

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

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Pastor Kent

"Though they know God's righteous decree that those who practice such things deserve to die, they not only do them but give approval to those who practice them."

(Romans 1:32 ESV)

We live in a time when sin is not only accepted, but celebrated. We're encouraged to embrace our own sinful desires and live in them. And, in the same way, we're expected to endorse the sinful decisions and activities of others.

As we look to Scripture, we find that these are things we must not do. We must not embrace our own sinful desires. We must not seek to live in them. And, in the same way, we must not give approval to the sinful activity of those around us.

We must not do this because, as we see above, sin leads to death. Physical, as well as eternal death, is the consequence of sin. And I think it's safe to say

that we don't desire our own death nor that of others.

This, then, creates a tension when it comes to our interaction with one another. It does so because we're called to reach out to mankind with the gospel message. And, if people feel condemned by us, if they feel we're looking down upon them, they have little desire to listen to us.

How do we bridge that gap? How do we reach out to others and, at the same time, reject sin? The key, I believe, is to avoid the "us" versus "them" mentality.

Our tendency is to focus on the sin of others while ignoring our own. Our tendency is to count our own sin as insignificant while, at the same time, we count the sin of others to be major. And we must recognize, first and foremost, that we're just as sinful as everyone else. We must recognize that our sin condemns us to death and eternal judgment.

We must openly live a life of confession and faith. We must willingly acknowledge to ourselves and

others our guilt and our need for a Savior. We must embrace Jesus personally and publicly because he atoned for the penalty of our sin.

As we reject the sin of others, we must ensure that we're just as vocally rejecting our own. As we condemn the sin of others, we must ensure that we're just as vocally condemning our own. We must make it clear that we are not better than anyone else. We must make it clear that we are not less sinful or more deserving of God's blessing. We must make it clear that, apart from Jesus' sacrifice, and apart from faith in him, we are equally lost.

Like the apostle Paul, we must count ourselves to be the chief of sinners (1 Timothy 1:15-16). We must see and understand the miracle of his salvation in our own life. And we must communicate this as we reach out to those around us. We must communicate the gospel in this way: If Jesus can save a sinner like me, then he can certainly save a sinner like you.



August Community meal at Prince of Peace will be Saturday, August 11 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.

Trustee Report for August Newsletter

Legend Air continues to move forward with the demo of the old heating system and planning the lay-out of the new replacement system. They have run into many difficult challenges due to the massive amount of conduit that is running crisscross in the ceiling. Many old systems have been

abandoned leaving the old conduit in place. Legend Air has had to determine which systems are live and which have been abandoned so they can remove sections in order to run the ductwork through the ceiling. I placed roof vents in the attic in order to relieve the heat build-up and provide Legend Air with a decent environment to work in. During their construction there is going to be areas where they will be creating a mess so we must be patient with them and allow them to place the systems where they need to be. This will include sacrificing some storage space. I will continue to work with them as they need smaller jobs completed. The trustees will need to make cement platforms for the heat pump systems to sit on outside the church building.

Les Buchmann

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 July 1, 8, 22 & 29 and August 5,12,19, & 26. Send an email to the office to reserve a Sunday broadcast!



A polite reminder -

those who use the kitchen are responsible for washing the dishcloths and towels and returning them to the drawers! (this includes fellowship!)



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.

"My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever." Ps 73:26

This is the verse for Lesson 7 "When Hope Wavers II: Hope Through Trials" of the WMF Bible Study which will be at 10:30am and 6:30pm, Monday, August 20th.

"In our last lesson we looked at people and circumstances in the Bible where from a human perspective things didn't make sense. ... In this lesson we will continue looking at maintaining hope in trials and difficult circumstances. There are some trials where hope is not just faltering, but we are in such a dire situation that our future hope seems to be reduced to just getting through the next hour or maybe even the next minute. As we look into the Scriptures, we will see that we can counsel ourselves and quiet our hearts as we entrust ourselves to God and hope in Him. We will always find Him to be faithful---ALWAYS." I took this from the beginning of lesson 7.

I was able to attend a day at District Family Bible Camp at Mount Carmel. I took my 7 year old granddaughter, Vienna on Tuesday, the 24th. We pulled in a little after 9:30. Vienna went to the morning VBS class and I was able to catch the end of adult Bible Study "God's Promise of Gracious Care" on Psalm 23.

"Thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me..." gave me a new way to look at these shepherds' tools. They are designed differently and have different uses. The straight one, the rod is used to guide and direct the sheep along the safest routes. The staff has the crook on one end and is used to rescue a stray. (I hope I have that right.) Isn't that cool?! I didn't get the name of the pastor who lead the Bible studies, but I could have listened all day.

We had a presentation from the Ambassador Team before lunch. They shared personally what AFLC Bible School meant to themselves. We saw a couple of videos and a slide show. This is more than furthering your education for whatever. They met fellow believers who wanted to know Jesus/God at a more personal level. They shared how they could get scholarships and financial aide. They told of the difficult choice it was for some of them as they had been offered scholarships to secular colleges and that these scholarships could or would be lost if they first attended AFLBS. The credits don't always transfer to other colleges. Not everyone goes to AFLBS to become a professional preacher or missionary. It is a commitment they made in order to make like-minded, life-long friends, and to become stronger Christians in their future life careers. Wish you could have heard this young men and women. Not only do they have their feet firmly planted in God's word at Bible School, but they plan on using this knowledge in every area of their lives.

After a delicious picnic lunch Vienna and I had a personal tour of the place led by Margie Lee and her granddaughter Elsie. Then we got to play a fun game kind of like bowling only its on a carpeted wooden lane and you throw/roll a white ball at your opponents' 11 colored balls, trying to knock them in the trench at their end of the lane. The one who knocks off all the opponents' balls wins. It was exciting to watch and not as easy as we grandmas thought it was. The girls went to play in the dirt and on the monkey bars and we went to the women's event at 2:00.

"Precious and Dearly Loved Women" was fun, entertaining, spiritually encouraging. Candice Johnson led the opening in which we were to get acquainted with each other. We all received a tea bag. There was a tag attached to each tea bag that told of a use for tea bags other than making a beverage and a question on the back. Mine said, "A tea can be used to feed your garden". My question was, "What is your favorite garden vegetable?" Very non-threatening but it tells a little about me. I like tomatoes and cukes. Then a silly "bag lady" showed up with a bag of gifts for each of the attendees. Joyce Erickson led a short but eye

opening Bible study on being "Precious and Dearly Loved" by God. What are some of the special names you have for your loved ones? Hon, Sweetie, Dear, Buddy... These are terms of endearment. Did you know that God has special names for us? Chosen, Blessed, Beloved are just a few. Then we had tea and treats, but no crumpets. And we sang some songs, too.

Vienna and I left after playing and visiting a little while longer. We want to stay overnight next year. We hope the flies will have died off by then. I made her miss a lasagna dinner by leaving early.

Can't believe the summer is over half done. Some of our church members and others in the community are facing job concerns. Missionaries are getting established in new countries. College age children will be leaving home. Teachers are preparing classrooms. Church programs will start up again. FMSC Mobile Pack will be happening this month. We need to lift up these concerns to our loving, faithful, good, all-knowing God and remember He is in control. Lean into Him. Amen

In His name, Judy 8702131

Sunday School Corner

Summer is flying by and school will be here before we know. As with every year the Board of Christian Ed has been working hard to prepare for the upcoming Sunday School year. Sunday School will start September 9th!

Once again, our greatest need for Sunday School is church members who are willing to help **teaching Sunday School**. We **CANNOT** have Sunday School without teachers. Our goal is to have co-teachers for every class. These would involve teaching about two Sundays per month. Please pray and consider this and contact a Board member if you are interested in helping teach.

Enjoy summer and we look forward to seeing all of you this summer.



First of all, thank you to the members of Prince of Peace who have so generously donated to FMSC already. Just when I get somewhat anxious about meeting our goal, I receive another donation. God is good and will see this through to completion.

At this point we still need to raise \$7300 to meet our goal. Volunteer registration for the packing event is now open also. We need 544 volunteers to make this a success. Please consider donating two hours of your time at one of the shifts listed below. I guarantee you will enjoy it! We do need people to help set up and clean up at the times listed. We only have two hours to do that and it will go like clockwork if we have enough people to help.

One area of concern was that several people are receiving appeals in the mail direct from FMSC. If you have given to one of these appeals mailed to your home, please let me know. Normally these do not go toward our event, but the home office has been contacted and have agreed to apply it toward the Beulah Mobile pack goal if we give them the names of the people.

Here are some interesting facts from the 2017/2018 FMSC Annual Report:

More than 90% of total donations spent directly on feeding programs.

333,447,912 meals packed
1.2+ million volunteers
913,555 children fed every day
20+ million meals for refugees
99.8% meals securely delivered
Consistent four-star rating from Charity Navigator
for 13 years

Cost of one meal is 22 cents for the 7th straight year with no increase.

Last year FMSC shipped nearly 323 million meals to 89 partners in 68 countries. 28+ million of these meals were shipped in response to natural disasters like Hurricane Irma and Maria. Of these 28+ million, 1,360,800 meals were sent to Puerto Rico after Hurricane Maria.

Reliable provision of food empowers a person to think beyond their next meal. Once nourished physically, they can concentrate in school and gain energy to work, earn a living and become self-reliant. Food opens the door to share the love of Jesus and help those they couldn't reach before. Every bag of food matters. Take one bag of food away from a mom with a starving child or remove one bag of food from a school and it means six children won't get to eat. Every MannaPack bag is vital

So how can you help? For donations there are a couple of options:

- Online: You can donate to the event directly on our online fundraising page which is located at https://give.fmsc.org/beulah.
- Write a check. If you choose to write a check, there are a few options. You can make it out to Prince of Peace Lutheran Church with FMSC Beulah Mobile Pack 1808-122EA in the memo line. It will be sent in with other funds that we receive. In this way we will know about the gift and be able to properly acknowledge your name/business for its donation. Another option would be to mail a check directly to FMSC, Attn: Dave Gunnlaugsson, 990 Lone Oak Road, Suite 136, Eagan, MN 55121. If you do this, it is very important to write Beulah Mobilepack #1808-122EA on the memo line or else the donation will not count towards our event.
- Volunteer some time. We would love to give you a chance to see what your donation makes possible! If you are interested in helping with the packing both personally or as a group from your business, club, etc., we would love to have you. Registration for this part of the event began July 15th and you can use the website: https://give.fmsc.org/beulah. For any questions about registration, contact our volunteer

coordinator, Martina Schneider, 701-891-8564.

PACKING SHIFT SCHEDULE					
Day	Date	Shift	Time	Stations	
Friday	24-Aug	Set up	3-5pm		
Friday	24-Aug	1	6:30- 8:30 pm	8	
Saturday	25-Aug	2	9:30- 11:30 am	8	
Saturday	25-Aug	3	12:30- 2:30pm	8	
Saturday	25-Aug	Clean Up	2:30- 4:30pm		

Thank you for helping us embark on a journey that will impact you, volunteers, and thousands of children in a life-changing way. Most important, please keep this event in your prayers. For any other questions or further information, contact me, 701-870-4502.

Joette Buchmann



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

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, on our KDKT Radio broadcast at 11:30 on Sunday mornings and live on our facebook page.

Ushers for August

8-5-2018: Marvin Bauer, Fred Bieri, Darrin & Leeta Olin, Garrett Placke, Vern Boehm

8-12-2018: Robin Richter, Keith Peterson, Dalton

& Sylvia Zeiszler, Shane Haugen, Ron Frei

8-19-2018: Marvin & Janice Sigman, Gary & Marj

Murray, Jim & Rusty Plienis

8-26-2018: Jim Wenning, Anna Wenning, Rebecah Martin, Blake Martin, Riley & Cheyenne Schriefer

Fellowship service for August

8-5-2018: Dalton & Sylvia Zeiszler, Shane & Amy

Haugen, Marie Kemmet

8-12-2018: Ron & Milda Frei, Wayne & Shawn

Hoffner

8-19-2018: Ella Fandrich, Jay & Karen Seibel, Dan

& Serena Schmit

8-26-2018: Elsie Wiedenmeyer, Mike & Kendra

Finck, Gary & Marj Muray

Worship Attendance

06-03 - 172

06-10 - 157

06-17 - 153

06-24 - 113

07-01 - 132

07-08 - 108

07-15 - 0 - Beulah Comm. Service

07-22 - 140



Library news...

There are LOTS of new books in the library – check them out! (literally ☺)



Men's Breakfast/BibleStudy

Men's breakfast/Bible study will resume in September!



God knows what is needed

I spent this last week at the ARC for the youth camp FLY Beyond. I attended to accompany one of our youth and also to make connections with fellow youth workers amidst the AFLC. I enjoyed the weekend immensely. However; I found the beginning of the weekend quite difficult for me. I am the type of person that, if I am not being used or have a job, I become very stagnant and it becomes hard for me to enjoy the time that I am having. I realized that I felt this way simply because I didn't have much on my plate that week. I had an objective, but I had no day-to-day duties that I was in charge of or that I could help with. Sure I was meeting with youth leaders when they had free time and meeting people at their leisure, but I still felt like I wasn't being used to the best of my ability. I found myself distracted sitting in the middle of a Bible Session irritated at why I wasn't being used they way that I thought I should be. Then I realized that it was all about my perspective of things. I had my eyes focused on what I thought I was supposed to get out of the week, instead of being ready for whatever God wanted to show me in the week. I needed to change my gaze to Jesus instead of being selfish and wanting what I thought I needed from the week. When Job was struggling with all of the temptation and all of the pain and all of the sorrow that had happened to his recent life, the clear thing that kept him going was his gaze of God and his closeness with Him. If Job had had a different perspective, he would have quickly realized, "This isn't the plan I had for my life, this is not the way that I wanted any of this to go. I quit God and I quit this life." But he didn't, because he always remembered who God is and what He had already done in Job's life up until this point in his life. We must do the same and always remember God's constant love for us and the undying sacrifice that he made for us in His Son on the cross for us. When I changed my focus and re-evaluated what I wanted

to get out of the week, I let God use me for any purpose that he saw fit. And in doing that, I made more connections, got more out of the lessons, and grew closer with God in general. Always have a Godly perspective and to persevere, because it's only then that we become more like God and His Son.

Ephesians 6:18 - praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints

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

President	Delton Schnaidt (2018)		
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	Riley Schriefer (2019)		
	Kevin Lee (2020)		
	Garrett Sayler (2020)		
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	Randy Schneider (2019)		
	Joe Barbot (2019)		
	Les Buchmann (2020)		
Christian Education	Rebecah Martin (2018)		
	Michelle Klaudt (2019)		
	Kelsey Timmer (2019)		
	Angie Wanzek (2020)		

August Birthdays!!!

Robin Richter	8/1
Sarah Langness	8/3
Perry Sayler	8/4
Jason Doe	8/5
Loren Novak	8/5
Jim Wenning	8/5
Olivia Ternes	8/6
Karla Boehm	8/7
Cruz Buchmann	8/7
Darcee Wenning	8/7
Ray Mattheis	8/8
Rita Becker	8/13
David Hausauer	8/13
Lucas Schnaidt	8/14
Derek Boeshans	8/15
Lacey Wenning	8/15
Kevin Lee	8/17
Arlett Gerde	8/19
Kristine Keller	8/20
Twyla Barbot	8/22
Leona Mattheis	8/22
Carmen Mohl	8/22
Darrin Olin	8/23
Nate Wiedrich	8/23
Tyler Hoffner	8/27
Joel Bergstedt	8/29
Courtney Kemmet	8/29
Ethan Finck	8/31
Deb Sayler	8/31

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

President's Report - Delton Schnaidt

How do you read your Bible? Do you read it with the filter of your own wisdom, desires, and preconceptions? Or are you allowing the unadulterated word of God to wash over your receiving soul, cleansing it of every prejudice, personal ambition, and sinful ideology?

God's Word should be a set of glasses through which we view all the rest of the world — music, psychology, biology, journalism, business practices, college lectures, or retirement plans. Anything else

is just "one fallen head instructing another fallen head."

Youth Director's Report - Seth Larson

He ordered his laptop to use for work. He preached on Sunday. This week was spent at his apartment putting the furniture in and unpacking boxes with his parents and Becca.

He registered for FLY Beyond and will be helping where needed.

Seth will be helping out at Family Camp where needed.

Looking at curriculum for high school and middle school youth groups.

<u>Treasurers Report - Margie Lee</u>

General Fund		36,987.09
Building Fund	\$	599.40
Coffee Hour Fund	\$	443.43
Community Meal Fund	\$	296.35
Congr. Mission Trips		87.00
Intern Fund		42,297.37
Total Bank Acct	\$	87,598.00

Loan Borrowed 4/2015 \$ 250,000.00 Loan Balance \$ 139,063.48

<u>Trustee's Report - Les Buchmann</u>

Have had Legend Air here and they are demolishing old system. Les cut vents in the fellowship roof so there is better air flow now. Legend air has been doing outstanding work and are very knowledgeable. They moved the storage shed so they can get the dumpster in. Les has gotten rid of the clover on the front lawn so he's moving to the back lawn next. He filled in the washout.

Christian Ed Report – Michelle Klaudt

VBS - We had an attendance average of low 70's throughout the week. The team did a great job.

OCC Donations - We have a purple bin located in the old kitchen for donations to the board and Operation Christmas Child. Angie will make a laminated sign for the bin. We are hoping this will help keep the counters in the old kitchen from collecting so many items. Darcee will add this to the bulletin to inform the congregation.

Nursery Toys - Rebecah will let Gina and Amy know that we would like to pass on to the custodians the cleaning of the nursery toys.

OLD BUSINESS

Prince of Peace 25th Anniversary Celebration – We will discuss this at our next council meeting

FMSC Financial Update – Joette Buchmann reported that funds are a little low. She talked to FMSC headquarters and they said not to worry. We will cut down on the quantity of meals we pack.

NEW BUSINESS

Youth Lake Days – Looking for hosts and help with Lake Days for Middle School Sunday, August 12. High School Friday, August 17. Lees have volunteered to host the High School Lake Days.

Tithe –Tithe of \$1,845.58 will be given to AFLC Seminary and \$300 to Lacey Wenning for her mission trip.