Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I am one of the rare kids that got excited this time of year. My brother and I were excellent couch potatoes and even though it was nice to have a “vacation” and enjoy being lazy for a couple of months each summer...there was always something invigorating to me about the beginning of school in the fall. For me, September is the real “New Year”. As a child, it was the fresh start with new teachers and friends. There was also the air of anticipation because fall holidays were right around the corner.

This year as an adult, I look forward to September for slightly different reasons. Yes...there is the new routine that my household will develop and those same favorite fall holidays are still right around the corner, but I am excited because of the opportunity for Prince of Peace.

This summer many members have been hard at work behind the scenes. Our new members of the council have jumped right in and shared their passion with the rest of the group. The council participated in its annual planning “retreat” and developed a calendar of events through January of 2011. Plans are underway to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Prince of Peace Church on October 10th. Ideas are being shared between the Star Point Leaders and the School Director to incorporate mission and outreach opportunities into school activities throughout the year. We continue to pass on the faith with each other and look for opportunities to reach out to the community around us.

A collaborative team of congregation members and school families met for three consecutive weeks in August to do some careful strategic planning for Prince of Peace Elementary School. We are still in a communication stage with the School Board, but their passion for the church and school helped guide them through some creative dream steps and in the end their proposals are committed to both offering faith based quality education and fiscal responsibility to church and school. The guiding principle for this group was again - looking for ways to ensure that we continue to pass on the faith to the many school families that choose Prince of Peace School for their young children.

Our summer worship schedule brought the members of the congregation together again as one group for a couple of months. Our worship service format continued to center on the four keys that build our faith - Devotions, Caring Conversations, Rituals & Traditions and Service. This congregation is a vibrant congregation and even as we separate into smaller groups with the multiple worship schedule we are not divided as a congregation. We are filled with the Holy Spirit and will continue to look for ways to “know Him and make Him known” and share that faith with each other and the community.

I pray that whether it was a lazy or busy summer for each of you...that you look forward to the changing seasons and the “New Year” about to start. We are blessed to be together and share this journey with each other.

Peace be with you all,

Kristina Cook, President

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A call has been extended to Steve Christopher for the position of Family Life Minister. Please pray for him as he makes a decision on how to best to follow God’s leading.
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**Help a Neighbor**

**GOOD NEIGHBOR DAY**

September 28
Council Highlights

• Ray Legault represented the selection team to advise the council that the official call had been extended to Steven Christopher to fill the vacant Family Life Educator position. Salary and compensation documents were Fed-exed to him and we are awaiting his decision. We continue to pray for Steven and the congregation as he considers this call.

• Council approved to allow Ray Legault extend an invitation to Steven Christopher and his wife to come visit Portland. PoP will cover their travel, board and meal expenses for the visit to help them learn more about PoP and Portland.

• Sharon Kravitz presented a proposal for an alternative family worship program. The program would be offered the first Sunday of each month. This worship would not replace existing services, but would provide a family experience in a new format for PoP. Proposal is still under consideration and several key details need to be worked out, including the selection of a leader to coordinate the program.

• Planning is well under way for the PoP 50th Anniversary Event on 10/10/10 at 10am. Members are invited to share names of former members and friends of PoP and invitations will be sent for the festivities. Send name/address to Darlene Thauland or Jan Kier.

• Artificial Turf is replacing the grass in the play area outside of the pre-school rooms on the south side of the CLC. School families will be invited to help contribute to the expense of the turf.

• A collaborative group of passionate church members and school families have been meeting every Wednesday in August to brainstorm vision, needs and plans to continue the expansion of the elementary grades at PoP school. Out of the box thinking has helped create some positive suggestions for success and after presentations to school board and council, the goal is to provide an outline and action plan to the congregation in September.

• The Mission Outreach team is looking at events on the year long calendar for PoP congregation and school and looking to partner events with theme and sharing opportunities with the community. Council has a goal of communicating the care of our congregation and providing better education about the opportunities for care that exist.

• Updates will be happening with the PoP website in the near future.

Anniversary Celebration

10/10/10
at
10:00

We will be celebrating POP's 50th anniversary with a single service on 10/10/10 at 10:00 a.m. in the CLC, followed by a reception. The anniversary committee is looking for names and addresses of former members who may wish to attend. If anyone can provide the committee with this information, it would be greatly appreciated. You can phone or e-mail the info to Darlene Thauland, Debbie Hereford, Jill Frerichs or Jan Kier.
Serving Our Community

The Food Pantry
is always needy!

This is the time to bring any grocery items that you can. Please look at the sales and remember our empty shelves. I list the most needed items in the worship folder each Sunday. The list for now is:
Tuna, crackers, hearty soups, canned fruit, canned green beans, jams & jellies, laundry detergent, sugar, and flour.

Heads up for gardeners: If you have extra produce to share, we would be happy to have some for Friday clients. We thank the Murphys for the green beans they raised. They were dispersed quickly.
We thank everyone for whatever you can contribute! If you can’t bring food, cash works for buying the non-perishables.

Bev Cathcart
Human Care

Thrivent” Choice Dollars”

This summer, Thrivent Financial for Lutherans is launching the “Choice Dollars” phase of its new Thrivent Choice initiative. This program makes it possible for members to direct Thrivent’s charitable dollars to the organizations they most wish to support. Eligible Thrivent members will soon be notified of the Choice Dollars they may direct.

If you are a Thrivent member and eligible for the Thrivent Choice program, please consider directing your Choice Dollars to Prince of Peace Lutheran Church and School. Both the congregation and school are listed among eligible institutions to receive Thrivent Choice funds.

You can direct your Choice Dollars to Prince of Peace church and/or school in one of two ways:
1. Go to www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice, log in (assuming you have established your online account), then select Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Portland, OR from the listing of eligible organizations. OR
2. Call the Thrivent Service Center at 1-800-THRIVENT (1-800-847-4836) select “Thrivent Choice” and instruct the Thrivent representative to direct your Choice Dollars to Prince of Peace Lutheran Church (or school).

If you need more info on Thrivent Choice, please call George Thurston (503) 201 3577.
Thank you for your generous support.

Adult Education Classes

“Doctrine of the Trinity”

“I believe in....” We repeat those words just about every Sunday, either in the Apostles or the Nicene Creed. In those words we confess the doctrine of the Trinity, a most peculiar teaching of Christianity which we confess but cannot fully understand, a teaching which we say is essential to our faith, and yet which defies our comprehension. You are invited to explore the Doctrine of the Trinity expressed in the Nicene Creed with Professor Phillip Brandt during the Bible Study Hour. We begin September 19 and conclude October 17 with a break for the Anniversary Celebration on October 10.

Sept 19 - The essence of the Question: Just who exactly hung on that Cross on Good Friday? Trinity is a tough subject, but the question gets easier when you frame it in the terms which mattered most to the folks who wrote these creeds. We will keep our eyes fixed on the cross of Christ.

Sept 26 - Why three? Why not just one? Christianity has stubbornly insisted on a confession of God’s three-ness and his unity. Unitarians, Mormons, Islam, and many others think this is just pig-headed on our part. Today, by looking at alternatives and just what they mean, we hope to explain that stubborn adherence to this doctrine.

Oct 3 - Trinity as an expression of God’s love. Lose the Trinity and you have lost the very essence of Christianity, you have lost God’s love for the broken sinner. It may make God much more reasonable and sensible, but this theology has lost the key to our faith - the very reason we are what we are.

Oct 10 - Anniversary Celebration!

Oct 17 - Graced by God to confess the Trinity and confess the Unity. How does the Trinity show up in our Christian witness today? It is not stumbling block but an asset for the Christian life which called to be a testimony to Christ.
**Amazing Grays**
Japanese Gardens
Meet at 11:00 for carpooling
Bring money for lunch and admission fee of:
$9.50 or $7.75 over 62

**FOOD PANTRY NEEDS**
Tuna, crackers, hearty soups, canned fruit, canned green beans, jams & jellies, laundry detergent, sugar, and flour.

**Quilting News**

**Quilting for Kids**
Sept 3, 10:00
Oct. 7, 10:00

**Knot Tiers**
Sept 13, 1:00
Oct 11, 1:00

Contact Mary Raetz
503-629-2025

Contact Anne Seim
503-646-7700

**Prayer Shawl Ministry**
Come Knit or Crochet with Quilters
If you are interested.
Sept 3, 10:00
Oct. 7, 10:00

503-629-2025
mary@raetzfamily.com

**Kid’s Sunday School**
Starting on Sept. 19

The Covenant between God and Man
Beginning with Adam and Eve, each rotation will build on the relationship between God and Man.

**Lutheran Choral Association Concert**
September 12, 2010 - 7:00 PM
Trinity Lutheran Church
509 W Powell Blvd.
Gresham, OR 97030

**WALK WITH POP**
Saturday September 25, 8:30  CLC

**ALL FORE HIM**
Join other golfers for a day on the links. Forest Hills Golf Course offers challenging golf on a beautiful course nestled in picturesque hills of Washington County. The shot gun start tournament will begin at 1:00 on Friday, October 1st. Register as a foursome or individually. Call Sharlayne Buuck at 503-359-4853 or go to the school website at fhls.org to register. Consider sponsoring a golf hole for $50, it is a great way to advertise your business. Items are being requested for the raffle and silent auction.
Water – is such an essential element for us in terms of body, mind and spirit. Throughout Scripture water provided life to countries suffering from drought; it brought salvation to Noah and his family as it brought about destruction to a sinful world. The parting of the waters was deliverance for Moses and the Israelites leaving Egypt. The waters of baptism brought us into relationship with our gracious and loving God. And Jesus reminds us that He is living water.

Almost anywhere we go, we are overwhelmed by water. Planet earth is made up of 70.9% water, vital for all forms of life. The oceans make up 97% of surface water with 2.4% at the polar ice caps, 0.6% lakes and rivers, and there are also below ground aquifers. Our own bodies are made up of 55-78% water, depending on the body size. Water is such an essential part of our world, as well as our lives.

Thus, you can begin to see the necessity of water for us. Not only does it cleanse, it also hydrates. Our health theme of this month is water – to make us aware of the great blessing water provides. Did you know your body needs approximately 6-8 cups of water daily just to carry on its normal functions, and to avoid dehydration. The exact amount is dependent on the level of activity, temperature, humidity, and other factors.

Everywhere we go, water is an essential to life. As we learn to better take care of the wonderful bodies God has given us, may we better appreciate our loving and giving God.

Restoration, refreshment, renewal, revitalization – it is all ours through God’s wonderful gift of water. May we be good stewards of our bodies, as well as our water resources, wisely utilizing water daily in our lives.

God’s Peace
Your Parish Nurses
Pam and Karina
By the Grace of God we begin school year 2010-11. This school year Prince of Peace will serve preschool 3 and 4 year olds, pre-kindergartners, kindergarten kids and 1st and 2nd grade students. 299 children will come to Prince of Peace School eager to learn. And our plan is that they will learn a lot! The children will learn about reading and numbers and the wonderful world we live in. They will learn about kindness and sharing and resolving conflicts peaceably. Most importantly they will learn about the Lord!

They will learn about a loving God who created them, the world and everything in it. They will come to know that Jesus is their Savior, the Son of God who died for their sins, rose again and lives and reigns in heaven, for each of them. They will learn about God’s Holy Spirit which will ignite faith in their hearts and keep them growing as followers of Jesus.

We are blessed with 17 faith-filled teachers, 2 teacher aides, invaluable office staff and a Pastor. Each plays a vital role in the commitment we have to our school families of proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ and providing quality education.

In September we expect to “settle in” to the school routine. Chapel will be on Sept 7, 21 and 22. You are always welcome to come and worship with the children. Check the calendar throughout the year for many opportunities to connect and build relationships with school children and families.

We pray for God’s blessing this school year as we teach, love and nurture the children He has entrusted to us.

Joyfully We Begin in the Name of Jesus,
Darlene Thauland
Prince of Peace School Director

**SHARING A BLESSING**

Blessings and traditions are two things that keep us together as families and as educational institutions. At Prince of Peace we are privileged to bless your children each day in the name of our loving God. One blessing that the teachers will share with their students is:

God be in my head (touch the fingers of your right hand to your forehead)

God be in my heart (touch your heart)

God be on my left (touch your left shoulder)

God be on my right (touch your right shoulder)

As we ask God to be present with us each day, consider sharing this simple blessing with each other as you gather around the breakfast table. Begin every day knowing that we have a God who loves us and watches over us.
OFF TO SCHOOL WE GO!

Going to school, whether it’s for the first time ever, or for the first time this school year, is a time of both smiles and tears. Letting go, so that our children can grow, is not always easy for our little ones...or for the parents. Coffee for the parents will be served in the CLC lobby on Sept 13 at 9:00am and 1:00pm and Sept 14 at 9:00am. Come and share with school parents the happiness and angst we feel as our children take another step in growing up.

SCHOOL BOARD

The Prince of Peace School Board is actively planning for the future of our school. They welcome your comments and suggestions. The board meets on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in room 125 in the Christian Life Center. Serving Prince of Peace School for 2010-11 are:

Anne Morris, chairperson
Vanessa Warren                         Roy Kravitz
Jody Thurston                         Jackie Fishkin

AN OPPORTUNITY TO PRAY AND GET INVOLVED

Pray for the Lord’s wisdom and guidance for those who have the task of figuring out the details in continuing to add our elementary grades. If the Holy Spirit impresses on your heart to lend your gifts and get involved see Pastor Dan or Darlene.

2010-2011 Teachers and Staff

1st / 2nd Grade
Betsy Harmon
Kindergarten
Kathy Crider
Ali Grosskopf
Judy McCormack

1st Grade
Donna Romadka
Pre-Kindergarten
Brittany Mansfield

Teachers of 3 year olds
Jenny Bernick
Vicki Bjorklund
Tracy Kimball
Judy Lesowski
Jennifer Lewis
Patty Manning
Diana Renn

Teachers of 4 year olds
Kim Goudy
Judy Lesowski
Jennifer Lewis
Nancy Lydon
Diana Renn
Laurie Weide

Teacher of pre-3 (starts in Jan 2011)
Tracy Kimball

Music Teachers
Jenny Bernick
Vicki Bjorklund
Kim Goudy
Laurie Weide

Spanish Teacher for Kindergarten and Elementary
Tish Hull

Art Teacher for Kindergarten and Elementary
Jennifer Lewis

Teacher Aide/hall monitor
Emily Critchlow

Teacher Aide
Anitha Chandran

Pastor
Dan Wehrspann

Administrative Assistants
Jackie Fishkin
Chris Lengele

School Director
Darlene Thauland
### Devotional Guide

**Scripture helps to prepare yourself for Sunday Worship**

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Carrot/Apple Salad

Ingredients:
1 c. shredded carrot
3 med apples, diced
1 Tbsp lemon juice
½ c. raisins
1/3 c. low-fat mayonnaise

Directions:
Combine all ingredients. Chill thoroughly. Serve on salad greens

Apples Smiles
This is an apple recipe your kids are sure to love. Cut a red apple into slices. (these are the lips) Have child spread peanut butter or cream cheese on apple slice. Place mini marshmallows (these are the teeth) on top of peanut butter and top with other apple slice.

For a fun place mat, color the fruits and veggies on the following page. Laminate with clear contact paper if you wish!

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