



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

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Pastor Kent

"Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures..."

1 Corinthians 15:1-4 ESV

Even though it feels like it was just Christmas, the season of Lent is upon us. Although we just celebrated the coming of the Savior into the world, it's now time to remember his suffering, death, and resurrection. It's time for us to reflect upon the way in which we delivered us from sin, death, and the devil.

As Lent and Easter were upended last year, with the spread of Covid-19, I'm personally excited to share in this time with you. I'm excited for our Wednesday night Lenten services that will be held each week. I'm excited for our observance of Holy Week. And, most importantly, I'm excited for our Easter celebration.

Even though it's nothing new to most of us, we're reminded each year of the truths related to us in the verses above. We're reminded that Christ died for our sins. We're reminded that he was buried. And we're reminded that he was raised on the third day.

These truths, he points out, are delivered to us in the Scriptures. This teaching that he delivered was fully in line with the Scriptures. It's in full agreement with the entirety of the Word of God.

That being said, there have always been people who have disputed these truths. There are those who dispute the fact that Christ died. There are those who insist that he didn't die. In fact, there are those who insist that this could not be true of him.

In the same way, there are those who deny that he died for our sins. Even if they can accept the fact that he died, and even if they can believe that he died on the cross, they will not believe that he did so for our sins. They do not believe that it was possible or necessary that Jesus should die to pay the penalty of our sin.

There are those who do not believe that he was buried. As they do not believe that he died, they do not believe that he was buried at the point in history. And some believe that he never died and was, therefore, never buried.

And there are those who do not believe that Jesus rose from the dead. They believe that, after his death, he remained in the grave. They believe that, like the rest of us, his corpse rotted and decayed.

However, even with these differences, those who hold to these divergent beliefs are quick to say that they believe in Jesus. They are quick to say that Jesus was sent by God into the world. And, in some cases, they are quick to identify themselves as Christian.

Although there are places in the Christian faith where differences are tolerated, this is not one of them. This is not a place where we can simply agree to disagree. This is not an insignificant or a disputable teaching.

In the above passage, Paul says that we are saved by this gospel. It's by our faith in Jesus, who suffered and died on the cross, who was buried, and who rose again on the third day, that

we receive the grace of God. And, for this reason, we can believe nothing different.

If these things did not happen to Jesus, we would not be saved. If these things did not happen to Jesus, we could not be saved. Let us, then, cling to these truths realizing that eternity depends on them.

Library news...

Snuggle up with a good book and a hot cup of tea. We have lots of new books on the end cap and so much great stuff on the shelves.



RADIO BROADCAST

Please Contact the office if you are interested in sponsoring a radio broadcast. The cost is \$40. The Radio Broadcast is heard on Sundays at 11:30 AM on KDKT, 1410 AM. Available Sundays to sponsor are February 7, 14, 21, 28 and March 7, 14, 21 & 28. Send an email to the office or call to reserve a Sunday broadcast!

Discipling Our Family

A one-day men's retreat led by Pastor Paul Nash of Shamgar Ministries. Throughout the day, he'll share with us how we might disciple self, spouse, family, and community. This event will be held at POP in Beulah, from 9:00am-3:00pm on Saturday, Feb 6 2021. Lunch will be provided. There is no cost to attend, however a free-will offering will be collected. Please RSVP to ksperry@princeofpeacebeulah.org by Feb 1.



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

Notes from our Chairman

I AM THE WAY

What are we to do with Jesus' claim, I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me? (John 14:6) Jesus also said, "Whoever is not with me is against me" (Matthew 12:30) If not a Christian, you may think this is a fairy tale; and neither accepting or rejecting it because you do not know Jesus. But if you are a Christian, do you accept or reject what Jesus claims.

Taking the leap of faith and accept Jesus could be a gamble that it is all true. But what about the leap to reject him? If we reject, we are faced with the haunting, terrible thought: Perhaps it's true- and have rejected God!

I would hope your choice will be to believe in the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—In Christ our Lord and God. Christianity has the ring, the feel, of essential truth. By it, life is made full instead of empty, meaningful instead of meaningless."

We are all faced with this decision of accepting or rejecting Jesus challenges us with His claim that He's God in human form, the Savior of the world, and the source of life—both now and forever, how will you respond to Him?

IN Christ Marin C. Sigman

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

Thrivent

Do you have Thrivent Community Action cards available to you? Don't wait until the end of the year to try to come up with a use for them. Call Deb at Thrivent or email me in the office – we can help you with some ideas!



Sunday School Corner

We are currently working on the 10 commandments last week we learned that the 6th commandment and in February the kids will be singing for church on the 21st.

Worship Attendance

12-20	-	259 SS Christmas prog
12-24	-	185 Christmas Eve
12-27	-	83
01-03	-	100
01-10	-	104
01-17	-	128
01-24	-	116





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.

Our first lesson in our new WMF Bible study is titled, "Is Your Doctrine Sick?" Author Jeanette Berntson says that it is an inductive study. She asks "Why does it matters what our pastor teaches?" In 1 Timothy 1: 10 Paul uses the term "sound doctrine" which literally means "healthy teaching".

We looked at Paul's credentials regarding his authority to write this letter. Paul says in verse one that he is "an apostle of Christ Jesus by command of God our Savior and of Christ Jesus our hope..." In 2 Peter 3: 15-16 Peter assures us that Paul's writing is God's holy Word: "And count the patience of our Lord as salvation, just as our beloved brother Paul also wrote to you according to the wisdom given him as he does in all his letters when he speaks in them of these matters." Peter also writes in 2 Peter 1: 16-17 "For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of His majesty. For when He received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to Him by the Majestic Glory, 'This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased' we ourselves heard this very voice..."

1 Timothy 1:2 (Paul writing) "To Timothy, my true child in the faith: Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord." The author asks us how this prayer might have been a blessing to Timothy? How might this bless our pastors today? Think about it. It was a good lesson reminding us that that healthy teaching only comes from the Word of God.

We will be meeting on Monday, **February 15**, at 10:30 am and 6:30 pm in the church to look at Lesson 2, **Jesus Came to Save Sinners**. Pick up a book from the box in the church library. We have a

dozen extras.

Pick one up and look it over. Join us either time we meet on the 15th. Or talk to a couple of friends and do it together at home or at work or at the coffee shop. The lessons are easy to follow. Answers are in the back of the book. Your only other thing necessary is your Bible. You can even find one of those at church as well.

Our Wednesday coffee fellowship meets at the church fellowship hall at **10:30 am**. Bring your own coffee. The quilters take a break at that time. It is such a good time. Sometimes we do a little WMF business. We solve local crimes. We laugh. We lift each other up.

In Thankfulness of His Salvation,
Judy Tolosky 870-2131

40 Days of Giving

Every year millions of people give up something in honor of the season of Lent. It could be expensive coffee, social media, chocolate, it could be anything. This year instead of giving up something, give of yourself!

In remembrance of the ultimate gift given to us, Jesus's death on a cross, please donate one food item per day over the Season of Lent. Items can be dropped off at the church throughout Lent, on Church Easter Sunday or the following week. The list is only a suggestion.

1. Canned Corn	21. Canned Corn
2. Canned Beans	22. Canned Bean
3. Rice	23. Can of Soup
4. Canned Tomatoes	24. Baking Mix
5. Can of Soup	25. Pasta
6. Baking Mix	26. Canned Fruit
7. Pasta	27. Canned Protein
8. Spaghetti Noodles	28. Dish Soap
9. Spaghetti Sauce	29. Instant Potatoes
10. Flour	30. Baking Mix
11. Sugar	31. Spaghetti Noodles
12. Oil	32. Spaghetti Sauce
13. Peanut Butter	33. Season Packet/Spice
14. Canned Protein	34. Mac-n-cheese
15. Canned Fruit	35. Cereal
16. Mac-n-cheese	36. Crackers
17. Hamburger Helper	37. Oatmeal or Hot Cereal
18. Toilet Paper	38. Granola Bars/Snacks
19. Kleenex	39. Jam or Jelly
20. Paper Towel	40. Canned Tomatoes

Please contact Angie Wanzek with questions. This event is made possible through a generous donation from Thrivent Financial.



Youth

Where do You Lean?

“One who has unreliable friends soon comes to ruin, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.” Proverbs 18:24

This world is a confusing place. What you see and what you hear play a large role in who you are and the decisions you make, but unfortunately there don't seem to be as many good influences as there are bad. So what can be done about this, how do we make sure that the words we are hearing are the best one's for us? As usual, look no further than God's Word.

We see in the Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, John) that Jesus wanted to surround himself with other people that were hungry for God's word. They didn't always believe Him or even understand, but they were willing to learn. That's not to say that Jesus didn't meet with and converse with people that weren't well versed in the old Testament or the prophets like his disciples were. Jesus spent many hours sharing the Gospel with those that didn't know anything about Him. But when Jesus or any of His disciples needed to take a deep breath or regroup or hear God's word, they went back to those who they knew would encourage them in God's word. And that's exactly what we need to do.

We need people in our corner so that whenever we need to talk through our doubts or our hurt or even just to chat, we will get solid advice from solid Godly brothers and sisters in Christ. We will be pointed in the direction that God wants us to go in because, as it says in Proverbs, we have a friend that sticks closer than a brother.

Youth Pastor,
Seth Larson

Upcoming Youth Events

Feb 7th: Youth and Family super bowl party and game night

Feb 12th: Last day to sign up for FLY with the “early bird” discount

Feb 14th-15th: Youth ski trip to Bottineau

Lent Meals!

Our POP youth will be serving free will offering Lent meals @ 6:00pm during our Lenten season – proceeds will go to their youth accounts for FLY and other events.

Ash Wednesday!

Lent Services -

Worship service is at 7:00pm beginning with Ash Wednesday on Feb 17 through Wednesday March 24.

February Birthdays!!!

Edith Fandrich	2/1
Keith Peterson	2/1
Connie Schaper	2/1
Kelly Neuberger	2/3
Levi Sayler	2/4
Beth Zimmerman	2/6
Lillian Boeshans	2/7
Janet Iverson	2/7
Vienna Tolosky	2/7
Noah Bieri	2/8
Mark Schneider	2/8
Hailey Palmer	2/9
Kelsey Timmer	2/9
Marvin Sigman	2/10
Chris Alt	2/11
Nancy Swanson	2/16
Ryker Tolosky	2/16
Stephanie Miller	2/19
Maria Hausauer	2/22
Pauline Frank	2/25
Marie Kemmet	2/25
Gabriel Novak	2/25
Heidi Ulland	2/26
Billie Jo Weltikol	2/26
Leeta Olin	2/27
Eugene Hausauer	2/28
Gordon Hoffner	2/28
Everett Olsen	2/28
Willie Schaper	2/28
Jim Schumaier	2/28

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

President's Report – Marvin Sigman

Attended the Deacon's and Trustee's meeting. The FMSC committee has a letter ready to go to all the area congregations to challenge to become "Pallet" donors and raise \$1,866 which will make 7,076 meals.

Pastor's Report – Pastor Kent

Attended staff meetings & deacon's meeting.

Participated in ministerial prayer, and in our ministerial meeting.

We began a new study on Wednesday nights titled, "Who Am I? What Am I Doing Here?"

Confirmation is going well. The kids just took their quiz over the Apostles' Creed, which did not go well. Most of the kids admittedly didn't study for. I'll be reviewing it with them, and they will retake it shortly. We'll also be starting a course of study on the sacraments.

For adult Sunday School, we've been working our way through the curriculum, *Foundations of Faith*. We're currently working through a study of the Lord's Prayer.

I've been working on coordinating the upcoming men's conference, on February 6th, and the Security Workshop, on February 26th-27th.

I have meetings for the AFLC World Missions committee coming up. I'll be leaving on Wednesday, February 10th and returning on Saturday, February 13th.

Youth Director's Report – Seth Larson

- I was able to preach last month
- Middle School Lock-in (had approximately 40 MS in attendance)
- Made it to a few Ministerial Prayer and the monthly Ministerial meeting
- Had the High School and Middle School Christmas Party
- Attended Hazen's Youth Task Force in Hazen
- Youth Ski Trip IS happening in Bottineau on Feb 14th and 15th

Treasurers Report – Margie Lee

General Fund	\$ 46,984.94
Building Fund	\$ 38,100.43
Coffee Hour Fund	\$ 254.84
Intern Fund	\$ 31,885.35
Van/Storage Fund	\$ 11,789.97
Total Bank Acct	\$ 134,637.71

Loan Borrowed 4/2015 \$ 250,000.00

Rate of 4.5%
Loan Balance \$ 72,769.12

Paid another \$1,800 in debt reduction.

Deacon's Report – Kevin Lee

Spring Spiritual Life Meetings – The dates have been set for our Spring Spiritual Life Meetings with Pastor Wade Mobley. They'll be held April 25th-28th. He will address some of the sensitive issues that society is facing, and what God's Word says about them.

February Men's Conference will be held on the 6th. It will run from 9:00-3:00. Pastor has begun getting the info out to POP and to area churches.

Security – The security workshop will be held February 26th-27th. Pastor has been getting the information out to area and district churches. All registrations are done online, so we don't have to do anything as far as the money goes.

Trustee's Report – Keith Peterson

North fellowship hall access project (we will have to decide/design something, possible work project for congregation or we will hire it out, obtain building permit)
SE corner of church: removing slope and adding steps project (have to contact a contractor)

Removing the wall between classrooms
LED replacements going well and looking into better emergency lighting in the kitchen and possibly other areas

Securing the falling insulation above the ceiling in fellowship hall (Keith has done a bunch, maybe about ½ way done?)

Discussed snow removal
We decided to hold our monthly meetings at 7 pm on the first Monday of each month

Getting some of the current trustees access to the HVAC phone app
We were all shown the WR/WO folder in Darcee's office, we will try to make use of that to keep track of the work requested and work completed.

Christian Ed Report – Angie Wanzek

Christian Ed didn't meet in December. They have put in for VBS dates for a team from the Bible School. Christian Ed didn't feel that they would

need dividers between the walls that are being torn out.

NEW BUSINESS

Tithe - We voted to split our tithe of \$3,977.55: \$300 to Feed My Starving Children, \$500 to FLAPS, \$500 to Alaska Missions and \$2,677.55 to Evangelism.

Voted to take \$15,000 from the General Fund and apply it to mortgage loan.

Opening up Services – Approved the youth doing Lenten meals. Will discuss the Easter Breakfast next month. Discussed ushers collecting offering.

Correspondence

Thank you notes were received from Amy Haugen and Darcee Wenning for the Christmas gift cards. Aric Ulland sent a thank you for the quilt and book for graduation. Received thank you notes from AFLC World Missions and Evangelism for our donations and prayers. Also received a letter from AFLC Home Missions asking for names in our church that would like to receive their newsmagazine "Church Planter" – looking for people who have a heart for church planting.

2021 POP Church Council

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