

September 26, 2021 | Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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Partnering in Prayer: Place your prayer requests in the prayer chest by the entrance or in the offering plate.

Jack Peterson Andrew Sandstrom Hazel Whitlow Stephanie Paine

Marilyn Schmidlin Laurie Denhardt Paul and Cleo Dillabough

Prelude

Welcome and prayer



Sacrament of Holy Baptism for Easton Frederick Allin

Parents: Taylor and Sarah Allin

Pastor: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and

earth.

Pastor: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried: He descended to the dead. On the 3rd day he rose again; He ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he

will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Pastor: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of

the body, and the everlasting. Amen.

Welcoming Statement

People: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we

Share Join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing

God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

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Apostle's Creed: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Opening Hymn

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

ELW#742

- 1. What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry ev'rything to God in prayer! Oh, what peace we often forfeit; oh, what needless pain we bearall because we do not carry ev'rything to God in prayer!
- 2. Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged-take it to the Lord in prayer. Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness-take it to the Lord in prayer.
- 3. Are we weak and heavy-laden, cumbered with a load of care? Precious Savior, still our refuge-take it to the Lord in prayer. Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer. In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.

Children's Message

Kyrie Elesion



Isaiah 55:1-9: ¹Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. ²Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. ³Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. ⁴See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. ⁵See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. ⁵Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; 7let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. ⁵For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. ⁵For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Mark 9:38-50: 38 John said to him, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." ³⁹But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. ⁴⁰Whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. 42If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. ⁴³If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. ⁴⁵And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. ⁴⁷And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. ⁴⁹For everyone will be salted with fire. ⁵⁰Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

Message Moments of Mercy for Those Outside the Box

Pastor Rick

Sermon Hymn

Blessed Assurance

ELW# 638

1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior, all the day long: this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

2. Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight; angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love. *Refrain*

3. Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love. Refrain

Prayer of the Community

The Celebration of Holy Communion

L: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts

C: We lift them to the Lord

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise

Post Communion Prayer and Benediction

Closing Hymn

Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear And grace my fears relieved How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed

Chorus

My chains are gone I've been set free My God my Savior has ransomed me And like a flood His mercy rains Unending love amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me His word my hope secures He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures *Chorus*

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine

Announcements

Dismissal

Postlude

POP Announcements | Weekend of September 19, 2021

9:30 am In person Worship, Sanctuary (Holy Communion is celebrated at the 9:30am service. If you'd like communion delivery please schedule through the church office.)

COVID-19 Protocols: Out of love for each other, we strongly recommend...

- 1. Get vaccinated
- 2. Wear face masks indoors
- 3. Wash/sanitize hands often
- 4. Pray for an end to the pandemic

Offerings: Thank you for continuing to support Prince of Peace. You can mail offerings to the church office or signup for online giving. You can also use our Text to Give system —text the amount you want to give to 833-441-0048.

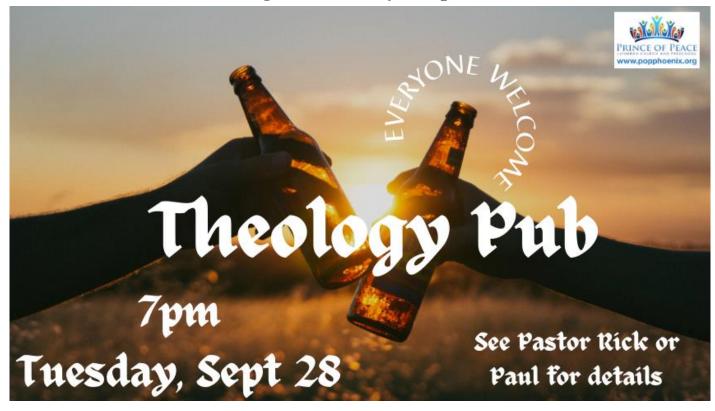
Ongoing Ministries at Prince of Peace

Ch.I.L.L. Sunday Mornings at 9am-9:30am in the conference room.

Every Sunday 6th-12th Grades meet for check-in time, prayer and of course...donuts

Sunday School (4yrs old – 5th grade) today! This year will focus on some of our favorite bible stories in interactive and new ways! In order for our children to get the most out of their Sunday morning Children's ministry experience, we need a wonderful 'village' of adults to guide them and love them. We are asking EVERY family to volunteer at least 1-2 times this year. The lessons are entirely planned for you, easy to use and hands-on fun for the kids! Questions or concerns? See Angela. Sign-up at: https://signup.com/go/MCLZHdT

Theology Pub every 2nd Tuesday, in person at Fate, and every 4th Tuesday will be on zoom. Join with your bible, beer (or other beverage) for lively discussions with great people. This is a time for free discussion and the sharing of idea and is open to all, including your friends who aren't members of POP. Please send Pastor Rick an e-mail (pastorrick@popphoenix.org) or a text (408-472-0529) if you plan to be there. Next meeting is Tuesday, September 28 on zoom.



Food Drive continues through September!



Exciting news!! Prince of Peace is partnering with Temple Music Studios to put on the show Aladdin Jr. in a no-cut production. For more information and to sign up: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F094FABAA2FA3FD0-aladdin

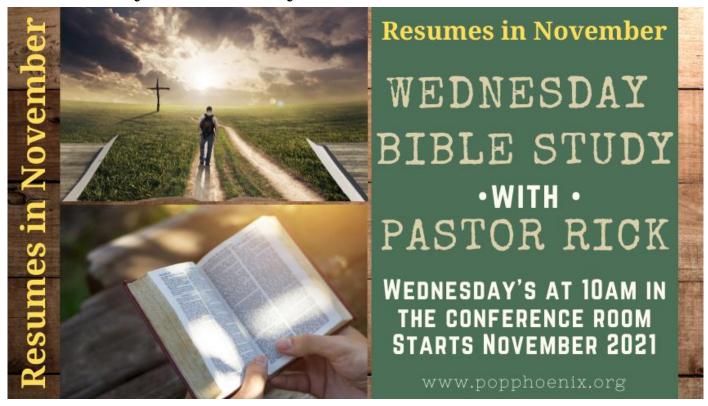
Rehearsals are very efficient (and fun!) and be held approximately three times a week depending on the role of the performer.



Craft Sale – **November 13, 2021** -Searching for Art and Craft vendors the Sale. Also need volunteers to help setup/cleanup, run the Bake Sale, and to offer Lunch - contact Carol for details 602.277.4769 / Kauffmanfinancial@q.com.



Wednesday Bible Study Fall Launch:



POP Foundation Scholarships: The Prince of Peace Foundation is accepting applications for tuition scholarship grants for the 2021/22 college year. \$2,000 grants will be awarded to members of Prince of Peace who will be incoming freshmen or Prince of Peace members already attending college for undergraduate degrees. The grants will be based on the information, records, grades, etc. contained in the completed scholarship application. Forms are available in the church office and our website (https://popphoenix.org/pop-foundation) and must be returned via email (PoPFoundation@popphoenix.org) or the church office no later than **December 3rd**, 2021 (please indicate Attn: Foundation Scholarship Committee). For more information, contact Mary Quinsler, Scholarship Chair (602-361-5424) or the church office (480-945-9537).

Prince of Peace is searching for a Youth and Family Ministry Director! Share and send all questions and resumes to YouthMinistry@popphoenix.org.

Mark your calendars and watch the sales for our **October Drive** benefiting Foster Care Children. Items needed are listed below- Diapers and Baby Wipes are High demand items.

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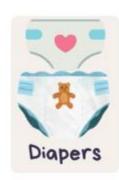


ITEMS NEEDED













Church office hours: Church office staff is available to take your calls and emails Monday – Thursday from 9am-4pm.