

Reaching an Ever-Changing World With God's Never-Changing Word

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Pastor Kent

"My mother and my brothers are those who hear the word of God and do it." (Luke 8:21 ESV)

All of us, I think, would say that our family is of the utmost importance to us. We would say that we value our family over everything else this world has to offer. And most of us have a fierce loyalty when it comes to our family. Who hasn't heard the expression: "Blood is thicker than water."

This is why we're shocked when we read the words of Jesus, seen above. We see in Luke 8 that, as Jesus was teaching, his mother and brothers came to him. However, they couldn't reach him because of the crowd. Word was then brought to him that they were outside, desiring to see him.

It's in this context that Jesus utters these words. And, for this reason, they almost come off as disrespectful. It sounds to us like he's devaluing his earthly family. We wonder why he wouldn't

prioritize his family over the crowd who was listening to him. We wonder why he didn't stop and immediately go to his family.

Jesus, however, would never disrespect or devalue his family. He is God, after all. And he perfectly kept all of God's commands, one of which is to honor your mother.

Yet, he does make an important point. He makes the point that the people of faith are his family. He makes the point that it's faith which binds us together.

This is something that we, as Christians, tend to overlook. We continue to place a heavy emphasis on our earthly relatives, as we should. But, at the same time, we disregard our place in the church. We fail to understand our relation to our brothers and sisters in Christ.

We view our fellow believers as friends and acquaintances. And we're happy to visit with them on Sunday morning. We may even enjoy seeing them. But rarely do we view them as family.

We don't prioritize our fellow believers as family. We don't truly love them like family. They

are, honestly, more of an afterthought as we tend to more pressing responsibilities.

Although we desire that each of our earthly family will be saved, there are no guarantees of this. We can share the gospel with them and pray for them. But it's only by faith that they'll be saved.

However, because of their faith in Jesus, our fellow believers will be with us in eternity. Our relationship to them will endure forever. So it only makes sense that this is something we should greatly cherish and value.

In this spirit, my prayer is that each of us would consider our fellow believers at Prince of Peace to be family. My prayer is that we would all love each other as family. My prayer is that we will gladly build these relationships and seek to minister to one another out of this love.

Wednesday night Bible study will resume on September 21st at 7pm. We'll start the year by working our way through the book of 2 Corinthians. In this book, Paul addresses the attacks that had come upon him and his ministry. He also approaches subjects such as suffering in ministry, generosity, and human frailty. Even if you missed last year's study on 1 Corinthians, you'll learn a great deal by joining this study!

We currently have several **small groups** in the church that meet for Bible study, prayer, and fellowship. We would like to begin the year by opening up additional groups for participation. A sign-up sheet is located in the back of the sanctuary. If you're interested, please list your name, and your preferred days and times. We'd also like to encourage the groups to take part in a study that will be provided, once we have our kick-off, taking us through the major stories of the Bible. Sunday messages will also tie in with these studies. Groups will be encouraged to meet twice a month.



Community Meal

September community meal at Prince of Peace will be Saturday, September 10 from 11am to 2pm. Please consider volunteering for this event. Starting October 2016 the new hours will be 11am -1pm!



Prayer Request

Prince of Peace is part of a community wide prayer chain. If you have something you would like added to the email prayer chain or would like to receive the prayer emails – please email the church office. If it is after office hours, please email Margie Lee at lee@beu.midco.net or text Darcee @ 870-2122.



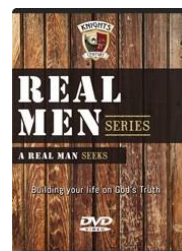
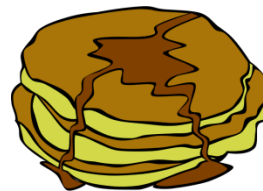
Library news...

Check out our library to brush up on your back to school reading!

Thank you, Bonnie & Deb

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

If you would like to receive the monthly Newsletter by email, please email the church office at churchoffice@princeofpeacebeulah.org with your email address. The newsletter is printed and ready by the fourth Sunday of the month. The newsletter is also available on our website. If you have anything you would like put in the newsletter, please email or call the office at



Men's Breakfast/Bible Study

Will resume Saturday September 17 @ 7:00am.

Ushers for September

09-04-2016 Marvin Bauer*, Fred Bieri, Dean Fandrich, Perry Sayler, Todd Seibel, Vern Boehm
09-11-2016 Robin Richter*, Robert Hafner, Dalton & Sylvia Zeiszler, Shane Haugen, Ron Frei
09-18-2016 Kevin* & Margie Lee, Gary & Marj Murray, Marvin & Janice Sigman
09-25-2016 Jim Wenning, Emily Wenning, Blake Martin, Rebecah Martin, Riley & Cheyenne Schreifer

Fellowship service for September

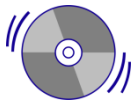
09-04-2016 Ray & Leona Mattheis, Carey Mattheis, Del & Linda Schnaidt
09-11-2016 Jim & Joan Schumaier, Kevin & Margie Lee, Betty Hausauer
09-18-2016 Joe & Twyla Barbot, Kris & Aimee Oyen, Gary & Susan Miller
09-25-2016 Jim & Darcee Wenning, Gina Feist, Margaret Rosaan

RADIO BROADCAST



Please Contact the office if you are interested in sponsoring a radio broadcast. The cost is \$35. The Radio Broadcast is heard on Sundays at 11:30 AM on KDKT, 1410 AM. Available Sundays to sponsor are September 4, 11, 18, & 25 as well as October 2,9,16,23, & 30. The radio broadcast is a very important ministry to those that are home bound. Please consider sponsoring/funding this ministry.

Missed a Sunday church service?



or



Did you know that each Sunday's Sermons are recorded? If you would like a CD copy, the cost is \$1.00. You may have the entire service or just sermon recorded onto the CD. You can get up to 2 sermons on one CD. Please call or email the office and we will get one to you! The sermon is also available on our website by the following Monday



Sunday School Corner

Have you felt the cool evenings? Noticed that the sun is setting a little earlier? Seen the school supplies at Shopko? Well, if you have or haven't they still add up to one thing! School is starting!!!! And with the start of school, we also have the start of Sunday School! Watch out for the newsletter coming out in the next weeks that highlights the Sunday School Year!

Our Sunday School program exist to teach our youth the Word of God and how it applies to everyday life. This is one of the greatest things as a Christian Community we can do for our kids. A monumental task that cannot be accomplished by a few. We are still in need of teachers and co-teachers. We ask you to consider this and pray about how you can help. We have an easy curriculum to teach and the time commitment is minimal. If interested please contact Angie Wanzek at 748-5460.

Parents of Sunday School age children please be aware that the Board of Christian Education is encouraging our Sunday School Teachers to contact parents for Sunday School substitutes. Please plan on helping out in this small way. Helping out one Sunday over the course of nine months has a very small impact on you, but a huge impact for our teachers.

Sunday School will start on September 11th at **10:30**. Notice the new time! We have shortened fellowship and Sunday School will also end at **11:30**. That is thirty minutes earlier than last year. So please plan on picking up your kids according to the new times.



In our minds, Christmas may seem a long ways away. But it is time for us to start thinking about Christmas and begin collecting items for Operation Christmas Child! These simple shoe boxes, filled with simple items, have the power to impact a child (and their family) for Christ and for eternity. What an incredible opportunity we have to share Jesus with the lost, and through such a simple means!

Beginning in September, we will once again be collecting items for the Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes. Please do not think this is a project ONLY for the Sunday School kids – it is for the ENTIRE congregation! Our goal is to fill 150 shoe boxes this year. Each Sunday will we be collecting a designated item, as shown in the schedule below. I encourage you to look ahead, shop sales, and stock up as we pack boxes to change eternal lives!

Operation Christmas Child 2016

September 11 – Intro project/letter home to parents

September 18 – School supplies – pens, pencils, pencil sharpeners, crayons, paper, coloring books

September 25 – Stuffed animals and dolls

October 2 – Hygiene items: toothbrushes, toothpaste, floss, bar soap, wash cloth

October 9 – Hair care items: brushes, combs, barrettes, headbands, hats

October 16 – (kids at KRCC) – Clothing items – t-shirts, socks, mittens, hats

October 23 – No SS (Teachers Convention)

October 30 – Toys: yo-yos, cars, balls, marbles, etc.

November 6 – Hard candy

November 13 – Packing Day!!

September Birthdays!!!

Margie Lee	9/1
Evan McFarlin	9/3
Karen Seibel	9/3
Jim Alt	9/4
Parker Lenzen	9/4
Tammy Wiedrich	9/4
Ivan Keller	9/5
Mitchell Mattheis	9/7
Randy Schneider	9/8
Kenny Klein	9/9
Emma Wanzek	9/9
Elaine Foth	9/10
Ryan Martin	9/12
Ruth Sailer	9/12
Gary Murray	9/14
Lance Klipfel	9/15
Sodie Peabody	9/15
Julie Bergstedt	9/18
Tad Feist	9/18
Caty Ternes	9/19
Kelly Aalund	9/22
Connor Babcock	9/22
Joe Wright	9/22
Michelle Placke	9/23
Keith Yeager	9/25
Emma Neuberger	9/27
Bill Keller	9/29
Blake Martin	9/29
Riley Schriefer	9/29

Worship Attendance

07-03	-	109
07-10	-	No service at POP
07-29	-	132
07-17	-	161
07-24	-	132
07-31	-	126
08-07	-	118
08-14	-	130
08-21	-	146





Prince of Peace
Women's Missionary
Federation (WMF)

The Mission of the WMF of Prince of Peace is to study and share the Good News of Jesus, through word and deed, at home, in our community and throughout the world.

Oh where oh where did August go?!?!

I apologize for not having a WMF Coffee House gathering on the schedule for the Sept calendar. Have you experienced what seems to be a life out of control? I surely have. It's not the way I choose to live, but it is the way I function usually. I am so thankful God is in ultimate control of things! When I am spinning, He keeps me from getting too far away.

Let's read 1st and 2nd Corinthians this month. Our September WMF Bible study will be on Monday the 19th at 10:30 am and 6:30 pm. We will be on Lesson 8. Please come join us because even if we don't feel prepared, when two or three are gathered in His name He will be there as well. He knows what is going on in each of our lives.

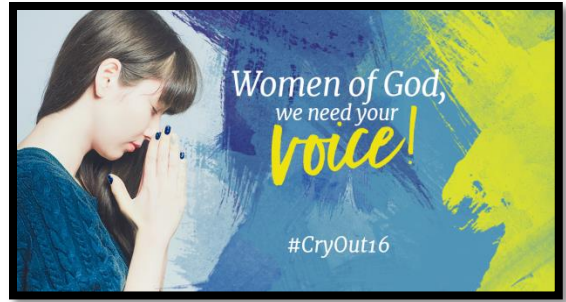
Will be in touch.

Keep praying and reading God's word!
In His service,
Judy Tolosky 870-2131



Our mission focus for September/October will be The First Choice Clinic fill the play pen. They need diapers, clothes & toys (new) and gift cards for new mamas and their babies.

The First Choice Clinic Life Walk in Beulah will be October 8 - more info to come!



Imagine: hundreds of thousands of women gathered in thousands of locations seeking God together for such a time as this!

What could be more vital at this critical time, than for women to bow together before the God of heaven and earth and cry out to Him for our world, our nation, our churches, our cities, and our homes?

This is the heartbeat behind the *Cry Out!* Simulcast, a nationwide prayer event for women, taking place on Friday, September 23. Women across the nation—and around the world—will be gathering together to pray.

And you can be a part of this movement.

Prince of Peace will be hosting this simulcast 6:00 -9:00pm on September 23. Please call the office if you would like to register! To find out more go to www.cryout16.com or call the office.

Kitchen Cleaning

I realize everyone is extremely busy so the following schedule are the times I will be at the church. **This DOES NOT mean these are the only times cleaning can be done.** Each item/area will have a check list so anyone at any time can see what has been done and what still needs to be cleaned. So if you can come a different day OR evening ANY amount of time and WHENEVER will be greatly, GREATLY appreciated! :) :) Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!! Call or text Gina 891-9006 if you have questions.

- Thurs, Sept 1 10am - 12pm
- Thurs, Sept 8 10am - 12pm
- Thurs, Sept 15 10am - 12pm
- Thurs, Sept 22 10am - 12pm
- Thurs, Sept 29 10am - 12pm



FLYing Beyond Pt.2

By Jordan Langness

In July, two students and one adult from our congregation joined me for a week long camp called "FLY Beyond" that focuses on training and equipping. It was wonderful to see God's hand at work at shaping these students and working in their lives. Below is another testimony about how this week impacted them. I hope you find these testimonies encouraging and that you will continue to pray for these students as they discover what it looks like to follow and live for Jesus in their contexts.

MY FLY BEYOND EXPERIENCE by Hunter Keller

Through my experience at FLY Beyond I came to discover my faith was lacking. I realized how "comfortable" I was with living, and how I wasn't fully living my life for Jesus. Serving others, putting your trust in God, and being able to pour God's love and Word out of yourself to others were some of the messages that particularly stood out to me.

I often think that I'm "too busy" to volunteer more of my time or I selfishly want to use any extra time I have for myself, when really my time is not to be used for myself, but for God. My goal is to begin using more of my time serving others in my own congregation and to others who are in need.

Probably the biggest struggle I have with my own faith is putting my full trust in God. A majority, if not all, of the messages I heard at FLY Beyond stressed the idea of trusting God. Many times in my life I have worried about the present and future and have tried to take matters into my own hands instead of waiting for God, even though I knew it was wrong. Going to FLY Beyond

reassured me that it's not necessary for me to fear or worry about the future because God's plan is much greater than my own.

Lastly, I felt the most important task we've been called to do as Christians is to spread God's love and Word to those around us. It wasn't until FLY Beyond that I realized how little I practice spreading God's Word. I realized how comfortable I got in my routine and didn't go out of my way to tell others about Jesus and what He has done for us. Even though it has been just a short time since FLY Beyond, I already feel that God has opened my eyes to all of the opportunities to tell others about Him.

My time spent at FLY Beyond was definitely not time wasted. It helped change and clarify a lot of important aspects of my faith. But most importantly, I took away the fact that my life is His, and I need to live for Him and by His Word.

Upcoming events

September 11th: Sunday School Starts

September 14th: Youth Group Starts

September 15th: Middle School Bible Study Starts

September 28th: See you at the pole & See you after the pole

October 14-16: AFLBS Campus Days

Fall Spiritual Life Meetings

Pastor John Wellumson will be speaking on a modern day reformation October 9-12.

Put it in your calendars! More information to come.

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Pastor's Report – Pastor Kent

I realize I've been gone a great deal. However, I do appreciate the long vacation from which I've just returned, as well as a few days with my mother. I appreciate Jordan's willingness to jump in and cover for me.

Prepping for Confirmation – Orientation is scheduled for the 31st, with the first day of class Sept. 7th

Attended ministerial prayer

Visiting and keeping up with members who are ill and shut-in.

Wednesday night Bible study will resume on Sept. 7th where we'll study the book of 2 Corinthians.

Youth Pastor's Report – Jordan Langness

Middle School: Beginning in-depth curriculum review for this year's (and following years) studies

Youth Group: Planning on going through Focus on the Family's "Truth Project" this year

Other Ministry: I have spent quite a bit of time in the past month working on our FMSC Mobile Pack details. I hope you have all enjoyed the first of the two testimonies from FLY Beyond in this month's newsletter. I have also been preparing and leading Bible studies for the inmates in the Mercer County Jail on Tuesdays of the month of July. In this time I have also started a study for more of the college age students that are around called "Adulting". It has gone very well so far. Finally, I am working on an overhaul of our youth committee as to its purpose, function, terms, and responsibilities which has taken a bit of time.

Treasurers Report – Margie Lee

General Fund	\$ 48,448.01
Building Fund	\$ 12,380.91
Coffee Hour Fund	\$ 242.88
Community Meal Fund	\$ 430.46
Congr. Mission Trips	\$ 21.15
Intern Fund	\$ 19,297.37
Total Bank Acct	\$ 87,615.63

Loan Borrowed 4/2015	\$ 250,000.00
Loan Balance	\$ 212,899.11

Deacon's Report – Del Schnaidt

Spiritual Life meetings with Pastor John Wellmanson from Williston will be held this fall. We haven't been set dates yet. Just a reminder that we're going to try to get more small group Bible studies started in the fall.

Trustee's Report – John Mohl

1. All furnaces have been checked out and put into service with some issues with the older rooftop units. The new furnace above the fellowship hall seems to not kick in properly. Also the North new furnace is not functioning properly. We will ask Hammerschmit Beulah Electric to look at this.

2. The New storage shed has been installed. Garner has done additional work on the ruts on the lawn that were still visible from the construction.

3. Project lists and timeframes that the trustees can do – occasional work days? September 10th?

4. The south parking lot and the asphalt parking strip along the east side of the church and the North Parking lot handicapped parking are paved and sealed. We are expecting the striping to be done this week.

5. Marvin has obtained quotes for the North entrance hand rail project from two sources.

NEW BUSINESS

AFLBS Tuition – Discussed paying tuition for students going to AFLBS. AFLBS tuition is \$2,950.00 per semester. Currently we give a scholarship of \$500 per semester to POPLC. We will revisit this next month at council.

Tithe – Our Tithe of \$2251.74 will be sent to the AFLC Bible School.

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Council positions

President	Joe Barbot (2016)
Treasurer	Margie Lee (2016)
Secretary	Deb Sayler (2016)
Deacons	Dalton Zeiszler (2016)
	Delton Schnaidt (2017)
	Kevin Lee (2017)
	Don Buck (2018)
Trustees	Jason Mohl (2016)
	Marvin Sigman (2016)
	John Mohl (2017)
	Jim Alt (2017)
	Bill Keller III (2018)
Christian Education	Michelle Klaudt (2016)
	Margaret Rosaan (2016)
	Angie Wanzek (2017)
	Rebecah Martin (2018)
	Stephanie Hottman (2018)
Auditing Committee	Wayne Hoffner (2016)
	Kim Pacht (2016)
Personnel Committee Rep	Carl Sorenson (2016)
Nominating Committee	Marj Murray (2016)
	Marvin Bauer (2016)
	Jan Sigman (2016)