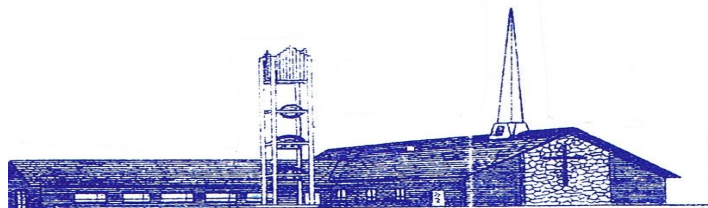


# The Bells



## PRINCE OF PEACE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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### Ambassadors of Reconciliation

Dear Friends in Christ,

At the eleventh hour on the eleventh day of the eleventh month, an armistice between the Allied powers and the German Republic began and effectively ended the Great War. After four long, bloody years, there was finally peace in Europe.

In the early days of World War I, the British author H.G. Wells wrote a series of articles in which he argued that the defeat of the Central Powers – Germany, Austria-Hungary, and the Ottoman Empire – would bring an end to war. But the time of the armistice, this idealistic phrase “the war to end all wars” had become one of the most popular phrases during the time.

After the war, November 11<sup>th</sup> became a national holiday in many parts of the world. “Armistice Day” was set aside to remember those who had served in the war and remember the peace that began that day.

Of course, we know that it wasn’t the war to end all wars. Within fifteen years, Europe would be engulfed again in war, and that one would spread to the Pacific as well. After the Second World War, “Armistice Day” became “Veteran’s Day” – a day to remember and honor all who have served our country in the military.

Conflict is, sadly, part of the human condition. Since the fall of mankind, there has been almost continual conflict; husbands vs. wives, parents vs. children, neighbor vs. neighbor. James writes in his letter that the source of quarrels and fights is the passions that are at war within us. He says, “You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask.” (Jam 4:2 ESV)

We do not only have conflict with other people, but with God Himself. But the good news of our salvation is that while we were in conflict with God, He sent His one and only Son to die on a cross so that we might be reconciled to God (Rom 5:10-11).

Having been reconciled to God through Christ, God has now given us the ministry of reconciliation. We are called “Ambassadors for Christ” and have been charged with sharing this message with the world. This is the Gospel that in Christ God was reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their sins against them. (2 Cor. 5:19)

But our reconciliation is not just done with God, Jesus calls us to be reconciled to each other. (Matt 5:23-24) But how do we go about it? How do we not just end conflict, but actually use God pleasing methods to reconcile brothers and sisters in Christ and bring about true forgiveness?

This winter, we’ll begin a new Bible study that works on this very issue. We’ll not only study the biblical basis for the call to reconcile, but ways in which we can do this? Watch this space for more details on this study.

In Christ Jesus,  
Pastor Michael

#### Worship with us

Saturday: 6:30 PM Worship  
Sunday: 9:00 AM Sunday School  
Adult Bible Class  
10:15 AM Worship

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### NEW CASTLE CITY RESCUE MISSION NEEDS YOUR HELP



It is never too early to plan for the Holidays. Especially when planning involves helping those less fortunate.

When we think of Thanksgiving we think of turkey, stuffing, pumpkin pie, cranberry sauce, vegetables etc., all food items familiar to a traditional Thanksgiving Day dinner and how thankful we are to enjoy such a feast. But there are hundreds of families in Beaver, Butler, Lawrence and Mercer counties who would not be able to enjoy all those traditional Thanksgiving foods if it weren't for the food baskets prepared by the New Castle City Rescue Mission.

We will be collecting until November 11, Prince of Peace will once again begin collecting various items to help provide a Thanksgiving meal to these less fortunate families in our county and the surrounding counties. A box will be placed in the hallway to the Fellowship Hall for your donations. Last year we collected 308 canned items. Let's challenge ourselves to collect 1,000 items. We will be collecting food for 20 weeks. If every member donates 1 can per week we can easily surpass that goal.

The following items are needed: **Large and small cans of pumpkin, canned turkey gravy, evaporated milk, cranberry sauce, canned vegetables and fruit, boxes of stuffing and pie crust.**

Packing of the baskets will take place on Saturday, November 17 at the Beaver County Christian School in Beaver Falls. Please contact Diane O'Palka at 724-709-8332 if you or your group would be interested in helping to pack baskets.

**MISSION UPDATE: WE ARE UP TO 513 CANS!  
PLEASE HELP US REACH OUR GOAL OF 1,000 CANS BY NOVEMBER 11<sup>th</sup>.**

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## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

### Birthdays:

Delores Simmons	1
Carol Helkowski	3
Tara Dulski	7
Darryl Gunther	7
Cindy Nowry	7
Peter Humphrey	13
Dustin Parker	14
Barb Bishop	15
Joleen Mesing	16
Jake Daubenspeck	17
Betty Haffely	18
Brendan Doerr	19
Kelly Applequist	21
Eugene Reddel	22
Matthew Parker	28
Joan Doerr	30
Noah Fessides	30
Kaitlyn Schultz	30

### Baptismal Birthdays:

Dan Helkowski	
Rich Clayton	
Kelly Applequist	
Tom Shively	1
Abigail Miller	1
Terry Koenig	3
Ken McClellan	3
Cathy Goble	4
Lorena Hamara	8
Jesse Dietrich	8
Joslyn Mesing	12
Tammy Eckstrom	16
Karl Borgman	20
Carole Alberts	27
Tara Dulski	28
Connie Mannino	29
Betty Haffely	30

### Anniversaries:

Ben & Michele Davis	9
Dayton & Ruth Rose	17
Bob & Barbara Blank	21
Ross & June Shively	26
Milt & Christie Scott	30

## SERVANTS IN MINISTRY

### Greeter:

4-Ken/Kate McClellan  
11-Ruth Miller/Avis Miller  
18-K. Voland/Rachel Eckstrom  
25-Wendy Derek Mengel

### Reader:

4-Jennifer Ciccone  
11-Joleen Mesing  
18-Jeff Doerr  
25-Doug Eckstrom

### Acolyte:

4-Brendan Doerr  
11-Matthew Muto  
18-Connor Ciccone  
25-Jeremy Osten

### Altar Guild:

Carol Helkowski  
Crissy Nadzam &  
Madi Daubenspeck

### Audio/Visual:

4-K. Ormiston/Doug Eckstrom  
11-Lynn Gunther/Mike Gremer  
18-Jennifer Ciccone/K. Ormiston  
25-K. Ormiston/Doug Eckstrom

## PRAYER CONCERNS

Please keep the following members and friends of Prince of Peace in your prayers:

- Delores Simmons, recently hospitalized at Cabot
- Kim Singleton's father, Al, hospitalized for fluid in the lungs
- The O'Palka family for the loss of Diane's brother-in-law, Paul
- Prayers for healing for Ed & Lynn Melberg, Lynn had surgery on her foot and Ed is seeing a doctor for back pain
- Mike Lacey, friend of Ed & Sandi Morgan, who has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer
- George Mesing's cousin, Billy, recovering from surgery
- Continued prayers for Richie, Tom & Colleen Sigler's nephew
- Twila DeThomas' stepfather taking a break from chemo for lung cancer
- Milt Scott, Connie Mannino, Alan Singleton, Joanie Gremer, Philip Forsyth, Marie Teets, battling cancer.

## Prayer Chain

If you would like to be on our email prayer chain please call or email Rose DeWeese at 724.728.3881 or [secretarypop@princeofpeacefreedom.com](mailto:secretarypop@princeofpeacefreedom.com)



## NOVEMBER 2012

### November 4 ~ **"The One Vote That Changed the World"**

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz

As important as the U.S. election is, there once was a much bigger vote that made an eternal difference. God cast that vote on your behalf. (Revelation 7:9-17)

### November 11 ~ **"The One Important Day"**

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz

Victory at last! You can have faith that you will prevail in the end because Jesus paid the price of your eternal freedom. (Hebrews 9:24-28)

### November 18 ~ **"There is a Right Way to Live Life"**

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz

By faith, the life of thanksgiving knows who God is, knows what God has done for us, and can trust in Him even when things seem uncertain at the moment. (1 Thessalonians 5:17-19)

### November 25 ~ **"Delivered"**

Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

Our deliverance came at the expense of another. (2 Timothy 4:18)

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## Prodigal Son in Key of F

Author: Timothy E. Fulop, Vice-President for Academic Affairs and Dean, Lakeland College

Feeling footloose and frisky, a featherbrained fellow forced his fond father to fork over his farthings. He flew far to foreign fields and frittered his fortune, feasting fabulously with faithless friends. Finally facing famine and fleeced by his fellows-in-folly, he found himself a feed flinger in a filthy farmyard. Fairly famished, he fain would have filled his frame with foraged food from the fodder fragments. "Fooy, my father's flunkies fare far fancier," the frazzled fugitive fumed feverishly, frankly facing facts.

Frustrated by failure and filled with foreboding, he fled forthwith to his family. Falling at his father's feet, he floundered forlornly, "Father, I have flunked and fruitlessly forfeited family favor." But the faithful father, forestalling further flinching, frantically flagged the flunkies to fetch forth the finest fatling and fix a feast.

The fugitive's fraternal faultfinder frowned on the fickle forgiveness of former folderol. His fury flashed, but fussing was futile. The farsighted father figured, "Such filial fidelity is fine, but what forbids fervent festivity for the fugitive is found. Unfurl the flags with flaring, let fun and frolic freely flow. Former failure is forgotten, folly forsaken. Forgiveness forms the foundation for future fortune."

## AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Please join us for a blood drive dedicated in special honor of Michelle Kollmeier

**Sunday, November 18**

**8:00 am—2:00 pm**

**Prince of Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church**

Last year I shared the story of my granddaughter Hana's birth and the complications that occurred for my daughter Michelle where she needed blood products in order to recover. Michelle is fine and I remain to this day grateful to a total stranger who took the time to donate their blood. So I am here again this year, asking you to donate, to give a gift to a total stranger. What better way to prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving than to give someone something that they will forever be thankful for.

Please sign up on bulletin board in hallway across from Pastor Michael's office.

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## POP CHRISTMAS DINNER



Please join us after Worship service on Sunday, December 16th for our annual Christmas Dinner.

Details will be announced in upcoming bulletins.

Thank You! Joleen Mesing

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## FIRST TRINITY HOMELESS MINISTRY

On behalf of the First Trinity Homeless Ministry director and congregation, we want to thank the Prince of Peace congregation on their outpouring of generosity and support. Several van loads of clothes and supplies as well as over \$400 were donated in the last few months. They have had a record 503 clients this month and their inventory was going down rapidly. We will be continuing to collect at least through the holidays and will evaluate at that time if we will continue throughout the year.

Please read the following note response to our request for recent urgent needs in addition to the previous list:

Some of our clients have asked for Bibles. We could also use baby wipes, body wash, hand lotion, new socks for men/women/children, new underwear. Because winter is coming: winter coats, gloves, hats, rainwear, umbrellas, mittens and hats for small children, disposable diapers size 3, winter boots for children and adults, shoes, new towels and washcloths. We will accept gently used clothing of all types but particularly larger and plus sizes for men and women, and clothing for infants and toddlers and small children.

The people of Prince of Peace have been most generous already so the above list is only a suggestion of needed items if any still wish to donate to FTTH.



# Prince of Peace Preschool

Happy Fall to everyone! The leaves are falling and we all know what that means...winter is on its way! I am not ready for the snow at all! All the children have settled into a daily routine and are keeping us very busy! Time sure does fly! We are having so much fun with them and they are all very eager to learn! Although their favorite time of the day is of course SNACK TIME!

The bible story of the month was about Jonah and the Whale. This is one of my favorite bible stories to share with the children.

We are happy to report that all four of our caterpillars turned into beautiful Monarch butterflies and each class got to set them free! The kids were so excited to watch this amazing transformation take place!

**3 YEAR OLD CLASS** The three year olds are also working hard on their alphabet books. They love story time and circle time when we sing our songs. We talked about: Growing pumpkins, Fall changes and the many shapes of Halloween!

We are having such a great time with these young threes. They are so innocent! I love that! We carved a Jack-O-Lantern for our classroom and no one wanted to help clean the inside out...you should have seen the look on their faces when I asked if anyone wanted to stick their hand in! Priceless!

**4 YEAR OLD CLASS** The four year olds topics for the month were: Fire Safety, Growing Pumpkins, Fall changes and Halloween!!!

We are working hard on our alphabet books and number books. We are also trying to master our cutting skills. It's only October and everyone is doing a great job! They will have it mastered by January! We picked our own classroom pumpkin at Yeck's and some children even helped clean out the inside of the pumpkin! Most of them said no way!

*Mrs. Shuttleworth & Miss Chris*



## Prince of Peace Preschool

*The child was growing, and was becoming strong in spirit, being filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was upon him. (Luke 2:40)*

October was a busy and exciting time at Prince of Peace Preschool. The children are settling into our daily routine quite nicely. It gives me great pleasure to watch your children interact with one another. Friendships are forming and I have seen many acts of kindness happening. Parents... you should be proud... we are!

Our Bible theme this month was Jonah and the Whale. We talked about being kind to others. The children learned that we should always follow in God's word and do what the Lord asks of us. In collaboration with our Jonah and the Whale theme, our three year old class colored a great big whale and told us three things they thought were in the whale's belly. Their responses were rather amusing. We heard everything from a beach ball to a pumpkin to a Barbie doll!

The three year olds focused on fire safety, pumpkins and shapes. We made Dalmatian pudding in honor of fire safety. Our three year olds had fun making a spider web using marbles to paint! The four year old class worked on fire safety, pumpkins, and ghosts, bats, and spiders- oh my! Both classes took a fieldtrip to the pumpkin patch at Yeck's Farm. This year we were blessed with beautiful weather for our special day! We picked out a great, big pumpkin to carve. Also, we ended the month with our Halloween party. A special thank you goes out to the parents for making this a wonderful time for the kids. We hope you all have a safe and Happy Halloween! BOO! In addition, we are continuing to work on our ABC and 123 books. We can't wait to see what next month may bring. Until then, may God bless.

Smiling at You,  
Mrs. Ward and Ms. Twila

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 7:00 Ladies Bible Study "What is Islam?" 7:00 Choir	2	3 6:30 Holy Communion
4 23rd Sunday After Pentecost 10:15 Holy Communion	5 6:00 St. Luke's Braille	6 8:30 Braille 6:30 Kidz Klub 6:45 Comrades of Christ 7:00 Bible Study	7 9:00 Bible Study - "Bible on Trial" 11:00 Bible Study	8 11:00 Forest Hills Braille 7:00 Ladies Bible Study "What is Islam?" 7:00 Choir	9	10 9:00 Men's Club 6:30 Holy Communion
11 24th Sunday After Pentecost 10:15 Holy Communion	12 6:00 Haven Braille	13 8:30 Braille 6:30 Kidz Klub 6:45 Comrades of Christ 7:00 Bible Study	14 9:00 Bible Study - "Bible on Trial" 11:00 Bible Study 6:30 Council Mtg.	15 7:00 Ladies Bible Study "What is Islam?" 7:00 Choir	16	17 6:30 Holy Communion
18 25th Sunday After Pentecost 8:00 Blood Drive 9:00 SS/Adult Bible Classes 10:15 Holy Communion	19	20 8:30 Braille 9:00 Preschool Chapel 6:30 Kidz Klub 6:45 Comrades of Christ 7:00 Bible Study	21 9:00 Preschool Chapel 11:00 Bible Study 7:00 Thanksgiving Service	22 <b>Thanksgiving Day</b>	23	24 6:30 Holy Communion
25 Last Sunday of the Church Year 9:00 SS/Adult Bible Classes 10:15 Holy Communion	26	27 8:30 Braille 6:30 Kidz Klub 6:45 Comrades of Christ 7:00 Bible Study	28 11:00 Bible Study 7:00 Elder's Mtg.	29	30	