

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

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Pastor Kent

"So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.'"

(Luke 17:10 ESV)

It's nice to be acknowledged for the things that we do. It makes us feel good when people honor us for our achievements. However, in our society today, this is taken to an extreme. We seem to feel that we deserve acknowledgement and honor for everything that we do.

Children feel that they should be rewarded for getting good grades in school. They feel that they should be honored for good attendance. They fail to understand that the opportunity to receive a good education is a blessing. And, in response to this blessing, good attendance and good grades are a duty.

In the same way, they feel that they should receive a trophy for participating in sports. They fail to understand that it's a blessing to be on the

team. And, in response to this blessing, a determined effort to help the team succeed is an obligation.

The same mindset follows us into adulthood. If we do well in college, we feel that we're deserving of a good job. If we perform well on the job, we feel that we deserve a grand title, a pay raise, or a promotion. We fail to understand that having a good job is a blessing. And it's our duty to give our greatest effort in response to this blessing.

We also tend to think this way in our life of faith. We think that we should be commended by God for every act of service we perform. Because of our service, we feel entitled to his blessing. And we think that we should be honored by those we serve.

Our feelings about this are so strong that, if acknowledgement isn't given, we feel slighted. We feel that our efforts have been in vain. We feel devalued and disregarded. And we tend to give up and cease in our efforts.

Jesus addresses this mindset in Luke 17. He uses the picture of a man and his servant to make his point. He points out that, when the servant comes in after a hard day's work, he isn't invited to sit down to enjoy a meal. It's expected that he will prepare supper, dress properly, and serve his master. And only after his duties are completed is he able to eat and drink.

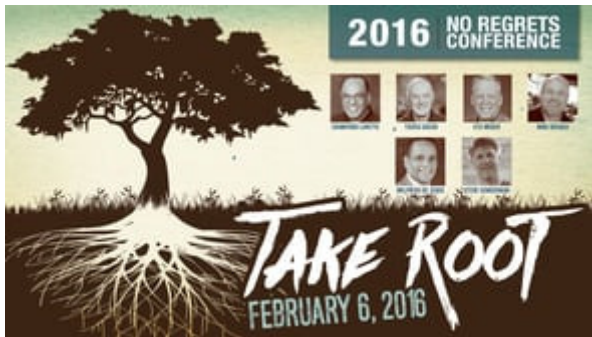
Jesus also points out that the servant is not thanked for what he has done. He is not thanked because he's merely done his job. He's done nothing more than his duty.

In the same way, he tells us, we shouldn't expect commendation for the things we've done. Instead, we're to acknowledge that we're unworthy servants. We're to acknowledge that we've done only our duty.

This is very true. We must always bear in mind that the only thing we deserve is death and hell. We must bear in mind that, because of what he's done for us, the Lord is deserving of our faithfulness.

This can be a tough pill to swallow. God does not owe us anything because of our service. The simple fact of the matter is that, because of what he has done for us, God is deserving of our service. We have been saved by his grace and mercy, and for this reason he is deserving of our honor.

If God then honors us, it's only because of his grace. If he blesses us, it's only because of his mercy. We are nothing more than unworthy servants who've done only our duty.



Men's Conference
February 6 @ New Life – Register @
www.facebook.com/amansrevolution



Community Meal

January's community meal at Prince of Peace will be Saturday, February 13 from 11am to 2pm.



Please be in prayer for our missionary team going to Ecuador from February 11 - 23 - Jordan Langness, Chris Alt, Becca Alt, and Chelsie Babcock. They will be serving with Justo and Patricia Pillman in their mission.



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 February 7, 14, 21, and 28 and March 6, 13, 20, & 27. The radio broadcast is a very important ministry to those that are home bound.

Please consider sponsoring/funding this ministry.



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.



Sunday School Corner

We are back in the routine again and things are going wonderful! We have been blessed by a great group of men and women who have stepped up and taught Sunday School. They are wonderful, reliable and are truly making a difference in our kids' lives. We are so thankful for every one of them.

On April 24th we will once again be holding a Church wide mission project to support Soles of Hope. Our goal by having mission projects like this is for all ages to take part and see what we can accomplish when many hands work together.

Check out the special section in the newsletter this month and start saving those jeans!

There are some key dates that you should be away as we look forward to spring. These dates are:

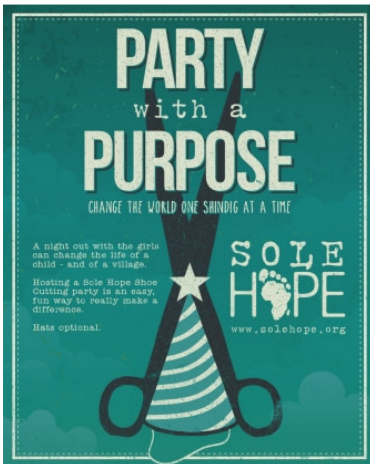
February 14: Sunday School kids go to Knife River Care Center

March 20: Special Easter Craft

March 27: Easter Sunday and NO Sunday School

April 24: Special Church wide mission project "Sole Hope"

May 15: Last day of Sunday School



Sole Hope

What is Sole Hope you ask? Sole Hope is non-profit organization that is striving to prevent foot-borne illnesses in Uganda. The culprit is jiggers, small fleas that bore into the soles of feet causing infection, paralysis and in severe cases, amputation. So how does Sole Hope help?

They accomplish this in two way. First they educate the local population on how to prevent infection and contact with cause. Second they teach and encourage the local population to learn the trade of shoe making through sustainable practices.

So how is Prince of Peace going to help? We are once again holding a church wide, intergenerational mission project Sunday, April 24th and will be helping Sole Hope in two way. The first way is to have a cutting party. The shoes that the local tradesmen make are made out of recycled denim. On April 24th we will use patterns to cut sets from 100% heavy weight cotton denim donated by us, the members of Prince of Peace. For every pattern set cut, \$10 is needed to get that pattern set to Uganda and those shoes made by local tradesmen. To sponsor a pair of shoes, please grab a "pair" from the table in the back of the church and send it on its way to Uganda by placing it on the map and the donation in the jar. So even if you don't have denim to donate or can't help cut you can still support a pair of shoes' journey to Uganda.

The second way we can help is through a list of needs. These items are used to help treat the problem. A collection box will be placed next to the map in the back of the Church. They included:

- large safety pins
- medical gloves
- Band-Aids
- alcohol wipes
- gauze wrap
- triple antibiotic/Neosporin cream
- child strength pain medication
- medical tape
- stickers for children
- coloring books & crayons
- donations for basins, soap, & other supplies to be bought in country

If you would like to find out more about Sole Hope and the impact that this has on the people of Uganda please check out their website at www.SoleHope.org.



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.

And we are in the second month of 2016... Let's make every day count as we live a life that brings glory to our Lord and Savior!

I am sorry to say I was unable to attend Library night at the January WMF Coffee House event. I went to be with my folks as my mom had total knee replacement surgery that week. She's doing well and is in the good care of my sister and dad and my heavenly Father, too. But I always am disappointed to miss these gatherings.

There was a business meeting. "The Patio" will be our spring fund raiser this year. It's going to replace the Boutique. Gina Feist agreed to chair this event. Chris Alt will be in charge of the Coffee Shop and Darcee will organize the food that the youth will serve for lunch and Jordan will get the youth lined up to work. There will **not** be a rummage sale.

Margie led the devotion by Mary Graham titled "He Knows My Name" using Isaiah 45:3. "I will give you the treasures of darkness and hidden riches of secret places that you may know that I, the Lord, who call you by name, am the God of Israel." If a relative stranger or clerk in the store knows your name, surely the God who made you knows your name.

The evening program was turned over to Deb Creel and Bonnie Bauer, the POP librarians. There are new books and videos available for checkout. Others in attendance shared and recommended books they have enjoyed. There are VCR tapes that are no longer checked out and it was suggested they be put out in a box for give away.

Refreshments were brought and served by Margie and Jenna Lee. The night's offering went to the POPLC Library board.

Is one of them yours? A lot of items have been left the kitchen that belong to someone who brought something good to eat but didn't take home the container. These items are on a table in the fellowship hall.

The new WMF Bible Study has begun. It is a study of the book of Colossians. Getting together with fellow believers and looking at God's word is so rewarding. It says in Colossians 1:10-12, Paul speaking, "And we pray ...that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please Him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power according to His glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light." I need to pray for my fellow believers, my church family this same prayer. God was speaking to me. Come join us this month on the 21st at either 10:30 am or 6:30 pm. We will be going over lesson 2. If you don't have a book call, the church, because extras were ordered, and we can always order more.

FILL A SUITCASE FOR ECUADOR

A mission team from POP will be heading to Ecuador in February; Jordan Langness, Chris and Becca Alt and Chelsie Babcock. They will be helping Justo and Patricia Pillman and family in their mission work. Ecuador is a country with a corrupt mail system and the only way in which Pillmans can receive a package is if it is brought in a visitor's suitcase. WMF will be filling one of the extra suitcases that the mission team will take filled with items just for the Pillmans.

Below is a list of specific items Justo said they like and have a hard time getting or are too costly in Ecuador:

- * Burt's Bees night cream (any kind)
- * Natural soap bars (made with all natural ingredients)
- * Stickers and/or sticker books
- * Paint with water books
- * Snickers candy bars
- * Alkaline batteries (size AAA, AA, and C)
- * 2TB portable USB hard drive (call the office because Darcee knows the details)
- * Italian seasoning

Other things that missionaries appreciate are boxed/prepackaged items such as mac&cheese, pudding, snacks, seasoning packets, dry soup,

Oreos, jerky, licorice, chap stick. The Pillman children; Nathaniel- 4 or 5, Hannah-almost 3, Joshua-6 mos would enjoy books, crayons...I am sure you can think of something appropriate. I am always excited to send off a mission box. Do any of you remember "Pollyanna" and her missionary box experience?

Have the items to the church by Monday, February 8 so they can be packed.

Think Patio in this cold season. Imagine sitting out in your back yard sipping a beverage and enjoying a slice of pie. Looking around you, you see the just right item for that empty spot on your deck or in your office or family room. Stroll through the walkways between The Patios and take a closer look. This is the atmosphere for the spring fundraiser. Rustic, Repurposed and Handcrafted items are what will be offered for sale and there are samples on tables in the fellowship hall of *rustic, repurposed, and handcrafted*. You may have your own terrific project. There are sign-up sheets in the back of the sanctuary for patio items that will be needed and help wanted. Check it out.

Set aside Saturdays, Feb.20th, and March 5. These will be **crafting days**. Bring your project for **The Patio** and you will have a nice warm place to work on it. If you don't have your own project there will be several small one or two step projects to put together. If you are available to help some one out that would be great, too. Sign up sheets are available in the back for both **crafting days**.

Thanks for being a part of our Women's Missionary Federation. We can do the good deeds God has prepared for us to do and have fun fellowship while working.

In Jesus service,
Judy Tolosky [701-870-2131](tel:701-870-2131)



Threads of Love

Please join us quilting on Wednesdays from 9am to 2pm. No experience necessary!

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 873-5650.



Chairman's Thoughts...

No Article submitted.

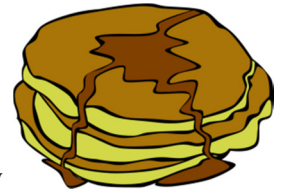
Ushers for February

02-07-2016 Marvin Bauer*, Fred Bieri, Dean Fandrich, Perry Saylor, Todd Seibel, Vern Boehm
02-14-2016 Robin Richter*, Robert Hafner, Dalton & Sylvia Zeiszler, Shane Haugen, Ron Fre
02-21-2016 Kevin * & Margie Lee, Gary & Marj Murray, and Marvin & Janice Sigman
02-28-2016 Jim Wenning*, Emily Wenning, Rebecah Martin, Blake Martin, Riley & Cheyenne Schriefer

*denotes Head Usher

Fellowship service for Feb.

02-07-2016 Mary K Ochsner, Ron & Milda Frei, Mike & Kendra Fink
02-14-2016 Dalton & Sylvia Zeiszler, Jeremy & Heather Brandt, Wayne & Shawn Hoffner
02-21-2016 Joe & Twyla Barbot, Kris & Aimee Oyen, Betty Hausauer
02-28-2016 Vern & Karla Boehm, Del & Linda Schnaidt, Ruth Sailer



Men's Breakfast/Bible Study

Is Saturday February 20 @ 7:00am

Youth

This is Love
By Jordan Langness

“This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.” 1 John 4:10

Love, it is something that comes up every February whether you are single or married. For us married folks, this reminder comes in the form of the onslaught of ads reminding us to buy the flowers, plan the date, and do all of the other things that prove our undying affection for our spouses. For the single people out there, maybe this month is known for the celebration of the national singles awareness day. Regardless of which camp you belong to, we are all told and sold certain ideas on what love is meant to look like and what love is meant to be.

Normally, we coast through this time of year without giving much thought to all of these advertisements for “true love”, but this year, I want us to consider what true love really looks like. Is the picture of love we get from our culture accurate? Is it real? Let us look to the source of truth to explore this answer; Scripture.

Throughout God’s word, we see several references to love and defining what love is. We read that love is patient, love is kind, it does not boast, it keeps no records of wrong, and so on. We notice that love was and is the driving force of God’s work in our world. God so loved the world that He gave...He loved us and sent His Son. This is the heart of love. It is a driving force of selflessness and giving. God’s love is the source of our love. Because God loved us, we now have the capacity to love Him back firstly, and then love our neighbors.

This February, let’s not get sidetracked by the world’s definition of love and romanticism, but let’s saturate our minds with the true love found in the Bible. Dwell on God’s loving us even while we were enemies with Him. Meditate on how God’s love flowing through us leads us to love others. True love isn’t found in chocolates, flowers, and cheesy cards; it is found in Jesus. Therefore, let our greatest expressions and gifts of love this year be giving our spouses, loved ones, family and friends a taste of Jesus.

Upcoming events

February: Mission trip to Ecuador

February 14-15: District Ski trip to Bottineau

March 11-13: Spring Campus Days at AFLBS

March 27th: Easter Breakfast

April 1-2nd: District Spring Retreat

Missed a Sunday church service?



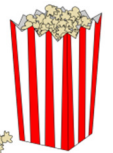
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Did you know that each Sunday’s Sermons are recorded? If you would like a CD copy, the cost is \$1.00. You may have the entire service or just sermon recorded onto the CD. You can get up to 2 sermons on one CD. Please call or email the office and we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



Library news...



Please bring your children to the POP Library. We have lots of wonderful books for them to check out!

Ash 
Wednesday

February 10!!!!!!

Worship Attendance

12-20 -	177
12-24 -	381 Christmas Eve
12-27 -	124
01-03 -	161
01-10 -	135
01-17 -	161
01-24 -	225



COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Chairman's Report – Joe Barbot

I have enjoyed the sermon content over the past few weeks. It is something that we deal with at the funeral home over and over again and sometimes it is hard to find ways to answer the questions of why does God allow such devastating pain in our lives. These past few sermons have helped put a few things in perspective and has given a few tools to pass along to people who we encounter on a day to day basis.

Pastor's Report – Pastor Kent

Confirmation classes – Going well. We just concluded our look at the Ten Commandments and gearing up for our second quiz.

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

Men's Breakfast – We're engaging in a study titled: "Becoming a Man of Valor" which looks at lessons learned by Joshua as he served under Moses

Counseling – I've had several sessions this month.

The Beulah ministerial will be hosting an outreach in Zap on January 30th. Since there are no longer any churches in Zap, we felt it important to encourage the people of that town to check out one of the churches in Beulah.

Ash Wednesday is February 10th. We'll be starting Lenten services that night, and we'll have a rotation of myself, Pastor Tom, and Jordan.

Youth Director's Report – Jordan Langness

Sunday School: We have only had one class since the last council meeting due to the Christmas program as well as Christmas break. I was not able to be present due to attending the Youth Worker's training event that weekend, but I was excited to have Hunter Keller fill in for me and teach. It was a real blessing to see a student step up and lead the class. Please be in prayer for more opportunities for the students to be challenged by and step into leadership roles.

Middle School: We also had just one Middle School Bible Study with the kids this past month. After that break, it was good to be back with them.

February Birthdays!!!

Edith Fandrich	2/1
Connie Schaper	2/1
Kelly Neuberger	2/3
Beth Zimmerman	2/6
Lillian Boeshans	2/7
Janet Iverson	2/7
Noah Bieri	2/8
Mark Schneider	2/8
Kelsey Timmer	2/9
Marvin Sigman	2/10
Chris Alt	2/11
Jim Schmit	2/12
Stephanie Goetz	2/19
Hilda Backfish	2/22
Maria Hausauer	2/22
Marie Kemmet	2/25
Billie Jo Weltikol	2/26
Eugene Hausauer	2/28
Gordon Hoffner	2/28
Rachel Horning	2/28
Willie Schaper	2/28
Jim Schumaier	2/28

Youth Group: We have continued through Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. I am proud of the students and how well they have been grappling with the material. Also, next week there will be another opportunity for a student to be leading as I am going to be out of town for some continuing education. I am still working out the details with this young man, but please pray for this student as he prepares to teach.

Treasurers Report – Margie Lee

General Fund	\$ 58,485.89
Building Fund	\$ 12,328.35
Debt Reduction Fund	\$ 100.00
Intern Fund	\$ 12,297.37
New Altar Fund	\$ 7,564.02
Total Bank Acct	\$ 101,829.46

Loan Borrowed 4/2015 \$ 250,000.00

Loan Balance 10/2015 \$ 228,879.13

Deacon's Report – Del Schnaidt

• Spring 2016 Spiritual Life Meetings

Our guest speaker for our spring spiritual life meetings April 24-27 will be Pastor Jason Holt, AFLC Director of Youth Ministries. His topic will be based on "Raising the Next Generation in Faith."

• Alaska & Ecuador Mission Trips

The egg bake & caramel roll breakfast fundraiser on Sunday January 3 raised \$1,159. The money that was donated will be split between the missions to help cover expenses.

• Worship Services on the Community TV Channel

Plans are for the recorded Sunday morning worship services that are taken to city hall to be soon broadcast each Sunday morning @ 9:30. The city of Beulah technician is working on the format details of the recorded services.

• Sound Booth

We talked a little about possibly needing an additional person to help in the sound booth. (Particularly during special programs & services). The camera has added some extra responsibility in addition to the sound, recording adjustments, as well as projector system occasional obstacles during the service. With only a few of us working the sound booth, we could use a little more help.

Trustee's Report – John Mohl

The Railing is in and is close to being finished. Handicap door Closers need to be installed, we are waiting for the fellowship hall fridge to get a new compressor installed (which is in, and is planning on installing it today possibly). The rock at the altar is installed.

Outdoor Bell Ringing System has been ordered with a deposit being sent.

All furnaces have been checked out and put into service with some issues with the older rooftop units. The new furnace by the library kicks out repeatedly during high winds. We have asked Hammerschmidt – Beulah Electric to look at this.

Snow removal list update. A list has been sent out but there is still room for more volunteers.

Outdoor Sign. A new ballast will be installed late spring or early summer. It seems to be working ok during this cooler weather

OLD BUSINESS

Loan principal amount – We approved to use \$10,000 from the General Fund to pay on the loan principal amount.

NEW BUSINESS

Mission Trip Scholarships – We approved giving up to \$200 to each person applying for scholarships for the mission trip to Ecuador.

Tithe – Our Tithe of \$2840.23 will be sent to the AFLC Home Missions.