

Prince of Peace News

Come... Be A Part Of Peace!

May 2021

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Hours**

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9AM- 4PM**



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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

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As many of you know that I am an avid reader who read books of many different genres. I mentioned a couple weeks past in one of my sermons a book that I am reading called The Nones by Ryan P. Burge. It is about those who no longer recognize any religious affiliation. I have also recently finished reading a new release by David R. Anderson entitled In Defense of Christian Ritual about how, in many religious settings, the rituals of worship have been removed and what has been lost therefore in the way we gather in worship. In reading these two books in close proximity I see a connection between them.

When we remove the confession and how we are in bondage to sin and hear the words of absolution, when we remove our confession of faith, when we remove the lectionary readings, when we stop praying for the needs of the church and the world, and when we remove the meal; we stop worshiping God the Father, Jesus Christ the Son and the Holy Spirit. Sadly, when we take away the rituals of worship, we take away why we gather to worship in the first place.

With my recent readings I have begun to wonder if the reason so many are no longer recognizing any religious affiliation is because worship no longer is centered on the rituals that bring meaning to God. God loved his creation so much that he came to dwell with us in Jesus Christ who gave us the Holy Spirit who opens us up to glimpses of the wonders of grace, forgiveness, and new life through faith. I believe without practicing the rituals of worship we easily become lost souls searching for the meaning of life and trying to find it in all the wrong places. Sadly, the worldly avenues we try to go down seem to lead us into alleys of sorrow instead of joy, and darkness instead of light.

Our country and the world at large seem to be in chaos in many ways right now so maybe what we need the most is some ritual of worship to carry us through these trying times. Rituals of worship that can lead us to the peace that the world will never offer but comes only through the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. That will take us out of darkness into the true light revealed in Jesus Christ.

Perhaps we need to stop thinking that the rituals of worship are too routine or have no meaning. For myself, all I have to do is think back to my days as an activity director when I would lead daily devotions. A resident with Alzheimer's who could not put two words together that made sense joined right in with the Apostle's Creed or a familiar hymn or the Lord's Prayer. In that moment you knew it was not about the head, but the heart and the light of Jesus Christ that still shined from within them.

Still Working with You in Christ,

Pastor Ida

Sunday Worship at Prince of Peace

Safely... Reunited Again!

**Join with your Prince of Peace Family Sunday's
at 10:00 am with Holy Communion**

Special equipment has been ordered so that wafers are not handled by anyone, but the recipient. We ask that you bring your own small cup for the



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 or being an Usher?

Interested in serving on Lay Assistant & Altar Guild?

Interested in helping as a Teller?

Interested in Choir, Bell Choir & Casual Worship Music?

Interested in being an Assistant Minister?

Contact: Terry Smith @ 904-261-6306

Contact: Eileen Klein @ 904-261-5675

Contact: Barbara Ehrenberg @ 269-861-4104

Contact: Diane Demeranville demeran@comcast.net

Contact: Mark Foutz @ 904-557-8086



MAY

Dottie Haines-1st
 Sue Whitman-1st
 John Harris-2nd
 Savannah Hamrick-5th
 Ted Wessel-5th
 Tanya Adin-6th
 Ted Mandrick-8th
 Rich Ekwall-8th
 Donna Cormier-9th
 George Pester-21st
 Ann Pittman-22nd
 Nick Ivanovic-22nd
 June Miller-23rd
 Kathleen Ebersole-27th
 Carey Blair-28th
 Gene Kilcawley-29th
 Diane Ganzel-31st



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

MAY

Bryce & Katie Cubbal-2nd
 Ted & Melody Mandrick-12th
 Ted & Rosalie Mandrick-14th
 Ben & Andi Mandrick-22nd
 Les & Ellie Boette-24th
 Robert & Barbara Herum-31st

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/>

May 2021



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Worship 10:00 AM	3	4	5 Meditative Prayer — 12:00 PM	6 Meditative Prayer — 6:00 PM	7 Bell Choir Practice —10:00 AM	8 Confirmation —1:00 -4:00 PM
9 MOTHER'S DAY Worship 10:00 AM	10	11	12 Meditative Prayer — 12:00 PM	13 Meditative Prayer — 6:00 PM	14 Bell Choir Practice —10:00 AM	15 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
16 Worship 10:00 AM	17 Council Mtg.— 7:00PM	18	19 Meditative Prayer — 12:00 PM	20 Meditative Prayer — 6:00 PM	21 Bell Choir Practice —10:00 AM	22
23-PENTECOST SUNDAY Worship 10:00 AM	24 Womens Bible Study— 2:00PM	25	26 Meditative Prayer — 12:00 PM	27 Meditative Prayer — 6:00 PM	28 Bell Choir Practice —10:00 AM	29
30-HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY Worship 10:00 AM Dedication of Memorial Garden—After Service	31 MEMORIAL DAY OFFICES CLOSED 					

“AA Group” meets in Fellowship Hall—
Monday’s, 11:30 AM—1:30 PM
&
Saturday’s 9:00 AM—11:30 AM

MAY—WORSHIP ASSISTANTS SCHEDULE

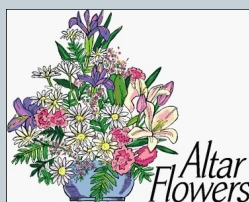
May 2nd—SUNDAY AFTER EASTER					
Worship Service	Assistant Minister	Gospel Reader	Ushers/Greeters	Altar	Tellers
10:00 AM	Lill Ekwall	Pastor Ida	George Pester B.J. Taylor	Karen Blair	Eileen Klein Linda Pesante

May 9th—SUNDAY AFTER EASTER					
Worship Service	Assistant Minister	Gospel Reader	Ushers/Greeters	Altar	Tellers
10:00 AM	Diane Elliott	Pastor Ida	Barbara Ehrenberg Garrett Price	Eileen Klein	Barbara Ehrenberg Gene Kilcawley

May 16th—SUNDAY AFTER EASTER					
Worship Service	Assistant Minister	Gospel Reader	Ushers/Greeters	Altar	Tellers
10:00 AM	Richard Figueroa	Pastor Ida	Ted Richardson Sigrid Ivanovic	Tanya Adin	Edna Swithers B.J. Taylor

May 23rd—PENTECOST SUNDAY					
Worship Service	Assistant Minister	Gospel Reader	Ushers/Greeters	Altar	Tellers
10:00 AM	Rosalie Wessel	Pastor Ida	Dawn Price Bruce Swanson	Donna Cormier	Susan Foutz Ted Wessel

May 30th—HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY					
Worship Service	Assistant Minister	Gospel Reader	Ushers/Greeters	Altar	Tellers
10:00 AM	Bill Hansberry	Pastor Ida	Rich Ekwall Ed Marotz	Karen Blair	Eileen Klein Linda Pesante

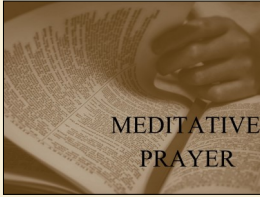


Floral & Bulletin Sponsors

Celebrate a special occasion or honor a loved one by signing-up on the flower chart located outside the Church office. **The cost is \$35** and can be given to the church office or placed in offertory plates at worship services.

Sponsors for May

May 2nd — Open
 May 9th — Eileen Klein— In honor of husband's birthday
 May 16th— Open
 May 23rd — Open
 May 30th — Open



MEDITATIVE PRAYER

Wednesday's at 12:00pm

Thursday's at 6:00pm

Come and join Pastor Ida for prayer,
silence, and Psalms.

Newsletter DEADLine

Newsletter Articles are due
May 15th
(for Combined **June & July** newsletter)

Please send to
poplc.office@gmail.com



Saturday, May 8th

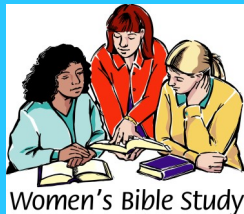
(Last Class until next September)

from 1:00—4:00pm

MEMORIAL GARDEN



Sunday, May 30th
after Service



WOMENS BIBLE STUDY

Next class is May 24th
at 2:00pm

(This Month will be 4th Monday)

"Studying Martha"

A Bible Study class for women on the
"Women of the Bible".

The Church Office



**Will Be
Closed:**

Monday, May 31st
due to
Memorial Day
holiday



See Us On Instagram!

Prince of Peace is now 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.



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!”**



Taking † Faith Home

Each week there will be a take home insert
“Taking † Faith Home” with daily bible readings, scripture verse for the week, prayers, blessing and more. Take yours home each week.

Community News and Missions

Interfaith Dinner Network



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:

Monday, June 7th from 3:30pm—6:30pm

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



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



Barnabas Center will be opening a second New to You Resale Store in Yulee in late spring 2021.

Income earned from sales throughout the Yulee store will help support expanded services in west Nassau county including medical and dental care, food assistance and crisis assistance.

The Yulee New to You resale store will be located at the corner of US-17 and State Road 200. Donations of gently used clothing, furniture, household, and other items are currently being accepted at New to You Resale Store's Fernandina Beach location at: 930 South 14th street.

For more information, call Barnabas Center at (904) 261-7000.

<https://barnabasnassau.org/new-to-you-resale-store/>

MAY 15th JUNQUE IN A TRUNK !

AMELIA ISLAND QUILT GUILD's

Sewing and Quilting

"Garage Sale"

Extravaganza!

Quilts, Gifts, Fabric, Books,
Patterns, Sewing Notions and more

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

First Baptist Church

1600 S. 8th St., Fernandina

Amelia Island Quilt Guild is a Non-Profit 501 (c) 3
Proceeds Benefit Nassau County Residents



SINGLE'S AND SINGLE AGAIN MINISTRY

ON AMELIA ISLAND

at the Fernandina Beach Church of Christ

1005 S. 14th Street

2nd and 4th Sunday's of each month

at 5:00pm

Contact Person—Bryan Jarvis—229-300-6576

This will be a time of friendship, community and ministry to one another.



2021 Congregational Financial Report

Dear Member,

With your continued financial support in 2021, the new Church Council plans to enhance many of its outreach efforts and provide more to those families who need some love and support. On behalf of the Church Council and your fellow members of Prince of Peace, thank you for your support, your love for this congregation, and your commitment to continue God's work. 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.

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 your family be blessed, be well, and remember that God is always there. You just need to ask....."

Rich Ekwall, Church Treasurer

richekwall@msn.com

970-587-2188

2021 Congregational Financial Report

YEAR TO DATE TOTAL INCOME VS. TOTAL ACTUAL EXPENSES

Year To Date Income Thru March 31, 2021

General Contributions	\$62,871	
Misc. Income	\$131	
Keep It Simple	\$385	
Rental Income	\$0	
	\$63,387	

Year To Date Total Expenses

\$51,082

Difference Year To Date Income Versus Expenses

\$12,305

BEAR Fund	\$5,757
Organ Fund Balance	\$25,481

CHURCH COUNCIL



2021 Church Council Members

2021

Lucy Creel
Rich Figueroa
BJ Taylor
Edna Swithers

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Rich Ekwall

Treasurer

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Thank You for Your Willing Service!



The Church Council meets once a month to oversee and provide for the administration of church business. Council has general oversight of our worship life, activities, and priorities and to lead the congregation in our mission. Meeting Minutes are compiled and available for your viewing in the Narthex. Contact any Council member with ideas or concerns regarding issues impacting our mission and goals.

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

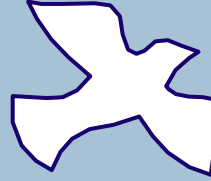
Katherine Holmberg Rm. #101
Lloyd & Jane Cotner Rm. #3106

Savannah Grand

Jo Kruer - Room 332
Mary Jordan- Memory Care Unit

Brooks Rehab

Lloyd Cotner Rm. #136



At Home

Emmy Lou Sorum / Michele Pester / Clay Chaffee / Dorothy Schwager/ Lloyd Cotner / Orv Lind / Lucy Creel / Gertie Schreffler / Blake Carter / Ann West / Alexandra Williams / Allan Johnson

Family of Freida McClure at her death



Military

Luke Ellison, Army National Guard, Syria (nephew of Mark & Susan Foutz)
Lt. Tim Cassel, Coast Guard, Valdez, AK (grandson of Glen & Norma Beyer)
Lt. J.G. Eric Strommel, Kings Bay, Subbase, GA
Lt. Col. Laura Laskowski, Air Force Intelligence, stationed in Maryland at Ft. Meade (daughter of Sue Whitman)

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 that truly need to be in our prayers.

WORSHIP SAFETY MEASURES UPDATE



Dear Members of Prince of Peace,

These are very unusual times that we are living in and it has become day-by-day that we go on. We are checking numbers on Covid-19 and its spread. Numbers go up, and numbers go down. Many of our members have received their vaccinations, but we remain cautious.

With the age of most of our members...including your pastor being in the at-risk category, we continue to wear masks and evaluate safety measures as we worship together.

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 and in every other pew and welcome family units to sit together
- Post worship, ushers will oversee the exiting of members
- Social congregating is **not acceptable** in the narthex prior and post-worship

We have introduced Holy Communion back into weekly worship using the safest practices available. We are using an individual wafer dispenser, we ask you to bring your own small cup and wine is poured into it (we also have individual cups available) and we are using port wine only which has a higher alcohol content.

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 our 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