



February 2010 Newsletter

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Haiti Earthquake Relief-LCMS

On Tuesday, January 12, 2010, Haiti experienced a catastrophic 7.0 magnitude earthquake. According to published reports, the quake killed an estimated 200,000 people, left 250,000 injured, and made 1.5 million homeless.

On behalf of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, LCMS World Relief and Human Care (the mercy arm of the LCMS) is working cooperatively with LCMS World Mission (the mission sending arm of the LCMS), LCMS congregations and districts, and U.S. and international partners to provide immediate and long-term relief for the people of Haiti and the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Haiti.



To share Christ's mercy with suffering Haitians, make a gift by calling toll free 888-930-4438, or mail donations marked "Haiti Earthquake Relief" to LCMS World Relief and Human Care, P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861.

Take Note...Sunday, February 14th

Sunday, February 14th is Transfiguration Sunday as well as the 22nd anniversary of Prince of Peace. Events on that Sunday include:

- 10:00 AM Service ONLY
- Congregational meal
- Pastor Buono will present the "State Of the Church"

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans *Let's thrive.*

In response to the earthquake devastation, Thrivent Financial has announced that the organization is matching \$1 for every \$2 donated by Thrivent members, up to \$1 million for the potential of generating \$3 million. Thrivent Financial members can help Haitian earthquake victims by making a gift online at www.thrivent.com/helpinghaiti or by phone at 800-236-3736, between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. CST, Monday through Friday. (At the telephone prompt, please say "directory" then enter ext. 83003.) Thrivent Financial will match a maximum of \$250 per Thrivent member donation. The matching gift opportunity ends March 31.

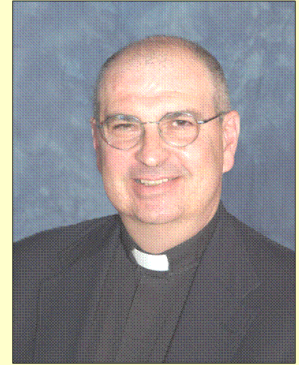
The VISION of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church is to be a healthy, caring, Christ-centered congregation that equips and encourages God's people to grow in faith, commitment, witness and service across their lifespan.

*The MISSION of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church is to
Gather, Grow, Give and Go...in Jesus Name.*

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Pastor's Message

By Rev. Dr. Neil Buono



Grace and peace to each of you this Epiphany season.

Our attention this time of Christmas - the Sundays from Advent through the end of the Epiphany season on Transfiguration Sunday - has been on HOPE. Hope is what Jesus is all about, and hope is what gives us, as God's people, the confidence that there is more to our living and being than just our present circumstances.

The Epiphany season closes on February 14th with the Celebration of the Transfiguration of our Lord. On that Sunday, we will celebrate our 22nd congregational anniversary. Events that morning include one service at 10 am, followed by a congregational meal and presentation on the "State of the Church." During that presentation, I will share my thoughts on how we are doing as a community of faith and where we are headed in the next year as we embark on the third year of our five year plan. I will present in a very preliminary way a sense of the way forward as I lay out the beginnings of a vision for mission and ministry based on what you said during the town hall forums this fall, and my own sense from over a decade in service to you.

The time of Easter begins this year on February 17th with Ash Wednesday. That's when Lent begins as we turn our attention to preparing our hearts spiritually for the Festival of the Resurrection of Our Lord on April 4th. This year our focus will be clearly and singularly on Jesus, as we unpack the many facets of the one deep truth of God - it's all about Jesus! I will present a full schedule for Lent in the next newsletter but for now will simply lay out for you the main elements:

- Our midweek series will center on the passion of our Lord through the lens of the second article of the Apostle's Creed - the article about Jesus!
- Our Sunday services will center on getting clarity about the person and work of Jesus for us, under the umbrella - "It's all about Jesus."
- This year, during Holy Week, we are adding a special healing service on Wednesday. The focus will be on "cleansing" as we reflect on our Lord's cleansing of the Temple in the final days of his life.
- We will again do a Good Friday Prayer Vigil. I want to strongly encourage everyone to be part of this day, whether or not you are physically present here. The Good Friday service will be built around a series of pastoral meditations on the passion of our Lord by the deacons and lay assistants.
- Easter will again include a sunrise service followed by two other services, with a breakfast tucked in between.

It's all about Jesus, and it's all about YOU! It's all about YOU because Jesus came into this world for YOU. In our world today, we want to be mindful that when we say, "it's all about you," that we say it with the right understanding - that each of us matters so much to God that God, in his mercy, sent Jesus to bring each of us back to him. We confess, "It's all about Jesus." God says, "It's all about you." God acts. We respond. God loves. We love in return, because he first loved us. This relationship with God through Jesus Christ is a deep mystery. It is the heart of who we are as God's Christian people. And the heart of God is Christ. It's all about Jesus!

God grant to each of us the fullness of his blessing as we prepare now to turn our hearts towards Calvary, and beyond the cross, to the empty tomb. The Lord bless and be with each of you.

Pastor Buono

Beginning in the February 2010 newsletter we will be adding this new section of the newsletter. It will include portraits of our POP families.

We hope you enjoy getting to know fellow members by reading more about them in the newsletter.



Joe and Aubree
Anderson
Shelby Grittman

Family Portraits of POP Members and Leadership

Joe Anderson - POP Congregational President

As we begin this new section of the newsletter, I would like to wish you a very Happy New Year for 2010! What can I tell you about my family and myself that you may not already know from knowing me through Prince of Peace? I will give this a shot; hopefully you will learn something in the next few minutes. So, here I go.

I am the Congregational President here at Prince of Peace for the period of July 2009 - June 2010, and have also been a member of this congregation since its inception in February 1988. My parents, Dave and Nikki Anderson were among the first 35 members that began this church under Pastor Arno Meyer. Prince of Peace has been my only true church home. I am in the process of obtaining my Bachelor's Degree from Washburn University and the School of Business while working part-time at Office Depot here in Topeka.

My girlfriend, Shelby Grittman, who regularly attends church with me, is attending Baker University here in Topeka in pursuit of her Bachelor's Degree in Nursing. She also works at a Patient Care Technician at Stormont-Vail Hospital on the weekends. Shelby and I have been dating for about 2 ½ years and enjoy doing many social activities together. We have been attending a bible study with 3 other couples at POP and are enjoying learning more about Jesus Christ from the Bible and also other members of the church.

Shelby and I, in our free time, enjoy attending Country Stampede together and also try to squeeze in some time for boating, swimming, and camping during the summer months. We also regularly travel to Kansas City to visit my sister, Erin Pittenger, and her family, which includes my twin nephews and 7-month-old niece, Faith, and my brother-in-law, Brandon. We enjoy playing Texas Hold'em Poker with family and friends on a monthly basis. In spite of distance limitations from Denver, Colorado, we do spend a good amount of time with my brother, Ben and his family which includes 1 daughter 21 months old and 1 daughter 2 months old and my sister-in-law, Sarah.

My daughter, Aubree, who turned 7 last December is a 1st grader at Topeka Collegiate School. She is a very avid reader (for her age) and enjoys spending her free time playing with her cousins, taking horse-back riding lessons, and boating and swimming in the summer time. Aubree has been a lifetime member of Prince of Peace and was baptized here at POP on Easter Sunday, 2005. She enjoys learning about our Savior, Jesus Christ and attended Topeka Lutheran CYC for her pre-school years before starting at TCS.

I will stop there, but if you would like to know more about my family, please feel free to let me know, I am always willing to have a cup of coffee or lunch and get to know you in return. We will be doing this on a regular basis, so if you or a member of your family would like to write up a short biography about your family, feel free to let me know. Thanks for being a member of Prince of Peace; I truly hope you get as much out of our church home as I do. May God Bless you and your family.

Tom Maurer - Congregational President-Elect

Tom and Marcia have been together as husband and wife for almost 32 years! While attending Kansas State University (Go State!), a chance meeting in Aggieville at a place known as Kite's piqued an interest and, "the rest, as they say, is history."

We are both native Kansans. Tom was born and raised in Marysville and a PK* and Marcia was born in Greensburg and raised in various communities throughout the state, her father being an educator and moving from time to time.

We have two children, Chad and Jill. Chad is currently in his 3rd year of medical school at KU Med, and Jill is in her 4th year of Architecture at Kansas State.

We've lived the majority of our married life in Topeka, Tom having worked for over 22 years with the company formerly known as Southwestern Bell Telephone. A three-year stint in New Jersey in the mid-80's has Chad as the only non-native Kansan in the family as he was born in Dover, New Jersey.

Tom currently has his own consulting business working with smaller telecommunications providers in Kansas, Oklahoma and Missouri. Marcia works for the accounting firm Mize, Houser & Company in downtown Topeka.

We've been involved with Prince of Peace since its inception in February 1988 and are looking forward to the ground breaking ceremony for the Sanctuary.

* preacher's kid AKA theological offspring

Mary Meier

I was married to Calvert Meier on July 31, 2008 and had four children with my deceased husband, Emil Meier.

Jennifer Whitcomb (husband, Robert)

Alexis Meier - 13
Jacob Whitcomb - 9
Victoria (Tori) Whitcomb - 6
Logan Whitcomb - 5

Jannelle Becker (husband, Gary)

Gary III - 11
Danaka (Dani) - 9

Jocelynn Dagosta (husband, Jason)

Jalen - 4
Jensen - 2 in March

Justin Meier

I am a charter member of Prince of Peace. I continue to be active in choir, Stephen Ministry, Board of Spiritual Life, LWML, Bible studies, and helping in the church office. In my free time I love to read and enjoy travel and spending time with family and friends. I do not have a regular paid job, but do enjoy helping a friend with her catering business occasionally.

We continue to pray for and support Jannelle as she continues to battle the cancer that she has had since 2006. Other relatives that attend Prince of Peace are my sister Melanie and her family, my brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Mark & Denise Meier and family, my cousin, Maggie Pinick, and my mother-in-law, Dorothy Meier.

Family Portraits of POP Members and Leadershi



Tom and Marcia Maurer



Calvert and Mary Meier

The Shults Family - Darren, Margaret, Mary and Matthew

We are the Shults family, and Margaret and I have been married for 9 years. We have two very energetic children who we love dearly. Mary is 8 and the oldest of the two. Matthew turned 7 on January 17. We are a very busy family. Margaret has been a true blessing for several reasons. Here are a few reasons I love Margaret. Margaret has a degree from Wichita State in Exercise Physiology, and has sacrificed her personal ambitions to marry me and stay home with our kids until both children were in school all day. Before we were married, Margaret worked at Via Christy Hospital as a Diabetes Educator, and she left this job to marry me. After we were married she worked at St. Francis Hospital in the Cardiac Rehabilitation Center. When she became pregnant with Mary, she decided to quit working outside of the home and work full time inside the home with our kids until they both were in school all day. When the kids were in school all day, Margaret chose to substitute teach, so she could be at all the children's school functions.



Darren, Margaret, Mary and Matthew Shults

Margaret has kept very busy outside of our home, as well. Margaret has been a Sunday School Teacher for the past 6 years, and has helped with P.O.P. Vacation Bible School and the Harveyville Methodist Church V.B.S. for the past 7 seven year. Margaret has been involved with the Mission Valley P.T.O. the past 3 year, and has been the President the past year and a half. I guess that makes me the first gentleman. Margaret is also a member of the Eskridge United Methodist Women for the past 8 years. Margaret and I grew up in this area, and this allows her to keep in touch with her old friends, and the gossip around the area. Oh yea I forgot, women do not gossip. I think everyone knows our daughter Mary. She is the social butterfly, and loves to talk all the time just like Margaret's side of the family. I would feel bad about making this statement, but I know Margaret would agree. Mary is in the 2nd grade and she loves to play basketball, softball, swim, ride bikes and play with her Little Pet Shop toys. Mary also loves to help out with the Lambs of God projects. Mary is a very good at public relations for the Lambs of God Ministry. She loves to go with me to visit people we have helped through the Lambs of God Ministry. She likes to draw pictures or make something special for them, and they just love Mary's heart. This is what the Lambs of God Ministry is all about, which is, caring, sharing, loving and growing closer together. Mary maybe a very active girl with a strong will, but she is a very kind and loving girl who truly loves the Lord. Matthew is in the 1st grade, and he loves to play baseball, play with his cars and Star Wars Lego toys. He is also a Tiger Cub Scout at Prince of Peace. He enjoys Cub Scout=s because of the interaction with other boys his age. Matthew also helps out with the Lambs of God Ministry. He especially likes to help out with the doughnuts the Lambs of God Ministry serves between the 8:30am and 11:00 am services, but I think he likes to eat them most of all. Matthew does not like school very well, but he has a great work ethic, which can take him a long way in life. He works hard to get his good grades. I could not be more proud of him, and he is a good boy, buddy and son all in one.

I have worked for Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. for over 16 years, and have been involved in many projects to help save the company money. I also have received two degrees from Emporia State University in Corporate Fitness and Education, with an emphasis in Secondary Special Education and K-12 Physical Education. I worked 2 years studying how an Onsite Fitness Facility could save companies money, then I wrote a little book on my study results, and developed a formula to show the cost/benefit ratio of an onsite fitness facility in 1994. In 1998, I went back to college at Emporia State to complete my teaching degree, and graduated in December of 1999. While I was looking for a teaching job, my parents had an auction and my now wife was at the auction, as well. I had known Margaret all her life, since she is 5 years younger than I, and I asked her out on a date. She found me irresistible, so I asked her to marry me 3 months later. Of course she said yes please. Well, maybe I exaggerated little, but she did say yes. I always tell people that I was the highest bidder at my parents auction, and that is how we got together. Last June I started my own home business with AMSOIL products. I have used these products since 1996, and really liked them, so I decided to sell their product.

My most humbling and honorable moment in my life is when God called me to start up and lead the Lambs of God Ministry here at POP. It is amazing to me that a 1/3 of POP are members of Lambs of God Ministry. It has been a honor for me to lead this ministry, and see how we have grown together to accomplish one thing, to serve the Lord by helping others who are in need. Every time we complete a Lambs of God project, my heart just melts. I see tears, smiles and pleas of thanks after every Lambs of God project, but the funny thing is I feel they give more to us than we give to them. I would like to say thank you to our congregation for following their hearts in supporting this Lambs of God Ministry with their prayers, time and/or money. The Lambs Of God could not exist without your support. My family and I have been truly blessed to find a church so kind, loving and caring as POP. After Margaret and I were married for about a year, we thought it was time to find a church that fit both of our needs and the needs for our children to grow in the Christian Faith. We looked in the phonebook and saw Prince of Peace, and decided to start our church search there. Our plans were to visit a different church every week until we had found the church that fit our needs. Our plans were altered all because of Prince of Peace. We were so amazed by the friendliness of the POP congregation. The first people to greet us were Don and Darlene Lumpe, and they ask who we were, and what brought us to Prince of Peace. We thought is was great. We also were impressed with the childrens program and the Pastor's sermons. Mary was a baby and Margaret was pregnant with Matthew at this time. A few months later we decided to join P.O.P., and had Matthew baptized here as well. We still love this congregation, and that is why we have stayed with P.O.P. even through the hard times. We feel the P.O.P. congregation is a family again, and we can feel comfortable to invite people to our church.

The Dodge Family

Hello, we are the Dodge family. David, Colleen, Casey, Darrin and Danielle. We have been married 22 years and have been together more than 28. We met at a baseball game when David was playing semi-pro baseball. David is from Rossville, Kansas and has one sister in Shawnee, Kansas. Colleen is from Topeka and has 5 sisters - all but one are located in Topeka, the other one lives in Overland Park, Kansas. Both of us are lucky to still have our parents and David still has one set of grandparents living in Topeka. David graduated from Neosho County Community College with an AA degree and also played baseball. Then he graduated from Washburn University with a Bachelor's of Business Administration degree. He currently works for Colgate Palmolive as a Sr. Business Analyst. He works out of the Hill's office here in Topeka, but has had the opportunity to travel to Brazil and recently to Maine (loved the lobster and ocean!). Colleen graduated from Washburn University as well with an AA in Paralegal. She works at Wanamaker Elementary as a lunch aid so she can be at home when the kids are home. She spends a majority of her time volunteering at all 3 of the kids schools.

Casey is 17, born May 14, 1992. He is a senior at Washburn Rural High school and is considering attending KSU and has interests in culinary, basketball, architecture and medicine. He has plenty of time to decide what to do with himself!! He loves cooking, books, movies, music and keeping up with sport stats. He also really enjoys the POP mission trips.

Darrin is 13 now, but has a birthday coming up on March 18. He cannot wait to get his learners permit and be legal to drive with us in the car. He is an 8th grader at Washburn Rural Middle school. He loves baseball, basketball and football. He loves to be with his friends or cousins, is a happy, go lucky kid!! He loves to be outside no matter what the weather and he enjoys any water sport and playing in the snow, listening to his music and doing anything he can with his dad.

Danielle just turned 10 on November 10th. She is a 4th grader at Wanamaker Elementary. She loves to play soccer and is currently on a club soccer team (Prodigy Shock) and hopes to play at WRHS when she gets old enough. She also enjoys volleyball and is currently perfecting her over hand serve so she can be on a club team maybe this fall! She is also playing basketball this winter. She loves movies, Miley Cyrus, reading, listening to music, playing with girlfriends, cousins and family game nights.

We have a chocolate lab - Mocha who is 3 years old. She is a lover with a lethal tail. She gets our paper every morning and loves the snow and water!! Our family loves our annual vacations to Colorado, Arizona and any other place we can get away. We love to play games, eat together, tease each other and do projects around the house. . There is always laughter in our house.

Eileen Lawless - Treasurer

It's hard to believe that we have been members for almost twenty years now. What brought us to Prince of Peace, we fell in love with the preschool, Patty was one of the great teachers back then and she tolerated Lauren sitting and holding her hands for hours. We found that same warmth and caring feeling the first Sunday we attended church.

Pat and I have been married for thirty three years. Pat works for BNSF. We have two daughters, Jenna and Lauren both attended Washburn Rural High school and both were involved in athletics and both went on to play for Washburn University. Jenna graduated from Washburn with a BA in marketing and Lauren will graduate in 2010 with a degree in education. (Look out Patty!) As for myself, I had the privilege of staying home with the girls and did accounting work for a computer consulting firm out of my basement for 22 years, I also worked in the church office for about two years. Four years ago, I finally proved my husband wrong and took a job outside of the house. I always told him I would go to work when the girls were out of grade school, then middle school, high school, and hey Lauren's still in college. So, December 27th-through April 15th, you can find me working for a local accounting firm. Is it April 15th yet... and when I am not crunching numbers, you can find me out at Sunflower soccer mowing, yes 13 soccer fields.

Family Portraits of POP Members and Leadership



David, Colleen, Casey, Darrin and Danielle Dodge



Pat, Eileen, Jenna and Lauren Lawless

Board of Christian Service - Valentines for Vets

The Board of Christian Service is collecting items to be donated to patients at the Topeka Veteran's Hospital through February 11. Please leave the items in the narthex in a box marked "Veterans". Items will be picked up on Monday, February 12. Needs include: postage stamps, denture adhesives, shaving cream, toothpaste, toothbrushes, disposable razors, deodorant, hair brushes, bottled water, coffee, hand lotion, shampoo, underwear, socks, shorts, t-shirts, stocking caps, gloves, stationary, envelopes, newspaper/magazine subscriptions, newer magazines, books, good used clothing, jackets & coats.

LUTHERAN FINE ARTS COUNCIL OF TOPEKA

2010 SPRING SCHEDULE of events include **THE GRANDVIEW COLLEGE CHOIR** from Des Moines, Iowa, appearing in concert on Saturday, March 20th, at 7:00 pm and again during the Sunday morning Service at 10:30 am, at Trinity Lutheran Church located at 725 SW Buchanan.

On Tuesday evening, April 27th, **THE WARTBURG COLLEGE PLAYERS** from Waverly, Iowa, will be performing at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 3625 SW Wanamaker Rd. They will be performing at Topeka Lutheran School the following morning, Wednesday, April 28th.

The Lutheran Fine Arts Council will also be assisting with the **ONE IN HYMN Hymnfest** at Faith Lutheran Church, 1716 SW Gage, on May 2nd. The Council would like to thank all those who have helped to make the 2009 events a success.



The Children's Christian Concern Society thanks you for your gifts and support at Christmas. The small tree with the photos of children brought gifts for the mission of **SHARING THE LOVE OF JESUS WITH CHILDREN ALL OVER THE WORLD THROUGH CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.**

Last year CCCS supported 18000 students in 19 countries by providing Christian Education and when necessary food and clothing. In 2010 CCCS will add two new countries, Cambodia and Cuba. There were request from three additional countries but the financial resources were not available

This mission has grown from one student 40 years ago to 18,000 children served last year. The results of the mission are measured by children and adults baptized, and the blessing that many pastors have come from the schools and graduates now serving in leadership in their countries. The greatest joy is that out of the thousands who were instructed in the Faith now have hope in Christ. Some of these students live in the poorest conditions in the world. Haiti is an example of the poorest of the poor and children and adults in our schools do have hope in Christ when tragedy and poverty surrounds them.

Grace and Peace, Gene Schmidt

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You can help someone find a rewarding career. For more information, to make a referral, or apply, visit www.thrivent.com/careers or contact Richard Heishman at 1-800-886-1663 X313 or richard.heishman@thrivent.com

A bad case of the dull drums!!!

Is there anyone in the congregation that could and would sharpen our kitchen knives?

If so, please let the church office know

*Thank You.
The Kitchen Brigade*





**Those for
whom we
pray**

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† We pray for the military men and women of Prince of Peace and their families. Keep them safe, Oh Lord.



† We pray for our church members with special needs.

Bernie Hammel, Don Penney, Kyle Grieves, Louise Adams, Dave Anderson, Karen Bettis, Mary Bettis, Terry Bettis, Marian Freeman, Nina Meyer, Eva Sebring, Mark Beck, John Lehman, Kay Roher, Ernie Dougherty, Ruth McDaniel, Meredith Kucera, Bob Karle, Nikki Anderson



† We pray for those who are pregnant.

Alayna Leal, Kari Hitchcock, Erica Valdivia, Laurie Fritz, Jocelyn Bensen



† We remember the friends and families of Prince of Peace church members who are in need of our love and prayers.

Barbara McComas, Mary Fehlhafer, Allen Fehlhafer, Brian & Cindy Fehlhafer, Michelle Slavens, Shawn & Henry Wright, Bobbi Kennison, Pauline Penney, Campbell Faulkner, Roxanne Vogts, Matthew Minde, Mary Lange, Dorothy Bailey, Friends of Carolyn Buono - Dexter, Gale, and Diane & her foster son, Sherrie Gross, Ralph Teaford, Agnes Murdock, Marcella Casey, Irene Phillips, Milroy Moses' mother, Mary, Kayle Lawrence, Janet McElroy, Jim Johnson, Lucille Johnson, Jessica Siedel, Barbara Forrester, Don Adams, Amber Slyter, Hayden Harding, Jannelle Becker, Nancy Pembleton, Arturo Flores, James Mayfield, Jaxson Vandervord, Gary Fisher, Winona Drake, Rev. Larry Brakenhoff, Brian Lackey, Gery and Arlene Kauffman's Aunt Edna, Penny Hulse's sisters, Pam and Peggy, Ray Hattaway, Julie Casper's mother, Lavera, Kent and Jeannie Cowan, Susan Forster, Gene Hunter, Greg Hogle's mother, Dale Mazachek, Ralph and Susan Anderson's Nick, Samantha, Taylor Decker, children and new granddaughter, George and Gail McVain, Judy VanVleck, Cristy Balch's mother; Fred and Nina Meyer, Steve and Cyndi Gallagher's friend, Kevin; Roger VanEtten, Elliott Bosak; Earl and Linda Bosak's new grandson, Michael Thomas; Jamie Pursley and her parents, Roger VanEtten,

From Prince of Peace - Justin Meier, Karl Freundt

John Clark, son of Ernie & Doreen Dougherty
 Gary Becker, Jason Dagosta sons-in-law of Mary and the late Emil Meier
 Preston Meier, son and Amyrose Meier, daughter-in-law of Mark & Denise Meier
 Chris Jacobs, friend of Mark & Denise Meier
 Scott Slyter, son of Ruth and the late Damon Slyter
 Donna Buono, daughter of Rev. Dr. Neil & Carolyn Buono
 Courtney Kiluk & Josh Kulik, friends of the Buonos
 Darin Lindon & Terry Lindon, nephews of Rita Lawrence
 Bill & Bob Rahe, cousins of Beth Lange
 Joel Gaston, son & Tom Palenske, son-in-law of Jerry & Jayna Gaston
 Bryan & David Conwell, grandsons of Early & Margaret Honig
 Zeb Minde, son of Dale & Cassandra Minde; father of Kaleb, Harmoni & Lorali
 Kyle Grieves, son of Kevin & Jane Grieves
 John Stiles, step-brother of Michelle Kucera
 Derek Cox, brother of Baylee Cox
 Matt & Sean Myers, nephews of Doreen Cox, cousins of Baylee Cox
 Zachary McDonnell, nephew of Debbie & Ira Freel
 Jordan Beckerman, friend of Boone & Macie Smith
 Pat Malone, friend of the Dave Anderson Family
 Rob Goodenow, son-in-law of Norbert & Nannette Zander
 Jesse Reid, Nick Newsome, friends of Shelby Grittman & Joe Anderson
 Brad Kinney, Ryan Harp, Kayla Harp, family of Greg & Sonja Hogle
 Steven Swim, grandson of Bill Schuette
 Andrew Webster, nephew of Dave and Nikki Anderson, cousin of Joe Anderson



Doorstep's "SOUPERBOWL" Sunday is February 7th



BRING SOUP BRING CRACKERS

Food orders in 1009 were up 17% over 2008 and Doorstep expects just as many or more to be in need again this year! Let's go over the top in supporting Doorsetp and their mission by bringing lots of crackers and canned food.

Newsletter Updates

By Nikki Anderson, Editor

Currently the newsletter is published monthly, with printed copies sent to all members at minimum in March, June, September, and December plus special noted occasions. For all other months the newsletter is posted to our Prince of Peace website

www.princeofpeacetopeka.org for your viewing.

If you are having issues, viewing it, please be sure to download a free version of Adobe Reader from the following website:

www.adobe.com/reader. That is all you need.

If you are still having issues, contact Nikki Anderson for assistance. If you would like to get a hard copy sent to you monthly, please contact the church office.

Deadlines for each month's newsletter are the 20th of each month. If you have anything to put into the newsletter, please send to Nikki Anderson at nikki.anderson@oracle.com.

Notes from the Parish Nurse

By Mary Hume, Parish Nurse

Christmas Cheer

Thanks to those who shared Christmas, the love and joy of Jesus with those who were in need. The individuals who took the ornaments from the tree, bless you because you allowed children to have gifts to open. The families say "thank you".

Also, the carolers who brought joy to the home bound through the music and love of the season. Christmas is all about love and sharing it with others. We will have opportunities in another few months.

Peer Group

Would you like to find more joy in your life? The Peer Support Program for Medicaid Home and Community Based Services and Frail Elderly Waiver Recipients is looking for volunteers who are interested in working with someone to help them realize their strengths, achieve personal goals, and improve quality of life. If you would like to create more happiness in your life and in the life of someone else, contact Kelly Jones at stellava@ku.edu or toll free at 877-424-3036.

This program is supported in part by the KU School of Social Welfare, the Jayhawk Area Agency on Aging, and the Kansas Department on Aging. Training and \$80 compensation for data collection is provided. *Volunteers must be 55 and over.*



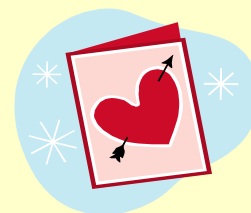
WORSHIP SERVICE THEMES FOR SEASONS AND SUNDAYS OF THE YEAR

(February 7th through February 14th, 2010)

Epiphany, and the Sundays after Epiphany, will focus on carrying the hope of the incarnation into our community and world. Taken together, the theme of the season is HOPE. Themes for the remaining weeks of February will be included in the Special Edition Newsletter focused on our 22nd Anniversary and Lent. The Special Edition newsletter will be published on February 15th.

February 7 th	Fifth Sunday after Epiphany	The Call to Bring Hope	Luke 5:1-11
February 14 th	The Transfiguration of Our Lord	It's All About Jesus **ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY - ONE SERVICE at 10AM followed by the State Of the Church Presentation**	Luke 9:28-36

Valentine's for Vets and Pizza



**FEBRUARY 7, 2010
NOON - 2:00 PM
ROOM B/C**

**CHILDREN OF ALL AGES ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND
WE WILL SERVE PIZZA AT NOON AND BEGIN MAKING VALENTINE
CARDS AFTER LUNCH.**

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Worship Services - Join us in church!

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Blended Worship
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Blended Worship
9:45 a.m. Children's Sunday School
Adult Bible Classes
11:00 a.m. Family Praise Service