



Tidings

Love God - Follow Jesus - Invite All

Board of Youth Septemberfest Fundraiser

Monday, September 7th

Non-Profit Day at Septemberfest

11am-9pm



Our youth, along with the Roasted Corn Company will have a booth at Septemberfest.

**Roasted Corn for \$6,
Mexican Street Corn for \$9,
Elote Bowls for \$10
Water and pop for \$2
Gatorade for \$3.**

All money raised on this day will be put toward sending our youth to the National Youth Gathering in 2027.
We hope to see you there!

Help answer Feed My Starving Children's call to action to help Venezuelan Earthquake victims.

Two major earthquakes struck Venezuela just 39 seconds apart on June 24, causing widespread destruction and disrupting life for millions. The Northern Venezuela earthquakes struck near Caracas, one of the country's most populated areas, amplifying the impact on children and families. Beyond the physical damage, families are grieving lost loved ones while facing shortages of shelter, clean water, electricity, and food.



FMSC needs to increase their packing capacity to be able to respond to Venezuela's need for food in addition to all the other countries that they are committed to supporting, so join PoP in helping meet that need:

Tuesday, August 25th

Register here just click the link on your preferred packing session to sign up:

[4:45-6:15pm](#)

or

[7:00-9:00pm](#)

Anyone 5 years and older is invited!

Contact the church office with any questions or if you need assistance signing up.

Additionally, each meal we pack costs less than 30 cents to make, but FMSC is not included in PoP's benevolence budget (and FMSC relies fully on donations to buy the ingredients for the meal packs.

Whether or not you're able to pack with us, you can help make a donation directly at [FMSC.org](https://www.feedmystarvingchildren.org)

Pastor's Perspective—Pastor Erin's Return to Full-Time Ministry

by Pastor Erin Clausen (she/her)

After many months of complete and then partial leave, I've officially returned to work full-time as of August 3. I am grateful for your patience and kindness through this process, which I know was often challenging. Prince of Peace benefits from the attention and care of a full-time pastor to guide the congregation in your discipleship journey and lead the congregation in engaging and vibrant ministry. My leave was more challenging for some than others, depending on your pastoral needs. I am grateful to the congregation council for stepping up to provide direction and keep the congregation moving forward in my absence. The load fell especially to the executive committee: Terri Lamberti (president), Jason Bogner (vice president), Lisa Benson (treasurer), and Jim Wilkins (secretary). Please thank them for their service over these months!

We will mark this transition back to "normal" with a Sunday service focusing on healing and new beginnings. That will be an apropos time to express what was difficult and to offer ourselves to God's guidance into our future together.

As I return, I know it will be helpful for you to know when to expect me to be in the office, and when you might discover that my schedule has me in other places besides the church. Generally, my weeks look like this:

Monday – work from home; I'm available most of the day via phone, text, or email
Tuesday – 10 – 2
Wednesday – 10 – 2
Thursday – 11-3
Friday – Out of office (Day off)
Saturday & Sunday - I don't have regular office hours

These are the hours that you will typically find me at church. Of course, you might find me at church before or after those hours. You will often find me at church for evening meetings. These are not my only working hours; and please always know that you may make an appointment to meet at any time.

You might wonder what I am doing during the hours I'm not present at church. In the mornings I spend time in prayer and Biblical reflection. During afternoons, I may be visiting church members. I try to be home when my children get off the bus, and so I will work from home many afternoons or, if I have an evening meeting, to recharge before heading back to church. I do much of the administrative pastoral work from my office, but other locations provide more space for tasks that require creativity such as sermon or teaching preparation.

In coming months, you will hear about the Strategic Ministry Plan guiding our ministry as we move forward. As we continue our ministry together, I invite your questions, comments, concerns, and joys. God has called us together with purpose, that we might Love God. Follow Jesus. Invite All. So, we forge ahead! May God bless our efforts in this next step of our journey.



Meet Sylvia Xing, Ministry in Context Student

by Pastor Erin Clausen

On September 6, PoP will receive our first ever Ministry in Context Student, Sylvia Xing. She shares this brief biography:

Sylvia earned a Master of Arts in Faith, Culture, and Christian Educational Leadership from Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary in 2023. Following her graduation, she was invited to serve as the Christian Education Coordinator at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Park Ridge. In 2025, responding to the call of the Holy Spirit, Sylvia began pursuing a Master of Divinity at the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago. She also entered the candidacy process of the Metropolitan Chicago Synod as she prepares for the Ministry of Word and Sacrament.

Prior to her theological studies, Sylvia earned a Master of Business Administration from City University of Seattle in Washington in 2008. Service in Christian faith is her second vocation.

Sylvia and her husband Ji have one son and one daughter-in-law. They are also proud grandparents of their grandson, Ethan, who is now eight months old.

Sylvia also shares about her faith and life:

My journey of faith is completely different from most people born into Christian families and raised in environments where they can freely practice their Christian faith. These people possess such precious treasures from the very beginning of their lives!

I was not born in a Christian family. It was only in my later years that I found the Christian faith, and forty years after first time hearing about God and the Bible, I received my first theological education at a seminary. I'm truly very grateful! Christian faith has helped me gradually understand the true meaning: where I come from, what purpose of my life is in this world, how to live a meaningful life, and why we praise the Lord.

I was baptized in Beijing on Easter Sunday in 2011. I was the first Christian in my family. On the Sunday before Christmas in 2015, my son Aaron was baptized at Grace University Lutheran Church in Minneapolis, where he studied at the University of Minnesota. On Epiphany Sunday in 2024, my husband Ji became a child of God.

In my family, there are five of us and the cat. My husband, our only son Aaron, his wife, and our grandson Ethan, who is almost eight months old. Ethan is truly adorable. I mainly help take care of my daughter-in-law's adorable cat, Momo, because she and my son are busy looking after Ethan. Ji helps them a lot, and he also provides support to me both in spirit and daily life. I spend some time with Ethan every week.

I really love nature. I love walking with friends, enjoy watching the water surface on Lake Michigan Beach, and listening to its sound. I love church life. I enjoy musing in front of Christian artworks and various architectural works. I can play table tennis (playing Ping pong).

I enjoy having lunch or dinner with new and old friends, building relationships, and sharing faith stories. I'm not a good cook, but I can make classic Chinese dumplings. Since I started studying at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, coffee has become my wonderful spiritual companion, giving me energy, especially when reading and writing at night.

Please pray for Sylvia and her husband as we prepare to receive her with joy and grace on September 6.

Youth News

Jose Macias

Sunday School Begins September 13th at 9:00 am
Blessing of 3-year-olds & commissioning of Sunday School teachers at the
beginning of worship service at 9:45 am

Sunday School Registration

Please register your child for Sunday School now! Registration for the upcoming school year's Sunday school program may be found at princeofpeace.net under Youth -> Youth Registration. Sunday School will be held on Sunday mornings from 9:00 to 9:40 am. If you would like to volunteer as a teacher, or sub, contact Jose Macias at 773-851-6732 or youth@princeofpeace.net. Sunday School teachers will be commissioned during the worship hour at 9:45 am on Sunday, September 13th. Sunday School Teacher Orientation will be held in late August. We look forward to an exciting new year of classes!

Sunday School Kick-Off and News You Can Use

Please be in attendance as we **Kick Off** the first day of Sunday School on Sunday, September 13th. Sunday School will start at 9:00 am followed by worship at 9:45 am We will commission our Sunday School teachers at this time and will have the Blessing of the Three-Year Olds for any of our younger members. If you are a parent of a three- or four-year-old who will be starting Sunday School for the first time this fall and have not yet registered, please do so, information above. We are looking forward to a great year of learning ahead!

KICKOFF Retreat for 6th to 8th graders

Spend all day Saturday, September 19th at Dickson Valley Retreat Center doing fun activities and small group discussions. The highlight is the summer sledding hill! Cost is \$60 per person and includes lunch and dinner. Carpooling from Prince of Peace is provided. Speak to Pastor Erin if interested in a scholarship. Click [here](#) to register before 9/1.

A holy treasure has vanished from the temple library.

Can YOU uncover the truth?



THE MISSING PARABLE SCROLL

◆ An Emerge Youth Group Event ◆

Confirmation students are welcome!

Sunday, September 27, 2026, Noon – 3 PM



Register on Realm



Play a Character



Uncover Clues



Solve the Mystery



Pizza Lunch

Step into an ancient temple library, take on a character role, question your fellow players, and race to solve a whodunit mystery — all before the evening service begins.

RSVP BY SEPTEMBER 16

Register on Realm! Scan the QR code above.

Questions? Text or call Karyn Zielinski 847-436-2789.

Your role will be sent to you by September 20.

◆ All are welcome — bring a friend! ◆

[Click here to register for the Parable Scroll](#)



Music Notes...

by Scott Uddenberg

"Not seven times, but I tell you 77 times" **Matthew 18:22**

So, as I'm sitting here in my office at church putting together another tidings article, I am not even a week from returning home from my trip to the Netherlands, Belgium, and France with a community band and chorus made up of 80 people from 16 different states. This was my third year I had an opportunity to take a trip like this, and there were a number of people who had gone on these trips the prior two years that were once again traveling through these central European countries with me. Again, this year I had an opportunity to see many wonderful things, eat lots of wonderful food, drink many wonderful beverages, have rewarding musical performances, and wonderful connections with both people I knew well and new friends.

But as it's true with every trip, a couple of significant moments seem to capture your imagination and memory the most. For me on this trip two things come to mind. The first is our second performance that we did outside of the Belgium city of Brugge. Our choral program included a piece entitled for the fallen and was written as a memorial to service men and women who have lost their lives in battle. I had picked this piece to sing on this trip because one of our stops was to be the beaches of Normandy, landing place of the D-Day invasion in 1944.

However, the most touching moment of the impact of this particular work may have been on the second performance just across the street from what seemed to be just a cornfield in the middle of Belgium. It's the conclusion of our concert. Emily and I had an opportunity to have a conversation with some of the local residents of the region who came to see the concert. In addition to expressing their gratitude and thanks for sharing our music, they added that the peace for the fallen had a particular poignancy for this community. Just across from the cornfield from where we did our performance is the infamous Flanders field location of the most significant and lengthy battle in World War I. The same battlefield in which the now famous Christmas night cease-fire in no man's land took place in 1917.

The residents of this province in Belgium expressed how the history of this area still has significance to the residents who live there now, and how taking the opportunity to remember the lives that were lost in those extraordinary long days of battle still to this day, bring poignancy and emotion to their hearts. I personally was touched that the choice of this piece had that kind of impact on a community and a time period beyond the scope of what I thought it's impact would be. It shows that memories of traumatic events can be quite long and that forgiveness over great conflict can take generations to take hold.

The truth then revealed itself as well as I walked along the beaches of Normandy, where American, British, Canadian, and Australian troops landed on D-Day June 6, 1944. Many of the young men that came to shore that day never saw family or loved ones ever again. But it is very obvious that for the people who live there today, their sacrifice has not gone unnoticed or forgotten. A new generation of people are living in a time of personal and economic freedom due to the sacrifices of those soldiers on that day and the additional thousands of soldiers that came to shore in the following weeks.

Many of those soldiers that did come home found it hard to forgive either those that they fought or themselves or the friends that they lost. The text from Matthew reminds us of the importance and significance of forgiveness. Not only for our neighbors, but also for ourselves for those many steps that we have taken only we ourselves can forgive. 77 times. The point is not the number. The point is that forgiveness should be given freely and often.

So, as we begin our ministries at Prince of Peace this fall forgiveness should be at the forefront of our hearts for both our neighbors and ourselves.

We have a number of wonderful opportunities to share our time and talents at Prince of Peace. Please take the time to find out how your talent and skills can help us best to Love God, Follow Jesus, and Invite All.

A New Fiscal Year of Opportunity and Renewal

Happy New Fiscal Year! As Prince of Peace steps into this new season, we do so with gratitude and optimism. The restructuring of several staff positions this past year was a significant change, yet it has opened new doors for shared ministry and fresh leadership across our congregation.

Our financial picture shows both challenge and encouragement. FY26 **year-end results showed a deficit of \$61,667**, and our FY27 **budget anticipates a deficit of \$32,048**. While still a shortfall, this is **much smaller than deficits in past years**, reflecting careful stewardship and the faithful generosity of our congregation.

Even more encouraging is our current financial strength. As of **June 30, 2026**, Prince of Peace holds **\$647,274 in total cash on hand** — including **\$459,235 in unrestricted/undesignated funds** and **\$188,039 in restricted funds**. This healthy balance gives us stability and room to plan boldly for mission and ministry in the year ahead.

This moment also brings tremendous opportunity for lay ministry. With restructuring comes space for new voices, new hands, and new hearts to step forward. Prince of Peace has always been rich in gifts: hospitality, teaching, music, administration, outreach, care, and more. Now is a wonderful time for members to share their time and talents in ways that strengthen our shared ministry.

We enter this fiscal year with hope, strength, and possibility. Our mission remains strong, our financial footing is steady, and our congregation is filled with people ready to make a difference.

Prince of Peace is ready to move — together, with faith, courage, and joy.

Blessings,

Carol Pfeifer, Director - Board of Finance

Lisa Benson, Treasurer

A Special THANKS From the Board of Fellowship

During these past beautiful weeks of summer, the Board of Fellowship received a generous amount of help from a wide variety of folks serving coffee and bakery treats on Sundays after worship.

How fortunate we are to have such a willing and positive group of congregation members who rolled up their sleeves to keep everybody well-fortified.

All of us from the Board of Fellowship are deeply grateful for this support which gave us a bit of a “summer vacation.” We’re greatly looking forward to serving you with grace and vibrancy in the coming year!

Thanks again to the following members of the “Summer Fellowship Squad”:

June 7	Board of Finance
June 21	Choir
June 28	Executive Board
July 5	Board of Worship
July 12	Book Club
July 19	Community Engagement/Ushers
July 26	Board of Preschool

Sincerely,

Lori LoPresto, Director—Board of Fellowship



Stephen Ministry
What Does Your Future Hold?
By Janet Ichida



"For I know I have plans for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." **Jeremiah 29:11**

My daughter Stephanie posted a special update on her Facebook page complete with great photos. You see, Oliver, my youngest grandson, just began his last year of high school. He is officially a senior. Visions of setting new records on his swimming team splash through his head. Then there is Teddy, who will be heading out to begin his college years while future career options dance through his brain. Stephanie will be teaching at the same school, but she will now be teaching math. She can attempt to count the changes that will bring to her and her students. Chris will continue at the same law firm with hopefully pride in his choices. Then there is Bob and I who both continue with an amalgam of health concerns. What will that mean to us?

Who knows what the future holds? We can all try our darndest to have an impact on the future, but there are continual surprises along the path. Nobody knows for sure what lies ahead. We can't see around the corner of the calendar to check out the future. We can do our best to have safeguards in place, but in the end, those preparations may not hold at all. You should see the list of doctors Bob and I have stored on our phones. We both went through unwanted divorces that wounded our hearts. We had multiple miscarriages preventing another child on our list of dependents. We have lists of new addresses and I have changed jobs. What does your future hold? Will you go to doctors with specialties you can't pronounce? Will the number of people who live with you change in size? Will a close friend or family member go to their forever home soon? Will your finances plummet?

A Stephen Minister can help you process any of these big changes. They can't find you a date for Saturday or get your bank account larger, but they are great listeners who guarantee confidentiality. There are no crystal balls or magic tea bags, but there is time to talk and even pray. You don't need to know any Bible verses or even go to church services each week.

Help is just a phone call away. Call any of us up for more information.

Janet Ichida
630-650-8336

Pam Johnson
847-382-7521

Glenda Klein
847-519-3933

Tom Pfeiffer
847-313-5702

Mary Simonis
847-571-2541

School Supplies Collection for Lutheran Social Services of Illinois— Interim Report

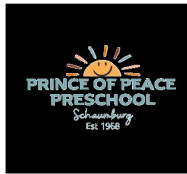
Thank you to everyone who contributed backpacks, school supplies, and donations towards the purchase of backpacks. LSSI is always grateful for our support!

On July 30th, 91 backpacks and 5 boxes of supplies, plus Target gift cards worth \$430.00 were picked up and transported to the Chicago office. One donation was received too late to use before the pickup date, so our final total of backpacks will be higher.

Please pray for the safety and well-being of these children and their caregivers.

Chris Chason, Board of Serving Ministries





Early Childhood Programs at Prince of Peace

By Michelle Heberling, Director

Greetings from the preschool!

A New School Year Begins!

It's hard to believe another school year is here! Our classrooms are once again filled with happy children, new friends, laughter, learning, and lots of excitement.

We are so blessed to welcome back our returning families and meet our new students. At Prince of Peace Preschool, we look forward to helping each child grow in confidence, kindness, knowledge, and faith as they discover the wonderful world God has created.

We are grateful for our dedicated teachers, supportive families, and church family who make our preschool such a special place. Please keep our students, families, and teachers in your prayers as we begin another wonderful year!

Here's to a year filled with learning, laughter, friendship, and God's blessings!

Community Meal Update and Thanks!

We have captured something special with our Community Meal event here at Prince of Peace.

On July 21st we welcomed approximately 120 guests from our community and served approximately 232 meals (including "take-home" meals).

Schaumburg Township provided 40 generous bags of foodstuffs for our guests to take home or to share with others.

Costco provided a multitude of fresh produce, yogurt, and baked goods for our guests to take home or to share with others.

Andy's Frozen Custard provided 75 cups of delicious frozen custard as a dessert treat for our guests.

The Community Meal provided us with a plentiful supply of brats and hot dogs, buns, and all the fixins' for a delicious meal.

More than 30 volunteers from Prince of Peace secured donations, set-up the Fellowship Hall, prepared food, welcomed guests, grilled brats and hot dogs, served meals, bussed tables, cleaned up, and provided their time, enthusiasm, and "service above self" attitude which created a marvelous overall atmosphere!

Extra special THANKS to our volunteers for their grace and vibrancy.

This FREE meal for ALL who attend aligns with our overall mission as a congregation to build relationships with our neighbors, invite others to engage with the goodness of the Holy Spirit, and to provide a welcoming environment for friendly fellowship!

Our next meal will be held on Tuesday, September 29, 2026, from 5:00 – 6:15 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please come and invite a friend... or two...or three!

We will be sending out an electronic signup form inviting all who wish to volunteer to please let us know their specialty area and join us in providing another special evening for our community.

Questions? Please see Judy Farb or Mark Walther

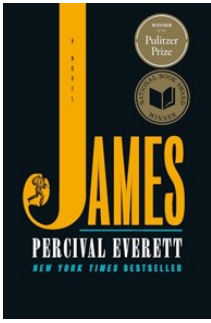
Warmly,

Judy Farb – Coordinator

Mark Walther - Coordinator



Prince of Peace Book Club Selection for September



The Prince of Peace Book Club will meet on Friday September 25th at 10 AM in room 213. In addition, the evening book club will meet September 30th at 7 PM in room 213. Our book selection for the month is “James” by Percival Everett and is a Pulitzer Prize Winner.

A brilliant, action-packed reimagining of *Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*, both harrowing and darkly humorous, told from the enslaved Jim's point of view. In development as a feature film to be produced by Steven Spielberg.

When Jim overhears that he is about to be sold to a man in New Orleans, separated from his wife and daughter forever, he runs away until he can formulate a plan. Meanwhile, Huck has faked his own death to escape his violent father. As all readers of American literature know, thus begins the dangerous and transcendent journey by raft down the Mississippi River toward the elusive and unreliable promise of the Free States and beyond.

Brimming with the electrifying humor and lacerating observations that have made Everett a literary icon, this brilliant and tender novel radically illuminates Jim's agency, intelligence, and compassion as never before.

Please join us for a good discussion. Questions can be given to Kathy Tweeten at kat8@aol.com or 847-971-0192.



Please Put Your Hands Together for Our “SOIL STEWARDS”

Maintaining the beauty of our campus lawn, bushes, trees, and parking lot islands is a labor-intensive task that requires the teamwork of several highly devoted volunteers...especially during these hot summer months.

When you have a moment, please peek at our manicured lawn, trimmed bushes and trees, and neatly groomed parking lot islands.

This is the work of our “SOIL STEWARDS!”

Please reach out and let them know how much we appreciate their diligent and dedicated efforts:

Larry Brauner
Dave Ciaglo
Laura Gibbs
Mike Gibbs
Tom Hoff
Mark Tooren

Warmly,

Mark Walther, Director–Board of Property





Schaumburg Township Food Pantry Items Needed

by Sue Patt

Hard to believe but the kids are back in school. The needs this month are for individual lunchbox items so the students can focus on having their best year. As always, the pantry is grateful for any and all donations. The need is still great.

Please continue to donate as you can with actual food donations or possibly a monetary donation to www.schaumburgtownship.org and scroll down to the Make a Donation button.

individual lunch box items

gluten free pasta

granola bars

salt and pepper

muffin mixes

spam

personal hygiene items – shampoo, conditioner, soap

tampons and maxi pads

adult incontinence items

baby diapers – sizes 5, 6, 7

canned peaches

household cleaning products

ramen noodles

low salt items

fruit snacks

jelly – any kind

mayonnaise, mustard, ketchup, BBQ sauce

tomato paste, tomato sauce

Pasta Roni and Rice A Roni

coffee and tea

Special THANKS for Our Recent Technology Infrastructure Upgrades!

We are indeed fortunate to have wise and talented congregation members who work tirelessly to maintain our building's technology infrastructure!

Necessary cabling, new network controller, access points, and switches, improved printer connectivity, phone enhancements, and additional security features represent the core of the work completed.

Their time, expertise, and commitment to our congregation and our building's tech-related systems help to keep us all communicating, creating, and connecting with each other and our community in a highly efficient manner.

Please reach out and let **Mike Gibbs, Jim Beck, and Mike Beck** know how much we appreciate their diligence and devotion for our recent technology infrastructure upgrades!

Sincerely,

Mark Walther, Director–Board of Property

2026 -2027 DATES

Questions? Contact Mark Walther
224-281-1166

BINGO

SEPT. 11 2026		FEB. 5 2027		JULY 9 2027
	DEC. 4 2026		MAY 7 2027	
OCT. 2 2026		MAR. 5 2027		AUG. 6 2027
	NO BINGO IN JAN. 2027		JUNE 4 2027	
NOV. 6 2026		APRIL 2 2027		SEPT. 10 2027

DOORS OPEN 6:00PM GAMES BEGIN 7:00PM

930 W. Higgins Rd.
Schaumburg, IL 60195

Prince of Peace
Lutheran Church



Second Saturday Date Night

Platzkonzert Germanfest/ HideAway Brew Garden

September 12th @ 6:30 pm



One more chance to enjoy outdoor festivities this year! The Hide Away Brew Garden and Hoffman Estates Park District are teaming up to create an Oktoberfest experience right in our "backyard"!

There will be German Foods, German Beers, and traditional German Music! Admission is free, food and beverages are available for purchase. Outside food and beverages are no longer allowed.

Bring your own chair or blanket and look for the friendly POP faces gathering on the grassy area behind the picnic tables!

Beginning at 8pm the band Hello Weekend will be performing a wide range of cover hits from Beach Boys to Lady Gaga.

At 9:30 the cancelled drone show from the Fourth of July celebration will be shown at the Platzkonzert.

RSVP not required, but appreciated via Realm, email jwilksx2@gmail.com or text Jill at 847-754-7657.

BINGO NIGHT

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 11

Doors OPEN at 6PM
Games BEGIN at 7PM

\$500 in Bingo prize money

\$30 / 10 games
\$2 / Dabber (or BYO)

\$10 / Dinner:
Lucky Number Meal Deal includes
Delectable Sloppy Joe Sandwich
Coleslaw / Chips / Water or Soda

\$5 / Dinner:
Lucky Number Meal Deal includes
Large Slice of Pizza / Water or Soda

\$3 Ice Cream Sundaes
\$1 Popcorn
\$1 / bottle: water / soda

No alcohol allowed.
Must be 18 or older.

"Split the Pot" Raffle: \$1 / each or \$5 / 6
Our next Bingo Night will be held on Friday October 2, 2026

Questions? Contact Mark Walther
224-281-1166

We are celebrating our 2-Year Anniversary!

Bring a friend!

Wear your favorite high school, college, or team T-SHIRT!

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
930 W. Higgins Rd.
Schaumburg, IL 60195

Adult Learning Opportunities

(Meeting locations may change)

Passages meets on the 1st & 3rd Thursday evenings at 6:30pm. Please contact the [church office](#) with questions.

Men's Bible Study Group meets on Mondays at 7:00pm in Room 213 and virtually. Please contact [Tom Pfeifer](#) with questions.

Rebekah Circle - meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 1:30pm. Please contact [Pam Johnson](#) with questions.

Vine & Branches—meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 1:30pm. Contact [Renee Lucas](#) with questions.

Please contact the church office at 847/885-7010 for more information.



Prince of Peace Mission Statement
Love God – Follow Jesus – Invite All

Dear Jamaa (extended family),

You have generously supported us and our work in Tanzania for 33 years. As we conclude our service with ELCA in 2026, we are acutely aware of all the ways you have been involved.

40 evangelists from Ketumbeine and Gelai invited us to a farewell. They asked us to convey their thanks to the Lutheran congregations that sponsored them in their 3-year theological training. 24 of these long-term and committed evangelists have each been given a new motorcycle to assist them in their church work and with their family needs. In the photo they are holding copies of Luther's small catechism in Swahili.



The staff of Kirurumo Health Center are very excited about the finishing stages of the new inpatient department. The staff want to thank you for enabling this construction to move quickly.



Recently, Dr. Pedro's surgical team came from Spain to offer free surgical care for about 100 patients from remote areas. The young woman undergoing surgery had a chronic and extensive bone infection in her tibia for 15 years. Her family is thrilled that she is finally free of osteomyelitis.



Last month Naapok Bead Project had a special gathering to inform village and church leaders that despite our departure, the project continues making and selling beadwork, providing a campsite, and operating a microloan program. The artisans were very encouraged by the recognition and positive support they received from village leaders. Beadwork sold in your churches over the past 25 years has helped these women learn basic business skills, build homes, educate children, and install efficient stoves. They have experienced God's provision through you and are grateful.



May we all continue in God's global mission.

With our deep thanks,
Steve and Bethany Friberg



And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.
Micah 6:8

2026 – 2027 UPCOMING EVENTS

WED. JULY 22, 2026 COMPLETED Author Kit Sergeant	TUES. DEC. 8, 2026 7PM – 9PM ESO Holiday Brass / Percussion Ensemble	SAT. APRIL 24, 2027 6PM – 9PM The Tony Ocean Show
FRI. SEPT. 18, 2026 6PM – 9PM ARTsong: A Vocal Recital & Art Exhibition	SAT. JAN. 23, 2027 7PM – 9:30PM The Semple Band	SAT. MAY 22, 2027 7PM – 9PM Elmhurst Choral Union - Mozart Requiem
SUN. OCT. 11, 2026 4PM – 6PM Purdue University Glee Club	SAT. FEB. 20, 2027 6PM – 9PM Denny Diamond - Neil Diamond Tribute	FRI. MAY 28, 2027 7PM – 8:30PM ESO String Quartet Concert
FRI. OCT. 23, 2026 6PM – 9PM Illusionist Bill Cook	FRI. MARCH 19, 2027 7PM – 9PM The Last Supper Chronicles	SAT. JUNE 5, 2027 7PM – 10PM Fifty/Fifty Nostalgic Rock Band Concert
FRI. NOV. 20, 2026 6PM – 9PM Josh Scholl Queen Tribute Performance	SAT. APRIL 10, 2027 7PM – 10PM Trivia Night for the Board of Youth	All tickets will generally be \$30 but may be subject to change
For Questions, Please Contact: Church Office: 847-885-7010 Mark Walther: 224-281-1166		

930 W. Higgins Rd. Schaumburg, IL 60195
 **Prince of Peace Lutheran Church**

SAVE THE DATES: 2026 Deaf Ministry Fundraiser Events

 COMPLETED: Monday May 4 Jersey Mike's Raised: \$63.75	 COMPLETED: Wed. May 20 Red Robin Raised: \$196.53	 COMPLETED: Tues. June 9 Portillo's Raised: \$61.00	 COMPLETED: Tues. June 23 Panera Bread Raised: \$61.39	 EVENT CANCELLED RESTAURANT CLOSED
 COMPLETED: Mon. July 27 Village Tavern Raised: \$0.00	 Wed. Aug. 19 All Day Lou Malnati's 1 South Roselle Rd Schaumburg	 Mon. Sept. 14 11am-9pm Culver's 1800 Wise Rd. Schaumburg	 Wed. October 7 All Day Garibaldi's 2346 W. Higgins Rd. Hoffman Estates	 Wed. Nov. 4 All Day Buona 2352 W. Higgins Rd. Hoffman Estates

Fundraiser event flyers will be made available on Prince of Peace's facebook page near the date of each event.
 Thank you for your continuous support!

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Upcoming Events

August 25—Feed my Starving Children
 September 13—Sunday School starts
 September 29—The Community Meal
 October 18—CROP Hunger Walk
 November 10—The Community Meal
 November 15—Coffee with Council
 January 12—The Community Meal
 February 7—Coffee with Council
 March 9—The Community Meal
 April 10—Trivia Night for the Board of Youth
 May 2—Coffee with Council



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Worship Schedule:

Sundays, 9:45am
 Sunday School, 9:00am, beginning in September

Also available via Livestream on Facebook
 Prince of Peace Lutheran Church of Schaumburg
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