

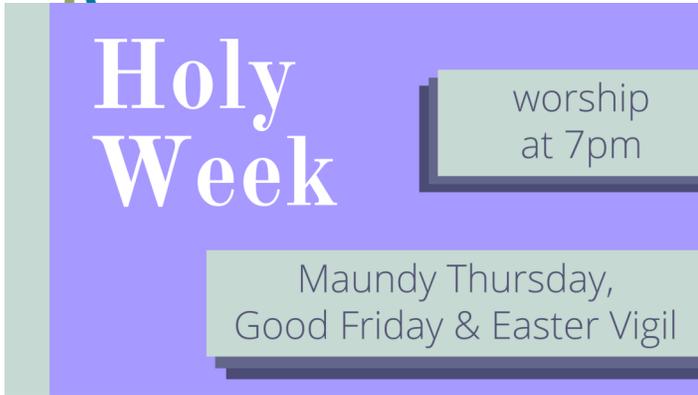


# Prince of Peace

LUTHERAN CHURCH

## March 24-April 1, 2018

Check out [popluther.org](http://popluther.org) for more info



### Holy Week Worship

Thursday - Saturday, March 29-31, 7 pm

Holy week begins this week with worship across the Three Days (Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Vigil) when we gather each night at 7 pm as one worship service bridges into another. At the Easter Vigil on Saturday, March 31, experience our most unique worship service of the year as we begin outside around a fire and proceed into POP to hear stories of our faith, ending by celebrating the resurrection of our Lord and a special reception following worship in the Gathering Space. Nursery Care is provided at each of the Holy Week services in the evening.



### Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 1, 8, 9:30, 11 am

Celebrate our Risen Lord on Easter morning next Sunday! Please note that we have different worship times of 8, 9:30 and 11 am on Easter Sunday morning. Nursery care is provided at these services for children 3 and under. If needed, additional parking is available at the Loveland Safety Center. The church office will be closed on Monday, April 2.



### Spring Fling

April 18, 5:30-7:00 pm

Judi Alemagno, [tbl4six@gmail.com](mailto:tbl4six@gmail.com)

Come one, come all for an evening of food and fun! Prince of Peace will be hosting a spring carnival for the community once again this year. Groups and families of POP are encouraged to come together to create a simple carnival game for kids to play (ring toss, putt-putt, etc.) that can be done in a parking space outside in the parking lot. Please sign up on the bulletin board to host a carnival game. Game prizes will be provided.



### Trivia Night

Tuesday, April 10

Little Miami Brewing Company (Milford)  
[www.popluther.org/event/trivia-night](http://www.popluther.org/event/trivia-night)

Are you a trivia master? Looking for more ways to connect? Interested in supporting our youth? Come to POP's FIRST Trivia Night where you can compete with a 4 person team for awesome prizes, door prizes, and raffles. All proceeds benefit our ELCA Youth Gathering participants. Limited space available, so gather your friends, register a team, and study up!

## KIDS & YOUTH

Contact MEHelms@popluther.org

### Spring Break Serve and Sup

Tuesday, March 27, 9:30 am—1:30 pm

[www.popluther.org/event/serve-and-sup](http://www.popluther.org/event/serve-and-sup)

Students – are you looking to connect over Spring Break? Join us for a chance to SERVE and SUP (eat and catch up!). We'll meet at POP at 9:30am to drive to Matthew 25 Ministries. After serving, we'll eat lunch together. Bring money for lunch and sign up online or on the bulletin board. All 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students are welcome.

### I Believe MSM Retreat

Saturday, April 7—Sunday April 8, sign up by March 25

[www.popluther.org/event/msmretreat2018](http://www.popluther.org/event/msmretreat2018)

All students in 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to the "I BELIEVE" MSM Retreat. Come to make friends, grow in faith, take a break from the stress of school and sports, explore creation, play games and more. On this retreat, we will connect with our Creator, learn about Jesus, and experience the Holy Spirit's presence as we discover and name our beliefs. Friends are welcome. Adult Youth Team members and high school students are needed to make this retreat possible!

### Oikos

Wednesday, April 11, 6:30 pm, Location TBD

High school students head to dinner together at another youth's home. We share a meal and then play a game or share a devotion. We will eat at 6:30 pm and hang until 8:00 pm. We could use a host family for our April meal (at your place or Mary Ellen's house). Please let me know if you're interested in hosting!

### First Communion Workshop

Sunday, April 15, 12:15—2:00 pm

All children who are interested in learning more about this holy meal are invited for lunch and learning together. Parents attend these workshops with their children. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. If your child is interested in communion (no matter the age) and can enjoy learning with other young ones – we hope you'll join us! Please speak with a pastor or Mary Ellen if you have questions about First Communion.

## GROW

### Engage (Adult Education)

Sundays, 10 am

Engage continues this week with Pastor Kim teaching a 2 week course on "Lost in Translation: Making Sense of Scripture". Engage will return on Sunday, April 8.

### Parenting Across the Ages

Wednesday, April 11, 6:30-8 pm

Parents of all ages, especially parents of preschoolers, are invited to attend a parenting workshop at POP. Renee Mattson, founder of "Child in Bloom", has 20 years experience as a licensed intervention specialist, licensed educator for elementary/gifted children and a parent coach. Whether you just want to learn some good

parenting techniques or there are some real challenges you are facing,

## SERVE

### Serve in Worship for Holy Week & Easter

[www.popluther.org/serve-here/](http://www.popluther.org/serve-here/)

Karen Skarda, [kskarda@popluther.org](mailto:kskarda@popluther.org), (513) 683-4244

We have openings where we need additional servants to support Holy Week and Easter worship. Sign up online or on the sign-up sheets in the Gathering Space if you are able to serve at any of those services.

### PRIORITY SERVE IN WORSHIP OPENINGS :

Greeters—Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil

Welcome Center— All services

Ushers—Easter 8 am (3), 9:30 am (5), 11 am (3)

Crucifer—Easter 8, 9:30, 11 am

Altar Care—Easter 8, 9:30, 11 am

Youth Communion Assistants—Easter 9:30, 11 am

### Mulch Madness

Saturday, April 7, 12:30—3:30 pm

Scott Torrison, (513) 774-0617

Jerry Draeger, (513) 677-3730

Spring has arrived, the perennials are poking up, and the shrubs are budding. It is time to mulch all our beds. Can you come help to haul and spread mulch? We will have over 20 cubic yards of bulk mulch (that is equivalent to 270 bags) so we need volunteers to load and push wheelbarrows and spread mulch. Bring a wheelbarrow and/or rake if you have them. Sign up on the bulletin board.

## CONNECT

### POP Wednesdays

Meal, 6 pm & Good Stuff, 7 pm

Returns April 4

There will not be a POP Wednesday gathering this week on March 28 due to Holy Week. They will return on Wednesday, April 4. Your free will offerings are greatly appreciated as these directly support this ongoing ministry.

### Pieces for Peace

Monday, March 26, 1:30—4 pm

Janis Fogle, [jswfogle@aol.com](mailto:jswfogle@aol.com)

Please join us as we make quilts for those in need in room 137. No experience needed.

### Inking Of You

Thursday, April 5, 10 am

We will be making Birthday and Thank You cards. Supplies are furnished and no experience is needed.

### POP Corks

Saturday, April 7, 7 pm

POP Corks is an informal gathering of wine enthusiasts. It's a great way to meet people because the focus is on fun and fellowship with wine serving as the vehicle. Bring a wine (this time a blend) and an appetizer. Sign up is on the bulletin board along with directions to our hosts, Gordon & Pat Baker. All are welcome (21+).

**Book Study: "Braving the Wilderness" by Brene Brown**  
Sundays, 6-8 pm Starting April 8, Parlor  
Ellen Mershon, [ellen.mershon@gmail.com](mailto:ellen.mershon@gmail.com)

All are welcome to begin a new book study and discussion led by Ellen Mershon through the spring here at Prince of Peace. The structure will be a time of sharing, book discussion and closing out with prayer.

### **Around the World in 80 Minutes**

#### **Organ & Multimedia Concert**

**Wednesday, April 18, 7:30-8:45 pm at Prince of Peace**

Created and performed by Dr. Jeannine and David Jordan, all are welcome to this fast-moving concert that features unique global organ repertoire by native composers. It is as exciting as it sounds and is a great journey around the world that transcends the boundaries of countries, religions, nationalities, time periods and styles. It brings people together through music, visuals and the grandeur of the organ and celebrates the fascinating diversity of the music of the world. A free will offering will be taken with all proceeds going to support future music concerts at Prince of Peace.

### **Discover Prince of Peace**

**Sundays, May 6, 13, 20, 10—10:45 am**

[www.popluther.org/discover-pop/](http://www.popluther.org/discover-pop/)

Discover Prince of Peace is for people who are new to the community who want to know more about the history, ministries, vision and mission of Prince of Peace. Offered four times a year on Sunday Mornings from 10 – 10:45, these sessions are a great way to meet others and connect with the leadership of Prince of Peace.

### **End of the UNdivided Journey**

Our 5-week Lenten journey has ended. Over 200 people participated in one of 22 journey groups. We hope and pray that this Lenten journey has been a time of reflection and challenge, while growing together in community. Missed any of the sermons? Find them online at [popluther.org/sermons/](http://popluther.org/sermons/). If you enjoyed the community with your group, consider meeting in the future with your group, whether to simply connect again or to form a new group or bible study to continue together. Contact Karen Skarda or Pastor Lorne if you have questions on how to form a new group. Please let us know your thoughts on the journey by filling out a brief survey, found online at [popluther.org/journeys/undivided/](http://popluther.org/journeys/undivided/).

## **GIVE**

### **Rummage Sale**

**Friday April 27, 6—8 pm**

**Saturday, April 28, 8 am—1:30 pm**

**Donations accepted April 22-April 26**

It's that time! This is our final fundraiser for our high school Youth Gathering. Please consider finding items from home that you're ready to part with that someone else may love! Drop off items in the PLC anytime from 9 am—8 pm starting April 22 and ending at 7 pm on Thursday. We cannot take media centers, carpets, metal office furniture, mattresses, computer equipment (10 years and older), box TVs, or upholstered furniture in

poor condition (we will accept light wear and tear).

### **Large Item Donations to the Rummage Sale**

**Sunday, April 22, 12:30—3:30 pm**

Do you have large items that you need help getting to church for the rummage sale? We will make arrangements to pick up large items on Sunday afternoon at your home. Please have all items gathered in one area (garage if possible!) and we will have a crew of students and an adult load them into trucks and vans to carry them to church. Contact Marty Cronin to request a pick-up at [cronin.ma72@gmail.com](mailto:cronin.ma72@gmail.com) or (513) 239-6459. Pick-ups are only offered on the afternoon of Sunday, April 22.

### **Give+ Text**

**Jo Ellen Owens, [jowens@popluther.org](mailto:jowens@popluther.org)**

[www.popluther.org/give/](http://www.popluther.org/give/)

We have launched an additional way to give a donation to POP: giving through TEXT message! There are no special fees that are added for this transaction, just the normal text messaging fees from your cell phone carrier (may apply). People can donate from a debit or credit card. Starting this weekend, any donations that are given via text will go to the current operating fund of Prince of Peace. **To donate via text:** In your messaging on your phone, enter (513) 434-3736. Enter the amount you wish to donate and press send. You will receive a registration link. Click the link and enter your contact and payment information. Tap "Process". After registration is complete, you will receive a verification text as well as a receipt via email. For future giving, simply send a text with the amount you wish to give and it will process automatically. Thank you for supporting Prince of Peace!

## **POP KIDS**

### **POP Kids School Lenten Walk**

We would love our Prince of Peace family to join us on our Lenten Walk! Starting this weekend and continuing through Easter weekend, we will have scenes that depict the life of Jesus in the hallway near the sanctuary and the preschool classroom hallway. Each scene has been created by one of our preschool classes.

### **POP Kids Silent Auction**

**April 11—19**

**Donations by April 4**

**Jessica Doyle, [jessicadoyle10@gmail.com](mailto:jessicadoyle10@gmail.com)**

**[popkids@popkidschool.com](mailto:popkids@popkidschool.com), 683-1600**

POP Kids School works every year on a tight budget so we can keep tuition affordable to everyone. This also allowed us to award 5 scholarships this year. The funds raised from the Silent Auction help us with large equipment purchases, special programming and teacher appreciation. The Auction is in April and we are collecting donations now. We would appreciate any items: event tickets, autographed sports memorabilia, jewelry, toys, time share or lodging, gift certificates (of any kind) services, hand-made items. Donation forms are available in the main POP Kids hall on the coat rack.

## CALENDAR

### Sunday-Palm Sunday

8:45, 11 am Worship

10 am Engage

6 pm Joyful Noise

### Monday

1:30 pm Pieces for Peace

6:30 pm Zumba

6:45 pm Bells of Peace

### Tuesday

7:15 pm Men's Basketball

### Wednesday

10 am Bible Study

### Thursday—Maundy Thursday

5:45 pm Knit Together

7 pm Maundy Thursday Service

8 pm Adult Choir

### Friday—Good Friday

7 pm Good Friday Service

### Saturday—Holy Saturday

7 pm Easter Vigil Service & Reception

## PRAYERS

### Rejoicing

Laura & Matt Conklin at the birth of their son, Oliver William

### Greiving

Angela Faulhaber and family as they mourn the death of her grandfather, Bob Hildreth

Dianne Peters and family as they mourn the death of her brother-in-law, David Kipp

Debbie Heidrich and family as they mourn the death of her mother, Glennis Lautzenhiser

### Recent Prayer Requests

Traci, *niece of Renetta Morem*

Mona Abele, *mother of Ann Abele*

David Bowers

Margaret Calai, *mother of Chris Shaw*

Ted Gillespie, *brother-in-law of Mary & John Kmet*

Axel Madsen

*If you would like to join our email prayer chain, please contact Donna Bednar at [dbednar@popluther.org](mailto:dbednar@popluther.org).*

*If you have a prayer request, send it to [prayers@popluther.org](mailto:prayers@popluther.org)*

*and it will be forwarded to our email prayer chain.*

*We are a Stephen Ministry Congregation*



## THANKS..

### NEST Lenten Partner

Through March 31—\$5 each

[popluther.org/cause/lenten-partner-nest/](http://popluther.org/cause/lenten-partner-nest/)

Thank you POP for your amazing generosity to NEST Community Learning Center, our Lenten partner. We have already raised over \$5,300, which more than double our original goal of purchasing 500 Weekend Energy Packs (\$5/pack)! This is our last week of our Lenten partnership and to support the weekend nutrition that will be provided to local Loveland youth in poverty this summer through NEST. Place donations in the weekly offering (checks payable to POP, memo: Lenten Partner NEST), in the jar in the Gathering Space, or online. All ages can write notes of encouragement to be included in the energy packs to local youth. Check out our online video on ways to get involved and volunteer with NEST ongoing.

## GIVE

### L.I.F.E. Food Pantry

Place donations in bins at Lebanon Road entrance. When you do your weekly shopping, please think about donating to the L.I.F.E. Pantry--this is like "pledge week" on PBS--we have a goal of \$35,000 in dollars and/or product. Each item donated equals \$1 during our "Feed the Hungry" Challenge--can you please help?

- Parmesan cheese—shelf stable
- Spaghetti
- Manwich
- Canned chicken
- Canned pasta—ravioli, lasagna, etc.
- Condiments—mustard, salad dressing, mayo
- Sugar
- Flour
- Boost, Ensure

If you'd like to do something special, drop off refrigerator/freezer items during pantry hours (M,Th 4-6:30 pm, W,Sa 10-12:30 pm)

- Frozen veggies
- Freezer meals, like Voila
- Frozen pizza
- Hot dogs
- Packaged lunchmeat
- Bacon
- Sausage

Worship Services: Saturdays at 5 pm, Sundays at 8:45 & 11 am; Sunday School September - May at 10 am

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Please submit articles for the Announcements to [jowens@popluther.org](mailto:jowens@popluther.org) by noon on Wednesdays.

Feel free to take the bulletin and announcement folder home! If you choose not to, please recycle them as you exit the sanctuary.