## **Memorial Day Prayer**

On this Memorial Day, we pray for those who courageously laid down their lives for the cause of freedom. Heavenly Father, bless the families of our fallen troops, fill their homes and lives with your strength and peace.

As We Gather You may be surprised that the word Trinity never appears in the Bible. This does not mean, however, that the doctrine, or teaching, of the Trinity is wrong. While the word Trinity is not seen in Scripture, we certainly see the work of the Trinity there. From creation to today's Old Testament Reading, from Jesus' Baptism to His Great Commission, we see the Trinity at work time and time again. On this Holy Trinity Sunday, we celebrate that our Lord is the triune God—one God in three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We try to put this mystery of the Trinity into human words through song and in creeds, but we recognize that mere words fall short of describing our truly awesome God. In awe and wonder of the Holy Trinity, we simply join with the seraphim in singing, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory!" (Isaiah 6:3).

*Happy Birthday* 5/27 Scott Lavelle; 5/28 Jennifer Abdul-Malak, Justin Larsen; 5/29 Bridgette Ernst; 5/30 George Dowbnia, James Haren; 5/31 Brianna Pfaff.

*Flowers on the altar* are given to the glory of God by the Palladino Family in celebration of Elizabeth's graduation and by Luise Didato in loving memory of her son Erich Schick.

Church Photo Directory Make memories that will last a lifetime - for you and for your church family! There is no obligation to buy and there is no minimum purchase. Every family gets a free 8 x 10" photo and a directory regardless of whether or not you buy additional photos. Other photo sizes and quantities are available for an additional cost and discounted packages are also available. You can schedule a Life Touch photo session at one of the following times: Sunday June 10th from 11:30a-6:00p or Monday June 11th from 2:00p-8:00p. Photos will be taken in the Parish Hall. Flyers are available in the narthex with more information. Appointments can be made by signing up in the narthex or by going online to this link: https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/y9vzrvz4/. Please direct all questions to the event coordinator, Marilyn Ganci, by calling 732-928-6745.

*Car Show Planning Meeting* Our next Car Show Planning Meeting will be held Thursday May 24th at 6:00p.m. Join us at church as we continue to plan our Second Annual 2018 Car Show (set for Saturday June 2nd.) Help is needed in many capacities and on many skill levels! Whether you can donate a little time or a lot of time, it doesn't matter. Bring your ideas. Bring your talents.

Please mark the following dates on your calendars:

Car Show Planning Meeting Thursday May 24that 6:00 p.m.

**Board of Directors Mtg.** Thursday May 24th at 7:00 p.m.

Memorial Day The church office will be closed on Monday May 28th

Confirmation Sunday June 3rd at the 10:15 a.m. service

Photo Directory Sessions Sunday June 10th or Monday June 11th

**Summer Worship Schedule Begins** (this will continue throughout the summer until Rally Day Sept. 9th)

Sunday June 17th we will have one Sunday service at 9:30 a.m.

and a Wednesday evening service at 7:00 p.m.

Vacation Bible School Save the date for Monday July 23 - Friday July 27

*The numbers are in!* Thanks to the awesome efforts of our Comedy Show Committee, headed up by Annette Maresca, Susan Larsen-Haren and MaryAnn Campagna, our Comedy Show event grossed \$10,202 and netted \$7,258.38. Thanks everyone for your support!

"Life Quotes" for Trinity Sunday, May 27th "Would you be willing to take a little bit of time on Memorial Day to do two things? One is to thank God for the successful outcomes of the sacrifices that these graves represent. Our country is a free and blessed place, and our freedom was bought at a terrible price. Second, will you rededicate yourself to sharing the good news of Jesus so that as many people as possible will be rejoicing on resurrection day? As you think about cemeteries, realize that God has the last word: 'Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt' (Daniel 12:2 NIV). All Christian warriors will awake soon to new life." Pastor Mark Jeske, Time of Grace – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org

*Life Line Screening* will offer their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church on Monday 7/2/2018. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle or text the word circle to 797979

Acolyte and Usher Sign in Sheets: We are asking that Acolytes and Usher Team Members sign in when they are reporting for their scheduled services. An Usher sign in sheet has been placed on the podium to the right of the double doors. The Acolyte sign in sheet is on the table to the left of the door when the Acolytes go in to get their robes. If you are covering for someone else we also ask that you sign in so we know if any adjustments to the schedules need to be made. Thank you to everyone who serves.

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*Tree of Faith* Prince of Peace Lutheran Church has introduced a Tree of Faith as an ongoing fundraising campaign. This beautifully crafted mahogany tree trunk and 102 brass leaves will be mounted on the narthex wall. Donors may purchase leaves (\$250), doves (\$350), rocks (\$450) or a base (\$3,000) to acknowledge milestones, memorialize loved ones, celebrate birthdays and anniversaries or to mark those memorable occasions in life. Your donation will not only help to support the ministry at Prince of Peace, it will insure you will be a part of church history. If you are interested in making a donation, please sign up in the narthex with your choices. Questions may be directed to MaryAnn Campagna at 732-905-0052.

Generosity thought for Sunday, May 27th Trinity Sunday John 3:6 – "That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit." In Holy Baptism we receive a new birth: spirit from Spirit. With that rebirth we receive new desires, new lives, new purposes. To the (fleshly) world, Christian generosity makes no sense: the total minus a percentage is less than the original total. But Spirit-reborn Christians know that God's math works differently (as we might expect from the Trinity!): a blessing received from God becomes more of a blessing when it is used in generosity to bless others.

*Sight & Sound Trip* Join us on Saturday November 17, 2018 to see "Jesus" at the Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA. Prices are \$107 for children (ages 4-10) and \$160 for adults, which includes the show, bus transportation and lunch at Shady Maple Restaurant. Look for a <u>new</u> sign-up sheet in the narthex. Questions can be directed to Ken French at 732-616-2850.

*Next Sunday's Readings* June 3rd The Second Sunday after Pentecost Deuteronomy 5:12-15 Observe the Sabbath and keep it holy. 2 Corinthians 4:5-12 Treasures in jars of clay. Mark 2:23-28 Jesus is Lord of the Sabbath.

Our Food Pantry is VERY LOW! Here is our updated list: paper towels, dish detergent, canned soups, tissues, napkins, breakfast cereals, cleaning supplies, water, juices and shampoo. Sugar-free items are frequently requested by our clients who are diabetic.

*Used ink toners needed!* When the church recycles old ink cartridges, we are able to get coupons for free office supplies and more importantly, when cartridges are disposed of properly, we are keeping these toxic products out of our environment. We accept all brands and sizes - there is a straw basket in the narthex for your used cartridges. Thanks for your help!

*Shipwrecked!* Get ready for an adventure to an uncharted island where kids are rescued by Jesus! Join us for our 5-day Vacation Bible School experience where kids are anchored in the truth that Jesus carries them through life's storms. Our program will run Monday, July 23, 2018 through Friday, July 27, 2018 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. More information will be available soon. Please direct questions to Danielle Romano, Director of Education, at mytutoringnanny@gmail.com.

*Graduation News* Give a shout out to your 2018 graduate! Email the church office at popchurch@optonline.net with any graduation, school or award information you would like published in the upcoming June/July newsletter. No matter their age, no matter their grade, let them know how proud you are of their accomplishments!

## THOSE WHO SERVE

Worship Leader: The Rev. Kenneth Fosse

Midweek Service: Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

Spoken Service: Sunday 8:00 a.m. Elder: Don Grayce Acolyte: TBD

Acolyte: Traditional Service: Sunday 10:15 a.m. Elder: Brandon Chornobroff Acolyte: Victoria Harper Organist: Melissa Marsicano

Altar Guild: Lisa Tess, Anne McDonnell, Elba Hillis May Ushers: Lynne Berghoff, Brian Tess, Luke Marsicano Mark Ossimina, Ayden Georgiano