



# PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

From Pastor Joel Skindlov

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Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

"<sup>12</sup> Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. <sup>13</sup> Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. <sup>14</sup> And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity." (Colossians 3:12-14, New International Version).

Two weeks ago, my family and I attended Camp Lutherhaven on Lake Coeur d'Alene. The summer theme is "Together" and the theme verses are found in Colossians 3:12-14. This letter to the church in Colossae reminds and encourages the followers of Jesus who they are because of whose they are. Chosen people, holy and dearly loved! These words and verses are now passed down to us as reminders of our identity in Christ who continues to walk with us and among us. Our two older daughters, Harper and Hannah, stayed in a cabin with five other girls their age. Melissa, Hadley and myself served as resource staff, helping with morning activities, odd jobs around camp and support for campers and counselors. It was a fun and tiring week!

I love these verses from the book of Colossians because Paul reminds us of who we are and then invites and challenges us to live together, "clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience" (Colossians 3:12-14, NIV). A cabin group is a microcosm of daily life. Different people, with different perspectives, viewpoints, strengths, weaknesses, opinions and the like are placed together to spend a week with one another. Yes, this was fun and yes, at times, it was challenging! Life in community presents both joys and struggles and these verses and the book of Colossians reminds us that God continues to choose us, Christ continues to choose you. We are marked and claimed as chosen, holy and dearly loved by God in Christ who encourages us to embody these attributes, compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.

One of my favorite parts of camp was when our daughters, Harper and Hannah, went on the Giant Swing. This is a high ropes challenge, where a person gets harnessed in and then the adult instructor pulls them back, like a string on a pendulum. They get to decide how far back they begin the swing and then the instructor lets them go! The person flies through the air, looking out across the lake and then they swing back and forth until the person comes back to the platform. I'm not a fan of heights, so I was pleasantly surprised when I heard that Harper and Hannah went on the Giant Swing. They were together with their cabin and counselor and all of their cabin mates were cheering them on, even through their fear and worry. Once they swung, the fear didn't disintegrate, but instead they felt the courage and joy of overcoming their fear, with the help and support of those around them, their cabin mates and counselor.

This snapshot reminds me of the mission and ministry we do together as the people of God at Prince of Peace. You do not literally have to go on the Giant Swing to know the challenges and fears that enter into our lives as followers of Christ. We walk together, as followers of Jesus, bearing one another's burdens, offering forgiveness and putting on love, Christ's love, that manifests itself in real, everyday ways. Thank you as you continue to walk alongside people, listening, serving, and helping one another!

As we move into August, I pray that we would consider, pray and ponder how God continues to call us to live and serve together in Jesus' name. We bring unique gifts, talents, and perspectives to the table and God invites us to use those gifts in service to God and one another. I pray that Christ grant you rest and renewal and the reminder that you are one of "God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved!"

Peace,

Pastor Joel

P.S. One of the ways that we can work together to serve our community will be an opportunity to participate in "God's work. Our hands". It's a churchwide initiative of the ELCA that invites local churches to find ways to meet a need in our community. We will collect items for care kits that can be distributed to local agencies around Spokane and individuals in need around our community. Stay tuned for more information!

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## POP Pantry Needs For August

### Food:

Small peanut butter jars,  
jelly/jam, pancake mix, syrup,  
cereal, canned tuna/chicken,  
individual trail mix, meat sticks,  
granola bars, boxed meals.

### Necessities:

Toothpaste, wrapped  
toothbrushes, deodorant, little  
lotions and dish soap

Hate shopping? Cash Donations can be  
placed in the offering plate or  
dropped off at the office in an  
envelope, marked "Caritas Pantry" and  
a volunteer will do the shopping for  
you!

## Thoughts From The Council President

Dear Friends in Christ, today I am going to share with you a recipe. Yes, I said a recipe! I hope that this will be a delicious treat that you fix each and every day:

### Recipe for a happy home

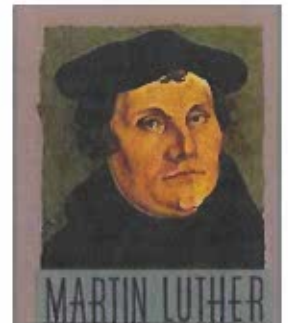
$\frac{1}{2}$  cup of friendship and 1 cup of thoughtfulness - cream together with a pinch of powdered tenderness. Lightly beat in a bowl of loyalty. Add 1 cup of faith and 1 cup of hope and 1 cup of charity. Be sure to stir in a spoonful of gladness that sings and the ability to laugh at little things. Moisten with tears of heartfelt sympathy. Bake in a good-natured pan and serve repeatedly.

Good wishes to all who are planning time with family or travelling for vacation and I pray that you stay safe and cool in this hot weather.

Blessings,  
Sue Parrish

## Martin Luther Quotes

*"We are saved by faith alone, but the faith that saves is never alone"*



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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



**Happy Summer!!**

**Saturday, September 21, 2024**

**POP Fellowship Hall**

# Serving You This Month

August	Altar Guild	Worship Assistants	Altar Flowers	Media	Ushers	Communion Servers	Fellowship
4	Holly Christoff	Joy Liezen	Polikowsky	Erica & Lee Salkin	Joe Rock	Holly Christoff	Ekenberg
11	Sue Parrish	Cliff Hendrickson	Elliott	Bernie Polikowsky	Peggy & John Renford	Sue Parrish	Perreiah
18	Rebecca Hendrickson	John Renford		Matt Christoff		Rebecca Hendrickson	Liezen
25	Karen Heimbigner	Mike Sanborn	Hendrickson	Bernie Polikowsky		Karen Heimbigner	Hendrickson

## Bible Readings for the Month

### **Sunday, August 4**

1st Reading: Exodus 16:2-4,9-15

Psalm: 78:23-29

2nd Reading: Ephesians 4:1-16

Gospel: John 6:24-35



### **Sunday, August 18**

1st Reading: Proverbs 9:1-6

Psalm: 34:9-14

2nd Reading: Ephesians 5:15-20

Gospel: John 6:51-58

### **Sunday, August 11**

1st Reading: 1 Kings 19:4-8

Psalm: 34:1-8

2nd Reading: Ephesians 4:25—5:2

Gospel: John 6:35,41-51

### **Sunday, August 25**

1st Reading: Joshua 24:1-2a,14-18

Psalm: 34:15-22

2nd Reading: Ephesians 6:10-20

Gospel: John 6:56-69

Birthdays	Anniversaries
August 1- Eunice Erickson August 12- Frank Christoff August 13- Margaret Clark August 15- Joe Rock August 21- Peggy Renford Rene Bottjen August 24- Joy Liezen August 30- John Renford Abby Liezen Simon Feist	August 3- Dick & Carol Hawley August 6- Doug & Ami Elliott August 10- Orv & Arlene Kirkevold August 12- Randy & Kathy Fleiger August 17- Dave & Joy Liezen August 18- Bill & De Dupuis August 21- Todd & Karen Chaffins August 25- Seth & Stephanie Feist August 26- Cliff & Rebecca Hendrickson

# News from POP

## To Ponder:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.

Matthew 22:37

"When we focus on God, we have a sure, steady, and consistent set of values. We look to him before ourselves or others. When we allow him to draw us closer and trust him, the less anxiety and more peace and contentment we have about our present and our future."

Laura Langhoff Arndt in Connections Magazine, July/August 2023



## Updates:

### Thrivent Action Teams

Are you connected to Thrivent? Did you know you may have the option to donate choice dollars to a non-profit organization? You may also have access to Action Team Gift Cards for use as seed money for a project. Our Community Garden is a great example of an Action Team Project.

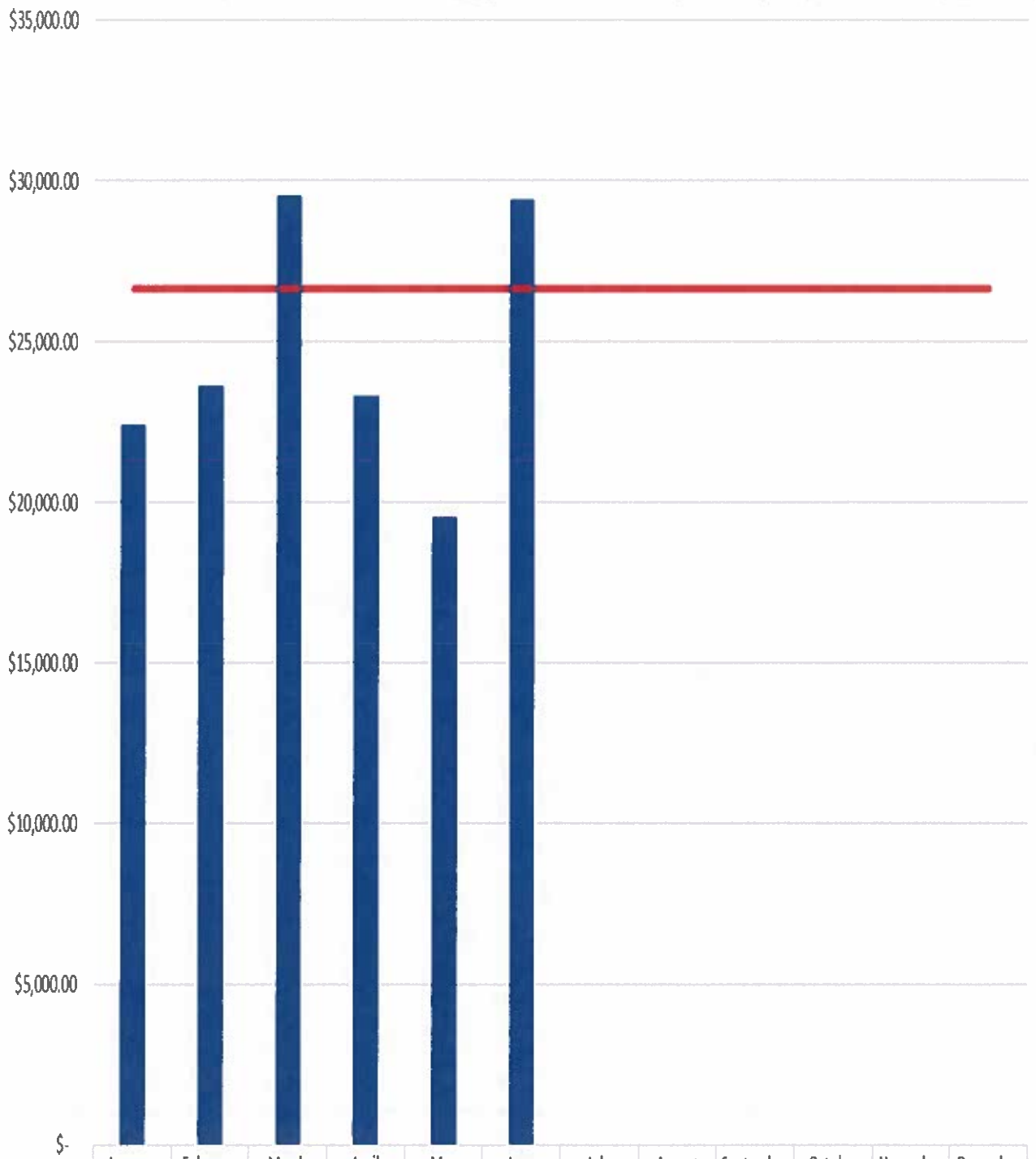
Contact your Thrivent representative and ask if your policy or program connects you to Choice Dollars or Action Team Gift Cards. If you want help making an Action Team request, Marie Tamura would be happy to work with you.



### POP Raffle Quilt

Tickets for the beautiful raffle quilt donated /pieced by Sandy Swanson and quilted by Ami Elliot is at the back of the church. They are \$1 each and available after church services, in the church office and at the POP Concerts in July.

## Monthly Giving



	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
■ Offering	\$22,421.85	\$23,604.26	\$29,516.50	\$23,312.91	\$19,553.71	\$29,408.50	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
— Approved Budget	\$26,628.99	\$26,629.00	\$26,629.00	\$26,629.00	\$26,629.00	\$26,629.00	\$26,629.00	\$26,629.00	\$26,629.00	\$26,629.00	\$26,629.00	\$26,629.00

■ Offering    — Approved Budget



# GOD'S WORK-OUR HANDS

## On Sundays throughout August

The ELCA has set aside September 8 as a Sunday for Lutheran churches to do a service project in their communities. Our congregation will be collecting items for the homeless though out the month of August. On September 8 we will ask for your help to assemble the bags after the worship service. We are hoping to collect enough items to fill 100 We will be collecting the following items:

1st Sunday, August 4 - hats and socks

2nd Sunday, August 11—soft granola bars and fruit snacks

3rd Sunday, August 18 - Chapstick, toothbrushes and toothpaste

4th Sunday, August 25 - wipes and First Aid supplies

If you have any questions, please feel free to ask any council member.



### Prince of Peace Community Garden

Let's see how much this little garden can produce!

The garden beds have been improved, so hopefully it will be a bunker crop!

Our garden has 3 tomato varieties, green & yellow zucchini, cucumbers, green, yellow, red bell peppers, and carrots. As the garden grows through the summer, please help with any weeds that need pulled and if it looks like it could use some water, there is a watering can just outside the door by the office. Thanks!



### Little POP Food Pantry

Please help keep our little pantry filled!

As we care for those in our community who live with food insecurity, remember to grab some extra items when shopping. The list of needed items is on the front page of the Newsletter. If you would prefer not shop, we have volunteers who will use donated funds and shop for needed items. If you wish to donate funds, please place cash in envelope or check to POP marked " Food Pantry" in the memo in the offering plate or drop off at the church office.



Dear Prince of Peace,  
Thank you so much for the amazing  
quilt! I cannot wait to bring it with  
me to Bellingham!  
-Hannah Lee



*Thank  
You*

Before you go on vacation this summer...

While you are gone we will keep the lights on and the doors open!  
We welcome all people to share God Good News with us.

*Your faithfulness in remembering your pledge will help us fulfill our  
ministry over this exciting and event-filled summer.*





Bible Study: Not meeting until September



Quilts for Kids: 9:00 am Tuesday, August 13, 2024

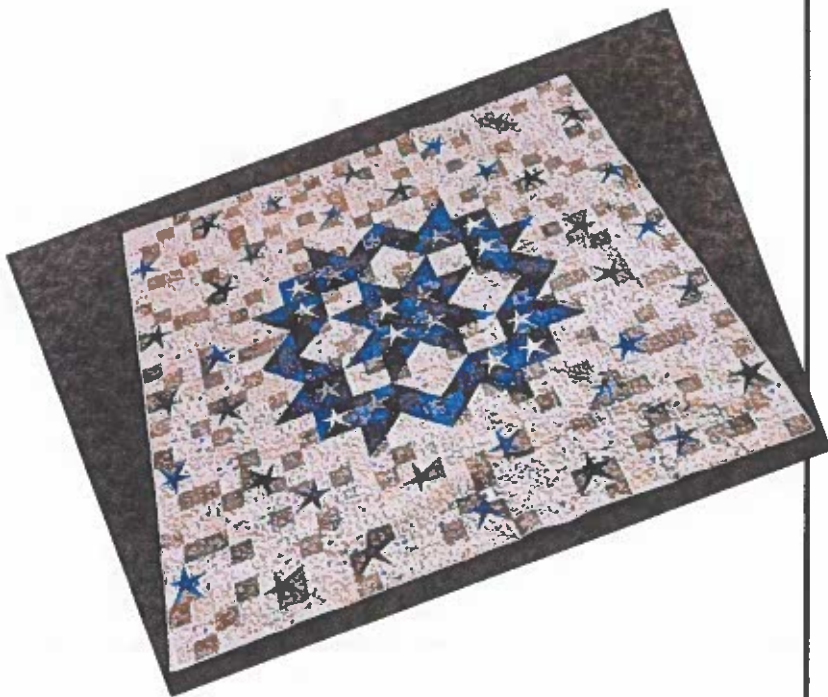


Charity Quilters: 9:00 am Tuesdays, August 27, 2024



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 - 82" x 88"**  
**Pieced and Donated by Sandy Swanson**  
**Quilting done by Ami Elliott**

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

**Drawing to be held on Saturday, October 19, 2024.**

**Need not be present to win.**

**Tickets available in the church office, at Wednesday night concerts and following Sunday Worship service.**

**Quilt ticket \$1.00**





# Save the Dates!

The Prince of Peace Arts & Crafts show will be held on **Saturday, October 19th!**

**Thursday, September 19th- Lefse Mixing**  
9am-3pm (probably shorter time)

**Friday, September 20th- Lefse Baking**  
8am-3pm



We have a short time to prepared beautiful hand crafted items and plan on what delicious baked goods to make. Any questions: Rebecca 509-998-5419

### Ideas for donated hand made items for a self care table

- Sugar scrub
- Face cleanser pads
- Makeup remover
- Eye mask
- Neck warmer/cooler



- Brush holder
- Potpourri
- Soap
- Scented candles
- Soap saver

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- Sewn & quilted projects
- Woodcrafts
- Knitted & Crocheted items
- Christmas ornaments
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## Community

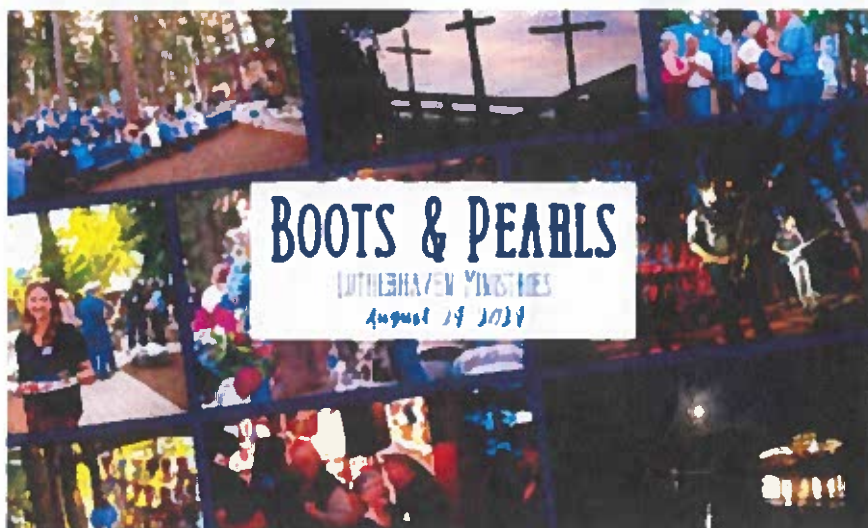
Save the  
DATE

 **Family Promise**  
of Spokane

**Live On the  
Corner Panel**

**AUGUST 3 | 10 AM**  
ST. LUKE LUTHERAN

Explore the complexities of family homelessness by attending our **Understanding Poverty** workshop. Dive even deeper, by tuning into a live recording of a **panel discussion** featuring former Family Promise guests on our podcast, "On the Corner of Homelessness &"



If you'd like to volunteer or learn more, contact:  
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# SHOE DRIVE

## Mission Community Outreach Center's Annual Shoe Drive

This annual event is a highlight of the summer, to ensure that local schoolchildren are ready for the new school year.

**Here's how you can get involved:**

**Donate New Athletic Shoes:** Shoes for children, sizes 8 Toddler—to Adult 12, by the 15th of August. Monday-Thursday 1pm -4pm or Wednesday 10am -1pm. (call or email to set up different time.)

**Spread the Word:** Tell friends and family about the shoe drive.

**Volunteer:** Distribute the shoes on August 16th.

**Make a Financial Donation:** Consider making a financial contribution toward the purchase of shoes for a child.

[www.4mission.org](http://www.4mission.org) 509-536-1084 1906 W Mission Ave, Spokane, WA 99202



### SPONSOR VETERANS BUILD



Contact our Community Relations Manager, Dana Le Roy, to learn more and bring your team out to build!

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# August 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 1:00 pm Bible Study	2	3
4 9am Worship Streamed on Facebook at "Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Spokane "	5	6	7	8 1:00 pm Bible Study	9 Church Office Closed	10
11 POP PANTRY SUNDAY 9am Worship Streamed on Facebook at "Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Spokane "	12 9:00 am Executive Council	13 9:00 am Quilts for Kids 	14	15 1:00 pm Bible Study	16 Church Office Closed	17
18 9am Worship Streamed on Facebook at "Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Spokane "	19 6:30 pm Council Meeting	20	21	22 1:00 pm Bible Study	23 Church Office Closed	24
25 9am Worship Streamed on Facebook at "Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Spokane "	26	27 9:00 am Charity Quilters 	28	29 1:00 pm Bible Study Church Office Closed	30 Church Office Closed	31