### November 2011

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| 17 | Newsletter Deadline  
7:00 pm Praise Team |
| 18 | FOOD BASKETS DELIVERED BY HUMAN CARE |
| 19 | Fall Work Day  
8:30 - Noon |
| 20 | 8:00 am Communion Worship  
9:15 am Sunday Class  
10:30 am Worship with Children’s Sermon |
| 21 | 7:00 PM Bible Study Stern  
11:30 am Women’s Bible Study |
| 22 | 7:00 PM Church Council Room 125  
11:30 am Women’s Bible Study |
| 23 | 1:30 PM Avamere Bible Study  
8:00 PM Thanksgiving Worship |
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**Mondays at 2:30 Call Jeff Kranich if you are interested in joining!**

**November 27**
FROM THE PASTOR

The process has begun – identifying and shaping and taking hold of our vision at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church and School. The Leader Team has spent many months trying to best identify how our mission and ministry can be understood and proclaimed by all of us in this place. We thank you for your participation in the congregational forums, the Sunday Bible class hours, the teachers and school parents forums, and the cottage meetings that are still coming. The wisdom of the group truly influences what we say and do and how we make ourselves known to our local community.

“Without vision, the people perish” (Proverbs 29:18) certainly reminds us of the need. As I write this November article, my mind is kind of hovering over the word ‘vision,’ and this is what I am seeing. Perhaps each letter can give us something to think about ...

V for Viable or Valid. We are a congregation already about the mission of serving Christ; as such we are truly kingdom workers. Our viability comes not from our best wishes, but from the One who empowers us to be who we are.

I for Intentional. We really have only one mission as children of God, and that is bringing Christ to people or people to Christ. When we lose our intentionality and start focusing on all the side issues the vision becomes blurred, and not only to those on the outside, but we ourselves can become aimless in our ministry.

S for Sacrificial. It’s not about us – it’s all about Jesus. He came to us, sinners that we are, and laid down His life so that we could have life in Him. He took on the role of servant to show humility and obedience to a loving Father, and calls us to the same humble service. Whether we are congregants, students, teachers, friends, visitors, or parish professionals, our method is the same.

I for the second “I” for Inclusive. But I’m not talking about being a welcoming community to the diversity of cultures that surround us – as important as I know that is! My definition here is understanding the inclusivity of ourselves. So often we talk and think of Prince of Peace Church and School as two separate entities – the Church and the School. We speak in terms of we and they; of one or the other. But we are one – in substance, in mission, in ministry. We must celebrate the unity we share.

O for Oversight. And not oversight like “oops, that was an oversight ...” but oversight as in providing guidance, direction and support for the body of Christ. We “over-see” all that happens here, making sure our mission is being accomplished in what we say and do. And finally,

N for Nominal – again a double meaning word that in this case doesn’t mean ‘slight’, as is “we gave it a nominal effort, little as it was ...” but nominal as in putting our individual names to our efforts! We are excited about the ministry here, and are privileged to add our name to the efforts that occur. We are bold and up-front in serving – whether it be in voice, in prayer, or in hands-on assistance.

Vision. A wonderful word to identify; an even great task to carry on. God bless us as together we provide and live out the vision He sets before us.

Peace.

Pastor Dan
From Our Church Council

We ask our congregation to join us in prayer as we address the needs, concerns, plans and dreams of our church. The following prayer requests were specifically identified at our October meeting. Please include them in your conversations with our Lord this month:

...Discipleship:
- thank God for the growing number of children in our Sunday school;
- pray that our members intentionally reach out to visitors, especially those with children, by welcoming them, acquainting them with our facility and showing them to our Sunday School areas.

...Fellowship:
- thank God for the success and many rich blessings that we experienced during our Oktoberfest;
- ask that He would continue to bless our social events and use them to help us build deeper, lasting relationships with one another.

...Ministry:
- thank God for providing so many donations of food, clothing, medical equipment and money to support our Human Care ministry work;
- ask God to bless the many recipients of our donations so that, through us, they might see His hand at work in their lives.

...Worship:
- thank God for the gift of individuals and families who joyfully serve in needed roles to support our worship each Sunday.
- Pray that God would touch the hearts of more members to volunteer in some way to assist with Sunday worship.

...Parish Nurses:
- thank God for the wisdom and fellowship we share with our “seniors”.
- pray that God would watch over the many frail and fragile members of our church family, keeping them healthy during the flu season.

...Our school:
- thank God for blessing our school so richly in lots of ways;
- pray that our PoP congregation can build strong family connections with the 250 students God has brought to us.
- And please pray for peace and comfort for the family of Celine Tran (pre-k student) whose father passed away in September.

...the Administrative staff:
- pray for a volunteer to coordinate the outdoor Fall clean-up of our property in November—and pray for lots of workers to help make the task easier.

...the Leader Team
- praise God for the many interested members who participated so positively in our “vision” discussion sessions.
- pray that God would guide our continued efforts to clarify the vision for our congregation—that we might truly know His will for our ministry at PoP.
Lutheran Church Extension Fund

Did you know that our church, school and twenty-four members and friends have over $1.7 million invested in various types of accounts with the Lutheran Church Extension Fund (“LCEF”) as of Sept. 30? We are among the nearly 60,000 Lutheran investors who invest in this ministry-building activity of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (“LCMS”). Total assets of the LCEF are over $1.8 billion.

The LCEF provides loans for financing building programs for Lutheran churches and schools throughout the LCMS. Prince of Peace received a $1.1 million mortgage loan to finance the Christian Life Center in 2003. (Current mortgage balance is $414,700.) Concordia University – Portland has received $6 million in recent years to help finance the new library and athletic field programs. LCEF also provides term loans to assist professional church workers in financing their housing needs.

To promote the awareness of LCEF’s support activities in the Northwest District – LCMS, the District’s LCEF office is sponsoring a special survey with a $1,000 incentive for each of three congregations whose members have the best percentage participation!

The survey period will run from November 1 to 24, 2011. You may take the survey on line at http://tinyurl.com/3r8jihs or with a paper survey that I will provide. One of the survey questions will be: Who is your congregation’s LCEF representative? The answer is me – George Thurston!

Please make the time and effort in November to learn more about the LCEF’s contribution to the Lord’s mission and ministries in the Northwest and help Prince of Peace congregation be eligible for a $1,000 grant to fund our ministries.

For information on investment choices and interest rates, please go to www.lcef.org or contact me.

George Thurston, Congregational Representative – LCEF
Phone: (503) 430 5138

Worship Arts Team seeks planning partners with vision, creativity and an eye for color, structure and process. Combining the Spirit of Christ with innovative creativity is the goal of the new Worship Arts Team, which will focus on bringing inspiration and fresh spiritual vitality to the familiar and time-honored traditions of the Prince of Peace worship experience. Our congregation is richly diverse, and we invite you to join our new team, to bring your life experience, artistic skills and talents to what we believe will be a fun and compelling opportunity – bonding in the spirit of God and camaraderie to broaden and enrich our church’s spiritual content. The team will discuss, explore and innovate to introduce artistic, and sensory (sight, touch, hearing, smell and feel) initiatives that can invigorate, inspire and deepen the fulfillment and fellowship of worshiping together. Examples could include such things as helium balloons on the pews that we release on Ascension, red and orange streamers strung from the cross to the balcony on Pentecost, Sunday school kids creating seasonal banners that are carried into the church in a procession. The possibilities are endless.

To learn more, contact Jan Kier at janet.kier98@gmail.com or by phone at 503-466-1110.
GodSong Kid’s Choir

Someone once said, “He who sings prays twice”. Music has always been an important part of worship. It is one of the most beautiful gifts that God has given us to express our praise, our needs, and our thanks to God. To offer an opportunity for our children to discover and develop this gift, Prince of Peace is starting a Kid’s Choir this year. If you like to sing, and want to praise Jesus, then this is the place for you! No experience is necessary, just bring your voice and a smile, and we will combine our talents to make a joyful noise to the Lord!! Once we have a group of singers we'll pick the best day and time to begin rehearsing! Our ultimate goal is to share our music on a regular basis at Sunday morning worship services, and look for other places in our community where we can share the joy of singing. Sign up in the church entry or contact Family Life Minister Jeff Kranich if you are interested in participating or just learning more about this great ministry opportunity! Call 503-645-1211 Church Phone, or email jeff@princeofpeacelc.org for more information. When we have a group organized we will create a schedule and get started!!

Holiday Traditions
Family Event
Friday, November 18, 6:30—8:30

*** Volunteers Needed ***
See Lenetta

NW District Middle School Youth Gathering!
November 19-20, 2011

Join about 100 of your closest Middle School Friends at the next NW District Middle School Gathering November 18-20 at Camp Kuratli in Barton, Oregon!! The theme is “Imitation” based on Ephesians 5:1-2. We’ll be exploring what we imitate in the world and how that effects who we are and what we do, with a final session on what it looks like to imitate Jesus, and the difference that can make in our lives! The Gathering is happening in three locations around the District (Seattle, WA; Portland, OR; and Palmer, AK) all connected by live streaming video over the Internet. There will be a live local Youth Band doing music, games, servant event, worship, study and devotions. We plan to do some local fund-raising to cover most of the cost of Registration. Check the PoP Web Page at www.princeofpeacelc.org for sign-up information, and the district page at www.nowyouth.org for more details!

Crew Chief
Dick Nicoll

Project Leaders
Bert Cathcart
Jennifer Legault

Fall Work Day
Saturday, November 19, 8:30 am

Rake leaves
Weed
Trim shrubs
Clean gutters & drains

If you are able and available, please join the clean-up crew. The Prince of Peace church outside clean-up is scheduled to coincide with Clean Water Service’s leaf collection event at Home Depot.

We expect to be raking a lot of leaves, so the more hands the faster we can get done.

Note: Inside cleaning is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, December 11.
George Thurston, Director - Admin. Services
Confirmation Classes

Any athlete will tell you that the only way to stay healthy and keep your winning edge is to eat right and practice, practice, practice. The Apostle Paul tells us in 1 Corinthians 9:24-25 that our relationship with God and the living out of that relationship is like a race, and encourages us to feed our faith regularly and to practice, practice, practice, so that we grow strong and learn how to trust God for all the circumstances in our lives. Confirmation provides a place where parents and kids come together to strengthen and grow their faith through a two year course of study leading to a Personal Statement of Faith for 8th Graders on Palm Sunday.

Adult Ed

“Best of” What Would Jesus Do?

In the Gospels we learn how Jesus lived and dealt with life’s challenges 2000 years ago. How is the example of Jesus’ life still relevant and applicable for us today?

In this recurring class series we examine current societal challenges and moral dilemmas and consider how they should be handled in a God-pleasing way. We then turn to the Bible and ask ourselves, “What would Jesus do?” if he faced the same challenge.

Beginning November 6th we will revisit some of our most popular topics. Please join us and share your views on the following compelling topics:

November 6: Political Campaigns
November 13: Gay Marriage
November 20: Prenatal Testing
November 27: Sex Education
December 4: “Holiday” Parties

This class is led by Andy Westlund and meets in CLC 125.

2011-2012 Confirmation Class Schedule / Topics
Mondays 6:00-7:30pm

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- 4-6 Commandments
- 7-9 Commandments
- Conclusion to LAW
- Baptism
- Confession / Forgiveness
- Lord’s Supper I
- Lord’s Supper II
- Faith Wrap-Up
- Faith Chest Presentation
- 8th Graders only (Finalize Faith Statements, Confirmation details)
- Palm Sunday (Confirmation)

Sunday School starts each week with a special opening in the CLC for children’s classes that includes songs, videos, special announcements, and more. After the opening, kids follow their Shepherds to various activities based on their grade. Our theme for this year is “Messiah”. We will spend the year together exploring the promise of God to send us a Savior, and how He worked through kings, prophets, and ordinary people to fulfill that promise in Jesus Christ who, by His life, death, and resurrection, restored the relationship that sin had broken between us and the God who loves us! New to our Program this year are five special Sunday school celebrations that will highlight important events in the church year like Reformation and Christmas. These celebrations will include music, crafts, special presentations, and great snacks! Join us each Sunday during regular Sunday School classes throughout the year - from “Story Time” to “Bible Crafts” to “Faith Café” there is something for everyone!!
**Outreach Ministries**

**Love, INC Medical Equipment GAP Ministry**
**Our GAP Ministry is up and running!!**

Our inventory of gently used wheelchairs, walkers, canes, raised toilet seats, etc. is now available for short-term and long-term use by anyone who needs this type of equipment as they recover from injury, medical treatment, or have ongoing conditions that require the special support these items can provide. If you know someone who needs this type of equipment please call Love, INC at 503-336-5946 and they will contact Prince of Peace to coordinate pick-up of the equipment needed. Prince of Peace members who have a need for this equipment may contact the Church Office or Mission Star Point Director Sally Bailey directly to arrange for your need. There is no cost for any of the equipment, it is provided as a free service of Love, INC and Prince of Peace Lutheran Church.

Part of this ministry involves regular cleaning of equipment that comes in or is returned to us after use, and we will have some people who are unable to come to Prince of Peace to get the equipment they need, and so will need to have it delivered to their home. If you would like to become involved in helping out with this ministry please contact the church office at (503) 645-1211 or email PoP Ministry Star Point Director Sally Bailey at 133sallybailey@gmail.com to volunteer!

**Prayer Shawls**
**Prince of Peace Healthcare Ministry**

Prayer shawls are lovingly made by knitters or crocheters with prayer for recipients who are in need of prayer and comfort, such as those with serious illnesses, loss, depression, a shut-in or any caregivers. A shawl is visible proof that someone cares for and is praying for the wearer. The shawls have been blessed and we hope that the wearers will feel God’s arms around them. If you know of someone who would use a prayer shawl, please let the Pastor, Jeff, the church staff or the Healthcare Ministry Team know.

Shawls can be made of any soft yarn, approximately 60 X 27 inches if a rectangle, or long enough at the top to wrap over the shoulders if a triangle.

If you would like to make shawls, using your own yarn or some we have available, or if you know someone who would use a prayer shawl, please let someone know.

Thanks,
Margo Mayer: 503-645-5764, wmmayer@mindspring.com
Jennis Taylor: 503-645-7742, jonglook@comcast.net

**Quilting News**

**Quilting for Kids**
November 3, 10:00 am
December 1, 10:00 am
Mary Raetz, 503-629-2025

**Knot Tiers**
November 14, 10:00 am
December 12, 10:00 am
Anne Seim, 503-646-7700

**Food Pantry Needs**

- Toilet Paper
- Peanut Butter
- Jams/Jellies
- Sugar
- Tuna
- Flour
- Mayonnaise
- Corn
Thankfulness is an Attitude!

I have started making visits to every classroom in our school. The children have learned so much in their first month—it is fun to hear their observations and questions. However, I think I appreciate most the good manners they have. Teachers expect and many children already know to use “please”, “thank you”, “your’re welcome”, and “no thank you”. Learning the right words to say helps children develop an attitude of gratitude. And it really is an attitude that begins when children are very young. Starting each day by stating what you are thankful for and then asking your child is a great way to begin a new day. For older children, it is also fun to make a “blessings” paper chain and write something you are thankful for on each piece of the chain. See how long you can make your chain! Then, on a “terrible, rotten, not so good day” it is helpful to go back and read what is written on several of the chains. It can take you back to the “attitude of gratitude” even on a not so good day. As “Christ Followers” we have so many reasons to be thankful. We have 251 young children who come to our school each week to learn about Jesus and how much He loves them. How precious each one of God’s children is to Him and how thankful we are as a staff and congregation to be blessed with this ministry! Please remember our school children and families in your prayers and thank God for the opportunity to serve them! If you have an idea for reaching out to our families with intention, please send me an email or stop by the office. My email address is: director@princeofpeaceclc.org. Thank you to those of you who have already contacted me about ideas!

Join Us for Some Fun!

Chapel: Nov. 15, 9:15 am
Nov. 16, 9:15 am & 1:15 PM

Family traditions: November 18, 6:30-8:30 PM

Let the office know ahead if you want to enjoy hot lunch with the kids:

Nov. 8: Hamburger, fries, fruit, veggie, ice cream
Nov. 15: chicken tacos, Spanish rice, corn, fruit, pudding
Nov. 22: Hot dog, chips, carrots, fruit cup, animal cookies
Nov. 29: Chicken nuggets, tater tots, veggie, rice krispie treat

The cost is $2.00

Next Family Movie Night

December 9th at 6:30 PM.

Premier showing and party for Veggie Tales “Little Drummer Boy”.

Bring a little person to enjoy the evening with!
### Devotional Guide

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

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### Wishing You a Happy Birthday!

Happy Anniversary