



# Prince of Peace

LUTHERAN CHURCH

## May 19-20, 2018

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### Resurrection Project

**H.E.L.P.**

(Haitian Education & Leadership Program)

and

**Summer Camp**

in

Jacmel, Haiti



April 1 – May 20

### Resurrection Project: H.E.L.P. & Summer Camp

April 1–May 20: Remaining to Goal \$4,928

[www.popluther.org/cause/help/](http://www.popluther.org/cause/help/)

This is the last weekend of this year's Resurrection Project! Thank you for your amazing generosity and for helping us provide a third year of tuition for a HELP college student, as we reached our \$9,000 donation goal last weekend. Now, every dollar contributed to the Resurrection Project this weekend will go to support our young adults who are leading a summer camp for over 250 children in Jacmel, Haiti. Help us support these young adults and these incredible children in Haiti! Donate online, place donations in the weekly offering (memo: Resurrection) or place money in the jar in Gathering Space. Thank you for your support!

**GOD'S GOOD CREATION**



**VBS • June 18-22**  
[www.popluther.org/vbs](http://www.popluther.org/vbs)

### Vacation Bible School is coming!

Monday, June 18-Friday, June 22, 6:15-8:45 pm

Pastor Kim Peterson, [kpeterson@popluther.org](mailto:kpeterson@popluther.org)

Online Registration: [www.popluther.org/vbs](http://www.popluther.org/vbs)

Volunteer Sign Up: [www.popluther.org/vbs-volunteers](http://www.popluther.org/vbs-volunteers)

We need YOU to join us for a week, a few nights, or even just an evening of VBS! This fun-filled week is a great opportunity not only to minister to our POP children but also to our larger neighborhood and community...but it can't happen without great volunteers! We are particularly seeking people to help coordinate snacks, decorations, games, and crafts. Experience with VBS or kids is welcome—and so are newcomers! This is a great way to get involved with congregational and community life and plenty of help and guidance will be offered along the way. Join us as we celebrate God's Good Creation by learning about hunger, hope, and God's work in the world!



## Dine to Donate

EAT AT A LOCAL RESTAURANT TO HELP RAISE FUNDS FOR OUR SUMMER CAMP IN HAITI



at Harper's Station

Wednesday, May 30



in Deerfield

Wednesday, June 6



in Deerfield

Wednesday, June 13

### Dine to Donate

Buffalo Wild Wings, May 30, 11 am-11:30 pm, Harper's Pt., Pizzeria Locale, June 6, 4-9 pm & Blaze Pizza, June 13, 4-10pm

Did you know that each participant that travels to Haiti for our summer camp pays around \$1,300 to help facilitate the camp? As our summer trip draws near, we are excited to bring families, friends and members of POP together for our Wednesday night restaurant fundraiser series. We will be hosting events at Buffalo Wild Wings, Pizzeria Locale and Blaze Pizza. All of the money raised will go towards the \$500 participant fee that funds camp activities, meals for the Haitian children, payment for the Haitian volunteers, and other logistical camp costs. Flyers are in your mailbox and the welcome center to bring to each restaurant. When attending an event, be sure to show your flyer before ordering! Thank you for your continued support, your giving and investment in the children of Haiti.

*New Members Reception Weekend*

*June 2 AND 3*

[popluther.org/join-prince-of-peace/](http://popluther.org/join-prince-of-peace/)

### New Members Reception Weekend

Saturday, June 2, 5 pm, Sunday, June 3, 8:45, 11 am  
[www.popluther.org/join-prince-of-peace/](http://www.popluther.org/join-prince-of-peace/)

We will be welcoming new members to POP the first weekend in June, joining us together as the body of Christ, living out our faith together here in Loveland and beyond. If you would like to learn more about becoming a member, please speak with a pastor or Karen Skarda, or attend the Discover Prince of Peace series this Sunday. If you are ready to become a member, please sign up online or contact the church office.

## KIDS & YOUTH

Contact MEHelms@popluther.org

### Children's Ministry Coordinator Position MEHelms@popluther.org

At our Annual meeting this March, Prince of Peace members approved a new paid ministry position for a Children's Ministry Coordinator. This is an 8 hour weekly position and will be filled this summer. If you're interested, please contact Mary Ellen Helms for more information.

### Sunday School Through May 20

This week is our final week of Sunday School until the fall. Thank you to all who participated.

### Middle School Ministry End-of-Year Activity Sunday, May 20, 6:30-8 pm

Our final activity together for the year is going to be a night of MESSY GAMES! Come ready to get messy!

### Getting Ready Gathering Wednesday, May 23, 7-8 pm, Youth Room

All participants in the 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering are invited to a time of preparation, development, and connection for our Youth Gathering.

### Faith after High School Wednesday, May 30, 5:45-7 pm, Buffalo Wild Wings

Current seniors are invited to a Faith after High School event (with dinner!) Come connect with other grads, make plans for a faithful year in your post-high school life, and discern where God may be calling you! RSVP to Mary Ellen.

### Graduate News! Jo Ellen Owens, jowens@popluther.org

We look forward to a spring full of celebrations. Help us recognize your graduate by sending Jo Ellen Owens an email letting her know your student's name, school, and future plans (work or college). We'll publish these in the announcement folder the week of June 9-10 so please submit them by June 5.

### Hey 6th Graders!

This summer at Camp Mowana, we will introduce you all to Firmly Planted through Campfirmation at Camp Mowana from July 15-20. We do awesome things at camp like campfires, ziplining, swimming, singing, worshiping, creekwalking, and more! Thanks to the generous support of the 20/20 Vision Campaign, every camper from Prince of Peace can receive \$100 off the cost of camp. LOMO offers an additional \$100 off for new campers. That means the cost of camp can be as low as \$235 (and less if financial assistance is requested). Please pick up an information sheet on the Sign Up board and talk with Mary Ellen Helms (MEHelms@popluther.org) if you have any questions.

### Camp is for everyone!

Grades K through 8 have programs the week we're going (Week 6) but family and high school programs happen throughout the summer. Find out more at [www.lomocamps.org](http://www.lomocamps.org).

### Flat Jesus All Summer MEHelms@popluther.org

You may have heard of Flat Stanley, a cutout designed to engage children with literacy and geography. Now, we're introducing "FLAT JESUS". In partnership with churches from across the US, we invite your family to stay connected with your faith over the summer, even when you're away from our worshipping community. How do you do it? Easy! Pick up a Flat Jesus today from the Welcome Center, color it and add your own unique flair, and then remember to take him with you when you're traveling this summer! Pause for Faith 5 (an easy family devotion) that comes with Flat Jesus throughout the summer and be intentional about staying connected to your faith. Submit your pictures to Mary Ellen (email above) or share on social media with the #FlatJesus and #POPLuthYouth.

## OTHER NEWS

### Pastors Pay Up!

If you were present at the Cana Feast, you may be waiting for one last auction item. The pastors were so generous to offer a little bit of their humility for the sake of our youth. Pastor Jonathan will (begrudgingly) follow through with the offer Scott Miller made for him that he would shave his beard on the weekend of June 3. Pastor Lorne will sing the liturgy on the weekend of Saturday and Sunday June 22 & 23. Thanks again to our congregation for your lavish generosity this year in our fundraising for the ELCA Youth Gathering!

## GROW

### Engage (Adult Education) Sundays through May 27, 10 am

Pastor Kim continues week 2 of 3 on "The Women of Genesis".

### Holy Land Pilgrimage with Pastor Jonathan January 18-27, 2019

Pastor Jonathan Eilert, [pjeilert@popluther.org](mailto:pjeilert@popluther.org)

You are invited to join Pastor Jonathan on a Holy Land Pilgrimage Trip in January where people will visit many sites in Jerusalem, around the Sea of Galilee, Bethlehem, and the Dead Sea. You will never hear the stories of scripture in the same way after this journey! It is also amazing to experience the culture and better understand the complex relationships between Jews, Christians, and Muslims living in this holy place. Please contact Pastor Jonathan to learn more about the trip.

## Bethlehem Wood Carving Display Sunday, May 20, Gathering Space

This Sunday, we have a special opportunity to view products and creations in wood created by the hands of Christian artisans in and around the Holy Land region. The Rishmawi Family has been designated as the representative for these wonderful Christian artisans and has been authorized to show their olive wood carvings. The tradition of Olive wood carvings in the Holy Land has been handed down from father to son since the 12th century. Due to the difficulties the last few years in the Middle East, tourism has been dramatically reduced and these folks have suffered greatly. This is causing the Christian community to immigrate to different countries leaving the Christian population at 1% today from 25% ten years ago. We invite you to visit their display tables and view some of the finest handcrafts available from the Holy Land. This Family strives to bring these fine carvings to our church. You can view these beautiful items online at <http://www.bethlehem-art.com/>.

## GIVE

### AmazonSmile Foundation

Sue McIlvoy, [smcilvoy@popluther.org](mailto:smcilvoy@popluther.org)

Support POP through your Amazon purchases as we are set up to receive donations from the AmazonSmile Foundation, which provides 0.5% of your qualified Amazon purchases to Prince of Peace. You set up your account once, and then shop AmazonSmile (identical to Amazon.com). Go to the following link to ensure you are connected with the correct Prince of Peace Lutheran Church: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/31-6042644> or sign onto [www.Smile.Amazon.com](http://www.Smile.Amazon.com) and select Prince of Peace Lutheran Church (Loveland, OH) as your charitable organization.

## POP KIDS

We still have a few spots left for the 2018-2019 school year in our Bright Stars Class (2.5 years old by September 10) if you or family/friends are interested. It is a wonderful class for an introduction to preschool. Contact the Administrator, Angie Seiller via phone, 683-1600, or e-mail, [popkids@popkidsschool.com](mailto:popkids@popkidsschool.com), to find out more information.

## SERVE

### Habitat for Humanity 2018 Build

Saturdays, May 26, June 16, July 14, Build Dates

Saturday, June 16, Lunch Set Up & Serving

Jerry Draeger, (513) 677-3730

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

Thank you to the 7 volunteers who worked last Saturday on the house and served lunch. This year's house build is in Loveland Park about 3 miles from church. We are in

our 27th year of this regional ministry! Join us on our next work days when we work with another Loveland area church team. We need 2 more volunteers on May 26 and 4 more on June 16. Can you donate 3 1/2 hours, am or pm, or both for 7 hours? No house building skills required. There are jobs for everyone and we teach how to use tools. Sign up on the bulletin board or contact Jerry.

### Quarterly Sign Ups to Serve in Worship-LAST WEEK

Karen Skarda, [kskarda@popluther.org](mailto:kskarda@popluther.org)

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

Just as you are planning for your summer vacation, we are also planning worship for the summer! Now is the time when we ask those on the Worship, Kids, and Welcome teams to sign up online to support weekly worship for the months of June - August. Find a week (or more) that works well with your vacation schedule. If you have never served in worship before, no problem! We can equip you. Contact Karen Skarda with questions.

## CONNECT

### Craft Explorers

Friday, May 25, 5:30 pm

16 Lots, 753 Reading Road, Mason

Scott & Marylu Torrison, [torrison@fuse.net](mailto:torrison@fuse.net), (513) 774-0617

Kick off the 'unofficial start of summer' at the start of the Memorial Day weekend! Explore local craft breweries across Cincinnati and discover community by developing and fostering relationships with others from POP. We will meet this month at 16 Lots Brewery in Mason. They have pizza available and lots of space to hang out. This is a monthly opportunity on the 4th Friday of each month to connect with others from POP at a location picked by the monthly POP host. No need to RSVP. All are welcome (21+).

### Share Summer Snacks

Sundays, May 27-September 2

Hosts are asked to help share treats this summer on Sunday mornings during this season of respite and renewal. Sign up on the board to host a Sunday from 9:45 to 11 am in the Gathering Space. Whether home-baked or store-baked, these treats will help us connect with others during the time in between summer worship.



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## CALENDAR

### Sunday

8:45, 11 am Worship  
10 am Discover POP, Engage, Sunday School  
12 pm Children's Music Ministry Banquet  
6:30 pm MSM Event

### Monday

6:30 pm Zumba  
6:45 pm Bells of Peace

### Tuesday

### Wednesday

10 am Bible Study  
7 om Getting Ready Gathering Meeting

### Thursday

5:45 pm Knit Together  
6:30 pm Zumba

### Friday

### Saturday

5 pm Worship

## 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?

- Rice dishes
- Beef stew
- Pasta dishes
- Pineapple
- Vegetable oil
- Ketchup
- Tomato sauce
- Paper towels

## PRAYERS

### Grieving

Mary & John Kmet & Family as they mourn the death of their brother-in-law, Ted Gillespie

### Recent Prayer Requests

Doug Berlier, *brother-in-law of Dorette Landis*  
Mary Lou Dailey  
Andy Elam, *great-grandson of Judy Eckstein*  
Robert Eggleston  
Bernard Ordahl, *father of Linda Eggleston*  
Caroline Ousley  
Mark Paduk  
Joanne Swanson

*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..

**Thank You!** Without your support, we could not have raised over \$6300 for the ELCA Youth Gathering at our April Rummage Sale. Thank you to all who shopped, donated, and spread the word! It was a great week of sorting through your treasures and sharing with our neighbors. POPLuthYouth are so blessed by your extravagant generosity this year. Thank you!

**The Flowers on the altar** are given by Ray, Janet & Erica Perl in honor of Virginia Kacin's 85th birthday and Justine Perl's 22nd birthday.

**As POP Wednesdays** has come to a close, thank you to all the families and folks who came to the meals, to all those who helped with set-up and clean up, and special thanks to Tara Ousley for making such tasty meals.

**Thank You Sunday School Teachers** We are so grateful for the adults from our congregation who served as Sunday School teachers and assistants this year. Thank you for your care, love, patience, and presence in sharing the stories of God with our kids. We couldn't have had this ministry without you! See you in September for Sunday School!

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.*