



Weekly News 09/21/2025

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TODAY: "God's Abundance Leads to Generous Living" • Scripture Readings: Amos 8:4-7; 1 Timothy 2:1-15; Luke 16:1-15 • God's abundance is never meant for selfish gain. Through the prophet Amos, the Lord condemns those who exploit the poor or misrepresent their goods for dishonest profit. Jesus' parable of the shrewd manager challenges us to consider how we use the resources God has entrusted to us. Abundance is not about accumulation, but about stewardship—living faithfully with what God has given and directing it toward His purposes. In Christ, we are freed to fear, love, and trust God above all things, knowing that His abundance is always enough to share.

To view or print Sunday's Worship bulletin:

https://poporlando.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/2025_09_21-Trad-Pentecost-15.pdf

Sunday Nursery • The nursery is available during all Sunday morning services but is only staffed at 11:00am.

9:00am – due to low attendance, we are no longer staffing the nursery for this service. Parents may still use this space with their children but must provide their own supervision.

11:00am – Our trained, background-checked volunteer will continue caring for children ages 6 months to 4 years during the 11:00am services. 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 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 • The youth bible class meets 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, we look ahead to the Scriptures for the upcoming Sunday.

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/>

Are You (or someone you know) in Need of Prayer? Please join us on Wednesdays. 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 to 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

Hispanic Heritage Luncheon Next Sunday, September 28 at 12:30pm • We are blessed to be a multicultural church with rich diversity. We are a snapshot of what heaven will look like. Please join us in celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month next Sunday, September 28 at the luncheon following the 11am worship services! We'll come together to enjoy the rich cultural diversity of our Hispanic Congregation with great food, music, and more. All are invited!

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 sponsored by Jerry Lemcke in memory of Carlene Lemcke.

It's Not Too Late 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>

Clear Bookbag Donations for Roberto Clemente Middle School • Roberto Clemente Middle School has run out of clear bookbags for students and has no budget to purchase more. They've asked for our help. If you're able, please donate a clear bookbag by dropping it off at the church office during the week or bringing it on Sunday before or after services. Thank you for supporting local students!

Youth Lock-In – Save the Dates: September 26-27 8pm-7am • Details are still being planned, but plan for Friday from 8:00pm- Saturday at 7:00 am. Bring a sleeping bag and anything else you need for overnight. There will be games and activities until about 3:00 am and then sleep until it is time to pack up and head home. More details are coming soon!

New to Prince of Peace—or New-ish? Pastors' Reception 10/12 • 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, October 12, at 12:30pm in the FLC 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.

Save the Date: Saturday, October 4 – LWML Greater Orlando Fall Rally at 8am • The women of Prince of Peace would like to welcome all ladies from the churches in the Greater Orlando Zone and all guests to the LWML Fall Rally for a day of fellowship, Bible study and song. **Registration is \$10.00** and Checks can be made out to Greater Orlando Zone LWML. This will take place at St. Lukes Lutheran Church. If you're interested in attending, please make sure to RSVP by September 22 by texting or emailing Donna Franks-Lemcke donna.f1942@gmail.com or text 847-722-2505.

Join Lutheran Counseling Services for their 5th Annual We Care 5K on Saturday, October 11 • Lace up your running (or walking!) shoes and join the We Care 5K on Saturday, October 11 at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church in Longwood! This fun, family-friendly event helps raise funds for Lutheran Counseling Services and will directly help clients afford mental health care. Bring your friends and neighbors. Everyone is welcome! \$30 per person or \$125 for a team of 5. Sign up at <https://runsignup.com/Race/FL/Longwood/LCSWeCare5k>.

FLGA Youth Ministry Weekend – Save the Dates: November 7-9 • Middle School and High School retreats happen the same weekend at the same camp, with separate programs, housing, and activities. Middle School students enjoy a mini-Youth Gathering, while High School students focus on leadership and service. Both groups travel and worship together on Sunday. More details are coming soon! Chaperones/drivers needed (free of charge).

Welcoming Well Ministry to Guests & First-Time Attenders • Thank you to all those who joined our brief orientation to this new ministry last Sunday. We will offer training sessions in October as we prepare our launch of this ministry to connect first-time attenders with our church—and connect them with God. If you weren't able to make the introduction or want to learn more, contact Pastor Ken at 703-338-4387 or ken.green@poporlando.com.



Fruits of Faith

Sunday, September 14

9:00 am Traditional: 107 | 11:00am Contemporary: 64 | 11:00am Espanol: 76 | TOTAL: 247

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

August 31 offerings \$15,729 *includes special gifts for Preschool Flooring

September 7 offerings \$16,840

September 14 offerings \$14,564

Needed each week: \$11,032

Are you over 70½? You can make an IRA gift to Prince of Peace! 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 another asset. The best assets to use for a gift are those that have been 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!

PRAYERS

Prayers of Comfort: We pray for Micki Lobue at the death of her husband of 70 years, Sal Lobue. The Lord surround Micki and her whole family with His comfort and peace.

Receiving Care through Hospice: Ron Henderson (in Texas), Jerry Jones (friend of the Fullers), Jim Katt, Merle Kroeplin, Lori Lawicki (Vanessa Vaché's sister-in-law)

Recovering at Home or Rehab Facility: Linda Dicks, Virderie Eldredge, Daryl Flynn, Louanne Fussell, Joe Heinz, Judy Holzscheiter, 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, Tom Rowell, Betty Schnell, Cindy Sibly, Pete Spudich, James Stanley, Shirley Stockett, Karen Wahl

Healing and Strength: Karen Adkins, Dave & Mary Ann Ault, Ron Bledsoe, Rebecca Brooks, 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, 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, Jim Flynn, Joanne Hahn, 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 LoBue, Mario Muniz, Todd O, Michael, Noel, & Roger V; Jerry Warnock

Family & Friends: Rob and Lori Angus, Delores B, Michael B, Sean Brownstein (Rita Santana's friend) Evelyn Brucks, Donna C, Danny Conlin, Rennie Conyers, Elizabeth Dawson, Howard Dion (uncle of Judy Finnie), Steven Dorsagano, John Elmore, Amanda Fearce, Mark Fennell, 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), Pat Williams

Special: Generous God, all we have is from You. Guard us from greed and dishonesty. Teach us to use Your gifts faithfully, so that our abundance may bless others and glorify You. • Lord, You reign over all. Help all Your people to heed Your word for us: *"For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other"* (Galatians 5:14-15). Deliver us from evil. • Watch over our first responders and keep them safe.

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

Preschool Prayers—Class of the Month: This month we pray for our friends in the Caterpillars Class (infants) - Ms. Zulay, Ms. Mallory, Fabricio, Adelynn, and Ivy-Rose. We ask the Lord to keep these little ones in His constant care and to pour out His blessings upon their families.



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

PRAYER FOR VISITATION TEAMS: *God bless these servants of the Lamb as they engage people in conversation and prayer: the entire PoP/PdeP ministry staff, Kurt & Carol Bickel, Paul Browder, Linda Burns, Daryl Flynn, Pam Fuller, Jason Hoge, Jim Nocks, Ellen Ponsford, Celso Rivera, Chris Stork, Tony Steinbronn, Gwen Taliver, and Tom Zehnder.*

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.

Do you want to request a visit? Call the office at 407-277-3945 or email staff@poporlando.com. This campaign of prayer, sharing, and visitation will run through November 23, Christ the King Sunday.

Join Breeze—Stay Connected with Our Church Family • Breeze is our secure online church management platform that helps you stay connected and engaged with our community. Simple instructions for church members: (1) Visit poporlando.breezechms.com (2) Click “Create Account” (3) Enter your name and email address (we’ll match this with our records) (4) Check your email for next steps to complete your setup. Access through the web at poporlando.breezechms.com, or mobile app by downloading Breeze from the app store (look for the Breeze logo).



September Anniversaries

September 2 – Philip & Donna Wessel
September 3 – Jose & Nina Rojas
September 4 – Douglas & Hilda Polkosky
September 13 – Jack Riegler & Tina Hamilton
September 14 – Merle & Julie Kroeplin

*In Remembrance: Otto & Joan Krumpholtz would've made 61 years.
Rick & Linda Burns would've made 52 years.*



September Birthdays

September 1 – Connie Lerchen
Jen Hoge
September 5 – Nancy Plotnikoff
September 6 – Anthony Ramirez
September 9 – Philip Chang
September 11 – Madilyn Swanson
Cindy Sibly
Julie Kroeplin
Tina Hamilton
September 12 – Jack Riegler
September 14 – Gloria Groome
September 15 – Rachel Jespersen
Raya Pokigo
September 17 – Pam Fuller
September 18 – Bill Weaver
Richard Bak
September 19 – John Buchbach Jr.
Benigno Santos

September 20 – Diego Atilano Mejias
September 21 – Don Mathews
September 25 – Brooks Ingersoll
John Holysz
September 26 – Elizabeth Green
September 28 – Raylan Long
Paul Browne
September 30 – Cherie Nocks

*In Remembrance: Gail Eaton would've turned 77 years old.
James Lord would've been 86 years old.*



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