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Weekly News 05/7/2023 5th Sunday of Easter Confirmation Sunday

Sermon Series • “Identity Verified: Chosen” • 1 Peter 2:2-10, Acts 6:1-9; 7:2a, 51-60, John 14:1-14 • Easter Sunday and all the events surrounding Jesus’ victory brought us right up close and personal with who He is and all that He has done for us. Now during the season of Easter (the 50 days from Easter Sunday to the Day of Pentecost) we have an opportunity to check our identities against who God has declared us to be in His word. Jesus has made us to be a new creation through the power of His resurrection. What type of people does that make us as we serve Him and others in this world? To guide our conversations, we will be following the 1st letter written by the Apostle Peter, the one whose own identity as a child of God was verified when Peter was restored by His Risen Lord.

May 7 “Chosen” – 1 Peter 2:2-10, Acts 6:1-9; 7:2a, 51-60, John 14:1-14

May 14 “Prepared” – 1 Peter 3:13-22

May 21 “Humble” – 1 Peter 4:12-19, 5:6-11

NEW! To view or print Sunday’s 9am Worship bulletin:

https://www.poporlando.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/2023_05_07-Trad-Easter-5.pdf

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”) and what it means that we are God’s people. 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.

The Mid-week Bible Class for Adults will meet this week • 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.

First Communion Classes – Registration Today! – Pre-Registration Required – Saturday, May 13 at

9:30am-12pm • This workshop is for students who are at least in 3rd Grade or older. Students will participate in sessions led by Pastor Adolfo Borges, Deaconess Ligia Borges, and DCE Erick Gerken. This will help students understand what Communion is and how our Lord instituted it. They will learn how to properly prepare for the Sacrament and receive it. Please contact DCE Eric Gerken with any questions. | Eric.gerken@poporlando.com Registration: <https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/f58dbc>

Mother’s Day Luncheon – Sunday, May 14 at 12pm in the FLC • All families of Prince of Peace/Príncipe de Paz are invited to the Mother’s Day Luncheon prepared and served by the men of the 11am Spanish service. We will have delicious food, special music, and great fellowship. We hope to see you there!

Hosted at PoP: Community Meeting OPD Chief of Police Eric Smith – Thursday, May 11 at 6pm in the FLC • Join the Orlando Police Department for a community meeting here at Prince of Peace Family Life Center.

Altar Flowers • To sponsor Altar Flowers in celebration of a special occasion, in memory of a loved one, or simply out of thanksgiving to God, you can do so at <https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/flowers> or by contacting the office.

Festival of Pentecost – Sunday, May 28 – Come Celebrate!!! – 10:30 worship

- **Combined/Bilingual Worship (Day of Pentecost) –one worship service for all God's people at 10:30am** •
- **Meal/Pot Luck at 12:00 Noon** (last names beginning with A-L, please bring a dessert; M-Q, a side dish or salad; and R-Z, a main dish to share) | Join, celebrate and feast as one people of God, one Prince of Peace/Príncipe de Paz
- **Congregational Meeting to celebrate God's work among us + Election of Board of Directors Members**

Help Launch STELLAR VBS into Orbit! – Donations Needed! • We need your help to make sure that VBS is "out of this world" this year! A list of items requested as donations is found at Sign-Up Genius. Please bring donated items to the church office for DCE Eric Gerken. This list will grow so be sure to check back every so often to see if you can help us Shine Jesus Light with your VBS donation! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040d4eaaac2cabfc1-stellar#/>

Stellar VBS 2023 Registration is Now OPEN! • VBS will blast off on June 12-16 from 9:00am - 12:15pm daily for kids Age 4- Grade 5. Launch kids on a cosmic quest where they'll have a blast shining Jesus' light to the world. Stellar rockets kids on an out-of-this-world adventure that's light years of faith-building fun. Contact DCE Eric Gerken for more information. | <https://vbspro.events/p/events/0ae9c2> | eric.gerken@poporlando.com

Fruits of Faith

April 30

9:00 Traditional: 97 | 11:00 Contemporary: 46 | 11:00 Spanish: 80 | TOTAL: 223

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

April 16 offerings \$8,779

April 23 offerings \$15,069

April 30 offerings \$9,447 needed each week: \$11,923

PRAYERS

Recovering: Jennifer Montalvo, Rose O'Neil, David Rodgers, Annette Royal, Rev. Thomas Zehnder

Healing and Strength: Karen Adkins, Dave & Mary Ann Ault, Rebecca Brooks, Delores B, Michael B, Donna C, Danny Conlin, Alice Darling, Elizabeth Dawson, Sarah D and baby Sam, Steven Dorsagano, Eleanor Eaton, Gail Eaton, John Elmore, Judy Finnie, Rev. Dennis Glander, Noah Glasberger & family, Michael Halstead, Joe Heinz, Bill Jordan, Jerry Jordan, Merle Kroepflin, Joan Krumpholtz, Jim Lord, Kathy McCartin, Michael McCarty, George Meder, Lewis Mendez, Rick Perre, Dorothy Reynolds, Miriam Rivera, Nitza Rohena, Rex Serio, Cindy Sibley, Shirley Stockett, Meridith Swanson (vocal rest), Gwen Taliver, Sonia Tellez, Cricket Winters, Leon W, Linda Zamsky

Receiving Treatments: Barbara Browne, Sarah vB, Kent Jespersen, Elena Santana, Marleen Schmidt, Cathy Smith, Jeff S, Joni Steidly, Janet V, Debbie W, Nikki Wernsing, Dayton Whites, Brenda Williams, Michelle Zicarelli

Continued Care: Chuck Boogher, Kelly DeFrietas, Al & Linda Dicks, Bob and Colleen E, Linda House, Minnie Hutchinson, Linda Jackson, Otto Krumpholtz, Mary K.M, Micki & Sal LoBue, Joyce Miller, Todd O, Betty Schnell, Caitlyn Thoms, Juan Torres, Michael, Noel, & Roger V, Harry Wahl

Special: Lord Jesus, You have called us out of darkness into Your marvelous light, and You made us to be the chosen people of God and have given us a spiritual home. As we live out our faith lead us to pour out our lives in service to our neighbor, then draw others into Your light to discover Your purpose for them. • Jesus, bring peace and hope to our world through the power of Your resurrection. Where there is war and unrest, bring peace. Where there is evil, restrain it and cancel its power. Where there is hate, lead your people to overcome by Your love. • Lord, be with Christians who are persecuted because of their trust in You. • We pray for students, teachers, families, and schools as we approach the end of the school year. Bless and keep safe all students and educators, especially as students take end of the year tests and many enjoy proms and graduations. Sustain teachers in their vital role. Give wisdom to parents as they lead their families. • 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 ask the Lord to watch over and keep our first responders safe.

For those in the military or deployed: We pray for those who serve our nation in the armed services and for those who are deployed, especially those connected with our PoP/PdeP family: Kyle Hollis, Matthew Rojas, Amanda S, Greg S, Geoffrey W.

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Confirmation Day

Congratulations Confirmation Students and Families • We are thrilled to celebrate with these students today as they confess their Christian faith in the Rite of Confirmation at the 9:00 am worship service. May God continue to bless these young people and their families as they grow in faith and knowledge of God.

Being Confirmed in Their Faith Today • We give thanks for all the Lord Jesus has done in your life and all He will continue to do as you live in Him.



Riley Jayne Dobbins – daughter of Shawn Dobbins and Meredith Mitchell

“God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.” – Psalm 46:1



Ethan Patrick Jones – son of Jason Jones and Colleen Dwyer-Jones

“Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified, do not be dismayed for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go.” – Joshua 1:9



Anthony Rocco Vacchiano – son of Conor and Bjorg Vacchiano Hodges

“Ask and it shall be given to you, seek and you shall find; knock and the door shall be opened unto you.” – Matthew 7:7



Ethan Samuel Vales – son of Bernardino Vales and Gladys Tejada

“The Lord is my shepherd. I shall not want.” – Psalm 23:1

“For this reason, I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands” – 2 Timothy 1:6