

Calendar for March 1, 2020

Today	9:15 a.m.	<i>Faith 5</i> Scripture study – Classroom 5
	9:30 a.m.	Music rehearsals – Sanctuary
	10:00 a.m.	<i>Faith 5</i> Sharing Time – Sanctuary
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service – Sanctuary
	10:30 a.m.	<i>Bible Talk & Play</i> – Nursery
	11:45 a.m.	Sonshine Singers rehearsal – Sanctuary
	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation class – Fellowship Hall
	7:30 p.m.	Board of Deacons' meeting – Classroom 5
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday	8:15 a.m.	Men's Breakfast – Orchard Café (Odenton, MD)
	9:00 a.m.	CCCC at POP Church – Music Room
	6:00 p.m.	Soup & Scripture – Fellowship Hall
	7:30 p.m.	Boyles Memorial Ringers rehearsal – Sanctuary
	7:30 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir rehearsal – Sanctuary
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday		
Sunday	9:15 a.m.	<i>Faith 5</i> Scripture study – Classroom 5
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	10:30 a.m.	<i>Bible Talk in Action!</i> – Nursery
	11:45 a.m.	Sonshine Singers rehearsal – Sanctuary
	4:00 p.m.	Sarah's House dinner – Odenton, MD
	6:30 p.m.	God Squad youth group – Fellowship Hall

Here and There with POP Groups



Kindness Grows Here! All are welcome to attend the March meeting of the Crofton Kiwanis Club on Wednesday, March 11th, from 7:00–8:00 p.m. The featured speaker will be Kristen Caminiti from local nonprofit Kindness Grows Here (www.kindnessgrowshere.com). The meeting is open to all at no charge, and beverages will be available. Crofton Kiwanis Club meets at the lower level banquet room at the Blue Dolphin Seafood Bar and Grill (Princess Shopping Center, 1166 MD Route 3 South, Gambrills, MD).

Prince of Peace Presbyterian Church Life in the Church – March 1, 2020

Order Easter Flowers! Spring flowers to decorate the church for Easter can be ordered now through **March 15th**. Order forms and a drop-box are available on a pedestal in the narthex. Or stop by the church office (M-F, 9:00 a.m.–Noon). **Please be sure attach a check to your order form.** Checks should be made out to Prince of Peace with **"Easter Flowers" written on the memo line.** Sorry, but only orders with accompanying payments can be accepted. The flowers will decorate the sanctuary on Easter Sunday; then you may take the ones you purchased immediately after worship to enjoy at home. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask **Ginny Shearin**. **And save the date—Friday, April 10th, at 3:00 p.m.—to help decorate the sanctuary!**



Spiritual Nurture and Formation Opportunities

Soup & Scripture

Soup & Scripture Begins! POP's Lenten Soup & Scripture series begins this Wednesday, March 4th. Join **Pastor Elizabeth** as she presents ***The Holy in the Ordinary***. This Lent, you are invited to delve into the Bible to learn the stories ordinary objects (*figs, oil, coats, sandals, thorns*) tell. Each week we will consider the symbolism of one or two new objects. Then, in the last class, we will revisit all the objects again in the context of the Bible stories about the last week of Jesus' earthly life. Come find the holy in the ordinary, and in so doing, acquire a fuller understanding of the Gospel, and a way to see it and feel it, even in the real world. ***Soup & Scripture meets in Fellowship Hall on Wednesday evenings, March 4th through April 1st.*** A soup supper will be served at 6:00 p.m. followed by discussion from 6:30–7:30 p.m. Childcare is available upon advanced request. **All are welcome!**

Inquirers/New Members Class Offered! Are you interested in learning more about Presbyterianism? Are you feeling ready to become a member of the church? If you answered yes to one or both of these questions, then please speak with **Pastor Elizabeth**. She will be offering an Inquirers/New Members class those interested. **All are welcome!**

Inquirers
Class



GA2020 Local Coordinator Needed! General Assembly (GA) 2020 is right around the corner, and Presbytery of Baltimore has requested that each church have a local church coordinator for GA2020! We need one person from POP to be our contact person to help individuals in our congregation connect with volunteer opportunities, and generally to keep us aware of upcoming events related to GA2020. If you are able to fill this role, please contact the **Church Office ASAP** as we need a volunteer this week.

No March Book Group! POP's book group will not meet again until April (date to be determined). April's book selection is *The Second Mountain* by David Brooks. **Order and read your copy today!**

Mission and Outreach



Thank you for wearing **BLUE** to support Presbyterian Disaster Assistance!

"If **red** is the color that screams out 'emergency,' then **blue** is the color that seems to announce, 'help has arrived—your cries of distress have been heard.'"

- Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) bulletin insert

The PDA provides its volunteer helpers with blue t-shirts that read "Out of Chaos, Hope" when they are on PDA-sponsored mission work trips. While not all of us have an official PDA shirt, we are all showing our support by wearing **blue** today! A portion of the money collected in our One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) offering supports the work of the PDA. (**POP's 2020 OGHS offering will be collected on Palm Sunday, April 5th.**)

The next Sarah's House dinner is **Sunday, March 8th**! Meatloaf, veggies, and other savory foods are on the menu for our friends at Sarah's House, a shelter in Odenton, MD. Please sign up in the narthex to donate grocery items and/or to set up and serve! If you have any questions, contact **Roger Shull** or **Clive Durose**.



Silver Strands Mission! This program, run by local librarians in Panajachel, Guatemala, provides funds for medical and nutritional support for senior citizens. If you would like to support this mission, please speak with **Peggy Elliott**.

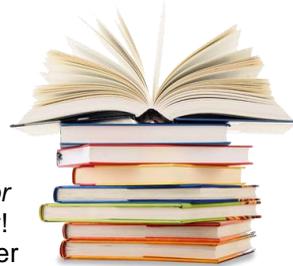
Support the Crofton Christian Caring Council (CCCC)



- † **Regular-sized cans of tuna** are being collected during March for the Food Pantry.
- † In 2019, the Baby Pantry donated almost 30,000 diapers to families in need; however, one of their main sources for diapers has recently stopped donating. If able, please donate **diapers** (sizes 4, 5, and 6 especially).
- † The Clothes Closet is currently full, but still feel free to donate your **new and gently used clothing**. We will find an appropriate home for them.
- † **Volunteers are needed on occasional Wednesdays here at POP** to help assist those in need of emergency assistance. The time commitment is 9:00 a.m.–noon. Please speak with Elder **Beth Ross** if interested.

Mark your calendars for POP's Used Book and Media Sale!

This year's Used Book and Media Sale will be held **Friday, April 24th** (5:00–9:00 p.m.) and **Saturday, April 25th** (8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.). The big beige collection bin is in its usual spot: the church's front porch (faces Crofton Parkway). **So please bring in your books, media, and much-needed empty boxes!** (No VHS or cassette tapes, magazines, Reader's Digests, or encyclopedias.) In addition, there are tasks for every interest and availability! Speak with Elder **Lillian Van Rompay** or Deacon **Anne Weadon** to volunteer or to learn more.



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Mission and Outreach Cont'd.

Please consider donating items for POP's ministries! POP collects many items for donation/reuse in our community. Please see the list below. All donations should be left in their appropriately-labeled bins/baskets in the classroom hallway. For more information, speak with Elder **Lillian Van Rompay**.

- ❖ Baby items (CCCC Baby Pantry)
- ❖ Eyeglasses (Bowie Lions Club)
- ❖ New & gently used shoes (Changing Focus)
- ❖ Used household batteries (Earth Care)
- ❖ Newspapers (Arundel Middle School)
- ❖ Used oral care products (toothbrushes, empty floss/toothpaste containers, etc.) (Earth Care)
- ❖ Cans of fruit—February (CCCC Food Pantry)
- ❖ Books (Little Free Library)
- ❖ Travel-sized toiletries (Sarah's House)
- ❖ Used musical instruments (Earth Care)
- ❖ New & gently used clothing



POP Updates

Daylight Saving Time! Remember to set your clocks **forward** one hour when you go to bed on Saturday, March 7th, and you can snooze right through the change and still be on time for Sunday service. Officially, Daylight Saving Time begins at 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, March 8th.

Worship Committee Members and Ushers Needed! Committee members meet once a month, while ushers assist with Sunday worship three months out of the year. Both are vital to POP! Ushering is easy and perfect for those who want to volunteer at church but cannot commit to another day of the week. It is our hope to have three ushers on each monthly team. If interested in either position, please speak with Elder **Carlene Craytor** or Elder **Ellen Mitchell**.



Worship Chair Campaign! Please help POP purchase new worship chairs for the sanctuary! A sample chair is located in the sanctuary, and pledge cards are available in the narthex. Completed pledge cards can be returned to the church office, or simply dropped into one of the Sunday offertory plates. After factoring in shipping and fees, the cost will be about \$63 for chairs with arms and \$51 for those without, and the total cost for 100 chairs plus two storage carts with wheels is about \$5,800. We plan to alternate chairs with arms and chairs without so that all congregants would have access to chair arms. **Please pledge by Easter Sunday, April 12th.** Monies will be accepted now through December 31st. **Checks should be made payable to Prince of Peace Church, notating "Worship Chairs" in the memo line.** It should also be noted that any additional money pledged will be used for Worship & Music items.

