



PRINTS OF PEACE

Monthly Newsletter
Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
802 East Douglas Street
St. Joseph, IL 61873
217.469.7422



Serving at Prince of Peace

Ministers:

All Members

Pastor:

+

High School Ministry Leader:

+ Chase Gilliland

Church Office:

+ Erin Smith, Secretary

Service Times

+ Saturday, 5:00 PM

+ Sunday, 9:00 AM

Sunday School

+ All ages 10:15-11:00

2025 Congregation**Officers:**

+ David Cluver, President

+ Chase Gilliland, Vice President

+ Katelynn Gilliland, Secretary

+ Janice Koss, Treasurer

MISSION STATEMENT

*We are a family of
believers, united to
know Christ, and to
make him known.*



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As summer is winding down, we find ourselves on the doorstep of entering a new season. Decreased hours of daylight are becoming increasingly noticeable. Students and teachers have returned to school for a new year of learning and growing. And as a community of Believers, United to Know Christ and to Make Him Known, we also find ourselves entering a new season; a season of pastoral vacancy. Yes, we have transitioned through seasons of pastoral vacancy in the past but not without an Interim Pastor, so this season is new for all of us.

As we journey through this period of transition, I want to take a moment to reach out to each of you with words of encouragement and hope. Change can often be daunting, yet it is a necessary part of our growth as a community and as individuals. Our faith teaches us that with every ending comes the promise of new beginnings. We have faced challenges together before, and I am confident that we will navigate this transition with grace and strength.

Please take comfort in knowing that each one of you plays a vital role in our congregation. Your prayers, talents, and dedication are what make us strong. Embrace this time as an opportunity to deepen your faith, connect with one another, and continue to support those around you.

Let us stay united in spirit, lifting one another up in prayer and love. Together, we will emerge from this period even stronger than before, ready to fulfill our mission and service.

In Faith and Fellowship,

Janice Koss
Treasurer



Welcome back to Sunday School on September 13 at 10:15am! Adult and Children's classes! Children's classes are PreK-K, 1st-3rd, and 4th-8th.

First Sunday Funday is back on October 4! Children are invited to join us for a fun craft. If you would like to volunteer to lead a Sunday

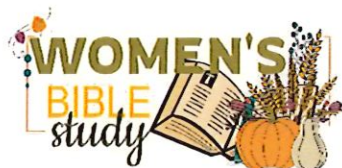
Funday craft or help with Sunday School, please contact Chase Gilliland at 217-778-0892 or chase.gilliland1@gmail.com



Pastor Andy and Joy extend their deepest thanks for the greetings, cards, gifts and well-wishes upon his retirement and their move to Ohio. Your kind words have been a blessing and encouragement during a very topsy-turvy time. May God continue to bless Prince of

Peace Lutheran Church. Their new address is:

Andy & Joy Jones
1052 Woodland Rd
Mansfield, OH 44907



We will restart Women's Bible Study on Monday, September 14 at 6:00pm in the coffee area. We would love to see you! Our new study will be by a very dynamic Priscilla Shirer. The

study is: "He Speaks to Me: Preparing to Hear the Voice of God". It uses the biblical account of Samuel to teach us how to position ourselves to recognize and respond to God's voice. Please let the church office or Brenda Mingee know by September 4th so that we can get the books ordered.

Pastoral and Lay Leadership Monthly Services Schedule:

Pastoral Leadership: Pastor Jim Lehmann and Pastor Donna Smith

Lay Leadership: Dave Cluver, Jason Emmert, Dwayne Gilliland, Todd Goetting, Cindy Goetting, Roger Koss, Zack Wingler

1st Saturday and Sunday Pastor Jim Lehmann

2nd Saturday and Sunday Lay Leadership

3rd Saturday Pastor Donna Smith (also blessing communion for Sunday service)

3rd Sunday Lay Leadership

4th and 5th Saturday and Sunday Lay Leadership



Confirmation 2026/2027

Pastor Ryan Sage of St. John's Lutheran Royal will be leading our confirmands this year.

Confirmation classes will meet on Sunday evenings at St John's Lutheran in Royal beginning September 20 from 6:30-8:00pm.

Pastor Ryan requests an adult member of Prince of Peace attend classes. If you are interested in serving in this capacity, please contact Dave Cluver at

dsccluver@gmail.com or

217-418-5593. It doesn't have to be the same person each week, so if you are able to serve 1 Sunday or more often, your service is appreciated.



The Call Committee would like to thank those who have completed a survey thus far and we look forward to reviewing those soon. If anyone should have any further questions or thoughts about the survey or the call process, please reach out to the committee co-chairs, Louis Hewerdine and Katelynn Gilliland, or the other members of the committee: Darren Franzen, Greg Mills, Travis Fruhling, or Stephanie Wingler.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

	5PM	9AM
August 1/2	26	116
August 8/9	21	102
August 15/16	21	109
August 22/23	23	123



Council highlights from the August meeting.

Fellowship

- Preparing for the Homer Lake service on August 30th

Early Learning Center

- The two board vacancies have been filled

Property

- The exterior lights and how dark it is outside in the parking lot and around the church; Devin is going to reach out to Rick Ackerman about this

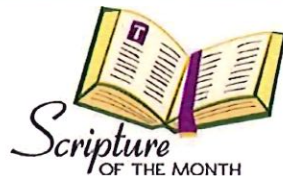
New Business

- St. John's in Royal is going to move confirmation to Sunday evenings; Pastor Ryan would like for an additional POP member to attend as well as representation of the church as well
- Blueprint for how to become an official member of POP; Council will be working on this

Old Business

- Malawi project to fix the guttering on their primary building; this will be brought up at the annual meeting next year

Full Council minutes are available every month to read in the Narthex.



September 6 – 15th Sunday after Pentecost

Ezek 33:7-11; Ps 119:33-40; Rom 13:8-14; Matt 18:15-20

September 13 – 16th Sunday after Pentecost

Gen 50:15-21; Ps 103:[1-7] 8-13; Rom 14:1-12; Matt 18:21-35

September 20 – 17th Sunday after Pentecost

Jonah 3:10 – 4:11; Ps 145:1-8; Phil 1:21-30; Matt 20:1-16

September 27 – 18th Sunday after Pentecost

Ezek 18:1-4, 25-32; Ps 25:1-9; Phil 2:1-13; Matt 21:23-32

POPS PLUS

POPs Plus will meet at 11:30am on Thursday, September 17 at Rich's in Ogden. If you would like to join us, please sign up in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please contact Mernice Wakefield at 217-898-2089.

Pray and Play Fellowship



WHO: POP MEMBERS

WHEN: The second Thursday of each month

TIME: 1:30 p.m.

WHERE: West Fellowship Hall

This is a gathering for those who would like to play board games or card games. Come join in the fun!



MEN'S GROUP

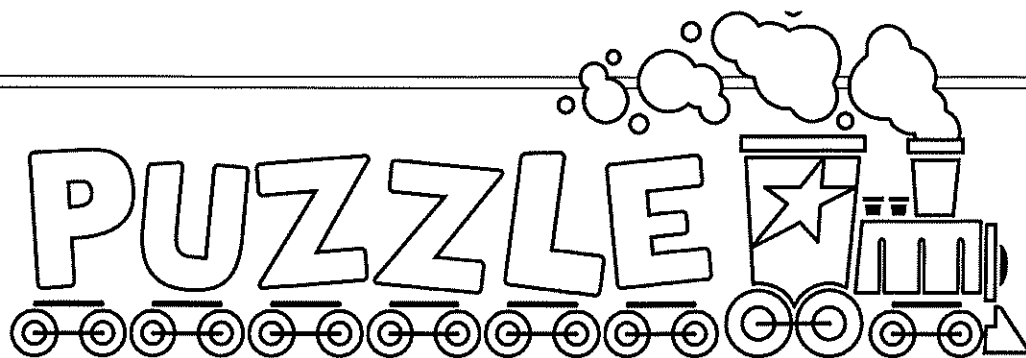
The Men's Group meets every Saturday morning at 7:00am. All men are invited to join us for a time of study and fellowship.



Thank you so much to everyone for supporting Feed the Need

with your donations of peanut butter and jelly! The next distribution is Thursday, September 3 at 5:00pm at St. Joseph United Methodist Church.





JOYFUL PSALMS

Psalms 146, 147, 148, 149 and 150 are happy songs of praise.
They all begin and end with the same sentence.

Put the words below in alphabetical order in the boxes. Then read down
the second column to discover the special sentence from Psalms!



FEAST
KHAKI
MOUTH
ESSAY
LLAMA
ORBIT
CARRY
UDDER
BRUSH
ITEMS
APPLE
LEARN
CIDER





_____!

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Gayle Bartell
Mardella Jannusch
Jeff Mohr

Lyn DeWeese
Dale Kopmann
Stephanie Wingler

Molly Fenters
Pastor Dennis Meyer

Mike Halbach
Brad Mohr

Anna Boulahanis; daughter of Wakefield's
Kim Brooks-Allen; friend of POP
Tim Brooks; friend of POP
Carmen Brown; grandmother of Zack Wingler
Dustin Buford; friend of Greg & Becky Mills
Mike Cooper; friend of Brad & Sherrill Mohr
Tammy Croe; cook at POP Early Learning Center
Kay Fiscus; neighbor of Kenny & Donna Weaver
Susan Fiscus; friend of community
Caleb Franklin; friend of community
Pam Furrer; friend of community
Bobbi Grigsby; daughter of Terri Modd
Ed Grindley; brother of Tom Grindley
Wendy Grunwald; mother of Ryan Munsterman
Brittany Harlan; friend of POP
Seth Hatchel; cousin of the Winglers
Donna Huls; friend of Tom & Sue Grindley
Sally Lee; cousin of Becky Mills
Jesus & Elena Lucio; parents of Miguel Lucio
Sandy Maury; friend of POP
Danny Meece; uncle of Katelynn Gilliland

Merle Mennenga; brother of Mernice Wakefield
Mike Mennenga; nephew of Mernice Wakefield
Morris Mennenga; brother of Mernice Wakefield
Chris Miezio; friend of POP
Jennifer Mitchaner; friend of Carmine Dwyer
Sharon Mowry; friend of POP
Jesus Olmedo; nephew of Miguel Lucio
Michelle Orvis; friend of Terri Modd
Amy Parry; niece of Terri Modd
Bryan Perkins; brother of Erin Smith
Sue Phillips; friend of POP
Linda Rasmussen; mother of Tracy Wilson
Mike Romine; friend of Lowell & Micki Suits
Shirley Rothermel; mother of Susan Allen
Kayla Sabin; daughter of Stephanie Wingler
Mitch Schoolcraft; friend of Tom & Sue Grindley
Larry Sparks; friend of the community
Casia Veeck; granddaughter of Terri Modd
Chad Walker; family friend of Goldensteins
Joe Young; son of cousin of Micki Suits

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY:

Evan Buch	Nephew of Todd and Cindy Goetting
Matthew Collins	Friend of Dale and June Kopmann – Stationed in Middle East
Lane DeMay	Great nephew of Larry and Mernice Wakefield – Stationed in Decatur, IL
Tyler Haake	Illinois Air National Guard
Dyllan Trautmann	Grandson of Gerald and Darlene Sappenfield – Stationed at AFB in Eielson, AK
Forrest Volz	Friend of Pastor Andy and Joy – Marines, Stationed in Colorado



September 5/6 15th Sunday after Pentecost

PREACHER/LAY MINISTER: 5:00 Pastor Jim Lehmann
9:00 Pastor Jim Lehman

ASSISTING MINISTERS: 5:00 Lois Hewerdine
9:00 Aaron Hager

GREETERS: 9:00 OPEN

LAY READERS: 5:00 Lois Hewerdine
9:00 Mike Voges

ALTAR FLOWERS: OPEN

September 12/13 16th Sunday after Pentecost

PREACHER/LAY MINISTER: 5:00 Roger Koss
9:00 Roger Koss

ASSISTING MINISTERS: 5:00 Linda Green
9:00 Mark Howard

GREETERS: 9:00 OPEN

LAY READERS: 5:00 Linda Green
9:00 Jamey Gilliland

ALTAR FLOWERS: OPEN

September 19/20 17th Sunday after Pentecost

PREACHER/LAY MINISTER: 5:00 Pastor Donna Smith
9:00 Dwayne Gilliland

ASSISTING MINISTERS: 5:00 Lois Hewerdine
9:00 Jodi Gilliland

GREETERS: 9:00 OPEN

LAY READERS: 5:00 Lois Hewerdine
9:00 Carmine Dwyer

ALTAR FLOWERS: OPEN

September 26/27 18th Sunday after Pentecost

PREACHER/LAY MINISTER: 5:00 Todd & Cindy
Goetting
9:00 Todd & Cindy
Goetting

ASSISTING MINISTERS: 5:00 Lois Hewerdine
9:00 Jason Emmert

GREETERS: 9:00 OPEN

LAY READERS: 5:00 Lois Hewerdine
9:00 Ryan Munsterman

ALTAR FLOWERS: OPEN

USHERS

Sandy Ferguson

CHURCH OFFERING COUNTERS

Dwyane Gilliland

SACRISTANS (Communion Prep & Clean-up)

5:00pm: Lois Hewerdine

9:00am: Scott & Lori Stewart

Fellowship Servants

September 6: Greg & Becky Mills

September 13: Mike & Tami Voges

September 20: Dwayne & Jodi Gilliland

September 27: Rob & Mary Benoit



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6 15th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00am Worship, w/ Holy Communion 10:15am Fellowship	7 OFFICE CLOSED	1 5:30pm Christian Education	2 6:30pm Y66	3 5:00pm Feed the Need @ St. Joseph UMC 7:00pm Call Committee	4	5 No Men's Group
13 16th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00am Worship 10:15am Fellowship; Sunday School Begins	14 9:00am Quilts of Valor 2:00pm Ladies Outreach	15 6:00pm Fellowship 6:00pm ELC Board	16 6:30pm Y66	17 11:30am POP's Plus, Rich's, Ogden 7:00pm Call Committee	18 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	19 7:00am Men's Group 5:00pm Worship
20 17th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00am Worship w/ Holy Communion 10:15am Sunday School & Fellowship Joyce Kesler, East Fellowship Hall 5:30pm Confirmation Orientation, St John, Royal 6:30pm Confirmation, St John, Royal	21	22 6:30pm Council	23 6:30pm Y66	24 7:00pm Call Committee BILLS DUE IN OFFICE	25	26 7:00am Men's Study 5:00pm Worship w/ Holy Communion
27 13th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00am Worship 10:15am Sunday School & Fellowship	28	29 7:00pm Stewardship	30 6:30pm Y66	October 1 7:00pm Call Committee	2	3 7:00am Men's Group 5:00pm Worship w/ Holy Communion
6:30pm Confirmation, St John Royal		6:30pm Parents' Support Group	6:30pm Y66	7:00pm Call Committee		5:00pm Worship w/ Holy Communion



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