



Prince of Peace News

Come... Be A Part Of Peace!

July 2020



Dear Members of Prince of Peace,

“How are you?” “How are you doing?” Questions that are familiar to us all, but it does seem that they have been asked of us more in the past few months. Now, our normal answer is “fine,” but that does not seem to come quite so easily lately. Now, the answer I give is, “I have my good days” and that about says it all.

I am not sure how I am. I am disappointed in the actions of people as I see the destruction happening. Somedays I feel that after being cooped up for two to three months insanity started to take over and it became the perfect storm for all that has and is transpiring in the world around us.

I witnessed the city that I grew up in and loved and never felt any fear of going into any part of, become a place I never want to return to for any reason. I was excited that next summer the National ELCA Youth Gathering was going to be in Minneapolis, and I thought what fun it would be to go and show my city off. Oh, well, maybe it had just been a childhood illusion...but it was mine.

I see the fear in people I care dearly about, and I do not know how to take it away from them. That makes me sad and I worry about them.

I miss laughing with a group of people over a meal or just because we are together.

I must say though that two of the best times of the week for me are Wednesday at about noon and Thursday evening sitting quietly in the sanctuary in meditative prayer. It does not seem to matter whether I am alone or others are there with me but the Spirit seems to wash over me, and I know that my prayers, even if I cannot put them all into words, are being heard.

So, when you ask me: “How are you”? How are you doing”? Expect me to answer...I have my good days. And I pray there will be more of them soon.

Continuing to work and walk with you in Christ,

Pastor Ida

Pastor

**Reverend
Ida Iverson**

prieiverson@gmail.com
(C) 904-210-9071

Director of Music

Diane Demeranville

demeran@comcast.net

Church Secretary

Terry Smith

poplc.office@gmail.com



**Church Office
Hours**

**Monday-Thursday
9AM- 4PM**



www.facebook.com/POPLC2/



www.instagram.com/poplc.office/

Our Mission at Prince of Peace

**To strengthen our faith in Jesus through Worship and Fellowship;
to be the face of Christ for others.**

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

2600 Atlantic Avenue, Fernandina Beach Fl 32034
904.261.6306 www.poplcweb.org



Coming Soon!....

Once the pandemic is just a memory we will be resuming regular missions and events.

Stay Tuned for updates!



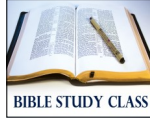
[Movie & Discussion](#)

[Meditative Prayer](#)

[Bible Study](#)

[Sunday School](#)

[Monthly Mission Box](#)



Newsletter DEADLINE

Newsletter Articles are due

July 15th

(for August's newsletter)

Please send to
poplc.office@gmail.com

Sunday Worship at Prince of Peace

Safely... Reunited Again!

Join with your Prince of Peace Family

Sunday's at 10:00 am



UNABLE TO ATTEND WORSHIP IN PERSON?

ATTEND OUR STREAMED WORSHIP SERVICE

SUNDAY'S AT 10:00 AM

(PLEASE LOG IN AT 9:45 AM)

Step One

Download the Go To Meeting App on your computer, tablet, or smartphone by clicking-

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/install/800738861>

Step Two

Click on the link below to start streaming-

<https://www.gotomeet.me/LeslieBoette>

QUESTIONS, PHONE LES BOETTE AT 904-305-9618

Become A Part of Prince of Peace's Worship Teams!

Interested in Greeting Members, being an Usher or Reader? Contact: Nancy Carter @ 904-234-0388

Interested in serving on Lay Assistant & Altar Guild? Contact: Eileen Klein @ 904-261-5675

Interested in helping as a Teller? Contact: Barbara Ehrenberg @ 269-861-4104

Interested in Choir, Bell Choir & Casual Worship Music? Contact: Diane Demeranville demeran@comcast.net

Interested in being an Assistant Minister? Contact: Mark Foutz @ 904-557-8086

WORSHIP SAFETY MEASURES UPDATE



Dear Members of Prince of Peace,

These are very unusual times that we are living in and it seems like day by day we are being told different information about how the Covid-19 virus is spread. Numbers go up, but also the testing of individuals is going up. I recently had a medical procedure done and had to be tested, it came back negative, but that does not mean another day it could be positive.

We published the different phases and the guidelines for each phase in the newsletter. The major difference between Phase 1 and Phase 2, for worship is that in Phase 2 the wearing of masks is listed as optional. With the age of most of our members...including your pastor being in the at-risk category, we continue to evaluate safety measures as we worship together.

Keeping members safety is a priority we will continue to use Phase 1 worship practices at least through July or until otherwise deemed appropriate. You can review the measures in the attached, and it is important to keep the following in mind for the everyone's safety:

- Masks are required to be worn at Worship
- Pew seating will be directed by ushers
- Post worship, ushers will oversee the exiting of members
- Social congregating is not acceptable in the narthex prior and post-worship

We are working hard to get through this time of uncertainty using the best methods available. Many changes have had to take place over the past few months, and we are doing the best to keep you safe and informed. With the help of the Holy Spirit we will get through this a stronger and healthier congregation serving our Lord and Savior and the community around us.

Working with you in Christ,

Pastor Ida

What's Next?

We have not lived through a time like this in our lives.

We do not know when things will get “Back to Normal” and what the “New Normal” might be. Our world is changing, and the Covid-19 reality has changed, albeit for the time being, the way we worship. We are utilizing care and safety protocols in worship at Prince of Peace.



We expect to follow Florida state time guidelines as conditions improve as displayed here.

Changes will be advised as they occur.

	<i>Phase 1</i> Return to Worship <i>May 31, 2020</i>	<i>Phase 2</i> Worship Changes <i>Effective - Florida Phase 2</i>	<i>Phase 3</i> Worship <i>Effective - Florida Phase 3</i>
Worship Times	Worship Service 10:00 am	Worship Services 9:00 am & 10:45 am	Worship 9 am & 10:45 am Sunday School 10:15 am
Masks	Mandatory at Worship	Optional at Worship	Optional at Worship
Social Distancing	Required	Required	Relaxed
Communion	Not Offered	Not Offered	Offered
Fellowship Activities	Suspended	Suspended	Full Activities
Hymn Praise	Suspended	Suspended	Full Activity
Pew Seating	Assigned Seating Social Distancing	Assigned Seating Social Distancing	Normal Seating Preferences
Sanitation	Intense Methods Utilized	Intense Methods Utilized	Normal Methods Utilized
Meetings	Remote Participation	Remote Participation	Resumed Onsite

Worship is not limited within a building. Streaming of our services and Worship In Home materials will continue during this time, allowing vulnerable people the opportunity to worship in the safety of their homes.

We are not going to miss terms like “self-quarantine,” “social distancing” and “shelter at home” once this finally passes. As our world changes, we will advise members of changes in protocols as we are *Safely Reunited again* worshipping God at Prince of Peace.

Come... Be A Part of Peace!



July

Dawn Price-4th
 Ted Richardson-11th
 Victoria Kilcawley-11th
 Gary Dildine-12th
 Susan Foutz-12th
 Gideon Mandrick-14th
 Gabriel Mandrick-14th
 Michele Pester-14th
 Bill Hansberry-15th
 Barbara Ehrenberg-17th
 Sandra Alexandra Hayward-18th
 Norma Beyer-25th
 Josie Steele-26th
 Kay Stockstill-27th
 Katie Cubbal-30th



July

Sam & Phyllis Serrian-3rd
 Deborah (Meitin) & Michael Watson-8th
 Pastor Ida & Marty Iverson-22nd
 Karen & Carey Blair-27th
 Ann & Rick Pittman-27th

Handy Links— *Need help or interested in information? Click on the links to assist you.*

Barnabas Center

Services to help neighbors in crisis so they can become healthy, productive citizens. Services include Crisis Assistance (neighbors face unexpected illness, unemployment, fire, or a change in living status, with nowhere to turn), Food Pantry, and Health services. <https://barnabasnassau.org/>

Evangelical Lutheran Church of America

The ELCA is one of the largest Christian denominations in the United States, with about 4 million members in nearly 10,000 congregations across the 50 states, Caribbean and U.S. Virgin Islands <https://www.elca.org/>

Florida-Bahamas Synod

Is one of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America is one of 65 synods of the ELCA carrying out Christ's mission in the world <https://fbsynod.com/>

Interfaith Dinner Network—IDN

IDN's mission is to feed the homeless, hungry, and lonely. Dinner Service at: Salvation Army's Hope House. 410 9th Street (9th & Date) Fernandina Beach <http://www.idnweb.net/>

Luther Springs

Luther Springs Camp and Conference Center offers programs year-round for children, youth, adults, and families. <https://www.luthersprings.org/>

Nassau County Council on Aging

The Nassau County Council on Aging serves as an advocate and resource for those age 60 and older seeking information, counseling, assistance and referral to available services <https://www.nassaucountycouncilonaging.org/>



FACEBOOK

Please **“Like”** & **“Share”**
Prince of Peace Lutheran Church’s
Facebook page.

This way it will popup on your
personal Facebook news feed so you will be
informed of what is happening here at the church.

Then share it so others will know.



**Call our Church Office
When ...**

**You become Hospitalized,
Sick or Shut in.**

Have a spiritual question or need prayer.

**Moving, getting married or other life change.
Need information about events.**

Call the Church Office at 904-261-6306

What Talents

Can You Share?

Committees & Teams provide a great place to
meet people and provide vital service to our
mission for God and our community.

**Our Evangelism Team, Tellers, Readers &
Ushers, Property, Worship Committee and
other Committees** need your help and are
looking for people to share their time and talent
to do God’s work.

Join the fun by serving!

Interested???

Call the church office at 904-261-6306
and discover how you can -
“Come and Be a Part of Peace!”

See Us On Instagram!

**Prince of Peace is on
Instagram**



It is all about social media today and this is
another way to let people in Fernandina,
and the world, know that we are here and
what our church is all about.

Spread the word and go to our Instagram
page and like us by clicking on the heart
icon.



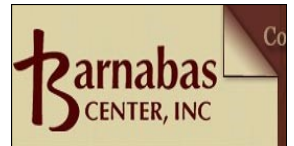
July Mission Box

The pandemic has triggered an incredible spike on food bank demands. What better time than now to help others in need? The lack of consistent access to enough food for an active, healthy life — is an important and often hidden problem.

You can make a difference!

We will be collecting canned food and non-perishable items on Sunday's at the front door of the church. Let us help those in need. If Worshipping In Home call the church office at 904-261-6306 to arrange a drop off.

BARNABAS FOOD SHELF "ALWAYS NEEDS FOOD"



Please help fill the food shelves with **only** Non-Perishable food items.

- ◆ Canned Tuna
- ◆ Peanut Butter
- ◆ Spaghetti- Pasta
- ◆ Canned Sauce
- ◆ Diced Tomato's
- ◆ Cereals
- ◆ Canned Vegetables
- ◆ Canned Fruits

Be on the lookout for *BOGO's* at your grocery store



Interfaith Dinner Network-IDN

People Are In Need Now More Than Ever Before!

You Can make A Difference!

The IDN mission is to feed the homeless, hungry and lonely.

A dinner is served providing a complete hot meal on Monday—Tuesday—Thursday and Friday evenings to area people in need. Prince of Peace has joined with 15 other local churches and organizations to serve God's children. Once **every other month** we prepare a meal and assist with cleanup.

Please help at our NEXT scheduled meal because WE WILL NEED EXTRA HELP on:

July 6th from 5:00pm—7:30pm

at -Salvation Army's Hope House-

410 9th Street (9th & Date Streets) - Fernandina Beach

2 ½ hours of your time can change a life. To be a part of this great work contact:

Gene Kilcawley at 864-590-0107 or gkilcawley@gmail.com

Guardian ad Litem Program

We were recently contacted by the volunteer coordinator that there is a disparate need for volunteers to become part of the Guardian ad Litem (GAL) Program for children in Nassau County. This is a 12 to 18-month commitment to work with a child in need. At this time instead of face to face visits, ZOOM meetings will be utilized for visits with a child. Also required of each volunteer:



- Level 2 National FDLE background screening to be certified.
- A thirty hour per-service training.
- Complete paperwork and write mandatory reports for the court.
- Time commitment minimum of 2-3 hours per week.

If you are interested in being a part of this program and to help a child in Nassau County, please contact: Samari Franco at: samari.franco@gmail.com

Dear Rev. Ida & Congregation,

Greetings! On June 11th we recognized as St. Barnabas Day! And gives us a wonderful opportunity to thank you and all those associated with Prince of Peace Lutheran Church for your support over the years.



St. Barnabas was a true poet, disciple, honorary apostle, missionary and martyr and his name means “son of encouragement”. This sense of hope and encouragement is at the heart of the work the Barnabas Center does in our community. You, your faithful congregation and many others are helping advance the Barnabas mission to “provide help and hope to individuals and families in need throughout Nassau County to improve their stability, health and well-being.”

Thank you too for the very important work you and your members are doing to advance the teachings of Christ. We wish you all the best for your continued good health and success!

Sincerely yours,
Wanda Lanier
President & CEO of Barnabas



2020 Congregational Financial Report

Dear Member,

This first quarter financial report for Prince of Peace shows your continued faithful financial support for the mission of our congregation. Because of that financial support, we have been able to keep our super staff working, stay current with our mortgage, and continue to support the various charities important to the Prince of Peace family. We all look forward to *“Safely...Reuniting Again”* in the very near future and sharing God’s love. In the meantime, remember there are several ways to continue your financial support:

1. Mail your contribution envelope directly to the church, or
2. Drop your contribution by the church and place in the mail slot next to the front doors, or
3. Set Prince of Peace up as one of your vendors on your automatic checking account, or
4. Go to the website (www.poplcweb.com) and click on the “GIVE” tab. Follow the instructions to set up an automatic contribution from your checking, savings, or any credit card.

May you and all of your loved ones remain safe and healthy until we can worship together again.

Rich Ekwall, Church Treasurer

richekwall@msn.com

970-587-2188

MAY PLEDGES VS. ACTUAL GIVING

Monthly Pledged Amt.	\$	20,785
Actual Giving for May	\$	15,141
Pledges vs Actual (M-T-D)	\$	(5,644)

Y-T-D PLEDGES VS ACTUAL GIVING

YTD Pledged Amt	\$	103,925
YTD Actual Giving	\$	103,675
YTD Pledges vs Actual Giving	\$	(250)

Organ Fund	\$	23,053
BEAR Fund	\$	18,855

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	1	2

Free Calendar Templates Dreamcalendars.com

This is one of many poems written by Pastor Eino Salo, a Finnish Lutheran Minister. He and his wife and baby daughter immigrated to the United States about 1958, and lived in Brooklyn, NY. He spent the last part of his life in South Florida, serving the Finnish community in Lantana and Lake Worth.

This Day, by Pastor Eino Salo

I only received this day from the Lord
this morning's sunrise.

I received strength for the day's tasks
and clarity in its problems.

How rich I feel

being able to live here and now.

Yesterday is gone, and never
can it be experienced again.

So real and unique
is each day in our lives

I lived them only once, experienced and saw,
they disappear from my hands.

And tomorrow—should I worry about it,
Should I be overcome by fear because of it?

It's useless, for I don't know
what tomorrow will bring.

Would it give me the greatest joy,
or fill my eyes with tears.

-And it could be that I am led-
I will be at my heavenly home.

No, I don't worry about tomorrow,
My Lord knows it all.

The burdens and losses of yesterday
I have left at his cross.

I only want to live this moment,
I received it as a gift from above.

What does no summer camp mean for the ministry?

Hello Camp Friends,

How to start a letter that needs to include so much information and gratitude? First, we miss you! As Paul shares in his letter to Timothy, we at NovusWay, remember you, our campers, counselors, guests, and donors in our prayers. We long to see you. On Friday, May 22, 2020, the leadership team and Board of Trustees of NovusWay **announced that all scheduled summer camp programming for 2020 would be suspended** for the health and safety of campers, staff, and guests in light of the risks posed by COVID-19.

The affirmation we received for the difficult decision we had to make and the love and support our camp community poured out on us and on each other in the days that followed was indeed camp at its best. **For this, we THANK YOU!**

Thank you for the kind emails and encouraging social media posts. Thank you to those of you who were able to generously gift your paid registration fees to the ministry. Thank you to those of you who immediately opened your hearts and made a gift to the ministry. **Thank you all for being a spark that will keep the fire of camp burning bright!**

We have been asked what this decision means for the future of camp. In answer, the financial loss to the ministry is significant. We were not given a spirit of cowardice, but rather one of power, love, and self-discipline. **Therefore, we are officially launching the Light the Fire – Summer Camp 2021 Appeal to raise \$1.8 million to offset the loss of revenue needed to ensure the strength of camp and maintain our excellence.** You will hear more about this in July, but because the response to the announcement on May 22nd was so generous and positive, we have decided that all unrestricted gifts given on or following that day will count toward the appeal.

We have also been asked, “what can I do to help?” This is a question of love and concern for camp and again, we are grateful. **You can have the greatest positive impact on camp by starting a monthly gift to the ministry.** It is like subscribing to camp – the way you would a magazine, Netflix, Hulu, or Stitch Fix to name a few. Including camp in your monthly automatic giving positions the ministry for strength. **Any amount you can give adds up to sustainability when our community comes together.** As an example, Netflix costs between \$9-\$20 a month, but adds up to an annual gift of \$108-\$240 a year. Similar to how congregations plan from member tithes, camp can better plan when we know what giving will look like for the next 12 months.

To help, we have made the process simple for you. Go to: <https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/weblink.aspx?name=E5162&id=46>

You can select “monthly donation or subscription giving” under the Type of Donation section. You may now use a checking account, savings account, or credit card that will be auto drafted each month on the date you make your first gift. These can be paused at anytime by calling our office.

Our combined \$1.8 million goal for the Light the Fire appeal includes 400 new monthly giving subscriptions. You can best help camp during this time by being one of these generous 400 people.

These places apart are amazing and life-giving because of the amazing people who love and support them. We long to see you so that we may all be filled with joy and so that these places may once again be filled with joy. Until then, we can Light the Fire within us and these ministries. Continue to share your camp stories. **Continue to be a Spark!**

In Christ’s Love,

Boyd W. Harris, IV
Executive Director-CEO

Mitzie Schafer, Deacon
Vice President for Development



LUTHER SPRINGS DUMMER 2020 VACATION SPECIAL

Open the door to a home away from home at Luther Springs. Your family vacation at Luther Springs will give you space to disconnect from the pressures of working and studying from home. Enjoy the bright sunshine.

Enjoy all Luther Springs has to offer including our crisp cool pool, canoeing or kayaking on the lake, and testing your archery skills. Relax by exploring the trails all around Luther Springs, roasting marshmallows over the fire, and enjoying home cooked meals...that you don't have to cook!



Fill your summer with new, unexpected, faith-filled memories to last a lifetime.

Meals start with dinner the day of arrival and end with breakfast on Sunday.

Don't miss out! Book your vacation today!

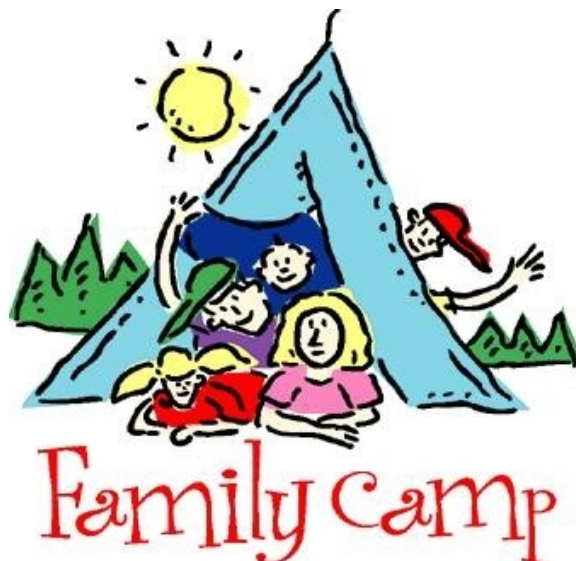
Available Dates:

July 10-12, 2020

July 24-26, 2020

**Book today by calling 828-209-6301 or
by emailing to register at selliott@novusway.org**

Visit our website at <https://luthersprings.org/summer-camps/>



IN NEED OF PRAYER

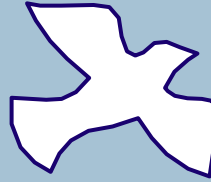
We give thanks to you, O Lord, for all the prayers you have heard and answered and the peace you have given, through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Osprey Village

Lloyd & Jane Cotner - Room 3106
Katherine Holmberg- Room 101

Savannah Grand

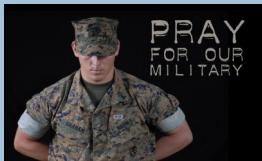
Jo Kruer - Room 332
Mary Jordan– Memory Care Unit



At Home

Emmy Lou Sorum / Billy Foster / Gertie Schreffler / Michele Pester / Clay Chaffee / Dorothy Schwager/ Ted Wessel / Lloyd Cotner/ Orv Lind / Donna Lind / Nick Ivanovic / Bill Mungo Sr. / Jo Kruer / Lill Ekwall / Lucy Creel / Tamara Nicholson /

Yvonne Bowman & Family at death of husband Harry Bowman



Lt. Tim Cassel, Coast Guard, Valdez, AK (son of Glen & Norma Beyer)
Lt. J.G. Eric Strommel, Kings Bay, Subbase, GA
Lt. Col. Laura Laskowski, Air Force Intelligence, stationed in Boston, Massachusetts (daughter of Sue Whitman)
Andy Shook, US Army, (son of Ricky Shook)
Corporal, James Ryan Kruer, Beaufort Marine Corp. Air Station, Beaufort, S.C. (grandson of Jo Kruer)
Sgt. Rob Kinnard (Afghanistan)

ACTS—Components of an Effective Prayer

“A”	ADORATION	Worship of God, First for who He is, Second for all His benefits
“C”	CONFESSION	If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive and cleanse us from unrighteousness
“T”	THANKSGIVING	Gratitude to GOD for His blessings
“S”	SUPPLICATION	Expressing our petitions to GOD for individual and specific needs and desires

Keeping Our Prayer List Up-to-Date ...

Thank you for advising the church to add friends and family to our prayer list. We often can all use as many prayers as we can get.

Please remember to advise the church office people who no longer need to be on the list. Life gets busy and it's easy to forget. We want to be able to offer room to those who truly need to be in our prayers.