

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

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# November, 2017



## Pastor Kent

*"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you."*  
(Matthew 28:19-20 ESV)

This month, Prince of Peace will be hosting Pastor Jim Rasmussen, the Director of Evangelism for the AFLC. He will be sharing at our fall Spiritual Life Meetings, teaching us about the life of the believer. And he'll focus on the fact that, as believers, our lives revolve around making disciples.

Most of us are aware that we've been called by Jesus to reach out to unbelievers. We know that we've been called to proclaim to them the gospel. However, when we think about how to do this, we've become fixated on certain methods that are, in reality, too short-sighted.

We've grown up in a culture of crusades and tracts. When we think of evangelism, we think of gospel messages followed by an altar call. We think of sharing booklets, like the Four Spiritual Laws, with unbelievers. And we seem to think that, once we've done this, we've fulfilled our duty.

We are called to share the gospel. And the approaches I mentioned can be helpful at times. However, we fail to realize that outreach is much more relational.

We're called, in the above passage, to make disciples of all nations. And, although we must share the gospel with them if we're to do this, making disciples is much more involved. It's a long-term commitment that involves building relationships with others.

We make disciples of others by sharing the gospel and baptizing. But we also do so by teaching them to observe all that Christ has commanded. And, when we consider that statement, I think we realize that this isn't something that's done overnight.

We recognize that we've grown in our faith over time. As we've been instructed in God's Word, we've gradually turned from our sin and trusted in Christ in greater ways. And the same principle plays out in the lives of others.

As people come to know us, and as they come to see our love for them, we gain opportunities to speak into their life. We gain opportunities to share God's Word with them. And, as this progresses, the Lord is able to draw them to a life of repentance and faith.

This is where most of us tend to fall short. I know it's an area where I have a lot of room for improvement. As I look at my life and ministry, I see that my wife is much better at this than I am. While I do well in a church setting, she is much better at building friendships with unbelievers. And this gives her unique opportunities to minister to them over time.

I encourage you to attend our Spiritual Life Meetings to learn more about this. And, as we do so, may the Lord use us to reach out to our community. May the Lord use us to make disciples of Jesus.

## **Welcome New Members**

Keith & Cynthia Peterson, Chris, Kayla & Hailey Palmer, and Kameron, Cassie, Kynlee, Krosby & Kelby Plienis.

## **Fall Spiritual Life Meetings**

Prince of Peace Fall Spiritual Life Meetings with Pastor Jim Rasmusen, the Director of Evangelism for AFLC) and he will be speaking about "Disciple-Making: The Life of the Believer". The meetings begin with Sunday sermon, Sunday School, Sunday - Wednesday evenings November 12-15!



## **Community Meal**

November Community meal at Prince of Peace will be Saturday, November 11 from 11am to 1pm. POP WMF will be serving this event. Please contact Joan Schumaier to help! (ps. Any woman who attends Prince of Peace is in our WMF!)



## **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 text Darcee @ 870-2122.

## **Ushers for November**

**11-5-2017** Mark Gerde, Kenny Klein, Don Buck, Robert Buck, David Hottman, and Walter Wagner  
**11-12-2017** Brad & Teresa Klipfel, Eugene & Dara Hausauer, John & Carmen Mohl  
**11-19-2017** Marvin & Janice Sigman, Keller family, Torie and Tia Horning  
**11-26-2017** Jerry & Marlys Reichenberg, Klautdt family

## **Fellowship service for November**

**11-5-2017** Jeremy & Heather Brandt, Ron & Milda Frei, Les & Joette Buchmann  
**11-12-2017** Bob & Amy Ferebee, Del & Linda Schnaidt  
**11-19-2017** Tad & Gina Feist, Heidi Horning, Dustin & Nicole Buchmann  
**11-26-2017** Ray & Leona Mattheis, Carey Mattheis, Gary & Marj Murray



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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.*

I have been enjoying the WMF Bible Study Lessons this year. Our last one on Evangelistic Acts was a good one. The opening paragraph of lesson 9 says: "Evangelism is the overarching theme in the book of Acts...an historical account of the birth of the Christian church and how it spread...the ministry of Peter and the ministry of Paul (and) many other Christians are described as being instrumental to the growth of Christianity. In fact, the true evangelist is the Holy Spirit who empowered and guided the believers in their mission." And that is how evangelistic acts are still done, with the power of the Holy Spirit who will guide and direct us as we share the Good News of Jesus Christ. We plant a seed and God makes it grow.

Lesson 10, "Acts of Hospitality" is the next lesson. **WMF Bible study will be meeting on Monday, November 20 at 10:30 and 6:30.**

**WMF will be preparing and serving the Community Meal on Saturday, November 11.** Please, ladies, talk to Joan Schumaier if you would be able to help cook on Friday, November 10 and or serve on the 11<sup>th</sup>. It is truly a joy to help in this ministry and it is an example of "HOSPITALITY" on both the congregational level and personal level as well.

A WMF Coffee House gathering will be held in December in the evening. We will go through the Bible Study lesson "Acts of Unity and Reconciliation" and share some Christmas goodies. More details will be given closer to the date. We also choose our officers at this gathering: Vice President, Treasurer, and Mission Secretary are the positions that need to be filled.

We sent off three boxes of goodies to Mexico and an Amazon gift card. They have received the gift card and truly are grateful for this. We are still waiting to hear about the boxes.

Enjoy packing the OCC boxes on Nov. 5. I am sorry to be missing that event. As we prepare for the upcoming holiday season, Thanksgiving and Christmas, let us remember to Whom we are thankful and Whose birthday we are celebrating. Everything we have is a gift from God and what we give to another may be the gift God has for that person.

Happy Thanksgiving! God bless you!  
In His service, Judy Tolosky (I am going to be unreachable for awhile.)



## Library news...

November library news: Check out what our library has to offer. We have lots of movies and great books! Check your stacks at home to see if you have things that need to be returned.

### 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.

### 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 October 22, & 29 and November 5, 12, 19, & 26. The radio broadcast is a very important ministry to those that are home bound. Please consider sponsoring/funding this ministry.

## November Birthdays!!!

Mildred Hanks	11/1
Sylvia Zeiszler	11/1
Jay Seibel	11/3
Brad Klipfel	11/5
Carey Mattheis	11/5
Jay Olsen	11/5
Margaret Rosaaen	11/5
Brynleigh Fandrich	11/7
Angela Wanzek	11/8
Krosby Plienis	11/9
Titus Saylor	11/10
Ryan Tolosky	11/11
Thomas Wanzek	11/13
Marlene Buehner	11/14
Sandy Goetz	11/15
Anna Novak	11/16
Stan Miller	11/18
Lizzie Sperry	11/18
Spencer Mattheis	11/19
Isaac Barbot	11/21
Gage Doe	11/21
Ayden Sandwick	11/21
Ayden Finck	11/22
Steve Schaper	11/24
Ron Frei	11/25
Jaida Doe	11/26
Mason Riegel	11/26
Janice Sigman	11/26
Sarah Sperry	11/26
Pearl Miller	11/27
Carl Sorensen	11/27
Dax Doe	11/28
Freda Krieger	11/28
Dave Creel	11/29
Ciara Hausauer	11/29

### 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.

## Worship Attendance (average 179)

09-03	-	129
09-10	-	178
09-17	-	209
09-24	-	167
10-01	-	206
10-08	-	189
10-15	-	192
10-22	-	164

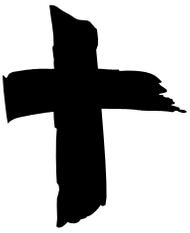


## Sunday School Corner

Can you believe it is November? We are so excited that it is because November is Operation Christmas Child month! Prince of Peace will once again be holding a packing event on Sunday, November 5th during the Sunday School hour. This event is for all members of Prince of Peace and we need the help of all members. Our Sunday School students will need adult help to pack boxes. So please mark your calendar and plan on helping.

November is also the month that the Sunday School program will begin practicing for the Sunday School Christmas Program. The Christmas Program will be Sunday, December 17th during the worship service. It is important for children to attend Sunday School as practice will be every Sunday between now and the 17th. If you are interested in helping out with the Christmas program please contact Angie Wanzek.

In the past few week the Board of Christian Ed and our Sunday School teachers have been encouraging our students to complete the "Read the Word" section in their Sunday School take home sheet. "Read the Word" is a short daily activity that included looking up a short verse or verses and answering a question related to the reading. This activity will take less than 3 minutes and is a great way to teach our kids the importance of seeking God's word daily. If the students complete this section and bring it to church the next week they will receive a small prize. Remember to send your children's Bibles to Sunday School with them as they will be used!



# Youth

I am Nothing  
By Jordan Langness

“What then is Apollos? And what is Paul? Servants through whom you believed, even as the Lord gave opportunity to each one. I planted, Apollos watered, but God was causing the growth. So then neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but God who causes the growth. Now he who plants and he who waters are one; but each will receive his own reward according to his own labor. For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, God's building.” -1

Corinthians 3:5-9

Apostle Paul was a pretty significant guy. Being the author of a majority of the New Testament, Paul's life and teaching has impacted literally millions of people....probably up in the Billions given the generations that have lived since the time that he wrote those words. We on the other hand may tend to feel not so important. In the game of comparison that we like to play so often, Paul definitely tops each one of us. But, in reality, Paul had a much better perspective on himself and his work...he was nothing.

Looking in the verses above, Paul makes reference to his work alongside another significant figure in the early church named Apollos. It is believed that Paul was writing to correct some early distortion of the truth by groups who thought they were more important than others because they were connected directly to Paul or Apollos. In response, Paul points out the fact that he was just the person who plants seeds or waters the garden. His role is not consequential compared to that of the One who actually causes things to grow.

Many of us may be tempted to argue Paul's point and try to convince him that he truly was a significant person in the history of humanity, but to do so would miss his point. Paul, led by the Spirit, humbly admitted that the focal point should be Christ, not on His

workers. After all, any gains to His Kingdom belong to Him regardless of the people or the methods that He uses.

One of the reasons I say this is as a way to prepare our minds for the upcoming changes that will be upon us in the next few months. I know that we don't like change by and large, but despite our wishes, change is coming. Over the past weeks, I have heard people share that there will be large shoes to fill once we leave, that I have done a great job, and that the ministry in our community just won't be the same. However, the truth of the matter is that, like Paul, I am nothing. I do not have anything unique to give, nothing extraordinarily special to offer, and in and of myself, not much of value to contribute. What I do have is Christ...which is the same thing that hopefully the rest of our congregation has as well.

All this being said, God has been faithful in working through and despite me in both our congregation and community. He is the One who changes hearts and lives, and He can do the same through you as well. My encouragement to you who get to stay in Beulah is this...there is much work to be done, and you are the people that the Lord is seeking to use to accomplish it. Each one of us may feel inadequate, but that is right where the Lord wants us. When we are face to face with our inadequacy, we are in a place to humbly seek the Lord which is when God can use us best. Even though it is tough to remember, Paul also points us to another important truth essential for our individual callings...and that is that God is who does the work of making fruit.

Ultimately, it isn't about you and it isn't about me, it is about Jesus Christ and the work that He seeks to do through each one of us. Has He called you to be a planter, to water, or maybe even to reap? Whatever He has called you to do, I pray that you would be faithfully obedient, trusting in Him to do the work, and that you would be blessed to be able to see God working through your life.

## Upcoming Youth Events

November 19: Silent Auction Bake Sale

## Fall Spiritual Life Meetings

**Disciple-Making: The Life of the Believer**

November 12-15 with Pastor Jim Rasmussen (Director of Evangelism for the AFLC)

## Home Missions Presentation

Pastor Paul Nash will be here on Sunday evening November 5 @ 7:00pm to do a home missions presentation.



## Operation Christmas Child

We will be packing boxes for OCC on Sunday Nov 5 during the SS hour as our fall congregational mission project. Everyone is encouraged to help. Washcloths & bar soap, school supplies, hair care items, hats, mittens & socks, small toys

## Youth Bake Sale/Silent Auction

Our POP youth will once again be selling baked items via silent auction for your Thanksgiving holiday! This will happen between the church service and Potluck on November 19.



Prince of Peace Annual meeting will be Sunday, November 19 @ 1:00pm! Potluck will begin after Sunday School (11:45 ish...)



## Beulah Community

### Thanksgiving Service

will be at Grace Evangelical Free Church @ 7:00pm on November 19 - Jordan Langness will be delivering the message.



### Thanksgiving Eve Service and Pie social

Wednesday November 22 @ 7:00pm



### Men's Breakfast/Bible Study

Men's breakfast/Bible study will be Saturday, November 18 @ 7:00am. We are studying the life of Abraham. Join us!

## COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

### President's Report – Delton Schnaidt

From Paul's 1<sup>st</sup> letter to the Corinthians in chapter 12:

<sup>12</sup> Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ.

<sup>13</sup> For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink.

<sup>14</sup> Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.<sup>27</sup> Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.<sup>28</sup> And God has placed in the church first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, of helping, and of different kinds of tongues.

The part of these passages that stand out most to me at this time are the words found in verse (28), which applies to the greater majority of the congregation. I'm referring to the words "teaching",

and “of helping”. These are 2 areas where we often fall short, yet most of us would fall in the category of teaching and helping. Members who are willing to teach Sunday School, or to commit to a term on church council are most often the most difficult to find. There seems to be a serious reluctance to these commitments that I cannot understand. As the passage states, as a congregation, we are “one” body with many parts. We have many members and we need each and every member to be active to effectively accomplish the ministry and the work at Prince of Peace. That being said, the annual meeting of Prince of Peace is just around the corner, and the nominating committee once again has a challenging task ahead of them to find willing members to have their name included on a ballot, as a possibility to fill one of the vacant committee member positions.

### **Pastor’s Report – Pastor Kent**

Participated in our ministerial prayer meetings.

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

Our Wednesday night Bible study has resumed looking at the book of Daniel.

Confirmation is going well, with 11 students. We are working our way through the Ten Commandments.

Sunday School is going well as we continue our look at the divided kingdom, God’s patience with the people, but also his judgment that fell upon them.

Led the study at our first men’s breakfast, looking at the fact that we are called to be men of sacrifice, like Abraham who was called to leave behind everything to follow the Lord.

I’ve been leading the membership classes, which will finish up this Sunday evening.

### **Youth Pastor’s Report – Jordan Langness**

**Youth Group:** We are continuing on our trek through the “doctrine” study with Francis Chan on Right Now Media. Other topics we have covered have been creation, sin, and salvation. The videos provide plenty for us to talk about and the students seem to enjoy them. Our group is growing a little bit and it is exciting to see the seniors committing to

the group. Another blessing has been seeing the students invite a student who was new in town.

**Relational Ministry:** I have been able to catch a number of volleyball games and a football game this past month. Early dismissal allowed for some extra time with the middle school students as well.

**Other Ministry:** Some additional ministry items from the month would be planning out the See You At and After the pole events, continued youth board and FLY Beyond planning team commitments, beginning my first ministry coaching relationship through Lead 222, and supporting our local school administration

### **Treasurers Report – Margie Lee**

General Fund	\$ 33,067.90
Building Fund	\$ 40,541.65
Coffee Hour Fund	\$ 156.23
Community Meal Fund	\$ 515.13
Congr. Mission Trips	\$ 87.00
Intern Fund	\$ 33,297.37
Total Bank Acct	\$ 115,939.45

Loan Borrowed 4/2015 \$ 250,000.00

Loan Balance \$ 163,471.21

### **Deacon’s Report – Kevin Lee**

- Livestreaming – One of our younger members asked about the possibility of livestreaming our service/message. Garrett is looking at how to make this happen.
- Fall Spiritual Life Meetings – Pastor Jim Rasmussen, AFLC Director of Evangelism, will be with us November 12-15. He’ll be sharing with us about the importance of one-on-one discipleship. The title of the series will be “Disciple-Making: The Life of the Believer.”
- We have submitted our request for a pastoral intern. We won’t know if one is assigned to us until February. If one is assigned, he would start on June 1<sup>st</sup>. There are five men who will be available for internship. We are planning to share the intern with Pastor Tom and the Trinity Parish.
- Chery Gegelman – She has asked about having a workshop on January 13<sup>th</sup>. It would also be focused out how we can build

relationships and share Christ with those around us.

### **Trustee's Report – Randy Schneider**

Looked over their budget. The bell is working. While the new window in the fellowship hall was being put installed and it cracked. It will need to be replaced again.

### **Christian Ed Report – Michelle Klaudt**

#### **New Business:**

1. **OCC** - Joan S got a Thrivent card for OCC. Darcee to order one box of OCC boxes. Packing day is Nov 5th. The Congregational Church is a drop off point this year.

2. **Budget** - Went over budget and made a few changes. Michelle to submit budget to Margie Lee.

Nursery Toys and Busy Bags to be cleaned by Angie in Oct. and Rebecah in Nov.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Decorating Group and Budget** – We need to advertise for members for the decorating committee since the last member wants to retire from it.

**Feed My Starving Children Mobilepack 2018** – Approved using our church for Mobilepack in 2018. Will need to find people to help.

**Jordan's New Ministry Call** - Jordan informed us that he has taken a call to Ishpeming (his hometown) as their Youth and Family Ministry director. He isn't sure when he will be leaving as there are many things to line up. He will announce his new call in church on Sunday.

**Tithe** - \$2,000.00 to H.I.S. Fund and \$266.65 to Samaritan's Purse to go to Puerto Rico hurricane fund.

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