



Weekly News 04/07/2024 2nd Sunday of Easter

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"Resurrecting Courage" • It takes courage to be a Christian—but perhaps not for the reasons that might immediately come to mind. Some have suggested that the challenge the church faces is less about how our society lost its way, but that it is that the church has forgotten "to act justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly" with the One who IS the way (Micah 6:8; John 14:6). This Easter season we look at snapshots of the early Christian to gain a sense of how those walking with Jesus submitted to His power and authority and were radically transformed by His grace. May we, too, have courage to walk with Jesus authentically, unapologetic that we bear His name, and committed to show His love and mercy with radical grace.

Today: "Courage to Stand Together" • Acts 4:32-35; 1 John 1:1-2:2; John 20:19-31 • To stand together with two or three people, working to get on the same page, could almost take a miracle. To stand together with 5000+ people who are new followers of Jesus, "one in heart and mind" with everything on the line in the face of grave threats—that takes a God-given courage grounded in prayer and God's grace. What would that look like among us?

To view or print Sunday's 9am Worship bulletin: <u>https://poporlando.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/2024_04_07-Trad-Easter-2-with-baptisms.pdf</u>

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.

NEW PARENTS' SUPPORT GROUP – STARTS TODAY - 10:00am • "Unselfie: Why Empathetic Kids Succeed in Our All-About-Me World" • facilitated by Carol and Kurt Bickel in the Board Room (Admin building)

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. <u>https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/57d9c8</u> **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.

Pastors' Reception • **New to Prince of Peace—or New-ish?** • If you are new to Prince of Peace/Príncipe de Paz and would like to know more about our unique ministries, come to the Pastors' Reception on Sunday, April 21, to learn more. Also at the Pastors' Reception, you can learn more about next steps to getting connected, becoming more engaged, or becoming a member. To ensure we include you with a personal invite, please send an email to staff@poporlando.com or call 407.277.3945 requesting more information.

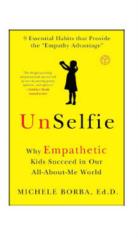
Christian Parent Support Group

A class for parents is being offered on Sunday Mornings at 10:00 a.m. Classes begin after Easter.

The discussion will focus on Christian Empathy utilizing the book, "Unselfie" by Michelle Borba as background, with the Bible as the foundation for dialog. Empathy, especially the empathy that was taught by Jesus, plays a powerful role in predicting kids' happiness and success in life.

Carol and Kurt Bickel will facilitate discussions about the Christian faith and family relationships. Carol was Orange County District Lead Secondary Counselor. Carol and Kurt have written a book published by Concordia Publishing House entitled, "Lasting Friendship Skills." Kurt is a certified instructor in Parent Effectiveness Training and Executive Coach. Kurt has written a book entitled "Getting Along with Parents," published by Group Publishing.

Parents will meet in the Board Room in the administration building.



Baby Bottle Campaign Wraps Today • We extend thanks to all those who are bringing back baby bottles today with checks, cash, or spare change in support of Redeeming Life Outreach ministries. Redeeming Life Maternity Home's ministry serves pregnant women in crisis, resulting in healthy babies and transformed lives. If you forgot your baby bottle today, you can drop it at the church office this week or even bring it next Sunday. https://www.rlom.org/

Vacation Bible Camp – Registration is live! • VBC will be the second full week of June, June 10-14, and will be lots of fun for kids Age 4 to 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.

Children may be registered by following this link: <u>https://vbspro.events/p/events/f716b8</u> Space is limited, so register soon!



Volunteers are needed for SCUBA Vacation Bible Camp - June 10-14

Dive in and help us run this major Kid's Ministry event at Prince of Peace/Príncipe de Paz. No prior diving experience necessary—we will train you! Divers from Middle School and High School teens to adults and senior citizens are needed to fill our team! Won't you come and help the kids explore friendship with God?

Volunteer roles vary from leading small groups of children to our various stations to leading or helping to lead the stations themselves. We have an awesome curriculum to follow that is designed to be volunteer friendly. All volunteers will receive a new, free "PoP Kids" volunteer t-shirt and will have several training opportunities—both in person or on Zoom. Right now, we need the most help with finding volunteers to help run the Preschool stations. All of the activities are simple to do and fun to lead—we just need the adults with the hearts for Preschool kiddos to jump in and lead them. We will be happy to sit down with interested volunteers and walk them through the stations.

Volunteering starts with filling out the registration form . After you register, DCE Eric Gerken will follow up with you in more detail. Volunteers click here: <u>https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/615cba</u>

Donations: information will soon be shared about how to donate to Vacation Bible Camp.

Altar Flowers • If you wish to sponsor Sunday 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. <u>https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/flowers</u>

Easter Lilies 2024 • Thank you to all those who helped beautify our worship of Our Risen Lord on Easter Sunday. May He bring comfort, peace, and endless life to all. Karen Adkins & Helene Rothell - In Memory Al and Peggy Kreps and Hunter Rothell Donna Browne & Gail Eaton - In memory of Charles & Eleanor Eaton and Dave Browne Sr. Paul & Marlene Browne - In Thanksgiving to God Barbara Conyers - In Memory of Peter & Lillian Conyers Stephanie Carbonell - In Memory of Stephen & Eleanor Haydamach Debbie Davis - In Celebration of Our Risen Lord Frank and Sharon Dluhy - Thankful for All God's Gifts Pastor Ken and Peg Green - In Memory of our mothers Joanne Green and Elke Heinz Joseph Heinz – In Memory Elke Heinz Ken & Judy Holzscheiter - In Memory of Loved Ones David & Linda House - To the Glory of God Mrs Linda l'Anson - In Thanksgiving to God Otto F. Krumpholc - In Memory of Joan L. Krumpholc Jerry & Donna Lemcke - In Memory of Don Franks Carole Ludwig - In Celebration to Glory of God Kathy McCartin - In Memory of my husband Ron McCartin and my parents Ray & Ethel Schloemer Maria MC. Mendieta - In Memory of Emilia Mayorga Jim & Cherie Nocks - In Celebration of Our Risen Savior Gerry & Debbie Noss - In Memory of Loved Ones Ron Schmidt - In Memory of Marleen Chris and Vicky Stork - In Memory of John, Joyce and Gloria White Gwen Taliver - In Memory of Viola Baker and Sgt. Gene Kawkins Sonia Téllez - In Memory of my brother David Téllez Zaida Torres - In Memory of Bud and Celeste Youtz, Hector R. Vazquez and Vicenta Rivera Marcy Weisel - In Memory of my sister Elizabeth Kyker Donna & Phil Wessel - In Memory of Marion Lynn Thomas R. Zehnder - In Memory of Jacqueline Zehnder & Kristi Suttie

PRAYERS

Prayers of Comfort: We pray for Helen Siems as she grieves the death of her fiancé, Robert Major, who died on Maundy Thursday. | A Celebration of Life for Craig Koenig will be held this Saturday, April 13, at 10:30am. We continue to pray for his wife, Pam, and children Krista, Joseph, and Jesse. | Lord Jesus, You are the resurrection and the life. Comfort, we pray, all those from our congregation that are grieving.

New Life through Baptism: We give thanks for the gift of new life in Christ for those baptized at our Traditional Worship today: John Tomlinson; Makai and Zariah Edwards

Recovering: Deaconess Ligia Borges, Rick Burns, Barbara Conyers, Sloan Davis, Mike Fleming, Roland, Camille Neville, Debbie Noss, Denny O'Neil, Norma Poutre, Jeff Powell, Sheila Roberts, Cindy Sibly, Pete Spudich, 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, Sheila Dean, Sarah Dierking, 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 Kroeplin, 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, 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 Krumpholc, Mary K.M, Jean LaPointe, Micki & Sal LoBue, Todd O, Betty Schnell, Michael, Noel, & Roger V, Harry Wahl

Special: Jesus, Your resurrection has given us new life. Give to us courage "to act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly" with You. Give us the courage and grace to stand together, living with tremendous love and radical grace. • 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

Preschool Class of the Month – Our April Preschool Class of the Month is Mrs. Martinez's VPK Lions! Please keep Mrs. Martinez, Daniel, Adrianna, Mila, Aaralyn, Laila, and Elijah in your prayers.

Fruits of Faith HOLY WEEK worship Maundy Thursday March 28 – English: 60 | Spanish: 23 | Total: 83 Good Friday: 11:00 English: 62 | 6:00 English: 83 | 7:30 Spanish: 32 | Total: 177

EASTER SUNDAY March 31 6:30 SONrise: 62 | 9:00 Traditional: 206 | 11:00 Contemporary: 87 | 11:00 Spanish: 175 | TOTAL: 530

Giving:
March 24 offerings\$ 8,582March 31 offerings\$ 20,133needed each week:
\$ \$12,403

In addition to our regular Sunday offerings, additional special gifts were received for Holy Week: \$4,714

Your gifts and offerings, your prayers and service to the Lord—they make a difference here, and for all eternity.

April Anniversaries

- **April 3** Jerry & Jenny Ragazinsky **April 12** – Susan Fortini & William Penner **April 13** – Jim & Dianne Essig
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- <u>April Birthdays</u>
- April 2 Abigail Seyfert
 April 3 Pam Ingersoll
 April 5 Roger Vokovich
 April 9 Hector Vazquez
 April 10 Linda Becker Brooke McKinnon Don Melick
 April 12 – Donna Browne
 April 14 – Bob Eldredge
 April 17 – Jim Finnie
- Sharleen Jespersen Amanda Summers Gladys Tejada

- **April 19** Peg Henderson **April 21** – Linda l'Anson
- April 23 Daryl Flynn
- April 24 Steve Hudson
- **April 25** Janet Rodriguez
- April 26 Laden Fussell Joel Green
- April 27 Krista Koenig
 - Sophie Navarro Romero
- April 28 Tita Staley
- April 29 Samuel Borges

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! Adriana, congratulations—and welcome little Noah!



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