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Weekly News 05/28/2023

Day of Pentecost

Today: Day of Pentecost • Acts 2:1-21, John 7:37-39 • Pentecost is the day when the church commemorates the coming of the Holy Spirit on the followers of Jesus. The Spirit brought the renewal of the presence of Jesus, who had ascended to heaven. The Spirit comes to assure us that Jesus continues with us until the end of the world and enables us to live a Christian life in power and victory. The Spirit empowers each child of God to be able to serve others with the love of Christ. By the Spirit's fire we are set ablaze to fulfill the mission of witnessing to Christ and preaching the gospel until Christ returns. And by the Spirit's power we are united/unidos as one people of God at Prince of Peace/Príncipe de Paz.

Bible Classes

There will be no adult or children's Bible classes, or Sunday school on Sunday, May 28.

"Kid Video" every week: Did you know that DCE Eric Gerken produces a weekly kid video that ties into the Foundations of Faith lesson? Great for kids, families, and adults. The video is posted weekly to our Facebook and YouTube channels. (Tip: start a faith-conversation with your kids or grandkids using that video as a starting place.)

The Mid-week Bible Class for Adults will meet this week (5/24) and next (5/31) before taking some time off for the month of June. • Wednesday Mornings 9:30am – 10:30am in the Board Room. Our topic is looking at Scriptures for the upcoming Sunday's theme. Led by Pastor Ken.

Meal/Potluck at 12:00 Noon in the FLC • Join, celebrate and feast as one people of God, one Prince of Peace/Príncipe de Paz. *Thank you to those who were able to bring a dish.*

Congregational Meeting to Celebrate God's Work Among Us + Election of Board of Directors Members • (following the Combined Pentecost Worship Service) • Semi-annual Congregational Meetings are just one of the ways you can invest in the ministry of Prince of Peace/Príncipe de Paz. At the Congregational Meeting, members are elected to the Board of Directors and updates for key ministry initiatives are presented.

Summer Office Hours • The church office will close at noon on Fridays during June and July. If you need campus access on Friday afternoon, please call ahead to make special arrangements.

Preschool/Church office Closed – Monday, May 29 – Memorial Day • The church and preschool offices will be closed for Memorial Day, a federal holiday in the U.S for honoring and mourning the U.S Military personnel who have died while serving the United States armed forces.

Stellar VBS Registration is CLOSED! • Registration was closed for the preschool/VPK students. We have reached the capacity for the number of students that we can safely and effectively care for in this part of the VBS program. We are starting a wait list if registered students will drop out. You can be added to the list by contacting DCE Eric Gerken. Only a limited number of Elementary VBS spots were open. Register today before registration closes.

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VBS donations needed • Please Check for Updates! • A list of items requested as donations for VBS is found at [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040d4eaaac2cabfc1-stellar#/. All donated items can be left at the church office.](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040d4eaaac2cabfc1-stellar#/)

Prefer to donate to VBS by check or online? Your financial support is very much appreciated and needed. Please clearly put "VBS" in the memo field of your check, or online at <https://poporlando.breezechms.com/give/online> and choose "Give to Vacation Bible School" in the drop-down menu.

Altar Flowers • To sponsor Altar Flowers in celebration of a special occasion, in memory of a loved one, or simply out of thanksgiving to God, you can do so at <https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/flowers> or by contacting the office.

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Juneteenth Freedom Day Observance - Saturday, June 17, at 3 pm • The Prince of Peace's Parish Choir and musicians joined other community choirs to help lead a powerful community-wide Juneteenth Freedom Day Observance at Salem Lutheran Church (7900 S. Apopka-Vineland Road, just north of Sand Lake Road). The event will include stirring music, poetry, refreshments, and inspirational words. All are welcome!

Fruits of Faith

May 21

9:00 Traditional: 100 | 11:00 Contemporary: 56 | 11:00 Spanish: 68 | TOTAL: 224

Giving: Thank you for your faithful engagement in our ministry through your gifts and offerings.

May 7 offerings \$ 12,039

May 14 offerings \$11,672

May 21 offerings \$8,414 needed each week: \$11,923.

PRAYERS

Recovering: Kristi Armstrong, David Rodgers, Gwen Taliver

Healing and Strength: Karen Adkins, Dave & Mary Ann Ault, Rebecca Brooks, Delores B, Michael B, Donna C, Danny Conlin, Alice Darling, Elizabeth Dawson, Sarah D and baby Sam, Steven Dorsagano, Eleanor Eaton, Gail Eaton, John Elmore, Judy Finnie, Rev. Dennis Glander, Noah Glasberger & family, Michael Halstead, Joe Heinz, Bill Jordan, Jerry Jordan, Merle Kroepflin, Joan Krumpholc, Jim Lord, Kathy McCartin, Michael McCarty, George Meder, Lewis Mendez, Dale P., Rick Perre, Dorothy Reynolds, Miriam Rivera, Nitza Rohena, Rex Serio, Cindy Sibley, Shirley Stockett, Meridith Swanson (vocal rest), Sonia Tellez, Cricket Winters, Leon W, Linda Zamsky

Receiving Treatments: Sarah vB, Kent Jespersen, Cameron LaPointe, Elena Santana, Marleen Schmidt, Jeff S, Joni Steidly, Janet V, Debbie W, Dayton Whites, Brenda Williams, Michelle Zicarelli

Continued Care: Chuck Boogher, Pat C., Kelly DeFrietas, Al & Linda Dicks, Bob and Colleen E, Linda House, Minnie Hutchinson, Linda Jackson, Otto Krumpholc, Mary K.M, Micki & Sal LoBue, Joyce Miller, Todd O, Betty Schnell, Caitlyn Thoms; Michael, Noel, & Roger V; Harry Wahl

Special: Father, make us one through Your Son, Jesus Christ, who died for all. Holy Spirit, quench our thirst for unity, justice, and peace through the living water You provide. • We thank God for our Preschool, for our recent VPK graduates, and ask for God's continued blessings upon students, families, and staff. • Bless our Vacation Bible School as we seek to touch every heart with the love of Jesus. • We ask the Lord to be with President Biden, members of Congress, and the Supreme Court, as well as all state and local leaders. • We ask the Lord to watch over and keep our first responders safe.

For those in the military or deployed: We pray for those who serve our nation in the armed services and for those who are deployed, especially those connected with our PoP/PdeP family: Kyle Holysz, Matthew Rojas, Amanda S, Greg S, Geoffrey W.

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