



Weekly News 03/10/2024

4th Sunday in Lent

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Today: “Rebel, Repent, Rescue, Repeat” – Numbers 21:4-9; Ephesians 2:1-10; John 3:14-21 • God’s people in the wilderness had a pattern: they would rebel, repent, God would rescue them, and later there would be an event where this pattern would repeat. Not unlike some of the patterns in our own lives, the Israelites would test God’s goodness by going their own way. The natural consequences they’d experience would be a reminder that they were unable to deliver themselves, let alone stay on the path. God’s greatest deliverance is found in the sending of His Son into the world, giving life to all who would trust in Him. *What situation is too big for you to handle on your own today? Hand it over, in faith, to Jesus, our deliverer.*

“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/2024/03/2024_03_10-Lent-4.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 • Offering envelopes (a yearly boxed set) are available to all who have been assigned or requested envelopes. Please pick your up boxed set in the Narthex/lobby or the FLC. 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 • Quiet yourself before the Lord and prepare spiritually during this Lenten season..

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/>

Easter Lilies: Order your Easter lilies to beautify our worship spaces on Easter Day. Requested donation of \$25 per flower. (We need more than 20 donations to cover the costs of making Easter beautiful.) 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 the form online or contact our church office. <https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/flowers>

“Baby Bottle” Campaign for Redeeming Life Outreach Ministry • Continue to fill those baby bottles with checks, cash, or spare change to support Redeeming Life. Redeeming Life’s ministry serves pregnant women in crisis, resulting in healthy babies and transformed lives. The support of congregations like PoP/PdeP is vital! <https://www.rlom.org/>

For Parents! New Group on Sunday Mornings, beginning after Easter • A class for parents about faith and family relationships will be offered on Sunday Mornings at 10:00 a.m. from April 7 to May 19. The discussion will reinforce Christian Empathy utilizing the book, “Unselfie, Why Empathetic Kids Succeed in Our All-About-Me World.” Empathy, especially the empathy that was taught by Jesus, plays a powerful role in predicting kids’ happiness and success. The group will be facilitated by Carol and Kurt Bickel in the Board Room (Admin building).

Help Make Palm Crosses - Friday, March 22, 5:30pm • We are opening up this service project for all ages and all interested: children & teens, parents & older adults. Karen Adkins has graciously offered to host at her home. Refreshments provided. Crosses to be handed out on Palm Sunday. For more information email staff@poporlando.com.

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>

First Communion Workshop – next 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>

Thrivent Choice Dollars Deadline 3/31 • Don't forget! If you're an eligible Thrivent client and have Choice Dollars® available to direct, we invite you to direct them to Prince of Peace. For more info or to direct Choice Dollars, call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice." Or go to www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice. Remember, the March 31 deadline is just weeks away. Together, we can do even more to be "the heart, hands, and feet of Jesus—in the heart of Orlando."

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>

PRAYERS

Prayers of Comfort: We pray for the family and friends of longtime Prince of Peace member Norma Zorn, who died at the age of 94. Most recently, Norma had been living with her daughter, Debbie DiBiase, in Melbourne. | The celebration of life for Roy Anne Martin is this afternoon, Sun., March 10 at 2pm | Jesus, You are the resurrection and the life. Comfort, we pray, all those from our congregation that are grieving. | **Hospice care:** Martha LeDuc

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 Kroepflin, 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 Jesus, forgive us when we go astray, when we forget You and go our own way. Remind us that we cannot do this on our own. We need You, Your strength, Your forgiveness, Your new life. Teach us to trust You as our rescuer and deliverer, that we would live lives that tell the story of Your grace. • 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. Lord 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 25

9:00 Traditional: 124 | 11:00 Contemporary: 51 | 11:00 Spanish: 81 | TOTAL: 256

Mid-week Lenten worship 11:00 March 6: 44

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

February 11 offerings \$8,674

February 18 offerings \$9,187

February 25 offerings \$8,858

March 3 offerings \$13,573 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. Your gifts and offerings, your prayers and service to the Lord—they make a difference here, and for all eternity.

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.

Youth Night - tonight at 6:00pm

Spirit Night - this Tuesday at Broadway Pizza

Youth Laser Tag Event - Sunday, March 17th- Sign ups are Open!

Holy Week & Easter

Making Palm Crosses - Friday, March 22, 5:30pm at the Adkins home

Palm Sunday, March 24 - Regular Worship Time Schedule

9am - Traditional | Sanctuary

11am - Contemporary | FLC

11am - Domingo de Ramos | Templo

Community Easter Egg Hunt - Sunday, March 24, 4:00-6:00pm

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

7:30pm Jueves Santo | Templo

Good Friday, March 29 - 11:00am Traditional Worship | Sanctuary

6:00pm Traditional Worship | Sanctuary

7:30pm Viernes Santo | Templo

Easter Sunday, March 31 - Celebrate Jesus' Resurrection

6:30am - Easter SONrise | Courtyard

9:00am - Traditional | Sanctuary

11:00am - Contemporary | FLC

11:00am - Pascua de Resurrección | Templo

March Anniversaries

March 19 - Lisa & Joe Suggs

March 21 - Jim & Tamara Reynolds

March 22 - Bob & Julie Gilbert

March 23 - Bill & Teresa Jordan

March 24 - Danielle & Michael Frostrom

March 28 - Ron & Peg Henderson



March Birthdays

March 2 – Pirosca Berroa
Karin Hart-Wilson

March 3 – Janet Velez
Lourdes Duprey
Carla Warnock

March 6 – Michael Vokovich

March 7 – Catherine Oeltjen

March 6 – Gavin Browning
Sarah Del Rio
Lance Ingersoll

March 10 – Kurt Bickel

March 13 – Joshua Boogher
Peg Green

March 16 – Becky Fry

March 17 – David Ault
Shawn Dobbins
Kathy McCartin
Rosalie O'Neil
Karen Seyfert
Sonia Tellez

March 20 – Joshula Flowers
Carol Steinbronn

March 21 – David Acuña
Hipatia Paz
Michael Veal

March 22 – Roberta Weaver

March 24 – Bryan Burns
Billy Embach

March 25 – Ligia Borges
Linda House
Connor Wells
John Young

March 26 – Carol Bickel
Katelyn Sanchez

March 27 – Pam Armitage
Moises Borges
Edwin Molina, Jr.
Rosalba Torres

March 28 – Carlos Montanez

March 29 – Kalei Claudio-Cabral
John Moore

March 30 – Jeff Powell

March 31 – John I'Anson
Gloria Godoy
Feliz Santos



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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