

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

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# March 2024



Pastor Kent

No article submitted this month.

## **Children's Message**

We will be having a children's message on the third Sunday – March 24.

# **Noisy Offering**

Our Sunday School children will be collecting change in our noisy offering on Sunday, March 17. Bring your pockets full of change! This month's offering will benefit the POP Community Coat Closet.

## **Radio Broadcast**



Please contact the church office if you are interested in sponsoring a Sunday radio broadcast. **The cost is \$45**. The radio broadcast is heard on Sundays at 11:30am on KDKT 1410 AM. Available Sundays to sponsor are March 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31 and April 7, 14, 21, and 28. Please email or call the church office to reserve a Sunday to sponsor.



Stop by and checkout what is going on in our POP Library and feel free to contact Kelsey with any questions. (701)710-0616 or

Kelsey.glynn@outlook.com. Kelsey continues to expand and update our wonderful library. Please prayerfully considering donating to this wonderful ministry so we can keep providing new and exciting materials to this congregation. POP Library website:

www.libib.com/u/poplibrary

## Sunday School Corner

The SS kids will plan to go to KRCC on March 17th, if everything works out. We will do a craft, recite some Bible verses,



and sing some songs. Christian Ed is requesting a Thrivent card to cover the cost of the craft and then if there is some money left over we will use it to purchase prizes for memory work for the kids. If you have one that we could use please let me know. The kids will also be singing for Palm Sunday.

In His Hands, Donna Bieri

## The MomCommunity or MomCo

(formally MOPS/MomsNext) Meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month

@ Prince of Peace fellowship hall

6:15-8:15pm \*Day care is available

Contact Brandi Tolosky at 701-426-0534 for more info. About the MomCommunity: MomCo encourages and equips moms to realize their potential as mothers, women and leaders, in relationship with Jesus, and in partnership with the local church.

Each year we receive a curriculum from MomCo that provides us wonderful tools and resources to guide us in thoughts and discussion on relevant topics for moms and women of Christ.

Our MomCo group in Beulah is very laid back and we have always welcomed moms with kids of all ages- 0-40+!! As moms and women, we need community and fellowship. We begin by having light snacks and refreshments, visit around the table and get to know one another, watch a MomCo video that corresponds with curriculum topic (whether its soul care, how to deal with stress, etc), do some discussion questions about the video and how it relates to your life, and then either continue visiting, do a craft, or a fun activity. If you want time to get to know other moms, this is a group for you!!! Visit with Brandi about cost, as we never want that to be a factor and want everyone to feel welcome. Brandi Tolosky



From the Chairman

No article submitted this month.

## **Communion prep for March**

Tad & Gina Feist

## **Communion prep for April**

Wes & Jane Gunsch

## **POP Worship Attendance**

1/28/24- 140 2/4/24- 134 2/11/24-139 2/14/24- 89 (Ash Wednesday) 2/18/24- 160 2/21/24- 64 (Lent Service #2)

## **Ushers for March 2024**

March 3: Fred Bieri, Dalton & Sylvia Zeiszler, Angie Wanzek, Cody & Sierra Halverson
March 10: Keith Peterson, Dan & Rebecah Martin, Ron Frei, Nancy Wright
March 17: Garrett Placke, Marvin Bauer, Shane Haugen, Steve Finsass
March 24: Darrin & Leeta Olin, Garrett Sayler
March 31: Kevin Lee, Jay Seibel, Vern & Karla Boehm

## Ushers for April 2024

April 7: David & Stephanie Hottman, Jared Glynn,Don Buck, Gina FeistApril 14: John & Carmen Mohl, Frank & Sarah SennApril 21: Marvin & Jan Sigman, Bill & Kris Keller,Vern & Lisa PedersonApril 28: Jerry & Markus Paishenharg, Kasay &

**April 28:** Jerry & Marlys Reichenberg, Kacey & Michelle Klaudt, Loren & Anna Novak

Did you know that you can access the Lutheran Ambassador magazine online? You can go to our website and click on the tab at the top on the right!



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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.

Philippians 2:3 "Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind let each of you regard one another as more important than himself..." That's the verse our WMF Bible study suggests we memorize in Lesson 2. And here are few questions the author of the study says to **THINK ABOUT IT:** "How can your circumstances be God-given opportunities for the furtherance of the Gospel? What are some ways to magnify Christ in your life? What are some other ways you might display to others your joy this month?"

Monday March 18, at 10:30 am and 6:30 pm WMF Bible Study will meet to look at Lesson 3: Warriors Wanted! To live--Christ To die--Gain Philippians 1:21-30. Please come join us. No sign up is necessary. We are just looking at *Paul's Exuberant Joy!* 

Women of the Church are still **meeting in the fellowship hall on Wednesdays at 10:30**. It's a wonderful time of fellowship and taking care of business. See you there!

The WMF Spring District Rally is scheduledto be in Minot on April 13. More details tocome soon.In His service, Judy

## Fellowship for March 2024

March 3: Perry & Deb Sayler, Garrett & Michelle PlackeMarch 10: Sperry family, Shane & Amy Haugen March 17: Jerry & Marlys Reichenberg, Sodie Peabody, Betty Unrush

March 24: Jeff & Chrisy Rotondo, Bruce Neuberger, Kayla Palmer March 31: Easter Sunday

## **Fellowship for April 2024**

April 7: Willis & Deb Kasanke, Bill & Nancy Swanson
April 14: Dalton & Sylvia Zeiszler, Jim & Joan Schumaier
April 21: Wes & Jane Gunsch, Vern & Karla Boehm
April 28: Darrin & Leeta Olin, Randy & Beth Zimmerman

# YouTube

If you cannot 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

https://www.youtube.com/@princeofpe acefreelutheranc1973/streams



Threads of Love quilting ladies meet every Wednesday @ 9am in our POP fellowship hall. You don't have to sew to join them!

## Warehouse Report

March was a very interesting month for my family when I was growing up. Honestly it was for one reason that was also 4 reasons. My family had 5 people in it growing up, my parents, myself, my brother and my sister. The reason March was always busy was because of the amount of birthdays in the month of March. Out of the 5 of us 4 of them had birthdays in March. I was the only one with a birthday outside of March. Not only did they have them in March, they also were all within a week. One would start on the 20 and the last was on the 26. It was a very interesting time. We all know that kids don't always see the bigger picture or the real picture. I was just like every other kid that didn't understand the truth of the matter. I would feel like an outsider because my birthday was so far from the rest of my family, my birthday is in Feb. so it was only a few weeks away yet as a kid it felt like forever. You might be thinking where is this going? I want to relate this to our spiritual walk of faith. When we are young in the faith things very rarely make sense and we tend to blow them out of the water in our minds, yet God knows the things we want and desire. Just like as a kid I wanted to have my birthday to be close to my family members. We might want something from God that we have forgotten about, just like I forgot about wanting family members in my birthday month. It took 25 years of me being "alone" in Feb. for my nephew to be born not only in Feb. but within a week of my birthday.

The blessing of God's plan is greater than we could ever understand. Follow His Word and trust in Him.

Psalm 20:7 "Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the Lord our God."

Coming up in March

- March 6 Lent meal fundraiser for the youth
- March 8 Fields of Faith
- March 13 Lent meal fundraiser for the youth
- March 20 Lent meal fundraiser for the youth
- March 31 Easter Breakfast 7:30am-8:45am



If you're not listed in the directory, OR if you have trouble logging into the app, please contact the church office.



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. Send me your updated family photo!!!

## **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.

## Our members have access to the church at any

<u>time</u> – just call the office to get the code for the altar door. For safety and security that code changes regularly – so **always call ahead!** 

## Sentence Sermons

- If you take "serve" out of service, you have "ice" left. Many Christians need defrosting.
- He came to pay a debt He didn't owe, because we owed a debt we couldn't pay.
- Faith is not belief without proof, but trust without reservation.



From Hunger to Hope, We are going to start planning our activities for our Feed My Starving Children

Mobile Pack which will likely be September 12<sup>th</sup> and 13th. The high school plans to help pack again this year so we will likely be packing on Thursday evening and then the high school students will pack on Friday. All of this is in its preliminary planning stages. We plan to have a kickoff fundraiser within the next month or so. If you would like to join our group please let me know. Also, please be in prayer for the kids who receive the meals as well as the volunteers.



We are always accepting donations of gently used winter gear or financial donations. If you have any questions, please contact Cindy Peterson.

In His Hands, Donna Bieri

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## 2024 POP Church Council

President	Marvin Sigman	
Treasurer	Margie Lee	
Secretary	Deb Sayler	
Deacons	Kevin Lee	
	Garrett Placke	
	Les Buchmann	
	Steve Finsaas	
Trustees	Ryan Tolosky	
	Dustin Buchmann	
	Jeff Rotondo	
	Bruce Neuberger	
Christian Education	Nicole Buchmann	
	Donna Bieri	
	Chrisy Rotondo	
	Ashley Olson	
	Anna Sayler	

## **Newsletter Funnies**

## DO YOU KNOW YOUR HYMNS?

Crown Him with Many Crowns
There Shall Be Showers of Blessings
The Church is One Foundation
Holy, Holy, Holy
There's a Green Hill Far Away
Standing on the Promises!
Open My Eyes That I Might See
I Surrender All
Pass It On
Send The Light
Sweet Bye and Bye
I've Got a Mansion, Just Over the Hilltop
He Touched Me
The Great Physician
ighway - a few hymns:
I Take Care of You
My God To Thee
rld Is Not My Home
n Coming Home
s Memories

## March Birthdays

2-Mar Bentley Lenzen 2-Mar Terry Ochsner 3-Mar Kynlie Plienis 4-Mar Liliya Reinhardt 7-Mar Chris Palmer 7-Mar Darlene Schaper 8-Mar Wes Gunsch 8-Mar Bruce Neuberger 9-Mar Lakin Boehm-Green 10-Mar Marlys Reichenberg 12-Mar Esther Fleisher 12-Mar Bradley Gunsch 13-Mar Macy Bieri 13-Mar Miranda Bieri 13-Mar Mary Ochsner 14-Mar Seth Larson 14-Mar Heidi Tande 16-Mar Jennifer Zastawniak 17-Mar Lexie Glynn 19-Mar Adam Novak 20-Mar Heidi Horning 20-Mar Paige Schaper 20-Mar LaRue Schwarz 20-Mar Dalton Zeiszler 22-Mar Cindy Peterson 23-Mar Nikki Martin 23-Mar Brandi Richter 24-Mar Nicole Buchmann 24-Mar Kendra Finck 24-Mar Jay Olsen 25-Mar Nessa Iverson 25-Mar Jared Seibel 28-Mar Shelley Giese 28-Mar Lawrence Taylor 30-Mar Kayla Fandrich 30-Mar Hunter Keller 31-Mar Dawn Reinhardt

# CHURCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

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February 8, 2024

## President's Report – Marvin Sigman

Marvin went to two Bible studies this past month. He will be gone February 11 through the 23.

#### Pastor's Report – Pastor Kent

Attended our deacons meeting, and staff meetings. Participated in ministerial prayer, as able.

Assisted with the hiring committee for the new secretary.

Communed our residents at KRCC. Conducted a worship service at KRCC.

Confirmation has been going well. We're currently studying the Lord's Prayer.

Wednesday night Bible study continues to go well as we look at the book of Acts.

Adult Sunday School is also going well. For this class, we're studying the gospel of Luke.

I participated in our men's breakfast and led our study. We're looking at the life of David. We looked this past month at how David sought safety by taking matters into his own hands, and how God redirected him.

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

## Youth Director's Report - Cody Halverson

## Sunday School

For the month of January, we did The Case for Christmas. We will be starting The Case for Easter this coming Sunday.

## Middle School Bible Study

This group has continued to amaze me. They are so full of energy and I'm excited to see them grow up and watch God work in their lives. They are still youth so loud is often a good way to describe them. Yet, they are continuing to grow in faith and understanding how to act in church.

## Other things

Book Club has been going great we have 3 students that enjoy coming and talking about books written on Biblical topics.

Discipleship has continued with one student we have just started working through the book of 1 Samuel.

Lent Meals are as ready as they can be.

Feb. 14 Feb. 21 Feb. 28

Ski Trip is almost here, looking forward to that. Feb. 18-19

Have enjoyed restarting the Youth Committee.

#### Treasurers Report – Margie Lee

General Fund	\$ 19,046.24
Building Fund	\$ 45,409.39
Coffee Hour Fund	\$ 463.67
Coat Closet	\$ 637.56
FMSC 13 month CD	\$ 35,000.00
FMSC 7 month CD	\$ 13,903.56
Intern Fund	\$ 15,591.44
Radio Broadcast	\$ 4,030.96
Total Bank Acct	\$ 143,591.44

## Deacon's Report – Kevin Lee

Angie Wanzek will be with us to present an idea the Lord has laid on her heart, regarding a Biblical Parenting workshop. Angie proposed hosting a workshop on Biblical Parenting/Raising Youth in Christ. It would be a one-day event with several sessions and lunch included. We discussed some possible topics and possible speakers. Angle said if we find the speaker she will head this up. We thought it sounded great!

Spring Spiritual Life Meetings – We are behind on this. We decided to ask Aron Utecht first, Pastor Rodney Johnson second, then possibly Andy Coyle's brother 3rd

Brent Raan, missionary to Uganda, is planning furlough beginning in January. We'll be setting up a date/time soon for a visit/presentation.

Les and Steve are prepared to preach if Pastor needs to leave for his father

Had Youth ministry update

## Trustee's Report – Ryan Tolosky

Trustees didn't meet this month. Western Steel Builders got back to Ryan and Western Steel Builders thought the old Warehouse door had a lot of life still in it. We will likely go with the company reported on last month which was Accurate Door in Bismarck with an estimate of \$7,088.50.

The Council discussed how to light the south parking lot. Bruce Neuberger and Kevin Lee talked to Roughrider Electric about hanging lights on the light pole on the street and they were not agreeable to that. We could mount lights on the sign pole since there is electricity and will look into that option.

## Christian Education – Chrisy Rotondo

President- Chrisy Rotondo, will also attend council meetings

Secretary-Nicole Buchman

Treasurer-Ashley Olsen

Sunday School Coordinators- Donna Bieri and Anna Sayler

#### Old Business:

Night in Bethlehem went well, attendance was lower due to other events going on first week in December and nice weather. Discussed doing it the 2nd weekend of December or a day during the week in the evening. The Christmas program went very well. Devotions were given to kids that was donated via Thrivent card by Lynell Renner.

## New Business:

VBS: A chart showing the different Theme/material options was emailed out for all members and Pastor to review and provide feedback. Discussed dates tentatively looking at June 2nd-6th which would be Sunday evening through Thursday evening. All were in favor of serving supper each day with an ice cream treat the last day during balloon throwing. We will again be collecting food donations for WARC.

Ordered the Torn prayer journal for lent to be given to each family.

We will be doing 2 children's messages during lent on February 25th & March 24th.

Easter Event with egg hunt and craft, and 1 Easter story book/family, will be March 30th will discuss start time next meeting. We will ask for donations of candy and small coins for eggs.

## Safety Team – Garrett Placke

The Team discussed how locking the doors during church services is going. One Sunday it was so cold that the Ring Doorbell cameras didn't work so two safety members monitored the locked doors.

Garrett taught a CPR class for four people. He will be teaching another class soon.

During their meeting they did training on the medical bag.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Policy Booklet** – Waiting for Youth Committee to meet to finalize a few youth policies. The Youth Committee is doing some final edits and should have their policies ready by their next meeting.

**Combining Lots** – Margie Lee talked to Heidi Hamelton at City Hall. Heidi recommended that lots 201 and 223 be combined because the church structure and parking lot is on both of those lots. Heidi said there are no costs are involved in combining these lots. Council approved combining these lots at no cost to the church. The remaining lots we own will remain separate.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Tithe** – We voted to give our tithe of \$2,344.40 to ARC

**Update Check Signers and Debit Card** – Sierra Halverson has been hired as the new Church Coordinator after Darcee Wenning moved. Council approved having Sierra be a check signer and getting her a church debit card.

Margie Lee reported that a church Amazon account was set up to order supplies needed for church.

**Pastor Kent Sperry** – The church council recommends a 3-month paid Sabbatical for Pastor Kent which will need to be approved by a congregational vote.

## **Correspondence**

Thank you notes were received from Free Lutheran Bible College & Seminary, AFLC Home Missions and AFLC Headquarters for our financial gifts and prayers. Also received a letter from Dakota Hope Clinic in Minot asking for donations.