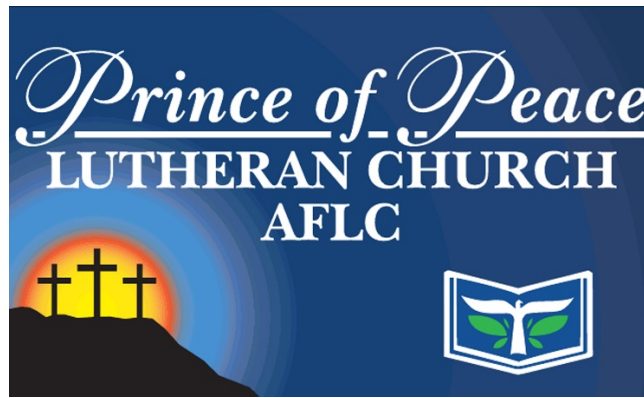




Reaching an ever-changing world with God's never-changing Word!

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Pastor Coyle

Many years ago, Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth wrote a useful article entitled, "How to Get the Most Out of Your Pastor's Preaching." There is much wisdom contained in the article, some of which I have abbreviated below. Please give careful thought to her counsel and suggestions, because there is benefit to be gained here for all of us, not merely for the Confirmation students who are required to take sermon notes during their years of instruction. If you'd like to read the full article, it can be found online with a quick Google search. Enjoy!

"Do you ever find yourself waking up on Sunday morning and wishing you didn't have to go to church?" Or daydreaming during the message, or making a mental "to-do" list while your pastor is preaching? Or picking apart the message or the preacher in your mind, or not getting anything out of the sermon? Or forgetting what the message was about before you get home?

If we're not benefitting from the ministry of the Word as it is publicly proclaimed in our local churches, the fault may not lie in the one proclaiming the Word. It

may lie in our readiness to hear, receive, and respond to the Word. How can you prepare your heart to get the most out of your pastor's preaching?

Before the Service:

- 1) Through the week, pray for your pastor as he prepares for Sunday. Pray that God will give him understanding into the meaning of the Word. Pray that God will help him to communicate the truth with clarity, freedom, passion and power.
- 2) Prepare for public worship the night before. Turn off the TV, limit social activities, and instead do things that will cultivate your appetite for God's Word.
- 3) Ask God to prepare your heart for the preaching of the Word.
- 4) Ask God to give you a sense of anticipation. Come to church asking God to meet with you. Expect to hear from Him and to be different when you leave.

During the Service:

- 1) Attend. You need to be there. You'll get nothing out of church if you don't go.
- 2) Get to church early enough to spend a few minutes before the service quietly preparing your heart for worship. Pray for God to move, and for grace to surrender to Him.

- 3) Don't be a spectator. Participate fully in every part of the service.
- 4) While the sermon is being preached, open your Bible and follow along.
- 5) Listen attentively to the reading and the preaching of the Word. Try to make eye contact with the preacher. It will help you to stay alert and focused.
- 6) Listen humbly to the preaching of the Word. Ask the Lord to make it fresh. If your heart is humble, your focus won't be on evaluating the message or how it's delivered; you will let the message evaluate you.
- 7) Take good, thorough notes. Take the notes home, and work through them later.
- 8) Don't make your pastor a prisoner of unrealistic expectations.

After the service:

- 1) Ask God to give you at least one takeaway from the message—a key concept, phrase, or verse that you can review throughout the week. Jot it down so you don't forget.
- 2) While the message is still fresh in your mind, discuss it with others.
- 3) Be a doer of the Word and not merely a hearer. Apply it to your life.

As a pastor who has been called to what the Lutheran Confessions refer to as "The Office of Preaching," I'm glad to endorse this article and would love to have it produce fruit in our congregation. There's nothing to lose and much to gain because God is faithful to His Word, and pours out blessing upon those who treasure it (Isaiah 66:2b). Why not try out these suggestions through the month of October, and see what comes of it? God's Word is worth the effort!

See you Sunday! For Christ and His Bride,
Pastor Dana Coyle

Noisy Offering

The Sunday School children will be collecting change in our noisy offering on Sunday, October 19th. Bring your pockets full of change! ☺ This month's offering will benefit our Prince of Peace Library.



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.



Kelsey continues to expand and update our wonderful library. Please prayerfully consider donating to this wonderful ministry so we can keep providing new and exciting materials to this congregation. You can reach

Kelsey at Kelsey.glynn@outlook.com and the POP Library at www.libib.com/u/poplibrary



Operation Christmas Child Donations

Donations that are still needed for Operation Christmas Child are: Pencil bags, sharpeners, toothbrushes, wash cloths, hair brushes and combs, wow toys, small toys for boys and girls. Donations can be placed in the display box at the back of the sanctuary. Thank you so much for helping!



Chairman's Report

October is Clergy Appreciation month. I just want to take a moment to say thank you to Pastor and Cody and that we appreciate you

very much.

Thank you to Pastor Coyle for all the hard work you have put in during your time here. Moving can be one of the most unpleasant and stressful tasks for a family to accomplish successfully. Accomplishing the move and establishing a new home while simultaneously serving our church wholeheartedly is so greatly appreciated. Thank you for your leadership and for sharing the True Gospel with us in such a passionate and compassionate way.

Thank you, Cody, for all the hard work you did while we were without a Pastor as well doing such a good job with educating our youth. Doing this while becoming a new father was nothing short of amazing. Your commitment to solid Biblical youth ministry is evident and your willingness to serve and help others inside and outside of the church is selfless.

"Thank you, God, for providing Your people on earth with leaders that have a heart for leading souls to You and Your eternal Kingdom through the redeeming blood of Jesus. May we all desire to have the same heart for the lost and the found that our leadership does. -Amen"

We appreciate you!
With Love in Christ,

Ryan Tolosky

I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul shall make its boast in the Lord; the humble shall hear it and rejoice. O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together.

Psalms 34:1-3

Warehouse Report

We often forget how fast life changes. I have seen life change a lot with being a new parent. I have watched my little child go from being unable to really do anything, to walking in a few short months. I have also had the privilege of watching the members of the youth group grow in their faith, asking questions on day one that seem very simple, to asking questions that cause me to research for a week to try and give an answer. We often forget that our faith grows. With life moving so fast and with the world changing around us faster and faster each day; I want to remind you to take time to spend in the Word of God, take time to pray. Be intentional with your daily walk with Jesus, then one day you will look around and see how much your faith in Christ has grown.

2 Peter 3:18 "But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen."

Upcoming events in Oct.

Sunday Oct. 12 – Going to the Pumpkin patch meet at the church at 12:30pm.





Sunday School for all ages is available every Sunday morning following our fellowship time. Young kids, youth, and adult classes are all available. Pastor Coyle is teaching on the Augsburg Confession; if you would like a Book of Concord for class please talk with Heather or Pastor. Thank you!

Our members have access to the church at any time – just call the office to get the code for the altar door (it was just recently updated). For safety and security that code changes regularly – so please call or email ahead to ensure you have the current code.

POP Worship Attendance for September

9/07/25- 146 (Sunday Service)
9/14/25- 189 (Sunday Service)
9/21/25- 157 (Sunday Service)
9/22/25- 156 (Funeral for Ellen Renner)
9/28/25- 144 (Sunday Service)

Communion Prep for October

Ryan and Brandi Tolosky

Communion prep for November

Jay and Karen Seibel

Ushers for October 2025

Oct. 5: David and Stephanie Hottman, Jared Glynn, Don Buck, Gina Feist

Oct. 12: John and Carmen Mohl, Frank and Sarah Senn

Oct. 19: Marvin and Jan Sigman, Bill and Kris Keller, Vern and Lisa Pederson

Oct. 26: Jerry and Marlys Reichenberg, Loren and Anna Novak

Ushers for November 2025

Nov. 2: David and Stephanie Hottman, Jared Glynn, Don Buck, Gina Feist

Nov. 9: John and Carmen Mohl, Frank and Sarah Senn

Nov. 16: Marvin and Jan Sigman, Bill and Kris Keller, Vern and Lisa Pederson

Nov. 23: Jerry and Marlys Reichenberg, Loren and Anna Novak

Nov. 30: Kevin Lee, Jay Seibel, Vern and Karla Boehm

Fellowship for October 2025

Oct. 5: Ross and Lisa Lenzin, Paul and Sharon Sayler

Oct. 12: Jerry and Marlys Reichenberg, Dena Kemmet, Marj Murray

Oct. 19: Novak Family, Lynell Renner

Oct. 26: Carey Mattheis, John and Carmen Mohl

Fellowship for November 2025

Nov. 2: Tom and Lynda Doe, Wes and Jane Gunsch

Nov. 9: Dan and Rebecah Martin, David and Stephanie Hottman

Nov. 16: Will and Deb Kasanke, Gary and Susan Miller

Nov. 23: Bill and Kris Keller, Jay and Ashley Olson

Nov. 30: Jeff and Chrisy Rotondo, Bernard and Judy Tolosky



October

1-Oct Dara Reinhardt
1-Oct Rayney Klipfel
2-Oct Eli Placke
3-Oct Jan Gunsch
3-Oct Steve Goetz
4-Oct Heather Schmit
5-Oct Ethan Johnson
7-Oct Taylor Funk
7-Oct Michael Finck
7-Oct Jared Glynn
8-Oct Shane Haugen
8-Oct Roger Rosaaen
9-Oct Brittney Seibel
9-Oct Skylar Carter
11-Oct Charles Mattheis
11-Oct Brock Holen
12-Oct Mason Mattheis
13-Oct Cheyanne Olson
14-Oct Cody Ungerer
15-Oct Michelle Schmit
16-Oct Jessica Baker
17-Oct Eva Murphy
17-Oct Noah Iverson
18-Oct Piper Carter
19-Oct Donna Bieri
20-Oct Sydney Buchfinck
21-Oct Wayne Hoffner
23-Oct Ella Fandrich
24-Oct Zachary Pederson
24-Oct Sharon Sayler
29-Oct Nancy Wright
29-Oct McCoy Mohl
30-Oct David Schumaier
31-Oct Marlene Sasse
31-Oct Beckham West



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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.***

WMF October 2025 Newsletter Article So Jesus said to them, “for a little while longer the Light is among you. Walk while you have the light, so that darkness will not overtake you; he who walks in the darkness does not know where he goes.” John 12:35 This verse is the Light Cue for lesson 9 in our WMF Bible study this month. On Monday October 20 at 10:30 am and 6:30 pm WMF Bible study will be looking at The Light That Directs, Lesson 9.

The WMF WND/EMT Fall District will at New Leipzig on October 11. Immanuel Lutheran Church is hosting the event “TAKING UP THE CROSS” “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow Me.” (Luke 9:23) Speakers: Paul and Becky Abel Registration/Coffee: 8:30 am MT-9:30 CT Rally begins at 9:00 MT-10:00 CT It’s always a time of refreshing fellowship and encouraging Bible study with beautiful singing and great food. Make it a fun day trip.

And don’t forget fellowship with our sisters in Christ on Wednesdays at 10:30 am. Maybe come a little early and admire all the beautiful quilts being assembled.

Happy fall. It’s my favorite season.

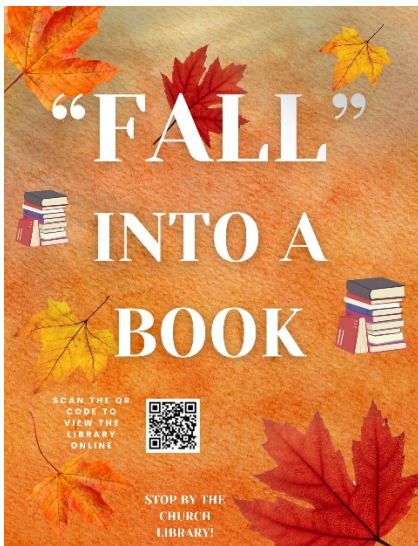
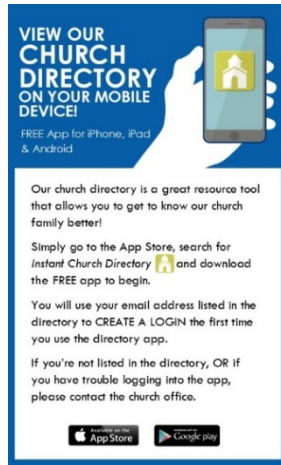
In His service, Judy



Community Coat Closet

The Community Coat Closet is always taking donations of winter, fall, or spring gear. Donations can be brought during church office hours: Tuesday through Friday between 10:00am and 3:00pm. Please talk to Cindy Peterson with any questions.

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. If you have an updated photo please send it to us, or you can add it yourself in the directory and the office will approve it once it is submitted. Thanks!



If you cannot be with us in person, Prince of Peace has all the services available on our YouTube channel: Prince of Peace Free Lutheran Church Beulah ND:
<https://www.youtube.com/@princeofpeacefreeluthern1973>

You can also find links via the church website or our Facebook page as well.

2025 POP Church Council

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



Read the Bible in a Year: October

Oct	Book	Chapters
1	Malachi	
2	Matthew	1-4
3	Matthew	5-6
4	Matthew	7-8
5	Matthew	9-10
6	Matthew	11-12
7	Matthew	13-14
8	Matthew	15-17
9	Matthew	18-19
10	Matthew	20-21
11	Matthew	22-23
12	Matthew	24-25
13	Matthew	26
14	Matthew	27
15	Mark	1-3
16	Mark	4-5
17	Mark	6-7
18	Mark	8-9
19	Mark	10-11
20	Mark	12-13
21	Mark	14
22	Mark	15-16
23	Luke	1
24	Luke	2-3
25	Luke	4-5
26	Luke	6-7
27	Luke	8-9
28	Luke	10-11
29	Luke	12-13
30	Luke	14-16
31	Luke	17-18

Prayer Requests

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.

CHURCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

September 9, 2025

Pastor's Report – Pastor Dana Coyle

We held a Confirmation Orientation session last Wednesday evening, and class sessions begin tomorrow (Wednesday, Sept. 10). We have 6 first-year students and 1 second-year student.

I had my first funeral here at PoP on Monday August 25. Being able to witness the funeral we hosted less than a week earlier was helpful.

I would like to request the purchase of an 8-foot whiteboard to replace the much smaller board in the conference room, primarily for use in Confirmation sessions (Office Depot, \$180).

Since a large whiteboard is a very useful tool that I intend to use on a weekly basis, a better long-term solution is advisable. I suggest a new wheeled board that could be stored behind the altar, and the current one could be kept in the fellowship hall for use in Bible study.

Spiritual Life meetings will be taking place on October 12-15. There might be additional Bible Study times in the morning with Paul Sponheim, depending on how he's feeling. He will require a hotel room during his stay with us and will be available for lunch appointments (not dinner).

We have four individuals who are being recommended for membership. We spent a total of 5 sessions together, doing an abbreviated study of a portion of the Augsburg Confession. One person was forced last minute to miss the final session, so we are working toward making that up sometime soon.

There is some fuzziness about the new member acceptance process in the By-Laws (Section 2 vs. Section 9), and it would be good to clear that up.

The Communion Bread initiative (freshly baked gluten-free bread for everyone) will launch on Sunday, October 5.

Youth Director's Report – Cody Halverson

Sunday School

For the beginning half of the Sunday School year, we will be going through the “How to respond”. This series I’m basing of the books published by Concordia, along with the book “Kingdom of the cults” by Walter Martin. The students want to learn how to have conversations about Jesus with those that follow a false religion along with those that would claim to have no faith.

High School Youth Group

With the school year going again the High school youth have returned. We are studying the book of Daniel; requests have been made to possible study full chapters at a time.

Middle School Bible Study

This group is so much fun and will surprise you every time! This group size changes every week, yet the youth continue to bring friends and it has been such a joy to study the book of Matthew with them.

Other Things

Helping to plan the “See you at the pole” National Day of Prayer Sep. 24

Working with the FCA groups at the schools, both middle and high school

Covered KRCC communion for Pastor as he was on vacation

Covered Senior Suits service for Pastor as he was on vacation

Preached on Aug. 31

Visited a member in the hospital (Hazen) a couple times

Helped with lots of random things with the 2 funeral services this past month

Football games for our youth, from varsity to 8th grade games, in Beulah and Hazen

Cross Country meet in Beulah

Treasurers Report – Margie Lee

General Fund	\$ 94,399.90
Building Fund	\$ 61,530.98

Coffee Hour Fund	\$ 327.58
Coat Closet	\$ 674.45
Intern Fund	\$ 34,243.16
Radio Broadcast	\$ 1,935.96
Total Bank Acct	\$ 224,263.77

Deacon’s Report – Kevin Lee

Discussion: Chapter 2, “A History Behind the Teachings,” Because Jesus Taught It (FLAME) We discussed chapter 2 in the book. The early church was mostly in line with our Lutheran Theology.

Youth Report: Cody reported on all the summer and upcoming fall youth activities. He has been asked to lead a study for youth leaders for the AFLC. The Deacons encouraged him to share his gifts and serve the Kingdom in this way.

Altar Candle lighting before service—We discussed making it more clear that the head usher each Sunday is in charge of this.

Communion Bread initiative—There are 3 volunteers thus far (Steve Finsaas, Mary Hillerud, and Angie Wanzek). Looking for more. Would be nice to launch in October...?

Bibles given to 4th graders—a study Bible with interpretive notes that will sometimes argue against Lutheran doctrinal understanding. Pastor suggests the Lutheran Study Bible would be a better source to use in the future. It will cost more but will be fully consistent with our theology.

- Or, alternatively—simply supply them with a text-only Bible.

Men’s Breakfast Bible Study will start Sept. 20th at 8:00 A.M. Pastor will lead.

Possible additional verses to the Doxology on future Communion Sundays:

“O Jesus, blessed Lord to Thee, My heartfelt thanks forever be,

Who Has so lovingly bestowed On me Thy body and Thy blood.

Break forth my soul for joy and say, What wealth has come to me this day,

My Savior dwells within me now; How blessed am I, how good art Thou."

Christian Education – Chrisy Rotondo

Sunday school begins on September 7. We were still looking for a grade 3-5 teacher but Brandi Tolosky volunteered! Psalm 8 is the Sunday school verse this year, Judy Tolosky will have it ready. VBS attendees received an invitation last week. Only one Pre-K invitation was sent out (Corde Reinhardt).

Prayer Partners: Donna will take photos, Nicole will print, Chrisy will get the list together.

Sunday school orientation: Donna will chat with new teachers if necessary.

Room preparation: Donna and Anna said they didn't need anything done in the Sunday school rooms.

Fourth grade Bibles are here and ready to give out.

Anna wants to set up (or use existing) email for Sunday school announcements from Christian Ed.

There was discussion between Donna and Anna regarding how each grade teaches memory verses and what would be best for long term retention.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Tithe – We voted to split our Tithe of \$2,931.05: \$400 to Feed My Starving Children Fund and \$2,531.05 to Parish Education. In addition to have \$600 from the Deacon's Evangelism Outreach transferred to Feed My Starving Children Fund.

Memorial Money – After a suggestion from a congregation member, we will look into purchasing pew Bibles to match the Bible version that Pastor Coyle preaches from which is New American Standard Bible version 1995. Margie Lee will look into costs of hardcover Bibles

By Laws Issue – We set a congregational meeting after church on Sunday September 28th to go over By Laws that need to be clarified/updated better. We can then vote on updating the Bylaws at our Annual Meeting.

Annual Meeting – Our Annual Meeting will be Sunday, November 23.

Margie Lee announced that she won't be running for Treasurer next year. She is willing to be co-treasurer if needed.

Terms are up for the following committee members:

Ryan Tolosky – President (1st Term – 1-year terms)

Margie Lee – Treasurer (??? Term – 1-year terms)

Deb Sayler – Secretary (14th Term – 1-year terms)

Garrett Sayler – Deacons (1st Term – finishing out Les Buchmann's term)

Paul Sayler – Trustee (1st Term – finishing out Ryan Tolosky's term)

Dustin Buchmann – Trustee (2nd Term)

Chrisy Rotondo – Christian Ed (2nd Term)

Nicole Buchmann – Christian Ed (1st Term)

Wayne Hoffner – Auditing Committee (15th Term – 1-year terms)

Kim Pachl - Auditing Committee (15th Term – 1-year terms)

Carl Sorensen – Personnel Committee (15th Term – 1-year terms)

Marge Murry – Nominating Committee (14th Term – 1-year terms)

Jan Sigman – Nominating Committee (14th Term – 1-year terms)

Marvin Bauer - Nominating Committee (14th Term – 1-year terms)

Personnel Committee will need to meet early in October. Chairman, Ryan Tolosky will set up that meeting. The Personnel Committee consists of one person from Deacons, Trustees, Christian Ed and one person from the congregation (Carl Sorensen).

Correspondence

Thank you note was received from William Wanzek for the things he has learned about God at Prince of Peace. We also received a letter from Paul and Becky Abel for raising funds to build a new church.