



PEACE PROCLAMATIONS

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church ♦ 1747 W. Milham Ave., Portage, MI 49024 ♦ Phone: 343-3453

March 1, 2026

Visit www.poppottage.org for the weekly POP Announcements, schedule of volunteers and calendar.
In need of prayer? Contact: prayer@poppottage.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

Midweek Lenten Services Wednesday February 25.

We begin at 6pm with a soup supper, followed by worship at 7pm. Sign up for the soup suppers is in the Gathering Space.



THIS WEEK AT POP!

Sunday, March 1 Second Sunday in Lent

9:15a Faith Formation for All Ages
10:30a Worship
11:45a Fellowship Time

Monday, March 2

5:30p AA "Promises" Support Group - Social Hall
7:00p Women's Study Group - Zoom

Tuesday, March 3

9:00a ESL
9:15a Staff Meeting
9:30a Quilters - Social Hall
5:30p Great Lakes Adventure Club - Social Hall
7:00p Bells

Wednesday, March 4

10:00a VITA Tax Clinic
10:00a WMU Center for Disabilities
11:00a Pastor's Bible Study - Zoom
12:00p Pray without Ceasing
6:00p **Lenten Soup Supper**
7:00p **Lenten Worship**

Thursday, March 5

9:00a ESL
1:00p **Food Distribution**
1:00p **Free Store**
6:30p South County Fiber Arts - Social Hall
7:00p Choir

Friday, March 6

10:00a ESL Open Tutoring
10:00a Prayer Shawl Ministry - Peace Lounge

Saturday, March 7

Sunday, March 8 Third Sunday in Lent

9:15a Faith Formation for All Ages
10:30a Worship
11:45a Fellowship Time
12:00p **New Member Exploration Lunch**

MEMBERSHIP Exploration

New Member Exploration

If you are interested in membership in Prince of Peace exploration luncheon on **Sunday, March 8** after worship. This is an informal way to learn about what it means to be a member at Prince of Peace. We will receive new members on Sunday, March 15 during worship, attending the lunch does NOT commit you to joining. If you would like to attend, let Pastor Rachel know or contact the office.



Don't forget to set your clocks back before you go to bed on Saturday, March 7.

COMING SOON

Mark your calendars for the Easter season Pysanky egg event coming up on **Sunday, March 15th** after service. Kim and Wade Lawrence share their expertise every year for this event. For those that don't know, Pysanky eggs are Ukrainian decorated Easter Eggs. The designs can be as ornate or as simple as you wish, so all are welcome. Lunch will be provided. A sign-up is in the Gathering Space



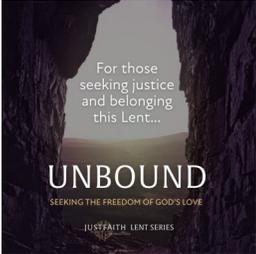
SOCIAL CONCERNS INFORMATION

- ◆ **NONE NEEDED THIS WEEK! Food Distribution opportunity continues.** Please consider signing out and taking a nonperishable food box from the small table in the gathering space. Please, take the slip of paper on the table to insert in your box. Once filled, return it to the same small table and record the date you returned the box. Thank you!
- ◆ **Plyarning!** Our mats are now going to Ethiopia. We need your clean dry cleaning bags. Bring them to the church if you have them!



In need of Prayer?
Send your request to our prayer team at prayer@popportage.org

FOR YOUR INFORMATION



This Lenten season, the Adult Faith Formation hour (9:15am Sundays) will use the *JustFaith Ministries* series **Unbound: Seeking the Freedom of God's Love**. each week we will reflect on a Bible relationship and what it shows us about our relationships with God and each other today. All are welcome

Session 3, March 8 (facilitator: Sue Stapleton):

The Well at Noon (John 4:5-42) This session guides participants in naming and discarding the labels and limitations we impose on ourselves and one another, so that we might fully contribute our whole selves to the building of God's Kingdom.

The Holy Week Sign up is out..

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>



H O L Y W E E K

<i>Maundy Thursday</i>	<i>April 2</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>
<i>Good Friday</i>	<i>April 3</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>
<i>Easter Vigil</i>	<i>April 4</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>
<i>Easter Sunday</i>	<i>April 5</i>	<i>8:00 AM & 10:30 AM</i>

enhanced Fellowship between services.

Use this QR code to

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



Prayer Corner

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Members with Health Concerns

- George Middleton - fractured pelvis & spine.
- **Linda Sue Boecheinstein - knee replacement**
- **Patt Hewitt - cornea transplant**
- **Jolaine Snyder - heart issues**
- **Marlowe Crocker - hospitalization**

Others with Concerns:

- John Helmeke - cancer - Karen Helmeke's brother
- Kathy Berrigan - cancer surgery - friend of Joyce Hare
- Patrick Higgins - brain tumor - brother of Carly Davis
- Family of Diane Zurawski - brother Doug and nephew, William
- Beth Flermoen - ICU - friend of Joyce Hare
- Penny Gould - ICU - sister of Cheryl Thomas
- JoAnne Meyer - continuing issues from fall - Jan Ellwitz' sister
- Dean Hare - knee surgery - son of Joyce Hare
- Marilyn D - 17 yr old with rare form of cancer, daughter of Jill Waggner's former pastor in Illinois
- Rich & Jeanette Gagnon - failing health & Jeanette is in hospice - parents of Maria Markucki parents
- John Neworski - health issues - Kristie Zimmerman's father
- David Keller - pancreatic cancer - brother of Charlotte Keller

Those with Ongoing Health Concerns:

- Eric Lehman - cancer
- Marlowe & Diane Crocker
- Angie Copeland
- Cheryl Thomas
- Diana Reames
- BJ Stark
- Dianne Zurawski
- Gena Baldwin

Those Grieving:

- Family & friends of Joshua Guthrie - son of Greg & Christine Guthrie