



PEACE PROCLAMATIONS

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Visit www.popportage.org for the weekly POP Announcements, schedule of volunteers and calendar.

In need of prayer? Contact: prayer@popportage.org

WELCOME TO PRINCE OF PEACE.

You will find a Welcome Table in the Gathering Space with information about our ministries and our life together. Hearing Aid devices are available from the Ushers. Newsletter Deadline is the **3rd Thursday of the month.**

SUNDAY EVENTS



Synod Prayer Partners

You will find today's letter to be signed on the table in the Gathering Space.

COMING THIS WEEK

Please let Claudia Lee or Gail MacNellis know today if you will be attending the Tea **Saturday, August 15, from 2-4 PM** in the Gathering Space.

Let us know if you would like to decorate your own table.

You can bring a special tea cup or use one that we'll provide.

Let's celebrate Intern Kathleen's wonderful year with us.



Tea Party



Join us on Sunday, August 16, as we say farewell to Intern Kathleen.

COMING NEXT WEEK

Volunteers Needed: As Intern Kathleen leaves us on August 16, we need to retrieve the things in her apartment that belong to Prince of Peace. We have scheduled a moving day on **Saturday, August 22 at 9 A.M.** to move things from her apartment back to the church. If you can help on that day, please contact either Dave Reinhold (david.reinhold@wmich.edu) or Marilyn Storch (accountant@popportage.org).

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

We're famous!

Em was interviewed at the Extravaganza for *Faith Listens*, a podcast brought to you by the Formation Co-Op. The Formation Co-Op is a Lilly funded initiative of the ELCA Youth Ministry Network, in partnership with the ELCA, that partners with congregations to explore innovative youth ministry practices to root young people in a lifelong, transformative faith in Jesus Christ.

Link to pod cast: <https://faithlistens.podbean.com/e/letting-go-making-room/?token=16ecc80b5fddbe08ba56bf760dfd2bb7>



PODCAST



THIS WEEK AT POP!

Sunday, August 9

10:30a Worship
11:45a Fellowship Time

Monday, August 10

3:00p Social Concerns Committee
4:00p People's Church - Peace Lounge
5:30p AA "Promises" Support Group - Social Hall
7:00p Personnel/Executive Committee - Teams

Tuesday, August 11

1:00p Bunko - Gathering Space
7:00p Bells
7:00p Jubilee Garden Work Day
7:00p Youth Committee Meeting - Teams

Wednesday, August 12

8:00a Men's Breakfast - Mark's Diner
10:00a WMU Center for Disabilities
11:00a Pastor's Bible Study - Teams
12:00p Pray without Ceasing

Thursday, August 13

6:00p Partners in Profit

Friday, August 14

Saturday, August 16

11:00a Jubilee Garden Work Day
2:00p Women's Tea

Sunday, August 16 Kathleen's Farewell Service

10:30a Worship
11:45a Fellowship Time

SOCIAL CONCERNS INFORMATION

Let Claudia know ASAP if you would like a GWOH DAY Shirt.

They are \$10 & will come in S, M, L or children's.

Items needed are:

130 bath towels, not white or heavy weave.

Max size: 52x27 inches Min size: 20x40 inches

350 bars (3oz bars) soap

400 one subject, spiral notebooks.

Thank you for donating, we'll let you know when we have all we need.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Sign up for September in the Gathering Space!



Roles to be filled. . .acolytes, worship assistant, reader, ushers, communion assistant, prayer station, tech assistants, or fellowship host(s).

You will be trained &/or paired with an experienced volunteer! Sign up for the position, and day you want to serve. Sign up link! <https://popportage.org/pages/sign-ups--11>

Funeral Luncheons – Help Needed!

I'm thankful to all of you who respond when we put out the notice that we need food donations for funeral luncheons. I have enjoyed being the luncheon coordinator for the last several years and now realize that I need to share the responsibility of being a coordinator with one, or several of you. Please reach out and let me know what questions you have and if this is something you would consider. I would be very grateful! Sue Jones

The ELCA social statement on Human Sexuality from 2009 is being reviewed. Feedback is requested on pages 18-21, where 4 different views on same-gender committed relationships or marriage are discussed. PoP will be holding discussion groups soon.

See elca.org/reconsiderations for more information.

Listen to their Learn and Discern Podcast (Ep 1) for the history and context of these discussions.

Custodial Transition

During this time of transition, we have less custodial support and some things will be different, like the use of disposable dishes during fellowship. Thank you for your patience and understanding.



Use this QR code to make your contribution to Prince of Peace. Just follow the instructions when you scan the code.



In need of Prayer?

Send your request to our prayer team at prayer@popportage.org

Prayer Corner

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Members with Health Concerns

- Patt Hewitt - knee replacement surgery
- Carolyn Selby - broken elbow

Others with Concerns:

- Patrick Higgins - brain tumor - brother of Carly Davis
- Griselle - rare cancer - cousin of Sandy Bennett
- Mark Keller - non-Hodgkin's lymphoma - uncle of Charlotte Keller
- Dennis Struble - leukemia - family of Diane Snyder
- Judah Pederson - cancer - 12 yr old grandson of Tom & Nancy Pederson
- Judy & Bud Spring - cancer - Paula Kana'an's parents
- Kaye Burns - cancer - Paula Kana'an's aunt
- Steven Steiber - multiple myeloma, meningitis - Linda Smith's brother
- Amy - uterine cancer - friend of Karen Adams
- Diana Dickinson - Myotonic Dystrophy 2 - BJ Stark's daughter.
- Julie Davis - post op recovery - friend of Karen Helmeke
- Noel Kidd, elbow surgery, friend of Joyce Hare
- Pastor Jason & Menasha Lutheran church, home & church damaged in tornado in Menasha WI
- Marilyn Jones - infection - Joyce Hare's cousin
- Cheryl - post-op hamstring surgery - Shirley Thompson's daughter

Those with Ongoing Health Concerns:

- Gena Baldwin
- Diane Crocker
- Angie Copeland
- Cheryl Thomas
- Diana Reames
- Al Ross
- BJ Stark
- Linda Tortorice
- Dianne Zurawski

Those Grieving:

- Family & friends of Suzanne Kero, mother of Sheryl Swodzinski & Beth Kalleward
- Family & friends of Levi Newland, friend of Duran Cooper killed in a car accident.