

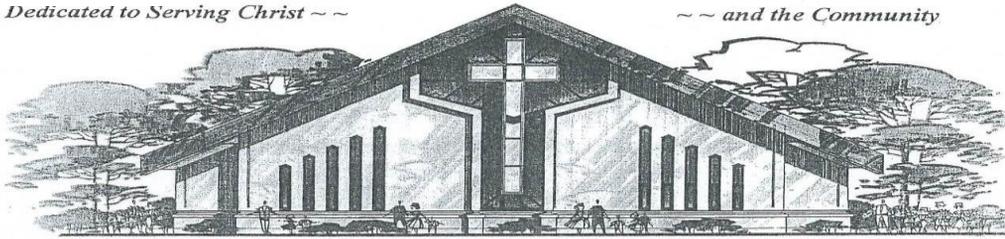
PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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~ ~ and the Community



June/July 2022

NEWSLETTER

“Light in the Darkness”

Yesterday, as I write this, our country experienced another tragedy. An 18-year old gunned down a whole classroom of children in Uvalde, Texas. It is another one of those beyond horrifying stories that we now have to live with in our country. Some might ask what is going on with our country that this keeps happening. As I read on my phone, there have now been over 30 shootings this year in our country in schools or colleges.

I suppose there could be lots of factors to why these shootings are happening. The breakdown of the traditional family and the stability it gives I think is a factor, although not the explanation in every case. The advent of so many disturbing video games and movies I don't think helps. Some people debate access to guns as the cause, although no gun kills someone without someone loading it and pulling the trigger. We could analyze the psychology and sociology of it all, but at the end of the day, there is only one answer we can give with certainty as to why this happened. SIN!

I know that is an unsatisfying answer for some because it seems too general. We want explanations these days, not generalities. However, it is what is behind any answer to tragedies like this.

Now how sin can manifest itself in someone to commit such a heinous act when another would never dream of it is a good question, but in every case, sin and Satan are behind the actions.

I mean, go back to the garden. Would Adam and Eve have “pulled the trigger” on eating the apple without Satan's temptation? We don't believe so. They were made in God's image, in His likeness. There would have been no natural inclinations in them to disobey God and ignore His Word, but Satan presented the case for it. He was convincing, so they ate.

It then set our world on a different course. We see the effects of it right away. Cain was jealous over the Lord's favor of his brother's offering. The Lord confronts him on what he was considering in his heart. The Lord warns him that sin was crouching at the door. It was desiring to have him and the Lord tells him, “But you must rule over it” (Genesis 4:7).

Cain doesn't. He commits the deed of killing his brother Abel. Now the interesting thing about this account of Cain and Abel is why it is in the Bible. Did you know Cain and Abel were not necessarily the first children of Adam and Eve? If they were, there were already many others also in the world. We know this because Cain fears that people will kill him. He also has a wife. Now where did these other people come from? They must have been other offspring of Adam and Eve whose births were not recorded. Were they older? Were they younger? We can't know, but we know their story wasn't told like Cain and Abel. Why?

It is because Cain and Abel's story gives the penultimate example of sin's effect on humanity after the Fall. Sin could even lead a brother to kill his own brother, and that is why the story of Cain and Abel is in the Bible. It is showing what sin can lead someone to do if unchecked. If we don't rule over it, seek help against it, recognize and renounce it in our lives.

Jesus told us the thief Satan wants to steal, kill, and destroy and the part of us he appeals to in order to carry that out is our sin.

Therefore with each day, our prayer should always be, “And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.” Literally in the Greek, “the evil one.” We should pray for the Lord’s help to rule over our sin and Satan’s influence in our lives.

Now will it have its way with us sometimes? Will we have moments of weakness? Yes. But we pray that they might stay in our thoughts, and not move into our words and actions. However, no matter how our sin manifests itself in our lives, our hope in the midst of our sin and the sin of the world is always found in Jesus and His grace.

I think about the fact that Jesus ate with tax collectors and sinners. He didn’t approve of their sin. He didn’t approve of their choices. He would have counseled them to resist the evil one and not let sin rule over them, but for all who genuinely desired to renounce their sin and live contrary to the world, there was grace. There was love. He told the woman caught in adultery, “Has no one condemned you?”. She said, “No one, Lord”. And Jesus said, “Neither do I condemn you; go and from now on, sin no more.”

Jesus didn’t need to condemn. He knew the woman recognized her wrong, so He forgave. In fact, Jesus wasn’t sent to condemn the world because it was already under condemnation for its sin. He rather came to save it. As Jesus says in John 3, “**For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him.**” He came to save sinners. Even sinners, like the apostle Paul. He was once a murderer, approving of Christians deaths, but Jesus knew He could turn Paul and He did.

Therefore, we can be appalled by these events and we should be, but we can’t lose our heads about why they happen. They happen because of sin. The sin in all of us.

However, by the grace of God in Christ, thankfully he works in some of us against our sin to rule over it and renounce it. Thankfully, He works in some of us to bear the fruits of the Spirit in contrast to our sinful flesh, producing in us love, joy peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Thankfully, when sin crouches at our door and we sometimes give in to it, there is Jesus and His cross to remind us that there is forgiveness before God for such sins. There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, as Paul writes in Romans.

And in that truth, we find our hope in the midst of the darkness of these tragedies and sin’s effect on our world. For as it says in Psalm 27:1, “**The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid.**” We rest in those words and Christ’s grace as our shining light in the midst of the things we can’t understand.

As Jesus said, “**I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.**”-John 8:12. Amen.

Pastor Chris Lockie

	<u>Worshipped</u>		<u>Communed</u>		<u>Offerings</u>	
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
May 1	122	114	106	93	5411	6841
May 8	136	147	106	127	6106	6315
May 15	121	226	76	139	5386	4845
May 22	148	139	74	105	5399	6136
Averages	131	156	90	116	5575	6034

Preschool & Childcare



Summer News from Child Care

Summer child care begins May 31st - August 26th (closed July 4, August 5, and August 29th - September 5th).

Summer Child Care weekly themes include: farms, weather, rainbows, transportation, color mixing, pets, families, nocturnal animals, zoo/safari, construction/architecture, cooking/ice cream, and dinosaurs. Mondays are sensory activities, Tuesday and Thursday STEAM, Wednesday - math, and Friday - art. Thursday is also our special themed snack day.

Weekly Jesus Time Themes

Love them or hate them, bugs are a part of God's creation. As small as they are, these little things can give us some direction on how to live a life that glorifies God. Our first week focuses on caterpillars.

Scripture: John 1:35-42, John's Disciples Follow Jesus

Synopsis: Caterpillars are bugs with a promise: one day, they will be butterflies. Jesus' disciples were simple fishermen when they first met him, but Jesus would transform them just as he can transform us. Other bugs we will learn from this summer include: bees, ants, ladybugs, fireflies, grasshoppers, roly poly, praying mantis, mosquitos, crickets, roaches, and butterflies.

We are now enrolling 3K, 4K and childcare for the 2022-2023 school year. If interested, contact Carla Abel by phone at 262-639-1277 or email at poppssc.racine@gmail.com

Just a reminder, that we are NOT a drop-in childcare center. You need a reservation so that we can meet the state child/teacher ratio. If interested, please contact Carla at (262)-639-1277, or email at poppssc.racine@gmail.com



Prince of Peace Youth Group

Youth Gathering Bible Study

Will be held on June 5th at 7:30 pm in preparation for the Youth Gathering in July. All Youth Gathering participants are encouraged to attend.

Scrip –Youth Group Fundraiser:

Gift Card Order due June 5 - Need gift cards for Father's Day gifts, everyday shopping, groceries, pharmacy, gas, or restaurants? Available cards include Amazon, Walmart, Target, Kohls, Home Depot, Menards, Pick N Save, Festival, Walgreens, Kwik Trip, BP, Speedway, Panera, Starbucks, Best Buy, & more. Place your pre-paid order by **Sunday, June 5th** to get cards the following week. For orders and questions, contact Gina Janke, 262-880-6207 or gmaiorana@aol.com.

MONTH	Order by:	Cards Available by:
JUNE FATHER'S DAY	6/5	6/10

Youth Gathering Dine and Donate

Please join us at Culver's located at 4542 Douglas Avenue in Racine on Wednesday, June 15th from 4 pm – 9 pm. Culver's will be giving us 15% of our sales. You do not need a flier for this event BUT you do need to let them know you're with Prince of Peace for us to get the credit. Thank you for your continued support.



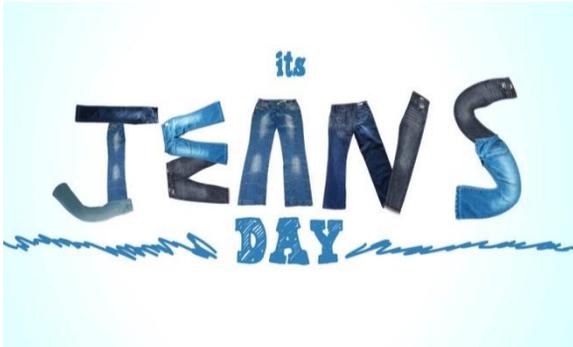
SAVE THE DATE!! ELVIS IS IN THE BUILDING!

John Van Thiel " The Voice of Elvis" will be performing on Saturday, September 10th for a concert commemorating 9/11. Tickets for this event are \$35.00 for general seating and \$40.00 for VIP seating. Ticket price includes a dinner and one beverage. Additional beverages and desserts will be available for purchase ala carte. Dinner will begin at 6:30 pm and the concert will run from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm. Proceeds from this event will go to the Youth Group for the 2025 Youth Gathering. Contact Julie Maiwald at (262) 488-1259 for tickets.

We greatly appreciate all your support. We are getting closer and closer to our goal! Thank you!

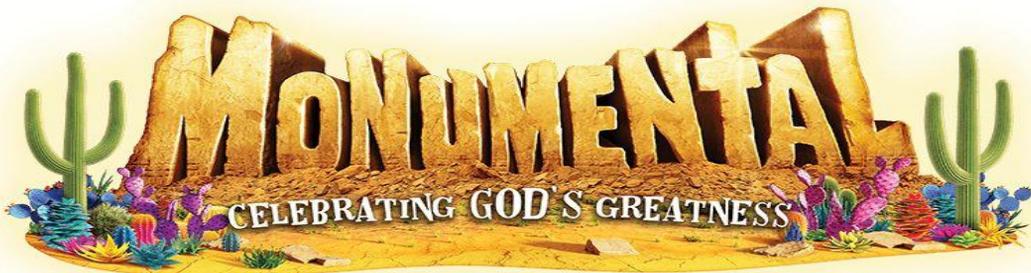
Blue Jean Sunday

Wear blue jeans to Church on June 12 so you can participate in cleaning areas needing attention. There will be a cook out afterwards.



Vacation Bible School

Mornings - July 25th thru July 29th



Cornhole Tournament & BBQ Lunch

Join us on Sunday, June 26th for a day of fun, fellowship, and food. It will begin shortly after church service. The Fellowship Board is hosting a Cornhole Tournament. If you like to play, please sign up on the board in the Narthex so we know how many teams we will have. Our Youth Gathering students will be holding a BBQ lunch in conjunction with the tournament. Ticket prices for the BBQ lunch will be \$10.00 for ages 11 through adult and \$5.00 for ages 10 and under. Fellowship will also be providing root beer floats. Please see a Youth Gathering member after services to purchase tickets or call the church office during the week. We hope you will all join us!



Bible Study Opportunities

Sunday Morning Bible Class: Currently studying Revelation. Offered both in-person and online through Zoom. The link will be sent in email.

11:00 Tuesday Morning Bible Class: Currently studying I Corinthians. **We will break in July.**

Men's Breakfast Bible Study: to be held every third Saturday of the month at 8:00 am. We will be continuing the study on "Warriors of the Bible". Please join us for breakfast, fellowship, and of course a Bible study. **[It will be moved to June 25th, No Study in July & August].**

Weekly Men's Bible Study: to be held every Friday at Prince of Peace at 7:00 am. We are studying the book of Mark.

NEW WOMEN'S MINISTRY!

Second Saturday morning of the month at 10 am. The Board of Education has started up a new women's fellowship opportunity. It is for all ages of women in the congregation. Their vision is to have a devotion/Bible study, an activity, food, and just the chance for the women of Prince of Peace to gather.

MEETING SCHEDULE:

Saturday, June 11
Saturday, July 9
Saturday, August 13
Saturday, September 10
Saturday, October 8
Saturday November 12
Saturday, December 10



Men's Bible Breakfast

Will be held on Saturday, June 25th, at 8:00 am

The study includes breakfast foods and Bible study. We are still covering the topic, "Warriors of the Bible".

Just show up if you would like to participate.

June 27th thru July 5th

Pastor Lockie will be on vacation and will be returning on July 6th.



Happy Father's Day!



PRESCHOOL AND CHILDCARE CAR SHOW

Please join us for our 9th Annual Car Show! This year's Car Show will be held on Saturday, August 20, 2022 from 8 A.M. until 3 P.M. (Rain date: 8/27)

The entry fee is still only \$10.00. (No charge for spectators) Goody bags for the first 25 kids and the first 150 participants. Great food, Silent Auction, Children's Activities, and fantastic door prizes! Awards will be presented at 2 P.M. Special Guest: LeRoy Butler will be joining us from Noon until 2 P.M.

Go to the church website for a registration form or pick one up in the Narthex by the Welcome Center. For more information, contact Charlie Johnson at (414) 488-9258 Or (414) 795-5860. Thanks!!



HOLY COMMUNION FOOD NEEDS FOR JUNE

Instant Potatoes, 1 lb. Boxes of Spaghetti, Cream of Mushroom Soup, Tuna, 1 lb. Boxes of Bags of Rice, and Canned Pasta with Meat. *They are still in need of large brown paper bags.*

Thank you so much for your continued support.

June Birthdays

- 1 Michael Benben
- 3 Liz Fraser
- 3 Faith Godsey
- 4 Elizabeth Bykowski
- 4 Pat Hedden
- 4 Parker Pett
- 5 Jamie Arndt
- 7 Chuck Miles
- 8 Leo Patzer
- 8 Ryan Skuhra
- 10 Callun Swenor
- 11 Barb Miller
- 11 Noah Neau
- 12 McKenna Lynn
- 14 Peyton Farrar
- 14 Matthew Mentch
- 14 Chris Nitka
- 15 Sue Primuth
- 16 Edie Weitkum
- 17 Aida Browne
- 17 Joeclyn Gonzales
- 17 Joshua Holden
- 18 Charmene Wellerritter
- 19 David Otto
- 19 Audrina Schroettner
- 20 Randy Jacob
- 21 Nicole Maiwald
- 22 Paul Primuth
- 22 Ella Stahl
- 23 Lil Mogden
- 25 Karen Kosinski
- 27 Cadence Leiber
- 27 Addalyn Wolf
- 30 Gabriela Ollman



June Anniversaries

- 1 Gregory & Emily Patzer
- 7 Daniel & Terrilyn Bauer
- 7 Patrick & Dawn Davis
- 7 Steve & Carol Rydzik
- 9 Paul & Sue Primuth
- 17 Randy & Connie Jacob
- 18 Michael & Kelly Gehrke
- 18 Ken & Dianne Luedtke
- 19 Robert & Leah Polack
- 19 Mike & Nicole Riemer
- 20 Nate & Julie Bickel
- 20 Corey & Kimberly Brand
- 22 Kenneth & Betty Kulas
- 27 Bruce & Kitt Ashford
- 27 Peter & Dawn Janecky
- 27 Steve & Cara Shaffer
- 28 Matthew & Nicole Mentch
- 29 Cliff & Lori Beyer
- 30 Jerry & Cindy Engwis

If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, please call the church office.

July Birthdays

7/5	Collin Hawkinson
7/5	Levi Schroettner
7/7	Ralph Anderson
7/7	Alex Bartelt
7/9	Dianne Luedtke
7/9	Jean Sullivan
7/9	Maxwell Swenor
7/11	Mary Sorsek
7/11	Cynthia Sullivan
7/13	Carol Borkowski
7/13	Patricia Brown
7/13	Elizabeth Slamka
7/14	Rick Browne
7/14	Mark Flaa
7/15	Paul Gorecki
7/16	Cassie Hibbard
7/17	Nathan Janke
7/17	Shayla Wood
7/18	Kylie Anderson
7/20	Katie Hayes
7/20	Lara Lambrecht
7/22	Gil Baumann
7/22	Corey Borkowski
7/22	Michael Leiber
7/23	Carter Farrar
7/23	Sara Petersen
7/24	Rebekah Bickel
7/24	Devin Haake
7/25	Sandra Resch
7/26	James Lampshire
7/27	Maddox Farrar
7/27	Isabella Godsey
7/28	Carla Abel
7/28	Les Beecher
7/29	Patricia Herron
7/30	Lea Austin
7/31	Robert Resch
7/31	Sue Wolff



July Anniversaries

7/7	James & Julie Maiwald
7/17	Jack & Cheryl Ollman
7/17	William & Charmene Wellerritter
7/19	Greg & Pat Schroer
7/20	Jon & Anita Grant
7/21	Kyle & Cassie Hibbard



Lutherans For Life

June 5 – Pentecost

The builders of Babel tried to grasp God’s power and prestige for themselves. Their selfishness delivered only division. Physician-assisted suicide, embryo-destroying biotechnologies, and abortion also attempt to exercise God’s authority over life and death. But keeping the Word of the Lord—including the encouragement to love even the least of our neighbors—brings people together (Acts 2:9-11) and receives Gospel peace (John 16:23, 27).

June 12 – Trinity

Father Abraham found the sanctity of life at the margins – his own old age and his wife’s conception. Jesus, who brings the Triune joy of divine Fatherhood and Sonship, embodies a Gospel even greater (John 8:56-58), that wisdom that delights in all the children of men (Proverbs 8:31)—no matter their ages, appearances, or abilities. No wonder His coming among us draws cheers and teachings out of the mouths of the littlest ones (Psalm 8:2)!

June 19 – Pentecost IIC /Father’s Day

The unique dignity of fatherhood includes protecting others as God does (Psalm 3:3)—even defending them from themselves. Practices like abortion and measures like assisted suicide situate our people among the tombs (Isaiah 65:4). Let us not abandon them to demonic deceptions about “bodily autonomy” but instead with courage and compassion proclaim how much God has done for us (Luke 8:39), creating and redeeming and calling every member of our race precious.

June 26 – Pentecost IIIC

“For freedom Christ has set us free” (Galatians 5:1), and this means freedom from death. We need not submit ourselves, our neighbors, or our culture again to it by permitting abortion or promoting physician-assisted suicide. Rather we who taste the fruit of the Spirit may perceive God’s power and receive His love even in those unborn babies or hospital patients who appear to have only a whisper of life (1 Kings 19).

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Lutherans For Life

July 3 – Pentecost IV

Sometimes testifying to the sanctity of life means confronting uncomfortable truths. Jesus speaks with just such courage to three whole cities in this week's Gospel lesson (Luke 10:13-15). And in our Epistle (Galatians 6:1), the Apostle Paul explains the ultimate purpose of warning against sin: to restore and redeem a treasured neighbor with faith and forgiveness even for abortion or assisted suicide.

July 10 – Pentecost V

Leviticus 19:15 expresses our Lord's compassion for every human life: "You shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great." He has delivered us each from domains of darkness with a grace that receives and preserves no matter what ages, appearances, or abilities. We get to extend the same joy and hope to anyone the culture labels "half-dead" (Luke 10:30)—from the embryo to the elderly!

July 17 – Pentecost VI

Abortion means abandonment. Parents desert their little ones to death because they themselves feel forsaken. Today's appointed Psalm describes how God wants all those whom others disregard: "Though father and mother have forsaken me, the Lord will take me in" (Psalm 27:10). In the Body of Christ, no one goes unwanted, even during surprise pregnancy. We share Father Abraham's delight (Genesis 18:10) in abundance!

July 24 – Pentecost VII

Even surprise pregnancies involve a father. More than 60% of women who undergo abortion report pressure to do so from a man in their life. Jesus extends instead the joy of God Himself in a fatherhood that finds beautiful and blessed fulfillment by protecting and providing for the child (Luke 11:11-13). The sanctity of life isn't a women's issue—it's a Gospel gift!

July 31 – Pentecost VIII

Why settle for "my body, my choice?" Death used as a solution like in abortion or assisted suicide offers pride, pleasure, property, and popularity, but all these only end up in vanity (Ecclesiastes 1:2). The real wealth that eyes don't always see and money cannot ever buy comes from believing our bodies, hearts, and lives belong to the Father and Savior who made each one for His own (Psalm 100:3). Let God give life!

June 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 9:00 Yoga	2 6:00/6:30 Board Meetings	3 7:00 am Men's Bible Study	4 5:00 pm Worship Communication
5 9:00 Worship/Communion 10:00 Family Education Hour 7:30 Youth Gathering Bible Study	6	7 11:00 Midweek Bible Study 6:00 Adult Confirmation	8 9:00 Yoga	9 6:30 Council Meeting	10 7:00 am Men's Bible Study	11 10:00 WOW Meeting 5:00 pm Worship/Communion
12 Blue Jean Sunday 9:00 am Worship 10:00 Family Education Hour	13 Pastor Gone	14	15 9:00 Yoga	16	17	18 5:00 pm Worship/Communion
19 9:00 Worship/Communion Pastor Gone Happy Father's Day!	20	21 11:00 Midweek Bible Study 6:00 Adult Confirmation	22 9:00 Yoga	23 6:30 Elder's Meeting	24 7:00 Men's Bible Study	25 5:00 pm Worship/Communion
26 9:00 Worship/Communion 10:30 Cornhole Tournament/BBQ	27 Pastor Gone	28	29 9:00 Yoga	30	<div style="border: 2px solid red; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p>SCRIP DUE June 5</p> </div>	

July 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Pastor Gone	2 5:00 pm Worship
3 9:00 Worship	4	5	6 9:00 Yoga	7	8 Pastor Gone Youth Gathering	9 10:00 WOW Meeting 5:00 pm Worship
10 9:00 am Worship Pastor Gone	11	12	13 9 :00 Yoga	14	15	16 5:00 pm Worship/Communion
17 9:00 Worship 10:30 Bible Study	18	19	20 9:00 Yoga	21	22	23 5:00 pm Worship/Communion
24 9:00 Worship/Communion 10:30 Bible Study	25 VBS	26	27 9:00 Yoga	28	29	30 5:00 pm Worship/Communion
31 9:00 Worship/Communion 10:30 Bible Study						

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

On Weekends that Pastor will be gone in the month of July, there will be NO Communion served at the Saturday and Sunday Services.