First Sunday of Advent December 2, 2018



Weekly Messenger

<u>POP Community News!</u>

PRINCE OF PEACE

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Commitment Sunday is today – There are extra Faith Promise Cards in the narthex.

POP's Annual Family Picnic-TODAY!

Come and enjoy the great outdoors with your family and friends today at McCormick Railroad Park. We have the Rotary Ramada at 11:30am- Hamburgers and hot dogs will be served-please bring a dish to share, drinks for your family (no glass). Questions contact Trisha Hammer 480.234.3133!

Angel Tree is Up!

The angel tree is up and ready for you! POP is sponsoring 40 kids from Vista Del Camino. To make sure all of the kids/tags are accounted for-if you take a tag, be sure to <u>sign out</u> the angels. Any questions contact the church office or Mary Quinsler.

Boy Scout Christmas Wreaths For Sale Today after Worship!

Buy your fresh decorated Christmas wreath from Troop 6 BSA on December 2nd in the courtyard following worship. \$20/wreath includes hanger.

AMA Music Recitals Sunday December 2nd and 3rd!

Come and support AMA students as they showcase what they have been learning during their private lessons at POP's Arcadia Music Academy! There are four recitals to choose from-or attend them all! Today at 5pm and 6pm, and tomorrow (Monday) at 6pm and 7pm; there will be cookies and lemonade after each recital.

Women's Advent Bible Study- December 3rd, 10th, and 17th 10:30am-12pm in the Choir Room. Led by Paula Sturgeon. Questions see Janet DeJonge.

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6:30 p.m. Voices of Praise Rehearsal <u>Thursday, December 6</u>	Parti	nering in Prayer		
11:30 a.m. Pre-S Chapel	Laura Saeger Anna Ow			
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Prayers for Healing 10:30 a.m. Fellowship	Lectors	Bonnie Rockwood
12:30 p.m. Confirmation 3:00 p.m. POP Kids Bells	Ushers	Jean Harney Ruth Stone
4:00 p.m. POP Adult Bells 5:00 p.m. DBI	Greeters	Alan and Carol Jensen
Monday, December 10	Communion Server	s Jan Beebe Sue Shaffer
10:30 a.m. Women's Advent Bible Study, Choir R 1:00 p.m. Dorcas Circle, Choir R		
7:00 p.m. Grant Partners, Choir R		altan ano aisan bu Kau Dan adiat in
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9:30 a.m. Bible Study, Choir R		
11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting 1:45 p.m. Girl Scouts	Par	r <u>tnering in Praver</u>
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<u>Thursday, December 13</u> 11:00 a.m. Pre-S Christmas Program	Laura Saeger Rex Re	eynolds Ron Swanson Dick Snell
<u>Friday. December 14</u> 9:00 a.m. Sew and Tie, Choir R	Donna Hackett Janet I	Larson Laura Eller Anna Owens
11:00 a.m. Pre-S Christmas Program	Eric Phillips Amy Sl	hort Ashworth
<u>Saturday, December 15</u> 9:00 a.m. Quilters, Choir R		
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<u>Sunday, December 16</u> 9:00 a.m. C.h.i.L.L.	December 16 - Children	's Christmas Program
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Huge Thank you to Kay McCartney for all the years of service as communion server coordinator-Thank you to Martha Weld for taking on this position!

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Sunday school Christmas Program 10:30 a.m. Fellowship-Youth Pancake Bkfst	Lectors	Greg Rowland	
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5:00 p.m. DBI	Greeters	Suzy Steinmetz	
<u>Monday, December 17</u> 6:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study, Choir R	Communion Servers	Mike and Gwen Jacobs	
<u>Tuesday, December 18</u>			
9:00 a.m. Pre-S Chapel 10:00 a.m. Library Meeting	The flowers on the altar are given in anticipation of Jesus' birth at Christmas.		
1:00 p.m. Knitting Group 6:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting, Choir R	You may order flowers t	hrough the church office, the offering	
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8:30 a.m. Voices of Praise Rehearsal, Choir R 9:00 a.m. C.h.i.L.L.			
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Monday, December 24 4:00 p.m. Family Worship Service	The Word in Season (regular and large print) for (Jan-Mar 2019 is available in the narthex and church office.		
7:00 p.m. Candlelight Worship Service 9:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion Worship			
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 7:00 p.m. Candlelight Worship Service 9:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion Worship <i>Tuesday, December 25</i> Christmas Day- Merry Christmas! Church office and Pre-S closed. <i>Wednesday, December 26</i> <i>Thursday, December 27</i> 	You may order flowers through the church office, the offering plate or <u>online</u> on our website- <u>www.popphoenix.org</u> (\$40). Scroll down to the bottom of the page to ' Contact POP ' and click on ' Altar Flowers' . Then follow the directions on that page.				
<u>Friday, December 28</u> 9:00 a.m. Sew and Tie, Choir R		<u>Partnering in Prayer</u>			
<u>Saturday, December 29</u> 9:00 a.m. Quilters, Choir R	Laura Saeger	Rex Reynolds Ron Swanson Dick Snell			
<u>Sunday, December 30</u>		Janet Larson Laura Eller Carol Kauffman			
9:00 a.m. C.h.i.L.L. 9:30 a.m. Worship	Baby Carter	Ilene Darland Anna Owens Amy S. Ashworth			
No Sunday school 10:30 a.m. Fellowship		nene Dananu Anna Owens Any S. Ashworth			
3:00 p.m. POP Kids Bells 4:00 p.m. POP Adult Bells	Incre	dible Worship Services in December			
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First Sunday of Christmas December 30, 2018



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Weekly Messenger

POP Community News!

Progress! The Infant Care Building Project is in full construction mode in the education building- (where the Church offices will be relocating to). For your (and the crews) safety, please do not go into the Education building (rooms 14-18) until further notice. You can follow the construction activity on POP's website in next coming weeks. Any questions please see Steve Edgar.

Blessing of Families-Today

One of the great traditions of Scripture is that of family. We regularly read about families traveling together, welcoming other families, being blessed by God in their endeavors, and more. As we move to the end of 2018 and the opening of 2019 it is imperative that each of our families hear those words of blessing. "Family" can be defined as you choose. Family can be a single person, several single persons who consider each other to be family, a traditional family, or maybe a single parent and her/his children. Regardless, God stands willing to offer God's blessing as we move forward into God's future. Sunday, Dec 30 is the Blessing Service. Gather your in-laws and out-laws and come hear the words of God's blessing for your family.

Wednesday Bible Study 9:30am in the choir room

Join us as Pastor Rick leads a lively discussion of the biblical texts that will be used the following Sunday. The conversation is lively, the coffee is strong and the laughter will warm your heart. Join us. Note: No bible study on January 2.

Save the Date for our annual Rock 'n Roll Water Station on January 20th! Contact Steve Edgar at 602.618.3364 or sledgar@gmail.com.

<u> Confirmation – CALL</u>

For those entering 7th or 8th grade, confirmation is a chance to explore your faith in a fun community experience! We partner with 6 other churches from all over the Phoenix area and gather with about 30-40 other middle school youth twice a month for C.A.L.L. (Confirmation Among Local Lutherans). If you (or a grandchild or friend) are interested in participating, contact Audrey.

Shopping at smile.amazon.com!

Reminder that Amazon will give 0.5% of purchases back to the POP Foundation. Choose **Prince** of Peace Lutheran Church Foundation as the recipient when you go smile.amazon.com.

The Messenger and Word in Season (Regular& Large Print) for January, February and March are available in the Narthex and Church office.

The church office is closed and will reopen on January 2. Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!

This week at Prince of Peace Assisting in Worship Sunday, December 30 **Altar Guild** LuAnn Brentlinger 9:00 a.m. Ch.i.L.L Conference R 9:30 a.m. Worship/no Sunday school Laurie Peterson Lector 10:30 a.m. Fellowship, Gangsei Hall **Karen Wolfinger Ushers** 3:00 p.m. POP Kids Bells **Brenda** Johnston 4:00 p.m. POP Adult Bells 5:00 p.m. DBI **Ernst and Elisabeth Zeiner** Greeters Monday, December 31 **Communion Servers** Dave and Janet DeJonge Preschool & church office closed <u>Tuesday, January 1</u> **Youth Worship Leader** Happy New Year Pres & church office closed Wednesday, January 2 You may order flowers through the church office, the Thursday, January 3 offering plate or online on our websitewww.popphoenix.org (\$40). Scroll down to the bottom Friday, January 4

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Welcome To Prince of Peace

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- $\dot{\mathbf{v}}$ **Communion Needs:** Gluten-free bread and grape juice are available. If you desire to receive communion in the pew, please notify an usher.
- **Prayer Requests:** Please write down your concern and place it in the offering plate or prayer box and indicate if the name \div can be published in this newsletter or just shared with our prayer warriors through the Prayer Chain.
- Hospital Calls: Please call Pastor Rick directly at 408.472.0529 or contact the church office to let us know if you or a \div family member is hospitalized or for a pastoral visit during rehab in a care center or at home.
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