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Weekly News 10/04/2026 19th Sunday after Pentecost

TODAY: "Serving the Least" • Matthew 25:31-46; Deuteronomy 7:7-9; 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

"I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink.... Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." Matthew 25:35-40 • When you pair these words from Jesus with the great commission to go and make disciples, we have the primary emphasis of a life in Christ. We teach and baptize and together we feed the hungry through our food pantry. What a wonderful opportunity to be in mission together at the corner of Curry Ford and Semoran. We all can look for ways to serve in our community and at our church.



To view or print Sunday's 9:00am Worship bulletin:

https://poporlando.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/2026_10_04-Trad-Pentecost-19.pdf

Sunday Nursery • 9:00am – While our 9:00am nursery is not staffed, parents are welcome to use this space with their children, providing their own supervision, and watching the livestream.

11:00am – Our trained, background-checked volunteer will continue caring for children ages 6 months to 5 years during the 11:00am services. See DCE Eric for more information!

Adult Sunday Morning Bible Class at 10:00 am • The class is led by Jim Essig. We are studying the Book of Matthew. Classes are in the Music Room during our 10:00 am Education Hour.

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 Classes – 10:00am • The Middle School Youth Bible class meets in the Board Room (church office)

• High School Youth class meets over at McDonald's. Both classes offer age-appropriate looks at Scripture and how to apply it today. *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/>

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>

Register for PoP Kids or Sunday School? • We would love to have your child at Sunday School each Sunday and at our monthly family events. Your registration helps us stay in communication with you and keep the kids safe. We use the same registration form for both Sunday School and PoP Kids. <https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/57d9c8>

Celebration and Godspeed for Pastor Borges – TODAY – A part of our Hispanic Heritage Luncheon 12:30pm •

Let's join at 12:30pm as "One Prince of Peace/Príncipe de Paz," celebrating the many heritages AND Pastor Borge's 25 years of ministry at PoP/PdeP. This will be a fun celebration with music, food, and joy!

LWML Greater Orlando Fall Rally – October 10 at 8:00 am • The women of Prince of Peace warmly invite all ladies from the Greater Orlando Zone and guests to the LWML Fall Rally on Saturday, October 10, themed **"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"** (Job 12:10). Join us at Prince of Peace for a day of fellowship, Bible study, worship, song, and service. Registration is **\$10**, with registration beginning at 8:00 a.m.; please RSVP by **October 5** to Kathy McCartin at kathymccartin@gmail.com or 407-286-7288.

New to Prince of Peace – Or Newish? Come to Our Pastor's Reception next Sunday, October 11 at 12:30pm in the Family Life Center • If you are new to Prince of Peace/Príncipe de Paz and would like to know more about our unique ministries, come to our Pastors' Reception on Sunday, September 27 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. Email staff@poporlando.com to RSVP.

 **Church Cruise 2027! You Still have time!** • Act quickly. Staterooms are beginning to sell out. You still have time to make your reservation for our church cruise aboard Royal Caribbean's Harmony of the Seas, sailing June 26 – July 3, 2027. Destinations: St. Thomas, San Juan, and "Perfect Day at Coco Cay." Whether you're a cruise veteran or it'll be your first time at sea, we'd love to have you join our church family for this exciting trip. To learn more, contact Peg Green at 571.214.4756 or email her at peggygreen.dreamittravel@gmail.com.

Lutheran Counseling Services We Care 5K Walk & Run – Saturday, October 10 at 8:30am • Join the We Care 5K & Fun Run to expand access to professional mental health counseling. Run, walk, cheer, and invite others—every step supports hope, healing, and healthier communities. <https://runsignup.com/Race/Events/FL/Longwood/LCSWeCare5k>

Trunk or Treat: Save the Date – Sunday, October 25 at 4:00pm • Join us as we welcome hundreds of children and families for an afternoon of candy, prizes, and smiles. We are seeking Trunk Hosts, Event Volunteers, candy, and financial donations to help make this event a success. Follow this link to serve: <https://poporlando.breezechms.com/form/bd322e>

Thanksgiving Basket Outreach – Donations Needed • Our outreach turkeys to families in need from our local schools. Recipients are vetted by our local schools, and your support even now helps meet the needs of 100 families receiving. Please donate online or in person during the week or on Sunday mornings at worship. Donation may be marked as "Thanksgiving Outreach" | <https://www.poporlando.com/give/>

Lutheran Haven Fall Flea Market – Saturday, October 24 at 8am-2pm • Find treasures and support the Lutheran Haven Auxiliary to benefit Lutheran Haven Assisted Living and Memory Care! There will be Hot dogs, hamburgers, drinks, popcorn, baked goods, clothing, appliances, artwork, collectibles, antiques, electronics, jewelry, linens, bicycles, holiday items, housewares, games, computers, cameras, lamps, vacuums, toys, books, plants, and medical equipment. Cash ONLY event. (2041 W. State Road 426, Oviedo, FL 32765.)

Peter Mayer Stars & Promises 2026 Christmas Concert – Get Your Tickets in Advance! • It may seem way too early, but December is only three months away! Join us at Prince of Peace on Saturday, December 5 for Peter Mayer's *A Stars and Promises Christmas – "This Town"*, a beautiful Christmas concert filled with music, joy, and holiday spirit. Get your tickets in advance and don't miss this special Christmas tradition! <https://bit.ly/peter-mayer-at-PoP-2026>

Serve in Our Nursery Ministry • We're always looking for caring individuals to serve during Sunday worship in our Nursery Ministry at Prince of Peace. If you're interested in serving, follow the link below. After a background check, DCE Eric Gerken will meet with you to review procedures and get familiar with the nursery. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040D4EAAAC2CABFC1-51748455-popnursery#/>

Fruits of Faith

Sunday, September 27

9:00am Traditional: 98 | 11:00am Contemporary: 74 | 11:00am Español: 70 | TOTAL: 242

September 6 offerings \$ 9,014

September 13 offerings \$ 16,768

September 20 offerings \$ 11,977

September 27 offerings \$ 9,349

Needed each week: \$13,654

Would you be in a more favorable tax position if you 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) that can benefit Prince of Peace without those dollars being included in your taxable income. Learn more by clicking here <https://bit.ly/ira-charity-gifts>.

PRAYERS – To add someone to this list or update us on their status, please email prayers@poporlando.com.

Prayers of Comfort: We continue to pray for comfort for Marlene Browne and her family on the loss of her mother, Evelyn Brucks.

Receiving Care through Hospice: Betty Schnell, Betty Chambers (mother of Pam Ingersoll), Ted Wessel

Upcoming Surgery: Lorraine Barton, Chris Bayne, Paul Browne, Debbie Noss, Jeff Powell | **Recovering at Home or Rehab Facility:** Lance Ingersoll, Susan Lief, Kurt Wilson (grandson of Kurt & Carol Bickel), Lu Burchfield, Sabina Lakhan, Cathy Graf, Pete Spudich, Dale Fennel, Jim Ingersoll, Fran Primics, Tina Hamilton, Judy Holzscheiter, Gerry Noss, Marcie Weisel, Bill Weaver, Ellen Ponsford, Joshula Flowers, Nancy Schloemer, Kay Minick, Nitza Rohena, Stephanie

Carbonell, Daryl Flynn, Susanne Johnson, Ava Lindsey (12 y-o granddaughter of Chris & Vicki Stork), Karen Melick, Paul Mohabir (brother of Sanita Bhairo), Stephen Monroe (friend of Carrie Tedford), James Stanley, Gene Terranova

Receiving Treatments: Jayson Gerken, Zaida Vargas, Jeff Dowling, Everett Baker, Tim Smith (friend of the Pirinos), Tracy Shively, Sarah Von Braun, 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, Debbie W, Brenda Williams

Healing and Strength: Jan Vokovich, Karen Adkins, Dave & Mary Ann Ault, Ron Bledsoe, Rebecca Brooks, Linda Dicks, Sarah Dierking, Judy & Jim Finnie, Louanne Fussell, Abby G., Michael Halstead, Pam Ingersoll, Chris & Kristen Ivanic, Jerry Jordan, Larry Martinez, Michael McCarty, Maddie, Serenity Nichols, Caesar Vazquez, Tausha Miller, Camille Neville, Raya Pokigo, Raven, Miriam Rivera, Sheila Roberts, Rex Serio, Angie Shroyer, Hannah Steinbronn, Carmen & Juan, Betty Wienrich, Cricket Winters, Leon W, Linda Zamsky

Continued Care: Pat C., Al Dicks, Bob E, Linda House, Bill Jordan, Mary K.M, Micki LoBue, Mario Muniz, Todd O; Michael, Noel, & Roger Vokovich; Jerry Warnock, Karen Waahl

Family & Friends: Elias Salvator (thanksgiving! nephew of Jessica Long), Brandy & Rudy (friends of Don & Karen Melick), Lisa Antonio and Niki Conti (friends of Zaida Torres), Kwin Paul (14 y-o who experienced sudden blindness in one eye), Mary Lynn Bond (friend of Lynn McQuiston), Harry Fleming, Candie Parks, Teresa Fernandez (SIL of Daryl Flynn and Sheila Roberts), Alfredo (relative of Gloria Imhoff), baby Marco, Michelle S. Chapman's mother (cancer), Rob and Lori Angus, Delores B, Michael B, Donna C, Danny Conlin, Rennie Conyers, Elizabeth Dawson, Sylvia & Maurice Bourgeois (Judy Finnie's sister and BIL), Mark Cotton (Judy Finnie's nephew), Mike Ritzel (Judy Finnie's nephew), Jean Rogers (Jim Finnie's aunt), Steven Dorsagano, John Elmore, Amanda Fearce, Joanne Gabay, Rick Perre Haley, Christina, Stephanie, Ruth Johnson (sister of Kathy McCartin), Vesta & Mark Sauter (aunt and uncle of Leah McCormack), Rex Seeds (friend of Barbara Hahn), Matthew, Michael, Samantha, Jason, Daniel Baudry, Cindy Rock, David Rodgers, Karla Schloemer, Vern (friend of Shar and Frank Dluhy), Pat Williams, Fred Thomas, Eric Shrieves (partner of Lynn Olglesby), Pam Hutsrell

Special: Jesus, you showed us by Your actions what it means to see and go to the needs of those around us, and You teach us in Your words that whenever we serve the "least of these" we are serving you. Open our eyes to see You in others and serve them in Your love. • We pray for our nation, that all would learn of Your ways, O Lord: to do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with You. • Lord, 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, Meghan Rojas, Amanda S, Greg S, Geoffrey, Antonio Watt, Anthony Witcher, Isaak Allan

Jayson Gerken updates can be found on the "Team JayDawg" Facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/TeamJayDawg>



October Anniversaries

October 3 – Steve & Kathy Hudson
October 7 – Hector & Maria Vazquez
October 20 – Jason & Karen Seyfert
October 21 – Chris & Vicky Stork
October 26 – Gino & Brenda Feliciani
October 29 – Pastor Adolfo & Ligia Borges
October 31 – Todd & Catherine Oeltjen



October Birthdays

October 1 – Antonio Watt
October 2 – Brianna Neville
Karen Melick
October 3 – Dennis Sibly
Jesse Koenig
Lauren Wiegand
Andres Soler
October 4 – Susan Lief
October 5 – Sarah Wiegand
Donna Holweck
October 6 – Emily DaCosta
October 8 – Pastor Adolfo Borges
Hunter Stief
Keith Ingersoll
Mirna Camacho
October 9 – Doug Hurlebaus
October 10 – Vicente Raposo
October 11 – Sheila Dean
October 12 – Betty Schnell (100 yrs)
October 13 – Oliver Youst
October 14 – Judy Finnie
October 16 – Areah Ben
October 17 – Bernardino Vales
Chris Ackerman
Sophia Therrien

October 19 – Juan Acevedo
Chase Fussell
Sam Beasley
Pastor David Ludwig
October 20 – Al Dicks
October 21 – Kyle Kalinoski
Jerry Warnock
Jaeson Rdoriguez
October 22 – Ron Bledsoe, Jr.
John Courtney
October 23 – Mike Fleming
Joy Pirino
Genesis Castaneda
October 24 – Marcy Weisel
October 25 – Gloria Imhoff
Anna Boogher
Anne Dobbins
October 26 – Alicia Burns
October 28 – Debbie Noss
October 29 – Keith Shaffer
October 30 – Tamara Reynolds
October 31 – Greg Walton

In Remembrance: October 9 - Joe Heinz would've turned 91 years old

October 11 – Jon Wiegand would've turned 53 years old.



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

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