

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

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Pastor Kent

"He who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!" (Revelation 22:20 ESV)

Life has always been full of problems and complications. Mankind has always faced struggles of one kind or another. In fact, as we read through history, it's amazing to see what people have endured.

As believers, we are not exempt from this reality. We live in a world of sin. We live in bodies of sin. And, for this reason, we will experience the consequences of sin.

We look at everything going on in our world and around our nation, and we wonder how much longer we'll have to endure. We would love to have God bring the problems that 2020 has brought to the table to an end. We would love to see things return to "normal."

As we look at the book of Revelation, we see that, as the end approaches, there will be times of difficulty. This shouldn't be unexpected. However, we also receive a wonderful hope.

We're assured that Jesus is returning soon. We're assured that he's bringing his recompense with him. And we're assured that those who wash their robes, who receive the cleansing provided by Jesus, will have the right to the tree of life and enter into the city, the new Jerusalem, by the gates (Revelation 20:12-14).

We must realize, as believers, that our hope is not in this world. It's not in politicians. It's not in military might. Nor is it in scientific insight and advancement.

We aren't waiting for the world to get better. We aren't waiting for people to straighten up. We aren't waiting for the wise to eliminate the problems that we face. We are waiting for Jesus.

We are waiting for Jesus because, when he returns, all of these problems will become a thing of the past. When Jesus returns, the wicked will be removed from our presence. And our sin will become a thing of the past as we're transformed into the image of Christ.

We're awaiting the new creation, where there will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain. We're awaiting the new heavens and earth, where sin and its consequences are no more. We're awaiting the eternal kingdom of God, in which we'll forever dwell.

For this reason, as Jesus assures us that he'll return soon, we can say, along with John: "Come, Lord Jesus!" We can look forward to his return with hope. We can anticipate his coming with a confident assurance.

This, in fact, is what we should do. This is our hope as believers. We're hoping not that this world will become a better place. Our hope is in Christ and in his redemption. Our hope is in the deliverance he's provided for us by his death on the cross.

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 August 16, 23 & 30 and September 6, 23, & 27. Send an email to the office or call to reserve a Sunday broadcast! This ministry is more important than EVER!

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, on our facebook page, Faithlife portal, Youtube and RightnowMedia.

Sunday School Corner

I would like to thank all who attended the VBS at the park and for all of the help behind the scenes without you it would not have happened! We are still planning to have Sunday School. If you are interested in teaching please let me know. We usually start the Sunday after Labor Day which is Sept 13. In His hands, Donna Bieri

You are welcome to join the WMF ladies for coffee on Wednesday mornings at 10:30am in the POP fellowship hall.



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



We have 2 more months of RightnowMedia due to free subscription from them!!! If you have not signed up, let me know and I will hook you up. If you have, check it out — there is so much good stuff (Bible studies, children's content) available to you and your family. you can simply text **Rightnow POPLC** (the space between the 2 keywords is necessary) to 41411 and sign up that way. How ez is that?

Please join us for a modified fellowship after church on Sundays!



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.

Come join us on Monday, August 17 at 10:30 am or 6:30 pm as we look at lesson 7 of our WMF Bible Study: "The Lure of Sexual Sin". As I glanced at the lesson some of the things that the author emphasized in bold caps are: SEX IS GOD'S IDEA; THE MOST IMPORTANT THING ABOUT YOUR SEXUALITY IS NOT HOW YOU FEEL. BUT WHAT GOD SAYS IS TRUE. She addresses the issues of pornography, abuse, sex outside of marriage, homosexuals, and gender confusion. There is hope for the hurting. In Galatians 6:2 it says, Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you fulfill the law of Christ.

If you are interested in helping with coffee hour after church contact Margie Lee, or the church office or myself. We are making it as simple as possible and keeping some social distancing.

Take care and remember that GOD is in control!

With love, Judy Tolosky 870-2131



Pouring In and Pouring Out
And what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. 2 Timothy 2:2

I love this verse because there is such a clear line of what God expects of us in his service. We listen to Him, we entrust others with our knowledge, who we know will be able to teach others about what was first said. It is a perfect line of what God wants for His kingdom, faithful person after faithful person to share the Gospel to others.

Recently I went to Campus days in Minneapolis. If you don't know what that is, it is the association free lutheran's bible school way of encouraging young people to consider going to their school. Very fun and very influential. I had 5 people that had signed up to go weeks in advance and at the last minute, they all dropped out because of either illness or weather concerns or other reasons. So Becca and I decided to go ourselves. I had a few meetings that I had already told men that I would be there for and Becca and I both had signed up to be staff for the weekend. After we got there, I met with a couple old mentors that I had when I was in Bible School. And they went really well. I was good to catch up with them and see how their lives were going and for them to see how I was doing. But by

far the best experience was a meeting that I didn't even plan for.

Later on the last night that we were in the cities, I was able to get together with Jordan Langness, the previous youth director here. And we talked and talked about issues and victories and how we were doing and where we were with our youth groups. He gave me advice on how to best serve Beulah and I talked with him about how hard some of the things he's going through are and it was great. And I noticed something after we finished, I am physically different after being mentored. It's not just a "I feel better" it's a "I am better!" Sometimes we get so caught up in mentoring others and leading others that we forget that we need to be poured into sometimes, probably just as often as we pour out to others. And that's exactly what the bible verse above means. Before you can pour out to others, you must be poured into!

Church Library

Our Librarians are working hard at revamping our library and its system! Please use the library card check out system when borrowing items. When you bring them back, please put them in the "return" basket and not just on a shelf. There is also a "comments & suggestions" basket – please feel free to suggest new books and movies! We have a fantastic selection of books, movies, and reference materials for **YOU**.

Trustee thoughts...

The southeast sidewalk repairs are scheduled for September. Trustee, Dustin Buchmann, is working on the permitting process for the future van storage building. Trustee, Ryan Tolosky, is working with Marvin Sigman on the continuing LED light replacement in the fellowship hall. The carpets have been cleaned. The new insurance provider has saved the church approximately \$5000 in premium costs. Now the van and building are all under one insurance carrier.

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2020 POP Church Council

President	Marvin Sigman (2020)	
Treasurer	Margie Lee (2020)	
Secretary	Deb Sayler (2020)	
Deacons	Kevin Lee (2020)	
	Garrett Sayler (2020)	
	Don Buck (2021)	
	Jim Wenning (2022)	
Trustees	Les Buchmann (2020)	
	Keith Peterson (2021)	
	Ryan Tolosky (2022)	
	Dustin Buchmann	
	(2022)	
Christian Education	Angie Wanzek (2020)	
	Donna Bieri (2021)	
	Rebecah Larson (2022)	
	Chrisy Rotondo (2022)	
Auditing Committee	Wayne Hoffner (2020)	
	Kim Pachl (2020)	
Personnel Committee Rep	Carl Sorenson (2020)	
Nominating Committee	Marj Murray (2020)	
	Marvin Bauer (2020)	
	Jan Sigman (2020)	

Robin Richter	8/1
Perry Sayler	8/4
Jason Doe	8/5
Loren Novak	8/5
Jim Wenning	8/5
Linda Murray	8/6
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 Biggs	8/15
Kevin Lee	8/17
Brynlee Holen	8/18
Arlett Gerde	8/19
Kristine Keller	8/20
Twyla Barbot	8/22
Leona Mattheis	8/22
Carmen Mohl	8/22
Darrin Olin	8/23
Rhett Glynn	8/27
Tyler Hoffner	8/27
Joel Bergstedt	8/29
Courtney Sandness	8/29
Ethan Finck	8/31
Deb Sayler	8/31

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

President's Report - Marvin Sigman

The Fleishkekla Feed fundraiser for Feed my Starving Children profited about \$4,000. Several people commented they liked the drive-up option. Marvin's family all was here for the 4th of July. Marvin asked John Mohl to fix tin on one of the buildings since he has a lift to reach the spot.

Pastor's Report - Pastor Kent

Pastor Sperry just arrived back from vacation. He reported going to regular staff and Deacon's meetings. He met with Hospice virtually. He had a World Mission's meeting. The Wednesday Bible

studies have been going well and being well attended.

Youth Director's Report - Seth Larson

- Recorded the Hospice service at POP
- Was at the Feed my Starving Children fundraiser
- Training Youth for sound booth duty
- Had Youth group with VBS Barnabas team
- Teaching two lessons for this Sunday's service in the park
- FLY Beyond (19th-23rd)
- SIT/Annual Conference
- HS Lake Days: 21st-22nd of August

<u>Treasurers Report – Margie Lee</u>

General Fund	\$ 57,787.63
Building Fund	\$ 9,774.01
FMSC	\$ 0
Coffee Hour Fund	\$ 11.34
Intern Fund	\$ 26,339.73
Church Van Fund	\$ (923.88)
Total Bank Acct	\$ 106,040.19

Loan Borrowed 4/2015 \$ 250,000.00 Loan Balance \$ 106,148.06

General Fund shows \$57,787.63 and of that amount \$36,097 is our Payroll Protection Program grant/loan.

Margie has deposited \$3,040 for Debt Reduction.

\$900 was sent to Home Missions for the Killdeer church plant as the \$150 per month we designate from our budget.

Deacon's Report - Kevin Lee

Bible School Team – Prince of Peace was asked if we could house the 2 boys and 3 girls of the team for the week of July 6th. The Martins offered to house the boys but there was nothing available for the girls. The team will lead a service at Prince of Peace on Wed. July 8th.

Communion – We will continue coming out to the congregation in the pews for now.

Vacation – Pastor and family will be in Iowa July 1st-9th. Les Buchman will preach on the 5th, with Don leading worship. He doesn't currently anticipate any other Sundays out of the pulpit this summer. He may not need pulpit fill until December, the weekend of the Bible School Christmas concerts.

Spiritual life meetings: Pastor sent a message to Pastor Brian Ricke, and he confirmed the dates of our fall Spiritual Life Meetings for October 18th-21st.

Men's breakfast/study – Pastor likes to work ahead a bit, and wondered if there any suggestions or thoughts as far as a study topic/direction? A few ideas were discussed but nothing concrete yet.

Trustee's Report - Les Buchmann

Les asked Dustin Buchmann to work on the permitting process for the potential garage. Don Buck and Les have been working with Bryan Tomchuck and the sprinkler system is working again. Les fertilized the lawn. Jerry Reichenberg sprayed for weeds. Les called Winkler Construction for the concrete on the southeast corner. We have called for the dishwasher repair.

Margie Lee reported that Rusty and Jim Plienis needed to step back from counting at this time due to their health. Les will make an announcement on June 19 in church about needing counters. He will also talk about the insurance switch and savings.

Christian Ed Report – Angie Wanzek

Christian Ed discussed the Sunday VBS and order of the service. Food served will be hot dogs, potato chips, pudding cups and bottled water. There is seating for 114 under the big shelter but people are welcome to bring their lawn chairs.

OLD BUSINESS

Church Van Storage – Carl Sorenson has room for the van throughout the winter and doesn't mind being called on the spur of the moment if someone wants to use it.

Faithlife Program training – We may try to do something during Sunday School time.

Smoke detectors – Jim Wenning reported that the person he checked with said normally there isn't a lot of criteria for churches. It was recommended the kitchen, youth Warehouse and office area could have smoke detectors as they are lower ceilings but it's not necessary. Our fire extinguishers are inspected every year.

NEW BUSINESS

FMSC - We approved giving \$300 of our monthly tithe to the Feed My Starving Children Mobile Pack from now until the event takes place.

Tithe - We voted to split our tithe: \$2.000.00 to The ARC, \$1,321.90 to the AFLC Alaska Mission and \$300 to FMSC Mobile Pack

Carpet Cleaning – A group will be moving chairs out sanctuary on Monday at 10 am. Carpet cleaning will be done through Arrow Service on Tuesday.

Correspondence

A thank you note was received from Ashley Feist thanking Prince of Peace for our monetary and prayer support during her last year at Free Lutheran Bible College.