



FAITHWORKS
May 2, 2021
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Faith Works articles (**DEADLINE TUESDAY**):
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Check our church website for updated information and sermons online:

<http://www.poplutheranchurch.org>

Check us out on Facebook! Search for Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Clifton Park

Hearing assistance devices are available.

OFFICE Mon-Thursday 8-2pm office 3-4pm home.

Fridays working from home 9-noon. Will be checking messages. Office closed on Fridays in July & August.

ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR: Jonathan Fuller jonathan.m.fuller@gmail.com

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THE NURSERY SCHOOL at PRINCE OF PEACE (Instructional Programs for ages 3 & 4) ~ 383-6093,
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CHURCH COUNCIL: Rob Anderson 518-373-5928; President, Christine Sheppard, Vice President, Ben Pearson, Secretary, Jim Galarneau, Glenn Gerber, Phil Matthei; Pastor Amber Craig.

FINANCIAL OFFICERS: Wayne Petterson, Treasurer (383-6290); JoAnn Koenig, Financial Secretary (399-1650)

SUNDAY SCHOOL (9:15 -10:15 a.m., Sept. - June) ~ Coordinator: Cheryl Fiore (274-7588) sundayschoolatPOP@gmail.com

CONNECTIONS NEWSLETTER: Jen Van Ort, editor (newsletter@poplutheranchurch.org) Copy deadline: 15th of each month.

Welcome to Worship! We're glad you're here!

PLEASE SILENCE electronic devices **BEFORE** entering the sanctuary for worship. Thank you!

**INDICATES NEW OR REVISED INFORMATION THIS WEEK.*

IN-PERSON WORSHIP AT 9:00

AM An in-person worship option will now again be available at 9:00 AM on Sundays!! The sanctuary has been arranged to allow sufficient spacing and masks will be worn to minimize risk and maximize safety. Prince of Peace only asks that you notify the church office via telephone or email if you plan on attending worship. This small step allows contact information to be compiled ahead of time to make Sunday mornings a little easier for our ushers. In your message to the church office, please provide the number of people in your party, a contact number and whether gluten free communion is needed. Please feel free to contact Rob Anderson or Pastor Dave with any questions. **We will continue the 10:30 a.m. Virtual**

worship on Facebook live and You tube.

CONCERNS OR COMMENTS If

you have concerns or comments about in person worship service please reach out to Rob Anderson 518-373-5928 or Pastor Dave at davepreisinger@aol.com

SERVERS needed for in-person service to usher, read, clean ,and prepare.

***PLEDGED OFFERING**

STATEMENTS located on the table in the Welcome area. You may pick them up or they will be mailed shortly.

***THE LITTLE FOOD PANTRY**

ITEMS NEEDED: Cereal, granola/protein bars, canned fruit, canned tuna ,canned chicken, canned ham, beef stew, ketchup, mustard, salad dressing, canned ravioli and spaghetti. Toiletries. Pet food for our furry friends.

ITEMS NOT NEEDED bagged beans, diced tomatoes, canned mixed vegetables, No Tomato soup and oatmeal. Thank you!



***THE PRINCE OF PEACE GOLF LEAGUE** is ready to kick off the 2021 season! Beginning June 2, we will meet at the Barney Road executive golf course every Wednesday at 5:30 PM.

All are welcome, regardless of your golfing ability! The cost is \$13 per week (\$12 if you are 62 or older) or you can purchase a discounted season ticket at the starter shack.

Subject to Covid restrictions, after playing 9 holes, golfers usually grab a quick dinner at a local restaurant where we are often joined by spouses and friends for lots of laughter (or commiseration). Our last regular game of the season is on September 1, followed by a final outing and banquet on Labor Day at the Van Patten golf course. Please come and join us each week for an evening of fun and fellowship. Any questions, please contact Eileen Bryant (518-573-4383).

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

TEAM Did you know that PoP has a Diversity and Inclusion team now? We meet once per month and will be focusing on racial justice at this current time. We look at the issues of racial and social justice through the lens of scripture and Lutheran (and other church) sources. If you would like to join, please contact Tom Craig at tomcraig1980@gmail.com or 518-937-6006 (call or text is fine).

GOSPEL OF MATTHEW BIBLE

STUDY Matthew was, of course, one of the 12 apostles and also a tax collector before Jesus called him to be a fisher of men. He also went by the name of Levi. At 6:30p.m. we will take a look at the Gospel of Matthew. We will be looking at it from a Lutheran perspective, as well as Matthew's own perspective. Contact Tom Craig (tomcraig1980@gmail.com or 518-937-6006) for the Zoom information

WHEN YOU ENTER PRINCE OF PEACE you are attesting that that you have not felt sick in the last 5 days, have not had a fever in the last 48 hours, have not been in contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 that you know about, you or a household member has not traveled to any of the states listed on the Governor's current Travel Advisory list in the last 14 days, and you have not tested positive for COVID-19, or if you have, you have since tested negative.

CONTACT TRACING is an important part of stopping the spread of COVID-19. If you have been in the church building and have been exposed to Covid-19, PLEASE call the office and let us know. A plan will be in place for contacting all those who may have been exposed and a congregational letter will let people know a possible case has been reported. Your name will not be used without permission. Additional cleaning in the building will take place.

NEED ASSISTANCE? If you are in need of assistance during this time and are looking for someone to do some shopping, help with childcare, or something else, the church would like to do what we can. Please let us know if you have a need and we will do our best to meet it.

* **BIRTHDAY LIST 5/2** Steven Lefevre, **5/3** Colin Walker **5/4** David Dort; **5/5** Ann Crivello, **5/7** Linda Dzembo, **5/8** Naome Adam.

YOUTH NEWS

BOTTLE DRIVE Please continue to drop off bottles at church if you would like to donate. **Thank you so much for your wonderful support of the Clown Troupe and their unique ministry.!**

WE HAVE A CHURCH GIVING

APP! GivePlus Church is a mobile giving app that enables you to make one-time or recurring gifts from your smartphone. Visit the App Store or Google Play and search for "GivePlus Church" to download the app for free and start donating today! Thank you for supporting our mission.

QR CODE for our donation page. Also, located in our bulletin.



How to use the QR

Code for making a donation:

1. You need a QR reader app on your phone. These are available free through the various app stores.
2. Open your app. It will look like you are taking a picture. When your phone beeps it will ask if you want to go to the website.
3. Hit yes. The website will ask you to log in or create a profile. Follow the directions.

For future use, once you have a profile you will be able to make your contribution in a few seconds.

COMMUNITY NEWS

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Mary's Haven, a community home for the dying, A program of Catholic Charities, located in Saratoga Springs.

Just 2- 4 hours a week of your time and talents will assist us in providing care and comfort to the terminally ill. Initial and ongoing training are provided.

Volunteers © What They Do At Mary's Haven!!

Come and find out why.

For more information please contact:

Robin or Nancy @ #518-584-9397 or email us

at: maryshaven@swcc.org

First Communion Instruction

This year's First Communion class is Joshua Anderson, Xander Douglas, Tim Fuller, and Sophie Pearson! These third and fourth graders met on Saturday, April 17 to receive instruction from Deacon Diana Foote. The class had a great Saturday baking bread and understanding the sacrament of communion. Below are a few pictures from their day of instruction.



2021 Crop Walk (Virtual)

Join with other PoP members to fight hunger!

Walk virtually. Give Online. Change the world.



What is it: CROP (Christian Rural Overseas Program)

Hunger Walks are interfaith hunger education and fundraising events nationally sponsored by Church World Service (CWS). Annually, POP has participated in the 5K CROP Walk locally organized by the SCHENECTADY INNER CITY MINISTRY (SICM). **CWS strongly urges that ALL Spring CROP Hunger Walks MODIFY their events to be VIRTUAL.**

WHY: To raise funds and awareness to combat hunger around the world and in the local Schenectady community-

- 25% of funds will go to support local hunger and poverty fighting programs.
- 75% of funds support Church World Service (CWS) and its partners to alleviate hunger in poor communities throughout the world.

This year: Even though the Schenectady CROP event will not be walking in person this Spring, we are still walking and raising money.

Official WALK date will be May 2, 2021, 2pm. However, you may choose your own time later that day or on a day soon after this one. Walk individually or with your immediate family. To **“Walk together apart”**, choose a parking lot, from room to room in your house, around the block or at a city/town park. As you walk text, call or video chat with other friends walking at the same time you are. Continue to Walk in solidarity for those near and far.

Registration/Donations: It's encouraged that Walker registration and/or donations for the CROP Walk be made via the online website.

- o The Schenectady CROP website link is: [Schenectady CROP Hunger Walk..](#)

(A link to this webpage will be posted on the POP web site also.)

Then click Join or Start a Team; Find the team POP LUTHERAN

Click Join the Team

Once you register you can use the e-mail function to ask your family and friends to sponsor you. Or click “DONATE” to support either the POP Team or a team member.

- o Another way to fundraise and publicize your walk is online via FACEBOOK. On the CWS Facebook Page, click “Create Fundraiser” and Facebook will walk you through setting up your fundraiser.

Those who wish to walk without registering online or would like to donate cash should contact one of the co-captains below.

Checks should be made out to CWS/CROP at SiCM PO Box 1049 Schenectady, NY 12301. (write “CROP Walk” on the memo line).

(write “Schenectady CROP Walk” and the walker’s name on the memo line).

POP CROP co-captains:

Steve Dzembo (steve.dzembo@gmail.com)

Jim Galarneau (galarneaujim@gmail.com).

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SERVERS: May 2, 2021– May 16, 2021

Altar Care: Winnie Petterson; May 2 Ushers : Wayne Petterson and Jim Galarneau

Date/ Time	Deacon	Counters	Reader of First Lesson
May 2 9:00 a.m. In person	<i>Diana Foote</i>	<i>Fonda Thompson Laurel Catellier</i>	<i>Tom Craig</i>
May 9 9:00 a.m. In person	<i>JoAnn Koenig</i>	<i>Andrea Lustofin Nancy Kowalski</i>	<i>JoAnn Koenig</i>
May 16 9:00 a.m. In person	<i>Eileen Bryant</i>	<i>Denise Johnson Sue Anderson</i>	<i>Jon Fuller</i>

PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH CALENDAR: May 2nd, 2021- May 22nd, 2021

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

2 9 a.m. In person Worship 10:30a.m. Virtual Worship-Facebook live 2p.m. Crop Walk- Virtual	3 6 p.m. Deacon meeting – Zoom 7:30 p.m. Worship team meeting Zoom	4 6:30 p.m. Bible study- Zoom	5 5:30-6:30 p.m. Turning Point AA group-rm 10	6 10:00-11:30 a.m. Thursday Morning Women’s group- Zoom 6:30 p.m. Facility meeting- google meet	7 12:30-2 p.m. Living Resource group - Sanctuary	8 7-8pm Turning Point AA group-Rm 10
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