



Weekly News 01/19/2025

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Today: "He Knows Just What You Need: Signs of His Presence" • Readings: John 2:1-11; Isaiah 62:1-5; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 • Jesus' presence is felt deeply in the everyday, mundane things of life—like a wedding banquet where they have run out of wine. Jesus' mother calls upon Him to help. His first miracle—the first sign through which He revealed His glory—reminds us how present He is with us in our "everyday," and how powerful His presence, and His word, is. *In what ways do you need to see Jesus? For what needs are you calling out to Him?*

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

https://poporlando.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/2025_01_19-Trad-Epiphany-2.pdf

Nursery Available During All Sunday Services • For babies 6 months to age 4, located in Room 100 (*across from the church & school office*), with sign-in (required) and drop-off up to 15 minutes prior to the service and pick-up shortly after the service ends. The kids can play while they watch/listen to the worship live-stream. All our volunteers have completed background checks and are ready and willing to care for your child. See DCE Eric for more information!

Bible Classes

Adult Sunday Morning Bible Class at 10:00 am • The class is led by Jim Essig. We are studying the book of 1 Corinthians. 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: Kingdom Quest • Kingdom Quest is a Bible overview curriculum that teaches children the core stories of the Bible and helps them see why they matter today. We help children experience God's love through Bible stories, crafts, games and more., as we learn to follow Jesus. The children will have a lot of fun and learn important faith lessons at the same time. <https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/57d9c8>

Youth Bible Class – 10:00am • This youth bible class will be held at McDonald's (next to the church) for breakfast and bible study. They will be looking at what the bible says about serving him as a teen and having bible-based discussions. *Be sure to have the bible app downloaded on to your phone!*

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.

Are you looking for meaningful daily devotions that connect with everyday life?

- Our Daily Bread. "Helping you connect with God. Every day. Every way." | <https://www.odb.org/>
- Lutheran Hour Ministries <https://www.lhm.org/dailydevotions/>.

2025 National Youth Gathering Participant and Parent Meeting TODAY at 12:00pm in the FLC • Join DCE Eric in the Family Life Center right after the 11:00 am worship service to discuss the progress for the 2025 New Orleans Youth Gathering and upcoming fundraising efforts. Fundraising is vital now, so all participants and their parents are strongly encouraged to attend this brief meeting.

Church/Preschool Offices Closed – Monday, January 20 • In observation of Martin Luther King, Jr's birthday, the church and preschool offices will be closed tomorrow, Monday, January 20.

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 sponsored by Ron Schmidt in memory of Marleen Schmidt.

LWML Collecting Eyeglasses Until September 7 for Future Mission Trip • LWML will be collecting all types of eyeglasses/readers until September 7th for their Mission Coordinator to Kenya. There are containers located in the narthex and family life center.

PoP Youth are Attending Rock the Universe at Universal Studios on Friday, January 24th • The event costs \$85 per person, but discounted tickets are available for Middle and High School students at \$45. This discount does not apply to parents or family members. Students and necessary chaperones must sign up by Wednesday, January 15th, for group sales. Please contact DCE Eric with any questions. | eric.gerken@poporlando.com

Save the Date: Thursday, January 30 at 11:30am – Lunch & Zilch • Let's bring in the new year with some fun by enjoying a morning of Lunch & Zilch! Save the date and bring along some friends to have some fun, win, and enjoy lunch. You can RSVP to Jim Essig no later than Monday, January 27. Remember there is a \$10 fee to cover lunch and the prize. (this is not a fundraiser) jim.essig@poporlando.com | (407)446-7147

Souper Bowl of Caring – Donate Now! • The annual Souper Bowl of Caring unites us and communities across the nation by helping those in need. The Prince of Peace Food Pantry provides food to around 450 families every month (representing 17,000 people throughout the year). Please continue to pray for our Food Pantry and consider donating to its ministry by check, envelope, or online at <https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/souperbowl>

New to Prince of Peace—or New-ish? Pastors' Reception February 9, 12:30 • 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, February 9, 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.

Volunteers Needed! Help Serve the Lord • We are looking for volunteers that are willing to help serve the Lord by helping with ushering, communion assistant, projection, live stream, altar guild and transportation. If you are willing to help in any way, please contact Adriana at (407)277-3945 for more information. | adriana.alas@poporlando.com

Compassion Project • Works with the Samaritan Resource. 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!*

Gift Cards Through RaiseRight! • The Gift Card program through Raise Right supports our youth ministry. **You can use this ID code: CFA82EEB65547** to identify Prince of Peace Youth as the organization you want to benefit from your order and start shopping.

Thrivent Choice Dollars • Support Prince of Peace by directing your Thrivent Choice Dollars® today. Simply go to www.Thrivent.com/thriventchoice to learn more or call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt.

2025 Offering Envelopes Still Available for Pick Up • If you have not picked up your box of envelopes please check the narthex and FLC for your assigned box. If you are interested in offering envelopes, please contact the church office so we can provide you with a set and assign you a number. | (407)277-3945 or staff@poporlando.com

Fruits of Faith

Sunday, January 12

9:00am Traditional: 119 | 11:00am Contemporary: 63 | 11:00am Espanol: 62 | TOTAL: 244

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

December 29 offerings \$19,545

January 5, 2025 offerings \$21,106

January 12, 2025 offerings \$11,501

Thank you to all those who made special gifts for year-end. Your giving helps forward the work of reaching people with God's love, and every gift, no matter how big or how small, makes a difference here, and for all eternity. Thank you.

Please Check Your Recurring Giving: It's the beginning of the year. If you give electronically through your bank's bill pay or through our secure website, this is a great time to check to see that your giving matches the pledge you made for this year. Also, if you give by check, please make sure you are dating the check for "2025."

Make an IRA gift to Prince of Peace! Are you over 70½? Each year the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) reminds owners of traditional IRAs who are over 70½ that they may make a charitable gift from a traditional IRA. Learn more how you can make a difference by clicking here <https://bit.ly/ira-charity-gifts>.

PRAYERS

Hospitalized: Gail Eaton

Recovering at Home or Rehab Facility: Chuck Boogher, Rick Burns, Shar Dluhy, Daryl Flynn, Joe Heinz, Robert Hupsel, Susanne Johnson, Connie Lerchen, Tausha Miller, Camille Neville, Debbie Noss, Jeff Powell, Mike Ritzel (Judy Finnie's nephew), Mario Rodriguez, Sheila Roberts, Cindy Sibly, Pete Spudich, James Stanley, Tony Steinbronn, Shirley Stockett, Pat Williams

Healing and Strength: Karen Adkins, Dave & Mary Ann Ault, Kurt Bickel, Rebecca Brooks, Sarah Dierking, Judy & Jim Finnie, Rev. Dennis Glander, Michael Halstead, Jim & Pam Ingersoll, Chris & Kristen Ivanic, Bill Jordan, Jerry Jordan,

Merle Kroeplin, Henry Leon, Larry Martinez, Michael McCarty, Maddie, Lewis Mendez, Rick Perre, Raya Pokigo, Miriam Rivera, Nitza Rohena, Rex Serio, Hannah Steinbronn, Carmen & Juan, Rosalee Wessel, Ted Wessel, Cricket Winters, Leon W, Linda Zamsky

Receiving Treatments: Ellen Boogher, Sarah vonBraun, Debbie Holley (Pam Fuller's sister), Cameron LaPointe, Larry Jones, Elena Santana, Jeff S, Barbara Smith (mother of Brooke McKinnon), Tina T, Janet V, Amber Vittone, Debbie W, Brenda Williams, Michelle Zicarelli

Continued Care: Pat C., Kelly DeFrietas, Al & Linda Dicks, Bob E, Linda House, Linda Jackson, Otto Krumpholc, Mary K.M, Jean LaPointe, Micki & Sal LoBue, Kay Minick, Mario Muniz, Todd O, Ray Pirino, Betty Schnell, Michael, Noel, & Roger V, Jerry Warnock

Family & Friends: Delores B, Michael B, Evelyn Brucks (Marlene Browne's mother), Donna C, Danny Conlin, Elizabeth Dawson, Jameson Doud (young relative of Lu Burchfield), Steven Dorsagano, John Elmore, Amanda Fearce, Ralph Holt, Helen Laurie (sister of Stephanie Carbonell, hospitalized), Christina, Stephanie, Matthew, Michael, Samantha, Jason, Daniel Baudry, Fran Federman, Leonard G, Ruth Johnson (sister of Kathy McCartin), Meghan Miller, Vincent Ward (treatments), Jim Obenour, Carlyn and Sarah (fighting cancer), Haley, David Rodgers

New Life: We give thanks along with Pastor Borges, Deaconess Ligia, and their family at the arrival of their granddaughter, Camila, born to Sam and Valerie Borges in Costa Rica this past Thursday.

Justice & Service: Gracious God, as this weekend we celebrate the contributions that Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. made to our society, we pray that You would lead us to live lives of justice and service so all people might live in peace and harmony with each other.

Special: Jesus, because You took on human flesh, You understand the everyday, mundane things of this life—and You show up. Give us a thirst to know You and to seek You in Your word, our connection with You in our baptisms, Your real presence in Holy Communion. And open our eyes to see where You are at work everyday, so we would join You in Your mission. • Be with all who have been affected by the wildfires in California. • Be President Trump as He is sworn in tomorrow, President Biden as he concludes his presidency, members of Congress, and the Supreme Court, as well as all state and local leaders. • Watch over and keep all 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, Sam Beasley, Zachary Carbonell, Billy Embach, Kyle Holysz, Matthew Rojas, Meghan Rojas, Amanda S, Greg S, Geoffrey, Anthony Witcher

Preschool Prayers—Class of the Month: This month we pray for our friends in the Giraffes class (3 y/o) - Ms. Jordan, Ms. Mallory, John, Rogan, Alessia, Evrick, Emmet and Amir. We ask the Lord to keep these little ones in His constant care and to pour out His blessings upon their families.

Upcoming Monthly Events

Monday, January 20 – Preschool and Church Offices Closed for MLK Jr Day

Saturday, January 25 – Food Pantry Distribution

Sunday, January 26-February 1 – National Lutheran Schools Week: Hebrews 12:1-3 • NLSW provides more



than 1,800 preschools, elementary schools, and high schools with the public opportunity to proclaim and celebrate God's work among us. We thank God for the opportunity to provide excellent academic preparation for the children we serve. We are most grateful for the opportunity to share Jesus' amazing love with children and their families.

National Lutheran Schools Week gives us an opportunity to proclaim these great blessings within the communities we serve.

Sunday, February 9 – Pastor's Reception in the FLC at 12:3pm (Souper Bowel of Caring)

PoP Kids/Parents Valetine's Dance Party at 4pm in the FLC

Tuesday, February 11 – Youth Spirit Night at Broadway Pizzeria at 5pm (1700 Woolco Way)

Thursday, February 14 – Happy Valentine's Day!

Wednesday, February 19 - LWML meet in the FLC at 10:30am (every 3rd Wednesday of each month)

January Anniversaries

January 5 – Luis & Cloris Vasquez
January 23 – Jeff & Jayne Powell
January 27 – Shawn & Anne Dobbins



January Birthdays

January 5 – Denny O'Neil
Julie Lushetsky
Kathy Hudson
David Strauss
January 7 – Richard Lief
January 8 – Krista Brathwaite-Clarke
January 9 – Ava Churchill
Maddie McKinnon
Daniel Romero
January 10 – Ellen Ponsford
Maryjane Long
January 16 – Otto Krumpholc
January 17 – Pastor Ken Green

January 18 – DCE Eric Gerken
January 20 – Julie Fleming
January 26 – Paul Divan
January 27 – Linda Burns
January 28 – Jacqueline Cuevas-Cabrera

In Remembrance: January 29 - Craig Koenig would've turned 68 years old.



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

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