

Announcements 3.15.2020

Good day Lenten people! Today is the **Third weekend in Lent**. We will hear the story of the woman at the well and how despite her struggles Jesus welcome her and inspired her to tell others about the messiah.

Notice of Special Congregational Meeting. At the Annual Congregational Budget Meeting in January it was noted the sale of the Misty Hollow parcel was being considered. On March 29, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. there will be a Special Congregational Meeting to discuss and vote on the sale of the Misty Hollow.

If the school closures have you concerned about your child not being able to eat breakfast or lunch let Pr. Paul know. He will do what he can to help. A box of cereal, gallon of milk, bread, pb&j- just let him know. P.S. if you are ever worried about how you are going to feed your kiddo(s) we will figure it out together. **No judgement!** This also goes for the elderly! If you know someone in need -please reach out!

Please read Friday's email for other important community concerns – such as a gentle reminder for all Thrivent members-- you have until the end of the month to designate your **Thrivent Choice dollars**. Please consider giving them to PoP. Let us know if you need help in doing so.

In order to do our part in protecting the most vulnerable and to flatten the curve of Covid 19, we are suspending all Prince of Peace Church and Prince of Peace Preschool activities including worship until Sunday, March 29 (the Fifth Sunday in Lent), when we will be thrilled to welcome you back and hear how Jesus raises Lazarus, and us.

I leave you with a prayer. And I invite you to join me in offering this prayer every day at noon for the next two weeks (set your alarm, mark your clock, phone) to help us focus on what we are doing and why we are doing it.

May we who are merely inconvenienced remember those whose lives are at stake. May we who have no risk factors remembers those most vulnerable. May we who have the luxury of working from home remember those who must choose between preserving their health and making their rent. May we who have the flexibility to care for our children when their schools close, remember those who have no options. May we who have to cancel our trips remember those who have no safe place to go. May we who are losing our margin money in the tumult of our economic market remember those who have no margin at all. May we who settle in for a quarantine at home remember those who have no home. As fear grips our country let us choose Love. During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms around each other. Let us find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbors. Amen. (Cameron Wiggins Beld)

I continue to be available to you. Call (609.578.7921) or email (poppastorpaul@sbcglobal.net) or IM (609.578.7921) or through Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/plutznj>).

Let us take a moment in silence to prepare our hearts and minds for worship.