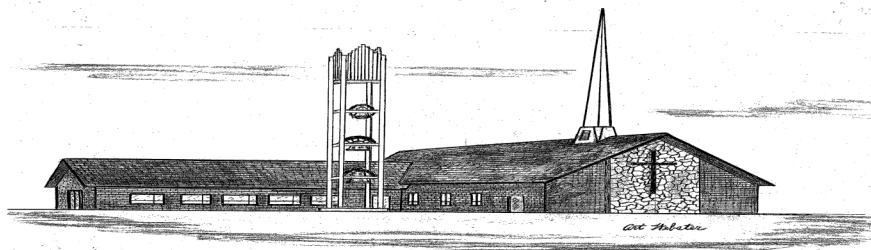


# The Bells

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## For the Youth

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### WORSHIP WITH US

Saturday: 6:30 PM Worship

Sunday: 10:15 AM Worship

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Dear Friends in Christ,

I was thirteen. It was Ash Wednesday. My family had come to church early in order to dine with our fellow believers in Christ. But it doesn't take long to eat soup and a sandwich. So I made my way upstairs, to our balcony, where the new sound equipment had just been installed. My inner "geek" was thrilled. Far beyond the old vacuum tube system we used to have, this new beautiful, black board with sliders and digital readouts would serve our church well. Not yet confirmed, I knew I would have to wait before I had my chance to serve.

As I sat admiring, but not touching, a hand rested on my shoulder. Mr. Lempke, the chief radio engineer was standing there. He looked down at me and said, "Why don't you run it tonight." I was in heaven. Nobody had told Mr. Lempke that **"there's nothing for the youth in church."** From that point on I served on our Radio Board, providing sound and rebroadcasts of our services throughout my teenage years. Soon I had a key to the radio room, entrusted with thousands of dollars of equipment.

Not long after, my birthday came. I was fourteen and newly confirmed. My family arrived early for church; our early service was broadcast live on the radio and Dad was narrating that month. As I was about to enter the Sanctuary, I felt a hand on my shoulder, it was Mr. Houston. "We're one short," he said, handing me a stack of bulletins and pointing me toward a door. I greeted people, handed out bulletins, escorted people to empty seats (yes, this was in the days when Ushers – "ushed" because pews were full.)

At the end of the service, as we were cleaning up the left-behind bulletins, making the Sanctuary ready for the next service, Mr. Houston turned to me and said, "be here at 7:30 next week, you're on my crew." Nobody had told him that **"there's nothing for the youth in church."** For the next six years, I arrived early, opened doors, turned on lights, made sure the air conditioning was going.

Throughout my young life, God placed people who never told me **"there's nothing for the youth in church"**. They pointed me to the gifts of God that we receive in worship, and then invited me to serve along with them. Before I had keys to the car, I had keys to the church, the radio equipment, and even the communion wine. Before I could drive, my parents made sure to take me to church so I could do the things asked of me.

Over the years there's this cycle that's been going on in the churches: the youth leave, a cry rings out, **"there's nothing for the youth in church"**. Something must be done." And we do things; new programs, new liturgies, new lights and screens. And the youth leave, and a cry goes out: Repeat, over and over again. According to latest data, two-thirds of this current generation will leave and never come back. Voices are raised, the cry goes forth, **"there's nothing for the youth in church."**

But I wonder...I mean, you really have to consider—are the youth leaving because we keep telling them over and over again that there's nothing for them in the church? Or perhaps, just perhaps it's **because** we keep telling them over and over again that there's nothing for them in church that the youth are leaving.

*Then children were brought to him that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples rebuked the people, but Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven." (Mat 19:13-14 ESV)*

In Christ Jesus,

Pastor Michael

# UPDATE ON NEW CASTLE CITY RESCUE MISSION

Due to economic conditions, the New Castle City Rescue Mission will no longer conduct the Thanksgiving Food Basket distribution in Beaver County. Therefore, Prince of Peace will partner with the Unionville United Methodist Church (UUMC), located in New Sewickley Township to support their Food Pantry and Clothes Closet Mission.

UUMC obtains a list of people in the Beaver County community that needs help on a short term basis and finds ways to help them. Sometimes it is with household goods, clothes, and food or house repairs. Easter and Christmas parties are held for the children and the parents are given Easter baskets and Christmas presents for the children. Each year an average of forty five children receive new underwear and socks at Easter, Christmas and the new school year.

The canned food items we have been collecting for the City Rescue Mission will be directed to the UUMC's Food Pantry. In addition, we will continue indefinitely to collect any non-perishable food items for this Pantry.

We hope you will continue to support this need in our community by bringing in your food items and placing them in the container located outside the fellowship hall. A monthly delivery to UUMC will be made.

If you would like to know more about the efforts of the UUMC, please visit their website at <http://www.unionvilleumc.org/> or contact Jo Shane at 724- 846-5146 or UUMC at 724-843-2113.

# October Birthdays & Anniversaries

## Birthdays:

Crissy Nadzam	1
Cathy Goble	3
Genevieve Leonberg	3
Michael Szabo	5
Carole Alberts	9
Mark Fessides	9
Beau DeThmas, Sr.	16
Zach Eckstrom	19
Andreas Fatschel	19
Hannah Lindell	24
Sarah Nuerge	29
Robin Blank	31

## Anniversaries:

Joel & Heather Nuerge	4
Bob & Lisa Dietrich	9
Don & Betty Wunnenberg	14
<i>Celebrating 63<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary!!!</i>	
George & Joleen Mesing	17

## Baptismal Birthdays:

Lawrie Borgman	
Lynn Gunther	
Alice Dietrich	7
Katherine McClellan	7
Stephan Fatschel	11
Cora Harris	12
Sue Szabo	12
Noah Weedon	13
Dayton Rose	15
Tyler Borgman	20
Robert Blank	24
Sylvia Clayton	27
Ron Doerr	27
Cari Skuse	27

## Servants in Ministry

### **Greeter**

6-Tom/Colleen Sigler  
13-Crissy Nadzam/  
Madi Daubenspeck  
20-Bill/Becky Mallary  
27-Ted/Mark Fessides

### **Reader**

6-Kathleen Ormiston  
13-George Mesing  
20-Faye Brockmiller  
27-Dana Hankinson

### **Acolyte**

6-Connor Ciccone  
13-Sophia Fatschel  
20-Carrick Skuse  
27-Matthew Muto

### **Flowers**

6-Osten & Fessides Families  
13-DeThomas Family  
20-Bob & Pam Licht and  
Fatschel Family

### **Audio Visual**

6-K. Ormiston/D. Eckstrom  
13-S. Fatschel/M. Gremer  
20-L. Gunther/K. Ormiston  
27-J. Ciccone/D. Eckstrom

### **Altar Guild**

Linda Weimer & Tara Dulski

## Prayer Concerns:

***Please keep the following members & friends in your prayers:***

- The family of Joleen Mesing for the loss of her mother, Eileen Millacci
- Ruth Miller, diagnosed with colitis
- Rose Reiley diagnosed with colon cancer (friend of Sallie Mannino)
- Erich Borgman recovering from a concussion
- Sharon, Bill & Becky Mallary's son-in-law's mother, for serious health issues
- Bob Trakoval, brother in law of Kathy & Will Volland
- Bill Patterson (Lawrie Borgman's father), Kristanya Zittlow, Milt Scott, Twila DeThomas' stepfather, Philip Forsyth, battling cancer.

If you would like to receive email alerts for the Prince of Peace prayer chain please call 724.728.3881 or email Rose DeWeese at [popluthsecy@comcast.net](mailto:popluthsecy@comcast.net)

# The Lutheran Hour

October 6 **"Listening to God"**

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz

God isn't ignoring you. You can wait for Him in faith. (Habakkuk 2:1-4)

October 13 **"The Reason to Go"**

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz

Jesus invites you to embark on a voyage of faith, trusting in His promises. (Luke 17:11-19)

October 20 **"Absolute Grace Creates Absolute Growth Absolutely!"**

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz

God's Word delivers absolute grace to a world of itching ears and empty promises.  
(2 Tim. 3:15-4:5)

October 27 **"Absolute Truth"**

Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Ken Klaus

Truth is not putty. Truth is a Person. (John 14:6)

## KIDZ KLUB/COMRADES OF CHRIST

JOIN US ON TUESDAY NIGHTS

6:30 KIDZ KLUB

6:45 COMRADES OF CHRIST

### October Menu

Oct. 1 – Spaghetti, Garlic Bread, Tossed Salad and Sliced Fruit for Dessert

Oct. 8 – Hot Dogs, Potato Chips, Cold Veggie Tray, Watermelon Slices

Oct. 15 – Chicken Nuggets, Macaroni & Cheese, Veggie tray, Cookies & Ice Cream

Oct. 22 – Cheese/Pepperoni Pizzas, Tossed Salad, Pudding Dessert

Oct. 29 – Spaghetti, Garlic Bread, Tossed Salad and Cupcakes

## FLU SHOTS

On Sunday, Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>, Rite Aid will be here to give flu vaccine immunizations after the worship service. In order for you to take part, you need to be over 18 and have your insurance card and co-pay ready. Most insurances have a zero co-pay including all Medicare and advantage plans. Please sign up ahead of time in the yellow folder in the narthex on the table. If you have any question, please contact Elizabeth Muto.

# **“MAKE HIM KNOWN”**

“Make Him Known” was the theme for the Lutheran Hour Ministries’ Regional Outreach Conference held in Cleveland in August. Tammy Eckstrom, Willis Voland, and Kathleen Ormiston attended this conference and want to share some of the exciting things they learned.

We all attended the same sessions during the weekend, but we each got something different out of them so we’re going to split this up and give you **three** different viewpoints.

## **SHARING THE GOSPEL IN A DIGITAL AGE**

*Tammy Eckstrom*

The best part about this session was that we learned a lot about how we can use social media to make relational connections with other people. It gives us unlimited opportunities to share the gospel, help people during times of struggle, be accessible to others, and grow as communicators.

So we’re looking for people who are willing to help with our social media ministry. The idea is to keep things fresh (content updated daily), have discussions that keep Christ at the forefront, and make new friends. If you’d like to be involved with this important ministry, please see me. I’d love to hear from you.

## **ROCK YOUR WITNESS**

*Kathleen Ormiston*

This session was a workshop designed to help equip you to handle those difficult witnessing moments. We all have those fears – what do I say, how do I answer their questions? What we learned is that it’s not about what you say, but what you hear. Probably the most important part of sharing our faith is listening, not speaking. It was repeated over and over that we need to “listen like we mean it” and so we “earn the right to speak”. What we want to share with others is our relationship with God and the only way to effectively do that is to develop a relationship with the person first. People are influenced so much more by what we do than by what we say so when we take the time to listen and show the person we really do care, the Holy Spirit will give us the words to speak when the person is most receptive to hear them.

## **REACHING THE MILLENNIAL GENERATION**

*Willis Voland*

The millennial generation is the largest group of young adults (18-30 years old), and the LEAST religious generation in United States history. How do we reach this group?

- We reach them by beefing up our church’s website and utilizing the latest social media such as Facebook, Twitter, etc.
- Give them responsibility in our congregation and let **them** lead.
- Reach out and talk with these individuals
- Invite them to a dinner at church-make friends with them!

Want to know more? Contact me at 724.773.0778.

**STAY TUNED!!!!**

**FOR THE NEXT FEW MONTHS WE WILL RUN ARTICLES ON  
THIS ISSUE WITH MORE INFORMATION ON WHAT WE CAN DO TO  
“MAKE HIM KNOWN”**

## Mrs. Shuttleworth & Miss Nikki's Preschool News

We are off to a great start!

During the month of September our Science topic was the caterpillar and the butterfly. The children were very enthusiastic about it! They asked so many questions. We had eight caterpillars that took over the butterfly habitat! Here's hoping that those eight caterpillars will transform into butterflies soon! Did you know that caterpillars are found on the milkweed plant? We will keep you posted and let you know how many butterflies we get!

The Bible story for this month was about Creation. Both classes learned how God created our earth. The four year olds will be singing about God creating our Earth. The three year olds will be singing about praising God for all the beautiful things he has given us.

3 YEAR OLD CLASS The three year old class started their alphabet book and **love** story time. We read Jack and the Beanstalk and planted our very own "beanstalk"! Make sure it gets plenty of sunshine and water. Everyone is working to recognize their own name. We play fun games like the "Name Game" and "Musical Names." The three year olds are getting use to all the rules of the room so they can settle into a routine and become pros just like the four year olds!

4 YEAR OLD CLASS The four year olds topics included: All About Me, Families, Where I Live, And most importantly we discussed:

### ***"What makes us special?" —GOD MADE US!***

We started counting in Spanish and are learning some words in Spanish as well! The children are picking it up fast! They love learning a new word each week. We have started our alphabet books and everyone is doing a great job!

Mrs. Shuttleworth & Miss Nikki



## **Mrs. Smith & Miss Twila's Preschool News**

*Children are a gift from the Lord; they are a reward from him. (Psalms 127:3)*

Thank you to all the families of Prince of Peace who have chosen to put their faith in Miss Twila and me to teach these children, as we begin a very busy school year. Since the summer weather is over already.... who can believe it's that time of year again? Our four year old classes are full again this year, but due to a few late withdrawals we still have three seats available for our three year old class. We have been very blessed with all the new and returning faces of our students as we embark on our 169 day journey through the 2013-2014 school year.

The month of September has been a month all about Creation in both the three year old and four year old classes. We taught the students how many days it took God to create the heavens and the Earth, and that he rested on day seven. God created us and that is what makes us special! We also celebrated during Chapel with a song from Genesis. That song and dance was nothing short of entertaining. The students enjoyed their parents, friends, and neighbors watching.

During this entire school year, Mrs. Shuttleworth's classes and ours will be learning the alphabet out of order, starting with the letter W. The letter W represented a WELCOME week for all our classes. The other letters we focused on this month were B, F, & C. During B, week we focused on the Monarch butterflies that would soon be hatching in their habitats we have provided them in each class room. The students are keeping close track of each cocoon in the anticipation of a butterfly soon emerging. When we got to letter F, it was the first day of Fall on the calendar. During F, week we focused on the coming of the season Fall and created an art project using paper towels cut into leaf shapes with paint that would run together creating vibrant fall colors. The last week of September was letter C. The letter C coincided with the caterpillars that will turn into beautiful butterflies (fingers crossed).

At the very end of September, our students brought their best smiles for picture day! We are off to a wonderful start in both classes. We are looking for positive attitudes toward learning from all the boys and girls. The children are full of energy and so much fun; we are learning to channel the energy for the good of the classes. Thank you for sharing these precious gifts with us each and every day.

**Blessings to you and yours,  
Mrs. Smith & Miss Twila**

## NEWS & EVENTS

### OKTOBERFEST 2013

Saturday, October 5th 4:00– 8:00 PM

Haven I

Enjoy Hayrides, German themed music and menu, face painting, bouncy castle, bus tours of Saxony Farm and Zambelli Fireworks at 7:45. For more information call 724.352-1571.

### SHARE YOUR FAITH WORKSHOP

Ascension Lutheran Church, 8225 Peebles Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15237

Saturday, November 2, 2013 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

A truly "Hands On" approach to easily share your faith. Evangelism Explosion International has developed a gospel presentation that's easy to learn and hard to forget. The five fingers of your hand become a simple memory tool you use to share a gospel presentation that has proven effective in every nation in the world. Reserve your seat now! Go to [www.syfonline.org](http://www.syfonline.org) and register!

\$25 per person for the workshop and lunch

Questions? Call 724-444-8721 or email [maggielarrow@yahoo.com](mailto:maggielarrow@yahoo.com)

### THRIVENT FINANCIAL

"THANK YOU" to the following members of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans designating their Choice Dollars to Prince of Peace:

**Rich Clayton, Alice Davis, Ron Doerr, Sandy Parker, Pastor Podeszwa,  
Chuck Taylor, Kathy Volland and Linda Weimer**

The amount received in early September was \$515.

For all members of Thrivent Financial please remember to go online (visit [thrivent.com/thriventchoice](http://thrivent.com/thriventchoice)) or by phone (call 1-800-847-4836 and when prompted say "Thrivent Choice") to designate your Choice Dollars to Prince of Peace. It is suggested that you go online or call quarterly to designate your Choice Dollars.

### GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPICE ANNUAL 5K RUN/WALK

Join us on Saturday, October 12 from 7:30 – 11 am at the North Park Boat House for a 5K run/walk and 1 mile fun walk that will benefit Good Samaritan's special program of care to community residents facing a life limiting illness. The event features an opening prayer service, post race party, participant placements awards and door prizes. For more info call the Development Office at 724.3521571 x 8363.





# TRUNK OR TREAT



*Trunk  
or Treat*

Join us Saturday, October 26th from 3:30—5:00 PM  
for the Evangelism Event of the Season!

Come help us welcome our neighbors, our preschool and children from our own congregation as they enjoy our "treating" event in safety and fun.

There are sign-up sheets on the display table in the hall along with information pages with all the details you will need for this fun-tastic event.

Please contact Tammy Eckstrom with any questions or to see how you can lend a hand.

If you can't make it for the event, but would like to donate treats, please give them to Kathleen Ormiston.

Hope you can be there.

# October 2013

SUN.	MON.	TUE.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.
		1 AM—Braille 6:30 Kidz Klub 6:45 Comrades of Christ	2 11:00 Midweek Bible Study	3 7:00 Choir Practice	4	5 9:00 Planning Meeting 6:30 Holy Communion
6 20th Sunday After Pentecost 10:15 Holy Communion <b>RALLY DAY</b> <i>following service</i>	7 Millvale Braille	8 AM—Braille 6:30 Kidz Klub 6:45 Comrades of Christ	9 11:00 Midweek Bible Study 6:30 Council Meeting	10 Forest Hills Braille 7:00 Choir Practice	11	12 9:00 Men's Club 6:30 Holy Communion
13 21st Sunday After Pentecost 9:00 SS/Adult Bible Study 10:15 Holy Communion	14 St. Luke's Braille	15 AM—Braille 6:30 Kidz Klub 6:45 Comrades of Christ 6:45 PM Financial Peace University	16 11:00 Midweek Bible Study	17 7:00 Choir Practice	18	19 6:30 Holy Communion
20 22nd Sunday After Pentecost 9:00 SS/Adult Bible Study 10:15 Holy Communion	21 Haven Braille	22 AM—Braille 6:30 Kidz Klub 6:45 Comrades of Christ 6:45 PM Financial Peace University	23 11:00 Midweek Bible Study 7:00 Elder's Mtg.	24 7:00 Choir Practice	25	26 3:30 Trunk or Treat 6:30 Holy Communion
27 Reformation Sunday 9:00 SS/Adult Bible Study 10:15 Holy Communion	28	29 AM—Braille 6:30 Kidz Klub 6:45 Comrades of Christ 6:45 PM Financial Peace University	30	31		