



# Tidings

*Love God - Follow Jesus - Invite All*

## 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary November Event!



### Board of Preschool Invites You To: “Are you smarter than a Preschooler?”

Are you smarter than a Preschooler? The Board of Preschool will host the 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary activity in the Fellowship Hall on **Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>** following the service. You will have the opportunity to test your knowledge against students in our STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) program. Our very own Janet Ichida teaches this class and promises to ask challenging and educational questions. So, study up and bring your thinking caps. You'll be surprised at how much these kids know! Our giveaways are bubble wands for those who want to feel like a kid again (or give it to a kid).



### Special Congregation Meeting/Luncheon - REMINDER

**Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at 11:15** is our special congregation meeting, at which amendments to our constitution and bylaws will be considered.

It is also Reformation Sunday so either wear red for Reformation or wear your Halloween costume so you're ready for the All Saint's Eve Party & Trunk or Treat.

A potluck meal will be hosted during the meeting. Please bring a side dish to share. The Board of Youth will provide chicken.

### Christmas Gift Collection in November

It is a long-standing tradition at Prince of Peace to work with Lutheran Social Services of Illinois to provide Christmas gifts to children in foster care and other children's programs.

This year we will be receiving up to 55 wish lists. They will be posted online. The due date to bring the gifts to church is expected to be the end of November. More details will be provided in the Wednesday email blast and in announcements on Sundays.

Please contact Chris Chason at 847-882-0982 with any questions.



Mark your calendar for our Interfaith Thanksgiving Eve Service and Pie Fellowship: Wednesday, November 22 at 7:30PM.

# Pastor's Perspective

by Pastor Erin Clausen (she/her)

The Christian denomination of which Prince of Peace is a part (the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, or ELCA) is made up of congregations that have covenanted with (promised to) each other to journey together as communities of Christ. We use the word 'synod' to indicate groups of congregations that have committed to being together, generally because of their geographic location. In fact, the word synod derives from a Greek word that means "journey together." Each synod of the ELCA is paired with 2 companion synods – one domestic (another ELCA synod), and one global (another Lutheran church body in one of over 120 countries outside the US).

Prince of Peace is part of the Metropolitan Chicago Synod, and our international companion synod is the Central Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Southern Africa (ELCSA). As written in the covenant between these two synods, "The Companion Synod relationship exists for the purpose of strengthening one another for life and mission within the body of Christ. It offers us the privilege of participating in the life of another church through prayer, study, communication, and exchange of people and resources. It opens our eyes to the global challenge that Christ offers us today and calls us to deepen our commitment and discipleship as individuals and as a community of faith."

I am excited and grateful to share that I have been invited to accompany a team from our synod to visit our global companions in South Africa. Our group will leave on November 10 and return November 21. During this time, I look forward to learning much from our siblings in Christ. Each synod will share our triumphs, struggles, and hopes. More importantly, though, we will build relationships that – God willing – will outlast our time together. I look forward to sharing about these new friends and all kinds of things I have learned from this experience when I return. While I will have some opportunities to share on Sunday mornings and in Tidings, please ask if you're interested in hearing more (or seeing pictures)!

I will return the day before our Interfaith Thanksgiving service, and the Sunday following will be Christ the King Sunday. These services of gratitude and hope for the future remind us that we are all children of God, and the future belongs not to frail humans but to God. In this spirit, we know we are connected to all of God's children - Lutherans, Christians, people of all (and no) faiths. May we journey together in joy, gratitude, and hope.

**This is a reminder that the Evangelism committee will be sponsoring another Movie night.**

Please plan on joining us:

Saturday, November 11th 3:30-5:00  
in the CLC of Prince of Peace.



The *Penguins of Madagascar* is a delightful, often hilarious animated feature where the lovable team of spy-crazy flightless birds must stop a mad purple octopus bent on the humiliation and destruction of all penguins everywhere. It's a great family movie and will be a fun afternoon with the movie and snacks. It's also a great opportunity to invite friends and neighbors.



This is a picture of actual African Penguins. They are one of 17 penguin species that lives on the African continent. It is endangered and protected. The ones in our movie are just cute and very entertaining. Hope to see you all on Saturday, November 11th!

# Loving Our Neighbors

By Cyndi Hayward

Jesus instructed his disciples that there are but 2 commandments - to love God, and to love our neighbors as ourselves (Matt 22:37-39). These commandments are not easy, but when we take them seriously, they frame our relationships in helpful ways.

October 11 is the annual National Coming Out Day. The date was selected in 1988 because it was the second anniversary of the National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights in 1987. It was founded by Robert Eichberg, who was a psychologist from New Mexico and the founder of the personal growth workshop "The Experience" and Jean O'Leary, who was an openly lesbian political leader and long-time activist from New York and was at the time the head of the National Gay Rights Advocates in Los Angeles.

The purpose behind starting National Coming Out Day was to provide a different type of response to anti-LGBT actions. They wanted a way to maintain positivity and celebrate coming out. These conversations can be very stressful because it's tough to know how someone else may respond when they find out a person self-identifies as part of the LGBTQ+ community.

I began having these conversations 14 years ago after falling in love with the woman who is now my wife. My first conversation was with my mom. It didn't go well. The conversation with my brother and sister-in-law was much better and they have remained my most steadfast allies. Eventually they helped my mom and me heal our relationship. Even though many years have gone by since my first conversations, I continue to find myself in similar conversations. They never get easier, but I have found more helpful and positive ways to manage these encounters over the years.

My faith plays a large role in celebrating my authentic self and feeling positive about coming out conversations. It is especially comforting when I find myself in conversations with folks who tell me they struggle with reconciling their faith while supporting me and the LGBTQ+ community. I usually share with them that I lean on the fact that God created each of us and loves all of us. God simply asks that we love ourselves and one another whether we understand everything about another person's situation or not. God gives us grace to know we are loved as we are regardless of how others perceive us and regardless of if that perception is popular or not. In GALATIANS 3:28-29 it says: *"And we no longer see each other in our former state—Jew or non-Jew, rich or poor, male or female—because we're all one through our union with Jesus Christ with no distinction between us."*

While my faith is sustaining and comforting to me, I've also learned I'm not the only one who ends up in these conversations. My most steadfast allies end up having them too. It's not possible for my children, family, and friends to always avoid awkward conversations that lead them into their own version of a coming out conversation on my behalf. This is also true for organizations I belong to. The conversations can feel uncomfortable, but there is power in sharing our stories.

As Robert Eichberg pointed out in 1993: "Most people think they don't know anyone gay or lesbian, and in fact, everybody does. It is imperative that we come out and let people know who we are and disabuse them of their fears and stereotypes."





## *Music Notes...*

by Scott Uddenberg

Hi everybody,

Grab a cup of tea, coffee or other beverage, we are going to have a rap session this month about our organ. Many of you have questions about the need to spend money on its repair. You've heard it needs replacing but in worship lately it sounds fine to you. As of this writing, the organ has been performing as it should (knock on wood now). However, this time last year before Christmas a major part of the pipe portion failed which caused a tremendous cypher. Cyphers occur in pipe organs when air moves into the pipes without pressing on a key to play the pipe and instead makes a continuous sound. Most times a cypher is a single pipe, in our case it was ALL of them! Upon investigation, we discovered a sizable number of other things not working on the organ console which plays the pipes and is the centerpiece of the electronic portion of the instrument.

Our organ is a hybrid instrument: it's half pipes, half electronic. The electronic side is really a computer. With the growth of digital instruments in the '80's, a new type of organ started to be built using sampled sounds, basically recordings of real instruments that were configured to be played by electronic instruments. Casio keyboards became popular and are an example using sampled sounds. In time, this technology was applied to organs. Pipe organs were beginning to get expensive to maintain so sampled electronic instruments gave the sound without the expense. It was a solution for those who wanted a pipe organ but did not have the money to fix or replace instruments. However, not everyone liked the sound of the electronic organs. By the early '90's a type of instrument was developed made of both the new technology and pipes. Prince of Peace purchased a state-of-the-art type of this new instrument. Steve Smith, who was organist here, and Gary Howard, a member of the congregation, helped create the vision of our current organ and completed the project. Steve still works with the company that installed our organ. That brings us to today.

Nothing on the organ console has been upgraded since installation over 30 years ago. We've done upkeep on it, but how many of you are using a device from the early 90's today? Not many devices from that era are still functioning. That is what needs to be replaced. Chips that have failed on the organ cannot be replaced and new ones aren't made anymore. Currently when Collin is playing, he just doesn't use those stops or sounds on the instrument. It hampers his choices in how the instrument sounds including dynamics. Consider driving an automobile without cruise control, A/C and speedometer on a 30 year old top-of-the-line car because you can't find replacements for the failed parts. The car runs, but not the way it was designed to. Some people would keep that car, but most would replace it with one that will fully function or one even better. The good news is that we can still work with Steve Smith. The pipes of the organ have been maintained, work great and can be integrated with a new console which would upgrade the instrument with the new technology and make it better than before. We still run a chance that we arrive one morning and the organ no longer works. We can't use our existing pipes without a console, so now is the time to consider funding the new console.

Some folks have already made a financial contribution for the new console. We have to have the money before we make a purchase order. I'm waiting to receive the final price for purchase and installation; the cost will be over \$100,000. The organ is a legacy instrument for the congregation. We have had many fine musicians play our organ, and if we purchase a new console, we will invite a number of those fine musicians back to play! If you have any further questions about maintaining the legacy of fine organ music at Prince of Peace, please feel free to speak to me.

Don't forget about our Thanksgiving Eve service on Wednesday, November 22! And be advised, Advent does not begin until NEXT MONTH!

# The Best Food Groups according to Christ

by Emily Uddenberg

I don't know about you, but Thanksgiving is more than just one day of celebration. Black Friday and Saturday are days to shop and eat leftovers, of course. But for me the Thanksgiving festivities begin at our annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Eve service (11/22). Collaborating in music and worshipping in unity with our friends from the Jewish, Muslim, and other Christian communities sets the foundation every year for what Thanksgiving has always been about.

I always encourage the kids to bring friends to Emerge and Confirmation. Our interfaith service offers that larger invitation that Prince of Peace has always made with grace and hospitality. The Uddenbergs tend to bring at least one person who does not normally attend Sunday services to this event, whether it be an extended family member, significant other or friend. This event has always prompted conversation: "a very good place to start," so that we can embrace the similarities between our communities, understand the differences and eliminate fear or confusion (thank you, Fräulein Maria).

It's funny that the most communal scenarios have food involved, be it bread and pie fellowships, a turducken main course, or communion in honor of Christ's last supper. I love food, and so, it seems, does everyone else, which offers an instant open invitation to our neighbors. How did Christ know that one of his most important acts on Earth had to involve bread and wine (food groups that are thoroughly enjoyed in today's society)?

The very first Thanksgiving was in celebration of friendship and the freedom to choose your own religion. With our bread, wine, and pie we honor Jesus' final days, the freedom to choose how we worship, and the settlers and their Native American neighbors' willingness to try something new. I invite you to extend an invitation to our interfaith service in this same spirit. And to Carole Ostrowski, don't forget the butter!



## Early Childhood Programs at Prince of Peace

*By Michelle Heberling*

Greetings from the preschool!

It was so wonderful to see so many of you at McTeacher night. Thank you for your support. We earned \$833.21 and had a fun time with our preschool and church families. I hope you enjoyed your food...especially the apple pies from our very own Janet Ichida.

We have recently welcomed a few different early childhood college students into our school for observation hours. It is a great opportunity to help shape our future educators.

Save the date to join us at our Christmas Program on December 16 at 10 AM. Our students will be singing Christmas songs and acting out the Christmas story. It is a wonderful way to start the celebration of the Christmas season.

If you know of anyone looking for a wonderful preschool program, we have a few openings for 2 1/2 - 4-year-olds. Check out our website for more information, [www.princeofpeacepreschool.net](http://www.princeofpeacepreschool.net), and come by for a tour.



## Board of Stewardship

*by Will Damico*

Fall is in the air. This weekend as I was cutting my lawn that had grown quite a bit in only one week, I was thinking that in only about a month I will be cleaning up my mower to put it away for the season and will be raking leaves. That can mean only one thing, it is time for the annual stewardship emphasis.

For me (and I hope many of you), this means this is the time of the year when I take the time to reflect on all the gifts God has shared with me during the year, what God is doing through my congregation and to pray about the portion of those gifts I have received that God wants me to use to support the work of Prince of Peace. Maybe that is why we put these asks in the national season of Thanksgiving.

However, I will note that even I think annual stewardship asks are losing some of their importance. Over the last few years, the number and amount of pledges has dropped off significantly while the actual donations have declined much less. We are not alone in this phenomenon as data presented at the Kaleidoscope stewardship conference I attended showed. Therefore, the Stewardship committee has decided to compress the annual emphasis to one week but to expand stewardship messaging to a year-round process to encourage everyone to keep gratitude to God for the gifts one has been given in one's mind more often than once a year.

There is still a value in putting your promise down in writing as in a pledge. Psychologists say that people are more likely to stay committed to a goal if they put the goal in writing. Furthermore, a pledge to the church is itself a form of worship that many of us value in our spiritual journey. Not only are we not thinking about abandoning taking pledges but I am encouraging those who are hesitant to make one to re-think not making one. The promise is mostly between you and God. While a few staff and volunteers (and you) can see your progress towards fulfilling your pledge in Realm, no one will challenge you if you are not fulfilling your pledge (although if a giving pattern indicates a concern about one's spiritual health one might get some appropriate pastoral care).

If you have any questions or concerns, let the Board of Stewardship know at [bdstewardship@princeofpeace.net](mailto:bdstewardship@princeofpeace.net).

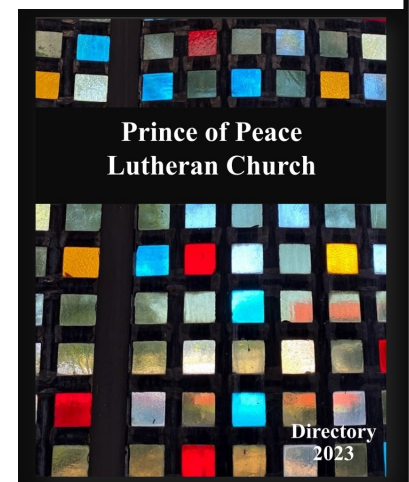
## Photo Directories

*By Terri Lamberti*

There are still a few 2023 photo directories that need to be picked up at church. If you had your picture taken, please stop by church to get your copy (on the table outside the worship area). If you are unable to attend a Sunday service, please contact the church office (847-885-7010) and make arrangements to get your photo directory.

Also...there has only been one person who pointed out a correction/change that should be made to their contact information. Please check your information and let Terri Lamberti know ([terrilamberti@att.net](mailto:terrilamberti@att.net) or 224-456-7375) if there's anything that should be corrected/changed by November 6<sup>th</sup>. She will then issue one list to everyone with any updates.

Thanks, and we hope you are enjoying all of our lovely new pictures and smiles!



## Family Ministry News

by Karen Wagner

### Prince of Peace Prayer Partner Pillow Project

During the 9:45 worship service on Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, first graders and their parents and junior high prayer partners will be called to the communion rail and linked in a mentoring project called the Prayer Partner Pillow Project. The partners will commit to praying for each other, and prayer pillows will be presented to all the students. Instruction for this Stepping Stone will be held during the regular Sunday School classes at 9:00 am on October 29<sup>th</sup> and November 5<sup>th</sup> with first grade students and their parents learning together. Prayer Partners will be able to meet on Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Karen Wagner, 847 - 885 - 7010 or [wagner@princeofpeace.net](mailto:wagner@princeofpeace.net) if you have questions.

**There will be NO Sunday School Classes on Sunday, November 26  
Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.**

### Looking Ahead:

**Christmas Bake Sale and Craft Fair Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>**

**9 a.m. to Noon & Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 -11:30 a.m.**

Come for Christmas cookies and craft items for your Christmas giving. The Board of Youth Ministry will be having a bake sale and craft fair to raise funds for the summer Mission Trip. We need donations of cookies and other homemade food and crafts that can be purchased as Christmas gifts or decorations. Please bring them to Prince of Peace by December 9<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your generous donations which help support our youth and family ministries at Prince of Peace.

## Discipleship

### Volunteer Opportunity with Exodus World Service

During the last year, Prince of Peace has offered ways to become involved in refugee assistance programs. If you have not yet taken an opportunity to serve, this is a reminder of how easy it is to become involved. You can visit a newly arrived refugee family in Chicago or DuPage once a week for three months. This is a hands-on way to "welcome the stranger" in our midst. Volunteers and refugees have the opportunity to build bridges of understanding, cross-cultural learning and friendship. Volunteers answer basic questions about life in the U.S., help refugees practice their English and introduce them to their community. Training is provided.

To learn more, go to [ExodusWorldService.org](http://ExodusWorldService.org). Under "Get Involved" and "Befriend a Refugee" and "Become a New Neighbor", find the "New Neighbor" column. Click on "Sign Up Now" and fill in your contact information. An Exodus World Service representative will contact you to answer your questions and help you sign up for training. We have several members who are already meeting with refugee families and have found it to be very rewarding.

If you have questions, please contact Karen Wagner, [wagner@princeofpeace.net](mailto:wagner@princeofpeace.net).

### Nativity Fair

Occasionally Prince of Peace features a display of Nativity sets from around the world. These are shared by congregation members who place their beloved personal sets on display for others to enjoy too. We will be providing this exhibit again this year on Christmas Eve. Watch for more information in the December Tidings on how you can add your set to the display of creative, unique, and diverse nativities. If you have questions, please contact Karen Wagner, [wagner@princeofpeace.net](mailto:wagner@princeofpeace.net).





Stephen Ministry  
**Gobble, Gobble, Sniff**  
by Janet Ichida



*Out of those places you will hear songs of thanksgiving and the sounds of laughter and merriment.*

**Jeremiah 30:19A**



Before we know it, we'll have our Thanksgiving feasts complete with turkey, dressing, potatoes, rolls and pumpkin pie. We'll gather together and watch football and stuff our bodies with all sorts of goodies. We'll be laughing and rambunctious, ready to add another happy memory to our hearts. It's a time of year when thanksgiving leftovers fill lunch bags for weeks ahead.

Yet there is a problem – maybe multiple problems. You haven't talked to your sister in years and suddenly she is sitting next to you. Even though you are trying hard, there is a reason you haven't been talking. Nobody gets along with your uncle and once again he is repeating his offensive jokes and downing another glass of wine. The turkey is overdone. Everybody is trying to have fun, but . . .

- Your cancer diagnosis is front in your head. Everyone is trying to avoid any talk of doctors and chemo, but it is so much a part of your life, you just can't pretend it is suddenly not there.
- Your divorce is final, and the kids are with your spouse. Why can't you be with them today? It isn't fair.
- You still don't have a job. People are full of complaints and funny stories about their workplaces. You need a job. Badly!
- You are sipping grape juice and wanting a baby. Why bother! That wine looks yummy, and your thoughts of a happy nursery will never happen at this rate!
- Your body aches! Again! These little metal chairs just aren't making it! You wish you could just go home and lie down. These people don't understand.
- You don't appreciate the fat jokes. You know you should shed a few, or a lot, of pounds. How can you avoid the pie and potatoes? You don't need your aunt warning you about being too heavy.
- Your grandson gets sick at the dinner table. (*You knew I was a grandma, didn't you?*)

Now these examples might seem a little extreme, but hopefully you get the idea. Holidays aren't always happy times suitable for Hallmark movies. Things going on in your life might tilt the emotional ratio. Do you need a little TLC at holiday gatherings? Stephen Ministers won't come to share your turkey and cranberries, but we can gather weekly at a more confidential location. We would love to help you. Please call Pastor or one of the leaders listed below. They can answer any of your questions as you decide if Stephen Ministry is good for you.

Meanwhile, enjoy all those goodies. You can drop over a piece of that pie.

Linda Heisel  
(312) 209-2869

Janet Ichida  
(630) 307-8336

Pam Johnson  
(847) 382-7521

Tom Pfeifer  
847-313-5702

Mary Simonis  
(847) 571-2541

We began our new class on October 10. Please pray for the trainees and teachers as we strive to continue to bless this ministry,

## Save the date:

**Youth Gathering Fundraiser:** Trivia / Silent Auction Night, March 2, 2024.

More details to follow.



## Winter Coat Collection

Continuing our support of **Lutheran Social Services of Illinois**, we will be collecting new winter coats/snowsuits for children in the Foster Care and Intact Family programs. The children range in age from infants to older teens. The sizes needed are 12 months through XXL adult.

You can shop for whichever size and color you'd like. There are so many children, no matter which size you choose, there will be a child who needs it. For the teens wearing adult sizes, solid colors are best. The coats/snowsuits need to be new, heavy-weight, water repellent, hooded, and machine washable.

Also, in continuing our support of **Viator House of Hospitality** as a Faith Community Partner, we will be collecting new winter coats-- for the young men who arrived after this past winter or will be arriving this fall/winter.

Sizes needed are Men's Small, Medium, and Large. The coats need to be new, heavy-weight, water repellent, hooded, and machine washable. Solid-color puffer style coats are preferred. Please put a note attached to the tag that it is for VHH.

If you are unable to shop, you may donate to Prince of Peace, notated that it is for purchasing coats. You may specify if it is for LSSI or VHH; unspecified donations will be used where needed most. Please watch for future announcements regarding dates and details. Contact Chris Chason at 847-882-0982 with questions.



## Board of Youth Fundraiser

**Gift Cards:** The holidays are right around the corner so it's the perfect time to purchase gift cards and help support the Youth Ministry at Prince of Peace! The details on the Raise Right gift card fundraiser are listed below. You can also get gift cards for the Preschool and Deaf Ministry Dine and Donate Nights.

The Board of Youth offers a fundraiser for PoP Youth through Raise Right. Raise Right (formerly Shop Script) is a company that provides a means to purchase gift cards from over 750 restaurants, gas stations, stores and more. Gift cards can be delivered to your home or sent electronically (Ecards). A percentage of each gift card goes towards our youth programs, retreats and National Youth Gathering.

A refresher on how to purchase gift cards: you simply need to go to their website, enroll and create your profile. Once you've created it, you will be able to use this same profile. Click on: [Enroll \(raiseright.com\)](https://raiseright.com). You must enter the following enrollment code: **FL937A3E82873**. Click register, create a username and password, and fill in the information. You only need to do these steps the first time you visit the site. It's easiest to register from a computer or tablet the first time. After that...shop away!

If you have purchased cards in previous years from script, only the name has changed to Raise Right. Your enrollment should all be the same.



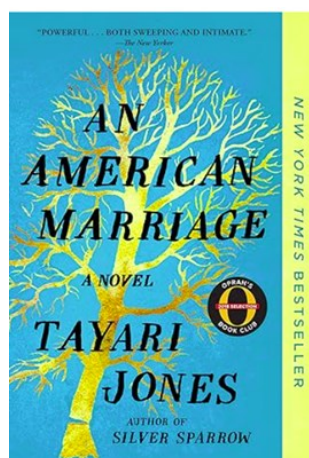
## Schaumburg Township Food Pantry Items Needed

by Sue Patt

The need is still great at the food pantry. They reported over 1,100 clients visited the pantry in August, again 40% higher than August of 2022. Please keep giving as you can and know that every item is appreciated.

canned fruit – peaches and pineapple  
canned meat – tuna, chicken, spam  
pancake mix and syrup  
coffee – instant, ground, pods  
chili and beef stew  
boxed cereal  
boxed pasta  
broth – any kind  
canned beans – kidney, white, garbanzo, refried  
pork and beans  
juice boxes and Capri Sun  
rice and rice products  
condiments and salad dressings

baking supplies – flour, sugar, baking soda and powder, vanilla extract  
chips, granola bars, and other snacks  
Items for student lunches  
Pasta Roni  
mashed potatoes  
canned pumpkin and yams  
baby diapers – sizes 4, 5, 6  
baby food and formula  
laundry detergent  
toothpaste and toothbrushes  
adult diapers and incontinence products



## Prince of Peace Book Club Meeting—12/1/23

It's that time of year again. Our meeting is a combined November/December meeting. We will be meeting on December 1, 2023, in the conference room across from the office at 10 AM. Our discussion will be about the book "An American Marriage" by Tayari Jones. Immediately following our discussion, we will hold our holiday luncheon. Please respond to me if by November 20, 2023 if you plan to attend the luncheon.

It is also time to develop our book lists for 2024. Please come prepared December 1<sup>st</sup> with your book selections for next year.

You will see that "An American Marriage" is a good discussion book. This stirring love story is a profoundly insightful look into the hearts and minds of three people who are at once bound and separated by forces beyond their

control. "An American Marriage" is a masterpiece of storytelling, an intimate look deep into the souls of people who must reckon with the past while moving forward—with hope and pain—into the future.

Please contact me, Kathy Tweeten, with your intent to go to our luncheon and any books you suggest for next year. My email is [kat8@aol.com](mailto:kat8@aol.com) or phone 847-971-0192.



## Have you signed up for the Online Version of the Tidings?

We are planning to stop the "snail mail" version of the Tidings...before that happens, please change your Tidings "subscription" to electronic. The online Tidings has color photos and graphics, hot links connected directly to the information in the articles, links to emails referenced (you can click and respond directly, if desired). The link is sent on Monday so it arrives in your email box almost a week ahead of the printed version in your mailbox and finally it will reduce costs to POP.

Please email [church.news@princeofpeace.net](mailto:church.news@princeofpeace.net) TODAY with the email address you'd like us to send your electronic Tidings to. You may call the church office (847-885-7010) with questions.



## Second Saturday Date Night

### DATE CHANGE - November 4 @ 6:30pm "Friendsgiving"

Join us on the FIRST Saturday of this month! We will be hosting a Friendsgiving in the Fellowship Hall at Prince of Peace. We will provide chicken and pumpkin pie.

Please bring a traditional Thanksgiving side dish and your own beverage. A fee of \$10.00 per couple will be collected to cover costs. Please RSVP via Realm, email [jwilkinsx2@gmail.com](mailto:jwilkinsx2@gmail.com) or text Jill at 847-754-7657 by Wednesday, November 1st.

Christmas is right around the corner. Save December 9th for Holiday Date Night at the Grossards. Details to come.

## PADS Update

### November 2023



The PADS season started in October with 12 churches opening their doors to provide hot meals and a safe place to stay for the night. Journeys is still developing their program rules and guidelines to safely open emergency shelter space at their new building in Palatine. Prince of Peace will be donating much needed blankets to Journeys that have been in storage from past PADS seasons. There may be a need for sleeping pads at one of the church sites with which we can also assist. If anyone is interested in volunteering at Journeys or one of the PADS sites, please contact Bonnie Wagner at 630-220-1034 or [bbonsai@icloud.com](mailto:bbonsai@icloud.com). Journeys' website reminds us of the following: No one aspires to be homeless. Each client has unique hardships that require community and volunteer resources in order to achieve stability and independence. More information can also be found at [Journeystheroadhome.org](http://Journeystheroadhome.org).

## Adult Learning Opportunities

(Meeting locations may change)

**Passages** meets on the 1st & 3rd Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. Contact Karen Wagner at [wagner@princeofpeace.net](mailto:wagner@princeofpeace.net) for questions.

**Men's Bible Study Group** meets on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in Room 213 and virtually. Contact Tom Pfeifer at [jets820@comcast.net](mailto:jets820@comcast.net).

**Rebekah Circle** - meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 1:30PM. Please contact [Pam Johnson](mailto:PamJohnson) with questions.

Please contact the church office at 847/885-7010 for more information.



## Prince of Peace Mission Statement

Love God – Follow Jesus – Invite All



## Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

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### Upcoming Events

October 29 - All Saints Trunk or Treat & Party  
Special Congregation Meeting

November 11 - Movie Night

November 22 - Interfaith Thanksgiving Eve  
Service & Pie Fellowship

December 9 & 10 - Craft Fair & Bake Sale

December 16 - Preschool Christmas Program

March 2, 2024 - Youth Fundraiser Event



### Worship Schedule:

Sundays, 9:45am

Sunday School, 9:00 am

Also available via Livestream on Facebook

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church of Schaumburg

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