

Reaching an ever-changing world with God's never-changing Word!

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July 2023



Pastor Kent

"You have heard that it was said, 'An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.' But I say to you, Do not resist the one who is evil. But if anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also. And if anyone would sue you and take your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. And if anyone forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles. Give to the one who begs from you, and do not refuse the one who would borrow from you."
(Matthew 5:38-42 ESV)

We'll soon be celebrating our nation, we'll soon be celebrating our freedom, as we ring in the 4th of July. And these are blessings that are rightly celebrated. Living where we do is a great blessing, as are the freedoms we enjoy.

We sometimes, however, become quite stubborn when it comes to our rights. We become quite stubborn when it comes to protecting and maintaining our rights. And, on the surface, this

makes sense. It makes sense because, if we surrender them, we're not likely to get them back.

It can get to the point, however, where we worship them. It can get to the point where they become more important than anything or anyone. They become more important than even our neighbor, and we're unwilling to lay them aside, even briefly, for the welfare of those around us.

We see this as we look at the passage above. We believe that we have an inherent right to protect ourselves. We believe that we have a God-given right to protect our well-being and our possessions. And for this reason, we find the principle of "an eye for an eye" quite appealing.

Jesus, however, makes us rather uncomfortable. He tells us that we're not to resist the one who is evil. He tells us that, if someone slaps us on the right cheek, which is more of an insult than an attack, we should turn to him the left. He tells us that, if someone sues us for our tunic, we should let him have our cloak as well. He tells us that, if anyone forces us to go with him one mile, we should go with him two. And he tells us to give to the one who begs

of us and that we're not to refuse the one who would borrow from us.

This is something that's hard to wrap our mind around. We feel that, if we put these words into practice, we're allowing ourselves to be abused. And we're allowing ourselves to be taken advantage of by others.

This is exactly the point. We're far too worried about such things. We're far too worried about people taking advantage of us. We're far too worried about being abused.

Our tendency is to quickly retaliate. Our tendency is to hold tight to what is ours. And our tendency is to protect our rights before others.

If we are to err, however, Jesus would not have us to do so on the side of retaliation. And he would not have us do so on the side of selfishness. He would have us err on the side of yielding, of giving, and even being taken advantage of.

If we're to err, we should always err on the side of loving our neighbor. We should always err on the side of extending grace. And we should always err on the side of generosity.

Prayer request

Prince of Peace is part of a community wide prayer chain. If you have something you would like added to the prayer chain – please email or call the church office.



Are you looking for an opportunity to organize a **Thrivent** Community Action Team? Give me a call in the office and we can come up with an idea for your project!



Sunday School Corner

We will be starting SS September 10th. If you are willing to help in any capacity, or having any suggestions to improve our SS program please let me know. Remember to sprinkle God into your life all day long with prayer, song, reading the Bible.

In His Hands, Donna Bieri



From Hunger to Hope

On June 11, I gave a presentation at Peace Lutheran Church in Hazen. They have been very supportive of our mobile pack the last couple of years which has been wonderful! Upcoming events include: Our mobile pack September 8th and 9th. Please mark your calendars. A drive thru Fleshkeuchkle Feed scheduled for September 17th. And serving lunch at Shop Til You Drop which will be October 28th. Please be in pray for all of these events. We still have not reached our goal quite yet.

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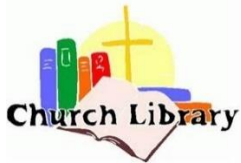
Children's Message

We will be doing a children's message on Sunday July 23.



Radio Broadcast

Please contact the church office if you are interested in sponsoring a Sunday radio broadcast. **The cost is \$40.** The radio broadcast is heard on Sundays at 11:30am on KDKT 1410 AM. Available Sundays to sponsor are July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30 and August 6, 13, 20, & 27. Please email or call the church office to reserve a Sunday to sponsor.



There are so many good things to check out in our church library! Here is the website to look at it online.

Library website: www.libib.com/u/poplibrary

Communion prep for July

Amy Haugen

Communion prep for August

Carl & Bev Sorensen

POP Worship Attendance

05-07 - 182 Confirmation
05-14 - 145 Grad recog, last day of SS
05-21 - 139
05-28 - 136
06-04 - 120
06-11 - 125
06-18 - 108

Devotionals

We have a large selection of devotionals for you to choose from at the back of the Sanctuary. Pick one up for yourself or someone you know!

Noisy Offering

Our Sunday School children will be collecting change in our noisy offering on Sunday, July 23. Bring your pockets full of change if you are interested! This month's offering will benefit Heaven's Helpers Soup Café & Closet



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.*

No WMF Bible this month. We will resume again on the third Monday of August.

Still getting together Wednesdays at 10:30 in the fellowship hall! Hope to see you there.



Beulah Community

Worship Service is Sunday July 16 @ 10:30am at the Beulah High School. There will be NO service here at POP that day!

Fellowship for July 2023

July 2 : Dena Kemmet, Lynette Flemmer, Ryan & Brandi Tolosky

July 9: Garrett & Michelle Placke, Marj Murray, LaRue Schwarz

July 16: Garrett & Anna Sayler, Lillian Boeshans, Ella Fandrich

July 23: Ross & Lisa Lenzen, Jay & Ashley Olson

July 30: Cody & Sierra Halverson, Shane & Amy Haugen

Fellowship for August 2023

August 6 : Jim & Chris Alt, Sodie Peabody, Betty Unruh

August 13: Jerry & Marlys Reichenberg, Randy & Beth Zimmerman

August 20: Ryan & Brandi Tolosky, Sperry family

August 27: Worship in the park

Usher for July 2023

July 2 : Fred Bieri, Darrin & Leeta Olin, Angie Wanzek

July 9: Keith Peterson, Dalton & Sylvia Zeiszler, Ron Frei, Nancy Wright

July 16: Garrett Placke, Marvin Bauer, Shane Haugen, Steve & Krystal Finsass

July 23: Dan & Rebecah Martin, Garrett Sayler

July 30: Kevin Lee, Jay Seibell, Vern & Karla Boehem

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Mon-Dak-Ada

AFLC District family camp

Sunday Evening, July 23 - Thursday
noon, July 27, 2023.

Mt. Carmel—Towner ND

Brochures available in the south
entryway!



July 2-8 in Estes Park Co – Please be in prayer over our kids and leaders that are attending!



If you can not be with us in our Sanctuary for worship, please know that our service is available on YouTube. You can access the link via our Facebook page or subscribe to Prince of Peace Free Lutheran Church Beulah ND



From the Chairman

Whose Voice Do You Heed? Psalm 119:54

Are you fully trusting in God's Word? The day-in/day-out, sunshine-and – storm kind of trusting? Getting to our own Promise Land life requires an ongoing trust in God's Word. Wilderness people trust Scripture just enough to escape Egypt. Canaan dwellers, on the other hand, make the Bible their go-to book for life.

As God told Joshua, "Meditate in it day and night" (Joshua 1:8). The image is one of a person reciting, rehearsing, reconsidering God's Word over and over again. Canaan is loud with enemy voices. The Devil megaphones doubt and death into our ears. Take heed to the voice you heed.

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another" (Colossians 3:16). Chew it. Swallow it, Speak it Heed it.

In Christ Marvin C. Sigman



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In order to log into the POP church directory – please use the email address that you have supplied to the church office. If you have any problems, please contact the office.



Sunday August 27 @ 9am!

Warehouse Report

July is often over taken with the celebration of the American Independence. For good reason it is marking the birth of a free nation. We still enjoy many of the freedoms that were fought for all those years ago, and with many more willing to lay their lives down throughout the generations to protect our freedom. I'm thankful for the celebration of those freedoms.

Yet there is another battle for freedom that we should be celebrating. It was 2,000 years ago this battle was won. It didn't have the cannons or the generals or the large armies raging against one another. It honestly didn't even look like a battle it looked a lot more like surrender. Yet, as Jesus died on the cross it was the most important battle that was and ever will be fought. You look throughout all of history and you won't find a more important battle than what Jesus was fighting for on the cross. I'm incredibly thankful for those that serve to give the freedoms in this country, but at the end of the day we will still die at some point. This is what makes the battle on the cross so important; Jesus didn't just win the battle. The war was won forever on the cross. Jesus gives us something that could have never been won by anyone else, eternal life. As you enjoy the freedom in this country with fireworks and fun on the 4th, also remember the battle of the cross and what Jesus did for us, and live in true freedom in Jesus.

Galatians 5:1 "For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery."

HSYG on Sundays 7pm

MSBS on Thursday 3-5pm

Coming up in July

FLY July 2-8

Family Camp July 23-27



OCC Donation schedule

July/August School supplies: pencils, pencil bags, crayons, notebooks, coloring books, children's scissors, erasers and pencil sharpeners

September: Toiletries: bar soap, soap boxes, toothbrushes, toothbrush covers, wash clothes, combs/brushes, hair accessories

October: wow toys, small boys for both boys and girls

Please drop your donations off in the box in the Sunday School kitchen labeled OCC.

2023 POP Church Council

President	Marvin Sigman
Treasurer	Margie Lee
Secretary	Deb Saylor
Deacons	Kevin Lee
	Garrett Placke
	Les Buchmann
	Steve Finsaas
Trustees	Ryan Tolosky
	Dustin Buchmann
	Jeff Rotondo
	Bruce Neuberger
Christian Education	Angie Wanzek
	Donna Bieri
	Chrisy Rontondo
	Nicole Buchmann

July Birthdays

1-Jul Dalen Foth
 2-Jul DeEtta Hetzler
 2-Jul Colt Palmer
 3-Jul Jacob Klaudt
 3-Jul Beverly Sorensen
 4-Jul Chelsie Babcock
 6-Jul Rebecah Martin
 6-Jul Todd Seibel
 7-Jul Camey Gunsch
 8-Jul Paris Green
 8-Jul Cody Hetzler
 8-Jul Cavin Hottman
 9-Jul Shelby Goetz
 9-Jul Brady Schaner
 9-Jul Betty Unruh
 10-Jul Steve Finsaas
 10-Jul Garrett Sayler
 10-Jul Hilary Zimmerman
 11-Jul Aaron Finsaas
 12-Jul Jaxon Baker
 12-Jul Don Buck
 13-Jul Lynnette Flemmer
 13-Jul Adam Pacht
 14-Jul Robert Buck
 15-Jul Grady Fandrich
 16-Jul Vance Giese
 16-Jul Regan Hoffner
 16-Jul Stephanie Hottman
 16-Jul Jerry Reichenberg
 17-Jul Jared Klaudt
 19-Jul Bensen Baker
 19-Jul Grace Sperry
 20-Jul Hanah Brandt
 20-Jul Dale Reinhardt
 20-Jul Chrisy Rotondo
 21-Jul Lily Timmer
 22-Jul Annelise Klein
 22-Jul Jennifer Seibel
 24-Jul Lucille Sayler
 25-Jul Ellen Renner
 26-Jul Kathryn Holen
 27-Jul Broderyck Mohl
 28-Jul Jason Ulland
 29-Jul Trey Brandt
 29-Jul Bob Ferebee
 31-Jul Ron Gunsch
 31-Jul Kim Pacht

THE
AMBASSADORS

Ryan Erickson, Breanna Heinrichs, Malena Twedt, Micah Holt



SUMMER CONCERT SERIES



TUESDAY, JULY 18, 7 PM
 Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
 200 19th Street NW
 Beulah, ND



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CHURCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

June 8, 2023

Pastor's Report – Pastor Kent

I communed our residents at KRCC.

I conducted a service at Senior Suites.

I conducted a graveside service for Ivan and Irma Keller.

I helped with VBS, teaching lessons for all groups other than the preschoolers.

I helped to cook and lead our study for our final men's breakfast of the year, which continued our theme: *The Call*. This month, we looked at how men are called to serve within the church.

I've done my best to keep up with our shut-ins and nursing home residents.

Intern Pastor's Report – Joe Larson

5/21: Preaching here at POP

5/29: Helped Pastor Scott move in over at Golden Valley

5/30–6/3: VBS helping

5/30: Deacon's meeting after VBS

6/1: Beulah Ministerial lunch meeting

6/4: Assisting with communion service

6/5: Got word that the congregation in Pipestone, MN voted to call me.

6/7: Supper at Garrett and Anna Sayler's

6/8: Final council meeting

6/9: Loading up truck at noon (any help appreciated) then cleaning at night

6/10: Driving down to Pipestone, MN to begin serving at Christ the King Lutheran

It's been an excellent year, so thank you all so much! Sarah and I are very grateful for your love and support and will miss you even as we are getting more and more excited to plug in and serve down in Pipestone!

Youth Director's Report – Cody Halverson

Sunday School

I have ordered 2 curriculums for the upcoming school year, part of one has gotten here and the other is still on its way. I will be going through them this summer.

High School Youth Group

We have had no takers on Sunday evenings with jobs and others activities, Sunday has not taken off as the new youth group day. We have had a student that is able to come on Wednesdays so it has been good to have lessons on Wednesday also. Looking forward to summer activities, with paintball in the planning stages, along with camps like FLY and the Family camp.

Middle School Bible School

We have been enjoying having MSBS so far, we have had about 6 youth as the average each week. It is awesome to see the youth want to come, have fun and have bible studies.

Other things around the church

I was thankful to be able to help with VBS; it was awesome to see that many kids come.

I'm also continuing to work on the Fire Pit.

Treasurers Report – Margie Lee

General Fund	\$	11,841.75
Building Fund	\$	35,091.33
Coffee Hour Fund	\$	284.27
Intern Fund	\$	8,143.91
Radio Broadcast	\$	4,665.96
Van/Storage Fund	\$	3,650.00
Total Bank Acct	\$	133,686.23

Deacon's Report – Kevin Lee

July 16th will be the community worship service so we will not be having a service at Prince of Peace that day. Members will be encouraged to attend the community service at the high school.

The Bible College called, stating that the Ambassadors, the main music group from campus, will be in our area on July 18th, asking if they could perform at Prince of Peace and if we could accommodate them for the night. Although Pastor will be away, He told them we would welcome having them. It's a Tuesday, which means attendance may be limited. But we wouldn't want the church to miss a chance to see them perform, and to help them out along the way.

Jonathan and Tamba Abel, missionaries to Brazil, will be with us on Sunday, July 2nd. Jonathan will bring the message that day. Even though Sunday School is over, we want to offer a chance for them to give a mission presentation to highlight their ministry during or after fellowship that day for any who'd like to stay.

Pastor has also spoken to the Jore's, missionaries to Uganda, and to Matthew & Ednay Abel, missionaries to Paraguay, to visit us during their furloughs. He has no dates set as of yet for those.

Steve has an idea to begin a men's accountability group, targeted at working men, which would meet for lunch once a month.

Youth ministry update: Cody shared about May activities and plans for the summer. 6 middle schoolers came to the 1st summer gathering. Just 1 high school student came to the 1st event. There should be more at the next one. 1 youth in book club for the summer. Cody meets remotely weekly with Jordan Langness.

Trustee's Report – Ryan Tolosky

Bruce Neuberger asked if there are any deeds for the new lots. No one has seen them so Ryan Tolosky will check with City Hall on Monday. Olsen Electric will be here Monday to get electrical connections done to the Van Garage.

Ryan talked to Marvin Bauer about putting a double door in the Warehouse. Marvin recommended talking to Matt Clarys of Western Steel Builders about the door. Ryan contacted Matt and he will get a bid for the door.

Christian Ed Report – Angie Wanzek

VBS: We discussed teachers and helpers for each class. Chrsy Rotondo got a Thrivent card to help with food/kitchen supply costs. We will be decorating after church on Sunday May 28th. Sign up genius is working great for getting kids signed up and food sign ups. Thank you, Nicole Buchman, for overseeing this!

Confirmation: Has gone well. Gifts were presented.

Graduation gifts were also presented.

NEW BUSINESS

Tithe – Approved splitting our Tithe of \$2,834.36: \$500 to the Ambassador Team from the Free Lutheran Bible College Ambassador Team and \$2,334.36 to Free Lutheran Bible School.

Church Community Safety Meeting –Police Chief Frank Senn, Darcee Wenning, Church Coordinator, along with a few other community members, would like to put together a Church Community Safety Meeting on Wednesday, August 2 at 7 pm. Chief Senn will present information. This meeting will be informal discussing who is doing what, who is considering new safety measures and what kind of

response there has been within their church body. The meeting would not be geared for the entire church but for a few people that represent their safety teams or the people interested in putting together a team for their church.

We approved the use of our Fellowship Hall for this community meeting.

Correspondence

Thank you notes were received from AFLC Seminary and Bible College for our financial gifts and prayers and from Coal Country Community Health Center Stepping on Team for the use of our Fellowship Hall for their classes.