

**CLUSTER 4**  
**AR-OK Synod Assembly Report**  
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**Representing the following Faith Communities:**

Faith (Enid), Immanuel (Cushing), Our Savior (Bartlesville), Prince of Peace (Ponca City), Salem (Stillwater), and Zion (Perry)

**Cluster Dean:** Pastor Peter Olson

Pastor Cheryl Armstrong-Kaukis retired this past fall and we recommended Pastor Peter serve as Dean.

The Cluster continues to use our "A-OK Cluster 4 (North Central Oklahoma)" Facebook page to make communication easier within our cluster along with emails.

This fall the Cluster had a retreat in Ponca City. Pastor Liz Albertson facilitated the morning. The retreat focus was spending time dwelling in the Word and using the synod's Curiosity Cards. Four of our six Cluster congregations had representation.

Two of our Cluster congregations (Prince of Peace and Zion) have joint confirmation class on Wednesday nights.

**FAITH/ZION**

Pastor Peter Olson (ELCA) (and Pastor Dan Thimell) serves Faith and Zion. Zion is nearing completion on their building while Faith is still looking to sell their building. Sunday worship services are at 11:00 a.m.

**IMMANUEL**

Linda Ewen serves Immanuel as the TEEM Minister. Their Sunday worship services are at 9:00 a.m.

The congregation has been celebrating the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation since January 2017 by studying Luther's Small Catechism in education, preaching and worship. One of Immanuel's goals this year is to re-evaluate and adjust outreach and mission plans to involve more servanthood activities with organizations that can be partnered with.

**OUR SAVIOR**

Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bartlesville continues to partner with Family Promise Washington County (FPWPC) to be a host congregation. FPWPC is a nonprofit and non-denominational organization for families in transition. A host congregation provides overnight lodging, meals and hospitality for a week and does this up to four times a year. Our Savior has an active WELCA group that holds monthly Bible studies.

**PRINCE OF PEACE**

Retired Navy Chaplain, Pastor Brad Telleen regularly serves as pulpit supply at Prince of Peace. Sunday worship is at 11:00 a.m. The congregation continues to meet for praise and worship on Tuesdays to over new songs to introduce to church. They also now have their Sunday sermons recorded on their web site (<http://www.princeofpeacechurch.net>).

**SALEM**

The congregation is served by Pastor Sally Houck. Their Sunday services are at 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Salem dedicated a Prayer Room, designed, renovated and furnished by participants in a Bible Study. Their hope is that members of the community will feel welcome to use it as well.