

The Vine



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**Wednesdays during Lent
Feb. 13—March 12**

- 11:00am Bible Study
- 5:30pm Soup Supper served by the youth
- 7:00pm Worship
- 7:45pm Bible Study (following worship)

Holy Week Worship March 16-23

- Palm Sunday 8:30am and 10:45am
- Maundy Thursday 7:00pm
- Good Friday w/ Children Noon
- Good Friday 7:00pm
- Easter Sunday 7:00am, 8:30am & 10:45am

*Evangelism
and
Congregational
Renewal*

The Evangelism Committee would like to highlight a series of Adult Education and Book Study sessions which tie into the subject of evangelism and congregational renewal.

Sundays, March 30 and April 6, 9:30-10:30 am
Pastor Andrew Rogness will present a 2-session Adult Forum on "Our Lutheran Theology, as a Foundation for Healthy Perspectives on God, Life, and Our World."

Wednesdays, April 23 and 30, 6:15-7:15 pm
a book study on Living Lutheran: Renewing Your Congregation

Sunday, May 4, 9:30-10:30 am
Pastor Anita Beste will present an Adult Forum on "Healthy Congregations"



Easter is early this year!
March 23.

Those interested in ordering flowering plants in celebration of Easter may do so by filling out the order form on the back

page. Orders will need to be turned in to the office by March 9. Plants may be picked up after the 10:45 service on Easter Sunday, March 23.

Prince of Peace Council Corner

One of Pastor Anita's recent sermons got me thinking about mountains. As creatures of this world we often use the mountain as a metaphor for the struggles we encounter in this life. We know the view will be great when we overcome the uphill climb, *but then what?*

The spiritual "Go Tell It on the Mountain" is a favorite song of mine. It creates a whole different feeling about the mountain. It cries out a *purpose* for reaching the top: It is a vantage point from which to "tell" the Good News. After all, when we reach the top we are so much more visible to others. If we have something to share, this is a good time and place to do it. We could sing out "For God is the King of all the earth; sing praises with understanding" (Psalm 47:7)!!

There is a challenge here for me, spiritually, and maybe for you, too. Sure, I have accomplished a few goals in my life. My ambition and hard work have brought me to some mountaintops (or at least foothills). Once there, did I really recognize the opportunity to advance the Kingdom? Did I sing out "that Jesus Christ is born" while I had the audience? Standing on a symbolic high peak isn't necessarily the reward, but rather the *means* whereby we can shout, sing, praise, and proclaim the truth of God's power, wisdom and grace.

Where are these mountains upon which we stand? I think it could be at the head of a small business, chairing a committee meeting, in front of a classroom, at the well-supplied dinner table, at the Homecoming coronation, or after the fourth-quarter buzzer of a basketball game, for starters. These are some highly visible elevations. If we can expect to meet God at the top of the mountain we've been climbing, then maybe we should try to bring some other people there, too.

Stephanie Lundorff

A T T E N D A N C E	Date	Worship	Adult Ed	Youth/Adult	Children/Adult
	1/20	186	30	5/3	14/11
	1/27	242	56	5/2	23/14
	2/3	194	33	4/2	43 Lent fair
	2/6	192	Ash Wednesday Service		
	2/10	175			
	2/13	70	Lenten Service		

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Office Hours

8:30am to 5:00pm Monday-Friday
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The deadline for articles for the **April Vine is March 7, May Vine is April 11**. The deadline for bulletin announcements is Wednesday at noon of each week. Please e-mail your information to Carol at office@princeofpeace.tc or drop off the info in the church office.

Financial Information

Income Year to Date

Jan 2008 = \$252,019

Expenses Year to Date

Jan 2008 = \$243,676

General Fund Bal = \$8,343

Building Fund Bal = \$318,489

Other Funds Balance = \$72,047

Budget Benevolences paid in Jan.

ELCA Benevolence \$1000

Missionary Sponsorship \$675

Bread for the World \$150





Prayer Chain Requests

If you have a prayer request please call the church office or e-mail office@princeofpeace.tc. On the weekend call or e-mail Linda Olson 651-482-8543 lmolson66@gmail.com (new e-mail address).

Reserve a room for your meetings. PoP is used by many of our members and committees as well as a few outside groups. Contact the church office to reserve a room as soon as possible. See the calendar in this newsletter or go to the website to view the up-to-date calendar.

Equal Exchange coffee sales

Coffee is sold at our cost. Please support the Lutheran World Relief Coffee project. Please remember to pay for the coffee you take.

Meals on Wheels

March 3 and March 24

Prayer Shawl Knitting

Contact Donna Gramstad 651-407-2976.

Interesting in Quilting?

Call Joyce Mallory 484-2523

Library Cleaning day

3rd Tuesday of each month at 1:00pm

Computer Class provided by Harris Mallory

3rd Wed. each month at 9:30



*Message from
Pastor Andrew Rogness*

HOLY WEEK

The drama of Holy Week mirrors our own lives, and we are drawn to its heights and depths as we follow Jesus in order to discover our own story in his journey.

The week begins with high expectation and hope, surrounded by welcome and anticipation for new things to come. In the back of our minds, we know that hope is often followed by altered dreams and disappointments. We wonder

what the future will hold and are fearful of regrets for how things have turned out.

We cheer the cleansing of the temple because we know that institutions can go adrift from their possible good intent. We know of companies and systems, schools and governments, churches and families, that can become entrenched in patterns that are not life giving. Shaking the status quo might yield healthy change.

We listen to his teaching, sensing the urgency of limited time and the undercurrent of opposition. His thoughts have the weight of a last will and testament, and we pay attention.

Mealtime with family and friends is often sacred time. Breaking bread together and lifting the cup of blessing are sacramental moments. We remember our Lord, both because he asked us to and because we want to. We remember his broken body used to breach our brokenness, restoring us to the company of saints and the constant love of God.

We pray with him in the garden knowing the times we wish we could avoid difficulties and also knowing we must face them. We'd do anything to avoid the worst that can happen, yet we know that we can't always avoid the worst. We must leave the garden.

We remember his unjust suffering. We have our stories too, of undeserved hurts, of broken bodies, of betrayal of friends, of being utterly alone, of despair, of tragic death, and we walk with Jesus into the inevitable death that takes us all.

As we lie in the tomb with him, we wait for the power that comes to us – because it is not our doing that brings us each back to life, bringing healing and hope. It is the power of God's love that resurrected Jesus and that resurrects us to new life in him. Whatever life deals us, whatever part of Jesus' story resonates with our own, this, above all is where we come to life – in the hands of a loving God who sustains our story.

Pastor Andrew Rogness

Thank you Corner

Thank you to Tom Rockne for building a sound desk for the sanctuary. It is a beautiful piece of craftsmanship.

Thank you so much friends at Prince of Peace for the beautiful Christmas card. I apologize for being so late. I'm just trying to get through the mass of paper work. The mailman has been picking on us for so long. It used to be fun to get the mail.

Les is finally getting over the last fall he took. I worry every time he gets out of his chair.

Thank you. Les & Doris Brackin

Eleven Who Care



You are invited to join the Befrienders to honor these
"Eleven Who Care" on
Tuesday, March 4 at 7:00 pm
in the Prince of Peace reception room

Social Concerns

March is **FOOD SHARE MONTH**.

The food shelves have done good business because of people out of work and increase cost of groceries. Needed items: canned and packaged vegetables, fruits, meats and fish, soups, rice, pasta, nuts, soaps, paper products.

The Lenten Offering on March 12 will be for **MINNESOTA FOOD SHARE**. A collection of food donations will be on March 16 and continue every first and third Sunday.

Our social outreach program, **Food for Friends**, is serving a supper on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month for the group, Women Achieving New Directions. After the meal this support group of

Greetings from the Music Ministry Coordinator—Milt Warkentien

Greetings from Milt:

Can you believe that Lent is already half over? Amazing! We have two Wednesday Evening Services left. Hopefully you've taken the opportunity to come and worship. I think they are very powerful services. Please let me know if you still enjoy the Holden Village service or if you'd like to try something different next year.

March 2 and 9 are the last 2 Sundays in Lent and we will still be using Setting 10 from the ELW. Have you liked this Setting? Let me know.

March 16 is Palm Sunday and we will again be using Setting 10. With this service we begin Holy Week. Holy Week starts with great joy, for Jesus is coming and by the week's end, we've communed with Jesus, watched him die and then CELEBRATE that He is alive again. What an emotional week. Maundy Thursday is March 20, one service at 7:00 pm. March 21 is Good Friday and there are services at noon and 7:00 pm. The service at 7:00 pm will be a "Seven Last Words" service. We have three services on Easter. The first one begins at 7:00 am and is band led. The other two services are at 8:30 and 10:45 and will be "traditional" in style. The services on March 30 will be band led.

What does the end of Lent into Holy Week and Easter mean to you? Do you worship differently this time of year? I find the music and scripture of Lent (especially Good Friday) very powerful. Thinking of Jesus suffering a slow agonizing death for my benefit is almost overwhelming. How can I possibly use my life to be worthy of that kind of love? I can't, but I can try. How can we hear the music and scripture on Good Friday and not feel the need to serve? Think about it. Jesus gave his life for **US!** We know the full story and get to come and CELEBRATE our Risen Savior on Easter, but does knowing the rest of the story cause us to overlook Jesus' agony on Good Friday? To overlook what Jesus did for us, I think, limits us on what a celebration Easter should be. How can we fully appreciate Easter without first watching Jesus suffer for us? Please take time to worship and reflect on what Jesus did for us and then come and CELEBRATE the Risen Lord with us on EASTER.

I hope that the music throughout Lent and Easter helps you feel the joys and sorrows that make these seasons what they are.

May God bless us all, *Milt*

March—May Schedule

Jr. / Sr. High Youth Practice

Practice Wed. Mar. 5 and 12 after the Lenten services

Wed. Mar. 26 at 7:15 to sing at the 10:45 service Mar. 30.

No rehearsal Mar. 19.

Practice at 7:15

Wed. Apr. 2, 9 and 16 to sing at the 10:45 service April 20

No practice Wed. Apr. 23

Practice at 7:15 Wed. April 30

7:45 May 7 and 14 to sing at **BOTH** services May 18.

POP Ensemble Practice

May 7 and 14 at 7:15 for **BOTH** services May 18

No practices after May 18 unless something else comes up.

There may be opportunities for instrumentalists during the year, too. See me if you're interested in soloing or playing in a small ensemble.

****Wed. and Sunday we Sing****

Sun. Mar. 2 8:30 service

Sun. Mar. 30 10:45 service

Sun. Apr. 20 10:45 service

Sun. May 18 **BOTH** services
(POP Ensemble both services, too)

All Sunday School Parents Meeting

March 2 at 9:30 am Library

**First Communion
for Children of All Ages**

March 20 7:00 pm
Maundy Thursday worship

Planning for Summer

- Vacation Bible School will be the week of June 9 – 13.
- Family Camp is the weekend of June 20-22.

Look for more info in the Summer Brochure. Available in rack outside the office.



Preparation Session for
First Communion
Wednesday, March 5 5:30 – 6:45 pm

Children! Grades 2 – 6

Come be a part of the spring musical

To See A Miracle!

Performance – Sunday, April 13

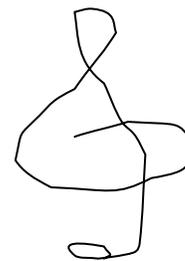
Rehearsals – starting now:

Wednesdays in Lent	6:00 – 6:45 p.m.
Wednesdays after Easter	6:15 – 7:00 p.m.
Plus Saturday, April 12	9:00 – 11:00 a.m.



Joyful Noise!

Children's Choir sings:	March 2	(10:45)
	April 13	(8:30 and 10:45)
	May 4	(10:45)
	May 18	(8:30 and 10:45)



Reminder: Choir practices 15 minutes before the service at which we sing.

Thoughts from Audrey

For the last ten years, I have served as the Saint Paul Area Synod coordinator for the ELCA Gatherings that we have every three years. We gathered in New Orleans earlier this month to learn about the 2009 gathering and understand its mission. The decision to have the gathering in New Orleans was made before Katrina hit the city and the levy broke in August 2005. Any of you who have been in New Orleans since Katrina hit, know that the city is far from recovered. It has been a slow process.

We heard from the Gulf Coast Synod, city officials, pastors, and individuals the important role that the ELCA has played in the recovery process. In July 2009 the ELCA will bring 36,000 young people into the city of New Orleans on a giant mission trip. Each gathering is unique to itself, but this gathering will be very different. We are committed to making a difference in New Orleans. At this point the details are yet to be determined, but the mission is clear—Lutheran youth will transform the city of New Orleans. We believe that the Spirit of God will lead the way for our young people to transform New Orleans and change lives.

The ELCA Youth Gathering is about God changing lives and making the world in which we live a better place. This is not new to the ELCA Gatherings. Our former church bodies have been having gatherings for decades. In 1961, the American Lutheran Church held their first “National Luther League Convention”—“Youth on the Beach,” in Miami Beach, Florida. 14,000 Sr. High Youth attended that gathering. You can see the promotional video footage for the 1964 ALC Youth Gathering in Detroit, Michigan at www.elca.org/archives/film/youthonthebeach.html. It is a great window into the history of youth ministry in the Lutheran Church.

Those of us that can remember the early 1960’s can recall that segregation was a hot topic not only in the news but in the church. Interracial marriage was a discussion topic at Luther League. The youth who attended “Youth on the Beach” in

Miami heard Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. as one of the featured speakers.

Our church has not shied away from justice issues, whether racism in America, the apartheid in South Africa, or the recovery of New Orleans. The ELCA Gathering in 2009 is about “**Jesus, Justice, Jazz**”. For this gathering to be the vision and mission that we hope and expect it to be, it will cost congregations more than previous gatherings. Our youth will be hosting their annual dinner and auction on Sunday, March 30. Please plan to attend as it will be a night creating great memories for all.

Junior High Youth Events

Confirmation Retreat

Friday, February 29th—Sunday, March 2nd.
We will gather at Audrey’s at 7:30 PM Friday. We will return to church in time for the 10:45 worship service. We will go to the community center on Saturday. Cost: \$50.00

Jr. and Sr. High Youth Events

Youth Fundraising Dinner

Sunday, March 30th @ 5:00 PM
Swedish Meatballs and Mashed Potatoes
With all the trimmings: Lefse, Krumkaka, Spritz and Rosettes. If there are any Favorites you want us to be sure to have Contact Audrey.

Soup Suppers

Youth and families serve the soup suppers. All proceeds go to the youth trips fund. Signup to bring dessert, and to help serve.

Easter Sunrise Service

Youth created and led on Sunday, March 23rd 7:00 AM. Any one interested in assisting Contact Audrey.

Easter Breakfast Sunday, March 23rd

Women's Bible Study at Prince of Peace

Please join any of the bible studies at any time.
Everyone is welcome.

Martha Circle

Second Monday at 12:30pm, March 10
Hostess: Melba Sanderson 612-336-9158
Leader: Pastor Andrew Rogness

Rebecca Circle

Second Monday at 7:30pm, March 10
Hostess: Linda Olson 651-482-8543
Leader: Kate VandenBosch

Lydia Circle

Second Tuesday at 9:30am, March 11
Hostess: Irene Nelson 651-490-1425
Leader: Deanna Rowe

Ruth Circle

Second Tuesday at 7:30pm, March 11,
Hostess: Gail Meier 651-484-0396
Leader: Bev Bail

Women of the Well Circle

Second Tuesday at 9:30am, March 11
Hostess: Peggy Lee 651-484-3139
Leader: Nell Sponheim

Attention Women

WITNESS BOLDLY, taken from Acts 1:8, is the theme of the annual spring convention of the St. Paul Area Lutheran Women of the ELCA to be held April 11 and 12 at Grace Lutheran Church in Apple Valley. Rev. Susan Tjornehoj will be the banquet speaker and Carmen Richards, the Church-wide President of the Women of the ELCA, will speak at the Saturday luncheon. Join the women of our St. Paul Area Synod for worship, Eucharist, bible study, learning sessions, and fellowship.

We need a delegate to represent Prince of Peace. Contact Anne Haugan if you would like to be the delegate. Details and registration forms are on the rack by the office. Early-bird registration of \$45.00 is due on March 15. The Monetary Offering for the Convention will be distributed: ½ to the Women of the ELCA, ¼ toward the Guatemala Guest House, and ¼ to St. Paul Partners Water/Hygiene Development in Iringa, Tanzania. Material Offering will be Towel Packages for Lutheran Social Service to give to refugees and to homeless youth programs. (Place a hand towel, washcloth, and bar of soap inside a folded bath towel and tie with ribbon or yarn). There will be a collection box for these items in the narthex. Last year our women contributed \$250.00 and prepared Welcome Boxes for refugees.

Might you be interested in attending the Church wide Women of the ELCA Convention in Salt Lake City on July 10 - 13? Theme is "Come to the Waters." Talk to Anne Haugan for more information.

Invitation from the Ruth Circle—April 17

Calling Prince of Peace Church Women – of ALL ages to attend the April 17 "Celebration of Generations," an evening of program, fun, and a Ladies Aid supper.

We'll be celebrating women's life and work in the church commemorating Prince of Peace's 50 years and Minnesota's 150th Anniversary.

Do you have vintage clothes, kitchen utensils, or other antiques to lend for the evening fashion show and skits? Contact any Ruth Circle member: Diane Syverson, Sharon Stillings, Dee Nelson, Gail Meier, Jean Knaak, Anne Haugan, or Bev Bail.

Mark your calendar for Thurs., April 17.

Ok's Older Kids Ok's

Please join the OK's for a very special luncheon on Thursday, March 13 at 11:30 am in the gym. We will have as our guests the senior group, Amazing Grays, from St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church. Our program will feature Ole Olesen, a.k.a. Roger Hellesvig. Using an immigrant trunk as a focal point, he will share what it was like to immigrate to America in the 1800's. Neat!!

Building Renewal Committee



Prince of Peace
Building Renewal

The Building Renewal Committee continues to meet weekly to develop a plan for the renewal of the Prince of Peace campus. Notes from meetings are available in the church office.

Watch for dates and details on the Roseville Fire Department training on the house at 2555 N. Victoria.

Prince of Peace Sunday Forums 9:30am

March 2 – People Coping with Change:

Our Social Action Committee shares the background of the Karen refugees and our church's involvement with resettlement.

March 9 – People Coping with Change: Lois Farag, Assistant Professor of Church History at Luther Seminary, and a nun in the Coptic Orthodox Church, will give a history of the Coptic Church and the experience of being Christian in a Muslim country.

March 16 – Artists Show Us the Bible

Sarah Henrich, Luther Seminary Professor of New Testament looks at how art conveys the Gospel story, focusing on Mary and Elizabeth before the births of John and Jesus.

March 23 – Easter

March 30 – Health Our Lutheran theology as a foundation for healthy perspectives on God, life, and our world. (Part I) Andrew Rogness presenting.

April 6 – Health Our Lutheran theology as a foundation for healthy perspectives on God, life, and our world. (Part II) Andrew Rogness presenting.

April 13 – Health Mental Health
Bob Hurlbut gives highlights on the wisdom of Carl Jung.

April 20 – Health Healthy Earth.
Our Social Concerns Committee leads our discussion prior to Earth Day.

April 27 – Health Caring for Each Other – The Steven's Ministry, similar to our Befrienders. Sally Peters leads.

Bible Study

The Gospel of Matthew

**Wednesdays of Lent: March 5 and March 12
11:00am and 8:00pm – Library**

Led by Pastor Andrew Rogness

Chapters 17 – 20: Jesus' Q & A

Chapters 21 – 28: Jesus' Tragedy and Triumph

Circle Bible Study

All women are welcome to participate in a Circle. *The Beatitudes* is the topic for September 2007 – May, 2008. These Circles use the Lutheran *Women Today* magazine.

If you're interested in learning more or "trying out" a Circle, please call Deanna Rowe, 651/483-2238, or Anne Haugan, 651/484-3856 for more information.

Book Study

Wednesday, April 23 & 30, 6:15-7:15

Living Lutheran: Renewing your Congregation.

Supper available beforehand

Growing Through Loss

A 6-week series providing an opportunity for individuals to obtain information and support for a variety of loss and grief issues. Each session offers an educational presentation by a professional from the community, followed by peer support groups facilitated by trained leaders who understand the grieving process.

Registration takes place the night of the program at the host church. Church affiliation is not required. Donations welcomed. Each session is complete in itself; attend any or all sessions. Call 763-755-5335 or visit www.growingthroughloss.org for more information.

The next series will be held at:

Incarnation Lutheran Church

4880 Hodgson Rd

Shoreview, MN 55126

Thursdays, April 3 – May 8; 6:45 – 9:00 pm



Prince of Peace Lutheran Church—View current and updated calendar on the website www.princeofpeace.tc

If there is an event
missing or a change
required, please
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Easter Flower Order Form. It's time to order Easter flowers. The selection available is listed below. Please indicate the flower(s) you would like to purchase. Flowers will be available for pickup 15 minutes after the end of the final Easter service. Please indicate your choices by Sunday, March 9.

_____ Easter Lily - 6" pot	\$ 9.00	_____ Easter Lily—double potted (2 plants) - 8" pot	\$16.00
_____ Azalea - 6 1/2" pot	\$16.00	_____ Chrysanthemum - 6 1/2" pot	\$10.00
_____ Cineraria - 6 1/2" pot	\$10.00	_____ Gerbera Daisy - 4 1/2" pot	\$ 3.75
_____ Hydrangea - 7" pot	\$20.00	_____ Impatiens-double flowered - 6 1/2" pot	\$ 7.50
_____ New Guinea Impatiens - 6 1/2" pot	\$7.50	_____ Rieger Begonia - 6 1/2" pot	\$10.00

I _____ will _____ will not be picking up the flowers Total cost of flower order: _____

I would like to donate \$_____ to help pay for special decorations.

In memory of: _____

In celebration of: _____

Given by: _____

Please cut out this form and include with your check (made out to Prince of Peace) and place in the offering plate, or mail or drop off in the office.

Mail or drop this entire page to the office (include the mailing label above).

Changes to your personal information? Please let Prince of Peace know.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Work phone: _____

E-mail address: _____

Note to the office

