

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

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Pastor Kent

"And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. And awe came upon every

soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. And all who believed were together and had all things in common. And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved."

During the Wednesdays of Lent, we've been talking about our purpose as Christians. We've been talking about the purpose God has for us as we await Jesus' return. And we'll hear something similar during our upcoming spiritual life meetings.

Our speaker will share with us about walking through life with Jesus. He'll share with us about walking through life with the life-giver. And this should be both an informative and an encouraging topic.

As we consider this, it's fascinating to read about the early church. It's fascinating to see the way that they lived. They were a family. And, in contrast, the church of today is anything but.

We tend to look at church as something to check off of our to-do list. We look at it as a goal to fulfill. And much of this flows from a warped view of the gospel.

Although we've heard the gospel countless times, and although we can explain it well, we continue to believe and act as if forgiveness and salvation are blessings to be earned. And the way they are earned, we believe, is by checking off all the right boxes.

One of those boxes is going to church. And, viewing church in this way, we seek only to do our duty. We try to get in and out as quickly as possible, doing as little as possible. Connections with our fellow believers (who make up the church) seem to be relatively unimportant to us.

If we get roped into ushering or serving during fellowship, that's one more box we can check. But, again, we seek to do as little as possible. We're prefer to get home where we can relax or tend to household chores.

We see, in the passage above, what the early church was like. The people were devoted to Word and Sacrament. They were devoted to prayer and fellowship. And this wasn't just a weekly thing, as it is for us. It was a daily thing.

To many of us, this sounds burdensome. It may even sound overwhelming. But there is great freedom and blessing in this kind of life. There is freedom and blessing as we receive God's blessings through the Word, through the Sacraments, and through the other believers with whom we share this life of faith.

Realizing this, I encourage you to look at church not as a box to check off of our to-do list. I encourage you to look at it not as a duty. But let us view church for what it truly is.

The church is the body of Christ. It is the fellowship of believers. And it's with these believers that we share in this life of faith and receive God's wondrous blessings.



Spring Spiritual Life Meetings

will be held April 24th-27th. Our speaker will be Pastor Lyndon Korhonen, President of the AFLC. The theme will be "Walking Through Life with the Life-giver."

Sunday a.m.	Mark 3:1-6
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Killing the Healer

Sunday p.m. John 1:1-5

Stabilized by the Word

Monday p.m. Matt. 26:6-13

The Heart of Worship

Tuesday p.m. Mark 4:26-34

Continue Planting Seed

Wednesday p.m. Ephesians 4:22-24

Daily Renewal

Men's Conference

Once again, we'll be hosting a men's conference at Prince of Peace. It'll be held on **Saturday, April 2nd**. We'll start at 9:00 and be finished by about 1:30. Lunch will be provided. There is no cost to attend, but a free will offering will be taken.

Our speaker is Dr. Nathan Olson, pastor of Living Word Free Lutheran Church in Eagan, MN and also a member of the faculty at our AFLC schools. As we've been studying false teachings that have been found in the church throughout the centuries, he'll share with us on the following topic:

The Problem of Predestination throughout the Ages

Session 1: Just Listen To Your Heart (A Discourse on Depravity)

Session 2: How do I know if I'm predestined? (Election & Faith)

Session 3: A Church on a Mission (Limited Atonement and Redemption for All People)



From the Chairman – Marvin Sigman

The Mountain Mover
Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord,
And whose hope is the Lords. Jeremiah 17:
7

When troubles come our way, we can be stressed and upset, or we can trust God.

"Set your minds and keep them set on what is above (the higher things)" (Colossians 3:2). When giants are in the land, when doubts swarm your mind, turn your thoughts to God. Your best thoughts are God-thoughts.

He is above all this mess!

He is "the Most High over all the earth" (Psalm 83:18). The psalmist asked, "Who in the skies is comparable to the Lord? Who among the sons of the mighty is like the Lord?" (Psalm 89:6).

Pain does not plague God. The economy does not faze him. The weather does not disturb him. Elections do not define him. Diseases do not infect him. Death cannot claim him.

He is "able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think" (Ephesians 3:20).

Stare at the mountain less and at the Mountain Mover more. Ponder the holiness of God. Let his splendor stun you and inspire you.

In Christ Marvin C. Sigman



We had a brunch March 13th to kick off our fundraising for our mobile pack scheduled for Sept 23 and 24. Right now we have about \$10k of the \$25k needed. We are very appreciative of those who brought egg bakes, helped and supported us! THANK YOU! We definitely are requesting prayer as we are in need of more ideas for fundraisers, if you have some ideas, we are open to suggestions. We will be reaching out to the churches in our area and our AFLC district for support also. Our next fundraiser will be a drive through fleischkeuchle feed on April 10th. If you are willing to help serve that day we would appreciate it; I will be getting a signup sheet set out soon. We are also serving fleischkeuchle April 30 at the Dodge Vendor Show. If you are looking for something to do that day please drive over to the Dodge Auditorium. We will be asking for donations of baked goods for that day. If you are able and willing to support us in that way we would also appreciate it. We will have more information available as we get closer to that date. Thank you again for everything we appreciate it!

Worship Attendance

02-06 - 114

02-13 - 118

02-20 - 155

02-27 - 149

03-02 - 79 Ash Wednesday

03-06 - 137

03-09 - 68 Lent

03-13 - 123

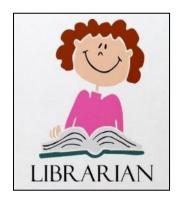
03-16 - 58 Lent

03-20 - 143

03-23 - 69



Prince of Peace needs volunteers to help with the **church library!** Please call the office to get in on the fun Lots of new stuff has been ordered – they will be ready soon! Please check your



shelves and book racks to see if you have any items that need to be returned to POP.

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Annual Easter Party 10:30am – 11:30am Saturday, April 16th

200 19th ST NW Beulah ND

We will be decorating cookies, doing a craft, an egg hunt, and hearing The Gospel story!

This event is for children through 6th Grade.





Please join us at Prince of Peace for regular Sunday Services at 9am with Sunday School at 10:30. Our Easter Sunday services will be at 7:00 am and 9:00 am with breakfast between the services.

We are also asking for donations of Easter Candy to fill the eggs and frosting supplies for the cookies! You can leave your donations in the SS kitchen.



We are in the final two months of Sunday School. We went to the KRCC where we sang 9 songs, recited Psalm 121 and did a craft about Psalm 23 with the residents. It was enjoyed by all. In April the kids will be singing a couple of songs during church on Palm Sunday which is April 10th. On May 1, we will sing a couple songs that we are learning about Easter. We will not have SS on Easter Sunday.

In His Hands, Donna Bieri *also, Sunday School kids will be singing/waiving palms as they enter into the Sanctuary on Palm Sunday.



April Lent/Easter Schedule

Wednesday April 6: 7:00pm Lent Service Sunday April 10: 9:00am Palm Sunday Thursday April 14: 7:00pm Maundy Thurs Friday April 15: 12:00pm Community

Good Friday @ POP

Friday April 15: 7:00pm Good Friday Saturday April 16: 10:30am Easter party Sunday April 17: 7:00am Sunrise Service

Followed by breakfast

Sunday April 17: 9:00am Easter Sunday



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.

"It is good to praise the Lord..." We will continue to focus on praise as we look at Psalm 93 during **WMF Bible study on**Monday, April 18 at 10:30 am and 6:30 pm. Lesson 4 "BEHOLD CHRIST'S KINGDOM" will have us "consider God's majesty and power" and remind us "that from the creation of the world Jesus, the King of kings, loved us and had a plan to save us." Come gather with us.

WORD OF LIFE is the theme for the Spring Rally on Saturday, April 23 in Williston. The speaker will be Steve Kvale with Wycliffe Bible Translators. These gatherings are always so uplifting. Come join us. We usually get a carpool lined up for the road trip and that is a fun ride.

Come Wednesdays at 10:30 for coffee and fellowship. Gathering with our sisters in Christ is truly a blessing for all who are there.

Enticed by love they came to see God in human frailty, a newborn babe at purest birth delivered, squirming to the earth. This promised child clutched in his hand Salvation sent at God's command.
But with salvation
death was brought,
and pain and suffering
too, were caught
entangled in his tiny palm;
flailed silently
into the calm
of night that held,
so innocently, the Man
who'd set his people free.
By Rebeka Tempest
(page 1173 Women's Devotional Bible NIV 1990
Zondervan publishing)

Have a blessed Resurrection Sunday! Judy 870-2131

Fellowship for April

April 3: Kendra Finck, Dena Kemmet, Don & Teresa Buck

April 10: Dalton & Sylvia Zeiszler, Jim & Joan Schumaier

April 17: Easter Sunday – no fellowship hour **April 24**: Margret Rosaan, Nancy Wright, Jay & Karen Seibel

Fellowship for May

May 1: Darrin & Leeta Olin, Jeff & Chrisy Rotondo

May 8: Jeremy & Heather Brandt, David & Stephanie Hottman

May 15: Garrett & Michelle Placke, Vern & Karla Boehm

May 22: Willis & Deb Kasanke, Gary & Susan Miller

May 29: Doe Family, Dan & Rebecah Martin

Communion prep for April

Wes & Jane Gunsch

Communion prep for May

Tad & Gina Feist



She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue (Proverbs 31:26)

"This wife and mother speaks with wisdom and gives faithful instruction. This fits the biblical idea of a pastor. We think of a 'pastor' as an ordained minister in the church, but the words means to shepherd, to lovingly but directively care for people. The bible calls all christins to mutually shepherd on another. We are to bear the burdens (Gal 6:2), admonish and council (Rom 15:14), exhort and correct (Heb 3:13), encourage and strengthen (1Thes 5:11), teach the bible (Col 3:16), confess sins (James 5:16), and forgive and reconcile with one another (Eph 4:32)."

Timothy Keller's "God's wisdom for navigating life"

Often we look at the church like the pastor is the only one who should be doing the shepherding, but that was never the intention of the church. We are all meant to shepherd our flock using the word of God just as Timothy Keller said above, we are to bear each other's burdens, to admonish and correct, to encourage and to teach, and to confess and forgive together as a Church!

Youth Director, Seth Larson Upcoming Youth Events

- April 17th- Youth Easter Breakfast
- April 22nd- FLBC Campus Days (High School)

April Birthdays

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1-Apr	Braelyn Hottman
3-Apr	Desiree Ritter
6-Apr	Judy Tolosky
8-Apr	Garrett Placke
9-Apr	Larry Behm
11-Apr	Jordan Bauman
11-Apr	Viola Martin
12-Apr	Fred Bieri
13-Apr	Marge Murray
13-Apr	Sophia Sayler
14-Apr	Peyton Funk
14-Apr	Aric Ulland
15-Apr	Jane Gunsch
15-Apr	Kelsey Renner
16-Apr	Jennifer Neuberger
16-Apr	Cassie Plienis
16-Apr	Randy Zimmerman
18-Apr	James DeLaCrux
18-Apr	Lynda Doe
18-Apr	Glenn Sasse
19-Apr	Dustin Buchmann
19-Apr	Jyzelle Mohl
20-Apr	Rebecah Larson
21-Apr	Anna Sayler
22-Apr	Gerald Felch
24-Apr	Rusty Plienis
24-Apr	Mischa Ternes
26-Apr	Michael Feist
26-Apr	Vern Pederson
27-Apr	Marvin Bauer
27-Apr	Les Buchmann
27-Apr	Pamela Raile
28-Apr	Aneica Behm
29-Apr	Lillian Hamby
29-Apr	Tia Horning
30-Apr	Deb Creel
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Danielle Renner

Elsie Wiedenmeyer

30-Apr

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Ushers for April

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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 April 3, 10, 17 & 24 and May 1, 8, 15, & 29. 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

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.

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

President's Report - Marvin Sigman

Chairman Marvin reported that he had attended meetings for the deacons, Feed My Starving Children, and for a mission project on building a garage for our church

Pastor's Report - Pastor Kent

I attended online meetings of the AFLC World Missions Committee and of the AFLC Missions Corporation Restructuring Committee.

Confirmation is going well. We've continued our look at the Lord's Prayer this past month, and will be taking our second test of the year next week.

Wednesday night Bible study has gone well, as we've been looking at the book of Revelation. We got part way into chapter 20, before needing to stop for Lent. I'm hoping we'll find a couple of weeks after Easter to complete this study.

Sunday School also continues to go well. We've completed our look at the third article of the Apostles' Creed, discussing the work of the Holy Spirit, and have moved into our last section on the Sacraments.

I led our Bible study for our men's breakfast, where we're looking at a series titled: *One Truth, Many Lies.* We looked at the false teaching, that there is no sharing of characteristics between the two natures of Christ.

I communed our church members at KRCC.

Youth Director's Report - Seth Larson

- Helped with Bingo for Hazen Health Task Force
- Chili Cookoff this Sunday Feb 13th
- Youth Ski Trip in Bottineau Feb 20-21st
- FLY Board Meeting Feb 26
- Lent Meals with Youth for Congregation
- Preaching for lent on March 23 and 30th
- Easter breakfast on April 17th
- FLBC Campus Days April 22-24th

Seth also announced that God was calling Seth and Becca back to Illinois to be closer to family, so Seth will announce it to the congregation this Sunday at the end of the service. His last day of work will be July 31st.

Meal Ministry:

Amy Haugen joined the council meeting to share about her vision for starting a "Meal Ministry". Rebecah Martin would co-chair this with Amy. The thought is to maybe bring 3 meals to people at a time of birth, death, surgery, hospitalization, illness, or other times of crisis.

<u>Treasurers Report – Margie Lee</u>

General Fund	\$ 22,525.69
Building Fund	\$ 58,907.75
Coffee Hour Fund	\$ 659.30
Intern Fund	\$ 46,085.35
Van/Storage Fund	\$ 28,884.92
Total Bank Acct	\$ 173,283.29

Deacon's Report - Kevin Lee

Spiritual Life Meetings – Our spring meetings have been scheduled from April 24th-27th with Pastor Lyndon Korhonen. He has already provided the theme, along with the titles and texts for each of his messages.

Men's conference – Our men's conference has been scheduled on Saturday, April 2nd. Our speaker will be Dr. Nathan Olson, who pastors Living Word Lutheran Church in Eagan, MN and teaches at our AFLC schools. He will teach three sessions that tie in with our study for the year, looking at various false teachings that have crept into the church and why they're dangerous.

Lent will start with Ash Wednesday worship on March 2nd. Pastor has a series in mind to carry us through the Sundays of Lent, and another for our midweek services. Seth will preach for two of the midweek services and Pastor will take the rest.

Seth, Darcee, and Pastor are also lining up the families of youth to put on meals prior to the midweek services.

<u>Trustee's Report – Ryan Tolosky</u>

Ryan was waiting on bids and had no other report for the Trustees.

Christian Ed Report – Angie Wanzek

Donna Bieri spoke with KRCC and they will allow us to come and sing and do a craft on Sunday March 20th during alternative SS. A Thrivent card will be applied for the event.

OLD BUSINESS

Church Van Storage – Marvin Sigman and about 9 other men are looking to build the garage as a mission project. Information will be brought to the congregation after they make more plans.

Copier - Our old one is still working but it would be nice to get a new one so that we are not without one if it quits. When we get a new one, the old one could be used for Sunday school teachers or others who might need it. Margie will research

Intern – Compensation package, housing, and medical were discussed

NEW BUSINESS

Tithe - We voted to split our tithe of \$3,279.09: \$100 to the FCA project that Seth shared about, \$300 to FMSC, and the balance of \$2879.09 to AFLC World Missions

Safety Team - First aid kit for the van, fire extinguisher, blanket and shovel. Kevin Lee is waiting for one more part to come before he can install the 3 new cameras in the Warehouse Youth area. Heart and stroke medical training was done.

Feed My Starving Children Mobile Pack – Marvin Sigman said that there is still around \$15,000 or \$16,000 that still needs to be raised. Our packing date will be September 23-24. The first fundraiser will be an egg bake on 3/13. Many additional fundraisers are being planned.

Killdeer Church - Plans to build. Pastor will learn more at the next district pastor's meeting. We currently give \$1800/year to Killdeer. They are looking to find more support for building.

Special Congregational Meeting - There will be a special meeting on Sunday March 27th to decide on plans for the van garage and to decide on searching for a new youth director

Correspondence

From the AFLC Director of Business Management thanking us for our gifts.



2022 POP Church Council

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