



Weekly News 02/26/2023

1st Sunday in Lent

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Sermon Series • “Jesus Is ____ ...” Some have described the Season of Lent as a journey, going with Jesus as He makes His way to Jerusalem, to the cross, to the grave, and then at Easter, to the empty tomb. As we journey with Jesus through the Scripture, we get to see what He is like, who He is, what He does. We also get to consider what this all means for us in our context, and by insights and understanding given by the Holy Spirit, applying these things to our lives. Our Scripture focus will be the Gospel lessons appointed for each Sunday.

February 26 “Jesus Is our Battle Winner” – Matthew 4:1-11; Genesis 3:1-21; Romans 5:12-19

March 5 “Jesus Is Life and Love” – John 3:1-17; Genesis 12:1-9; Romans 4:1-8, 13-17

March 12 “Jesus Is the Giver of Living Water” – John 4:4-26, 27-30, 39-42; Ezekiel 17:1-7; Romans 5:1-8

March 19 “Jesus Is our Light and Sight” – John 9; Isaiah 42:14-21; Ephesians 5:8-14

March 26 “Jesus Is our Grave Robber” – John 11:1-45; Ezekiel 37:1-14; Romans 8:1-11

April 2 “Jesus Is the Salvation Bringer” – John 12:12-19; Psalm 118:19-29; Isaiah 50:4-9a; Philippians 2:5-11

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 (6th-12th) • “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.

Midweek Lenten Worship Service – Wednesdays at 11:00 am – Light lunch to follow • We invite you to join us each Wednesday, beginning March 1, at 11:00 am in the Sanctuary as we gather for midweek Lenten worship services. Following worship there will be a light meal held in the Family Life Center. Throughout the season of Lent, our midweek worship experiences help us as followers of Jesus to focus our attention on our need for repentance and to turn toward the redemptive mercy and forgiveness that is ours through Jesus. Especially these worship opportunities prepare us to celebrate with joy the resurrection of Jesus on Easter Day. Thank you to Kathy McCartin and the ladies of the LWML who have helped make these lunch gatherings possible.

Devotional resources: <https://www.lhm.org/lent/> and devotions produced by leaders in the Florida Georgia District can be found at <https://flgadistrict.org/lentdevotions/>

LWML Fundraiser for Missions – PoP Polo Sale Begins Today! • The LWML will be selling PoP polos beginning today through March 19. You can purchase polos by contacting Debbie Noss at (407)658-8908 or she will also be available on Sundays in between and after services.

Redeeming Life Outreach Ministry: Baby Bottle Campaign Kickoff begins Today, February 26 • Baby bottle fundraisers amount to thousands of dollars in support of pregnant women in crisis each year. This is a vital ministry which needs your support! Baby bottles will be in the narthex and FLC, for you to grab and take home and fill with your change, dollars or checks to help with this ministry.

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 | <https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/flowers>

Easter Lilies: It's not too early to order Easter lilies to beautify our worship spaces on Easter Day. Please fill out the online form with payment or contact the church office. | <https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/lilies>

Lunch & Jeopardy – Wednesday, March 1 at 12pm • Jim Essig will be hosting another Lunch and "Jeopardy" on Wednesday, March 1 at 12:00pm in the Family Life Center. Please RSVP to Jim by phone, text, or email at (407)446-7147 or jim.essig@poporlando.com, by 12 pm on Monday, February 27. We hope that you can join us!

New-ish to Prince of Peace? Come to the Pastor's Reception on Sunday, March 5 • The Pastor's Reception gives you an opportunity to learn more about what makes Prince of Peace/Príncipe de Paz distinct as we serve God in Central Florida. At the Pastor's reception, meet staff, some longtime members, and others who are newish. Those who are interested will also learn more about how to become a member of PoP/PdeP. To ensure we include you with a personal invite, please send an email to staff@poporlando.com requesting more information.

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

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!

Compassion Project • The Compassion Project works with the Samaritan Resource Center. They are in need of donations. 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, NEW or USED flip flops, baseball caps, sunglasses/reading glasses, rolling suitcases, tents and adult bicycles, etc.

Fruits of Faith

February 19

9:00 Traditional: 115 | 11:00 Contemporary: 60 | 11:00 Spanish: 69 | TOTAL: 244

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

February 5 offerings \$10,653

February 12 offerings \$22,273

February 19 offerings \$8,899 needed each week: \$11,923

PRAYERS

Prayers of Comfort: We ask the Lord to surround Vicki and Chris Stork and their family at the loss of Vicki's sister Gloria White. We thank God for all the blessings He gave Gloria during her earthly life, and we are thankful that she is now in the arms of Jesus.

Hospice Care: Karin Collins (friend of Nina Cavalli-Rojas)

Recovering: Chris Akerman, Pam Robertson

Healing and Strength: Karen Adkins, Dave & Mary Ann Ault, Rebecca Brooks, Delores B, Michael B, Donna C, Danny Conlin, Alice Darling, Elizabeth Dawson, Gail Eaton, baby Elijah, John Elmore, Carol Fennell, Judy & Jim Finnie, Rev. Dennis Glander, Noah Glasberger & family, Michael Halstead, Joe Heinz, Bill Jordan, Jerry Jordan, Merle Kroepelin, Jim Lord, Michael McCarty, George Meder, Lewis Mendez, baby Eli Muchama, Rick Perre, Miriam Rivera, Nitza Rohena, Nancy Schloemer (thanksgiving – cleared to drive), Rex Serio, Cindy Sibley, Shirley Stockett, Meridith Swanson (wrist, back), Gwen Taliver, Sonia Tellez, Cricket Winters, Leon W, Linda Zamsky

Receiving Treatments: Barbara Browne, Sarah vB, 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 Eaton, Bob and Colleen E, Linda House, Minnie Hutchinson, Linda Jackson, Joan & Otto K, Mary K.M, Joyce Miller, Todd O, Annette Royal, Betty Schnell, Caitlyn Thoms, Juan Torres, Michael, Noel, & Roger V, Harry Wahl,

Special: Jesus, our deliverer and protector, we thank You that You have done battle with the evil one and You have won. Strengthen us in our faith and empower us by Your Spirit so that we would share in Your victory in ways great and small. • We pray for our community as some have experienced violence and tragedy this past week that is beyond our comprehending. Jesus bring peace and have mercy upon us. For areas of the world that have suffered tragedy and natural disasters, including the earthquake victims in Turkey and Syria, as well as those recovering from Hurricane Ian and Hurricane Nicole. Lord, have mercy. • 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.

Thy Word Is A Lamp

E^b B⁷ E^b

Thy word is a lamp un - to my feet and a

A^b B⁷ E^b A^b E^b *Fine*

light un - to my path.

2 Now

B⁷ F^m C^m G^m

1 When I feel a - fraid, think I've lost my way,
I will not for - get Your love for me and yet my

A^b B⁷ A^b E^b

still You're there right be - side me, and
heart for - ev - er is wan - der - ing.

B⁷ F^m C^m G^m

noth - ing will I fear as long as You are near.
Je - sus, be my guide and hold me to Your side, and

A^b B⁷ C^m C G B⁷ *D. C.*

Please be near me to the end.
I will love You to the end.

©Text: Amy Grant

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Jesus, I Will Ponder Now

Jesu, Deine Passion

1. Je - sus, I will pon - der now On Thy ho - ly Pas - sion;
 2. Grant that I Thy Pas - sion view With re - pent - ant griev - ing,
 3. If my sins give me a - larm And my con - science grieve me,

With Thy Spir - it me en - dow For such med - i - ta - tion.
 Nor Thee cru - ci - fy a - new By un - ho - ly liv - ing.
 Let Thy cross my fear dis - arm, Peace of con - science give me.

With Thy Spir - it me en - dow
 Nor Thee cru - ci - fy a - new
 Let Thy cross — my fear dis - arm,

Grant that I in love and faith May the im - age cher - ish
 How could I re - fuse to shun Ev - 'ry sin - ful pleas - ure.
 Grant that I may trust in Thee And Thy ho - ly Pas - sion,

Of Thy suf - f'ring, pain and death, That I may not per - ish.
 Since for me God's on - ly Son Suf - fered with - out meas - ure?
 If His Son so lov - eth me, God must have com - pas - sion.