



Weekly News 02/25/2024

2nd Sunday in Lent

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Today: “Everfaithful” • Genesis 17:1-7, 15-17; Romans 5:1-11, Mark 8: 27-38 • Every person has a backstory, and today we get to explore a little more of the backstory for Abraham, who was called a “friend of God” (James 2:23; 2 Chronicles 20:7). The Lord had given His promise to bless Abraham and make him into a great nation some twenty-four years earlier, and Abraham was still waiting. This backstory guides our understanding of the work God was doing in Abraham’s life, and it helps us appreciate the magnitude of the Lord’s promise—not only for Abraham—but also for all the world. As the Lord fulfills His promises, He shows Himself to be ever-faithful. *What work is God doing in your life right now?*

“Promises, Promises” – *“For no matter how many promises God has made, they are “Yes” in Christ. And so through him the “Amen” is spoken by us to the glory of God”* (2 Corinthians 1:20). During these Sundays during the season of Lent, we have the opportunity to ponder the faithfulness of our God. He is the keeper of promises. Lent is a 40-day preparation for Easter. Easter is the pinnacle of the kept promises of God—Jesus had not only stated that He would go to the cross, but He promised that He would rise again in victory.

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

http://poporlando.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/2024_02_25-Lent-2-with-Baptism.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>

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.

Offering Envelopes Ready for Pick Up • This year we changed our quarterly offering envelopes to a yearly boxed set. If you have requested envelopes, before, in between or after services please stop by the lobby or the FLC to pick up your boxed set. There are unassigned boxed envelopes for those who are new members and wish to have offering envelopes. If you are interested in offering envelopes, please contact the church office so we can provide you a set and assign you a number. | (407)277-3945 or staff@poporlando.com

Midweek Lenten Services, Wednesdays at 11am – Light lunch to follow • We invite you to join us each Wednesday in the Sanctuary at 11:00 am as we gather for midweek Lenten worship services. Following worship there will be a light meal held in the FLC.

Lenten 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/>

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 need 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. 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 or by calling the church office at 407-277-3945.

Redeeming Life Outreach Ministry: Baby Bottle Campaign Kickoff begins Today, February 25 • Redeeming Life's ministry serves several pregnant women in crisis each year. Your participation in the Baby Bottle campaign provides vital support! Baby bottles will be in the narthex and FLC; fill with your change, dollars or checks.

Shake, Rattle, & Stroll – To Benefit Redeeming Life Maternity Homes – Saturday, March 9 at 9am • Redeeming Life 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>

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>

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 Linda I'Anson in memory of her mother, Ruth's, first year in heaven.

Bilingual First Communion Workshop – Saturday, March 16 at 9am-12pm • Children 3rd Grade and up are invited to our annual First Communion Workshop. Both Spanish and English speakers will work with the children to help them treasure the gifts God gives in Holy Communion. Students will learn from discussion, crafts, games, and practicing taking communion. Advance registration is required. <https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/04ff50>

Community Easter Egg Hunt- Sunday, March 24th- 4pm-6pm • Families are invited to come hear the Easter story, search for eggs, play carnival games for prizes, make Easter crafts, visit Orlando Police officers and vehicles, and even enjoy a sno-cone from the Kona Ice Truck. (No cost, except for the Kona Ice Truck.) Volunteers and donations (candy or financial) to this outreach are essential! Online form at <https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/f1ee74>

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

PRAYERS

Prayers of Comfort: Family of Roy Anne Marti; celebration of life March 10 at 2pm | Jesus, You are the resurrection and the life. Comfort, we pray, all those from our congregation that are grieving.

New Life: We celebrate new life in Holy Baptism for Alora Jane Grace this morning at our 9:00 worship. | We give thanks for the birth of Mason Powell, son of Matt & Rachel Powell, grandson of Jeff & Jayne Powell. (Mason came home from the hospital and his arrival is now "Facebook official.")

Recovering: Deaconess Ligia Borges, Rick Burns, Barbara Conyers, Sloan Davis, Mike Fleming, 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, Kurt Bickel, 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 Kroepelin, Henry Leon, Jim Lord, Larry Martinez, Kathy McCartin, Michael McCarty, Maddie, 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, Daniel Baudry, Debbie Holly, Deborah Wise (upcoming procedure)

Receiving Treatments: Ellen Boogher, Sarah vonBraun, Joshula Flowers, 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 Krumpholtz, Mary K.M, Jean LaPointe, Micki & Sal LoBue, Todd O, Betty Schnell, Michael, Noel, & Roger V, Harry Wahl

Special: Lord God, you take us with all our stories, and You have written our lives into the story of all the faithful. We thank You for Your faithfulness to all your promises, and we pray that we would be ever-faithful in our walk with You. • 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.

Read more at www.poporlando.com/news

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 18

9:00 Traditional: 112 | 11:00 Contemporary: 39 | 11:00 Spanish: 83 | TOTAL: 234

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

February 4 offerings \$12,983

February 11 offerings \$8,674

February 18 offerings \$9,187 needed each week: \$12,403.

Giving statements for 2023 were emailed at the end of January. 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.

Upcoming Monthly Events

Midweek Lenten Services Wednesdays at 11am • Following worship there will be a light meal held in the FLC. 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.

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

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Holy Week Services

Palm Sunday, March 24 – Regular Worship Time Schedule

9am – Traditional | Sanctuary

11am – Contemporary | FLC

11am – Domingo de Ramos | Templo

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

7:30pm Jueves Santo | Templo

Good Friday, March 29 – 11am Traditional Worship | Sanctuary

6pm Traditional Worship | Sanctuary

7:30pm Viernes Santo | 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.

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



February Anniversaries

Feb. 21 – Jeff & Pam Robertson
Feb. 29 – Ron & Nancy Spohn



Missing a birthday or anniversary and wish to add to the list? Please email staff@poporlando.com

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– Sonia Tellez is helping in our office while Adriana is out on maternity leave. Sonia, we are grateful for you!



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