

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

November 2024 Newsletter

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Pastor Myron Crawford Email: pastorofpop@gmail.com As a Christ centered community, we commit ourselves to all people through love, worship & service.

Pastor's Ponderings

Can you believe that November is here? This month brings so much to the church and the community surrounding it. Yet, we don't just take a moment to reflect on it and think about it.

We start the month with daylight savings time. Falling back an hour to save us some time and catch up on sleep. In my world, there is never really catching up on sleep, even if it is for an hour. It usually just means that I wake up at a different time and the day gets darker way too soon for me. Plus, someone usually doesn't get the message and shows up to church just a bit early.

We get to commemorate All Saints Sunday. The day that we lift up those that have gone before us, recently and long ago. This day can bring about memories of loved ones that we look to as saints. Saints that might have shared faith with us, cared for us, laughed with us, supported us, and even showed love for us. But there are others that may be gone where it is a struggle because our relationship was strained, to say the least. So, we deal with shame or guilt for not trying harder or visiting more often or standing up to them when we had the chance. Yet, we can't get over them, so we choose to remember them in our own certain way.

Of course, we have one of the most important holidays in American culture, Thanksgiving. If you think about it, it's a peculiar holiday. Families gather together, sometimes from far distances, to enjoy a feast of some of their favorite foods, and usually plenty of it for leftovers, and then they may watch a parade or movie or football on the TV, and a game of cards or something might break out also. There might be a few of the adults that plan their routes with their coupons and flyers to get the best deals for Black Friday so that they can keep up with their neighbors and whatever they buy. Yet very few of us give thanks. We may say a table prayer, but we don't take time to take inventory for all that we have been blessed with in the past year. Even if it has been a difficult year, like it has for so many, sometimes we don't see what we are to be thankful for. With this, we may need to look smaller.

There are many scripture verses that talk about giving thanks. The first one that I can think of is from Psalm 107:1 - "O give thanks to the Lord, for they are good, for their steadfast love endures forever."

I encourage you to take time this season to slow down and take time to breathe. I encourage you to take time to reflect on how your past year has gone, with celebrations and heartache. I encourage you to be thankful for an additional hour in your life. I encourage you to give thanks for those that have been saints in your life. I encourage you to give thanks for the trails that you have faced. I encourage you to give thank with a grateful heart.

Journey Together Cross Generational Sunday School

Everyone of all ages is invited to the Fellowship Hall after worship for our monthly tradition of Cross-Generational Sunday School.

This is when all that are gathered will come together to play, craft, learn, laugh, eat and journey together! Each lesson is designed for participation by kids, youth and adults so that everyone feels welcome on this journey!

Mark your calendars to make sure that you don't miss out on these great faith community opportunities!

November 3 December 1 January 5 February 2 March 2 April 6 May 4

Can't wait to see you there!



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Coffee with Clergy

Come on out for Coffee with Clergy the third Tuesday of each month from 8-10am at Hawthorne Coffee Roasters, which is just north of Prince of Peace. The next date is Tuesday, November 19.

This is a time have conversation, learn about what is going on, share some stories and have a beverage and a snack.



Come and learn what it means to be a Reconciling in Christ Congregation.

Saturday, November 9 8:30am-3:30pm Adoration Lutheran Church Greenfield, WI

Keynote Speaker – Josiah Crawford Worship Leaders – Prs Myron & Jane Crawford

Prince of Peace Day Care SPAGHETTI DINNER & RAFFLE THURSDAY **NOVEMBER 14TH** 5:30-7:30 **RAFFLES BEGINS** @ 6:45 SALAD **SPAGHETTI MEATBALL** ADULT DINNER \$7.00 **GARLIC BREAD BEFORE NOV 10** ADULT DINNER \$ 8.00 DESSERT **AFTER NOV. 10** DRINK **CHILD DINNER \$ 5.00 BEFORE NOV 10 CHILD DINNER \$ 6.00** 4419 S HOWELL AVE MILWAUKEE WI 53207 **AFTER NOV. 10** POPDAYCARE@YAHOO.COM

November Birthdays	Need to reach Pastor Myron? He would love to hear from you!
 11/10 Olegario De La Cruz 11/11 Colette Crowl 11/12 Eric Wichman 11/13 Vicki Metz 11/17 Eric Braatz 11/20 Chase Hoppe 11/22 Kurt Spieker 11/28 Karen Kuechenmeister, Dan Zuege 11/29 Santino Melendez 	 If it's important, or in case of an illness, a difficult diagnosis, a hospitalization, a prayer concern, or you just would like for him to pay a visit, first, try calling church. If he is not there you can do the following: Leave a message at church. Text his cell phone – 651.253.5379 Email him at pastorofpop@gmail.com Also, if someone would like to be added to the prayer list at Prince of Peace, please contact the church office at churchofpop@gmail.com or call 414-483-3828 and leave a message.

Come and Serve at The Gathering

The Gathering is an organization that provides free meals each week, cooked on-site in four Milwaukee locations, to those who would otherwise go hungry.

Prince of Peace gets to help out with preparing, packaging and distributing meals for approximately 150 people at Ascension Lutheran on S. Layton on Saturday, November 16 from 10am –1 pm.

If you are able to help us fight hunger, please register online at https://bit.ly/PoPGathering.

Divine Intervention

Ministry to Those Experiencing Homelessness Open overnight from December 4 – March 26

Guests and volunteers gather nightly for a family style meal in a warm, supportive space to create community and work toward finding a home.

This incredible ministry at Tippecanoe Presbyterian Church at 125 W Saveland Ave in Milwaukee is looking for volunteers for the season.

- Overnight hosts serve from 5:30pm 830am
- Meal preparation and served by individuals or groups
- Sunday laundry ministry transport to/from laundry facility
- Monetary donations are also welcome

If interested or getting more info about how you can help, contact (414) 481-4680 or email divineinterventiontohomeless@gmail.com.

PoP is doing a supply drive through the month of November. Please bring in the following by November 24:

- Toilet Paper Paper Towels
- Laundry detergent pods OR small bottle of laundry detergent

Covered in Love Blanket Ministry

If you have ever made a tie blanket, you know that they can be simple and inexpensive to make. Plus, anyone of any age can help make them!

Throughout November we are collecting the following:

- Sharp fabric scissors
- Fleece of any design in two sizes:
 1 yard pieces for baby blankets and
 2 yards for adult blankets
- Each blanket needs two pieces of fabric
- Yard sticks or tape measures or rulers
- Cutting mats

There will be a crafting day on Saturday, December 7 from 9am – 12pm to help put these blankets together.

Look for the sign up in the narthex!

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Sunday Worship: 9:00 AM

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