

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

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Pastor Kent

"Pray for us, for we are sure that we have a clear conscience, desiring to act honorably in all things. I urge you the more earnestly to do this in order that

I may be restored to you the sooner."

Hebrews 13:18-19 ESV

As your pastor, I spend a great deal of time in prayer for each of you. Whether I'm aware of a specific need or not, I bring each of you before the Lord on a regular basis. It's simply a part of my ongoing care of you.

As we read through the New Testament, Paul often shares with his readers the fact that he's praying for them. But he doesn't stop there. We see also that he asks for prayer from his readers. And we see the same from the author of Hebrews, in the passage above.

I'm doing the same thing right here and now. Many of you have expressed that you regularly pray for

me, and I appreciate this more than you know. But, by now, you've likely heard that I have a specific need that I would like you to lift up to the Lord.

Eleven years ago, I was diagnosed with a heart condition known as Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy. It's a genetic condition that I inherited from my father. Up to this point, I've been treated with medication that has helped immensely. However, since this past fall, I haven't been feeling as well. And my recent check-up, at Mayo, revealed that my condition has worsened.

For this reason, I have been scheduled for open-heart surgery on September 14th. Although the surgery isn't a cure for my condition, it will enable my heart to better function. In fact, I've been assured that most, if not all, of my physical limitations will be eliminated.

The surgery will take place at Mayo Clinic in Rochester. I have one of the best surgeons at Mayo performing the procedure. And, assuming all goes well, I'll be down there for about a week.

Coming home, I'll also be taking the needed time for recovery. Based on the input of my doctor, the church council and I are planning and preparing for me to be out of commission for a month. And, when I'm able to resume my duties, I'll have to slowly work back up to a full-time schedule.

Please pray for me, as I anticipate this surgery. Pray that all goes well, during the procedure. And please pray for my recovery.

My wife will initially keep the church informed regarding the surgery and my condition. I will, as well, as I improve.

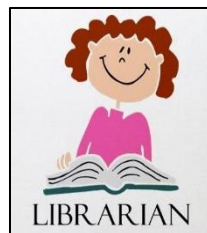
Our chairman, Marvin Sigman, is lining up people to preach while I'm gone. Don Buck is lining up service leaders. Les Buchman will teach the adult Sunday School class until I return. Seth will handle confirmation. Unless you hear otherwise, Wednesday night Bible study will resume when I'm well. And if there are emergencies, or if pastoral care is needed, please talk to Marvin Sigman or Kevin Lee.

Thank you in advance for your prayers and understanding.

Pastor Kent

Rally Sunday is September 12! Sunday School will begin on at 10:30.

Prince of Peace needs volunteers to help with the **church library!** Please call Deb Creel to get in on the fun 😊



Prince of Peace Prayer Partners

And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God. May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

[Colossians 1:9-12](#) ESV

Starting in September of this year, Prince of Peace will be coordinating Prayer Partners among church members of all ages. Men will be paired with men and women with women. Family groups of children can choose to be pair with a male or female. The goal of Prayer Partners is summed up in the verses above. As a congregation we want to encourage members to grow in faith and spiritual wisdom and develop relationships with fellow sisters and brothers in Christ.

If you are interested in being matched with a prayer partner, grab a slip from the back of the sanctuary and place it in the man/women jar that will be in the back of the church. Partners will be drawn randomly mid-September.

Worship Attendance

07-18	-	0	- Community service @ BMS
07-25	-	123	
08-01	-	110	
08-08	-	89	
08-15	-	84	
08-22	-	129	





From the Chairman – Marvin Sigman

I read these and they are worth sharing.

Decide Now

The good man does not escape all troubles- he has them too. But the Lord helps him in each and every one. Psalm 34: 19 TLB

Voices await you today. At work, in your cul-de-sac, at school, on the internet. They're waiting for you. They stand on the intersections of your social life and family. You can't eliminate their presence. But you can prepare for their invitation.

Remember who you are; you God child. You've been bought by the most precious commodity in the history of the universe; the blood of Christ. You are indwelt by the Spirit of the living God. You are being equipped for an eternal assignment that will empower you to live in the very presence of God, You have been set apart for a holy calling. You are his.

The Devil has no jurisdiction over you. He acts as if he does. He walks with a swagger and brings temptation, but as you resist him and turn to God, he must flee (James 4:7).

Decide now what you will say when the voices speak.

Choose obedience. And, as you do, you can expect blessings: The blessing of a clean conscience, the blessing of a good night's sleep, the blessing of God's fellowship, the blessing of God's favor. This is no guarantee of an easy life. It is the assurance of God's help, and it is your claim.

Total Dependence of God

Absolute surrender involves giving up our desires, goals, and preferences to God and accepting God's will, regardless of how difficult it may be. Another adjustment we must make to do

God's will is reaching a place of total dependence of God. Jesus said, "You can do nothing without Me" (John 15:5). As God's servants, we must be in that intimate relationship so He will complete His work through us. WE must depend on God alone. When we surrender our lives completely, we become totally dependent on Him. Then we understand that, apart from Him, we can do nothing. We must learn to live in constant awareness of our absolute reliance on God if he is to accomplish His purposes through us.

This adjustment requires a shift from doing work for God according to our abilities, gifts, goals, likes and dislikes to being totally dependent on God, His working, and his resources. It requires courage and faith.

Read the following Scriptures, and notice why we must depend on God to carry out his purposes:

- I am the vine; you are the branches. The one who remains in Me and I in him produces much fruit, because you can do nothing without Me." (John 15:5)
- By God's grace I am what I am, and His grace toward me was not ineffective. However, I worked more than any of them, yet not I, but God's grace that was with me. (1 Cor. 15:10)
- I have been crucified with Christ, and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the flesh, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me. (Gal. 2:20)
- The Lord of hosts has sworn, saying, "As I have planned, so it will be: as I have purposed it, so it will happen" (Isa. 14:24)
- Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be afraid, for I am your God. I will strengthen you; I will help you; I will hold on to you with my righteous right hand." (Isa. 41:10)
- I am God, and there is no other... My plan will take place, and I will do all My will.... Yes, I have

spoken: so I will also bring it about. I have planned it: I will also do it.”(Isa. 46:9-11)

If God is not at work in you, you can do nothing to bear spiritual fruit. As you are crucified with Christ, He lives through you to accomplish His purposes by His grace. When God sets out to do something, He guarantees that it will come to pass. He is the one who will accomplish what He intends to do. If you depend on anything other than God, you are asking for failure.

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 September 5, 12, 19, 26 and October 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31. Send an email to the office or call to reserve a Sunday broadcast!



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



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Do you have Thrivent Community Action cards available to you? Do not 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! In fact, I have a list of ideas...



Sunday School Corner

I am very happy to announce that we have all of our SS teachers! Yeah! We may need a few helpers yet and the list of substitutes is very short and to be honest I am not sure there is anyone on the list. If you are willing to help, please let me know. Please pray that the students will have a heart eager to learn about God and to practice what they learn not only on Sunday but throughout the week. Please also pray for the teachers as they prepare and teach the lessons. I think of Barb Gustafson every year when SS starts. She would bring a string 168 inches long to SS and each inch represented 1 hour of the week. We have church and SS for about 3 hours (which is generously rounded up) each week and if that is the only time that we spend learning about God and instilling values that will help us throughout the week we are going to struggle when we are tempted to sin. In those few hours we simply can't teach your child everything. I know I mentioned earlier this summer that if we only ate once a week our bodies would be malnourished and unable to complete the simplest of tasks the same is true of our souls. Please use SS as a tool to start a conversation with your child about God. With the internet and radio there are several ways to plug God into our lives while in the car or at home. At the church, we have a 365-day devotional book that we give to families to read at home. If you are interested, please let me know and I will get one for you. And of course, don't forget about prayer!

In His Hands,
Donna Bieri



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.

Back to school. Back to routine. Back to Bible study. Back to Sunday School. So thankful for our Wednesday WMF coffee gatherings that continued through the summer.

Not everything will be like before. But that is okay because change is good for us. Sometimes it comes hard. Take pastor's upcoming surgery for instance. This is not a simple procedure. Our lessons in our WMF study have been so devoted to what we should expect our pastor to be to us the church. It also points us to our duties/privileges as the church to how we should love on, lift up, provide for, pray for the care and nourishing of our pastor. Let's keep Pastor Kent and his family in our prayers. As he is recuperating let us "pray for Pastor that he would immerse himself in the Bible and continue to believe, teach and live according to it. God gives us pastors to protect us and guard our faith through the Bible. God gives us pastors that we would be saved through God's Word...Pastors are God's gift to us." taken from page 41 of the "Study of 1 Timothy our current WMF Bible study.

On Monday September 20 at 10:30 am and 6:30 pm WMF the Bible study will be looking at **Instructions for the Church** in 1 Timothy 5:1-16. Coffee on Wednesdays at 10:30. Great fellowship and WMF concerns discussed.

The 2022 Bible Study is entitled: **Behold Our God.** It was written by Karen Floan, Ann Presteng, Gwen Berge and Wendy Westlake. These Studies are on Psalms 90-100. Lesson titles:

1. Psalm 90 Behold the Eternal One
2. Psalm 91 Behold God Our Dwelling Place
3. Psalm 92 Behold God's Ways
4. Psalm 93 Behold Christ's Kingdom
5. Psalm 94 Behold the Just One

6. Psalm 95 Behold the Rock of Our Salvation
7. Psalm 96 Behold the Righteous One
8. Psalm 97 Behold God Who Reigns in Power
9. Psalm 98 Behold Him, Savior of All the Earth
10. Psalm 99 Behold Him Who Answers
11. Psalm 100 Behold Our Shepherd King

More information coming out in the future. Watch our website and the fall mailings.

In His service, Judy 870-2131

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 available on our youtube channel, and the audio is also available on our website by the following Monday, or on our KDKT Radio broadcast at 11:30 on Sunday mornings.

2021 POP Church Council

President	Marvin Sigman
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	Jeff Rotondo
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	Donna Bieri
	Rebecah Larson
	Chrisy Rontondo



Youth

“What Control?”

³³ But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

³⁴ “Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

Matthew 6:33-34

Humans are funny people... No matter how much we have been shown the opposite of something, we will still believe the lie if it is something that seems to make us feel better. Case and point, “I still have control over this world.” What a bunch of nonsense! Now, understand that I’m not talking about things that we do. Obviously, you can control what you do in a situation. In fact, I would argue that the only things we can control are our actions and our reactions. No, I’m talking about us thinking we can control other people and things in our lives.

I have been shown an uncountable amount of times that I cannot control the things that are outside of me in this life, but I consistently try to control others and various situations in my life. You would think that I would learn by now, but I don’t. Why is that?

We all have our struggles in this life, and one of mine is control. But I believe that most of us are plagued by the temptation of control one way or another in this life. I have just in the last week been tempted to think, “ok, now all of the crazy is over and I can look to the future.” But each of those times something has hit me that was *out of my control*. The most recent of these examples was finally finishing all of our summer youth activities, and then waking up to

a phone call telling me that my grandmother had passed away suddenly.

Nothing that happens in this world is under our control, but only God’s. And in this time of trial, I have been reminded of the Matthew verse above. Seek first God and His righteousness, and we will be given what we need. And this is what gives us the confidence to not be anxious about tomorrow. Because as we know all too well, tomorrow will be anxious enough for itself. Give up control and put on Christ!

Youth Director, Seth Larson

Youth Related Calendar Items

- First day of Confirmation- August 25th
- First day of Middle School Youth Group- August 26th
- First day of High School Youth Group- September 1st
- Sunday School Starts- September 12th



Threads of love quilting begins
Wednesday,
September 15

@ 9:00am in the fellowship hall.

They will be meeting weekly.

Pastor Earl Korhonen, Director of World Missions, will be with us on Wednesday, September 29th at 7:00 PM. He will give an overview of all of our mission sites and missionaries, as well as recent updates. Please plan to join us!



September Birthdays

Kelly Aalund	1-Sep
Jim Alt	1-Sep
Connor Babcock	2-Sep
Tel Bauman	3-Sep
Julie Bergstedt	3-Sep
Claire Buchmann	4-Sep
Christina Engbrecht	4-Sep
Tad Feist	5-Sep
Emma Finsaas	5-Sep
Elaine Foth	7-Sep
Karen Hoffner	8-Sep
Daxton Holen	8-Sep
Drake Holen	9-Sep
Ivan Keller	9-Sep
Bill Keller	9-Sep
Kenny Klein	10-Sep
Lance Klipfel	12-Sep
Margie Lee	12-Sep
Parker Lenzen	14-Sep
Blake Martin	14-Sep
Ryan Martin	14-Sep
Mitchell Mattheis	15-Sep
Lexa Mohl	15-Sep
Gary Murray	15-Sep
Emma Neuberger	16-Sep
Sodie Peabody	18-Sep
Michelle Placke	18-Sep
Ruth Sailer	19-Sep
Randy Schneider	22-Sep
Adeline Schriefer	22-Sep
Riley Schriefer	22-Sep
Karen Seibel	23-Sep
Bill Swanson	25-Sep
Caty Ternes	25-Sep
Jareth Ternes	25-Sep
Emery Tolosky	27-Sep
Thea Ungerer	29-Sep
Emma Wanzek	29-Sep
Joe Wright	29-Sep
Keith Yeager	30-Sep

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

President's Report – Marvin Sigman

Marvin attended the Deacon's and Trustees meeting. Marvin and his wife, Jan, stopped to see Pearl Miller at the Mandan medical rehab center where she is getting physical therapy.

Youth Director's Report – Seth Larson

- Went to Fargo to attend the Skillet Concert and Fargo Fair
- Beulah Fair, was able to attend to interact with youth
- Prince of Peace Float in Beulah parade
- Community Worship Service
- Mon-Dak-Ada Family and Youth Bible Camp
- Finished up Community Youth Group and Summer MSYG
- HS Lake Days this weekend
- MSYG starts on the 26th
- HSYG starts on September 1st

Treasurers Report – Margie Lee

General Fund	\$ 21,863.17
Building Fund	\$ 47,607.58
Coffee Hour Fund	\$ 376.82
Intern Fund	\$ 38,885.35
Van/Storage Fund	\$ 20,359.92
Total Bank Acct	\$ 135,921.33

Loan Borrowed 4/2015 \$ 250,000.00

Rate of 4.5%

Loan Balance \$ 20,086.31

Deacon's Report – Kevin Lee

Spiritual Life Meetings – Pastor Kent has been visiting with Pastor Jon Wellumson about leading our Fall Spiritual Life Meetings with a focus on the importance of doctrine.

Pastor's surgery is scheduled for September 14th at Mayo. The doctor indicated that, due to the nature of the work, Pastor should be back about 3 weeks after surgery. People have been lined up to preach while Pastor is recovering.

Adult Sunday School – Les Buchman is willing to cover this.

Confirmation – Seth can handle it with 6 to 8 kids expected.

Visitation/Emergencies – Marvin Sigman and Kevin Lee will take care of visitation.

Trustee's Report – Ryan Tolosky

Ryan and Jeff Rotondo met and looked at the fellowship hall for waxing. Trustees have looked at urinals but plumbing will be a problem so they are looking at putting plastic up to protect the walls. Ryan asked about filling propane tanks. Beulah Cenex checks them during the winter to make sure there is enough propane but a trustee should be assigned to check the tanks regularly to make sure we don't run out of propane.

Keith Peterson reported that someone donated an older version Ring doorbell. If it works well for us, we can purchase a newer version of Ring doorbell. Seth Larson will set up the Ring doorbell since the app needs to go on the user's cell phones.

Christian Ed Report – Angie Wanzek

VBS Wrap Up: We also want to continue to do a service project during the week. This year kids tied lap blankets made of fleece for the care center residents. The kids collected 555 lbs of food for WARC food pantry with the boys winning the water balloon fight w/ the most items collected. We also collected \$37+ which was also donated to WARC.

Sunday School: We will resume on September 12th, 2021

Teachers: Anna Sayler will teach preschool/Kindergarten, Donna Bieri will teach 1st & 2nd grade, Don Buck will teach 3rd-5th. We are still in need of a teacher for 6th-8th grade. As well as subs and helpers.

Prayer Partners Church Wide: Per approval from council, we will be putting an insert in the bulletin for the month of August for anyone who would like to sign up to be a prayer partner for another church member. Preferred method of contact will be included as some may like a simple text, while others prefer phone calls or face to face interactions. This will be a great way to better get to know members of the congregation and pray for them according to their needs.

Discipline Policy: Donna will work on guidelines for Sunday school as there have been issues of inappropriate and disrespectful behavior in the

past. Our goal is to work together with parents to assist in a peaceful, nurturing environment for all, while learning God's word and how to conduct ourselves in accordance with biblical teaching.

OLD BUSINESS

Sidewalk Replacement and North Walkway Replacement – This project was approved at the Special Congregational meeting on June 6th. M Construction will be doing the demolition of concrete and pouring new concrete possibly in August or September.

NEW BUSINESS

Tithe - We voted to give our tithe of \$2,001.33 to Association Retreat Center (ARC)

Safety Team – Shane Haugen reported a cabinet has been purchased/donated for the first aid supplies. They discussed having a blood pressure screening during Sunday morning.

Council discussed background checks and recommended to bring this to the congregation at the November Annual Meeting.

WRT Bid for Surveillance System – Received a bid for surveillance cameras with a monthly fee from WRT. Council will look into this further at perhaps a smaller scale or putting up additional cameras ourselves.

Youth Director Seth Larson expressed the need to have cameras in the Warehouse Youth area. Seth and the Safety committee will look at surveillance cameras specifically for the Warehouse Youth area.

WRT Phone System – Received a bid for a new phone system. Our current phones have issues with static and do need to be updated. No action was taken on the bid at this time.

Correspondence

Thank you note was received from Todd and Barb Schierkolk. AFLC Missionaries in Mexico, for our prayers and gifts the past year.