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**FOOD BASKETS**

DELIVERED BY HUMAN CARE

**Send in Your Points for Walk to Jerusalem**
FROM THE PASTOR:

In our WALK TO JERUSALEM we are going to arrive there on Palm Sunday. That will be an exciting day, to be sure. But as I was thinking about our journey and Jesus’ journey, it took on a new life. Suppose you and I were there the first time, and we had the opportunity to reflect ...

Yesterday, as we were just outside the city, the Master sent Thomas and Matthew to get a donkey. How strange, I thought. For thirty days we’d all been walking together, and now he’s going to ride ... on a donkey, no less?

But the day proved even stranger than my thoughts. You see, it wasn’t like we were coming to the city for a big festival, or to meet up with old friends and compatriots. No, as it turned out it was more like a triumphant entry of a king. Yet not really a king - the little grey donkey certainly wasn’t a white stallion; and Jesus’ robe had no trace of royal purple in it. And my coat, along with yours on the back of the little donkey was a long way from a silver-tooled saddle.

It was quaint. I heard someone say it looked shabby, and in its elements, I suppose it was - if one was only looking just at the elements. The Master, even on the donkey, was still himself. There was no “pretend” grandeur. He sat straight, with his head slightly bowed - a mingling of sorrow and love on his face.

After all was ready we all moved toward the city. The people began to make a carpet of their cloaks and blankets. They began to break the fronds off the palm trees, and waved them in the air as Jesus passed. They shouted, “Hosanna!” Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” “Save now, O Lord!” “There is peace on earth and glory on high!”

I thought the crowd was over the top. I wished they’d been quieter. In fact, a couple weeks earlier he had told us that we shouldn’t tell anyone that he was the Christ. I thought about quieting the crowd, but then some Pharisees approached Jesus and said to him, “Master, restrain your disciples!” Jesus simply looked at them and said, “Even if I quieted them, the stones in this road would burst into cheers.” The Pharisees backed up. And so did I. I guess now WAS the time to let it be known that our Master is the Christ.

There was a time of silence, though. We all came through a big bend in the road. You know the place - where you come out of the mountains that there lies all of Jerusalem before you? After such a long walk, you know you’ve almost made it. Well, yesterday, when we turned on that bend and there lay Jerusalem, a strange silence came over all he crowd. Then I realized what was happening. Jesus had stopped. He sat very quietly, looking at the city below. And then he was weeping.

No one could do anything. We just stood and looked - at the Master, and at the city before us. But because I knew the Master, I knew how he felt, at least a little bit. And I saw that he was weeping. And you know what? The tears were forming in my eyes also. I’m not sure how long we stood there watching him before he spoke. But then his voice pierced the silence as he said, “Ah, if you only knew what would bring you peace. But you still don’t understand ... “

Our journey will come to a close on Palm Sunday. Fortunately we DO know the story, and we know it was for us that He came and rode into Jerusalem the first Palm Sunday. It was for us that our Savior came to suffer and die - so that we could be with him forever! Though we had the privilege of “setting aside things for Lent;” were able to set some disciplines that would bring blessings to our body, mind and spirit; may we never forget it was FOR US that this all came to pass.

Peace. Pastor Dan
Council Highlights

March Council meeting on 3/17:

- The Bible can bring us strength! Devotions included a discussion about Bible verses that are meaningful and provide strength.

- Council Approval to hire Rains Marketing to develop the Church/School website and other technological resources. Church and School will share the expense in this joint endeavor.

- RSVP will be relocating and the space (office in the basement) will be available by April 1. Summer months will be good for any retro-fitting. Facilities planning continues to be an important short and long-term issue for POP.

- 2011-12 School year enrollment for the elementary grades is low. As a result, POP School will offer a quality pre-school and kindergarten program in the fall.

- Abuse prevention training and screening will be provided for POP volunteers shortly after Holy Week. POP has access to a program that will run national background checks at approximately 1/3 the traditional cost.

- April Council Meeting will be held on Monday, April 11.

- Continuation of Goal Setting from February included discussion regarding each Star Point focus and updates:
  - Worship - families and children are being purposefully included in the service roster
  - Mission - Sally is working with Jeff K. to develop service opportunities (at recent Red Cross first aid class, 8 of the 10 participants were from the POP community); Jeff and Sally have a survey to be shared with POP at a future date.
  - Discipleship - Ruth Rehley will be coordinating VBS. The Walk to Jerusalem continues.
  - George Thurston, Ron Morris and Pastor Dan will work together on the nominations for the 2011 council elections. Nominations are being sought for President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Elder, Evangelism and Worship Star Directors.
  - Parish Nurse space is being readied for minor remodeling. Several members have been suggested to help facilitate the process.
  - Approval was given to update technology in the CLC Adult Classroom/Meeting room. Memorial Funds will cover the expense. Technology updates are also needed in the “Board Room” in the Sanctuary building.
  - Council agreed to purchase 50 lawn signs “Jesus: He Is Risen”. The signs will be available to families that would like to place them in their yard. Interested families may donate to offset the cost of the signs.
**Worship Schedule for Lent & Easter**

Lent services:
every Wednesday between March 9 and April 13, 6:45 PM

Palm Sunday:
April 17, 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

Maundy Thursday:
April 21, 7:00 PM

Good Friday:
April 22, 7:00 PM

Easter Sunday: April 24
Sunrise service 7:00 AM
Family service 9:15 AM
Festival service 10:30 AM

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**Youth Events**

**New High School Youth Class begins April 3! “Can We ALL be right?”**

Start in the CLC at the 9:15am Sunday School Opening then join the rest of us at 9:15am as we dive into a 5-week exchange about Christianity and other Faiths. Who knows the real truth about God? Is there only ONE WAY to heaven? Why do all these different religions exist? Can we ALL be right? Come with your Q’s and get some A’s as we explore this important topic!

**HS Kick-Off Youth Event: Laser Tag!**

Meet at PoP on Sunday, April 17 at 5:30pm. We’ll carpool it to the “LASERPORT” Laser Tag arena right here in Beaverton for a shoot-em-up showdown! We’ll plan on two games and Pizza. Bring $15 to cover the cost, and Friends are always welcome, so invite everybody you know! We will return to PoP by 8:00pm. Watch for an Evite in your in box, and get ready to RUMBLE!

**Journey to Jerusalem - An Easter Pilgrimage**

Join us in the CLC at Prince of Peace on Wednesday, April 20, 6:00-7:30pm, to follow Christ on His journey to Jerusalem. You will experience several live stations including: the special Meal He shared with His followers, a time in the Garden, the Cross, the Tomb, and His ultimate Resurrection. This is a free, interactive meditation walk for all ages. Come with your family to help prepare your heart for Holy Week worship and Easter Celebration!
Announcements

**Quilting for Kids**
April 7, 10:00
May 6 & 7, 10:00
Contact Mary Raetz
503-629-2025
mary@raetzfamily.com

**Knot Tiers**
April 11, 1:00
May 10, 1:00
Contact Anne Seim
503-646-7700

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**Food Pantry Needs**
- Canned fruits
- Canned vegetables
- Toilet paper
- Soup (except tomato)
- Canned kidney & pinto beans
- Canned chicken/meats
- Oatmeal
- Crackers

Not finalized at print time. Please check the bulletin board.

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**LCMS Requests Bedding**
We are in dire need of bedding for our new refugee families. We need pillows, sheets, blankets, comforters and quilts. Our partner congregations have been so good about helping us meet our needs and we need their help again.

Thank you for your help. Your partnership in our ministry is what makes our work possible.

Mieke

Anne Seim will be collecting our bedding starting in April. Please watch announcements for information on where to bring it.

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**WOMEN’S RETREAT**
Registration forms are in the narthex
Cannon Beach
April 8-10, 2011
Phyllis Bockelmann will facilitate

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**A Night in the Orient**
People will come from east, west, north, and south and will take their place at the foot of the kingdom of God. Luke 15:29

Forest Hills Lutheran School Auction
Saturday April 30, 2011 @ 4:00pm
Trinity Lutheran Church
2194 SE Minter Bridge Road, Hillsboro
Tickets - $30
Visit www.fhs.org to purchase tickets ~ Questions? Call 503-359-4853

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**EVERYONE IS INVITED!**
Quilting for Kids & Knot Tiers
SEW-A-THON
Friday, May 6th & Saturday, May 7th
10:00 am till ???

Come and go as your schedule allows!
One day or both!

I’ll have projects ready to work on or bring your own.

Don’t know how to quilt but want to learn?
Come, I’ll get you started with an easy project.

Want to help but don’t want to make a quilt?
Come, you can help someone else!

I’m hoping for a house full so put it on your calendar now and let me know you’re coming so I’ll have a space ready for you!

Mary Raetz
503-629-2025
mary@raetzfamily.com
Hello Colon!

Have you seen the billboards on the local highways advertising Colon screening? I thought I would take this opportunity to give you a bit of information about your colon health that might just save your life.

Colorectal cancer is the fourth most common cause of cancer in both men and women.

Risk factors include:

Age over 50

Colorectal Polyps - growths on the inner wall of the colon or rectum, they are common and most are not cancer. Some are adenomas which can become cancer. Finding and removing polyps may reduce the risk colorectal cancer.

Family history of colorectal cancer - close relatives of a person with history are more likely to develop this disease.

Genetic alterations - Changes in certain genes increase the risk of colorectal cancer

Personal history of cancer

Ulcerative Colitis or Crohn’s disease - people with these conditions have inflammation of the colon for many years and have increased risk for developing colorectal cancer.

Diet Studies suggest diets high in fat and low in calcium, folate, and fiber, may increase risk. Other studies suggest that diets low in vegetables and fruit, are high risk. More research is needed to better understand how diet affects risk of this cancer.

Smoking increases the chance of developing polyps.

Symptoms

Having diarrhea or constipation
Finding blood (either bright red or very dark) in your stool
Finding your stools are narrower than usual
Frequently having gas pains or cramps, or feeling full or bloated
Losing weight with no known reason
Feeling very tired all the time
Having nausea or vomiting

Most often, these symptoms are not due to cancer. Other health problems can cause the same symptoms. Anyone with these symptoms should see a doctor to be diagnosed and treated as early as possible. Usually early cancer does not cause pain. It is important not to wait to feel pain before seeing a doctor.

Screening

Begins at age 50 unless you have risk factors or symptoms that require you to start earlier.

Tests for blood in stool - your Primary MD can do this test.

Scope tests to visualize the rectum and colon are done by MD’s specially trained in this field - most are Gastroenterologists.

Polyps can be removed during these exams.

More information: National Cancer Institute Website: www.cancer.gov

As unpleasant a topic as this may have been, I do hope and pray you will use this information in a positive way towards your health or that of some one you care about.
It is the first day of Spring, always a sign of newness. The daffodils are in full bloom. Winter is definitely behind us, even if the weather does not cooperate, (yes, I am a gardener). It is also the beginning of the 8th week of our Walk to Jerusalem, which began January 30. More than 90 members (of all ages) of the congregation chose to participate in this adventure to virtually “walk to Jerusalem.” Throughout these 12 weeks, as you focus on your body, mind, and spirit, it is our hope and prayer that you are strengthened and comforted in your relationship and walk with Jesus.

We are planning to arrive in Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. The Health Ministry Team has not had an opportunity to meet to plan an “end of the journey” event. It may not be on the same scale as when Jesus arrived in Jerusalem, but we will keep you all posted.

Speaking of Jesus’ arrival, I was thinking about Palm Sunday the other day; what an exciting time that must have been! Like so many of you, I know the story in the Bible of Him riding into Jerusalem on the donkey to the shouts of “Hosanna,” and the palm branches. We watched the Passion Play in Oberammergau last August. The outdoor amphitheater, under the stars, made you feel like you were in Jerusalem. Then the people started to gather, lots of them, becoming throngs of people (at least a hundred or more including children). They had live animals with them; not just the donkey, but chickens, horses, goats, sheep. They shouted “Hosanna! Hosanna!” then the crowd parted just enough for Jesus (the actor) to pass through on the donkey. As I watched, I became a part of the crowd and felt like I should be shouting, too. I was taken back to the first donkey ride into Jerusalem on that Palm Sunday. It was difficult to remember that it was a play and not the real thing. I was so captivated and mesmerized. Remember, it was all in German.

None the less, an experience I will never forget, and will never hear the scriptures for Holy week without seeing the images from Oberammergau.

Karina Wehrspann

Keep the Momentum!

American Heart Association Heart and Stroke Walk
Saturday, May 21, 2011
Vera Katz Eastbank Esplanade, Portland

For information and to register:
www. portlandheartwalk.kintera.org

Bike Ride
Hello Bike Enthusiasts! A seven mile ride along Linear Trail with a picnic at the end is being planned for May 21. Please let Wes know if you are interested in helping to plan the ride and/or participate.

Wes Fenning: 503-297-4005
School News

In school, assessment and evaluation generally comes in the form of grades. Who hasn’t wanted to get “straight A’s?” As we look at the school program here at Prince of Peace, I think we would be very satisfied to see several A’s.

AVAILABLE: Our teachers and staff are available each school day. The day begins at 8:15 am where you will find the teachers gathered for devotion and prayer. They then take up their posts, available to students, available to parents, available to each other. How wonderful to see these little ones doubling back to see their “old teachers” from “when they were little.” Always available.

AUTHENTIC: The teachers and staff love to come to work each day. It is not so much a job as a ministry. They live out their faith each day pointing the way to our awesome God. They genuinely care to nurture the faith in each of these little ones, reminding them about Jesus and His love. Truly authentic.

AFFIRMING: Prince of Peace teachers are the best encouragers. They are quick to smile, ready with a hug. They have words of care and wisdom for parents. They applaud each child’s effort and celebrate each student’s individuality. Continually affirming.

Available, Authentic, Affirming. Prince of Peace teachers and staff get straight A’s

By the power of the resurrected Christ we are enabled to be Grade A servants for Him!

Serving With Joy,
Darlene Thauland

Chapel
Worship with Enthusiasm!
That is what happens at chapel with Pastor Dan and Mr. Kranich each month. Join us for singing, Bible story and prayer.

April Chapel

Tues April 5: 9:15am - K and AM 3’s
1:00pm - 1st and 2nd grades
and PM 3’s

Wed April 6: 9:15am - AM4’s Pre-K and M/W 3’s
1:15pm - PM Pre-K and PM 4’s

Chapel Offerings

Our offering this quarter goes to the school ministry in Finetown, South Africa. Specifically, our money will be used to purchase tables and chairs for the 32 preschools there. Thanks in advance for praying for the teachers and children in Finetown and for your generous offering.

God's Kids WORSHIP

Prince of Peace School
ENROLL NOW!!

There are still a few openings in preschool and kindergarten for the 2011-12 school year.

Christ-Centered Curriculum
Loving Teachers
Engaging Environment
Enriching Experiences
Small Class Size
Affordable Tuition

Call the school office 503-645-1211 for more information and to schedule a tour.
April Toddlin’ Time
Wed., April 13 & 27
9:00-10:00am
CLC Room 125
Fun for toddlers

Hopefully the weather will cooperate and we can go outside, plant some seeds and play!

Coffee and conversation for moms!
All Welcome!

A Child’s Devotion for Easter

The Friday when You died, O Jesus, must have sounded like a great big, “NO!”
If somebody had asked Your friends that day, “Are you happy now?”
The answer then was, “NO.”
“Will you have something to look forward to?”
The answer still was, “NO.”
“Will you ever have any hope again?”
“Oh, no!” How sad. “Oh, no!”
But
Then came Easter morning,
Jesus Christ is alive
And suddenly the Friday “no” became a Sunday “YES!”
YES there is something to look forward to!
YES there is hope again!
YES I can be happy now, the kind of happy that will never end!

Now each question finds its YES in You, Jesus.
Do You love me, Jesus? YES!
Can You help me, Jesus? YES!
Do You really care, Jesus? YES

Easter morning shouts your answer everywhere:
YES! YES! YES! YES! YES! YES! YES!
May you find your joy in Jesus’ resurrected YES!
Devotional Guide
Scripture helps to prepare yourself for Sunday Worship

April 3
4th Sunday of Lent
1 Sam 16:1-13
Eph 5:8-14
John 9:1-41

April 10
5th Sunday of Lent
Ezek 37:1-14
Eph 5:8-14
John 9:1-41

April 17
Palm Sunday
Isa 50:4-9a
Phil 2:5-11
Matt 26:14-27:66 or
Matt 27:11-54

April 24
Easter Sunday
Acts 10:34-43
Col 3:1-4
Matt 28:1-10

birthdays
3 Miki McWilliams
4 Eunice Franzen
5 Anne Morris
7 Rebecca Zeutzius
8 Anne Seim
24 Swede Franzen
10 Marilyn Luce
13 Griffin Warren
15 Inger Haugan
17 Donna Romadka
20 Bob Collin
27 Melissa Lydon
24 Kris Nicoll
29 Marina Jarvis
13 Angie Fish
19 Dee Lieske
30 Jan Davis

Anniversaries
6, 1974 Dave & Pam Krautschied
10, 1973 Michael & Pat Timmerman
12, 2003 Leslie & Rich Swinford
20, 1991 Ron & Donna Romadka
24, 1948 Pastor & Edith Gross
25, 1992 Todd & Kristina Cook
30, 1949 Merle & Lucille Dement
CHECK OUT THE BEAVERTON CITY LIBRARY FOR THESE FUN ACTIVITIES!

Craft Club, Monday April 4, 3:30 - 4:30 PM, Grades 2-5
Brick Builders (Legos), Saturday, April 9, 10:30 - 11:30 AM, Grades 1-5
Book Buddies, Monday 4/11, 3:30 - 4:30, Grades 3-5
Book Bunch, Thursday April 14, 3:30 - 4:30 PM, K thru 2
Read to the Dogs (reading aloud to therapy dogs, sponsored by Dove Lewis),
Thursday, April 14, 6:00 - 7:30 PM, Saturdays April 2 & 23, 10:00 am - 12:00 PM
Child must be able to read on their own for 20 min. sessions

All of these programs require registration so check out the library web site or give them a call for more information and to register!

GET READY FOR EARTH DAY, APRIL 22, 2011

Start by going to this web site to learn the history of Earth Day
http://holidays.kaboose.com/earth-day/history/earthday-history.html

LIVING GREENER!
Sustainable ideas for your home and budget

Saturday, April 9, 2011 (9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.)
Beaverton City Library

Join us to explore:

• Organic food options, energy alternatives, waste reduction and more, with over 50 exhibitors
• Educational presentations by New Seasons Market and Solar Beaverton.
• Kid’s Corner - Children’s activities presented by SCRAP, Ano’s Art Academy, and Trackers Earth
• Free Presentation Raffle! Win one of four grand prize packages from New Seasons, Ecobinary, or Portland Purple Water. Prizes include an Apple G5 PowerPC, Trailblazers tickets and an autographed ball, $50 gift baskets from New Seasons, and a custom built cedar rain barrel system!
• Free Exhibitors Hall Raffle! Win gift certificates from various exhibitors and more! Ten winners drawn every hour beginning at 10:00 a.m.
• Free Refreshments provided by Maggie’s Buns, New Seasons Market, Noodles & Co., PopChips and Honest Tea
What you’ll need:
- Empty aluminum can
- Screwdriver and hammer
- Liquid gesso (recommended: Liquitex Basics Gesso)
- Acrylic craft paints in colors of your choice
- Acrylic sealer spray, matte finish
- Craft stick
- Thin cardboard
- Pinking shears
- Black permanent marker
- 5-10 small rocks, stones or pebbles
- 1.5 cups potting soil
- 4-inch potted herb plant
- White craft glue
- Water
- Flower stickers (optional)

Tips:
1. A 4-inch potted plant will be enough to make 2-3 vegetable sized cans (15 oz) or one larger tomato sauce type can (28 oz).
2. This is a great project to teach kids about growing plants, especially edible ones. Take this opportunity to visit your local library and check out a book on simple container gardening or gardening with kids.
3. Keep the kids involved, be sure they take care of “their” plant. Have them water their plant and show them how to check to see if the soil is too dry or just right by gently touching the soil surface with their finger.
4. Eat these herbs! Your kids will light up when they get to pinch off a basil leaf to add to your spaghetti sauce.

1. **How to make it:**
2. Completely wash and dry aluminum can. If necessary, sand off any rough edges from opening of can.
3. Turn can upside down. Parent should use screwdriver or other pointed object to poke holes in the bottom of the can. Use a hammer to tap the end of the screwdriver to make the holes.
4. Paint outside of can with one coat of gesso. Let dry completely.
5. Paint can in the desired color, repeat coats if needed.
6. Decorate however you like. Use a thin paint brush for long lines, dip the end of the paint brush into paint for polka dots.
7. Decorate with stickers if desired.
8. In a well-ventilated area, spray the outside of the completed can with acrylic sealer spray. Let dry.
9. Place enough rocks or pebbles in the bottom of the can to form a single layer.
10. Add enough potting soil to fill the can two-thirds full.
11. Remove potted herb from its container and transplant into the can.
12. Fill edges with remaining potting soil, gently pat down so that plant is firmly in the can but not compacted so much that it’s too tight.
13. Place can on a plate (to catch any water drainage) and add some water to the newly planted herbs.
14. Paint craft stick whatever color you like. Allow to dry.
15. Cut a piece of thin cardboard into a small rectangle (about 1.5 x 3 inches) using pinking shears.
16. Paint both sides of the cardboard with gesso, let dry.
17. Glue the rectangle to the top of the craft stick.
18. Use a black permanent marker to write the herb name onto the rectangle.
19. Insert your plant marker into the soil, being careful not to crush any roots along the way.
20. Place your new garden in a sunny window and remember to water them!