



Just in case you wonder what the rest of the world is doing, those attending our little study on Thursday mornings were asked each to write a psalm. Let me share the results of their work. Please join us on Thursdays at 10 in the same way you do on Sunday mornings. We are using the Gather magazine as a kick off; but even if you don't have one, it is still worth attending.

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#### MODERN PSALMS

Lord God, gracious God,  
You made us to live in a just world as Your servants,  
not to use other people as our servants.  
We struggle with our own guilt  
and the injustice of how we treat each other.  
Help us to see past the bigotry we have been taught  
and see into the hearts of our fellow man.  
Come to our aid with Your mighty power.  
Bring us all home to You  
for Your mercy is great. Amen.

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Oh Lord, God of Salvation

I cry out to You night and day. Hear my cry.

I need justice for all Black, dark skinned people, the wrong sex, the poor.

They are a people blinded by tears because of how they are treated. Dragged from their cars, shot in the back too many times -- pulled over in their cars for no reason or jogging in a white neighborhood or park.

The banks red line them and refuse them loans so they can move to a better neighborhood and if they do the whites flee from them. The whites start Charter schools and get more funds than the black Schools

Why have You rejected them for so long? Come to their aid now. Don't let them be trod on any longer.

Come to their aid with Your mighty POWER. Bring us all home to You for Your MERCY IS GREAT. AMEN.

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God , our nation is feeling the pain of years of hate and distrust.

Your children of color are reaching out to their brothers and sisters to join in their lament.

We feel Your anger with us who refuse to use our voice.

Like Your people of old we ignore Your warning and turn our backs on Your love.

Don't forsake us, please show us how to love again. Let us feel the strength of Your words .  
Let us know understand who is in charge of our lives.

We have strayed from the flock and have allowed the wolf to roam among us and divide us.

We beseech You to redirect Your sheep and bring us back to the light.

The light that brings justice, compassion, and unconditional love for all people.

As Your children we are easily swayed.

We look to You with hope and thankfulness.

Leads us tomorrow with hope of the world You envision, let us learn from the mistakes of yesterday, and bless the new day before us.

**To connect with us for the Worship Services or Bible Studies**

**By phone: 1 (312) 757-3121, when asked enter this access code 180-259-325#**

**Our phone Worship and Bible Study Schedule:**

**9:00 am Sunday Worship by phone**

**9:30 am Tuesday Bible Study by phone**

**6:00 pm Wednesday Bible Study by phone**

**10:00 am Thursday Bible Study by phone**

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**Upcoming lessons:**

**Sunday July 5** – Fifth Sunday after Pentecost/Lectionary 14 Readings

Zechariah 9:9-12, Psalm 145:8-14, Romans 7:15-25a, Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

**Sunday July 12** – Sixth Sunday after Pentecost/ Lectionary 15 Readings

Isaiah 55:10-13, Psalm 65:[1-8] 9-13, Romans 8:1-11, Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

**Sunday July 19** – Seventh Sunday after Pentecost/Lectionary 16 Readings Isaiah 44:6-8 or

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19, Psalm 86:11-17, Romans 8:12-25, Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

**Sunday July 26** – Eighth Sunday after Pentecost/Lectionary 17 Readings

1 Kings 3:5-12, Psalm 119:129-136, Romans 8:26-39, Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

**Sunday Aug 2** – Ninth Sunday after Pentecost/Lectionary 18 Readings

Isaiah 55:1-5, Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21, Romans 9:1-5, Matthew 14:13-21

**Sunday Aug 9** – Tenth Sunday after Pentecost/Lectionary 19 Readings

1 Kings 19:9-18, Psalm 85:8-13, Romans 10:5-15, Matthew 14:22-33

**Sunday Aug 16** – Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost/Lectionary 20 Readings

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8, Psalm 67, Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32, Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28

**Sunday Aug 23** – Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost/Lectionary 21 Readings

Isaiah 51:1-6 Psalm 138, Romans 12:1-8, Matthew 16:13-20

**Sunday Aug 30** – Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost/Lectionary 22 Readings

Jeremiah 15:15-21, Psalm 26:1-8, Romans 12:9-21, Matthew 16:21-28

## **FROM THE DEACON'S DESK**

We have managed another month and it looks as though it isn't over yet. The council discusses this at every council meeting. We all miss the fellowship we share but the Go to Meet has helped us keep in touch. It is very encouraging to hear all who join us on Sunday and at our Bible studies. I think we are getting use to the format. It can never replace going to the church or our very active fellowship but it helps us keep in touch. I hope it is also keeping you focused on the cross and comforts you to know that God is with us therefore we will come through this. I have a feeling God wants us to appreciate the people who are working to keep us fed and healthy. For me, this time has been one of reflection. I know what I miss and took for granted. I am enjoying my home more and enjoy not having to be busy all the time. I have found time to read, try different recipes, and I can't believe I saying this, but, I am enjoying gardening. It is amazing how busy we make ourselves without realizing it only to find out the beauty and calm around us. I would like to thank our council members for their calls to other members of the congregation and just keeping in touch. It is so important.

Please remember Charlotte in your prayers. She is coming to the end of her life. We want to pray for Marianne as well. Bob passed away and now Marianne will start a new chapter in her life. As far as I know everyone seems to be managing. Please, if you get lonely or get cabin fever, call one of your church family. In Christ we are never truly alone.

On Sundays we have been able to welcome some of our snow bird family and it is good to hear from Dorothy Loos and Judi Ragan. Hopefully when this pandemic is controllable and we can meet again maybe we can find away to continue having them join us. On Sunday June 28th we welcomed Karen and Chuck as full time members of POP. We are so glad to have them on a regular basis. The congregation also voted and approved the Constitution and its By-Laws. Saturday June 27th we celebrated with Pat Weigel her 90th birthday. It wasn't what she planned but because of this virus it was the best we could do. Deacon Carmen arranged to have flowers delivered to Pat from the POP family. Richard is working hard around the church, thank you.

Food banks are having a hard time keeping their pantries full. There are a lot of unemployed people who need our prayers. If possible please donate any way you can. I know the Treasure Coast food Bank,. House of Hope in Jensen Beach and Stewart, Salvation Army works with this organization. Every little bit helps in these difficult times.

Please keep yourselves healthy, wear your masks, wash your hands, and stay home when possible.

Peace and Love your Deacons,  
Carmen and Carol



*July/August 2020*

## TREASURER'S NUMBERS & NOTES

Checkbook Balance on April 30, 2020 was \$ 11,523.82

### May Financial Facts:

General Fund Income:	\$ 20,144.00
Dedicated Accounts Income:	\$ 12.00
General Fund Expenses:	\$ 19,034.64
Dedicated Account Expenses:	\$ 0.00
Payroll Liability	\$ 173.16

Checkbook Balance on May 31, 2020 was \$ 12,818.34

*Jodi Dudeney, Treasurer*

Since our last newsletter of the Gazette I am overwhelmed by your support. Prince of Peace has paid all of its bills during 2020. In the past few years, Prince of Peace has made monthly payments on its insurance. In 2020 Prince of Peace received an eleven percent increase in the cost of insurance. This year we will pay our insurance bill in full June 1. Thank you for your support. May God continue to bless you.

Sincerely,  
David Willey, President  
Church Council

## ESTHER CIRCLE

We are continuing our Gather Bible Studies on Thursdays at 10 a.m. We are now using the July Gather and the study starting on page 20. It is my hope everyone can join. All Esther Circle business is on hold, however at our next meeting July 2<sup>nd</sup>, I would like to open a discussion on how we might help our local food banks. If you have any thoughts on this matter please contact me or come to our Bible study. Stay well and have a safe 4th of July.

Blessings,  
Carol



## THE SHEPHERD'S GROUP

You can call these people from our church family if you need guidance in any of these areas.

<b>Counseling</b>	Pastor Bob	772-245-8556 Home / 772-214-8092 Cell
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<b>Legal/Notary</b>	Carmen Riedel	772-245-8556 Home

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# In Our Prayers



## Our Church Family

Barbara Davis, Dorothea Loos, Claire (Penny) Penniman,  
Marianne Paulson, Carmen Riedel, Judi Thogersen, Deb Williamson

## Family and Friends

Cheryl (Claire Penniman's request)  
Edythe Broschiet (Dorothea Loos' daughter)  
Lyn Connor (POP friend)  
Lena Dellapietra (Karen's friend)

Jean Mahoney (POP friend)  
Popovich Family (Carol Heiss' request)  
Dan Sharkey (POP friend)



*Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of  
POP member Bob Paulson as he entered Life Triumphant*



*Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of  
POP member Charlotte Garrett as she entered Life Triumphant*



*Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of  
Ann Kern as she entered Life Triumphant*



July 3 - Rich Weigel  
July 17 - Judy Ragan  
July 14 - Marianne Paulson  
August 29 - Carmen Riedel



*We at POP wish you a blessed day. For those we have overlooked, please forgive us.  
If you would like to be included next year, please notify Karen in the church office.*

## Visit Us at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Stuart, Florida



If you are looking for a church family or know someone who is, please visit us at Prince of Peace. **To learn more about Prince of Peace and what to expect when you join us for worship, visit our website at [www.princeofpeacelutheranstuart.org](http://www.princeofpeacelutheranstuart.org).** We look forward to welcoming you for worship and fellowship. To be added to our monthly Gazette mailing list, please email us at [PrinceofPeaceStuart@yahoo.com](mailto:PrinceofPeaceStuart@yahoo.com) or call our office at (772) 692-1171.

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**SCRIP cards** are available for purchase from Pat Weigel phone # 530-721-2991. The order forms & payment are to be returned on the **FIRST** Sunday of every month.  
**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

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Through *Simply Giving*, your gifts are made through a pre-authorized withdrawal from your bank account. You determine the frequency of your automatic gift — weekly, semi-monthly or monthly. Your gift payment is deposited into Prince of Peace's bank account on the same day it is withdrawn from your account.



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## 2020 PRINCE OF PEACE WISH LIST



- ♦ Pay off our mortgage \$55,000
- ♦ Raise the church sign \$30,000 and make it digital \$10,000
- ♦ Fix the sprinkler system \$TBD
- ♦ Remove rust and paint the wrought iron \$5,000

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[www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org)

for information about our national church

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**Alzheimer's Community Care at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church**

What a year it is been for our nation and community. There were many changes and "new normals", but families in Martin County are still living with and being diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease. This means that the need for support, help and services never went away for these families and Alzheimer's Community Care was able to answer their call. The Specialized Adult Day Center, located right here at the church, never closed. Since the pandemic struck in the middle of flu season, much of the recommended health and hygiene practices were already in place at the Day Center, and with a few additions, the facility was able to remain open and safe. Several of the caregivers served at this location are health care workers and first responders. Staying open, allowed them to continue providing truly essential services to our community. The partnership between Alzheimer's Community Care and Prince of Peace Lutheran Church is strong and part of the bigger picture of serving our neighbors and families living with Alzheimer's disease and providing a safety net of help and hope.

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*We are called and chosen members of the Body of Christ,  
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**9:00 am Traditional Worship  
by phone**

***Bible Study***

**9:30 am Tuesdays by phone  
6:00 pm Wednesdays by phone  
10:00 am Thursdays by phone**