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Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. (1 Peter 1:3 NIV)



To all our mothers....you have been beautiful examples of God's love.

Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come. She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue.

Proverbs 31:25-26



Event Details:

MC15 - Fifteenth Annual Mission Classic Golf Outing *To Benefit The Kairos Network*

Thursday, May 16 at Heron Glen Golf Course (Ringoes, NJ)

SCHEDULE 8am - Registration 8:30am - Driving Range & Putting Green 9:35am - Shotgun Start 2:30pm - Awards Luncheon

May is Lyme's Disease Awareness Month

The Women's Society will be hosting a Lyme's Disease Prevention Presentation by church member, Emilia Eiras MD, Internal Medicine Sunday May 5th at12:00 pm after the late service.

The presentation will cover: Lyme disease and other tick borne illnesses

- Methods of prevention
- Identification of symptoms
 - Alternative treatments

Please join us - your family and friends are welcome to attend. Light refreshments will be served.





OPEN POSITION ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Director of Fundraising

Anyone interested in holding this position, please contact Board President Annette Maresca at 732-804-1549



Thank you

The following individuals have donated their time in service to the church and to the community:

....to Anne Treadwell for weeding and tending our flower beds around the church building.

....to Larry Landis for completing repairs to the storage container at the back of the property.

....to the congregation of Howell Community Church for donating to our Food Pantry.

to Cindy Palladino for keeping our outdoor signs up to date.

In Memoriam

We are saddened to hear that Ellen Haas, mother of member Ellen French, passed away peacefully on Friday, March 29, 2019 at CentraState Medical Center. Ellen Haas, age 98, was currently living in the Villages in Freehold.

Worship Note

In the past, with the arrival of summer, we would switch our summer worship time to only one service at 9:30am. However, this year, we will continue to have <u>two</u> services during the summer -8:00am will be our Spoken Service and 10:15am will be our Traditional Service. We will see you this summer!

"Gentlemen (and Ladies) Start Your Engines"

Our upcoming 3rd Annual Car Show is set for Saturday June 1st (rain date is Saturday June 15th.) This is a great family friendly event! The event is free for all spectators. If you would like to show off your beloved vehicle - registration is \$12 in advance.

We will have our kick-off planning meeting on Thursday May 9th at 6:30 p.m. Help is needed in many areas!

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10th Annual Chamber Music Spring Concert

To Benefit the Arc of Monmouth

Cood Shepherd's Minister of Music, Miae Park will hold her sath Annual Spring Concert on Standay, June 2nd at 3500 PM, in the Sanchuary of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, n2 Middletown Road, Holmelel, NJ This can't miss event, will feature three talented local musiclans, playing the music of Bach, Schubert, Eiger, Schamarn, Beethover, Mendelscole, and Prokoviev.

This trio, comprised of Ethan Jacon (plane), Austin Lee (violin), and David Kim (callo), met at the Semmit Mode Festival in 2017 fostering their takents as chamber musicians, subsequently forming the Summit Trio. These accomplished musicians have received multiple accolates, throughout the musical community, with each of them holding impressive musical resumes and saming multiple awards. Please plan on joining us for this wonderful afternoon of Music. Those attending will be asked to contribute to the Arc of Mexmouth, a nonprofit Mommouth County organization, formed to provide services and support for more than 1,500 people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in our area.

For more information about our performing artists, visit our website at... goodshepherdholmel.org



The Comedy Show Committee would like to take a moment to give our most sincere thanks to everyone who assisted us with this year's 13th Annual Comedy Show, Dinner and Gift Auction. Please know, we truly appreciate each and every person who helps out in any way, large or small.

Each year brings different challenges and hurdles for the committee to overcome and this year did not disappoint. Be that as it may, we still enjoy every moment!!

This year we have chosen the non-profit, Coming Full Circle, as the beneficiary of our portion of the 50/50. Their mission is to help those in our community who struggle with addiction.

Thank you and God Bless!!

Annette Maresca Susan Larsen-Haren MaryAnn Campagna



THANK YOU TO OUR COMEDY SHOW HOSTS

Prince of Peace would like to recognize Annette Maresca, Susan Larsen-Haren and MaryAnn Campagna for their amazing work in putting together our 13th Annual Dinner, Comedy Show & Gift Auction..

Annette, Susan and Mary Ann did an awesome job, as always! Planning this event from start to finish is no small feat.

They creatively led their 2019 Comedy Show Committee through all the planning stages of the event, providing valuable ideas, feedback, time and energy.

The gifts this year were unique, fun, and helped raise needed of funds to support our church. These co-chairs truly deserve a round of applause!

This is the church's 13th year of hosting this event - we can't wait to see what they have in store for us next year!



Look for these exciting events coming up in the near future!

- Lyme's Disease Presentation Sunday May 5th at Noon
- Thrivent Workshop on Retirement Monday May 13that 7:00 p.m.
- 3rd Annual Car Show Saturday June 1st
- Vacation Bible School July 22-26, 2019

FROM YOUR PASTOR'S DESK - May 2019

Dear members of Prince of Peace

I am proud of my Norwegian ancestry and I enjoy going to visit my relatives. But within a week I realize that while it is my history I am an American. I got to think about this again when I began planning for our upcoming trip to China. While I admire their culture it is not mine I experience it as an outsider. As I look at the news I realize that even the US culture is not the one that I grew up in. The cultural differences for the most part morally neutral. I make no apologies for saying that I am most comfortable with the way that things were but I realize that we cannot turn back the hands of time. It would be a waste of our time to try to do so.

If we are going to keep the good things of our culture we should be grounded in world view which empowered the assumptions on which the culture was based. As I see it, one of the foundational components of our Western culture has been the Christian faith. Natural Law theorists believe that some precepts concerning morals and ethics are true in and of themselves. Thomas Jefferson wrote: "We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

Well, self evident for him and for those of us who are Americans. However, there are many people and governments which do not hold these truths as true. That is why we had to dissolve the political bands which bound us to a different truth and separate ourselves from Britain and throw George III and his troops out of our country.

Another truth that I believe to be self evident is that the Creator is not some nameless deity but has revealed himself as a loving Father to us. He has sent his beloved son to become sin for our sake so that we can approach him as we do our own father. Jesus is the Messiah because he is an embodiment of God's love for humanity. He is also, as it is written in Hebrews 13:8: "the same yesterday and today and forever."

If this is true then his emptying himself so that he could enter into our world is and will be the same in the future as it has been ever since he began to reveal God's Kingdom to us. In the book of Revelation when Saint John has a vision of the heavenly throne room he sees the truth of God's way. All the angels, elders and other heavenly creatures are looking at the book sealed with the seven seals and each knows that he is unworthy to open the book. The book contains God's plan for setting creation back the way it was supposed to be. Who can open it? One elder tells him it is the Lion of Judah who has the necessary power. When the Saint turns and looks to see the Lion he sees the Lamb of God, still bearing the marks of the wounds that killed him.

As our culture continues to change almost daily so that what was once seen as virtuous is now seen as corrupt and what was once seen as immoral is now seen as an expression of our true self. We need to remember the ground on which we stand. He is the rock which will give us shelter and safety when all around us is in turmoil. We need to be fixed to that rock. The time for building that foundation is when we can still attach ourselves to it rather than wait for that time "when no one can work."

We do that by answering God's call, gathering with the saints for Word and sacrament, studying the Word and living a sanctified life as a witness to the power of God's way. Please join me in church to work together to do these things.

Yours truly,

Kenneth Fosse

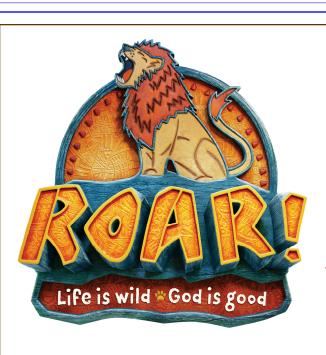
MAY DEADLINE

If you have an article that you would like placed in the June 2019 newsletter, please email it or drop it off in the church office. The church email address is popchurch@optonline.net.

The deadline is Friday, May 24, 2019

The mission of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church is to know Christ and inspire people to be caring instruments of God in spreading Christ's love, with joyous enthusiasm, by word and deed.





ROAR into the fun at Vacation Bible School!

Mark your calendars! Monday July 22nd through Friday July 26th 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m..

Get ready for an African adventure that engages the whole herd! Powered by a ferocious faith, this program teaches kids that life is sometimes wild, but God is always good! Come join us for music, crafts, snacks, Bible stories and more! Registration forms will be available soon.



Graduation Time is around the corner... remember to send information to the church office to congratulate your favorite Grad!

Join us for a Complimentary Workshop! DON'T WORRY, **RETIRE HAPPY**

Is Saturday the day you set aside to play golf, spend time with your grandkids or enjoy your hobby? In retirement, every day can be like Saturday. That's a lot of time to fill and it's important to have a plan. Learn from financial expert Tom Hegna's book, *Don't Worry, Retire Happy:* 7 Steps to a Secure Retirement.

These sessions are hosted by John Seifert, MBA and feature Thrivent Financial guest speaker Wayne Grant, RICP®, CLU®, Certified Kingdom Advisor.

Please call 609-567-6007 or email mindy.grant@thrivent.com to reserve a place for yourself and a guest. Refreshments will be served.

Make Plans to Learn the Seven Steps to Help Achieve a More Secure Retirement

Monday May 13th at 7:00 pm Prince of Peace Luthean Church



2019 National LCMS Youth Gathering

July 11-15, 2019 Real.Present.God. Minneapolis, MN



More information / registration on the LCMS NJ District website



Honoring those who gave their lives to protect & defend our Freedom

MAY 2019

PROPERS PREVIEWS

A look at the readings to help you prepare for worship

May 5, 2019

The Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:1-22 Saul, why do you persecute Me?

- Revelation 5:1-14 Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!
- John 21:1-14 After directing the disciples to a great catch of fish, Jesus asks Peter if he loves Him.

<u>May 12, 2019</u>

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 20:17-35 Paul with the Ephesians' elders.

Revelation 7:9-17 Sheep from every nation, tribe, people, and language.

John 10:22-30 Jesus and the Father are one.

May 19, 2019

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 11:1-18/ The Gentiles have received God's Word.

Revelation 21:1-7 God dwells with people.

John 16:12-22 The Spirit of truth brings joy!

May 26, 2019 The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 16:9–15 Paul travels to Macedonia on his missionary journey.

Revelation 21:9–14, 21–27 The heavenly Jerusalem is a vision of glory.

John 16:23–33 Jesus speaks of leaving the world and returning to the Father.

THOSE WHO SERVE

ASSISTING MINISTERS

Elders for the month of May have not been scheduled as of yet.

Brandon Chornobroff will be the Elder at the 8:00 a.m. services

Lynne Berghoff will be the Lector on the first Sunday of each month.

Denise Abdul-Malak, Head Elder, 732-406-1531, schedules Assisting Ministers

ALTAR GUILD

Lisa Tess, Elba Hillis and Anne McDonnell

Lisa Tess, 732-905-0687, is Directress of the Altar Guild. Members serve for one month on a rotating basis.

MAY USHERS

Larry Landis and Trish McAllister

ALTAR FLOWERS

Please place \$25 per bouquet in a Flower Fund Envelope (which can be found in the Flower Book) and place it in the offering plate. There is a maximum of three bouquets on the altar each week.

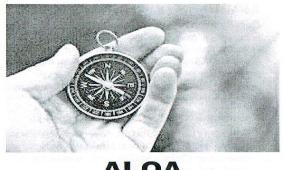
ACOLYTES

Acolytes for the month of May have not been scheduled as of yet.

Danielle Romano, Director of Education, 908-692-4686, schedules Acolytes

Transitions: Navigating Life's

Changes



ALOA

(Adult Lutherans Organized for Action)

Saturday, May 11, 2019 9:00 am – 3:30 pm

The Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd 3139 County Road 516 Old Bridge, NJ 08857



RITE OF CONFIRMATION SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2019