

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

February 2023 Newsletter

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Prince of Peace Livestream

Check out the link every Sunday to view our services live! https://youtube.com/channel/UCsMHWmOYHla7H8E-

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As a Christ Centered Community, We Commit Ourselves To All People Through Love, Worship & Service.

Ponderings of Pastor Molly



Practicing Compassion

The little boy was in tears. "He tried to bite me, Mom!"

As she held him in her arms, his mother tried to explain.

"Sometimes, when animals are hurt, they forget who loves them and who is trying to help. After the accident, your little pup was only thinking about his broken leg because it hurt so much! When the doctor puts a cast on and he knows he is safe, he will be the wonderfully waggy, happy boy he always is."

It's that way with humans too, I think. When pain is so severe, deep, and chronic, we become traumatized, forgetting who can help us. We even forget who we are, let alone our ability to help others in their pain.

Pandemic, over these past three years, has been traumatizing. We are left greatly confused, polarized and unsure of how we can regain our footing in the world. Who will help us? How can we help?

During Lent, and Holy Week, we will be reading the devotional: "Practicing Compassion with All Your Heart, Soul, Strength, and Mind." Each day, we will have the opportunity to increase our understanding of how compassion can heal broken hearts – others' and our own.

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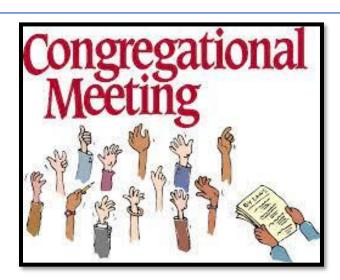
"Lent is a time for introspection and self-reflection, a time to reflect on the core of what it means to live a Christian Life in the midst of great change and uncertainty. When facing change and uncertainty, practicing compassion becomes more central to that life so that we are freer to both receive and share the healing love of God." (The Rev. Dr. Scott Stoner, Director, Living Compass Spirituality & Wellness Ministry Initiative).

From Ash Wednesday through Holy Week, in devotions and mid-week worship) we will focus on:

- Compassion and Faith
- Compassion and Listening
- Compassion and Prayer
- Compassion and Mercy
- Compassion and Well-Being
- Compassion and Love

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Booklets are available in the Narthex, and you may order a free e-book from Amazon. Pastor Molly



The Prince of Peace Annual Meeting will be on **Sunday, February 12, 2023** following the church service. It is scheduled to begin at 10:15. Among the open positions are:

Vice President Congregation Life Property

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



Please join us for Supper and Worship each Wednesday starting Wed. March 1st thru Lent.

Wednesday's Supper & Service:

March 1 - 6 pm supper followed by the service of Holden Prayer

March 08 - 6 pm supper followed by the service of Holden Prayer

March 15 - 6 pm supper followed by the service of Holden Prayer

March 22 - 6 pm supper followed by the service of Holden Prayer

March 29 - 6 pm supper followed by the service of Holden Prayer

April 2 Palm Sunday April 9 Easter Sunday



Prince of Peace OUTREACH

Serenity Inn is a holistic residential program offering hope to men who choose recovery over addiction and alcoholism. We are in need of more volunteers to help provide a portion of the meal - whether it's the main dish, a side dish or a dessert. You do not need to be cook to volunteer. Please contact Maureen Newborn to volunteer for one or all of these dates. http://serenityinns.org/

Next Serenity Inn Dates

2/18 3/18

Dates for volunteering at The Gathering:

February 11 March 4 April 1. Click <u>here</u> to sign up!



Worship Options to Utilize & Share with Others

1) Worship in-person at 9am

2) Worship at home 'in real time' via livestream https://youtube.com/channel/UCsMHWmOYHla7H8E-QpdDiRQ



Friday nights in February



Prince of Peace Fellowship on Fridays in February!

When: February 3, 10, 17 and 24 from 6:30pm-8:30pm Where: Prince of Peace in the Yellow Room (Lower Level) What: Indoor Cornhole (Bags), No Experience Necessary!

Bring: A snack to share (optional)

This is a great opportunity to get to know each other outside of worship. Come for the Fellowship, Stay for the Snacks! If you have questions, please call/text Nicole Hermann at 414-803-4242

Members helping Members



<u>Prince of Peace Doctor Appointment Drivers – Volunteers Needed:</u>

A few of our Prince of Peace members are in need of help driving them to and from their Doctor's appointment. If you are interested in helping members from our church to their appointment, please call or email the office at: 414-483-3828 or churchofpop@gmail.com. Jenny, our church administrator, will put you in the Volunteer Email group. When there is a request for a driver, an email will be sent to the Volunteer group to see who is available to help. Thank you!



Do you need someone to transport you to your Doctor's appointment?

Prince of Peace volunteers are available to help transport you to your Doctor's appointment. Please call or email the office at least a week in advance to request a volunteer driver. Office number is: 414-483-3828 Or email: churchofpop@gmail.com. Or you may contact Pastor Molly at 262-374-8263.



We need your help!

You have probably noticed that the choir has been getting smaller and smaller. The people we have are wonderful and very dedicated, but we are missing voices in major parts, and because of that, it's hard to maintain a good balance.

If you love to sing, we'd like to have you join us. In fact, we really need you. We are singing only twice a month now, and we rehearse in the choir room at 8:00 on the first and third Sunday of the month. We would love to have you join the choir!

If you need any further information, please call Lila Wuhrmann at 414-331-0147.

The Power of Prayer! Prince of Peace is starting a Prayer Group!



Please contact the office if you are interested in being part of the Prince of Peace Prayer Group. Office number: 414-483-3828 or churchofpop@gmail.com. The prayer group is a group of people who have volunteered to pray for people who have requested a prayer. Prayer requests come from Pastor Molly, through the Prayer Request Box in the Narthex, from the office or from within the Prayer group. Prayer requests are emailed to the Prayer Group. Confidentiality is expected within the Prayer group.

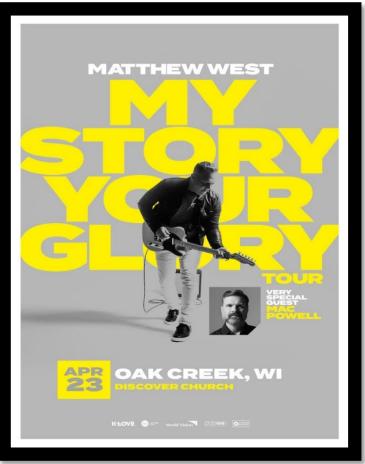


New! A Prayer Request Box located in the Narthex

Prayer Request forms are located near the Box. Please fill out the form and put it in the box. Pastor Molly will be the only person who will have access to the box. Please contact Pastor Molly at 262-374-8263 or the office at 414-483-3828 if you have any questions.

In the Community









Dear friends of The Gathering,

In just 3 short weeks The Gathering will be hosting its inaugural in person, Mardi Gras Fête, from 6:00 – 9:00pm Tuesday, February 21, 2023, at The Ivy House, 906 S. Barclay Street located in Milwaukee's 5th Ward. We still have a few sponsorship packages and 50 single tickets available. You can purchase your individual tickets or sponsorship packages by clicking the link at the end of this email or you can visit our website www.theqatherinqwis.org. You don't want to miss this evening of celebration including music, games of chance, entertainment and the opportunity to support The Gathering's mission.

All guests will receive beads and a mask at the door. At each table there will be doubloons and other Mardi Gras inspired keepsakes for your enjoyment. Strolling minstrels, a silent auction, raffles, a wine pull, a restaurant tree, charcutier artists, a photo booth; to capture the evening, live music and so much more...Individual tickets are priced at \$100 and sponsorships run from \$500 - \$5,000, please consider joining us for this fete.

Fat Tuesday is the last day that many people eat meat and fatty foods before Lent begins. Mardi Gras is a time of merry-making and festivity. The traditional colors purple, green and gold symbolize justice, faith, and power, respectively aligns with our mission and beliefs. At The Gathering we believe healthy food should be accessible for all, not subject to income, race, housing, job security, neighborhood, age, or mental stability.

If you have any questions about The Gathering's Mardi Gras, please contact Lyn Hildenbrand; Executive Director at 414-272-4122 x 1 or lyn@thegatheringwis.org.

On behalf of the Staff and Board of Directors of The Gathering, thank you for your continued, generous support of our organization. We hope to see you on Fat Tuesday!

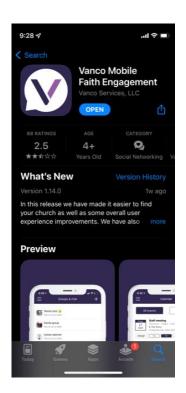
Peace & Grace,

The Gathering Team



A friendly reminder of the options to make contributions to Prince of Peace. Of course, the favorite is in person at Sunday worship service. Other options are snail mail, auto pay through your bank, on-line (see link below) or with mobile app Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement. The app is actually pretty easy setup. If using the app, look for Prince of Peace Church-ELCA.

On line link: https://www.eservicepayments.com/cgi-bin/Vanco_ver3.vps?appver3=wWsk24ZWJSTZKsGd1RMKlg0BDvsSG3VIWQCPJNNxD8upkiY7JIDav DsozUE7KG0nFx2NSo8LdUKGuGuF396vbesP5afb6BZPM9BpbljxGEQiYnTg5dP4O6rpX5QvPEWlBhH DN59kLZFffwKfYERpQiAe57g6EcclnJtcpYYLgRo=&ver=3and







February Birthdays!

Feb. 6: Bjorn Melendez, Liam Urban, Leon Venderhoef

10: William Anderson, Francesca Pisarek

12: Danny Cvikel and Bianca Perez

13: Joanne Scheunemann

15: Dennis Singer21: Bryce Hoppe28: Barb Hanson

Prince of Peace wishes you a Happy Birthday! May God's Blessings continue to surround you.

If your birthday was missed, please contact Jenny in the church office churchofpop@gmail.com so we can update our records.



If you have a article you would like to share in the newsletter, please let the church know at church know at churchofpop@gmail.com.

Please send your article no later than the 20th of each month.

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