

PRINCE OF PEACE
Spokane, Washington
15th Sunday after Pentecost
September 6, 2026
(9:30am)



*denotes to stand if you are able

Welcome in the name of Jesus. If you are exploring faith in God for the first time, or if you are seeking a new church home, or if you've been coming here for years, we welcome you. *We welcome children in worship and we recognize their wiggles and giggles as a sign of the joy of the Lord within them.* We warmly invite you to take part and see the difference God can make.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Welcome

***Order for Confession and Forgiveness**

All may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of baptism.

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen

P: Recognizing our need for God's mercy, let us confess our sin, and seek reconciliation with God and each other.

Silence for reflection.

P: God of justice and compassion . . .

All: We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves, we have not been faithful stewards of your creation. We have failed to share the bounty of your harvest with the poor and needy. Forgive our sin, increase our faith, strengthen us in service, and bring us to everlasting life. Amen

P: Heaven rejoices when a sinner repents and a lost sheep is found. In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen

Opening Hymn

Day by Day



1 Day by day, your mer - cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing
2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me strength to
3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my



com - fort to my anx - ious soul. Day by day, the bless - ings, Lord, you
serve and wis - dom to o - bey; I will seek your lov - ing will to
bur - dens grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will



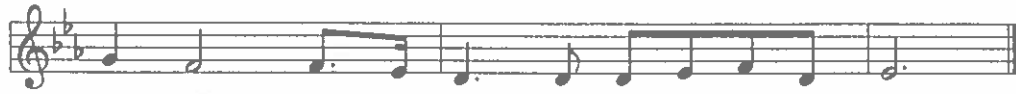
send me draw me near - er to my heav'n - ly goal.
guide me o'er the paths I strug - gle day by day.
hear me when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer.



Love di - vine, be - yond all mor - tal mea - sure, brings to
I will fear no e - vil of the mor - row, I will
Day by day, no mat - ter what be - tide me, you will



naught the bur-dens of my quest; Sav - ior, lead me to the home I
trust in your en - dur - ing grace. Sav - ior, help me bear life's pain and
hold me ev - er in your hand. Sav - ior, with your pres - ence here to



treas - ure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest.
sor - row till in glo - ry I be - hold your face.
guide me, I will reach at last the prom - ised land.

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*Greeting

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

*Kyrie



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, ev - 'ry day.



1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



Refrain

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

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***Prayer of the Day**

L: Let us all pray together:

All: O Lord God, enliven and preserve your church with your perpetual mercy. Without your help, we mortals will fail; remove far from us everything that is harmful, and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.

Readings

Ezekiel 33:7-11

God appointed Ezekiel as a sentinel for the house of Israel. Ezekiel must faithfully convey God's warnings to the people. Remarkably, God—who is about to attack Jerusalem—gives a warning with the hope that repentance will make the attack unnecessary.

⁷ So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸ If I say to the wicked, “O wicked ones, you shall surely die,” and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. ⁹ But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life. ¹⁰ Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel: Thus you have said: “Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?” ¹¹ Say to them: As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel?

L: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119:33-40

³³ Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes,
and I shall keep it to the end.

³⁴ **Give me understanding, and I shall keep your teaching;
I shall keep it with all my heart.**

³⁵ Lead me in the path of your commandments,
for that is my desire.

³⁶ **Incline my heart to your decrees
and not to unjust gain.**

³⁷ Turn my eyes from beholding falsehood;
give me life in your way.

³⁸ **Fulfill your promise to your servant,**

which is for those who fear you.
³⁹ Turn away the reproach that I dread,
because your judgments are good.
⁴⁰ **Behold, I long for your commandments;**
by your righteousness enliven me.

Romans 13:8-14

The obligation of Christians is to love one another and so fulfill the heart and goal of the law. Clothes make the person as we "put on the Lord Jesus Christ" and live today in light of the future God has in store for us.

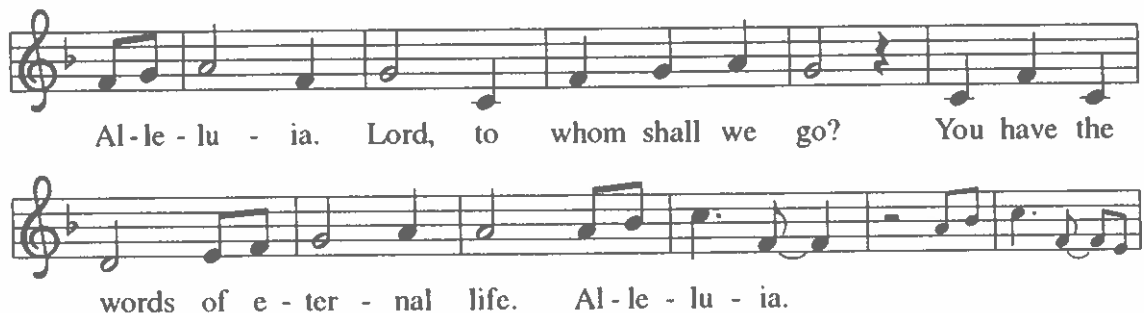
⁸ Owe no one anything, except to love one another, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹ The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; you shall not murder; you shall not steal; you shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰ Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

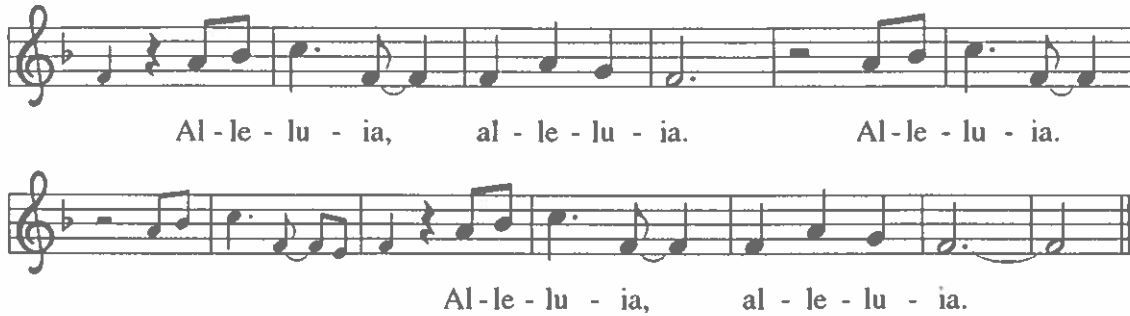
¹¹ Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is already the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹² the night is far gone; the day is near. Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³ let us walk decently as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in illicit sex and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy.

¹⁴ Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

L: The Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

***Gospel Acclamation**





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*Gospel

Matthew 18:15-20

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 18th chapter.

All: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus offers practical advice to his disciples on how individuals—and the church as a whole—should go about restoring relationships when one member has sinned against another.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁵“If your brother or sister sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If you are listened to, you have regained that one. ¹⁶But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If that person refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church, and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Pastor Joel Skindlov

***Hymn**

"Bind Us Together"

Refrain

Bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er with cords that
 can - not be bro - ken. Bind us to - geth - er, Lord,
 bind us to - geth - er, Lord; bind us to - geth - er in love.

1 There . . is on - ly one God. There . . is on - ly one King.
 2 You are the fam - ly of God. You are the prom - ise di - vine.

There . . is on - ly one Bod - y, that . . is why we can sing;
 You are God's cho - sen de - sire, you are the glo - rious new wine.

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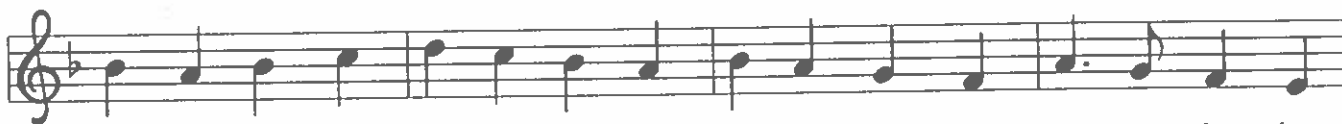
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***The Apostles Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.
 I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
 He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
 and born of the virgin Mary.
 He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried.
 He descended into hell.
 On the third day he rose again.
 He ascended into heaven,**



For these gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, thanks be to God.
In the help we give our neigh-bor, God's will is done.
For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.



For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,
In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,
For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con - found us,



fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.
in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.
most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903–2000

Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional

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*Offering Prayer

L: God of all creation,

All: all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

*The Lord's Supper

P: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give God our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right and salutary . . . we praise your name and join in their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*Words of Institution

*The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen



"All who believe that Jesus Christ is present in this bread and wine as He has promised are welcome to join in the Lord's Supper."

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

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Communion Hymns

"Seek Ye First"

1 Seek ye . . . first the king - dom of God and its
 2 Ask and it shall be giv - en un - to you; seek and
 3 We do not live by bread . . . a - lone, but by

righteous - ness, and all these things shall be
 you shall find; knock and the door shall be
 ev - 'ry word that pro - ceeds from the

add - ed un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.
 o - pened un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.
 mouth . . of . . . God. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.

Text: st. 1, Matt. 6:33, adapt. Karen Lafferty, b. 1948; st. 2, Matt. 7:7; st. 3, Matt. 4:4
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As the Grains of Wheat

Refrain

As the grains of wheat once scat - tered on the hill were

gath - ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo - ple from



all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.



1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,
2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when



Refrain

may we share the pres-ence of your love.
all cre-a-tion shares this feast with you.

Text: Didache, 2nd cent.; Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: AS THE GRAINS, Marty Haugen

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Healer of Our Every Ill



Refrain

Heal-er of our ev-'ry ill, light of each to-mor-row,



give us peace be-yond our fear, and hope be-yond our sor-row.



1 You who know our fears and sad-ness, grace us with your
2 In the pain and joy be-hold-ing how your grace is
3 Give us strength to love each oth-er, ev-'ry sis-ter,
4 You who know each thought and feel-ing, teach us all your



Refrain

peace and glad-ness; Spir-it of all com-fort, fill our hearts.
still un-fold-ing, give us all your vi-sion, God of love.
ev-'ry broth-er; Spir-it of all kind-ness, be our guide.
way of heal-ing; Spir-it of com-pas-sion, fill each heart.

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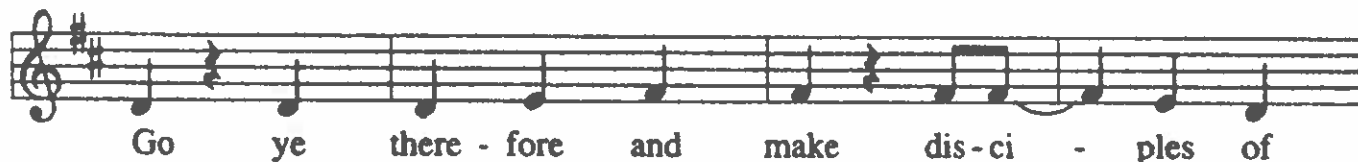
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*Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep
you in his grace. Live in peace, your sins are forgiven.

All: Amen

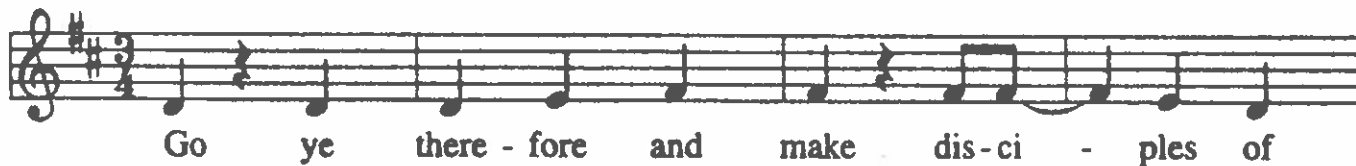
*Post Communion Canticle



Go ye there-fore and make dis-ci-ples of



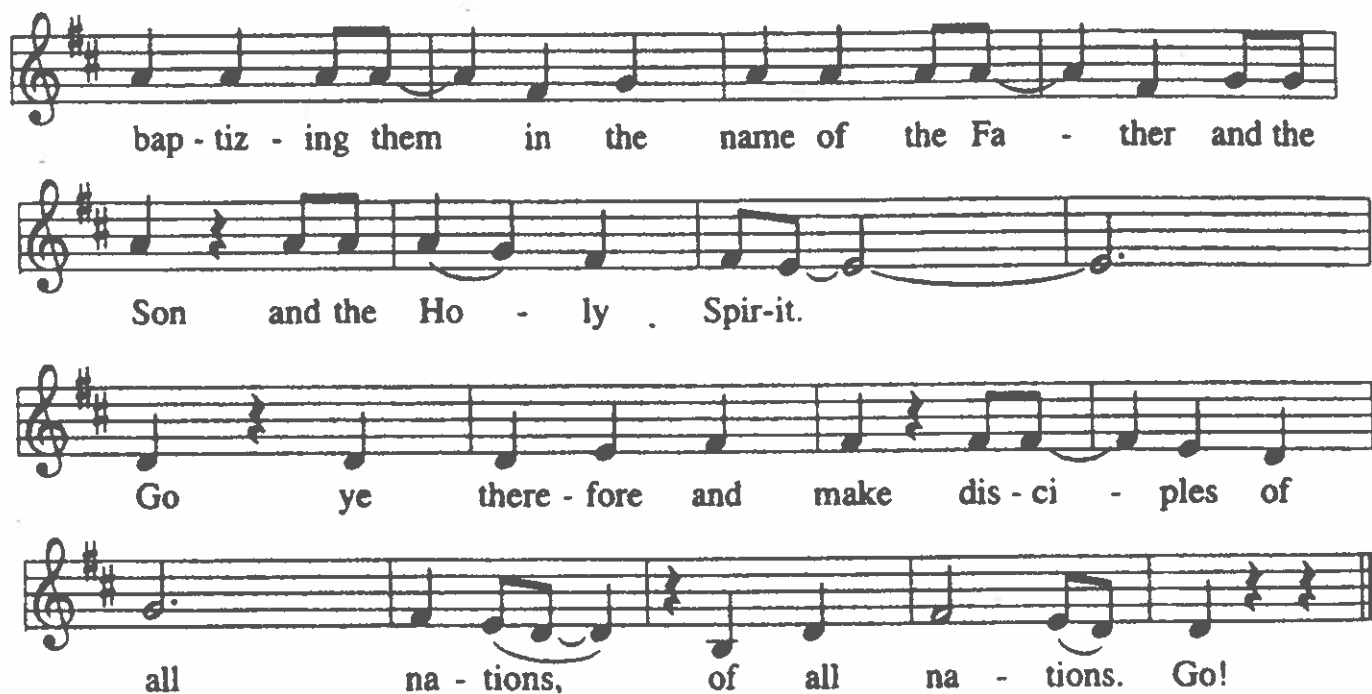
all na-tions, of all na-tions.



Go ye there-fore and make dis-ci-ples of



all na-tions, of all na-tions,



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*Prayer after Communion

L: Let us pray . . . O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

Announcements- Please use the microphone

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

*Blessing

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the

name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All: Amen

***Hymn**

Go, My Children, with My Blessing



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.
4 "I the Lord will bless and keep you, and give you peace.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.
I the Lord will smile up - on you, and give you peace.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here his ten - der com - fort stilled you.
I the Lord will be your Fa - ther, Sav - ior, Com - fort - er and Broth - er.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."
Go, my chil - dren, I will keep you, and give you peace."

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Prince of Peace Purpose Statement

L: God's purpose for Prince of Peace

All: **is to share the story of God's love in, with, and for the community.**

L: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Prayers of the Church

New requests of prayers for hope and healing for:

Cora (granddaughter of Janet Robel's friend), Sharon Ballou, Victoria Brown, Margaret Clark, De Dupuis, for the family of Arlene Kirkevold, and Pam Nebelsieck.

Continued prayers for:

Pam Carlson, Joyce Cleveland (friend of the Renfords), Lewis Dennie (former member), Bill Dupuis, Laney Floyd (Kim & Diane Floyd's grand-daughter), Josh Hawley, for Mike Kaszycki (friend of the Elliotts), Doug Moeller (brother of Dave Moeller), Lindsay Steiner (friend of Skindlovs) and Hannah Stewart Longhurst (friend of Frank Christoff) and Linda Strom (sister of Sue Parrish).

Prayers of safety for:

Seth Hertel (grandson of Sanborns) and all Armed Forces serving around the world.

We also pray for peace and comfort for their families during their time of separation.

If you have a prayer request, please contact the church office at: 509-465-0779 or popoffmgr@comcast.net. Requests will remain on the list for a month unless the office is contacted to extend the request. Thank you.

Announcements

You're Invited to our Open House!

Sunday, September 6

"Let the little children come to me" (Matthew 19:14)

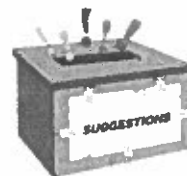
We are excited to invite you to stop by and see our newly revamped Toddler Sunday School room. This special space has been refreshed with our young children in mind, and we would love for you to take a look, celebrate the update, and share in our joy as we continue nurturing the youngest members of our church family.

This is just the beginning, the room is ready, and the stories and crafts are waiting. Now all we need is you. Please consider giving your time just once a month to help plant the seeds of faith in our young ones. We hope you will join us at the Open House as we give thanks for this refreshed room and the children who will learn, play, and grow there.

Karen Chaffins and Sue Parrish

Suggestion Box

We would love to hear from you! Our NEW Suggestion Box is a simple way to share your ideas, thoughts, and constructive feedback with the Pastor and Church Council. Whether it's a suggestion, a question, or a helpful comment, your voice matters. Feel free to leave your note anonymously – just keep it kind and helpful as we grow together as a church family.--- Prince of Peace Church Council



POP Arts & Craft Fair

The POP Arts & Crafts Show will be Saturday, October 17th. Signs up for various supplies, donations and jobs are on the bulletin board, in the hallway, by the restrooms.



Save The Date-Lefse Days

Mark your calendars! The mixing day will be Thursday, October 1st and the baking day will be Friday, October 2nd at 8am. Sign up on the Lefse sheet on the Craft Fair bulletin board to donate ingredients and to help with mixing and baking.



Raffle Quilt

Tickets for this year's **TWO** raffle quilts are available following worship on Sundays or during the week in the church office. The drawing will be on Saturday, October 17th. The tickets cost \$1 and all proceeds go back into quilts for the community!

Fellowship

Treats can be very simple, for example... donuts cut in half, store bought cookies, homemade treats, or cheese and cracker



POP Pantry – The Cupboard is bare!

Food:

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

Necessities:

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



Pastor Joel– Office Hours

Pastor Joel will have office hours on Mondays 11am -12:30pm, Tuesdays 10:00 am-12pm, Wednesdays 12:30pm-2:30pm & Thursdays 10am—12pm. He is also available by appointment. Pastor Joel's #509-951-0223.

Helpful Reminder

If you're in the hospital or at home with an illness, the office will not know if we aren't informed. Please contact the office at 509-465-0779 or popoffmgr@comcast.net if you have a prayer request. If you're not able, please have a family member or friend contact the office on your behalf. If you would like communion brought to your house, please contact Pastor Skindlov –509-951-0223.

Birthdays	Anniversaries
Sept 2– Pete Bauernfeind Sept 6– Randy Holland Sept 8– Joene Liezen Sept 14– Michelle Slider Sept 15– Matt Liezen Sept 18– Paulla Lalley Sept 22– Susan Ames Pam Carlson Sept 23– Karen Bauernfeind	Sept 14– Mel & Pam Nebelsieck Sept 16– Paul & Sue Parrish Sept 18– Jerry & Bernie Webster Sept 21– John & Peggy Renford Sept 22– Kim & Diane Floyd

Serving You Today...

Pastor: Joel Skindlov Worship Assistant: Holly Christoff Keyboarding: Janet Robel Altar Guild: Sue Parrish	Fellowship: Education Committee Ushers: Joe Rock Media: Bernie Polikowsky Communion Server: Sue Parrish
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This Week at Prince of Peace September 6-13, 2026

SUNDAY 9:30 am Worship Service

MONDAY **CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY**

TUESDAY 9:00 am Quilts for Kids
 4:00 pm Praise Group

WEDNESDAY 6:15pm Men's Choir
 7:00 pm Adult Choir

THURSDAY 1:00 pm Bible Study @ Riverview Retirement

FRIDAY **Church Office Closed**

SATURDAY

SUNDAY 9:30 am Worship Service

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