

# The Good News

*"To know the love of God in Jesus Christ, and to share that love through word and action."*

May 2024

## Getting Acquainted

You have invited me to join you as your Bridge Pastor. You've done Transition Work with Pastor Robert. You've filled out your Mission Site Profile paperwork and submitted it to the Oregon Synod. You've created the Call Committee who have interviewed a variety of pastor candidates. None of them were "the one".

So, you have invited me to join you as your Bridge Pastor. That simply means that I am here to accompany you while your Call Committee continues their work. I am here to preach and preside at your weekly worship services. I am here to be present with your Congregation Council. I am here to be available for you in times of need.

To do that well, we will need to get acquainted. I will seek to learn who you are as individuals and as a congregation. I will seek to hear your stories, and the ways in which God has guided you in your lives. I will seek to be present with you in your joys and in your sorrows.

As your Bridge Pastor, I am contracted for 20 hours a week. My schedule includes Sundays (of course!) as well as Wednesday and Thursday as office days. That will usually be from 9 to 3.

Edith in the office will be the most efficient way for you to contact me. She will know where I am and when I will be in the office.

If you'd like to schedule some time to visit with me, that is best done by email ([PrSLH48@gmail.com](mailto:PrSLH48@gmail.com)).

If your cell phone caller ID shows an "802" number – that could be me calling you.

## Women's Retreat at Camp Lutherwood

Join us July 26-28, for the women's retreat at "A Place Set Apart" Camp Lutherwood! This is an amazing opportunity to spend time getting to know our sisters in Christ from all over the state and to take a break from the day to day world.

Enjoy a weekend of rest, relaxation, reflection, and repast set along the banks of the Little Tom River in Cheshire, Oregon.

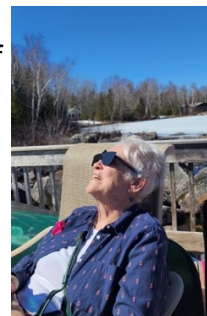
Camp Lutherwood has dormitory-style cabins (many with air conditioning and in cabin restrooms), swimming pool, archery range, hiking, star-gazing platform, and indoor and outdoor gathering places, firesides at night. Meals are prepared by the camp chef. Daily study and worship round out the weekend.

Cost is \$150 and is done online at <https://www.lutherwoodoregon.org/camp>. Carpooling will be available. We will leave Prince of Life at 3:30 pm to arrive by 5 pm on Friday, July 26th. We will be returning mid-afternoon on July 28.

Please contact Lennie Torgerson at 503-939-3480 if you have any questions.

This picture was taken last week in Northern Maine as I visited my hometown with lots of family to watch the eclipse. It was glorious! I'm looking forward to some glorious times with all of you as well.

Bridge Pastor  
Sharon L. Hughes





## Searching For Grant Recipients

The Mission Endowment Fund is looking for grant recipients.

Now is the time to fill out your application. You can pick up a form from Edith in the church office. Or applications are available on the narthex bulletin board.

It is a simple form. The board would be happy to help fill out the form if help is needed. The decision on grants will be made in October. So now is the time to apply.

Last year we were able to give grants in the amount of \$862.00 to Project Start Right and the new chapel at Legacy Emmanuel Hospital.

If you know of a charity or individual encourage them to apply. Or contact the Mission Endowment Board.

I also encourage you to donate to the Mission Endowment Fund. As the fund grows so does our ability to donate to charities. The principal is never touched. Only the interest is withdrawn each year to fulfill grant applications.

Sue Stark

## Week by Week Fun and Fellowship

**Second Sunday:  
All-Church Potluck**

**May 12th is Mother's Day!**

"Let me do the cooking, Mom!" is our theme for our May potluck. Families, you make the dish and let mom rest!

There will be a sign up in the Narthex.

Potlucks are always on the second Sunday of every month!

Questions: [cindyborders24@gmail.com](mailto:cindyborders24@gmail.com)

**Third Friday:  
Game Night  
(May 17th)**

Bring a potluck dish and your favorite board game and join us for our monthly game night.

Questions: [cindyborders24@gmail.com](mailto:cindyborders24@gmail.com)

**Third Tuesday :  
Men's Lunch  
(May 21st)**

Retired men in the congregation are invited to meet in Oregon City's Wichita Pub at noon each third Tuesday of the month for food and fellowship. If you need a ride, call Harlow Jacobson at 503-656-1616.



## HOPE Garden Help Needed

If Prince of Life is to have a productive garden of HOPE this year, gardeners are needed.

If you would like to plant, weed, water and tend our garden, please contact Annie Sakaguchi at 503-305-5479

# May Celebrations!

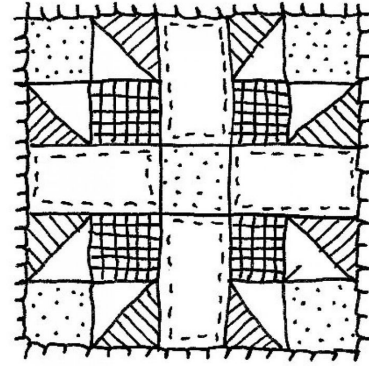
## Birthdays

- 2 Brad Daniels
- 3 Alexis Schaefer
- 5 Ryan Paschall
- 6 Dick Martin
- 10 Bonnie Cochise
- 13 Carol Cranston, Paul Swanson
- 14 Gary Johnson  
Cory Wiese, Linda Wiese
- 15 Kristen Paschall, Yuanita Stuart
- 21 Alicia Haunschild
- 24 Bob Aaserude, Mary Jo Tyler
- 25 Liz Hagans
- 26 Jim Randolph
- 27 John Herrington
- 28 Marlys Estola, Luke Paschall

## Anniversaries

- 03 Bob & Carol Bresky
- 14 Jim & Heather Randolph
- 23 Mark & Eileen Tabert
- 25 Kurt & Lennie Torgerson
- 26 Dennis and Sally Pierce
- 26 John & Cheri Rizzo

### God's blessings on your special day!



## Give Thanks for Quilters

To all the quilters who made the beautiful quilt that covered my daughter Kathleen as she took her last breaths due to cancer, I am so very grateful.

Kathleen was the joy of our family. We miss her but know she is in a much better place. Kathleen's husband Steve gave the quilt to me to take home to St. Louis, my home.

It now covers me and keeps me warm and I know Kathleen is holding me close as I say, "Good Night sweet girl."

We give thanks for the gifts of family, friendship, and love.

Fondly from the grateful mother.  
Kathleen gave laughter, smiles and beautiful crafts. We lost a unique young lady at 55.

Dee Dowd

## Green Planet

Reduce, reuse and recycle. Important words, but we need to go further. These are two short videos explaining "circular economy". A different way of thinking.

<https://youtu.be/zCRKvDyyHml?si=pS0FIrFYHkKyMDnl>

[https://youtu.be/Cd\\_isKtGaf8?si=uvVBPTr7lq1nk1Au](https://youtu.be/Cd_isKtGaf8?si=uvVBPTr7lq1nk1Au)

Take care of each other and our fragile planet.

Peace, *Carol Bresky*





## Campaign Results

- We are so grateful to the \$815.00 Prince of Life raised during Easter season. It was a huge blessing especially as I might assume that this also generated prayer for Love INC and our neighbors in need.
- Eight of our partnering churches contributed during this campaign and a few contributed in other ways.
- We were fundraising for a new program we are launching called Healthy Together. This program raises awareness for those in poverty and provides education and training to those in need. We are looking to better communicate fundraisers like this with our partners in the future.

Thank you again Prince of Life for your generosity and support!  
Together we are changing lives!

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Thank you!

We raised \$48,275.22 with nearly 200 donors!  
That's 97% of our goal.

The majority of these funds will be utilized to address the ongoing issues of poverty in Clackamas County. We are excited to introduce a pioneering initiative called "Healthy Together," which aims to unite churches and individuals who are facing poverty to work together towards long-term solutions. Our objective is to cultivate authentic relationships, offer practical and sustainable solutions, and ultimately end the cycle of poverty in our community.

What are the Numbers?

- One of three face overwhelming difficulties every month.
- One of eight experience crippling poverty.
- When asked, 61% of the people we serve expressed an interest in improving their quality of life.

We are excited to share this with you and would love to keep you updated on the impact of your donation and how it is making a difference in the lives of those we serve.

If you have any questions or would like further information about the Love INC program and initiatives, please reach out to us at [clackmaslovinc.org](http://clackmaslovinc.org)

Once again, thank you for your incredible support. Together we are spreading love, kindness, and hope throughout our community.

With Love In Christ's Name,  
The LoveINC of Clackamas County Team.

## Full Altar Update



FIRST EVANGELICAL  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
OF  
OREGON CITY

*"...to be fully devoted to Christ..."*

*March 25, 2024*

*Prince of Life Lutheran Church  
13896 Meyers Rd  
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*Dear Friends in Christ,*

*Today we received an amazing donation of food collected by your dear church. A total of 718 lbs was added to our pantry shelves this morning! We are delighted that you continue your support of our food program in such a faithful way. Our clients here at the HOPE food pantry will be happy to have a variety of new things to select from tomorrow.*

*May God continue to bless our efforts together as we serve our neighbors and community. And may God bless you and your families this Easter Season with good health, joy, and peace as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.*

*In His Holy name,*

*Ken Bostrack, Ken Stanton  
HOPE Pantry Coordinators*

### Backpack Buddies

Thank you for the great food donation to Backpack Buddies which came from the collection during the Lenten season!

We were so blessed with over 50 pounds of food. This food has already been used and packed up into bags ready to go. They are distributed on a weekly basis to the identified kids at Gaffney Lane Elementary School.

Thank you for donating the food that kids like to eat which still have nutritional value. We appreciate all your support!

Cathy Warner

## May Sermon Scriptures

(Revised Common Lectionary)

### Sixth Sunday of Easter - May 5, 2024

Acts 10:44-48

Psalm 98

1 John 5:1-6

John 15:9-17

### Seventh Sunday of Easter - May 12, 2024

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

Psalm 1

1 John 5:9-13

John 17:6-19

### Day of Pentecost - May 19, 2024

Acts 2:1-21 or Ezekiel 37:1-14

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Romans 8:22-27 or Acts 2:1-21

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

### Trinity Sunday - May 26, 2024

Isaiah 6:1-8 and

Psalm 29

Romans 8:12-17

John 3:1-17

## Wednesday Morning Bible Study:

Each Wednesday at 10 am, we gather to study scripture for the coming Sunday's sermon. Please join us, all are welcome!

## May Confirmation Classes

Confirmation classes will meet on  
May 5th and 12th,  
after worship at 11:30 am  
at West Linn Lutheran Church



West Linn Community Chorus

# Wanderlust

Songs of Travel

May 11 at 4 pm

New Thought Center for Spiritual Living

For tickets, visit [www.westlinnchorus.org](http://www.westlinnchorus.org)

# Prince of Life Lutheran Church Calendar May 2024

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed.	Thurs	Fri	Sat
<p><i>For the most up-to-date calendar information, visit our website: <a href="https://princeoflife.org/">https://princeoflife.org/</a></i></p> <p><b>Please submit your articles for the June newsletter by May 15.</b></p>			<b>1</b> 10 am Bible Study 4:00 pm Music 6:30 pm <i>Addiction Recovery</i>	<b>2</b> 9 am Peace by Piece Quilters 6:30 pm <i>Cub Scouts</i>	<b>3</b> 6 pm Scrap-Booking	<b>4</b> 9 am Scrap-Booking
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<b>12</b> <b>Mother's Day</b> 9:30 am Sanctuary, Zoom & Parking Lot Worship Recorded Worship Available after noon 11 am All Church Potluck 10:30 Sunday School 11:30 am Confirmation Class @ WLLC 2 pm <i>Private Event</i>	<b>13</b> 4:30 <i>Private Event</i> 6 pm <i>Private Event</i>	<b>14</b> 11:am Staff Mtg. 6 pm Property Committee Mtg. 7 Council Mtg	<b>15</b> 10 am Bible Study 4:00 pm Music 6:30 pm <i>Addiction Recovery</i>	<b>16</b> 9 am Peace by Piece Quilters 6:30 pm <i>Cub Scouts</i>	<b>17</b> 6:30 pm Family Game Night	<b>18</b> 9:30 <i>DAR</i>
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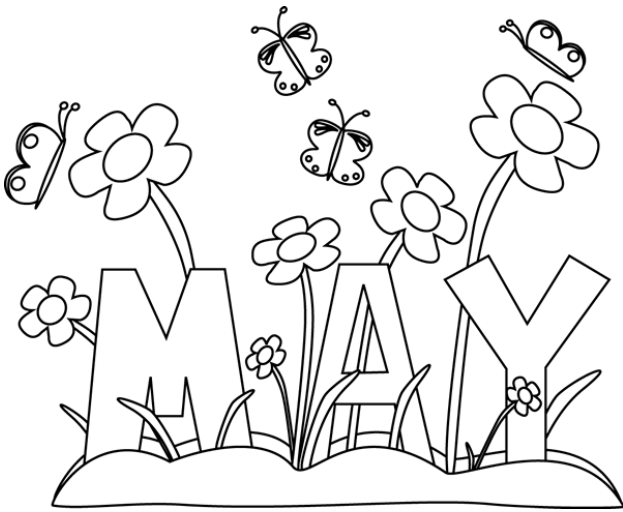
## Looking Ahead to June Graduations

Graduation Sunday: Are you or someone you know graduating this spring? We will be honoring graduates from 8th grade, high school, college and beyond on Sunday, June 9, at our monthly potluck.

Contact Cindy Borders at [cindyborders24@gmail.com](mailto:cindyborders24@gmail.com) for details on how we are honoring our grads.



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## PRINCE OF LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH

ALL ARE WELCOME! We are a Reconciling  
in Christ congregation.  
*To know the love of God in Jesus Christ, and to  
share that love through word and action*



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Director of Music Ministry: Jesse Cook  
Office Coordinator:  
Edith Sanguinetti Alben  
Council President: John Mohlis

### ***Prince of Life's Welcoming Statement:***

The love and mercy of God move us to welcome all people, including those who have ever felt excluded because of race, sex, age, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, physical or mental challenges, addictions, imprisonment, economic status, family status, or anything that might divide us.

Whatever your country of origin or ancestry, wherever you are on your journey of faith, we welcome you.

**Our unity is in Christ.**