



PRINTS OF PEACE

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

Ministers:

All Members

Pastor:

+ Andrew Jones

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.*



Join us in celebrating the birth of Christ our King!

Season of Advent

November 30 – December 21

5:00pm Saturday Worship
9:00am Sunday Worship

Christmas Program

December 14 during the
9:00am worship service

Christmas Eve Candlelight

Worship
4:00pm
6:00pm

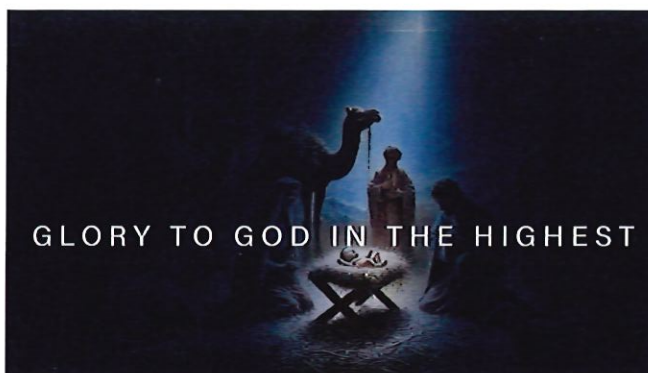
Christmas Day Worship

9:00am with Holy
Communion

December 27-28

Service of Lessons and Carols

December 27 5:00pm
December 28 9:00am





Join us at 10:15am each Sunday for Adult and Children's Sunday School classes! Children's classes are PreK-K, 1st-3rd, and 4th-8th.

Children's Sunday School will not meet on December 21 and 28. We will resume classes on January 4. Have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

A special Sunday Funday is on December 14! If you would like to volunteer to lead a Funday craft, contact Chase Gilliland at chase.gilliland1@gmail.com or 217-778-0892



Come and enjoy the annual Christmas Program on Sunday, December 14 during 9:00am Worship. Rehearsals will be during Sunday School on November 30 and December 7.



"Birthday Party for Jesus – We are bringing back this beloved event for 2025! Please join us in the East Fellowship Hall after the Christmas program on December 14th for a party, including birthday cake, crafts and a cookie walk for the kids. All are welcome from age 0 to 100! We hope to see you there!"



The church office will be **closed** on **Thursday, December 25 and Friday, December 26** for Christmas. The office will reopen on Monday, December 29. Have a safe and wonderful holiday!



The next Review night is December 14 at St. John, Royal. Parents are encouraged to attend. Christmas Break is December 21 and 28. We will have worship on December 24 at 4:00pm and 6:00pm, and Christmas morning at 9:00am. Regular class time resumes on January 4.



Pastor Andy and Joy will be taking vacation time December 26 through January 1.



It is that time of year again that we will be taking donations for poinsettias and wreaths to beautify the church for the Christmas season. If you would like to take part in doing so, please place your donation in a pew envelope and be sure to mark it "Christmas" to be specifically set aside for this and place it in the offering plate, or give it to Erin, our church secretary. Your donations are very much appreciated!! Thank you!
-The Worship Committee





Church COUNCIL

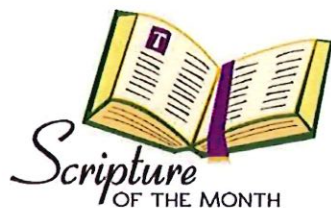
November Council Notes Highlights:

- New south lawn sign designed by Kenny Buhr approved.

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



Thank you so much to everyone for supporting Feed the Need with your donations of peanut butter and jelly! Please bring your donations by Sunday, December 14. The next distribution will be Thursday, December 18 at 5:00pm at St. Joseph United Methodist Church.



December 6/7 – 2nd Sunday of Advent

Isa 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-7, 18-19; Rom 15:4-13; Matt 3:1-12

December 13/14 – 3rd Sunday of Advent

Isa 35:1-10; Ps 146:5-10; James 5:7-10; Matt 11:2-11

December 20/21 – 4th Sunday of Advent

Isa 7:10-16; Ps 80:1-7, 17-19; Rom 1:1-7; Matt 1:18-25

December 24 – Christmas Eve

Isa 9:2-7; Ps 96; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-14 [15-20]

December 25 – Christmas Day

Isa 52:7-10; Ps 98; Heb 1:1-4 [5-12]; John 1:1-14

December 27/28 – 1st Sunday of Christmas

Isa 63:7-9; Ps 148; Heb 2:10-18; Matt 2:13-23



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

	5PM	9AM
November 1/2	21	108
November 8/9	28	108
November 15/16	22	108
November 22/23	36	81

POPS PLUS

POPs Plus will **not** meet in December. We will meet again in January. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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!

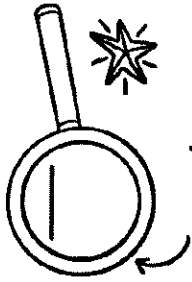


MEN'S GROUP

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.

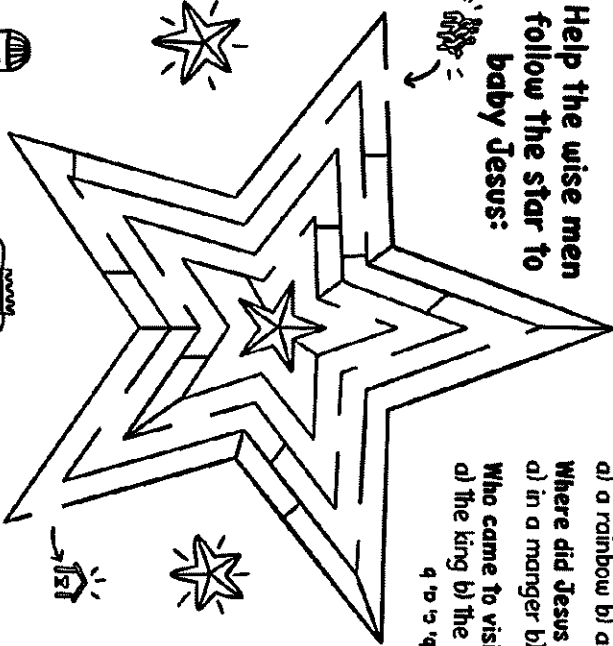


How many small stars can you find?



Answer: 12

Help the wise men follow the star to baby Jesus:



JOY TO THE WORLD

BIBLE QUIZ!

What city was Jesus born in?
a) Jerusalem b) Bethlehem c) Nazareth

What did the wise men follow to find Jesus?
a) a rainbow b) a dove c) a star

Where did Jesus sleep when he was born?
a) in a manger b) in a basket c) in a cradle

Who came to visit baby Jesus first?
a) the king b) the shepherds c) the wise men

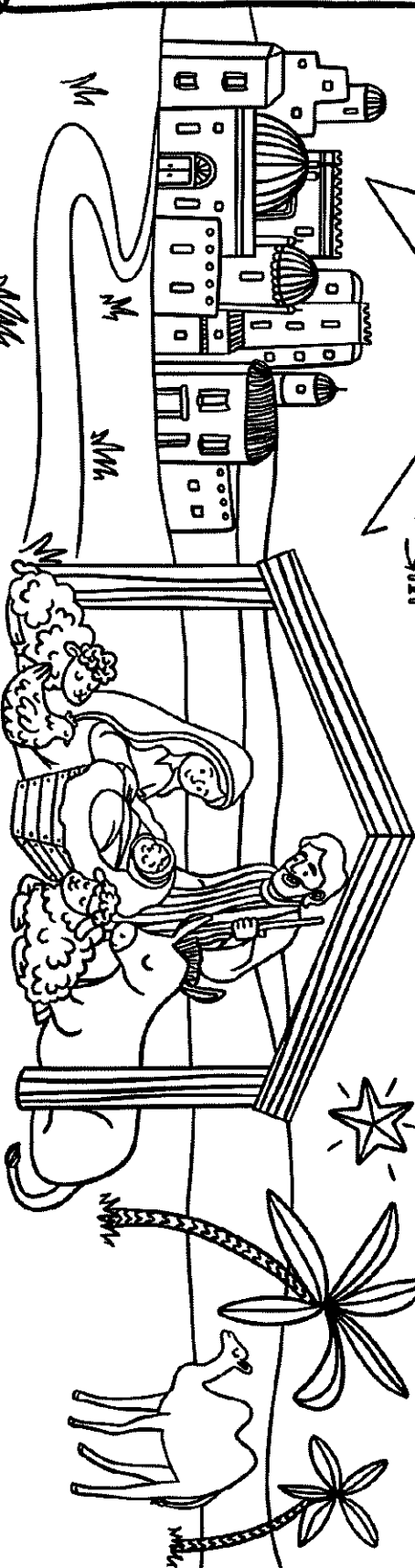
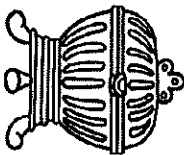
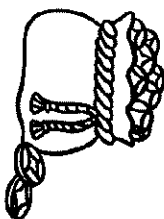
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Are you as wise as the wise men that visited Jesus? Unscramble the words!

GLANE _____
RNAGEM _____
TASR _____
ECEAP _____
LROYG _____

Answers: manger, star, gifts, wise men

Fill in the blanks! What gifts did the wise men bring Jesus?



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Gayle Bartell

Lyn DeWeese

Molly Fenters

Mike Halbach

Dale Kopmann

Jeff Mohr

David Swinford

Paul Swinford

Stephanie Wingler

Carol Wubker

Karen Bailey; sister of Roger Koss

Kathy Bibby; mother of Erin Smith

Kim Brooks-Allen; friend of POP

Anna Boulahanis; daughter of Wakefield's

Tim Brooks; friend of POP

Carmen Brown; grandmother of Zack Wingler

Jerry Clink; cousin of Debbie Huff

Tammy Croe; cook at POP Early Learning Center

Patrick Donovan; son of friend of Carmine Dwyer

Caleb Franklin; friend of community

Pam Furrer; friend of community

Beth Givan; cousin of Vicky Hastings

Duke Goodwin; friend of Gerald & Darlene Sappenfield

Bobbi Grigsby; daughter of Terri Modd

Wendy Grunwald; mother of Ryan Munsterman

Brittany Harlan; friend of POP

Seth Hatchel; cousin of the Winglers

JJ Kasprzak; son of Lauren Fenters-Kasprzak

Sally Lee; cousin of Becky Mills

Jesus & Elena Lucio; parents of Miguel Lucio

Ann Ludwig; friend of POP

Sandy Maury; friend of POP

Mike Mennenga; nephew of Wakefields

Morris Mennenga; brother of Mernice Wakefield

Chris Miezio; friend of POP

Sharon Mowry; friend of POP

Michelle Orvis; friend of Terri Modd

Amy Parry; niece of Terri Modd

Linda Rasmussen; mother of Tracy Wilson

Vicki Ray; friend of Jamey & Katelynn Gilliland

Courtney Reynolds; sister of Katelynn Gilliland

Mildred Rincker; mother of Sharan Carmichael

Mike Romine; friend of Lowell & Micki Suits

Shirley Rothermel; mother of Susan Allen

Kayla Sabin; daughter of Stephanie Wingler

Mitch & Marla Schoolcraft; friend of Grindleys

Larry Sparks; friend of the community

Becky Sweeny; friend of Wakefields

Chad Walker; family friend of Goldensteins

Barb Williams; friend of POP

Harold Young; cousin of Micki Suits

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

Jesus Olmedo

Nephew of Miguel Lucio – Marine, Las Vegas, NV

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



December 6/7 2nd Sunday in Advent

ASSISTING MINISTERS: 5:00 Lois Hewerdine
9:00 Mark Howard

GREETERS: 9:00 Sandy Ferguson

LAY READERS: 5:00 Lois Hewerdine
9:00 Darren Franzen

ALTAR FLOWERS: Rick and Annette Ackerman

December 13/14 3rd Sunday in Advent

ASSISTING MINISTERS: 5:00 Linda Green
9:00 Dwayne Gilliland

GREETERS: 9:00 Ann Freeman

LAY READERS: 5:00 Linda Green
9:00 N/A

ALTAR FLOWERS: Mike and Tami Voges

December 20/21 4th Sunday in Advent

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

GREETERS: 9:00 Rick and Annette Ackerman

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

ALTAR FLOWERS: OPEN

December 24 Christmas Eve

ASSISTING MINISTERS: 4:00 Katelynn Gilliland
6:00 Todd Goetting

GREETERS: OPEN

LAY READERS: 4:00 Jamey Gilliland
6:00 Carmine Dwyer

ALTAR FLOWERS: Poinsettias

December 25 Christmas Day

ASSISTING MINISTERS: Dwayne Gilliland

GREETERS: OPEN

LAY READERS: Jodi Gilliland

ALTAR FLOWERS: OPEN

December 27/28 1st Sunday of Christmas

ASSISTING MINISTERS: 5:00 Linda Green
9:00 Aaron Hager

GREETERS: 9:00 OPEN

LAY READERS: 5:00 Linda Green
9:00 Pat Camp & Lori Stewart

ALTAR FLOWERS: OPEN

USHERS

Cluver family

CHURCH OFFERING COUNTERS

Dwayne Gilliland
Larry Wakefield

SACRISTANS (Communion Prep & Clean-up)

5:00: Lois Hewerdine

9:00: Sandy Ferguson

Christmas Day: Dwayne & Jodi Gilliland

Fellowship Servants

December 7: Rob & Mary Benoit

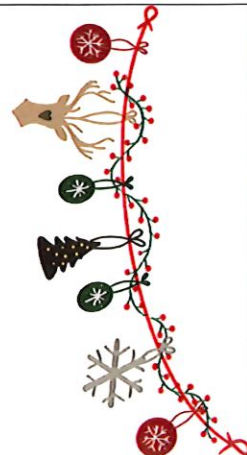








December 14: Aaron & Amy Hager

December 21: Darren & Pam Franzen

December 28: Dwayne & Jodi Gilliland

MEALS on WHEELS (MONDAYS)
Ann Hoops



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>7 2nd Sunday of Advent 9:00am Worship w/ Holy Communion 10:15am Sunday School & Fellowship 10:15am Baked Goods Auction, East Fellowship Hall</p>	<p>1 9:00am Quilts of Valor 3:00pm Home Extension Decorate for Lunch, West Hall</p>	<p>2 10:00am Home Extension Lunch, West Hall 5:30pm Christian Education</p>	<p>3 6:30pm Choir 6:30pm Y&G</p>	<p>4 1:30pm Pray & Play, West Hall</p>		<p>6 7:00am Men's Study</p>
<p>6:30-8:00pm Confirmation</p>  <p>14 3rd Sunday of Advent 9:00am Worship w/ Christmas Program 10:15am Sunday School & Fellowship Bring PB&J to church Pastor Andy at Zion Lutheran, Philo 6:30-8:00pm Confirmation @ Royal</p>	<p>8 2:00pm Ladies Outreach</p>	<p>9 BILLS DUE IN OFFICE</p>	<p>10 6:00pm ELC Christmas Program 6:30pm Choir 6:30pm Y&G</p> 	<p>11 1:30pm Pray & Play, West Hall</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13 7:00am Men's Study National Cocoa Day Bring PB&J to church 5:00pm Worship</p> 
<p>15 National Ugly Sweater & Cupcake Day</p> 	<p>16</p>	<p>17 6:30pm Choir 6:30pm Y&G</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</p>	<p>20 7:00am Men's Study</p>	<p>21 5:00pm Worship w/ Holy Communion</p>
<p>22 BILLS DUE IN OFFICE</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24 6:30pm Choir 6:00pm Worship</p> 	<p>25 OFFICE CLOSED 9:00am Worship w/ Holy Communion</p> 	<p>26 OFFICE CLOSED Pastor Andy & Joy Vacation 12/26 - 1/1</p>	<p>27 No Men's Study</p>	<p>28 5:00pm Worship, Lessons & Carols</p>
<p>29 1st Sunday of Christmas 9:00am Worship, Lessons & Carols 10:15am Fellowship, No Sunday School</p>  <p>No Confirmation - Christmas Break</p>	<p>30 7:00pm Stewardship</p>	<p>31 4:00pm Worship 6:00pm Worship</p>	<p>January 1 OFFICE CLOSED</p> 	<p>2</p>	<p>3 7:00am Men's Study</p>	<p>4 5:00pm Worship w/ Holy Communion</p>
<p>5 No Confirmation - Christmas Break</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>



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