

# Prince of Peace

## THE BELLS



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Dear Members of Prince of Peace,

Close your eyes, take a deep breath and inhale that wonderful smell of a cooked turkey. Open your eyes, look at the table topped with turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, stuffing, corn and green bean casserole, cranberries, rolls, and, of course, pumpkin pie. What a blessing it is to share Thanksgiving dinner with family and friends.

We all remember from grade school the story of the First Thanksgiving, the Pilgrims and the Native Americans sharing a meal together. It was a day of giving thanks and sacrifice for the blessing of the harvest and of the preceding year.

Thanksgiving has not always been celebrated on the fourth Thursday of November. From the Founding Fathers until Abraham Lincoln, the date varied from state to state. But by the 19<sup>th</sup> century most states observed Thanksgiving on the final Thursday in November. In 1863 President Lincoln proclaimed for all states the final Thursday in November as Thanksgiving Day. On October 31, 1939 President Franklin D. Roosevelt changed the day to the next to the last Thursday in November. But, on December 26, 1941 he signed a joint resolution of Congress to make the National Day of Thanksgiving to the fourth Thursday of November.

We as Christians don't have to wait until Thanksgiving to count our blessings and thank God for them -- every day is Thanksgiving Day for us. Of all the gifts God has given us, the most important gift of all is salvation and eternal life with Him in heaven. At Prince of Peace, we don't worry about when we're going to celebrate Jesus' resurrection. No Thanksgiving meal comes even close to the special meal we share each week as we partake of the Lord's body and blood given to us for the forgiveness of our sins.

As the hymn says:

*All praise and thanks to  
God the Father now be  
given*

*The Son and Him who  
reigns with them in  
highest heaven,*

*The one eternal God,  
Whom earth and heav'n  
adore:*

*For thus it was, is now,  
And shall be evermore*

Doug Eckstrom  
President

#### WORSHIP WITH US

Sunday:  
11:30 AM

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## PRAYER CONCERNS

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

- Dave (Twila’s Stepfather), with recurring lung cancer.
- Zachary Weldon for health concerns.
- Tony Mannino (Sallie’s son).
- Joan Bowen.
- Bill Hewlett, health concerns.
- Betty.
- Howard.
- Nick.
- Dave.
- Ian.
- Glen’s Wife.
- Karen.
- John.
- Sue.
- Debbie.
- Jen.
- Bill Bowen (Joan Bowen’s Son).
- Sue Szabo.

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

### BIRTHDAYS

Tara Dulski	7
Pamela Licht	10
Dustin Parker	14
Joleen Mesing	16
Betty Haffely	18
Joan Coe	28
Matthew Parker	28
Beau DeThomas, Jr.	30
Kaitlyn Schultz	30

### BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

Dan Helkowski	
Rich Clayton	
Joslyn Mesing	12
Tammy Eckstrom	16
Karl Borgman	20
Carole Alberts	27
Tara Dulski	28
Betty Haffely	30



## LUTHERAN HOUR – NOVEMBER SCHEDULE

*The Lutheran Hour can be heard on channel 1320 WJAS On Sunday Mornings at 7:00 am*

November 7

### **"The Father of Solomon, by Uriah's Wife"**

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler  
The story of David and Bathsheba is a scandalous tale of adultery, treachery, and murder—but it also shows God's undeserved mercy for David and for us. (2 Samuel 12:13)

November 14

### **"Jesus Keeps Filling"**

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler  
(2 Samuel 14:14)

November 21

### **"Between Now and Eternity Thee is Much To Do!"**

Guest Speaker: Rev. Hector Hoppe  
(Jude 1:20-25)

November 28

### **"TBD"**

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler



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"If I plan my estate or end of life decisions, it means that I accept that I will die, and I don't want to talk about such things."

That was Susan's response to a Gift Planning Counselor of the LCMS Foundation. That counselor pointed her to the words of Jesus in John 11 when He said, *"I am the resurrection and life...whoever lives and believes in me will by no means die, forever."* Their conversation centered around the truth that because of Jesus and His death and resurrection, *"death no longer has mastery over us."* (Romans 6)

Whether here on earth or with the Lord in heaven, life continues. *"For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not built by human hands. Meanwhile we groan, longing to be clothed instead with our heavenly dwelling, because when we are clothed, we will not be found naked. For while we are in this tent, we groan and are burdened, because we do not wish to be unclothed but to be clothed instead with our heavenly dwelling, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life."* (2 Corinthians 5)

Having this conversation gave Susan a sense of peace. She put her Lifetime Plan for Giving™ together with her LCMS Gift Planning Counselor. She was thankful that this process had finally enabled her to get beyond the fear of death and dying that had haunted her throughout her life.

Is it time for you to do the same? Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help. Contact Robert Wirth, LCMS Foundation Gift Planner @ [robert.wirth@lfnd.org](mailto:robert.wirth@lfnd.org) or 716-863-4427.

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

Happy Fall to you ALL! The leaves are falling and we all know what that means.....winter is on the way! I know I'm not ready for it at ALL, but I think the children are! We are loving this wonderful warm fall weather and sunshine! We get out as much as we can to enjoy it!

**3 Year Old Class** The three year olds are working hard and are doing such a great job! They love to sing songs at circle time and listen to our story. We talked about growing pumpkins, Fall changes and the many shapes of Halloween and Fire Safety.

We carved a Jack O Lantern for our room and made a pumpkin report on our Pumpkin! As it turned out our pumpkin did float and did have many seeds! Most of them guessed that it would sink and that he wouldn't have any seeds! The surprises on their face was priceless!

The firemen from Big Knob came to visit us and we got to use the fire hose to put out a "fire"!! This is such an enthusiastic group and we enjoy having them in our class!

**4 year old class** The four year olds topics for the month were: Fire Safety, Growing pumpkins, Fall changes.

The 4's got a visit from the Big Knob Fire Dept. We learned about fire safety and got to squirt water with a fire hose!!!

We are working very hard on printing our letters and we have started to print our names in upper and lower case letters, please try and practice as much as you can at home.

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### PRESCHOOL BIBLE LESSON

While things are looking a lot different this year, we are so blessed to be able to teach the children God's word.

This month, the kids enjoyed learning the story of Noah and the ark. They were amazed at how many animals fit in the ark and how many days it rained! We enjoyed lots of cool crafts for this month's lesson and some students really racked up on prizes during the Bible trivia game!

God's Blessings,  
Ms. Twila & Ms. Michelle

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

*All your children shall be taught by the Lord, and great shall be the peace of your children. -Isaiah 54:13*

Welcome Fall!! God changes leaves and lives! The fall foliage around the preschool is beautiful!

The month of October was chocked full of teachable moments. First, we celebrated Fire Safety week. Our three year old classes received a special visit from some of Big Knob's own fire Captains and their fire engines to learn some fire safety tips. Our four year old classes also had a visit from Big Knob Fire Fighters here in our preschool parking lot. The Ladies Auxiliary was generous with our students too; they brought cookies and drinks to enjoy after our safety talk. They even provided a safety packet with a coloring book and crayons.

We added three new letters to our writing skills this month; A, O, and H. During letter A week, we focused on Autumn and the changes occurring outside. We also talked about the many kinds of apples and how they taste. Letter O week was a discussion about October as we started creating Halloween arts and crafts. Our four year old class did a fun science experiment with pumpkins. We tested whether a pumpkin will sink or float in water. We made a hypothesis and then followed through to find our actual answer. No matter how big or small a pumpkin is, it will always float in water. Finishing out the month we focused on the letter H. The letter H represented Halloween and the fun school day. A special "Thank you" goes out to the wonderful parents for sending in pre-wrapped snacks and drinks for the students.

We would like to wish everyone a safe and healthy Halloween if you choose to participate with trick or treating.

Please remember to WASH YOUR HANDS!

Until Next Month, May God Bless each and every one of you!  
Mrs. Smith & Miss Twila

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Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
	1	2	3 12:00 Midweek Bible Study	4	5	6
7 24 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 11:30 Service	8	9 6:30 Council Mtg	10 12:00 Midweek Bible Study	11	12	13
14 25 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 11:30 Service	15	16	17 12:00 Midweek Bible Study	18	19	20
21 Last Sunday of the Church Year 11:30 Service	22	23	24 12:00 Midweek Bible Study	25 	26	27
28 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent 11:30 Service	29	30				