



PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Living, Learning, and Growing in the Word of God

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6th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, July 5, 2026

Welcome to worship in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ! Our Lord Jesus calls us to give thanks and praise to Him together as a family and we are blessed to gather together each week to hear His Word to us and share in His Holy Supper. Please take a moment and look through the worship folder for more information about Prince of Peace Lutheran Church and our worship service.



Prayer is essential to who we are as a people of God. Below is a list of people to keep in your daily prayers. If you know of others who should be added to these lists, please contact the church office with their names

Serving our Community:

	Today	Next Week
Organist:	Garnet Snyder	
Choir Direct.	Margy Williams	
Secretary:	Vickie Onusko	
Altar Care:	Suzy Clevenger	Ann Frye
Lector:	Betsy Naggy	Kate Petrill
Lay Asst.:	Janie Hayden	
Counters:	Kellie Douglas Janie Hayden	Vickie Onusko Suzy Clevenger
Usher:	Kate Petrill	Kate Petrill

From our congregation: Audrey Spangler, Becky Planinsek, Debbie & George, Esther Toth, James Schultz, Janet Vid, Kevin Spangler, Maureen Black, Richard Schall, Sheila Thompson, and Sue Wintermeyer.

Our Shut-in members: Ginger Warren (Barnes Place) Ken Lloyd (Loyalhanna Suites) Jane Six (Ligonier Gardens)

Others in need of our prayers: Bill, Desiree, J. R. & Phyllis Mrosco, Judy James, Nancy, Peggy, Scott, Susan, Tom, Walter & Judy.

Those in the Military: Jacob Hay, Matt Mickinak, and Joseph Walters

Calendar for the Week of July 5, 2026

Today		
Monday		
Tuesday	7:00 PM 7:30 PM	Miracles at Work St. Vincent Theater
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday	7:00 PM	A New Beginning
Saturday		
Sunday	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	Early Worship Sunday Worship



VBS @ POP
Annual Picnic

August 10-12
August 16

Altar Flowers – are given to the Glory of God in celebration of the 250th birthday of America!! By Amy and James Schultz.

Newsletters – if you pick yours up at the church, the July edition is out on the table in the gathering space.

Joyful Noise Bucket – is on the table beside the offering basket. Please drop in your change to be used to help those in our own congregation who made need a little help.



Our cards of caring this week are for Garnet Snyder, who had surgery this past week and is recovering at home. Please take a moment this week to send a card or note with prayers for a speedy recovery.

Garnet Snyder
195 Old Route 30
Greensburg, PA 15601

Meals on Wheels News – Suzy Clevenger has taken on the role of our coordinator for MOW. The week for POP to pack lunches again is August 3-7. Suzy has a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board to add your name and phone number if you can help her out that week. She will get in contact with you as she navigates this new territory. You can call her at 724-244-3415 if you have any questions.

St. Vincent Summer Theater – If you signed up to go to the play, the tickets are \$26 each. Vickie will pick up the tickets with the church credit card, and you can put your money in the offering basket, clearly marked for St. Vincent Theater. See you Tuesday evening at the theater!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2026 – is being planned for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, August 10th, 11th and 12th. The theme is "Who is my Neighbor?". VBS will be held at POP this year. Dinner will start at 5:30pm, with sessions of music, crafts, Bible, games and snacks following from 6:00pm - 8:00pm. Children ages 3 through entering 6th grade are welcome as students. Those entering 7th grade and up are welcome as teachers and helpers. The final planning meeting will be held at Prince of Peace on Wednesday, July 22nd at 10:00am. We are looking for volunteers to help prepare and serve simple dinners. Teachers and helpers are also needed. Please see Pam Yuhaniak if you can help or have questions. There are registration forms in the gathering space.

MEAL IN A BAG Project – One of the projects the council has decided to participate in this summer is through the Union Mission in Latrobe. Called "Meal in a Bag", there is a plastic bag with a list of 5-7 items that can make a quick meal for around \$10. There are a few bags available in the gathering space if you can fill one up.

Water and Gatorade – we will also collect cases of water and Gatorade for the local fire companies again. They drink the water while on scene to stay hydrated, and the Gatorade helps them replenish when they are back at the station. If you need help getting them in the building, there is a wheeled cart, just ask for help. We'll continue to collect through July.

Annual Picnic – Join us on Sunday, August 16th at the beautiful Planinsek Pavilion on Youngstown Ridge. Hot Dogs and Burgers are provided. You are asked to bring a dish to share and your lawn chair if you wish. There is also a pond where you can go fishing or enjoy a nice walk. Watch for the sign-up sheet soon and plan to spend the afternoon in fellowship up on the ridge!

Women's Bible Study – the women of Zion's Lutheran in Greensburg invite our ladies to join their summer bible study on Wednesdays, July 8th and August 12th, at the corner of Pennsylvania Ave & 2nd Street. Doors open at 5:30 and bible study is 6-7 p.m. All are welcome to join.

Grief Support services – Lopatich-Brinker Funeral Home is again offering **Paws to Healing** at St. Cecilia's church on August 4th, and a new one called **Comfort Café**, which has had a change of location to **Canvas & Crumbs** inside the Latrobe Art Center on July 20th. Registration is required and more information is on the bulletin board in the gathering space.

Thrivent Action Teams - We are almost halfway into 2026. Have you completed your 2 projects yet? If not, and you need ideas, we have several drives going right here at POP that need items, like the Water and Gatorade, Food Bank Collections and Baggaley Care Closet. Don't let the Action Team resources go unused!

Plastic collection – unfortunately, the TRES company is no longer taking plastic in exchange for a bench. As of Today, we will no longer collect plastic at the church.

TNT taking a break – for July and August. We hope you enjoyed your celebration of America's 250th birthday and will join us in August for the annual family picnic.

Baggaley Care Closet – for the summer months Kim Stewart, Principal, would appreciate cleaning products and hygiene items, as the closet still serves families over the summer in need of those items.

Food Bank Collections – we are still collecting items for the Latrobe food bank. PLEASE MAKE SURE THE ITEMS ARE NOT EXPIRED. We will also continue to collect the items that food stamps do not cover. The item for **July** is soap and body wash.

Secretary's office hours – This week I will be in the office on Tuesday and Thursday. Please call the office before stopping in to be sure I'm there if you need to see me. The deadline for announcements in the bulletin is still **Thursday at 10:00 a.m.** You can call or email the church office or call me at 724-757-6523. Thank you, Vickie

Stewardship Corner

As a country, we declared our independence from England on July 4, 1776. We fought the British in a war for the next few years until the British surrendered at Yorktown, Virginia, on October 19, 1781, effectively ending the war. George Washington became the first president of the United States in 1789. By God's grace through Jesus, we are so very blessed to be citizens of a country with all of its freedoms, especially the freedom of worship. We can attend church services and Bible studies without the threat of punishment or death. Let us not take our freedoms for granted but thank God daily for our great country and its wonderful freedoms that we have enjoyed for 250 years.

SUNDAY SMILE

