

September 2016



Worship in September

Sunday Morning Worship at 9:30 am

Sunday, September 4

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Ya Got to Serve Somebody

Sunday, September 11

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Worth Looking For

Jazz Vespers

5 pm

Sunday, September 18

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Celebration of the Cherry Tree Club

Sunday, September 25

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Seeing the Poor

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We Need the Church

Let me be direct. We need the church.

Look around. Many today see a political process gone awry. Recently panic spread throughout JFK Airport over a false alarm. I read one report that it started from raucous cheers in a bar over an Olympic soccer match. Communities remain fractured over race and police relations. Our children seem to live in pressure cookers with demands to succeed. Our schools bear the repercussions with an increase in reports of depression and substance abuse. You know that I could go on.

My intent this month is not to lament our brokenness. I just believe that the church remains our source of nourishment and healing. So as we begin a 'new year,' I encourage the congregation to participate in and support what Prince of Peace offers.

We have inspiring worship that weekly proclaims grace through word and sacrament. We have gifted musicians willing to share the wonders of music with young and old. We have educated, faithful teachers offering scholarship and knowledge to enlighten our faith journey. We have a spiritual director available to us, a new ministry of spiritual direction, and a soon-to-be-completed labyrinth. We have artists in the congregation, gardeners sharing the bounty of the harvest, people who love youth, a parish care team that cares, a new jazz service, administrators building a strong base, and people willing to pray for your concerns.

So don't take a casual approach to our ministries. Don't say I'm too tired to worship. Don't say the kids have too much homework tonight. And please don't say I'm too busy.

To say it boldly, we need the church. We need each other: a community of faith willing to navigate a sometimes confusing world.

— Pastor Froehleke

A New Beginning

With the arrival of September comes the arrival of the new academic year and the renewed work of our music ministry ensembles. This year, though, feels a bit different. For the first time in a decade, we're starting our fall without the support and musicianship of Victoria Chow-Torres, our long-time church musician. I am proud to report, however, that we have found not one but two wonderful musicians who will be joining us this fall.

Our new church musician is **Tom Marvil**. Tom is a rising junior at Westminster Choir College. He is majoring in sacred music and is very skilled on both the piano and organ. If you attended our Good Friday service this past spring, then you have had the pleasure of hearing Tom assist the congregation and choir from the organ and piano already. Because of an existing contract at another church, Tom won't be joining us until mid-September. Until that time, though, we are pleased to welcome in September **Scott Koven** as our interim church musician. Scott comes to us from Virginia where he has just graduated from James Madison University. He is starting his graduate work in choral conducting at Westminster this fall.

I'm really looking forward to this coming year, as several up-and-coming ministry leaders will have opportunities to hone their skills working with us in the music ministry. **Rachel New** is continuing this fall through a *Fund For Mission* grant from the NJ Synod. She'll be leading the Celebration Ringers, selecting hymns for the season of Advent, and serving as Worship & Music Team Leader. And Westminster Sacred Music students **Victor Abednego** and **Rachel Tyler** will be singing (and ringing) with us and will occasionally conduct our ensembles in worship.

The **Jazz Vespers** services will be continuing this fall. The first service is at 5:00 pm on September 11. This will be a full communion service, commemorating the 15th anniversary of the attacks and featuring music about and from New York, offered by the NJ Jazz Quintet as well as cherished hymns.

There's room for you in the music ministry. Opportunities are readily available. If you'd like to get involved, please see me or send me a message (rdh@rdouglashelvering.com).

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 October issue is Sunday, September 25

Staff and Officers of Prince of Peace

Rev. Peter Froehlke, Pastor
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Be a Part of the Music Ministry

There are opportunities for all in our music ministry. The *Nightingale Bells* and *Adult Choir* rehearse on Thursday nights starting September 8.

Joyful Noise, *Kids of the Kingdom*, *Chimes of Worship*, and *Celebration Ringers* all meet on Wednesdays starting September 21.

If you're interesting in joining an ensemble, email Doug (rdh@rdouglashelvering.com) for more information.

September Music Schedule

9/4 – Doug & Megan Helvering
9/11 – Adult Choir
9/11 – Jazz Vespers – NJ Jazz Quintet
9/18 – Adult Choir
9/25 – Adult Choir

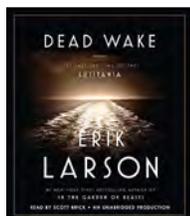
September Events

Book Group Meets September 8, 7:30 pm

At the home of Diane Urbanek
14 Monterey Drive, Princeton Junction
Please RSVP to 609-799-8925 or diurb@comcast.net

Dead Wake: The Last Crossing of the Lusitania by Erik Larson

In this book Erik Larson, author of *The Devil in the White City*, tells the story of the sinking of the Lusitania by a German U-boat, an event that played a key role in changing America's view toward Germany and helped change America's neutral position in World War I. In this thrilling work of narrative non-fiction, the author gives us a fascinating glimpse into the lives of Woodrow Wilson and Winston Churchill as well as the character of the two men captaining the luxury liner and the German U-boat.



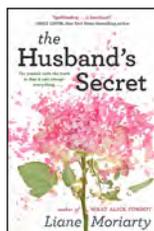
*The book group meets the second Thursday of the month.
New members are always welcome.*

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

Coming October 13 - Location TBA

The Husband's Secret

by Liane Moriarty



In this novel, Moriarty focuses on the lives of three middle-aged Australian women who suffer upheavals in their lives - Cecilia, Tess, and Rachel. Cecilia discovers a letter meant to be read at her husband's death. She reads it now, even though he is very much alive, and discovers a secret that shatters her life.

Tess is shocked and dismayed when her husband and cousin tell her they are in love. Rachel is still grieving over her daughter's murder more than twenty years before, when she learns that her son, his wife, and her beloved grandchild plan to move to New York. The author connects these three women and their stories in a book that is both witty and thought-provoking.

All Invited to Picnic at Pastor's September 10, 4 to 7 pm

All members and friends of Prince of Peace are invited to a picnic at Pastor's house, 4 Darvel Drive, Princeton Junction (near the East Entrance to Mercer County Park).

Guests are asked to RSVP and let the Froehlkens know if you can bring a dessert or salad. Please sign up in the narthex or contact the church office (email@popnj.org or 609-799-1753).

Spiritual Formation Team

All interested invited to first fall meeting

The newly forming Spiritual Formation team will be meeting **Thursday September 8th at 7:30**. All who hold an interest in this ministry are encouraged to attend.

A Lively Rally Day Coming September 11

Spread the Bread

Jazz Vespers

Sunday School Sign-ups

Fall activities at Prince of Peace will kick off on Rally Day, September 11 with the resumption of Christian Education offerings and a special Jazz Vespers service commemorating the events of September 11, 2001.

See page 4 for more information about the all-congregation morning education hour in which the church will participate in the *Spread the Bread* campaign.

Also on page 4, you can read more about the Jazz Vespers service featuring the wonderful musicianship of the New Jersey Jazz Quintet.

See page 8 for a listing of Sunday education activities.

See page 9 for the application for children's Sunday School.

Rally Day, September 11

Honoring Our First Responders

During Education Hour, Following Worship,

This year the 15th anniversary of the events of September 11, 2001 coincides with the ELCA's Fall Rally Day. For the ELCA *God's Work Our Hands* service project, Prince of Peace is inviting congregational members to participate in the *Spread the Bread* campaign.

To participate, bring a freshly baked loaf of bread (sweet or savory) to church on Sunday morning, September 11th. We will gather after worship in the Fellowship Hall to wrap each loaf of bread with decorative papers and ribbons and make thank you cards for local first responders.

Christian education will provide all of the materials for gift wrapping and card making and will deliver the loaves of bread to the local fire and EMT volunteers and police officers. For more information on this national movement, visit www.spreadthebread.org.



Jazz Vespers To Commemorate September 11 Events

Service at 5 pm

PRINCE of PEACE
Lutheran Church

New Jersey
Jazz Quintet

JAZZ VESPERS SERVICE

5:00 PM SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 11th

People from all faith traditions are welcome and cordially invited to attend.



Prince of Peace Lutheran Church is proud to offer a special Jazz Vespers worship service commemorating the 15th anniversary of the September 11, 2001 attacks.

A member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), Prince of Peace is dedicated to being active in our community and offering vibrant worship opportunities. On this occasion, we are pleased to welcome the New Jersey Jazz Quintet, as they will be offering several poignant jazz selections. The worship will include prayers, communion, a homily, congregational singing, and scripture readings in addition to the jazz offerings. Our Jazz Vespers worship services are held on the first Sunday of every month at 5:00pm.

A special Jazz Vespers service on September 11 will commemorate the events of September 11, 2001.

Jazz musicians will be the New Jersey Jazz Quintet, which includes Prince of Peace's own Charlie Frantz on guitar.

This will be a full communion service and will feature music about and from New York as well as cherished hymns.

This is the first of four Jazz Vespers services offered this fall on Sunday afternoons at 5:00 pm. These services will include prayers, a sermon or homily, and communion, and will feature jazz standards and jazz-inspired hymns and sacred songs. The services will be offered on the first Sunday of the month: October 2 (service of Holy Communion), November 6 (service of healing), and December 4 (Advent).

Those who would like to are welcome to join Pastor Froehlike at the Americana Diner after worship.

These services are open to all and Prince of Peacers are

For more information, please visit www.popnj.org or call 609-799-1753.

177 Princeton Hightstown Rd, Princeton Jct., NJ 08550

Don't Miss the September 18 Cherry Tree Club Brunch

Congregation-Wide Event Follows Worship

Disciples of all Ages Welcome

Please RSVP by September 12 so the caterer knows how many to prepare for.

*All are Invited to the
September 18 Brunch
Celebrating
Cherry Tree Club's
21 Years of Ministry
To Homeless and
At-Risk Children*



Wonderful Wednesdays Resume September 21

Wonderful Wednesday Dinner at 6:40 pm

Music

The Wonderful Wednesday program will be starting on Wednesday, September 21. The music program will have its first rehearsals to get acquainted and during dinner discuss the coming semester and year during dinner.

This ministry is for disciples of all ages. Our young people are involved in music rehearsals, and there is usually an opportunity for adult Bible study or a worship service. And there's always a community meal. Rehearsals are 5:30-6:00 and 6:00-6:40. The meal is 6:40-7:30. Adult Education or worship services start at 7:30 pm. For more information, visit the Wonderful Wednesday page on the www.popnj.org website or email Doug (rdh@rdoughelvering.com).

Pastor Class: *The Book of Daniel*

Begins Wednesday, September 21

Christians don't appreciate the role *Daniel* plays in shaping our theological understanding of Jesus. Usually we recall the story of Daniel in the Lion's Den from this Old Testament book, but Daniel played a crucial role in the early church's understanding of Jesus' kingship as eternal. Daniel shapes the Christian belief of Messiah as the one who transcends the role of King David into the one who actually is divine.

Join Pastor Froehlke this fall as we delve into the *Book of Daniel*. Pastor's Class begins on Wednesday September 21, continuing on Wednesdays through November 9th. Come at 6:40 for our Wonderful Wednesday meal and stay for class that begins at 7:30.

See page 6 for information about Confirmation and Youth.

Youth News

Confirmation Starts September 18th

Confirmation Class will be taught on Sunday mornings with Pastor Froehlke being the primary teacher. Class will be held during the Education Hour. In addition, the class will hold Sunday afternoon/evening events periodically through the year. The first will be on September 18th at 6:30 with a parent/student orientation. This is part of a gathering pastor is holding for high school students and parents as well.

We will bless the class on Sunday September 25 in worship. Our first class will also begin on the 25th.

Youth Night Discussion for Youth and Parents

On Sunday September 18th, Pastor is hosting a meeting for youth and parents to discuss youth ministry at Prince of Peace. He will begin with a Confirmation orientation at 6:30. At 7:00 he will broaden the discussion to include high school students. We will discuss not only upcoming events, but also an approach to ministry that both engages our youth and energizes the congregation. Pastor encourages all to come and participate in this important discussion.



Labyrinth Work Days Scheduled

First is on September 24 — Brick Day

The photo above shows the labyrinth as it looked in late August. The 18" deep concrete perimeter is in place and the interior earth graded and compressed. The next step is to lay a fabric barrier and mark out the lines where the bricks will go.

Once the lines are in place, work crews will be needed to mix mortar, do hauling, and lay bricks. Volunteer work will begin on September 24 at 9 am.

Work days are also scheduled for October 8, 15, and 22 from 9 am to 'whenever.'

If you would like to help, please let Nancy Herrington, Mike Fabian, or Lois Case know. We can give you more information about work times and what tools would be helpful. Volunteers with snacks and cold drinks are also welcome.

Special Adult Class on Christianity on India Coming September 25

During the education hour on September 25 Newman Wilson will give a presentation on Christianity in India, which is surprisingly old and has a fascinating and exciting history. All are welcome.

Coming Congregation-Wide CE Events

October 9

Fall Worship Hike

November 6

All Saint's Day Worship Event

December 18

Christmas Caroling

September TASK Donation is Elbow Macaroni

The Social Outreach team has designated elbow macaroni as the contribution of the month for the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen (TASK). Donations can be placed in the wooden box in the breezeway.



Two Crosses Added to Cross Wall

Al and Eileen Parker have added two beautiful new crosses to the cross wall in the narthex.

The small wooden cross (lowest on photo) was crafted by Palestinian Christians from olive wood. Al and Eileen bought it while spending a week at the Chautauqua Institution this summer.

The large cross at the top of the photo is from the Almay store which The Parkers bought when visiting their long-time home in Old Greenwich, Connecticut.

Parish Care - September 2016

Welcome Back to our regularly scheduled Church Year

Here are a few Parish Care needs and projects

Back-to-School Time

It is hard to believe it is time to be thinking of back to school. As I am seeing back to school supplies all over the stores, the parish care team would like to remind all families with young adults heading back to school that we would like to have our students contact information. So as you are packing up your college students for the fall semester, please make sure to get their correct snail mail and email information to us. We do keep in touch with our young adults who are away at school.

Thinking of our students away at school and ahead to our Care box project, If you see great bargains on non-perishable items for our boxes, gather them up and bring to church. We will hold on to them until it is time to pack the boxes. (~35 boxes in 2017).

Rides Needed

To and from the Monroe area to church for Sunday Service.

Many thanks to Sharon Ceragioli and Jim Winder for providing rides over the last few months. If you would be willing to help with some transportation to church on Sunday mornings, please let us know.

On-Going Projects

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.

A note of thanks to Ginger Reierison for keeping the *Care Note* display organized, neat and available to all.

Phone Calls and Bulletin Delivery

A 'good morning/day and how are you doing' phone call: We would like to reach out to our church family who cannot be with us on Sunday mornings. The call is a simple 'Hi, we are thinking of you, hope all is going well, and is there anything we can do to help.' If you can help with making a few calls once a month, your care is greatly appreciated by many.

Sunday bulletins are mailed each week to folks who would like them and cannot get to church. The bulletins can be delivered. This entails taking a Sunday bulletin from church and getting it to them early in the week with a quick Hi, how are you doing and we are thinking of you message. As with the phone calls, it is amazing that such a quick, simple act brightens someone's day. If you would like to deliver a bulletin once in a while, let me know. We will co-ordinate our efforts. We have names, addresses, and directions.

Watch for Details and Dates of our Fall Christian Ed/Parish Care Projects:

Soup making - for homebound members and others in our wider community

Baking cookies to share

Advent Calendar mailing

'Christmas Caroling' after church to a few of our local assisted living communities

Questions or want to help ... contact me

Martha Winder 609-799-7280

maw14jpw@aol.com



PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

2016-2017

SEPTEMBER	JANUARY
9/4: No Christian Education Hour	1/1: No Christian Education Hour
9/11: ELCA Rally Day: Serving First Responders Event	1/8: Baptism Event – Baptism of our Lord
9/18: A Celebration of the Cherry Tree Club Ministry	1/15: Small Group Study - Epiphany
9/25: Small Group Study	1/22: Small Group Study
OCTOBER	1/29: Annual Congregational Meeting
10/2: Small Group Study	FEBRUARY
10/9: Fall Worship Hike	2/5: Small Group Study
10/16: Small Group Study	2/12: Small Group Study
10/23: Small Group Study	2/19: Small Group Study
10/30: Small Group Study	2/26: Small Group Study
NOVEMBER	MARCH
11/6: All Saints Day Event	3/5: Small Group Study – First Sunday of Lent
11/13: Small Group Study	3/12: Small Group Study
11/20: Small Group Study	3/19: Small Group Study
11/27: Small Group Study – First Sunday of Advent Season	3/26: Small Group Study
DECEMBER	APRIL
12/4: Small Group Study	4/2: Scripture & Food Event
12/11: Small Group Study	4/9: Labyrinth Meditation Program – Palm Sunday
12/18: Christmas Caroling	4/16: Easter Brunch & Easter Egg Hunt
12:25: Christmas Day	4/23: Small Group Study
<p>The Christian education hour will begin at 10:45 am following a 15 minute fellowship after worship.</p> <p>For more detailed descriptions of small group study topics, please see the back of this flyer.</p> <p>For additional descriptions on the congregation-wide Christian education programs listed on the calendar, please check out the display in the church narthex and online at www.popnj.org</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CONFIRMATION CLASS</p> <p>Our confirmation students will be gathering for study during the Christian Education hour. Our confirmation program is a two year program for students in 7th-8th grade and includes Old Testament, New Testament and Lutheran catechism study. If you are interested in joining this program, please contact Pastor Froehlke.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FIRST COMMUNION CLASS</p> <p>First Communion class is open to all who are called to receive the sacrament. Classes will be held in January with Pastor Froehlke. If you are interested in receiving first communion instruction, please contact Pastor Froehlke.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>The mission of Christian education at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church is to organize and support educational programs and activities that help children and adults become more knowledgeable followers of Jesus and active participants in our Christian community of faith.</p>	<p>4/30: Small Group Study</p> <p>MAY</p> <p>5/7: Small Group Study</p> <p>5/14: Small Group Study</p> <p>5/21: Easter Worship Hike</p> <p>5/28: Spring Caroling</p> <p>JUNE</p> <p>6/4: Small Group Study & Celebration of Confirmands – First Sunday of Pentecost</p> <p>6/11: Dedication of the Labyrinth – Holy Trinity Sunday</p> <p>Small Group Lay-Leaders & Guest Speakers: Adult: Mike Fabian, Charlie Franz, Karlfried Froehlich, Sara Lilja, & Newman Wilson Children: Nancy Durie & Meaghan Grim (Preschool); Josh Grim & Brandi Hebert (K-3rd); Tiffanie Pfaltzgraff & Megan Peterson (4th-6th) Confirmation: Martin Rexroad & Wendy Schutzer</p> <p>All are welcome to attend the congregation-wide programs as well as the adult and children small group studies.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>Please note that all Christian education programs are subject to possible change throughout the year. Check your email regularly for weekly updates. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Brandi Hebert at brandiandnoel@gmail.com.</p>



Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

Christian Education Registration 2016-2017 (for children only)

Name of Parent(s) _____

Address _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Please list your children registering for Christian education classes:

Name	Circle Entering Grade	Date of Birth
1. _____	Pre-K K 1 2 3 4 5	____/____/____
2. _____	Pre-K K 1 2 3 4 5	____/____/____
3. _____	Pre-K K 1 2 3 4 5	____/____/____

Special needs or concerns (Always feel free to talk to the pastor in confidence about these as well):

Allergies/Asthma: Y or N If yes, please provide additional information: _____

Medical Doctor _____ Phone _____

Emergency Contact on Sunday a.m. _____

Cell Phone required: _____

Copies of the 2016-2017 Christian education calendar of children's small group classes and congregation-wide events is provided in the narthex at the Christian education display. Additional hand-outs will be available in the narthex at the Christian education display on Sunday, September 11th. A weekly email regarding each Sunday mornings Christian education offerings will be sent to parents the week prior with additional information for that week. Please check your email often throughout the year for updates and changes to the Christian education schedule. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Brandi Hebert at brandiandnoel@gmail.com or at 609-647-4393.



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Sunday Schedule

Worship at 9:30 am

Summer Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9 am to 2 pm
