

# Prince of Peace in Print

April 15, 2009

Remember therefore what you have received and heard . . . (Revelation 3:3a)

FROM THE PASTOR



Dear Family and Friends,

Greetings in the fellowship of the Table, the forgiveness of the Cross, and the faith of the Empty Tomb. He is Risen!

What a wonderful Easter celebration! God's Spirit was truly present in our worship. We had 59 in attendance at our first service and 89 at our second. I do not know how many people enjoyed the Elders' Pancake Breakfast, but I know the fellowship hall was very busy between the services.

The young people enjoyed the Easter Bunny's annual visit and went home with lots of candy.

Our Community Easter Egg Event was terrific! A big thank you to Debra Romine and all who worked with her to make it a success. We are truly building a wonderful relationship with our neighborhood. We distributed the most pictures ever—somewhere around 150 pictures were given away.

I am tremendously encouraged by the spiritual growth and spiritual excitement at Prince of Peace. It is

marvelous to see so many people faithfully reading God's Word. It is great

to know so many are spending time each day in prayer. May God continue to teach us from His Word and guide our lives through prayer.

For now "Remember . . . what you have received and heard." The gracious forgiveness of a loving God and the joyful news of Christ's resurrection!

Love and Prayers,  
Warren R. Pellom  
Pastor

**PUSH**  
**Pray**  
**Unitl**  
**Something**  
**Happens**



The Easter Bunny with his good friend A.J. on Easter Day.  
(More Easter Day pictures inside.)

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Bible  
1  
Year



The Community Easter Egg Event was a big success.

Above: Some of our young people enjoying a picture with the Easter Bunny.  
(More pictures inside.)

## Elders Report

Dear friends in Christ.

The board of elders would like to thank everyone that attended our Easter Services and enjoyed the fellowship during the Elders Breakfast. We feel the celebration of our

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Communion Schedule

Saturday - 1st & 3rd

Early (8:00 a.m.) - 1st  
& 3rd

Late (10:30 a.m.) -  
2nd, 4th, & 5th

Savior's resurrection is one of the most important things we as Christians can truly enjoy. Our Savior has conquered sin, death, and the power of the devil for all people and we as believers can truly enjoy this truth.

This past Sunday we were again graced by the presence of some first time visitors. In keeping with our Pastor's goal of at least one new visitor every week this year we need to be mindful that this cannot happen without all of our help. So far our Pastor's goal has been met but it is going to take help from all of our members to achieve this. We can all contribute to his goal by talking to our friends, neighbors, co-workers and family members and welcoming them when they worship with us. Did you welcome the new visitors this past Sunday?

In closing let me encourage all of our members and friends to continue to read the Bible and follow the bookmarks available to us at the church. Also remember to **Pray Until Something Happens!** I know this works!

For Christ,  
Al Peimann  
Head Elder

### Property Committee Report

The shed for the mowers has been completed. A special "Thank You" to LaVerne Falk for his expert help. LaVerne has also fixed the Craftsman Mower so the church now has two mowers to work with.

There is a sign-up sheet next to the kitchen for mowing, and a sign-up sheet for Property Committee members with a space for talents and phone numbers.

Your Friend In Christ,  
Rick Kresge  
Vice-Chair

### From the Council Secretary

I received this in an email one day this week and it was one of those that really struck home to me—

*A United States Marine was attending some college courses between assignments. He had completed missions in Iraq and Afghanistan. One of the courses had a professor who was an avowed atheist and a member of the ACLU . . .*

*One day the professor shocked the class when he came in, looked to the ceiling and flatly stated, "God, if you are real, then I want you to knock me off this platform. I'll give you exactly 15 minutes." The lecture room fell silent. You could hear a pin drop.*

*Ten minutes went by and the professor proclaimed, "Here I am God. I'm still waiting." It got down to the last couple of minutes when the Marine got out of his chair, went up to the professor and cold-cocked him, knocking him off the platform. The professor was out cold.*

*The Marine went back to his seat and sat there, silently. The other students were shocked, stunned, and sat there looking on in silence. The professor eventually came to, noticeably shaken, looked at the Marine and asked, "What the heck is the matter with you? Why did you do that?" The Marine calmly replied, "God was too busy today protecting American soldiers who are protecting your right to say stupid stuff and act like an idiot. So, He sent me."*

Neat story, right. Go US Marines!!! But here is my question to you. What did you do yesterday, as a soldier for Christ? When did you stand up? We can't sit around waiting for miracles to happen, we have to get up and

make them happen. What are you going to do today when the opportunity arises? Just a thought. . .

Your friend in Christ  
Deborah Bailey  
Council Secretary

**From the Desk of the Treasurer: Richelle Smith**

Year-to-Date Funds Received as of March 31, 2009:

<b>2009 Year-to-Date</b>	<b>YTD Received</b>	<b>YTD Expenses</b>	<b>Ending Balance</b>
General/Operating Fund:	33,362.03	(37,725.96)	(4,363.93)
Kids Club Fund:	150.00	0.00	150.00
Building Fund:	900.00	0.00	900.00
Elders Benevolence Fund:	300.00	(412.31)	(112.31)
Confirmand's Remodeling Room Fund:	376.00	0.00	376.00
Bathroom Remodeling Fund:	167.00	0.00	167.00
Valentine's Day/Fellowship Fund:	196.00	(196.00)	0.00
Memorial Fund--Ed Childs Received:	50.00	0.00	50.00
	<b>35,501.03</b>	<b>(38,334.27)</b>	<b>(2,833.24)</b>

A story received through email called  
'Why did Jesus fold the napkin?'

Why did Jesus fold the linen burial cloth after His resurrection? I never noticed this . . .

John 20:7 tells us that the napkin, which was placed over the face of Jesus, was not thrown aside like the grave clothes. The Bible takes an entire verse to tell us that the napkin was neatly folded and was placed at the head of that stony coffin.

Early that Sunday morning, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and found that the stone had been rolled away from the entrance. She ran and found Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved. She said, "They have taken the Lord's body and I don't know where they have taken Him!"

Peter and the other disciple ran to the tomb to see. The other disciple outran Peter and got there first. He stooped and looked in and saw the linen cloth lying there, but he didn't go in. Then Simon Peter arrived and went inside. He also noticed the linen wrappings lying there, while the napkin that had covered Jesus face was folded up and lying to one side.

**Is that important? Absolutely!**

**Is that really significant? Yes!**

In order to understand the significance of the folded napkin, you have to understand a little bit about the Hebrew tradition of that day. The folded napkin had to do with the Master and Servant, and every Jewish boy knew this tradition.

When the Servant set the dinner table for the Master, he made sure it was exactly the way the Master wanted it. The table was furnished perfectly, and then the servant would wait, just out of sight, until the Master had finished eating. The Servant would not dare touch that table until the Master was finished.

**Church  
Council  
Members  
2009**

Chair  
Rusty Vollmer

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Rick Kresge

Secretary  
Deborah Bailey

Treasurer  
Richelle Smith

Board of Elders  
Al Peimann (Head)  
Jim Bodenstab  
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Discipleship  
Tammy Heidrick

Evangelism  
(vacant)

Fellowship  
Debra Romine

Stewardship  
Doug McGee

Worship  
Mary Wanda Wack  
(—Non-Voting)

Monthly  
Statistics

**March**

Average Attendance

Saturday Service  
13

Sunday Early Service  
20

Sunday Late Service  
67

If the Master were done eating, he would rise from the table, wipe his fingers, his mouth, and clean his beard and would wad up that napkin and toss it onto the table. The servant would then know to clear the table. For in those days, the wadded napkin meant, "I'm finished."

If the Master got up from the table, and folded his napkin beside his plate, the servant would not dare touch the table, because . . . the folded napkin meant, "I'm coming back!"

**He is coming back!**

During this Holy season, I pray that *each of you—my special friends* are blessed beyond measure with peace and joy in the knowledge that He IS coming back someday.

Waiting for Christ,  
Richelle Smith  
Council Treasurer

**Fellowship Writes**

To be humble in heart . . . is to be submissive to the core. It involves being more interested in serving the needs of others than in having one's own needs met. Someone who is truly unselfish is generous with his or her time, possessions and energy. As that works its way out, it is demonstrated in various ways, such as thoughtfulness, gentleness, and an unpretentious spirit.

I want to thank

**Thank You!**

everyone who turned out to help with our Easter Egg Hunt. You are the very reason everyone had a great time. We had pictures with the Easter Bunny (thank you Easter Bunny), face painting, tattoos, balloons, the Easter Egg Hunt and treats for every child. I must thank the Praise Team you guys rocked and had everyone's attention. There is no way I could list each person that gave of their time on Saturday but thank you from the bottom of my heart for all the help you so generously gave. To Pastor and Ellen thank you so much for all your support.

**Coming up:**

- Tuesday, 4-28-09 — Como Steak House
  - Saturday, 5-9-09 — Progressive Dinner
  - Sunday, 5-10-09 — Mother's Day
  - Sunday, 5-24-09 — Mayflower Sunday
- Hope to see you there.

God's Peace  
Debra Romine  
Fellowship Chair

**Worship Report**

Hello Everyone,

Kudos to all the helpers of our annual Easter Egg Hunt. Thank you for reaching out to our community. It warmed my heart because I know you went out of your way to make our day a little easier. What nice people you are. Everyone seemed to enjoy the beautiful weather God gave us. The fact is we had a lot of fellowship with one another. Easter is not about bunnies, eggs, etc., but I believe

A Very Big and Very Special Thank You to everyone who helped out with the Community Easter Egg Event. It was fantastic!

A Big Thank You to the Women of Peace for filling all the Easter Eggs with goodies!

A Special Thank You to the men who cleaned up our property in preparation for the Easter Egg Event.

An Extra Special Thank You to LaVerne Falk and Rick Kresge for enclosing the lawn mower storage area next to the shed, pouring the concrete foundation, and for filling in the holes in the southern driveway. Great Work!

A Continuing Word of Thanks to Pat Pierce and Doug McGee for always volunteering to run the sound system and count our attendance.

A Special Word of Thanks to Jo Lampley. Jo made beautiful seat markers to indicate the chairs reserved for the choir. (They replace the ugly red rope.)

we showed our community we have fun at Prince of Peace along with believing that God is alive.

May the 10<sup>th</sup> is Mother's Day. Please bring your mom to our services, if at all possible.

May the 31<sup>st</sup> is "Flower Sunday." Please bring flowers, potted plants, etc. for patients in the nursing homes and we will distribute them with a card from Prince of Peace. It's just another outreach from our church.

We will begin Choir Practice again on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. Please come.

It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most high.—  
Psalm 92:1.

"Sing"cerely,  
Mary Wanda  
Acting Worship Chair

### **\$\$ A Spring Thing \$\$**

It's that time of year again, looking forward to another Great Rummage Sale for Prince of Peace Church. This year it will be held on Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Rain Date: Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>.)

We need all kinds of clothing, dishes, pots, pans, toys, books, tools and any other items you can donate. This year's profits will go to support the missions of the Women of Peace and the remodeling of the church's restrooms.

We need some volunteers to help us set up early on Saturday morning, May 2<sup>nd</sup> and to carry the Big Items from the Kids Club. We also need many more volunteers to help out for 2-4 hours in selling and keeping all the items in order.

Please sign on the sign up sheet to select your hours that you will be able to spend helping us. With God's Blessings!

Please begin bringing your items to church. I will try to be available for you as much as possible. Please call me on my cell phone anytime at 901-871-4799 or Liz Fairbanks at church or at 901-262-9813.

Lets all pray for a very successful sale. This is a big event for Prince of Peace, let's come together and make it happen!

In God's Name,  
Eleanor Pavlik  
Rummage Sale Chair

## **Youth Sunday February 22, 2009**



Jerry Fairbanks oversees the ushers for the day.



Alexis reads one of the lessons.

# More Youth Sunday Pictures



Alex Leise sings the Offertory.



Lena reads one of the day's lessons.



Kaitlin Harvin carefully presents her part of the message



Lynette Gale concentrates on properly delivering the sermon.



Katlynn Andrews does her part. of the sermon.



Lauren Gale helps the congregation understand Leviticus.

# Church Easter Egg Hunt



Church Easter Egg Hunt going strong.



A careful search for all the hidden goodies.

# Community Easter Egg Event



The Easter Bunny hands out some special gifts.



Our Easter Bunnies work to draw a crowd!



People waiting for tattoos!

# More Community Easter Egg Event



Eleanor and Diane working hard on the balloons.



What a wonderful crowd!



Easter Egg Hunt going strong!@



How about a little tattoo! (Temporary of course.)



A little face painting anyone?



More of the wonderful crowd!

**Newsletter Deadline**  
The next church newsletter will be published on Friday, May 22. All materials (articles, pictures, etc.) should be turned in to Liz Fairbanks no later than noon on Tuesday, May 19.



Look at our Bunnies!  
(Cutest Bunnies around!)

**Rummage Sale (aka "Son"Shine Sale)**  
Think Spring!!! Think Cleaning!!! Think Rummage!!!  
Think "Son"Shine Sale!!! — Saturday, May 2, 2009.  
This is a big event for Prince of Peace, start bringing your donations/rummage and let's come together and make it happen!!!

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Saturday Night Worship Service 7:00 p.m.  
Sunday Early Worship Service 8:00 a.m.  
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.  
Sunday Late Worship Service 10:30 a.m.