



## Weekly News 01/15/2023

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**Today in Worship • "Come and See" • John 1:29–42a, Isaiah 49:1-7, 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 •** Someone needs to be introduced to Jesus in order to become a follower of Jesus. John the Baptist certainly pointed the way to Jesus, God's Chosen One, as John made this declaration, "Look! There He is—the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world!" That set in motion a whole chain of events, new followers of Jesus spending time with Him at His own invitation, ("Come and you will see"). These new followers then invite others to come and see, and their lives are changed. How are you doing at following Jesus. He invites you to come and see—to spend time with Him, know Him better, experience love and life in His presence. Jesus came seeking to make a profound difference in our lives. He then sends us to others to invite them: Come and see.

**About this Series: "We Are Followers"** • As God invites us to follow Jesus, our lives are transformed. More than that, as we spend time with Jesus following Him along the way, we continue to discover that His transformation in our lives, the ways that Jesus shapes our lives as we walk with Him, connect directly to His purposes for us. Jesus uses us to extend His invitation to others.

## **Bible Classes**

**Adult Sunday Morning Bible Class at 10:00 am •** The class is led by Jim Essig. We are looking at the Gospel of Luke. Classes are in the Music Room during our 10:00 am Education Hour, between the 9 am & 11 am worship services.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR AGE 4 – GRADE 5: Foundations of Faith •** Kids will make crafts, play games, and learn the basic truths about God using both Old Testament and New Testament stories. Kids will walk away from each class with a new "God is..." statement (i.e. "God is powerful" or "God is kind"). Sunday School meets upstairs in the Family Life Center classrooms from 10:00-10:45 on Sunday mornings.

**"Kid Video" every week:** Did you know that DCE Eric Gerken produces a weekly kid video that ties into the Foundations of Faith lesson? Great for kids, families, and adults. The video is posted weekly to our Facebook and YouTube channels. (Tip: start a faith-conversation with your kids or grandkids using that video as a starting place.)

**YOUTH SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS** (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) • "Word One Bible Studies" – a mixture of discussion and experiential learning – come check it out – in the far, upstairs classroom in the Family Life Center from 10:00am-10:45am.

**Mid-week Bible Class for Adults •** Wednesday Mornings 9:30am – 10:30am in the Board Room. Our topic is looking at Scriptures for the upcoming Sunday's theme. Led by Pastor Ken.

**Preschool and Church Office Closed** • In observation of Martin Luther King, Jr's birthday, the church and preschool offices will be closed on Monday, January 16.

**Pick Up Poinsettias Today!** • Thank you to all those who made contributions for the Poinsettias that made our worship at Christmas so beautiful. If you have not already done so, you may pick up your poinsettia from the courtyard at PoP. **Thank you** again to all who helped beautify our worship spaces through your gifts.

**Volunteers Needed! Help Serve the Lord** • We are looking for volunteers that are willing to help serve the Lord by helping with ushering, communion assistant, projection, live stream, altar guild and transportation. If you are willing to help in any way, please contact Adriana at (407) 277-3945 for more information. | adriana.alas@poporlando.com

**Altar Flowers** • If you wish to sponsor Altar Flowers at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in celebration of a special occasion or in memory of a loved one, please fill out a form online or contact our church office. <a href="https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/flowers">https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/flowers</a>

**Compassion Project** • Works with the Samaritan Resource Center and the Healthcare Center for the Homeless and the Orlando Union Rescue Mission. There is a collection site in the church office hallway to donate items such as a razor, a clean pair of jeans, a change of underwear, a battery, a blanket, a backpack, some shampoo, etc.

**PoP Preschool** • Do you know someone who might be looking for an amazing preschool for their child? While our infant and 1y/o classes are full, we still have limited openings for 2y/o through VPK. Call (407) 275-6703 to learn more!

## Fruits of Faith January 8

9:00 Traditional: 109 | 11:00 Contemporary: 59 | 11:00 Spanish: 80 | TOTAL: 248

Giving: Thank you for your faithful engagement in our ministry through your gifts and offerings.

December 25 offerings \$10,924 (does not include Christmas Eve)

January 1 offerings \$13,354

January 8 offerings \$17,652 needed each week: \$11,923

## **PRAYERS**

**Prayers of Comfort:** We continue to pray for the family and friends of Jan Fry, who passed into the arms of Jesus, her Savior, on January 5. We especially hold her children, Becky and Mike (Stephanie) and their families close in our prayers. A celebration of life for Jan will be held Sunday, January 29, at 2pm at Prince of Peace.

**Hospice Care:** Ellie Dreves

Recovering: Chris Akerman, Larry Jones, Joan Krumpholc,

Healing and Strength: Karen Adkins, Dave & Mary Ann Ault, Rebecca Brooks, Delores B, Michael B, Donna C, Earl Caldwell, Karin Collins, Danny Conlin, Alice Darling, Elizabeth Dawson, baby Elijah, John Elmore, Jim Essig (thanksgiving), Carol Fennell, Judy & Jim Finnie, Ginny Fussell, Rev. Dennis Glander, Noah Glasberger & family, Bob Hahn, Michael Halstead, Joe Heinz, David House, Bill Jordan, Jerry Jordan, Merle Kroeplin, Jim Lord, Michael McCarty, Lewis Mendez, Rick Perre, Miriam Rivera, Nitza Rohena, Nancy Schloemer, Rex Serio, Cindy Sibley, Shirley Stockett, Meridith Swanson (wrist, back), Gwen Taliver, Sonia Tellez, Cricket Winters, Leon W, Linda Zamsky

**Receiving Treatments**: Barbara Browne, Rev. Amy Bradley, Sarah vB, Jan Fry, Kent Jespersen, Dorothy R, Rev. Brian Roberts, Elena Santana, Marleen Schmidt, Cathy Smith, Jeff S, Joni S, Janet V, Debbie W, Dayton Whites, Brenda Williams

**Continued Care**: Chuck Boogher, Kelly DeFrietas, Al & Linda Dicks, Eleanor & Gail Eaton, Bob and Colleen E, Linda House, Minnie Hutchinson, Linda Jackson, Otto K, Mary K.M, Joyce Miller, Todd O, Annette Royal, Betty Schnell, Caitlyn Thoms, Juan Torres, Michael, Noel, & Roger V, Harry Wahl, Gloria White

**Special**: We thank you, Lord Jesus, for your invitation to follow and come and see what you are all about. Help us to follow more closely, love more sincerely, serve more fully. Give us boldness to invite others to "come and see" so they can experience the same peace and hope and joy that we have in following you. • We pray for areas of the world torn apart by war and violence, including Ukraine, Myanmar, Mexico, Ethiopia, Yemen, and more. • We continue to pray for recovery efforts for Hurricane Ian and Hurricane Nicole. • Lord Jesus, watch over all those who follow You, especially those who are persecuted for their faith. Strengthen and protect Your faithful people and cause Your light to shine through them. • We ask the Lord to be with President Biden, members of Congress, and the Supreme Court, as well as all state and local leaders. • We pray for those who serve our nation in the armed services. We also ask the Lord to watch over and keep our first responders safe.

**Preschool Prayers—Class of the Month:** This month we pray for our friends in the Tiger Class (3-year-old) - Ms. Glenda, Ms. Aida, Adrianna, Evelyn, Aaralyn, Luis, Cameron, Max L., Woodney, Elijah, Ariana. We ask the Lord to keep these little ones in His constant care and to pour out His blessing upon their families.