



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

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# April, 2018



### Pastor Kent

*"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men."*

(John 1:1-4 ESV)

As we read this passage, we find that Christ is the source of life. Knowing the gospel, we understand that he's the source of eternal life. We understand that he's provided it for us by his death on the cross. And we understand that we receive salvation through faith in him. But we fail to realize that he's the source of our life in this world as well.

In the words of John, that we read above, this truth becomes apparent. We find that Jesus lived with God the Father in eternity. We find that, through

Jesus, all things were created. We find that nothing was made apart from him.

In Colossians 1:16-17 we learn that Jesus sustains all things. We learn that all things hold together because of Jesus. So, from all of this, we learn that Jesus gave us life in the beginning, that he sustains our life here and now, and that he provides for us the blessing of life everlasting.

Yet, the issue of life here in this world has grown complicated. It's not as simple as knowing that people are born and people die. We face a horde of issues that determine whether someone should live.

We face issues like abortion. But this is only one of many issues related to life. We face issues such as euthanasia and physician assisted suicide. We face issues like birth control and invitro fertilization. We face issues like genetic engineering and cloning. We face issues such as embryonic stem cell research.

## Sunday School Corner

Many of these practices are accepted, being viewed as acts of mercy. We tell ourselves that it's not loving to bring a child into the world when he's not wanted. We tell ourselves that it's not loving to allow people to live when they'll have no quality of life. We tell ourselves that it's not loving to forbid a couple struggling with infertility to conceive when we have the technology to help them. We tell ourselves that it's not right to allow people to suffer when we can take cells from an embryo and use them to bring about a cure.

These are not easy issues. They are difficult, especially, when our emotions come into play. But we must look at them from the perspective of the giver of life. We must understand his role as well as our own.

I invite you to come to our spring spiritual life meetings, beginning April 15<sup>th</sup>, where we'll consider topics such as these. We'll have with us Pastor Don Richman, an AFLC pastor who serves on the board of Lutherans for Life. And he'll open God's Word with us on subjects such as these.



## Library news...

Keep an eye out for overdue or missing Prince of Peace library books & movies while doing your spring cleaning!!! (So others may also enjoy them besides the dust bunnies)



## Community Meal

March Community meal at Prince of Peace will be Saturday, April 14 from 11am to 1pm. Please join us for the meal or stop in to help! It is a great opportunity to serve your community and your church.

The Sunday School year is almost done and there is a lot of happenings between now and the end of the year. The first big event is the Second Annual Easter Event. We will host this event Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 AM. The kids will hear the Resurrection story, decorate cookies, make crafts, enjoy puppets, and of course have an egg hunt. This event is open to the public so please spread the word! If you would like to help you can bring individually wrapped candy, cookie toppings and frosting or talk with Cheri Sperry about helping the day of the event.

The Middle and High School will host the annual Easter Breakfast on April 1<sup>st</sup> starting 6:30 A.M. Please come out and support them as they raise funds for FLY!

On April 22<sup>nd</sup> the Sunday School kids will travel to the nursing home to sing with the residents and make crafts. The students love going and the residents love to see the kids. I personally look forward to this every year! Students will ride to the nursing home with teachers. If you are either willing to help transport or have concerns with your child getting a ride please see you Sunday School teachers.

Vacation Bible School is coming fast! We are waiting for a confirmation of dates but we have a theme and are in the planning stages. Please watch the bulletin and newsletter for dates, time, and registration information. We always have a need for both adult and Middle/High School student help, so please pray and consider this. Sign-up sheets for snack supplies and helping will be out soon!

The end of the Sunday School year is always busy. Please note the following dates and events!

**March 31<sup>st</sup>** Easter Event starting at 10:00 AM

**April 1<sup>st</sup>** Easter Sunday, Youth Easter Breakfast starting at 6:30, No Sunday School

**April 22<sup>nd</sup>** KRCC Visit, Preschool-Grade 6

**May 6<sup>th</sup>** No Sunday School, Confirmation Sunday

**May 20<sup>th</sup>** Last Day of Sunday School, Preschool-Grade 6 will sing, Graduate and Teacher Recognition, End of Year Brunch



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Prince of Peace  
Women's Missionary  
Federation (WMF)

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*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.*

The WMF Board and a couple of other WMF ladies met on March 7 to make plans for the WMF Spring Rally that will be held on April 21, at POPLC. We have been planning informally over the past few weeks. The theme of the rally is “**R U Plugged In?**” using Isaiah 40:27-31. Mafu and Ednay Abel (Missionaries in Brazil) will be the afternoon speakers along with Lacey Wenning. Lacey will be sharing a bit about her upcoming mission trip to Asia.

Things that have been planned include the music for the day, a menu for morning coffee, a menu for lunch, an afternoon snack and the favors to send home with the attendees. As the host church we decide where to send half of the offering. A motion was made, seconded and carried to give it to Matthew and Ednay Abel.

We will be using a couple of work groups for the rally...to help set up, serve, and clean up. We will have sign up sheets for individuals to bake the muffins and nut breads for the morning coffee.

Our Love Offering (dues) of \$150.00 was sent to the WMF District of which we are a part. Gift cards of \$100.00 each were sent to the Chimmels and Wagners in celebration of the births of new babies. Our WMF

enjoys gifting our missionaries when they have a baby.

The POP WMF has been asked to help:

1. In June at the AFLC Annual Conference in Dickenson for WMF days we are asked to bring individually wrapped bars and/or cookies to be served that day.
2. We have been asked to help get flowers ready for the remembrance cross at the Conference for WMF members who have died over the last year.
3. In July we need to provide lunch for a day at Family Camp.

Our meeting took less than an hour.

Something we didn't discuss or even think about is a Mother's Day Celebration. You know the drill... if you are interested in getting something together let me know. It is up to you!

For our WMF Bible study - We will be looking at Lesson 4 “A Living Hope: An Eternal Perspective” on April 16, at 10:30 and 6:30. **Please join us.**

Sincerely in His love,  
Judy Tolosky 870-2131



[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 May 6, 13 & 27.



### Hearing Assistance Available

We have 6 “over the ear” headphone packs available for those that need hearing assistance during any of our worship services.

For those of you with hearing aids that pick up T-Coil signals – please contact the sound booth person because they can help you get your hearing aids connected with our sound system! No headphones needed. We want you to be able to hear the things that are going on here!!!



### 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](mailto:lee@beu.midco.net) or Darcee at [Churchoffice@princeofpeacebeulah.org](mailto:Churchoffice@princeofpeacebeulah.org)

### Missed a Sunday church service?

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 and on our KDKT Radio broadcast at 11:30 on Sunday mornings.

## Ushers for April

- 4-1-2018:** Mark Gerde, Kenny Klein, Don Buck, Robert Buck, David Hottman
- 4-8-2018:** Brad & Teresa Klipfel, Gene & Dara Hausauer, John & Carmen Mohl
- 4-15-2018:** Marvin & Janice Sigman, Keller family, Horning family
- 4-22-2018:** Jerry & Marlys Reichenberg, Kameron Plienis, Klaudt family
- 4-29-2018** Kevin Lee, Lynette Flemmer, Marlene Buehner, Dean Fandrich, Jim Wenning, Jay Seibel

## Fellowship service for April

- 4-1-2018:** No fellowship due to Easter holiday
- 4-8-2018:** Ella Fandrich, Jay & Karen Seibel, Bill Keller family
- 4-15-2018:** LaRue Schwarz, Dan Martin family, Alt family
- 4-22-2018:** Jay & Ashley Olson, Feist family, Sodie Peabody
- 4-29-2018** Darrin & Leeta Olin, Elsie Wiedenmeyer, Shane & Amy Haugen

## Worship Attendance

- 02-14 - 57 Ash Wednesday**
- 02-18 - 129**
- 02-21 - 54 Lent #2**
- 02-25 - 184**
- 02-28 - 30 Lent #3**
- 03-04 - 143**
- 03-07 - 40 Lent #4**
- 03-11 - 147**
- 03-14 - 50 Lent #5**
- 03-18 - 123**
- 03-21 - 44 Lent #6**
- 03-25 - 203 Palm Sunday**



### Men’s Breakfast/BibleStudy

Men's breakfast/Bible study will be Saturday, April 21 @ 7:00am.

## **Chairman's Thoughts...**

I'm sure you have most all heard it said - **"Christianity is only a generation away from extinction."**

I read an article, which was printed in 2013, and thought it would be interesting to paraphrase and share. This same situation could happen right here in America, and to be truthful, it probably already has headed in that direction. I'm certainly encouraged with the young families and the youth activities at our church. Praise God! Keep it going! The article I reference goes like this:

**Article:** Unless the church makes a substantial breakthrough in attracting young people back to the faith, Christianity in Britain is just "a generation away from extinction," says former Archbishop of Canterbury Lord Carey.

Referencing the Church of England's warning that shrinking attendance could challenge its role as a "national institution," Lord Carey pointed out at a Christian Conference that clergy are currently grappling with a "feeling of defeat" and congregations are weighed down with "heaviness." (*my opinion DS- treating the church as an institution could be part of the problem in England*)

On top of that, he said, the public's reaction to all of this is simply "rolled eyes and a yawn of boredom."

"In many parts of Britain churches are struggling, some priests are lacking confidence in one's own ability; a feeling of defeat is around. The burden seems heavy and joy in ministry has been replaced by a feeling of heaviness," said Lord Carey, highlighting that people had become dismissive toward the gospel.

"The viewpoint could be expressed in a variety of non-verbal ways: the shrug of indifference, the rolled eyes of embarrassment, the yawn of boredom...So many people do not see the average church as a place where great things happen," he said.

"One of the most worrying, most urgent groups we need to invest in is young people. We ought to be ashamed of ourselves," Lord Carey noted.

"So many churches have no ministry to young people and that means they have no interest in the future. As I have repeated many times in the past we are one generation away from extinction. We have to give convincing and clear reasons to young people why the Christian faith is relevant to them," he said.

With this in mind, please pray that God's hand would be over the entire situation, for our upcoming meetings on February 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> with Seth Larson, a candidate from the AFLC Bible School who is interested in the Youth Director position at Prince of Peace.

We should never forget, that even here in America, we too are only one generation away from Christianity being extinct.

Serving Christ as we serve Others (Matthew 25:45)  
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### **NEWSLETTER INFORMATION**

If you would like to receive the monthly Newsletter by email, please email the church office at [churchoffice@princeofpeacebeulah.org](mailto: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 873-560

### **Spring Spiritual Life Meetings**

Sunday April 15 @ 9am, 10:30am & 7pm,  
Mon-Wed @ 7:00pm

Pastor Don Richman, an AFLC pastor and board member of Lutherans for Life, will be with us for our Spiritual Life Meetings beginning on April 15th. He'll share with us a Biblical understanding of several life issues confronting our society today, such as: abortion, sex selection, euthanasia, physician assisted suicide, genetic engineering, IVF, and birth control.

# Youth

This spot will remain empty for now.

Be in prayer for our new Youth Director!

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Online registration opens the end of January 2018  
[www.aflc.org/youth](http://www.aflc.org/youth)

Evening Speakers:  
AFLC Pastors & Leaders

## May is a busy Month!

May 6 – Confirmation Sunday  
 May 13 – Mother’s Day  
 May 20 – POP Graduate Recognition  
 May 27 - Last Day of Sunday School,  
 Preschool-Grade 6 will sing, Graduate and  
 Teacher Recognition, End of Year Brunch

## April Birthdays!!!

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| Braelyn Hottman    | 4/1  |
| Elijah Barbot      | 4/2  |
| Amanda Riegel      | 4/4  |
| Judy Tolosky       | 4/6  |
| Bonnie Bauer       | 4/7  |
| Kelsey Haugen      | 4/8  |
| Garrett Placke     | 4/8  |
| Scarlett Schmit    | 4/8  |
| Viola Martin       | 4/11 |
| Fred Bieri         | 4/12 |
| Marge Murray       | 4/13 |
| Sophia Sayler      | 4/13 |
| Peyton Funk        | 4/14 |
| Aric Ulland        | 4/14 |
| Jane Gunsch        | 4/15 |
| Kelsey Renner      | 4/15 |
| Jennifer Neuberger | 4/16 |
| Cassie Plienis     | 4/16 |
| Randy Zimmerman    | 4/16 |
| Lynda Doe          | 4/18 |
| Samantha Ritter    | 4/18 |
| Glenn Sasse        | 4/18 |
| Dustin Buchmann    | 4/19 |
| Jyzelle Mohl       | 4/19 |
| Micaiah Langness   | 4/21 |
| Rusty Plienis      | 4/24 |
| Joseph Barbot      | 4/25 |
| Michael Feist      | 4/26 |
| Vern Pederson      | 4/26 |
| Marvin Bauer       | 4/27 |
| Les Buchmann       | 4/27 |
| Pamela Raile       | 4/27 |
| Reaiah Langness    | 4/28 |
| Michael Schmit     | 4/28 |
| Lillian Hamby      | 4/29 |
| Tia Horning        | 4/29 |
| Deb Creel          | 4/30 |
| Danielle Renner    | 4/30 |
| Elsie Wiedenmeyer  | 4/30 |

## Sync Our Church Directory to Your Mobile Device

Now you can sync our church directory directly to your Apple, Android or Kindle Fire device with a FREE app!

Search for other members, and then email, call or text – right from the directory app.

### It's Easy!

1. Go to your device's App Store.
2. Search for Instant Church Directory.
3. Enter your email as it's listed in our church directory.
4. Enter the assigned password into the app to begin syncing.



I will be glad to help you put the directory app on your smart phone if you are having trouble! ALSO – if you have not submitted a family photo, or would like to update your family photo – Please just email the photo to me. It is so ez to take care of. I just need your help in getting the photo ☺

Please check out the directory to see if any of your family information needs to be updated and **you are welcome to send me an updated family photo!** The directory updates every time you open it on your device.

**Hard copies of the directory are available– just let me know in the office!**

## COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

### President's Report – Delton Schnaidt

The other day I was humbled as I again read the adopted and ratified "Statement of Core Beliefs" for Prince of Peace Lutheran Church. For many, if not all of us, these conservative and fundamental biblical principles are the reason we embraced Prince of Peace. These core beliefs are the backbone and the reason many of us chose to become members of this body of Christ. From time to time we all should review these adopted principles, as well as the scripture passages that support this document, to remind us of the intent of

the original charter members of this congregation when it was formed in 1993.

The content of the core beliefs are titled:

**Statement of Mission, Statement of Authority, Statement of Purpose, Statement on the Family, and Statement on Social Concerns.**

I'm sure you will appreciate these core beliefs after reading these well documented principles that we claim to stand on.

Watch for a copy of the Statement of Core Beliefs in the Prince of Peace Newsletter. I encourage all of our members to read this vital material and to share with others these biblically supported beliefs we continue on our faith journey.

Thank you for your faithfulness and your support of this ministry at Prince of Peace, as we reach out to an ever-changing world with God's unchanging Word.

### Pastor's Report – Pastor Kent

Participated in our ministerial prayer meetings.

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

We finished up our Wednesday night study on Mormonism just prior to the beginning of Lent.

Preparing for and leading our Wednesday night Lenten services. I was out at Golden Valley last night to share with Pastor Tom's congregation.

Sunday School is going well as we look at the return of the Jews from their exile.

I had the flu during our last men's breakfast, but I prepared a study looking at the fact that Abraham was a man of faith. Even though the promises of God seemed unbelievable, he grasped on to them and worshiped the Lord in response. Del led this study in my place.

Let worship at Senior Suites.  
Communed residents at KRCC.

Attended meetings of the AFLC World Missions Committee in Minneapolis March 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> and had a video conference with World Missions on March 6<sup>th</sup>.

### Treasurers Report – Margie Lee

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| General Fund        | \$ 34,936.69 |
| Building Fund       | \$ 43,374.64 |
| Coffee Hour Fund    | \$ 224.19    |
| Community Meal Fund | \$ 1,037.89  |

Congr. Mission Trips \$ 87.00  
 Intern Fund \$ 38,297.37  
 Total Bank Acct \$ 124,286.03

Loan Borrowed 4/2015 \$ 250,000.00  
 Loan Balance \$ 152,260.73

**Trustee’s Report – Randy Schneider**

**Furnace Quotes** - Duke Hammerschmidt will give us a quote for new furnaces but he wouldn’t want to do it alone so would have Clay’s Plumbing assist. The Trustees will call HA Thompson and Sons for quotes also.

**Kitchen Faucet** - Les Buchmann replaced the faucet on the north kitchen sink. It has a pull-out sprayer to rinse out coffee pots.

**Christian Ed Report – Michelle Klaudt**

**Sunday School:** We did not go to Nursing Home, they were on lock down. We will try to go on April 22 with grades Preschool thru 6th. When Chery Gegelmen is done subbing HS class, they will join Heather Brandt’s class for the remainder of the year.

**Easter event** - March 31st at 10:30 am for grades up to fourth. Planning on for 125 kids, had 80 last year. Margaret will make 250 cookies and will ask congregation for donations for frosting & decorations. Several crafts will be ordered and a paper lunch size bag for kids to decorate to put prizes in. Ads can go in paper & Dollar Saver and to any community event boards. Flyer can also be sent to schools. Confirmation students can help fill eggs for hours. We will ask for donations for candy. We have a Thrivent card to use.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Youth Easter Breakfast** – Deb Sayler reported that they have a Thrivent Action Team Card to help purchase the food and the remainder will be purchased with the Youth checking account. Deb will purchase food, line up help and divide up the money between youth. Jim Wenning will coordinate the kitchen.

**Nursing Mothers Quiet Room** – One of the Sunday School rooms has been redecorated for this need. There will be three chairs and a changing table. Margie Lee mentioned a mom commented that it would be nice to have a video feed. We will look into this option.

**Water pipes** – The water pipes above ceiling in library, cry room, kitchen area are freeze concern – we need to take a look at this.

**Youth Committee formation** – We discussed requesting volunteers for the Youth Committee after the Special Congregational meeting to call a Youth Director on March 11.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Youth Director Special Congregation Meeting Sunday March 11** – Approved the following

- package for Youth Director candidate Seth Larson
- a. \$40,000 Salary with health insurance to be self-funded by candidate
  - b. \$600 for Continuing Education
  - c. \$600 to attend AFLC Annual Conference
  - d. Up to \$2,000 for mileage @ current IRS rates
  - e. Two weeks paid vacation
  - f. Moving expenses at the most economical method (i.e. U-Haul)

**POP AFLBS Scholarship** – Approved giving a \$2,000 per semester scholarship to students who attend AFLC Bible School in Plymouth, MN

**Tithe** - \$2,383.26 was given to the ARC.

**2018 Council positions**

|                            |                        |
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| <b>President</b>           | Delton Schnaidt (2018) |
|                            |                        |
| <b>Treasurer</b>           | Margie Lee (2018)      |
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| <b>Secretary</b>           | Deb Sayler (2018)      |
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| <b>Deacons</b>             | Don Buck (2018)        |
|                            | Riley Schriefer (2019) |
|                            | Kevin Lee (2020)       |
|                            | Garrett Sayler (2020)  |
|                            |                        |
| <b>Trustees</b>            | Bill Keller III (2018) |
|                            | Randy Schneider (2019) |
|                            | Joe Barbot (2019)      |
|                            | Les Buchmann (2020)    |
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| <b>Christian Education</b> | Rebecah Martin (2018)  |
|                            | Michelle Klaudt (2019) |
|                            | Kelsey Timmer (2019)   |
|                            | Angie Wanzek (2020)    |