March 12- Donna Claypool

March 13- Abby (Bauernfeind) Pratt



March 16- Joel Lalley

Iris Pehan

March 19- De Dupuis

March 21- Curt Froscheiser

Jake Rapp

March 24- Jeff Bottjen

News from POP

To Ponder:

Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" Matthew 4:10

"There is a twofold armor with which the devil is slain and which he fears: (1) to listen unceasingly to the Word of God, to instruct oneself in it, and to be comforted and strengthened by it; (2) then, when temptations and struggle come upon us, to lift up our hearts to that same Word and cry to God, invoking him for help. Thus one of the two things is always present, continuing as an eternal conversation between God and the soul. Either God speaks to us and we are still, listening to God, or he listens to us as we speak to him, praying for what we need. Whatever way it may be, the devil cannot endure it, and he cannot hold his own against it."

Martin Luther,
Day by Day We Magnify You



FINANCIAL UPDATE

	INCOME	EXPENSES	TOTAL Income/(Loss)
January 2023	\$ 25,804.91	\$ 30,003.87	(\$ 4,198.96)
2023 Year to Date	\$ 25,804.91	\$ 30,003.87	(\$ 4,198.96)

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

We understand that your expenses have gone up also but if you can go beyond your normal pledge, it would be very much appreciated.

For any questions, please contact Mary Froscheiser, Treasurer.

Lenten Worship Services



Wednesdays: March 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29
at 7pm

Lenten Soup Suppers at 6pm



Sign up for soups/bread located by the kitchen window.

Holy Week

Palm Sunday: Sunday, April 2nd

Maundy Thursday: Thursday, April 6th 7pm

Good Friday: Friday, April 7th 7pm

Easter Sunday: Sunday, April 9th

FALL REGISTRATION



Fall Registration for Church and Preschool families began **Monday, February 6th**. Registration forms are available in the Church Office.

Registration for the public begins **Wednesday, March 1st**.

Remember we cannot hold spaces unless you enroll.
Our classes fill up quickly.

Women ^{of the} ELCA 

Bible Study 9:30am Wednesday, March 1, 2023



Quilts for Kids: Not meeting



Charity Quilters: Tuesdays, March 28, 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.

In the off chance that you were not aware of it, Prince of Peace has an Endowment Fund that is rarely used. The purpose of the fund is the promotion and development of religious, charitable and educational activities and for purposes not budgeted by Prince of Peace. Presently there are two scholarships that the fund will sponsor.

1. The John Walk Musical Scholarship.
2. The Camp Lutherhaven Scholarship.

If this is something that would be of interest to you please contact a member of the Endowment Committee.

Committee members: Cliff Hendrickson, Sue Parish, Curt Froscheiser, & Karen Bauernfeind

SUMMER CAMP

Summer is just around the corner and that means a fun time at summer camp. Prince of Peace would like to help parents and grandparents send their child to Lutherhaven Bible Camp. We have an endowment that specifies campership scholarships be available to our members. Please check the link and see if Camp Lutherhaven is something to include on your summer schedule.

Contact the office for campership scholarship forms.

Lutherhaven information available at

lutherhaven.com/programs/summer-camps/

Contact Hannah at 208-667-3459 ext.123 or at

summercamp@lutherhaven.com





Community Events

Save the
DATE



Save the Date!
Friday, March 10, 2023
Doors open at 5:30pm/ Live Auction 7:30pm
Spokane Convention Center
Centennial Ballrooms
Cocktail Attire
For information contact
Tammy Sweeney
509-326-1651
tammy.sweeney@joya.org

Spokane YoungLives presents

MICROS FOR MAMAS

Friday, March 24, 2023

MARCH 24, 2023

We look forward to hosting Micros for Mamas at the Historic Flight Foundation this upcoming year. Mark your calendars for Friday March 24th to join us for beer and cider tastings, Longhorn dinner, and fundraising fun.

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HISTORIC FLIGHT FOUNDATION

FAITH NIGHT

HOCKEY NIGHT WITH THE SPOKANE CHIEFS

SUNDAY, MARCH 19TH
PREGAME CEREMONY AT 3PM
GAME STARTS AT 5:05PM

TICKET INFO

SCAN FOR DETAILS



VISIT THE LINK BELOW OR CALL FOR TICKETS

[HTTPS://BIT.LY/FAITHNIGHTHOCKEY319](https://bit.ly/faithnighthockey319)

CALL 509.340.8398



**39th Annual
Chocolate & Champagne Gala**

To sponsor or donate an auction item,
contact Katie Tolley at
ktolley@lcsnw.org or 509.343.5078

**25th Annual
8 Legs Leg Aches Benefit
Bike Ride**

To sponsor or be a pledge rider, contact
Christie McKee at cmckee@lcsnw.org or
509.343.5020





Half-Fest 2023 will be here before you know it! Be sure to get the date on your calendar:

**May 13th, from 5pm-10pm
at Shriners Event Center
7217 W. Westbow Blvd. Spokane, WA 99224**

All Half Fest proceeds will help sponsor kids in need for summer camp, as well as programs throughout the year.

We greatly appreciate your support in enriching our community. Should you decide to contribute, your name will appear in our Half-Fest program, and included in our thank you sent to over 400 people. Your donation is 100% tax deductible (501c3). WE are so excited to be together, enjoy great food and drink, and celebrate another year of serving kids in Spokane. Thank you for considering sponsoring this impactful event!

Half-Fest Sponsor Levels

Title Sponsor- \$5000, 10 event tickets
Major Sponsor- \$2,500, 8 event tickets
Gold Sponsor- \$1000, 6 event tickets
Silver Sponsor- \$500, 4 event tickets
Bronze Sponsor- \$250, 2 event tickets



For more information:

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March 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 9:30 am Women's Bible Study 6:30 pm Men's Choir Adult Choir (after service) 6:00pm Soup Supper 7:00pm Lenten Service	2 1:00 pm Bible Study	3	4
5 9am Worship Streamed on Facebook at "Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Spokane"	6	7 5:30 pm Praise Group 7:00 pm All Committee Night	8 6:00pm Soup Supper 6:30 pm Men's Choir Adult Choir (after service) 7:00pm Lenten Service	9 1:00 pm Bible Study	10	11
12 CARITAS SUNDAY 9am Worship Streamed on Facebook at "Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Spokane" 	13 1:00 pm Exec. Council	14 5:30 pm Praise Group	15 6:00pm Soup Supper 6:30 pm Men's Choir Adult Choir (after service) 7:00pm Lenten Service	16 1:00 pm Bible Study	17	18 7:00 am Men's Breakfast
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