



## Weekly News 08/17/2025

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**TODAY: "Jesus Is Distinctive" • Scripture Readings: Luke 12:49-56; Hebrews 11:17-31, 12:1-3; Psalm 119:81-88; Jeremiah 23:23-29** • As Jesus taught the crowds, He would often grab people's attention to draw them to recognize what God was doing in their day. Jesus, the Messiah, had come! The kingdom of God had drawn near and, in the person of Jesus, the kingdom was right there in their midst—a present reality. *Today we face the same question: If God's truth and power and love are made accessible through Jesus, how does that make us distinctive as the people who follow Him?*

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### To view or print Sunday's Worship bulletin:

[https://poporlando.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/2025\\_08\\_17-Trad-Pentecost-10.pdf](https://poporlando.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/2025_08_17-Trad-Pentecost-10.pdf)

**Nursery Changes** • The nursery will remain available during all Sunday morning services. However, due to low attendance, we will no longer staff the 9:00 am service with a volunteer. Parents may still use this space with their children but must provide their own supervision. Our trained, background-checked volunteer will continue caring for children ages 6 months to 4 years during the 11:00am service. See DCE Eric for more information!

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### Bible Classes

**Adult Sunday Morning Bible Class at 10:00 am** • The class is led by Jim Essig. We are studying the Gospel of John. 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** • Beginning August 10, the youth bible class will be held in the board room (church office) for 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 onto your phone!*

**The Mid-week Bible Class for Adults** • Wednesday Mornings 9:30am – 10:30am in the Board Room. 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.odp.org/>
- Lutheran Hour Ministries <https://www.lhm.org/dailydevotions/>

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**Are You (or someone you know) in Need of Prayer? Please join us Wednesday.** It's PK here, and I'm inviting you to join us Wednesday evening at 6:30 for our online prayer gathering. You don't need to pray out loud, and you don't even need give a specific thing to pray for. (God already knows!) God has designed us to support each other another, and one way is gathering for prayer. If you've read this far, maybe God is prompting you to join us! Every Wednesday at 6:30pm via Zoom at <https://bit.ly/wednesday-pray-pop>.

Phone-ins are also welcome. Call (305) 224-1968, Meeting ID: 827 2709 5644

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**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.

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

**Today's Altar Flowers** are given by Donna Browne in memory of Agnes Hansen and Eleanor Eaton.

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**RSVP by Tomorrow, to Jim Essig - Lunch & Zilch is on Thursday, August 21 at 11:30am** • Lunch and Zilch is just a few days away! Bring along some friends to have some fun, win, and enjoy lunch. You can **RSVP to Jim Essig no later than Monday, August 18**. Remember there is a **\$10 fee per person** to cover lunch and the prize. |

[jim.essig@poporlando.com](mailto:jim.essig@poporlando.com) | (407) 446-7147

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**Last Day to Donate Eyeglasses is Sunday, August 31** • The LWML ladies will be getting ready to gather all the donated eyeglasses to give to their mission coordinator for the future mission trip to Kenya. Thank you to all of those who have contributed to this mission.

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***It's Time to Register for Fall Sunday School*** • PoP Sunday School meets Sundays 10:00–10:45 am in the Preschool Wing. This semester we'll explore the Gospel of Mark—Jesus' life and teachings. Please register so our volunteers can get to know your child. *(No need to register again if recently signed up for Sunday School or PoP Kids Club and info is current.)* | <https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/57d9c8>

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***Confirmation Orientation – Sunday, September 7*** • Confirmation Classes Begin in September. Middle and High School students not yet confirmed are invited to join our weekly classes on the Lutheran faith, using Luther's Small Catechism. Most sessions will be via Zoom on Wednesday or Thursday nights, concluding with Confirmation in May. RSVP by Sept. 4 to DCE Eric Gerken with questions.

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***PoP Youth T-shirts Available for Online Purchase!*** • If you haven't purchased a shirt yet and would still like to do so, you can make a purchase online following the link provided below. Help Support our youth ministry! Shirts are available for everyone in the congregation. Orders can be placed online, through the church office, or by emailing [eric.gerken@poporlando.com](mailto:eric.gerken@poporlando.com). | <https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/88b76c>

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## **Fruits of Faith**

**Sunday, August 10**

**9:00 am Traditional: 100 | 11:00am Contemporary: 63 | 11:00am Espanol: 81 | TOTAL: 244**

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

July 27 offerings \$7,834

August 3 offerings \$24,815 *\*includes a semi-annual contribution from a member's IRA*

August 10 offerings \$12,496

Needed each week: \$11,032

***Are you over 70½? You can make an IRA gift to Prince of Peace!*** More and more members over 70½ have chosen to make a donation to Prince of Peace through their traditional IRA. Directing all or part of your RMD to the church is a Qualified Charitable Donation (QCD). You can directly transfer funds from your IRA to benefit Prince of Peace without those dollars being included in your taxable income. Learn more about how you can make a difference by clicking here <https://bit.ly/ira-charity-gifts>.

***Is the Stock Market Up?—Consider making a gift of appreciated stock, mutual fund, or other asset.*** The best assets to use for a gift are those that have appreciated significantly, such as publicly traded securities and real property. Assets you've owned for more than one year may qualify for a full range of tax benefits. Typical appreciated assets may include publicly traded securities, privately/closely held stock, mutual funds, and more. Learn more by clicking here <https://bit.ly/donate-appreciated-assets>.

*Please be generous for the need is great. Thank you!*

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## **PRAYERS**

**Prayers of Comfort:** We pray for Janice Glander at the death of her husband, Rev. Dennis Glander. We thank God for all the blessings He gave Dennis throughout his earthly life and the ways Dennis shared the love of Christ with God's people through his ministry. | We ask the Lord to comfort the family and friends of 9-year-old Jameson Doud, who went to his heavenly home on August 12. Especially we pray for his parents, Josh and Amanda, grandparents, Teri Sue Yager Doud and Doug, and the whole St. Michael's Lutheran Church and School family in Reese, MI. (Jameson was Lu Burchfield's nephew.)

**Receiving Care through Hospice:** Jim Katt, Merle Kroepelin

**Recovering at Home or Rehab Facility:** Linda Dicks, Virderie Eldredge, Mark Fennell, Daryl Flynn (upcoming surgery), Louanne Fussell, Joe Heinz, Ron Howard (Gwen Taliver's son-in-law), Robert Hupsel, Linda Jackson, Susanne Johnson, Norma Kress, Otto Krumpholtz, Connie Lerchen, Ava Lindsey (12 y-o granddaughter of Chris & Vicki Stork), Tausha Miller, Camille Neville, Denny O'Neil, Jeff Powell, Mike Ritzel (Judy Finnie's nephew), Sheila Roberts, Betty Schnell, Cindy Sibly, Pete Spudich, James Stanley, Shirley Stockett, Karen Wahl, Pat Williams

**Healing and Strength:** Karen Adkins, Dave & Mary Ann Ault, Ron Bledsoe, Rebecca Brooks, Stephanie Carbonell, Sarah Dierking, Judy & Jim Finnie, Raven, Michael Halstead, Jim & Pam Ingersoll, Chris & Kristen Ivanic, Bill Jordan, Jerry Jordan, Larry Martinez, Michael McCarty, Karen Melick, Maddie, Rick Perre, Raya Pokigo, Miriam Rivera, Pam Robertson, Nitza Rohena, Tom Rowell, Rex Serio, Angie Shroyer, Hannah Steinbronn, Carmen & Juan, Rosalee Wessel, Ted Wessel, Betty Wienrich, Cricket Winters, Leon W, Linda Zamsky

**Receiving Treatments:** Sarah Von Braun, Sylvia & Maurice Bourgeois (Judy Finnie's sister and BIL), Mark Cotton (Judy Finnie's nephew), Bob Denton, Jimi Flynn, Joanne Hahn, Ron Henderson, Michelle Hollingsworth, Becky Rouse Jones, Cameron LaPointe, Bill Maneri (friend of Ken & Judy Holzscheiter), Lisa Repalo, Elena Santana, Jeff S, Barbara Smith (mother of Brooke McKinnon), Tina T, Zaida Vargas, Janet V, Amber Vittone, Debbie W, Brenda Williams

**Continued Care:** Chuck Boogher, Pat C., Kelly DeFrietas, Al Dicks, Bob E, Linda House, Mary K.M, Jean LaPointe, Micki & Sal LoBue, Mario Muniz, Todd O, Ray Pirino, Michael, Noel, & Roger V; Jerry Warnock

**Family & Friends:** Rob and Lori Angus, Delores B, Michael B, Evelyn Brucks, Donna C, Danny Conlin, Rennie Conyers, Elizabeth Dawson, Howard Dion (uncle of Judy Finnie), Steven Dorsagano, John Elmore, Amanda Fearce, Rick Perre Haley, Christina, Stephanie, Ruth Johnson and Nancy Schloemer (sisters of Kathy McCartin), Mark Sauter, Matthew, Michael, Samantha, Jason, Daniel Baudry, Fran Federman, Jim Obenour, Carlyn and Sarah (fighting cancer), Cindy Rock, Jean Rogers (Jim Finnie's aunt), David Rodgers, Karla Schloemer, Brandy (Karen Melick's friend), Vern (friend of Shar and Frank Dluhy)

**Special:** Lord Jesus, You are the Son of God, the Messiah, our Savior, true God and true man. You are distinctive—not only in Your being, but also in the way that You loved, welcomed, and valued people. Give us Your Holy Spirit so we would follow You. • We pray especially this week for college students as they return to campus. We continue our prayers for our Preschool, asking You to draw children and families so they would grow in faith and love. Send Your guardian angels to watch over all those who travel during this time of year. • We pray for our nation, that all would learn of Your ways, O Lord, to do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with You. We pray for President Trump, members of Congress, and the Supreme Court, as well as all state and local leaders. • Watch over our first responders and keep them safe.

**Prayers for WORTHY IS THE LAMB: Visitor Training.** Please join in praying this prayer for visitors who are preparing to connect with PoP/PdeP families. Lord of the church, we are equipping visitors who will connect with PoP/PdeP families sharing in prayer and conversation about faith and life (“For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.” Matthew 18:20). Lead us also to give thanks for the ways in which we see You at work through our ministries and guide us as we look toward the future which You hold in Your hand. Help all of us to live out our faith as the heart, hands, and feet of Jesus here in the heart of Orlando.

**Prayers for those in the military or 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, Antonio Watt, Anthony Witcher, Isaak Allan

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### *Please Download “Breeze” – get connected*



**Breeze is our secure, online church management software. Any member can join Breeze and use it as a tool to update personal information. Breeze functions as an online church directory so you can keep in touch. [poporlando.breezechms.com](http://poporlando.breezechms.com)**

**How to join Breeze:** If you are a member and in our church database, you are already in Breeze. Go to <https://poporlando.breezechms.com/> and select the “Create Account” option. Your name and email are used to match the information in the database, and you will receive an email giving you the next steps.

**Why sign up for Breeze?** Keep your personal information, including profile picture, up to date • use as a church directory to contact others at PoP/PdeP and stay connected • view and manage your giving history • use for event signups • mobile and easy access through the Breeze app; also access on any web browser at [poporlando.breezechms.com](http://poporlando.breezechms.com)

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**Gifts for Guests and First Time Attenders Coming to a Worship Service near you!** • Each week, new people visit Prince of Peace/Príncipe de Paz. Our “busy bees” have been making gifts to warmly welcome them.

**Join Our Welcome Team:** Soon, we'll offer simple training to help connect first-time attenders with our church—and with God. We aim to form several teams dedicated to making guests feel at home.



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### **Coming this Fall: Worthy Is the Lamb Visitation Campaign**

*“Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!” — Revelation 5:12*

We are excited to announce the launch of our Worthy Is the Lamb campaign, beginning soon. Visitors are being trained to connect with Prince of Peace families with a personal visit, whether that be in a home, over coffee, or a quiet place at church. Worthy Is the Lamb is a spiritual invitation to grow in faith, deepen our relationships, and expand God's kingdom together as



people meet for prayer and conversation, celebrating God's work among us, and praying for the future. Please keep this initiative in your prayers.

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### **August Anniversaries**

**August 4** – Bill & Roberta Weaver  
Wren & Katie Wade  
**August 5** – John & Linda l'Anson  
**August 7** – Luis & Brittany Ramos  
**August 8** – Tony & Carol Steinbronn  
**August 12** – Jeffrey & Karen Adkins  
**August 17** – Rick & Kristi Armstrong

### **August Birthdays**

**August 1** – Megan Pirino  
Mary Kelly  
**August 2** – Jeffrey Adkins  
Jorge Arzola  
**August 3** – Richard Lott  
Anthony Steinbronn  
**August 4** – Sarah Zhender  
**August 5** – Gloria Barranco  
Ava Fussell  
Naomi Thompson  
Dylan Castaneda  
Carrie Hall  
Zane Wienrich  
Abigail Green  
**August 6** – Celso Rivera  
**August 7** – Barbara Conyers  
Gino Feliciani  
**August 9** – Samantha Feliciani  
**August 11** – Earl Caldwell  
Jim Nocks  
Annalina Thompson  
**August 12** – Kayle Holweck  
**August 13** – Edith Walton  
Neely Wienrich  
**August 14** – Mary Anne Ault  
**August 15** – Wendell Feggans  
Hans Tews

**August 18** – Kurt & Carol  
Bickel

*In Remembrance: Jon &  
Julianne Wiegand would've  
been 29 years on August 31.*



**August 16** – Wesley Wade  
Myrna Sarmiento  
**August 18** – Juan Rios  
**August 21** – Emily A.F. Raymond  
Pete Spudich  
Maria Vazquez  
Jim Curran  
**August 22** – Anthony Vacchiano  
Helen Rothell  
**August 23** – Karen Adkins  
Virgil Currie  
Amaury Suarez  
Scott Williams  
**August 24** – Tyler Williams  
**August 25** – David Beckham  
Jerry Lemcke  
Charly Reynolds  
**August 26** – Linda Jackson  
August 27 – Matthew Powell  
Caitlynn Stief  
Jeanne Curran  
**August 28** – Sarah Von Braun  
Skylar Newport  
**August 29** – Tristan Gorichenko  
Dolka Gonzalez  
**August 30** – Omayra Suarez



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