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Weekly News 05/14/2023 6th Sunday of Easter Happy Mother's Day!

Sermon Series • "Identity Verified: Prepared to Share" • 1 Peter 3:13-22, Acts 17:16-31, John 14:15-21 •

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 14 "Prepared to Share" – 1 Peter 3:13-22, Acts 17:16-31, John 14:15-21

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_14-Trad-Easter-6.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.

Happy Mother's Day from Prince of Peace/Príncipe de Paz! Luncheon Today at 12pm in the FLC • All families of Prince of Peace/Príncipe de Paz are invited today for Mother's Day Luncheon prepared and served by the men of the 11am Spanish service. There will be delicious food, special music, and great fellowship. We hope to see you there!

Festival of Pentecost – Sunday, May 28 – Come Celebrate!!!

- **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**

Stellar VBS Registration is OPEN! • June 12-16 from 9:00am 2:15pm daily for kids Aged 4- Grade 5. Launch kids on a cosmic quest where they'll have a blast shining Jesus' light to the world.

Register at <https://vbspro.events/p/events/0ae9c2>

VBS Volunteers Needed! • Volunteers needed for general help during VBS, and 2 or more essential crew members needed to help lead mission stellar. Sign up at <https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/615cba>

VBS Volunteer Meeting/Training Schedule • Saturday, May 27th at 10:00 am in the Family Life Center. There will also be a Zoom online training on Thursday, June 1st at 6:30 pm.

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VBS donations needed • Please check for updates! • A list of items requested as donations for VBS is found at [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040d4eaac2cabfc1-stellar#/. All donated items can be left at the church office.](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040d4eaac2cabfc1-stellar#/)

Prefer to make a donation to VBS by check or online? Your financial support is very much appreciated and needed. Please clearly put "VBS" in the memo field of your check, or online at <https://poporlando.breezechms.com/give/online> choose "Give to Vacation Bible School" in the drop down.

Preschool/Church office Closed – Monday, May 29 – Memorial Day • The church and preschool offices will be closed for Memorial Day, a federal holiday in the U.S for honoring and mourning the U.S Military personnel who have died while serving the United States armed forces.

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.

Fruits of Faith

May 7

9:00 Traditional: 152 | 11:00 Contemporary: 47 | 11:00 Spanish: 83 | TOTAL: 282

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

April 23 offerings \$15,069

April 30 offerings \$9,447

May 7 offerings \$ 12,038.89 needed each week: \$11,923

PRAYERS

Hospitalized: Gwen Taliver | **Recovering:** Rose O'Neil, David Rodgers, Annette Royal

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), Sonia Tellez, Cricket Winters, Leon W, Linda Zamsky

Receiving Treatments: Kristi Armstrong, Barbara Browne, Sarah vB, Kent Jespersen, Cameron LaPointe, 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: We thank God for the gift of our mothers today, especially for the ways they have modeled Jesus' self-sacrificing love and care. • We thank the Lord for every opportunity to share His love with others. We ask that the Spirit would guide us into ways of always being prepared to give an answer for the hope that we have in Christ Jesus. • 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. • 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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Congregational Meeting Sunday, May 28 at 12:15pm (following the Combined Pentecost Worship Service) – Election of BOD Members • At the Congregational Meeting, members are elected to the Board of Directors and updates for key ministry initiatives are presented.

Board of Directors—Slate of Nominees Announced • The Board of Directors approved the slate of nominees for open positions on the Board as presented by the nominating committee: Camille Neville; Celso Rivera, Maria Vazquez*, and Thomas A. Zehnder. (* indicates incumbent). Biography information for our candidates will be available next week.

Additional information from our bylaws about the nominations process is below:

BYLAWS - ARTICLE IV - ELECTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The nominating committee consisting of the continuing directors and pastor shall draw up a slate of nominees for each vacant position on the Board of Directors. An eligible nominee shall be an active voting member (Article V and VI of the Constitution) of the congregation. Each nominee shall be contacted to verify his or her willingness to accept the nomination. Additional nominations by any voting member may be made during a two-week period following the publication of the slate of nominees as chosen by the nominating committee. Such additional nominations shall be made in writing to the chair of the nominating committee, providing said nominee meets the requirements for eligibility above and has expressed his or her willingness to serve. Prior to balloting a final slate of all nominees shall be published. Elections shall be held during the May/June congregational meeting. The installation of newly elected directors will take place on a Sunday prior to the July meeting of the Board of Directors. In the event of a tie vote for any director, a second ballot shall be cast etc., until one candidate has a majority.

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