



# PEACE PROCLAMATIONS

Weekly News from Prince of Peace Lutheran Church - Portage, MI

OCTOBER 25, 2026

## This Week at PoP

### Sunday October 25

#### Reformation Sunday

8:30-10a Flu Shot Clinic  
9:15a Faith Formation for All Ages  
10:30a Worship Service  
11:45p Fellowship Time  
3:00-5p Trunk or Treat

### Monday October 26

9:30a Ruth Circle  
2:00p Social Concerns Mtg  
5:30p AA "Promises" Support Group  
6:00p Justice & Diversity Mtg. - Teams  
6:00p SA Troop 287  
6:30p NAMI Support Group

### Tuesday October 27

Open Doors Shelter Meal  
9:00a ESL  
9:15a Staff Meeting  
9:30a Quilters  
7:00p Bells Rehearsal

### Wednesday October 28

10:00a Literacy Tutoring - Library  
10:00a WMU Center for Disabilities  
11:00a Library Committee  
11:00a Pastor's Bible Study—Teams  
12:00p Pray Without Ceasing

### Thursday October 29

9:00a ESL  
7:00p Choir Rehearsal

### Friday October 30

10:00a ESL Open Tutoring

### Sunday November 1

#### All Saints Day

8:30-10a Flu Shot Clinic  
9:15a Faith Formation for All Ages  
10:30a Worship Service  
11:45p Fellowship Time

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

### STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who has returned their 2027 pledge cards. If you have not already turned in your pledge, please take a moment to fill out a card today and help our Stewardship committee prepare a budget for next year. Pledge cards may be returned to the office, put in the offering plate, or mailed to the church. Extras are also available at church if needed.

### LITURGICAL ARTS:

The Liturgical Art team has a new installation in the Gathering Space. On display is an original work, by late PoP member Chuck Ford, that has recently been restored.

### ELECTION DAY

Voting will be held on Tuesday, November 3. Prince of Peace hosts two Portage precincts for elections - one in the Gym and one in the Gathering Space. Polls are open from 7am-8pm.

Please plan to leave these spaces for voters that day, and remember to cast your vote at *your* polling place!

### FLU & COVID SHOT CLINIC

Our neighbors from Milham Pharmacy will be offering one final flu and Covid shot clinic next Sunday morning at PoP from 8:30-10am. Flu shots are covered by most insurance with no co-pay, so bring your insurance card. Medicare A & B Card needed to bill for flu vaccine unless you have all-in-one Medicare card. Cost without insurance is \$30.00 for regular flu shot and \$85.00 for 65+, cost of Covid shots \$150.00. Vaccines will be given first come, first served; please sign-up on the sheet.

**REMINDER: DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS NEXT WEEK. TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK AN HOUR TO BE ON TIME FOR CHURCH ON ALL SAINTS DAY.**



## UPCOMING ADULT FAITH FORMATION TOPICS:

**11/1**

Dale and Yvonne Gatz share videos and stories of the community-driven projects from the ALDEA mission in Guatemala

**11/8 & 11/15**

Pr. Harry Biles leads a photo exploration of the consequences of Luther's teachings during the post-reformation time period.

## GET INVOLVED

### PRAYGROUND SURVEY

We want to hear from you!

All are invited to share feedback on our recently installed 'Prayground.' Take the survey by scanning the QR code, or by filling out a paper copy of the survey from the sign-up table in the Gathering Space.



### GINGERBREAD HOUSES

The annual Gingerbread Decorating will happen Sunday, November 15 after worship. This is a one-Sunday event, so plan to make a whimsical holiday decoration. The houses are always so varied and creative – and the construction materials are really sweet! It's a joyful way to spend an afternoon to get in the holiday mood. Lunch will be provided. Watch for more details and a sign-up in the Gathering Space. As always, thanks to Kim and Wade Lawrence for leading this event.

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 requests to**  
**our prayer team at**  
**[prayer@popportage.org](mailto:prayer@popportage.org)**

## Prayer Corner

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

### Members with Health Concerns

- Shirley Thompson

### Others with Concerns

- Dennis Struble - Leukemia, cousin of Diane Snyder
- Judah Pederson - cancer, 12yo grandson of Tom & Nancy Pederson
- **Fred Boyer - brain surgery, friend of Joyce Hare**
- **Jeff Spring - cancer, Paula Kana'an's brother**
- Kaye Burns - cancer, Paula Kana'an's aunt
- Steven Steiber - multiple myeloma, meningitis Linda Smith's brother
- George Larson - heart surgery, close friend of Joyce Hare
- Linda Adams - broken shoulder, Karen Adams mother
- **A critically injured student from SilverRail Elementary & Healing Reins Therapy in Bend, OR, friends of Jeanette Fields**

### 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

- **The Mattawan High School community, for students involved in a car accident last week**

\*New names are in **bold**.