

# GLAD TIDINGS



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**November 2025** 



#### **All Saints' Sunday**



On All Saints' Sunday, November 2, we will celebrate one of the oldest festivals of the Church. During worship there will be a time to remember family and friends who have gone before us.

#### **Coat/Jacket Drive**

Last winter, Prince of Peace members donated used jackets, coats, and other winter items to give to students at Brown Station Elementary School. The Community Liaison at the school would be very happy if we did the same this year. There will be a box in the Narthex on November 2 and will remain there for at least a couple of months. The school would prefer new or gently used jackets, coats, gloves, mittens (waterproof, if possible). Children's Size 4T - Size 7 and larger children's sizes 12 and up are preferred.

Contact Kathy Mellott with questions at ufda\_gal@yahoo.com.



#### Cookies, Cards, And Community

Everyone (adults, teens, and younger kids) is invited for an evening of fellowship and service after the second Saturday service at 6:00 pm on November 8<sup>th</sup>. We'll be decorating cookies for the Thanksgiving families we sponsor each November, writing holiday cards for people who are currently in immigration detention, and assembling bagged breakfasts for residents of a homeless shelter in Rockville. All ages can participate and SSL hours are available. Sign up at

https://tinyurl.com/PoPBreakfast to donate items for the bagged breakfasts. For questions, contact Jennifer Maloney.





# As the season of gratitude and giving approaches, Prince of Peace is once again honored to participate in the City of Gaithersburg's Holiday Giving

**Program.** This Thanksgiving, our congregation



will support six families by providing all the traditional fixings for a festive meal, along with grocery store gift cards so they can purchase additional items of their choosing. We will not receive our families' names until the beginning of November. There will be

many meaningful ways to contribute. Our first opportunity to help is for volunteers to serve as family contacts—reaching out to learn about any special dietary needs or requests. We will have a need for Spanish speaking individuals to contact with some of our families. Click <a href="here">here</a> to participate in the program. If you have questions, please reach out to <a href="Cherie DeGeorge">Cherie DeGeorge</a>.



From Pastor Steve...

Pastor Steve Buechler (pastor@poplutheran.org; 301-869-3666)

According to most surveys I've seen, I am part of a super-majority of Americans of all parties who believe that we should do away with changing the clocks twice a year! I understand the origins of "daylight" and "standard" time, but now it seems like it's run its course, and we don't need to do this anymore.

But at least - since I am NOT a morning person - the time change we experience at the beginning of this month isn't so bad. At least it doesn't feel like jetlag to me! Even so, whenever we change the clock, I find myself wondering what time it is. It gets darker even earlier, so I feel like it's late when it's still early. I find myself feeling tired or awake when it doesn't seem like a "normal" time to feel that way. And Phoenix reminds me that no matter what time the clock says, it doesn't matter - it's supper time!

And actually, those are the two types of "time" we read about in our scripture readings in church during November as well. There are two words for "time" used in the New Testament. One is "chronos" (from which we get the word chronology). This is clock time, and it simply refers to what hour it is. But the other word is "kairos". Kairos refers to a moment that has simply arrived, and it doesn't care what the clock says. It's simply time for supper!

When Paul writes in Romans that, "you know what time it is", he uses the word "kairos". That is, he's telling early Christians that the moment when God is doing something new in their lives is near, and it doesn't matter what the clock or the calendar says.

So, as we experience different "times" on our clocks, and we read about "time" in church, pay attention to the "times" that God is calling you into, regardless of what the clock or the calendar says. For indeed, God leads us into new "times" and calls us to recognize a new "time" in our lives and relationship with him no matter what hour or season it seems to be. And those are the "time changes" that are really worth paying attention to!

Yours in Christ.



#### **November Highlights**

**Every Sunday** 

10:00 am Worship live and streamed on our Facebook Page

11:00 am Sunday School

**Every Monday** 

7:00 pm Grace Notes Rehearsal pg 8

**Every Tuesday** 

10:00 am Quilters pg 8

12:30 pm Women's Bible Study pg 8

Second Saturday Service - in order to provide an additional opportunity for worship apart from Sunday morning, we will hold a 5 pm Saturday service on the 2nd Saturday of each month. Our next service will be on Sat., November 8. This service will have the same sermon and readings as the Sunday service but will not be livestreamed.

#### **COMING UP...**

November

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- 4 Election Day
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- 18 Finance Meeting
- 21 23 ELCA Middle & High School Retreat pg 7
- 27 Thanksgiving Day

#### December

- 3 Advent Evening Prayer
- 7 Confirmation Meets
- 9 Council Meeting
- 10 Advent Evening Prayer
- 11 Women's Book Group pg 9
- 13 Saturday Worship Service
- 13 & 14 Christmas Pageant Plus pg 4
- 17 Advent Evening Prayer
- 24 Christmas Eve
- 24 Christmas Eve Children's Service
- 24 Christmas Eve Carols & Communion
- 25 Christmas Day
- 25 Christmas Carols & Communion
- 31 New Year's Eve

For a current calendar, see:

https://poplutheran.org/church-calendars/

## COUNCIL CORNER October 2025 Meeting

News and Views from the PoP Church Council

#### **NEWS**

Here are the updates from the Church Council meeting.

<u>Finances:</u> We have a 2025 budget that slightly exceeds estimated giving. Year to Date giving is slightly better than 2024. (Council notes).

<u>FALL FESTIVAL:</u> Was successful!! The vendors were happy and the people that came to event had a good time.

<u>Confirmation:</u> Four of our youth will be confirmed on Oct 26 (Reformation Sunday). Their Faith statements were presented to the Church Council, and they did a really good job in both writing and presenting their statements.

#### **VIEWS**

If you take a few moments and reflect on all the activities that happen at PoP powered by volunteers (many of whom do things quietly) it is amazing!

THANK YOU!!!

Thank you again for your continued support with both time and talents.

Respectfully, Jon Conary



**Council met on October 14.** You can read notes from that meeting (including the Pastor's and Treasurer's report) by clicking here.

#### SPECIAL PRAYERS

. . . My need was met because someone came and communicated . . . in words I could not express. . . . Pastor John B. McGarvey

#### **PoP Members**

Alice Baur, Elizabeth Langum Chung, Brittany (DeGeorge) Daniel, Sherry Fischer, Laura Hampe Garofalo, Carmen Hooks-Hill, Roy Johnson, Mike & Remi Langum, Anne Lomperis, Dick Moore, Heather Robinson, David & Martha Rogers, Sherry Schiebel, Nancy Swanson

#### Sympathy

Family of Tom Davis (friend of Crawford & Helen Griffith)

Family of Terry Kienzle (father of Ric Kienzle)

#### Thanksgiving

Confirmation of Luke Dillon, Kallie Spielman, Zach Bornhorst and Carter Jodts

#### Ongoing

The people of Ukraine and all those who are suffering due to hatred, war, and acts of violence For racial justice and equality

All those struggling with Covid-19 and their Caregivers

All those impacted by nature

The complete Prayer List is available in the Weekly Email sent on Thursdays.

#### An Easy way to support the PoP Prayer Ministry

Pray regularly for those on the PoP Prayer List! Download a copy of the Prayer List from the Thursday Weekly Email or pick up a printed copy from the bulletin board in the narthex. All of us praying makes a difference!



#### **SPOTLIGHT**

#### **Christmas drive for TVAR**

This Christmas PoP hopes to bring cheer to residents of The Village at Rockville whose finances are limited. Let's bring the holiday season to those less fortunate than ourselves with small gifts of hankies, ChapSticks, wooly socks, and candies this year. Sign-up <a href="here">here</a> if you are bringing something so we can give all that is needed.

PoP thanks you for serving up to 40 residents in need at TVAR this holiday season. A box to collect items will be available in church inside the Narthex.

New items can be brought to the donation box in the narthex by **Sunday**, **December 7th**. Thank you!

For any questions, please contact Susan Weiner.



#### **Giving Tree**

Prince of Peace is, once again, participating in the Giving Tree program with Brown Station Elementary School in Gaithersburg providing selected students and their siblings with holiday gifts. The school identifies a few families that need some help for the holidays and then sends us the wish list from the kids. Then we shop! There will be a Sign-Up Genius available in mid-November. A box for the gifts will be in the Narthex on Sunday, November 30th. The deadline for gifts is Sunday, December 14, 11:00 am. Please be on the lookout for more information in Thursday issues of This Week at Prince of Peace, Sunday bulletins, and in the next issue of Glad Tidings. Contact Kathy Mellott with questions.



#### **Christmas Pageant**

It is time to begin preparing and rehearsing for the Christmas pageant. This year's pageant will have the Christmas story with costumes, carols and food. Think of it as dinner theater. The dates are December 13 after the Saturday service and December 14 at 3pm.

We need older elementary, middle school, high school or adult actors to play the innkeepers, Mary and Joseph, two shepherds, three wise people, and a couple of servants (waiters and waitresses). We need younger elementary and preschool kids to play the innkeepers' and neighborhood's children. There will be very little to no memorizing. The casting read through will be November 2 at 3 pm. We also need people who can prep food and display it on a platter in a pleasing manner (some slicing and dicing and keeping the olive juice away from the grapes kind of thing). Behind the scenes - coach, costumes, scenery, photographer, usher, lighting, music are also needed.

Since food is involved, we also need to know how many to prepare for and which day. Please sign up in the narthex or email the office if you can volunteer and/or you will be attending as audience.

Rehearsals will be planned around the schedules of the volunteers.

You want to be involved but not sure how? Sign-up for "let's talk." The sign-up list is on the credenza in the Narthex.



After the pageant, the Fellowship committee will be offering cocoa, cookies and more carols around a Christmas tree!



#### OTHER EVENTS

### Haven Universe "Saturday Night Alive!"

Non-profit, Haven Universe has been partnering with Prince of Peace for several years and invites you to volunteer (or be a guest!) at HU "Saturday Night Alive." These events are hosted for individuals with special needs and their families and friends, many of whom are adults that attend with their caregivers. "Saturday Night Alive" events will occur on the following dates from 3:00-5:00pm at Lakelands Park Middle School (1200 Main St, Gaithersburg): Nov 22 & Dec 20. Positions for potential volunteers include front desk checkin, AV tech setup/takedown, craft table, merchandise sales, or just mingling with participants. This is a chance to see God's work through our hands. (High school students can also earn SSL hours by volunteering.) Contact Ric or Sherry Kienzle for questions. We hope you can join us to be a witness of Christ to others!

## UPCOMING EVENTS STEWARDSHIP

#### **Church Giving Envelopes**



Envelopes for 2025 are available to all who would like them. They are located on the donation table in the Narthex. Please contact <u>Helen Griffith</u> if you have any questions.

#### **Online Giving**

It's easy and will make your life easier. Just go to the church webpage (poplutheran.org) and click the green Donate Online button. Giving online can help all of us easily provide consistent support for the church. Signup today! Online giving is a win for the church and for the congregation. Please contact Chris Michel (michel\_christian@yahoo.com) or Kwame Mensah (mensahkn@gmail.com) with any questions.

#### **Electronic Giving**

To donate right now or become an E-Giver, go to poplutheran.org or scan this QR code with your smart phone or tablet. Thanks for supporting the ministries of Prince of Peace!



#### **Time and Talent**

As we recognize all the blessings we have been given, we have the privilege of being a blessing to our church and others in our community!

We are grateful for our church members who have given their talents to duties during Sunday services, social justice efforts, administrative and building tasks, service projects, Sunday school.....the list goes on! We are encouraging ALL members of Prince of Peace to share that talent you have to contribute in some way to our church community. It takes every member to make a church! Take a look below for various ways you can help.

Use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

1 Peter 4:10

Prince of Peace is also grateful for the additional monetary contributions to replenish our General Operating fund. Council is encouraging each household to increase their giving by \$20/mo to fund our operating budget. We are prayerful that we will look back and see that members rallied together and the church ended the year with a surplus!

Give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:7

Thank you for your thoughtful commitment of *time and talent* this year!

#### We Need You!

Please consider contributing your talent - many hands make light work! Contact these coordinators with interest or for more information.

Facebook Greeter (backup) Martha Rogers
Sunday Service <u>office@poplutheran.org</u>
Be a presence/host online during Sunday morning
service. Greet the online participant group and be
on standby for any audio/visual streaming issues.

#### **Snow Removal Coordinator**

Coordinates with third-party vendor on removal of snow from church parking lot and walking areas (as needed/seasonal) Snacks Pamela Cook
Sunday Service <u>cook1082@verizon.net</u>
Bring snacks (cookies, etc.) for coffee hour held
after Sunday service, (approx. 50-count.)

Sound Board Jon Conary
Sunday Service drjon2018@gmail.com
Manage the church sound/audio board during
Sunday service, ensuring audio is functioning
successfully and camera is focused on appropriate
sections of the sanctuary.

**Team Lead**Sunday Service

Ensure each member of the Sunday serving team
(or their substitute) is present for their role. Usher attendees to the alter at communion time.

Greeters Pastor Steve
Sunday Service pastor@poplutheran.org
Greet incoming members/visitors at the door for
Sunday service. Suggest a name tag for visitors
and/or have them sign the visitor book.

Other Sherry Kienzle skienzle1@yahoo.com

#### **YOUTH MINISTRY**

#### **Sunday School**

**PreK-K Class Activities** 

Every week, Ms. Sonvy has several fun songs for us, along with a variety of rhythm instruments and props. Here, we are playing along with "If I Were a Butterfly."







In October, through stories about David, we learned that God helps us stand strong. After making crowns because Saul had been anointed king, we learned that he disobeyed God, and someone else would be anointed.



We learned that God chose David, whose heart was filled with love, to be the next king. We also had the pleasure of Mr. Dick Moore visiting our class to share Jon Muth's <u>The Three Questions</u>, a story about a boy who also wanted to do good. Then we painted a heart using dipped paper tubes to remind us that God sees the love in our hearts, too.







During our David and Goliath lesson, we learned



how David cared for and protected his sheep as a shepherd. He knew that God would help him "stand strong," no matter what - even facing something as scary as a giant like

Goliath! The learners tried out a slingshot and then

made a Goliath cup and ball game to take home. We also decorated bags to hold stones, and took home a stone decorated with the day's Bible point. (Thank you, Gemma, for bringing and sharing those!)



Everyone loved David's leadership (just as the learners enjoyed marching with Ms. Cherie), and that made Saul jealous. Jonathan and David were good friends, and Jonathan protected David from Saul. The learners made David and Jonathan stick figures, which danced to "I'm Gonna Stick with You." Then they sequenced our stories about David.









In November, we will learn about the miracles of Jesus and his love.

#### Middle School

The Middle School learners choose topics they would like covered in class. In October, we've covered topics ranging from God's forgiveness to What's Up with Paul? We will continue with the Epistles into November, and then who knows what's next? These learners are delightful - they are very thoughtful and have many insightful questions and comments.

### Calling all Middle and High School Students!

Registration is now open for the DC-Metro and Maryland Synods' joint Middle School/High School Event at Skycroft Conference Center in Myersville, MD on November 21 - 23, 2025. Cost is \$180 before October 5 or \$200 from October 6 - November 9. For more info and to register, go to <a href="https://www.youngfaithmatters.com/events-retreats/middle-schoolhigh-school-event">https://www.youngfaithmatters.com/events-retreats/middle-schoolhigh-school-event</a>. Please contact Laura Dillon (<a href="mailto:laldillon@yahoo.com">laldillon@yahoo.com</a> or 410-562-6942) with any questions and let her know if you register.



#### ADULT EDUCATION

#### **Coffee and Conversation**



Join us weekly after services for the Coffee and Conversation hour at 11am in the sanctuary. Throughout the year, we will include service activities at the church,

welcome speakers from outside organizations, and host group Bible study and conversation. To view schedule updates, or to sign up to lead a Bible study session this fall, please visit <a href="https://tinyurl.com/PoPAdultEd2025">https://tinyurl.com/PoPAdultEd2025</a>. We look forward to having you!

Descriptions of the current upcoming "lessons" follow.

#### **November**

2 Adult Bible Study, Sherry Kienzle

9 PoP Volunteers in Our Community, Sonvy Waidler

16 TBD

23 Adult Bible Study, Jamie Pflasterer

#### <u>December</u>

7 TBD

14 TBD

#### **PoP Community Volunteers**

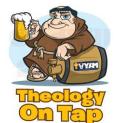
Do you volunteer outside of church? Do you deliver food, teach computer skills, pick up trash, or conduct health screenings? We want to hear from you! Sunday November 9 in our Coffee & Conversation time, we'll highlight community volunteering. Help to spread the word about organizations and opportunities.

Ways to get involved: plan to talk for five minutes about your experience; or send photos, answer questions, or let me interview you on-camera for our presentation. Contact <u>Sonvy Waidler</u> (or text 301-795-8020).



#### **Theology on Tap**

Join us for our next Theology on Tap session to talk about issues of faith. Pastor Steve leads one of these events each month. Check Weekly Email and the online worship notice for the next date and join us!



#### **PoP Women's Bible Study**



The Women's Bible Study meets every Tuesday from 12:30-2pm. We are currently reading and discussing Seeking the Hiding God: A Personal

Theological Essay by Arnold Eisen. If you have questions or need to join by Zoom, please contact Pastor Wendy Deeben.

#### **MUSIC**

#### **Grace Notes**

Is this the year to dust off your trumpet, trombone, saxophone, drums, guitar or other musical instrument and start playing again? Have you always wanted to sing or play with "the Band"? Grace Notes is looking for musicians and singers. We rehearse on Monday nights from 7:00 to 8:30pm and are working toward the goal of playing once a month during our worship service.

**Time commitment** is rehearsal 3-4 times a month and playing at one Sunday service a month Contact Jon Conary for more information.

### SOCIAL MINISTRIES Gaithersburg HELP



As yet, any effects of the government shutdown are not showing up in client numbers. Of course, probably not a single HELP client works for the government, but secondary impacts

are likely to be felt if the situation lasts too long.

Food donations are always needed - cereal, 1-pound bags of rice and dried beans, tuna, canned fruit, etc. Thanks for your ongoing support. The Peanut Butter and Jelly donations will have been counted and delivered by the time you read this.

For questions or to volunteer, please contact your POP Delegate, Hope Walker,

Hope.Walker@GaithersburgHELP.org. If you would like a tour of the Pantry on Muddy Branch Road, that can easily be arranged. The website is GaithersburgHelp.org for lots of great information.

# Please help MoCoHelps collect canned food to help with local community needs.

On November 1st, we will be helping to distribute food through St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Silver Spring which directly provides food assistance to hundreds of local families in need each month. Any canned food donations would be greatly appreciated and can be dropped off in marked boxes at Church.

Please contact <u>Kieran</u> or <u>Monica</u> McKnight for more information.

#### **Quilters**



Would you like to change the world for someone? Can you tie a knot or tear/cut a piece of cloth? Then join the Quilter's group, Tuesday mornings from 10:00 am till noon at the church or work from home. We also can use donations of cloth (cotton preferred). We are changing

the world one quilt at a time!

Contact Lisa Conary for more information.

#### **Fabric Donations Needed**

Do you have some fabric in your home that you are not going to use? The PoP Quilters are in need of fabric and sheets for quilts. We use sheets for the backing and other pieces of cloth for squares. Cotton is best but blends work as well. Please leave any fabric donations in the church office or music room.



If you have questions, please contact Lisa Conary.

#### Social Justice Ministry News Help New Neighbors Learn English

New Neighbors Interfaith Alliance (NNIA) helps refugee families build new lives in our neighborhoods. Learning English is the key to employment for these men and women. Can you help tutor a new immigrant? As the tutor coordinator for NNIA, I can tell you that you are needed and your time will be well spent. Tutors meet with their students once a week. No experience needed. Contact Sonvy Waidler to learn more: <a href="mailto:sonvy@yahoo.com">sonvy@yahoo.com</a> or text 301-795-8020.

#### Walk in the Woods: Let's Be Smart About Winter Salt on Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup> from 10am-12pm at Sligo Creek North Neighborhood Park.

Register here! Join the Izaak Walton League of America on this fun and informative hikes to learn about our addiction to deicing salt, and how we can all live on a low winter salt diet. You'll step into the shoes of an environmental detective as we explore the hidden impacts of oversalting our streets and sidewalks during the winter season. Discover how the excess salt harms delicate aquatic creatures, disrupts the fragile balance of our ecosystems, and pollutes our drinking water, and learn from the experts about what we can do to be "winter salt smart." Together, we can make a significant difference and create a cleaner, healthier future.

### Upcoming Movie Screening at Kol Shalom

All are invited to a screening of the documentary Ain't No Back to a Merry-Go-Round on Saturday, 12/6 at 5:30pm by our neighbors at Kol Shalom, located at 9110 Darnestown Rd. The documentary is about the integration of the Glen Echo amusement park by Howard University students, who were joined in protesting by white, largely Jewish middle-aged neighbors - and then the American Nazi Party showed up. The panel discussion afterwards will include the director of the film, as well as one of the Howard University students who led the integration effort. Many of your friends and neighbors who grew up in the DMV area in the 1960s will likely remember when Glen Echo and the Crystal Pool were advertised on local TV as a segregated amusement park.

#### **FELLOWSHIP**

#### **Women's Book Group**

On November 13 at 7:30 pm, the Women's Book Group will be discussing *The Gown* by Jennifer Robson at the home of Cherie DeGeorge.

#### **Future Book Selections and Hosts**

2025

December 12 The First Christmas by Marcus J. Borg host Laura Dillon

2026

January 8 Knife River
by Justine Champine
host TBD

February 12 Dictionary of Lost Words by Pip Williams host Judy Bruening

March 12 The In Between by Hadley Vlahos host Kathy Mellott

April 9 Trust by Hernan Diaz host Susan Victor



### RECENT EVENTS

#### **Delivery of the Quilts**

We took the 47 quilts to New Windsor on a Tuesday in late September. It was a beautiful day and a lovely drive. It is the last time we can make this trip as the warehouse will not be a collection point for Lutheran World Relief after November 10. We got to see our quilts pressed down into a 100 lb bail one more time. We talked to several employees who have worked there between 30 and 50 years! From now on, we will be boxing the quilts up and, if we are selected as an ingathering point, the truck will come to us. Otherwise, we will find one nearby.





#### **THANK YOU!**

A HUGE thank you to everyone who helped make this year's fall festival successful: our fellowship team, everyone who helped with greeting guests and vendors, our amazing face painters, musicians, sparkling strands hair, and balloon artist. There were lots of great items to shop for, and the patio was a great place to relax at lunch with refreshments. Thank you one and all!

























Thank you to all who came out to help us with the Fall Garden Planting at church on Sunday October 19th! We were able to add native plants to the bed just behind the altar, facing the larger Sacred Grounds garden. Varieties planted included <a href="Iris Versicolor">Iris Versicolor</a>, <a href="Nodding Onion">Narrow Leaf Mountain Mint</a>, <a href="Fire Pink">Fire Pink</a>, and <a href="Little Bluestem">Little Bluestem</a>. We look forward to more beautiful flowers and color in the garden in the spring!













#### POP OFFICE

#### Office Hours

Our office is now being staffed by Martha Rogers on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, from 9:30 am - 1:30 pm. However, it is always possible to:

- Call or email the office (or the Pastor directly)
   we will be monitoring email and voicemail daily, so it's always possible to contact us;
- Drop off food for Gaithersburg HELP at the church - the bins continue to be located outside each door under the covered walkways.
- Send offering checks to the church (although we're encouraging online donations if you can do that.)

#### **Recycling Toner/Ink Cartridges**



Please continue saving used ink & toner cartridges for PoP. We still recycle them for store credit on office supplies. You can leave

them in the box in the Narthex or in the labeled bin on the "Give & Take" table outside the back door.

#### **Sunday Service Extras**

Prince of Peace is in full bloom with fresh flower

arrangements on Sundays!! Please help us by ordering an arrangement. The cost will be \$40.00. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please contact Pamela Cook at 301-806-8016 (call or text).



Snack after Sunday Service is back! If you are



interested in helping, there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Thank you for all your help! If you have any questions, you can contact Pamela Cook at 301-806-8016 (call or text).

#### **Kitchen Care**

Help us keep our refurbished kitchen neat and organized! More information to come.



#### **ELCA DISASTER RESPONSE**

Lutheran Disaster Response brings God's hope, healing and renewal to people whose lives have been disrupted by disasters in the United States and around the world. With wildfires, hurricanes, flooding, and earthquakes, there are many immediate needs here and around the world. Most current for many of us is the continuation of the Covid-19 pandemic, Afghan and Ukrainian refugees, and the war in Ukraine. Visit the <a href="ELCA Disaster Response webpage">ELCA Disaster Response webpage</a> (<a href="https://elca.org/disaster">https://elca.org/disaster</a>) to donate or learn more about how you can help.

#### THINK ABOUT IT

Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind, for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.

Psalms 107:8-9

Get all you can, Save all you can. Give all you can.

-- John Wesley

You give but little when you give of your possessions. It is when you give of yourself that you truly give.

--Kahlil Gibran

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