

# PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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*“Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You clean the outside of the cup and dish, but inside they are full of greed and self-indulgence. Blind Pharisee! First clean the inside of the cup and dish, and then the outside also will be clean.”*

## **(Matthew 23:25-26)**

The Pharisees of Jesus day were good at looking the part of a holy and sinless club of people. They did this by looking religious—much like a chameleon tries to look like a leaf by turning green. In Matthew 23 Jesus calls them, hypocrites and blind throughout the chapter. The term in the ancient Greek language meant simply, actor. He was accusing them of just playing a part and not having any real integrity between what was inside them and the false façade that they were trying to project. And Jesus says that they are blind because they just don't understand God's priorities and can't see the true nature of righteousness.

Lent is a season for **repentance** and **renewal** culminating at Easter when we celebrate Christ's resurrection & God's victory over sin, death and the devil. It is

helpful to acknowledge the fact that we are sinful and unclean as our confession at the beginning of the service says. We sin because that is our condition. Our tradition would describe that as “Original Sin” or the “Bondage of our will” to sin. But while understanding that we sin because it is our sinful condition and nature to sin, it is also helpful to seek to uncover our specific sins.

Years ago in a church far far away, during a Wednesday Lenten series, I taught on the famous Seven Deadly Sins: Pride, Envy, Anger, Greed, Sloth, Gluttony and Lust. Preaching about gluttony after a wonderful Soup Supper was a challenge! The church has talked about these particular sins for over 1500 years and with good reason—they mess up our lives and bring to us spiritual death. Naming specific sins and confessing them has the effect of showering light on them and thus weakening their grip on our lives. Sin

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has power over us, especially when it remains hidden. Confessing our sins to one another as St. Paul sug-

## STAFF:

Pastor: Gib Botten  
Music Director: Rob Gillespie  
Director of Children's Ministries:  
Lauryn Smith  
Organist: Carole Hansen  
Office Administrator:  
Lauryn Smith  
Julie Reymore

Preschool Director:  
Michelle Nilsen

Preschool Secretary:  
Melanie Zamora

Custodian: Pam Vien

## Worship Schedule

Sunday at 8:30am & 10:30am

Communion on the 1st and 3rd  
Sunday of the month

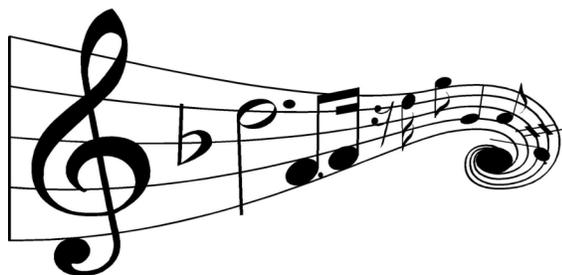
## Church Office Hours:

Monday—Thursday:  
8:30am—3:00pm  
Friday: 8:30am—12:30pm

## Special Dates

Mar. 7th	Lenten Service
Mar. 10th	Spring Work Party
Mar. 14th	Lenten Service
Mar. 17th	Men's Fellowship Annual Breakfast
Mar. 21st	Lenten Service
Mar. 29th	Maundy Thurs. Service
Mar. 30th	Good Friday Service
Mar. 31st	Passover
Apr. 1st	Easter

## MUSIC AT PRINCE OF PEACE



Handbells rehearse at 6pm on Tuesdays.

Choir rehearses at 6:30pm on Wednesdays.

As always, there's room for more people to join. No music experience needed. For more information, contact:

Rob Gillespie 425-501-1505

robgillespie@comcast.net

### **Care Team Meeting**

The Prince of Peace Care Team will meet Monday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm in the fellowship hall. Last year's work will be discussed, guidelines reviewed along with the exploration of ways to enhance the team's efforts. New team members are always welcomed. See parish nurse, Linda Whitesell, for questions or more details.



**Palm Sunday** – March 25, 2018  
**Maundy Thursday** – March 29, 2018  
**Good Friday** – March 30, 2018  
**Easter Sunday** – April 1, 2018

*Men's Fellowship will be cooking breakfast between services on Easter Sunday, April 1st! Join in love and fellowship.*

### **FUNCTIONAL SERVICE TEAM LEADERS**

<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>Leaders</b>
Greeters	Bill Randall
Hospitality	Tom Bannister
Lectors	Dave Squires
<b>10:30 AM</b>	
Greeters	Jamey Szalda
Hospitality	Eric Smith
Lectors	Patrick Davis

Please refer to the Church Directory for phone numbers or email.



**BULLETIN  
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

All items to be included in the announcement insert of the Sunday bulletin must be submitted to the office by noon on the Wednesday preceding the worship service.

**PRAYERS**

Please call the church office to request prayers or to be added to the prayer chain. You may also email: [charkaiser@comcast.net](mailto:charkaiser@comcast.net).

**PRAYER CHAIN  
GUIDELINES**

Names in the bulletin remain for one month unless renewed by either calling the church or Char Kaiser at 425-338-2874.

**COUNCIL CORNER**

**CONVOCATION LAY DELEGATE**

The opportunity still exists for a voting lay member of the congregation to attend the annual NALC Convocation from August 15-17 in Denver, Colorado. Please contact the Pastor for more information.

**2018 COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

President: Barbara Davis

Vice President: Chris Smith

Secretary: Judith McGregor

**Committee Representatives:**

Tom Bannister, Dan Chadrow,

Heather Cook, Rod Gust,

Suzanne Houlihan, Bill Kann,

Mindy Staudinger, Jamey Szalda

**BENEVOLENCE:**

The Council approved the disbursement of \$5700.00 for first quarter benevolence.

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has power over us, especially when it remains hidden. Confessing our sins to one another as St. Paul suggests, we do has the same effect of bringing darkness into light. And spiritual renewal cannot happen without repentance on an individual and congregational level.

Martin Luther said that the cross reveals things as they really are. In other words, the cross drives us to the truth: The truth about our sin and the truth about the love of God who bore our sin on the cross. As we meditate on the cross and the suffering of Christ for our sake, how can we deny the reality of the sin that is within us that caused his death? And as we look at the Son of God suffering for our sin, how can we deny the reality of our complete and total forgiveness and extravagant love of a self-sacrificing God who is for us and loves us. The cross does reveal the truth. It drives us to be honest about our specific sins and it tells us that their power of death and destruction over us is over.

God's peace,

Pastor Gib Botten  
Prince of Peace Lutheran Church



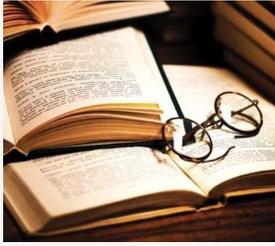
## PRINCE OF PEACE WEBSITE

If you missed a Sunday service, or would like to listen again to the most recent message, visit our website at [www.pplc.org](http://www.pplc.org). On the home page click 'Listen to last week's message.'

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Web Page Manager: Steve Peterson

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## **PARISH NURSING NOTES**

by Linda Whitesell, RN/NP

Ways to enhance your body, mind and soul

“Reading---It’s Good for You!”

Yes, leisure reading isn’t just for fun. It makes you smarter too! People who read regularly are found to be more intelligent and have better language skills. Leisure reading can lower stress levels by 75%. If you read for one hour daily, you can read about 50 average sized books a year.

To entice you further, I have started a book sharing box (wooden crate) located on the table in the narthex. Help yourself to a book, return it and take another.

Reading can stimulate thinking and let you explore the creativeness of the author. The bottom line: reading is good for your brain!

-----So many books-----so little time.

### PRIME TIMERS

Potluck Luncheon

Thursday, March 8 at Noon

In the Fellowship Hall

The March meeting will include a presentation

The over 50 group meets on Thursday, March 8<sup>th</sup> for a noon potluck in the fellowship hall. Last month, they learned about the many services in Snohomish county by Homage Senior Services. Attendees donated \$75 towards a new foster grandparent program. They also donated pet food and toys to the Meals on Wheels program.

called, “Why Am I So Tired?” This talk will explore medical and non-medical reasons for fatigue and what can be done to boost one’s energy. Bring your ideas. There will be a drawing for several books about healthy aging. You will be glad you came!

***Men’s Fellowship Annual Breakfast.*** The Men’s Group is having something special on the third Saturday, March 17th, from 8:00—9:30am. Please join us for fun and fellowship for our annual breakfast gathering at Evergreen Lanes, 5111 Claremont Way, Everett. We will have a guest speaker, good food, Bible Study lead by Pastor Gib, and great fellowship.

Dan Chadrow, President

**Tom Bannister, Recorder**



**Let us pray for the whole people of God . . .”**

*Our current prayer list has been included in the monthly newsletter. (Additional newsletter copies are available in the narthex.) Even though some names are not on this list, they are still being prayed for. Our prayer concern list has grown and we want to be sure it is refreshed and remains current. You are encouraged to call the church office or Char Kaiser @ 425-338-2874 at any time with names you wish to add or edit. Thank you and keep on praying!*

John Collins (friend of Jack & Joneen Richards) – undergoing heart valve replacement surgery at the age of 96

George Squires (father of Dave Squire’s) – recovery from infection and pacemaker surgery

Dahl family – Vivian recently passed away on Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> in Clifton, TX.

Matt (friend of Dave & Debbie Miles) – prayers for better response to cancer treatment

Charlotte Wiseman (Julie Reymore’s 99 year old aunt) – recovering from surgery on hip after fall.

Diane Brandt (friend of the Gust’s) – recovering from her 2<sup>nd</sup> surgery in less than 8 weeks

Dan Schwardt & family – Irene passed 2-21-2018, prayers for Dan and family

Richard & JoAnn Gillespie – Richard is now home, valve is working great, please continue prayers for Dick and all the family

Bob Schneider (former member) – scheduled for heart surgery March 2

Mily Larson (friend of Mariah Bergeson) –awaiting tests to see if she has Leukemia

Barb Anderson (friend of Jenifer Murrweiss) – diagnosed with stage 4 colon cancer

Stacy Solberg (cousin of Corrine Gust) – treatment for cancer

Markus Petkus (friend of Doug Walker) – just had kidney surgery in Germany

Hunter Rose Jones (Prince of Peace Preschooler) – in remission, has a year of continued treatment

Bruce Camp (nephew of Don and Jean Camp) – recovering from brain aneurysm

Oliver Chapman (former co-worker of Corrine Gust) – treatment for cancer

Dorothy Stima (Director, Monroe Gospel Women’s mission) – cancer

***Serving in the Military***

Robert Gillespie, Jr. – serving in the USAF

Kailin Rime (niece of Tom and Donna Dickson) – serving in the USAF

Chad Rowell (son of Sue Rowell) – serving in the Navy, Goose Creek, SC

Jarred Rowell (son of Sue Rowell) – serving in the Navy, San Diego, CA

