



Prince of Peace
Faith, Family, Community
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The Promoter

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
Rockton, Illinois
OCTOBER 2017

Pastor's Letter

In this time of pastoral transition, I've been thinking a bit about the Apostle Paul's words in Ephesians 4. Paul describes our Lord Jesus as the risen, victorious, ascended, and enthroned King who gives gifts to His people. The Apostle names them: apostles, prophets, evangelists, and pastor-teachers. He tells us what these gifts do, they 'equip' each believer to do ministry.

The word translated, *equip*, in usage in New Testament Greek carries two ideas: restoration (e.g., the disciples 'mended' their nets) and equipping (e.g., newly built ships would be 'equipped' with sails, rigging, anchors, life boats). Often, the two come together. I have found great freedom about this business of equipping from a talk with an old seminary friend.

In a recent conversation, my old friend, Pastor Rob, sent me to *YouTube* to watch a series of talks by Greg Finke on "Joining Jesus on His Mission." Pastor Finke assumes that Jesus is already at work in people's lives. Instead of our Lord sending us to do His work, Finke sees Jesus inviting us to join Him in ministry. He bears the heavy weight of His mission, He just invites us to carry the little He assigns to us.

How different does that simple insight make our ministries – yours and mine! Rather than me needing to know everything about everything, I just need to be able to listen well, pray briefly with, and serve some genuine need of one person. I just join Jesus in His mission. If there are big questions that my new friend needs answered, that is Jesus' problem. Maybe He'll invite me to share how He has answered some of those questions for me. Or maybe not. If sin has broken my friend's life, then Jesus can restore that life. Maybe Jesus will prompt me to share how He is healing me. Or maybe not. I just join Jesus, He does the heavy lifting.

I'm on board with Joining Jesus. How about you?

Pastor Hank

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Worship

The Eucharistic Team will be visiting those that are home bound, providing communion and fellowship. If you know of anyone that would like to receive such services please call the office (815-624-2115) Their next scheduled visit will be Sunday, October 1, between 10:15-11:00am.

Weekly Children's Bulletins – Each Sunday we will have children's bulletins available for youth ages 3-6 and 7-12 during the worship service. The bulletins include activities related to the gospel for that day. Please ask the ushers for a copy for your youth.

Choir - Practices are held at the church on Thursdays at 7:00pm. Contact Sara Lemen if you are interested in joining the church choir.

Sermon Recordings - We need help setting up our audiovisual system to record the weekly sermons again. If you are able to help, please contact the office.

Pastor Hank Corcoran's current office hours are M, W, and Th, 8am-12pm. Pastor Hank's temporary phone number for emergencies is 704-281-2119. You can also reach him via email at pastorhank@poprockton.com.

Prayer Huddle

The group meets every Monday at 9:30am at the church. All are welcome to join us in praying for the requests that are listed on the Connection Cards from Sunday's worship service.

Fellowship

October Book Club – Join the group and read “*Still Life*” by Louise Penney. Meet for discussion and fellowship at 7:00pm on Wednesday, October 18th at Pam Novotnak's house.

Community

Stateline Pregnancy Clinic is holding the Walk4Vision fundraiser on Saturday, September 30th at 9am at Leeson's Park in Beloit, WI. “This is a family friendly 2 mile ‘walk-at-your-own-pace’ event. There will be snacks, coffee and water provided.” For more information on how to participate in the fundraiser, please visit www.statelinepregnancyclinic.org or contact Sue Ducett.

AWANA is a children's ministry for K - 6th grade students that includes really fun games, a great time with friends, and learning about Jesus. The club meets every Wednesday, 6:30-8:00pm at the church.

Invite Your Spouse - Have you and your spouse lost touch with each other? Do you feel more like roommates than intimate lovers? Remember -- communication is one of the beautiful delights of marriage. When it is alive and working, it is the lifeblood of a love-filled relationship. Attend a Marriage Encounter Weekend and learn communication skills to help you grow together as husband and wife. A weekend is scheduled for November 10-12, 2017, at the Garden Hotel, South Beloit, Illinois. Sponsored by Lutheran Marriage Encounter. See www.GodLovesMarriage.org for information and registration. Or phone John and Connie Heins at 815-623-8323.

Save A Space Now for the “2017 Gingerbread Lane Cookie Walk and Craft Sale” hosted by Naomi Circle on December 2 at Prince of Peace Church. Anyone interested in selling their crafts should contact Penny Pfile at 815-624-7729.

Find Your Cookie Recipes! The Naomi Circle-sponsored Cookie Walk occurs December 2 at the church. We will be asking for cookie contributions and helpers/workers for this great event. Please contact Karen Phelps if you have any questions at 815-624-7007.

THE FUN "ONEz"

Stateline Group Just for Singles

Fun Onez Potluck & Play

- When?** Sunday, October 1st
- Where?** Prince of Peace Church & Pec Playhouse
- What?** 12pm Potluck & 2:00pm "Off'ed at the Bake-Off" comedy

Tickets sell quickly and need to be ordered in advanced. Please RSVP to Daphne McNames (815-629-2056). Those not interested in attending the show are welcome to play games at the church.

Service

Thank You Prince of Peace Church for the plant at Bill's funeral service, the pictures, wonderful cards, visits, food, and soups. We feel blessed and grateful to have such a loving congregation behind us. Joan Sabin & family

Haiti's Children Christmas Project has kicked off and we are looking for your support. New or gently used dolls of any kind, wearing clothing, and small trucks, cars, vehicles of any kind, but not oversized are needed. We will wrap up this project by mid-October.

Fill Those Bags! - Our church shopping cart is ready for groceries again so we plan to provide everyone with a grocery bag and list for the Old Stone Pantry on Sunday, October 1st. The food donation bags will be collected on October 8th and the following Sundays in the narthex.



Tuna
Beef Ravioli
Ramen noodles
Canned Soup

Tuna Helper
Kraft Mac N Cheese
Pork and Beans
Manwich

Facilities

Lawn mowing schedule

Oct 5-7	D. Ducett, B. Mohns
Oct 12-14	D. Landenberger, B. Bloese
Oct 19-21	W. Schmidt & crew
Oct 26-28	P. & D. Bielski, B. Mohns

Fall Clean-Up - Please join us on Saturday, **October 21** from 8:30am to 12 noon for fall clean up at church. Rain date is October 28. Many hands make easy work. Bring tools that you think you may need.



Discipleship

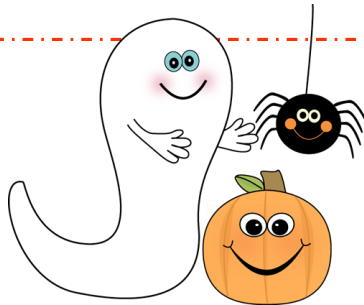
Adult Bible class (including all confirmed young adults)
Discover in the shortest Gospel two contrasting views of Jesus, the Wonder Worker and the Suffering Christ. This class is taught by Pastor Hank and meets during the Sunday School hour in September, October, and November. Join us anytime!

Mary Rachel Circle will be meeting at Phyllis Wendorf's home on October 24th. We will be studying Lesson 6 "I am the Resurrection and the Life" from our book, Portraits of Jesus. A monthly offering will be taken and voted upon to distribute to a local charity. Till we meet again, enjoy the lovely fall weather.

The new "Christ in Our Home" devotionals for October-December 2017 are available on the book rack in the narthex.

TRUNK OR TREAT IS COMING!

Save the date for our favorite kid's event – Sunday, October 29, 2017, 5:30pm – 7:00pm. Soon there will be lists circulating for food donations and cheerful volunteers to help with all areas such as your trunk full of candy or prizes, helping in the kitchen, driving the tractor for the wagon rides, campfire attendant, games, parking, set-up and clean-up. We will once again put our best foot forward, as in the past, to make this a safe and fun activity for the state line families.



Church Council

The Prince of Peace council members meet monthly, except July. If you have questions or ideas, please contact one of the council deacons or attend a monthly meeting.

Tom Lenhart President, 815-389-4203
Wayne Schmidt.....Vice President, 815-298-0750
Daphne McNames..... Secretary, 815-629-2056
Dan King..... Treasurer, 815-494-3919
Wendy Goldsworthy..... Worship, 815-389-3796
John Saarinen Fellowship, 815-623-6460
Sue Ducett..... Discipleship, 815-713-3208
Lora Conrad..... Service, 815-289-7171
Kathy Walker..... Witness, 608-447-1199
Richard Mackenthun..... Facilities, 815-389-2480

Prayer Concerns

HEALING & STRENGTH

Theresa VanderKooi, Julie, Bill, Chad, Pam, Becky, John, Pat, Mary, Lorraine, Maureen, Ashley, Brent, Millie, Jim, Beth, Nancy & John Laursen, Jean Lenhart, Darlene Bielski, Dustin Di-Block, Char Mohns, Ethan, Corbin, Lenna, Nathan, Stub Popanz, Chuck VanderKooi, Dave, Teresa, Jay Wells, Cyndy King, Marian, Ted Kahley, Paul Faye, Lucy, Gladys Mungo, Coni, Barb, Bronson N., Mr. Monson, Vanessa, Gere, Jeanne, Billy, Rachel, Bob Mohns, Judy, and Denise Hoaglund.

GRIEF

The families of Paulette Pfile, Megan Daugherty, Dawn Scott, and Mike Dee. Joan Sabin and family upon the loss of husband Bill. Linda Hansen and family upon the loss of husband Wayne. Diane upon the loss of her sister. Karen upon the loss of her brother-in-law. Nicholas upon death of his grandfather.

LEADERSHIP

- ◆ Our Council Members: Tom Lenhart, Wayne Schmidt, Daphne McNames Dan King, Wendy Goldsworthy, John Saarinen, Sue Ducett, Kathy Walker, Lora Conrad and Richard Mackenthun
- ◆ Our Staff: Pastor Hank Corcoran, Administrative Assistant Kara Wallace, Music Director Sara Lemen, Custodian Phil Martin

FAITH & COURAGE

-Carl Specht, Ella Pearson's grandsons Rob & Samuel Walker, Trisha Bielski, Sherre Faulkner's nephew Rod Flom, Tom & Jean Lenhart's grandson Cody Merrette, Penny Pfile's nephew William Kerr II, Gavan Dick, James Dick, Joan Sabin's grandson Jeremy Crandell, and Dorothy Bush's nephews Christian and Cody Bush.

October Serving Schedule Reminder...

If you are not able to make your allotted time slot, please find a substitute and notify the church office.

October 1

AV: Kara Wallace
Acolyte: Josiah Hedman
Greeters: John & Kathy Walker
Ushers: Lora Conrad & Jerry Yarolimek
Reader: Wendy Goldsworthy
Communion Assist: Duke Ducett, Sue Ducett, & Richard Mackenthun
Counters: David Baird & Barb Durnil

October 15

AV: Derek Hoaglund
Acolyte: Elliott Diemel
Greeters: Duke & Sue Ducett
Ushers: Bob & Nancy Mohns
Reader: Cheri Saarinen
Communion Assist: Sherre Faulkner, Dan King, & John Saarinen
Counters: Bob Mohns & Steve Shrider

October 29

AV: Stacy Diemel
Acolyte: Ashton Rowlett
Greeters: Cathie & Wendy Goldsworthy
Ushers: John & Cheri Saarinen
Reader: Cheryll Hill
Counters: Cheryll Hill & Cheri Saarinen

October 8

AV: Cameron Schmidt
Acolyte: Sidney Schmidt
Greeters: Lora Conrad & Sue Peterson
Ushers: David & Vicki Rowlett
Reader: Sue Peterson
Counters: Penny Pfile & Wayne Schmidt

October 22

AV: Garrett Schmidt
Acolyte: Seth Hedman
Greeters: Irene Lang & Debbie Tracy
Ushers: Sherre Faulkner & Karen Phelps
Reader: Darran Landenberger
Counters: Greg Bartz & Brad Mueller

October 2017 Coffee Prep & Host Schedule



We need volunteers for **Coffee Prep & Hosts**. The sign-up sheet is available in the narthex. Thank you.

Stock Pew Racks for October: Kara Wallace



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



October Anniversaries

24 Jerry and Carol Yarolimek

1 Steve Shrider	29 Sara Lemen
6 Jean Lenhart	Lewis Peterson
9 Anna Bloese	30 Barb Johnson
Wendy Goldsworthy	31 Sarah Denham
15 Sharon Larson	
18 Greg Bartz	
20 Logan GeRue	
28 Deborah Tracy	

October 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1 Cares and Concerns 10:15 am Eucharist Team 10:15-11am Fun Onez 12pm 4-H Robotics</p>	<p>2 Prayer Group 9:30 am</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 Awana Club 6:30-8pm</p>	<p>5 Choir 7pm</p>	<p>6 Annunciation Homeschool Co-op 8:00am-2:30pm</p>	<p>7 Men's Group 7am</p>
<p>8 4-H Robotics 2-5pm</p>	<p>9 Prayer Group 9:30 am Summit Condo 5pm Church Council 7pm</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11 Awana Club 6:30-8pm Altar Guild 7pm</p>	<p>12 Choir 7pm</p>	<p>13 Annunciation Homeschool Co-op 8:00am-2:30pm</p>	<p>14 Prayer Shawl Ministry 9am</p>
<p>15 4-H Robotics 2-5pm</p>	<p>16 Prayer Group 9:30 am</p>	<p>17 4-H Club 6:30-8pm Naomi Circle 7:00pm</p>	<p>18 Awana Club 6:30-8pm Book Club 7:00 pm</p>	<p>19 Choir 7pm</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21 Men's Group 7am Fall Clean-Up 8:30am-12pm</p>
<p>22 4-H Robotics 2-5pm</p>	<p>23 Prayer Group 9:30 am 12pm Promoter Deadline</p>	<p>24 Mary Rachel Circle 1:00pm Rockton Quilt Group 6-9pm</p>	<p>25 Awana Club 6:30-8pm</p>	<p>26 Choir 7pm</p>	<p>27 Annunciation Homeschool Co-op 8:00am-2:30pm</p>	<p>28 4-H Robotics 2-5pm Fall Clean-Up Rain Date</p>
<p>29 Trunk or Treat 5:30-7:00pm </p>	<p>30 Prayer Group 9:30 am</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>Every Wednesday @ noon- Bulletin Ser- vice Notices Dead- line</p>			