

July 2019

A Resting Place for the Saints of Our Lives



Worship in July

Sunday Morning Worship at 9:30 am

Sunday, July 7

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Like Lambs in the Midst of Wolves

Sunday, July 14

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
The Good Samaritan

Sunday, July 21

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Mary and Martha

Sunday, July 28

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
The Open Door
Worship Led by Pastor Selover
Church Picnic

July Events

July 1, 8, 15, 22

Stitchers

July 20

PoP Community Campfire

This past Friday a committal service was held in the Memorial Garden for former members Marge and John McClain and their son James. The McClains were the inspiration for the garden and in 2000 the garden was consecrated with the understanding that the McClains would be the first to be interred. At the time no one was expecting Marge to live to 106. Everyone anticipated that ashes would be interred in the garden long before 2019.

With the death of Marge the Memorial Garden is now open. The garden is located outside the church, directly behind the altar. A stone is in place and ashes are buried at the foot of the cross directly beneath the chancel wall.

At the service last Friday I shared how the garden is like the familiar sight of cemeteries standing next to old country churches. It provides a final resting place for the saints of our lives on the sacred grounds of the church. I find great comfort knowing that my mother and father are buried in my mother's church cemetery in Wisconsin. It feels right that they lie in this holy space.

It is not a thought we like to go to often, but I encourage you to think about whether the Prince of Peace Memorial Garden is an appropriate final resting place for you and your loved ones. It is a personal, but important decision. If you haven't yet, I encourage you to walk back to the garden. It nicely complements our outdoor grounds with the labyrinth, the outdoor chapel, and our Peace Garden. It is nicely landscaped with new benches as it provides a place of solitude where the communion of saints rest in peace. I am thankful that Prince of Peace can offer this space to our members and their families.

— Pastor Froehlke

Encountering God with Body, Mind, and Spirit

Sunday, July 28, 9:30 am

Join us for experiential worship.

Weather permitting, we will worship outdoors.

Worship will be followed by a picnic and celebration of the 30th Anniversary of Pastor Selover's Ordination.

Summer Music Ministry

As I write this, we're preparing for John Franek's final *Anno* meditative concert tonight (June 21) and his last Sunday with us on Sunday (June 23). On behalf of John and the music ministry, we're very thankful to the congregation for your support of John this year. He has grown as a musician and has a bright future as a professional composer and pianist. We will miss him, and we wish him Godspeed in his future endeavors.

The summer will be a little quiet, as the music ministry takes a break from ensemble work. We will, however, have a **Summer Choir** anthem on Sunday, July 28. This is open to everyone who wants to participate. We will sing a simple selection that will be rehearsed before worship at 9:00 am. I hope you'll consider joining the choir for a day.

We will have a **Summer Handbell** day on August 11. More information about that will come in next month's *Tidings*.

As in years past, there are opportunities for you to offer **special music** during worship this summer. If you are interested and would like to discuss, please be in contact with me.

Lastly, I want to remind the congregation that our next Church Musician will be **Victoria Chow-Torres**. She returns to us after being away for three years, and we couldn't be happier to welcome her back. Victoria will officially rejoin the staff on September 1st.

Peace, Doug

Tidings, the newsletter of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, is published monthly. Articles, story ideas, and comments can be emailed to loismcase@gmail.com.

Deadline for the August issue is Sunday, July 28

Staff and Officers of Prince of Peace

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David New, Secretary (non-voting)

July Music Schedule

July 7

Doug Helvering

July 14

TBD

July 21

TBD

July 28

Summer Choir

July Events

Joyful Stitchers in July

During July, the Joyful Stitchers will be working on *Hat Not Hate*. We'll be creating blue hats for kids to be used in the *Hat Not Hate* anti-bullying campaign that will take place in schools across the country during the month of October, National Bullying Awareness month.

We'll continue to work on our ongoing projects, including birds' nests for rescued birds, hats for preemies, pocket prayer clothes, along with a number of other knitted and crocheted items to donate.

We're always looking for new ways to help others with our stitching skills, so if you know of a service project that the Joyful Stitchers could help out with, please let us know. If you'd like to join us, our meetings are on Mondays in the lounge, alternating between afternoon meetings at 1:00 and evening meetings at 6:30.

If you'd like to learn to knit or crochet, we're happy to help you learn! Our pocket prayer cloths are a great first project. Come to one of our meetings and our experienced knitters and crocheters can help you out

For more information, please contact Kate Chen at kcmchen@comcast.net.

Joyful Stitchers' schedule for Mondays in July: July 1, 6:30; July 8, 1:00; July 15, 6:30; July 22, 1:00; July 29, 6:30.

Rescue Mission Clothing Drive Extended until July 14

Because the Rescue Mission is not able to pick up our donations until July 17 this year, items may be brought through Sunday, July 14, 2019. Thank you so much for all that has been donated so far, and for what is yet to come through July 14.

Appreciatively,
The Social Outreach Ministry Team

July 11

Book Group is Cancelled

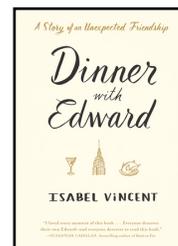
August 15

*Hosted by Kathy Marrolli
Lounge, Prince of Peace*

RSVP to kcm1950@comcast.net

Dinner with Edward by Isabel Vincent

When a friend asks Isabel to please check in on her 93-year-old father, she has no idea how the elderly Edward will change her life. Edward, it turns out, is a gourmet cook and serves her some amazing dinners along with some words of wisdom. The relationship is mutually beneficial as Edward also needs to find a reason to keep on living. Each chapter begins with a menu. A mouth-watering treat!



*The Book Group meets the second Thursday
of the month at 7:30 pm.*

New members are always welcome.

*If interested, please contact Phyllis Church
609-799-0723 or p.church@mindspring.com*



**The July Donation Requested
for the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen is**

Mens Deodorant

*Please place donations in the
wooden box in the breezeway.*

More Events



PoP Community Campfire July 20

*It only takes a spark to get a fire going,
And soon all those around are warmed up
in its glowing.*

*That's how it is with God's love
Once you've experienced it.*

*You want to sing. It's fresh like spring.
You want to pass it on.*

Remember all your favorite camp guitar songs? Well, on July 20 we will bring camp to PoP! Bring your *Kumbaya*, your *Noah* songs, and *Let There be Peace on Earth*. We might have time to sing *On Top of Spaghetti*.

Join your PoP friends at 7 pm for a campfire. Just bring yourself, (but no one will object if you bring cookies!). We'll have s'mores and a ton of fun. If you'd be willing to lead a song on guitar, or just have a request for a favorite song, contact

Nancy Reyes (reyes.nancy@verizon.net)

or

Nancy Durie (nbdurie@gmail.com)

to get on the program. We want your participation. And bring your friends and family!



Coming Sunday, September 8 *God's Work Our Hands*

The council has begun exploring ways to participate in the *God's Work. Our Hands. Sunday*. Save the date September 8 on your calendar.

Since 2013, thousands of ELCA congregations have participated in this dedicated day of service, gathering to serve communities in ways that share the love of God with all of God's people.

There is some interest in developing a Prince of Peace Rummage Sale, with proceeds to go to local needs.

If you have ideas for this day, please share them with a member of the congregational Council. Look for more planning during the summer months.



Update on Sharon Ceragioli

Sharon Ceragioli, a member of Prince of Peace, moved to Tucson, Arizona, a few years ago. She was back in New Jersey for a visit. Several of us were able to catch up with her. She is enjoying her life in Arizona with her new companion, Logan.

On their way back to Tucson Sharon and Logan are spending some time with her grandson, Michael Sisco, and family in Indianapolis.

— Martha Winder

Parish Care Notes

July 2019

*As we enjoy the summer, we continue to share our care with others.
If you know of someone who would enjoy some Prince of Peace care, please let us know.*

2019 High School Graduates & Others Off to School This Fall

Congratulations to our 2018 High School graduates. They were recognized in church on June 16. Five new names are being added to our list of young adults away at school.

All students — Please remember to get your 2019-20 school year contact information to us. We like to keep in touch with our young adults living away from home. Mailing, shipping, and email addresses along with your school are greatly appreciated. Please send details to the church office or the Parish Care Team.

Keeping in Touch

We are asking for families or individuals who can help us keep in touch with folks who cannot always get to church. Dropping off a Sunday bulletin, making a phone call to see how things are, and going to see someone to share hello and a prayer are just a few of the ways to help. Please think about a way that you can help to make their days much brighter. Details of who and where will be provided

Gathering Greeting Cards

Happy Birthday, Thinking of You, Get Well, etc.

OMG! Is it only July and I have already received a 2019 Calendar in the mail! We will be gathering these calendars this fall to share with our local senior residences. They were greatly appreciated last fall. So look for a box in the gathering area or breezeway to drop off your 2019 calendars.

If you live near or visit a senior living residence and would be willing to drop off a packet of cards, please let me know. Also if you can help sort and

package the cards, let me know. We can schedule some time for sorting.

Prayer Squares & Prayer Cards

Prayer Squares and Prayer Cards are on the table in the breezeway. Please share with family, friends and others. Show folks your care.

Soup or Cookies

If you are interested in baking or making soup, we are looking for a few folks to gather in the church kitchen and create some treats to share with others in our congregation. If you are interested, let me know so we can schedule a date!

Rides Needed

Rides to local shopping areas and medical appointments are needed. If you can take a little extra time when you are going shopping to help someone get out and do a little shopping too, please let us know.

Hopefully we can co-ordinate a time.

Starting this fall we will need rides to and from the Monroe area and Princeton University for Sunday services. If you would like to help, please let me know.

Splash & Hope Through Healing

We continue with our *Splash* and *Hope through Healing* monthly mailings along with the *Care Notes* in the breezeway. If you know of anyone to be included, please contact Parish Care.

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Sunday Schedule

Worship at 9:30 am
Education Hour at 10:45 am

Summer Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9 am to 1 pm
