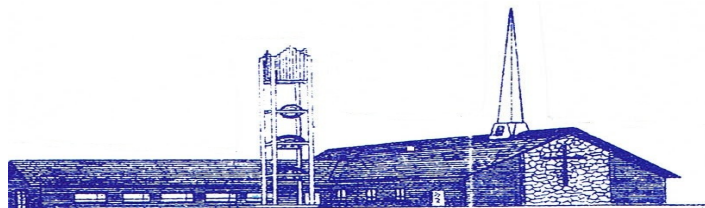


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PRINCE OF PEACE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Fatherhood

JUNE 2012

Dear Friends in Christ,

This morning I had a revelation. Being a father is a lot like being a garbage man. Garbage men get up very early in the morning to go out and collect our trash from our homes. It's hard work with lots of lifting and carrying. Garbage men are exposed to the elements, and in the summer the heat makes the garbage especially pungent – a stench that stays with you even after you've gone home. And for the most part, it's an entirely thankless task.

Being a father is also hard work. When the children are young, you collect the trash from their rooms, lifting and carrying as you pick up after them. As the children get older and get involved with sports and scouts, fathers are exposed to the elements. And most of the time, a father never hears thanks for all that they do.

Fathers, like garbage men, are entirely necessary. Without garbage men removing our refuse from our homes, our lives would be miserable. Not only would we have the stink, but we'd have to deal with the pests that are attracted to the garbage and the diseases that those pests carry. For every life saved by a doctor, garbage men have saved far more simply by removing our waste from the places we live.

Without fathers, children are nine times more likely to drop out of high school, 32 times more likely to run away, twenty times more likely to be in prison and five times more likely to commit suicide. Fathers, by their very presence, represent safety, protection, and guidance. Fathers are someone for children to look up to. Even men who have not been gifted with Fatherhood can serve as mentors to the young in their careers or even as volunteers at the church.

Unfortunately, we have to confess that not all fathers have lived up to the ideal picture of Fatherhood that the Bible gives to us. Not all who been blessed with children are men of virtue, instead of safety and protection they represent fear and danger. We know that we live in a broken world. We are all sinners and even the best father has failed to keep the commandments of God.

Thanks be to God that our earthly fathers, whether good or bad, are but poor reflections of our Heavenly Father. For, in teaching us to pray, Jesus invites us to address God as "Father." Martin Luther explains, "Here God would encourage us to believe that he is truly our Father and we are truly his children in order that we may approach him boldly and confidently in prayer, even as beloved children approach their dear father."

This month, we give thanks to God for our Fathers, for those who taught us and raised us. But even more, we give thanks that God He has called us His dear children; that He has adopted us as His own. And that we, can approach our Father through Christ our Lord, placing all of our cares and wants in His generous hands.

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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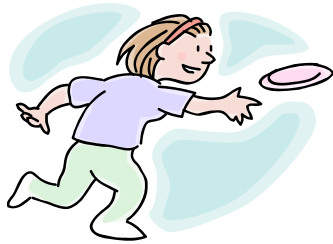
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Christ Camp 2012



Monday, June 25- Friday, June 29, 2012

**For Young People 14 and older
(7th—12th grade)**

Time: 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Come and Enjoy!!!!

6:00 pm – Great food

6:30 pm- Activities

***Great Water slide, Hockey, Baseball,
Basketball, Volleyball, Games and more***

8:00 pm- Creative Bible Discussion

8:30 pm- Closing Devotions

***Friday evening enjoy the water slide
& celebrate with the bonfire & smores***

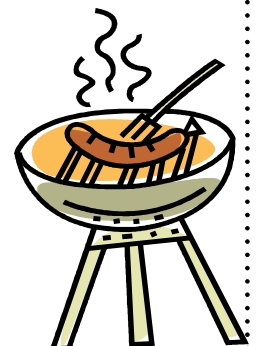


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JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Willis Voland	1
Chase O'Palka	5
Susan Ozenich	5
Ethan Bendekovic	7
Buck Patzer	7
Betty Hamara	8
Scott Gunther	11
Lindsay Koenig	13
Bill Mallary	13
Ruth Rose	15
Brett Lehecky	16
Helen Miller	16
Maggie Dietrich	18
Brad Weedon	18
June Shively	21
Karol Kiessling	23
Dan Helkowski	25
Dayton Rose	26
Becky Mallary	29

ANNIVERSARIES

Dustin & Stephanie Parker	1
Ken & Kate McClellan	4
Jeff & Tara Dulski	6
Charles & Karen Veloski	7
Tim & Kathleen Ormiston	7
Ron & Karen Doerr	8
Rich & Ethel Clayton	10
Roger & Mary Nuerge	12
Peter & Terri Humphrey	18
Tom & Colleen Sigler	18
Eric & Allison Bendekovic	23

SERVANTS IN MINISTRY

Greeters:

3-George & Joleen Mesing
10-Robin & Brittany Young
17-Mary Nuerge & Tara Dulski
24-Tom & Colleen Sigler

Readers:

3-Diane O'Palka
10-Sam Osten
17-Kathleen Ormiston
24-Peter Humphrey

Acolytes:

3-Tori Muto
10-Ruthann Weedon
17-Jane Wilson
24-J P Humphrey

Audio Visual:

3-Darryl Gunther/Doug Eckstrom
10-Lynn /Scott Gunther/Kathleen Ormiston
17-Stephan Fatschel/Mike Gremer
24-Kathleen Ormiston/Doug Eckstrom

Altar Flowers:

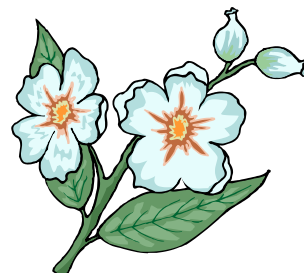
3-Diane O'Palka
10-Delores Simmons

Altar Guild:

Carol Helkowski & Rachel Eckstrom

BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

Beth Lehman	
Avis Miller	1
Jase Wilson	2
Chance Mercier	3
Ruthann Weedon	6
Matt Sigler	9
Susan Ozenich	12
Matthew Gunther	13
Robert O'Palka	18
Luke Mesing	21
Tanner Mesing	21
Margaret Rombold	24
Karol Kiessling	24
Craig Rombold	24
Christopher Wallace	24
Jackson Wallace	24
Buck Patzer	25
Jim Nord	27
Milan Fatschel	29
Kaydi Dietrich	30



PRAYER CONCERNS

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

- DeRiggi family for the passing of wife and mother
- Betty Owen, hospitalized for back problems
- Bill Mallary, hospitalized with neck injury
- Chris Ziter, preschool aide, recent gall bladder surgery
- Christie Scott, suffering with pneumonia
- Ora Edminson (Susan Voland's mother) for health concerns
- Meghan Lindell suffering from pneumonia
- Margaret Grasswick, Terry Koenig's sister, recovering from ovarian cancer surgery
- Tom Pudelski (Terri Humphrey's father) recovering at home from pneumonia & congestive heart failure
- John Krill, (neighbor and friend of Sandi & Ed Morgan) suffering from leukemia
- Robbie Couch, (Faye Brockmiller's mother) at home recuperating
- Tonya Schoch, friend of Bill Andrews, health concerns
- Christina Schuliger and Angela Schwab (friends of Lynn Gunther)
- LuAnn Shonk (Bev Kohler's daughter), lung problems
- Francine (family friend of Karen & Ron Doerr); Milt Scott, Mare Miller, Connie Mannino, Alan Singleton, Joanie Gremer, Philip Forsyth, Marie Teets, battling cancer.

POP NEWS

REV. PRESTON WAGNER

Pr. Wagner, a former Pastor of Prince of Peace from June 1972 through April 1975, is retiring from Hope Lutheran Church in Wake Forest, NC. A retirement service is planned for Sunday, June 24th.

Members are encouraged to send a note or card to:

Hope Lutheran Church
Attn: Terry Ultis,
3525 Rogers Rd.
Wake Forest NC 27587

MEN'S CLUB - THE CHALLENGE OF ISLAM (Part One)

What Is Islam? For a religion practiced by so many worldwide, Islam is understood by surprisingly few in Western society.

Be one of those in the know. Join us on Saturday, June 9th at 9 am.

NEW MEMBER CLASS

Prince of Peace will begin a New Member Class starting on Sunday, June 3 at 9 am.

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THE LUTHERAN HOUR

Proclaiming Christ for 75 Years.

June 3—“FROM WOE IS ME” TO “HERE I AM”

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz

Jesus is God in action for you, transforming your “Woe is me” situation into the joyful “Here I am” place of victory by grace. (Isaiah 6:1-8)

June 10 — “WE DO NOT LOSE HEART”

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz

The secret to not losing heart is knowing that God raised Jesus from the dead and He will also raise you. Because God is at work in the world, the troubles of today will not have the last word in your life. (2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1)

June 17 — “BRIDGING THE GAP”

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz

God bridges the gap between His holiness and our sinfulness because only He can, through the person and work of Jesus Christ. (2 Corinthians 5:19-20)

June 24—“GOD, DON'T YOU CARE?”

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

There is no storm so strong that Jesus cannot still it or bring you through it. (Mark 4:35-41)

PRINCE OF PEACE FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Saturday, June 9th

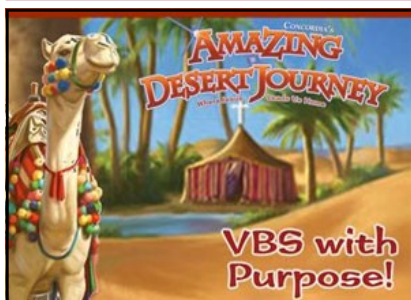
5 PM to 8 PM

Hot dogs and drinks provided.

Share a side dish with us for a fun evening of
crafts and music.



We will be making musical instruments for the kids to use during Vacation Bible School. Help us by saving your metal bottle caps, small metal coffee cans, large plastic coffee cans and unused paint stirring sticks and bring along with you that evening.



Friday June 29th

8:00 PM

CLOSING PROGRAM WITH

S'MORES &

WATER SLIDE!!!!

JOIN US FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 25th — JUNE 29th 2012

6:30 PM — 8:30 PM

Cost: \$5 for supplies

VBS: Pre-K through 6th grade

CALL 724.728.3881 TO REGISTER!

OR EMAIL:

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GLADE RUN COMMUNITY SUPPORTED AGRICULTURE

Want seasonal, locally grown produce? Join the Glade Run Cooperative CSA. Eat from a garden grown with the seeds of hope. Proceeds support the children and families of Glade Run by using animals and horticulture to teach and provide therapy to children with special needs. There will be a local drop off point for members very close to POP. See bulletin board for details, call 724.452.4453 ext. 1236 or email jwahlenmayer@gladerun.org. Thank you!



PRINCE OF PEACE CLEAN UP DAY

SATURDAY, JUNE 16TH

10 AM—2 PM

RAIN OR SHINE

SIGN UP POSTED ON BULLETIN BOARD

BRING GARDENING GLOVES

HELP US BEAUTIFY YOUR CHURCH!!!

Coffee & Donuts will be served



Mrs. Shuttleworth & Ms. Chris's Preschool News

Well it's hard to believe that our year has come to an end! It has been another great year and it will be hard once again to see the four year olds move on to kindergarten. We are really going to miss them. They are such a special group of kids that have once again touched our hearts! A big thank you to all the parents for all your help over the years! We couldn't do it without you!

THREE YEAR OLDS

The three year old topic for the month was Under the Sea! We made a jelly fish with it long tentacles. We talked about how fun it is to visit the beach and swim in the ocean! We are so excited for this class to be returning for another fun and exciting year!

The three year olds graduated on May 24th. They are now officially FOUR YEAR OLDS! Thanks to all the parents for baking cookies for the graduation. They were delicious! Keep on Shining!

FOUR YEAR OLDS

The four year olds topics for the month were outer space and Chicka Chicka Boom Boom. This is a story about all the alphabet and it's a great way to review the letters! The other topic, which was a big hit, was outer space. They really got into it. We learned that we have only eight planets...yes Pluto is now a moon. We learned that the sun is the biggest star! We made a "galaxy of stars in a jar" and made a wish upon a star as we put them in our jars! We blasted off to the moon in our balloon powered rocket ships! The four year old graduation was held on May 25th. Look out kindergarten...here they come!!!! They all looked so cute in their caps and gowns...a few tears were shed for they all will be missed. It has been amazing watching them grow over the last two years! They have blossomed into beautiful flowers and are ready to take on the next big step...Kindergarten! Thank you for sharing them with us! Thanks to all the parents for their help over the years...it was greatly appreciated! Have a safe and blessed summer! Don't forget to stop in and see your preschool teachers when you can!!! We would love to hear all about kindergarten!

Mrs. Ward & Ms. Carrie's Preschool News

~ Every new beginning comes from some other beginning's end. ~

May Birthdays

Thomas Henry 5/7

Summer Birthdays

Sawyer Wahlenmayer 6/10

Finley Glisson 6/11

Zachary Hill 6/30

Maddee Fischer 7/18

Sadie Cercone 8/30

"When you're not sure what to do or say, just watch Jesus and He'll show you the way."

May was filled with many fabulous days! This month our four-year old class focused on "Mom's and Mother's Day", "Outer Space", and "Graduation". We spent time celebrating our summer birthdays, reviewing our numbers and alphabet, and taking a nature walk! We had our annual Mother's Day Brunch. The boys and girls worked really hard on their gifts for their moms! They were so excited. I can't believe how they've grown since the beginning of the year. I am so proud of them.

Our three year old class spent the month learning about "Mom's and Mother's Day", and "Under the Sea". They were eager to share all of their handmade crafts with their moms during the brunch. In addition, we spent time this month reviewing the alphabet, numbers, and shapes. We made an "Under the Sea" bottle. I am so excited to have the opportunity to spend more time with this group next year. They have really matured. "Go dig in the dirt, and have some fun, when the summer is over, we'll be back as one!"

The graduation ceremony was delightful. Tears welled in my eyes as they walked to the Graduation March. These kids are stars and will shine in whatever they do. I wish you the best of luck as you close one chapter of your life...and open another. Remember to come back and visit me! Have a wonderful summer, soak up the sun, and be safe!

Smiling at You,

Mrs. Ward & Ms. Carrie

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2 10:30 VBS Volunteer Mtg. 6:30 Holy Communion
3 The Holy Trinity 9:00 SS/Adult Class 9:00 New Member Class 10:15 Holy Communion	4 6:00 St. Luke's Braille	5 7:00 Bible Study	6 11:00 Bible Study- <i>Lutheranism 101</i>	7 7:00 Choir	8	9 9:00 Men's Club 5:00-8:00 pm FAMILY FUN NIGHT 6:30 Holy Communion
10 Second Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 SS/Adult Class 9:00 New Member Class 10:15 Holy Communion	11 9:00 Haven Braille	12 7:00 Bible Study	13 11:00 Bible Study- <i>Lutheranism 101</i> 6:30 Council Planning Meeting	14 11:00 Forest Hills Braille	15	16 6:30 Holy Communion
17 Third Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 SS/Adult Class 9:00 New Member Class 10:15 Holy Communion	18	19 7:00 Bible Study	20 11:00 Bible Study- <i>Lutheranism 101</i>	21 7:00 Choir	22	23 6:30 Holy Communion
24 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 SS/Adult Class 9:00 New Member Class 10:15 Holy Communion	25	26	27 11:00 Bible Study- <i>Lutheranism 101</i>	28	29	30 6:30 Holy Communion
	CHRIST CAMP / VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 6:00-8:30 PM					