



## Weekly News 02/11/2024 Transfiguration Sunday

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**Today: "Embrace His Glory" • Mark 9:2-9; Exodus 34:29-35; 2 Corinthians 3:12-18; 4:1-6** • While upon a mountain with Peter, James, and John, Jesus' clothes "became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them." Jesus' appearance is "transfigured." The Son of God has allowed His glory—the glory that was His since before the foundation of the world—to shine through. While it might seem easy to think about embracing Jesus' glory, Jesus' earthly ministry is at the place where everything He does, every step He takes, brings us closer to the ignominy of the cross. To embrace His glory will mean embracing the cross of God's beloved Son, listening to Him.

**About Our Sermon Series: Embrace** • At the beginning of this new year, we have opportunity to embrace the uncertainty of the days ahead with a sure confidence in the God who goes with us, whose hand is leading us and whose love is supporting us. Walking with Jesus, the One who embraces us with His boundless love, gives us great faith as we go out with good courage.

**To view or print Sunday's 9am Worship bulletin:**

[http://poporlando.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/2024\\_02\\_11-Transfiguration.pdf](http://poporlando.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/2024_02_11-Transfiguration.pdf)

### **Bible Classes**

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

**SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR AGE 4 – GRADE 5: Heart of God** • This year, our Sunday School will be digging into the "Heart of God." Our volunteers will help children understand God's attributes through Bible stories, crafts, games and more. Each week the children will learn about who God is and how we can follow Him. The children will have a lot of fun and learn important faith lessons at the same time. | <https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/57d9c8>

**YOUTH SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS (6th-12th) Pray Like Jesus Prayed** – We are looking at the big events in Jesus' life- and the prayers he prayed about them. What can we learn from Jesus' prayers to help us pray today. This will be a fun, interactive discussion. We meet in the Church Office Conference Room from 10:00-10:45 each Sunday.

**The 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.

**Valentines Luncheon – Today at 12:15 in the FLC** • All of Prince of Peace/Principe de Paz Congregation are welcome to come and enjoy some fun, music, food, and fellowship to celebrate Valentine's Day Today! The luncheon is sponsored by our Hispanic brothers and sisters.

**Today is the "Souper Bowl of Caring"** • The annual Souper Bowl of Caring is our primary fundraiser for the Prince of Peace Food Pantry. Our Food Pantry provides food to 400+ families every month, providing groceries for nearly 20,000 meals. Please prayerfully consider donating to our food pantry ministry today, or online, and continue to pray for the ministry of our Food Pantry. Donation envelopes are in the narthex and FLC at each entrance. There will be an open house between services in the Bickel Building. Thank you for all your support.

<https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/souperbowl>

**Youth Fundraiser at Broadway – Tuesday, February 13 at 5pm** • Come celebrate Fat Tuesday at Broadway and help raise funds for Youth Ministry at PoP/PdP! All dine in or carry out orders that mention "Prince of Peace" between 5:00-8:00 will result in a percentage of the sales being donated to our teens. These events are important in the coming year as we are seeking to make participation in the 2025 LCMS National Youth Gathering as affordable as possible for our students. Come join your friends and church family for some Italian food and fellowship in support of a good cause. (1700 Woolco Way.)

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**Midweek Lenten Services at 11am Begins Wednesday, February 21 – Light lunch to follow** • We invite you to join us each Wednesday, beginning February 21, 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 FLC.

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

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**Shake, Rattle, & Stroll – To Benefit Redeeming Life Maternity Homes – Saturday, March 9 at 9am** • Redeeming Life Outreach Ministries is hosting a walk around Lake Eola to help support single, pregnant women meet their Savior and face life's challenges with Hope. You can sign up to walk, register a team and donate to support this ministry. You don't have to walk to donate, just click & give! | <https://www.rlom.org/events>

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**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.

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

**Today's altar flowers** are given by Lu Burchfield in memory of her husband Bob Burchfield.

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**Sports Card Donations** • If you have any old sports cards or Pokémon, magic and yu-gi-oh cards and not sure what to do with them, do not throw them away! You can donate them to Prince of Peace or to Jeff Powell to be sold for the general fund. Jeff oversees 4 Sports Consultation which is the name he uses for online sales of sports cards. He has years of experience in this so be assured that this will be handled professionally. You can contact Jeff for any questions. (407)538-5206 | [4sportconsultation@gmail.com](mailto:4sportconsultation@gmail.com)

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**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 clean pair of jeans, a change of underwear, men's shoes (athletic/tennis), a blanket, a backpack, some shampoo, etc.

*Thank you for being the Heart, Hands and Feet of Jesus in the Heart of Orlando!*

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## PRAYERS

**Prayers of Comfort:** A memorial service for Lois Stanhope will be held this Saturday, February 17 at 11:00am. We pray for all who are grieving, including the family and friends of Lois Stanhope, especially her daughter Kay. | Jesus, You are the resurrection and the life. Comfort, we pray, all those from our congregation that are grieving.

**Recovering:** Rick Burns, Barbara Conyers, Mike Fleming, Joshula Flowers, Ethan Jones, Camille Neville, Norma Poutre, Jeff Powell, Sheila Roberts, Cindy Sibly, Pete Spudich, Joni Steidly, Pat Williams

**Healing and Strength:** Karen Adkins, Dave & Mary Ann Ault, Deaconess Ligia Borges, Rebecca Brooks, Delores B, Michael B, Donna C, Danny Conlin, Elizabeth Dawson, Sarah D, Steven Dorsagano, Gail Eaton, John Elmore, Amanda Fearce, Judy Finnie, Leonard G, Rev. Dennis Glander, Michael Halstead, Joe Heinz, Jim & Pam Ingersoll, Chris & Kristen Ivanic, Bill Jordan, Jerry Jordan, Merle Kroepflin, Henry Leon, Jim Lord, Kathy McCartin, Michael McCarty, Maddie, Royanne Martin, George Meder, Lewis Mendez, Christopher Miller, Mario Muniz, Dave Schloemer (upcoming surgery), Skylar Newport, Debbie Noss, Rick Perre, Miriam Rivera, David Rodgers, Nitza Rohena, Rex Serio, Hannah Steinbronn, Shirley Stockett, Meridith Swanson, Carmen & Juan, Rosalee Wessel, Ted Wessel, Cricket Winters, Leon W, Linda Zamsky | **Family & Friends:** Stephanie, Matthew, Samantha, Jason

**Receiving Treatments:** Ellen Boogher, Sarah vonBraun, Cameron LaPointe, Pastor Brian Roberts, Elena Santana, Jeff S, Tina T, Janet V, Vincent Ward, Debbie W, Staci Welburn, Dayton Whites, Brenda Williams, Michelle Zicarelli

**Continued Care:** Chuck Boogher, Pat C., Kelly DeFrietas, Al & Linda Dicks, Bob E, Linda House, Linda Jackson, Otto Krumpholc, Mary K.M, Jean LaPointe, Micki & Sal LoBue, Todd O, Betty Schnell, Caitlyn Thoms; Michael, Noel, & Roger V, Harry Wahl

**Special:** Jesus, You have glory beyond what we can even imagine. For us, and for our salvation, You embraced the cross, and have called us to follow. Help us to listen, to walk in the way of the cross, so that many would know the glory of Your eternal love. • We pray for our troubled world, longing for the day that wars and violence will cease over all the earth, the day when all wrongs will be righted, and the Lord's justice will prevail. Love have mercy; Christ have mercy; Lord have mercy. • Be with President Biden, members of Congress, and the Supreme Court, as well as all state and local leaders. • Lord, watch over and keep our first responders safe.

**Prayers 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: Jake Allison, Zachary Carbonell, Cody Dowling, Kyle Holysz, Matthew Rojas, Amanda S, Greg S, Geoffrey W

## Fruits of Faith

February 4

9:00 Traditional: 117 | 11:00 Contemporary: 69 | 11:00 Spanish: 54 | TOTAL: 240

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

January 21 offerings \$11,393

January 28 offerings \$8,595

February 4 offerings \$24,9836                      needed each week: \$12,403.

Giving statements for 2023 were emailed last week. If you did not receive your statement, or if you require a printed statement, please contact the church office. We thank all that have participated in the Lord's ministry here with their gifts and offerings.

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## Upcoming Monthly Events

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*\*Midweek Lenten Worship dates: Feb 28, Mar 6, Mar 13, Mar 20\**

**Saturday, March 2 at 7pm – The University Chorale** • The University Chorale, conducted by Dr. Kent Walters, is a select choral ensemble that performs a variety of choral literature from Renaissance to contemporary genres, including gospel and spirituals. The Chorale focuses on the expression of beauty in choral artistry, combining musicianship and servant hearts for the glory of God and the consequent joy of both singer and audience. The concert will be held here at Prince of Peace in the Sanctuary. *This concert is offered free of charge. An offering will be received.*

**Host Needed for Cornerstone University Students** • After the Saturday, March 2, Cornerstone University Choir concert, Prince of Peace has the opportunity to show hospitality to the student singers. There are 30 singers in the choir, so we are in need of about 15 hosts who are willing to take 2 (or more) singers' home after the 7 pm concert, provide them a bed for the night and breakfast in the morning, and then bring them back to Prince of Peace on Sunday morning, where they will board their bus to head to another congregation. If you have the gift of hospitality, a little extra room at home, and would enjoy meeting and helping some students, please let David Ludwig know by email at [david.ludwig@poporlando.com](mailto:david.ludwig@poporlando.com) or by calling the church office at 407-277-3945. It's a small, significant way to share the kingdom of God in this place.

**Bilingual First Communion Workshop – Saturday, March 16 at 9am-12pm** • All children who wish to start taking Communion and are in at least 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade are invited to our annual First Communion Workshop. Both Spanish and English speakers will work with the children to help them understand what Communion is, where it came from and why it is important. Students will learn from discussion, crafts, games, and practicing taking communion. Advance registration is required. Please contact DCE Eric Gerken with any questions.

<https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/04ff50>

## Holy Week Services

**Palm Sunday, March 24 – Regular Worship Time Schedule**

9am – Traditional | Sanctuary

11am – Contemporary | FLC

11am – Adoración del Domingo de Ramos | Templo

**Maundy Thursday, March 28 – 6pm Traditional Worship | Sanctuary**

7:30pm Culto Español | Templo

Read more at [www.poporlando.com/news](http://www.poporlando.com/news)

**Good Friday, March 29 – 11am Traditional Worship | Sanctuary**  
**6pm Traditional Worship | Sanctuary**  
**7:30pm Culto Español | Templo**

**Save the Date - Vacation Bible Camp is set for June 10-14!** • VBC will be the second full week of June and will be lots of fun for kids Aged 4- Grade 5 as they explore the coral reefs AND what it means to be God's friend. Kids will explore games, crafts, science experiments, snacks, skits, creative Bible storytelling, music and more each day from 9:00-12:15. Information about registration, volunteering and donations will be available soon.

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### **February Birthdays**

**Feb. 1** – Julianne Wiegand  
Noah Pokigo  
Jade Hawkins

**Feb. 2** – Maria Cuevas

**Feb. 3** – Jazlyn Kalinoski

**Feb. 5** – Christopher Stork  
London Minyetti

**Feb. 6** – Jeffrey Dowling Sr  
Annie Martinez  
Silquia Velez

**Feb. 7** – Kinley Seyfert  
Matthew Lopez

**Feb. 9** – Krisit Armstrong

**Feb. 10** – Carol Brown  
Curits Hariss

**Feb. 11** – Kyle Reynolds

**Feb. 12** – Tom Ludwig  
Sophia Ait Daoud

**Feb. 15** – Priscilla Brown

**Feb. 16** – Kyle Holyz  
Michelle Monroe

**Feb. 17** – Janet Ludwig  
Hilda Polkosky  
Peyton Williams

**Feb. 18** – Merle Kroeplin  
Ryan Al Twal

**Feb. 19** – Daniel Evangelista

**Feb. 20** – Jenny Hudson

**Feb. 23** – Elvi Lord

**Feb. 24** – Linda Dicks  
Susan Summers

**Feb. 25** – Lisa Suggs  
Joseph Koenig  
Kay Ann Richards

**Feb. 26** – Dennis Glander

**Feb. 27** – Orion James



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### **February Anniversaries**

**Feb. 21** – Jeff & Pam Robertson

**Feb. 29** – Ron & Nancy Spohn



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*Missing a birthday or anniversary and wish to add to the list, please email [staff@poporlando.com](mailto:staff@poporlando.com)*

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# Food Pantry Fund Drive

As we begin the final quarter of the year, we are inviting our community to support the work of the Food Pantry at Prince of Peace / Príncipe de Paz. Our goal is to raise **\$25,000** (either in one-time gifts or regular recurring gifts).

Your support will help us address Food Insecurity in our community.

- Costs to operate the Food Pantry have risen dramatically since the pandemic.
  - We are serving more people than we ever have (400 families per month, representing nearly 2000 people each month).
  - By partnering with Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida, keeping our costs low: For \$15 per family per month we provide the same amount of nutrition and food as we would if we spent \$100 at a grocery store.
- From July 2022-June 2023, our food costs were just under \$57,000.
  - Second Harvest estimates the retail value of that food at over \$259,000.
  - Our cost for food staples, though, like your own groceries, have gone up as much as 40%.
- The Food Pantry is supported entirely through special gifts and grants. We depend on donations. We do not receive funds through the Prince of Peace / Príncipe de Paz budget.
- We will receive a \$25,000 grant through the City of Orlando Community Investment Program in 2024. We are grateful to have our proposal chosen.
- Every month, more than 50 volunteers help in the Food Pantry. Annually, more than 3000 hours are donated by those who give of their time.
- Your ongoing commitment of 50¢ a day, \$15/month, can provide groceries for one of the 400 families we serve.
- We also welcome larger one-time gifts of \$1,000, \$5,000, or \$10,000 to help ensure the long-term sustainability of this vital outreach.



# Campaña de recaudación de fondos para la despensa de alimentos

Al comenzar el último trimestre del año, estamos invitando a nuestra comunidad a apoyar el trabajo de la Despensa de Alimentos en Prince of Peace / Príncipe de Paz. Nuestro objetivo es recaudar \$ 25,000 (ya sea en donaciones únicas o donaciones recurrentes regulares). Su apoyo nos ayudará a abordar la inseguridad alimentaria en nuestra comunidad.

- Los costos para operar la Despensa de Alimentos han aumentado dramáticamente desde la pandemia.
  - Estamos sirviendo a más personas que nunca (400 familias por mes, lo que representa casi 2000 personas cada mes).
  - Al asociarnos con Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida, mantenemos nuestros costos bajos: Con \$ 15 por familia por mes, proporcionamos la misma cantidad de nutrición y alimentos que si gastáramos \$ 100 en un supermercado.
- Desde julio de 2022 hasta junio de 2023, nuestros costos de alimentos fueron de poco menos de \$ 57,000.
  - Second Harvest estima que el valor minorista de estos alimentos es de más de \$ 259,000.
  - Sin embargo, nuestro costo de alimentos básicos, como los comestibles que usted compra, ha aumentado en un 40%.
- La despensa de alimentos se mantiene en su totalidad a través de donaciones y subvenciones especiales. Dependemos de donaciones. No recibimos fondos a través del presupuesto de Prince of Peace / Príncipe de Paz.
- Recibiremos una ayuda de \$25,000 a través del Programa de Inversión Comunitaria de la Ciudad de Orlando en 2024. Agradecemos que se haya elegido nuestra propuesta.
- Cada mes, más de 50 voluntarios ayudan en la Despensa de Alimentos. Anualmente, más de 3000 horas de trabajo son donadas por aquellos que dan de su tiempo.
- Su compromiso continuo de 50 centavos por día, \$ 15 / mes, puede proporcionar comestibles para una de las 400 familias a las que servimos.
- También damos la bienvenida a donaciones únicas más grandes de \$ 1,000, \$ 5,000 o \$ 10,000 para ayudar a garantizar la sostenibilidad a largo plazo de este alcance.



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