

Prince of Peace Presbyterian Church

Life in the Church – October 18, 2020



Nature Walk

TODAY – Fall Nature Walk! *Feeling cooped up? Have cabin fever or just need to get out and enjoy some time in nature?* POP's Deacons are hosting a Fall Nature Walk **today** at the Piney Orchard Nature Park! **All ages and walking abilities are welcome!** Participants should first meet up at the church parking lot at 1:30 p.m. and then caravan together to the park. The nature walk is expected to last around an hour, and all participants will be required to wear a face mask. If necessary, a rain date will be determined. Questions? Contact Deacons **Melissa Hildebrand** or **Valerie Mentzer**.

Outdoor Worship Continues! While the fall weather remains pleasant, POP will continue to offer the opportunity to safely gather outside and worship together in the church parking lot, *weather-permitting*, on Sunday mornings. Our outdoor services will be live-streamed, so all can enjoy worship based on their comfort level!

Here's what you need to know:

† The service will take place in the parking lot from the top part of the circular drive to the upper lot by the labyrinth.

† Congregants who want to participate will be required to bring folding chairs of their own, to maintain six feet or more of physical distance from others at all times, and to wear masks over their noses and mouths.

† The number of participants will be limited by space and regulations.

Everyone who wants to attend will need to reserve spots by each Friday at noon with the church office (church.office@popchurch.org or 410-721-2313).

(Just email or call any time before noon on Fridays.) Spots are available on a first-called, first-served basis for members and non-members alike.

† ****If the weather on Sunday mornings does not allow for outdoor worship because of rain or heavy winds, services will be 100% virtual for everyone.** We will not be moving worship inside for those who have reservations at this time.

† Parking will be available at the Crofton Country Club commuter parking lot next to the church, as well as some parking in our front/lower lot, on Crofton Parkway, and in the cul-de-sac on Ardsley Place by Fellowship Hall.

† **Please check out the following link for everything that you need to know regarding our outdoor worship services.** (<http://popchurch.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/2020-Fall-Outdoor-Worship-FAQ.pdf>)



Stewardship in a Time of Crisis!

There are many ways to give at POP! Visit <http://popchurch.org/give/> and click on the "Give Now" button to access POP's online giving portal. Once there, you may give towards the POP General Fund or our Special Giving Funds. You may also give an additional 2% to help offset our processing fees, and this optional amount is calculated automatically. Smartphone users can download the **GivePlus** Mobile App for even easier giving. **We appreciate any way you give!** Continue to give via automated payments through your bank or mailed checks. *(Our mailbox is locked and checked regularly for your security.)* **Please give regularly and generously so that Prince of Peace Church can continue to witness to the love of God in Jesus Christ.**

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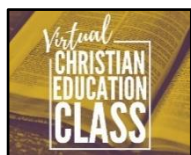


Spiritual Nurture and Formation Opportunities



Faith 5 Scripture Study! Join POP virtually every Sunday morning for *Faith 5* Scripture Study from 9:30–10:15 a.m. Click the link (<https://www.zoom.us/join>) to join, and use the following meeting information: (**Meeting ID: 778 8864 4221** | **Passcode: FAITH5**). **All are welcome!**

Virtual Choir Rehearsals! Gather together and join the POP family virtually every Thursday night at 7:30 p.m. for 40-minute choir rehearsals! POP's virtual choir rehearsals are a time to learn and sing hymns in your home while being able to interact with others from a safe distance. Rehearsals will be conducted via [Zoom](#). Contact the church office or [Suzann Barthold](#) for the updated Zoom information. **All are welcome!**



The God Who Liberates! Pastor Elizabeth's fall class, *The God Who Liberates*, continues weekly on Tuesday mornings, 9:30–11:00 a.m., via [Zoom](#), now through November 24th. New participants are welcome to join in at any time! Contact the church office if interested and to receive the Zoom link. **And please remember that classes are recorded and posted to the church's Facebook page and website for all to participate! All are welcome!**

Book Group! POP's Book Group meets next on Wednesday, November 4th, at 7:00 p.m. via [Zoom](#), and will discuss *American Dirt* by Jeanine Cummins. For a complete listing of all upcoming 2020-2021 books, click the link: <http://popchurch.org/event-items/pop-monthly-book-group/> **All are welcome!**

Mission and Outreach



Light House

A HOMELESS PREVENTION SUPPORT CENTER

Light House Lunches! Please help POP keep up our commitment of 70 lunches per month to the Light House Shelter of Annapolis by donating supplies for us to deliver to them! **Sign up here**, <http://popchurch.org/sheet/light-house-lunches/>, for what you would like

to donate and then arrange a drop-off time with Elder [Cindy Collins](#), who will deliver our October supplies. **...Have other items you'd like to donate to the Light House Shelter, based on their Urgent Needs list** (<https://annapolislighthouse.org/get-involved/needs/>)? Drop them off as well with Cindy, or have them shipped directly per the instructions on their website.

A Big POP Thank You! Thank you to all who strategized, sorted, and sold the multitude of used books and media that have populated POP since February! **Our efforts raised over an unbelievable \$7,300 for mission projects!** Many shoppers commented on how glad they were that we held the sale this year, and they certainly appreciated our careful thinking about how to adjust our sale due to COVID-19. We will see which of these changes become permanent additions to our repertoire. Thanks be to God for the success of this year's sale!



CCCC Assistance! All five churches of the Crofton Christian Caring Council (CCCC) that see clients seeking emergency financial assistance are open (**POP – Wednesdays**)! Those in need should call the churches first to schedule a visit. Masks are required. For questions, contact Elder [Beth Ross](#). In addition, both the Food Pantry at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church and the Baby Pantry at Community United Methodist Church are available to those in need.



FOOD DRIVE

Free Food Drive! Wilson Memorial United Methodist Church (1113 State Route 3 North, Gambrills, MD) is offering a Free Food Box & Produce Distribution Drive on Mondays, now through November 2nd, starting at 11:00 a.m. No appointments are needed, and the drive is open to all. **Please spread the news to those in need!**

POP Updates

Pastoral Care Update! Long-time POP member and deacon Julie Danielewski is battling breast cancer. Many congregants have asked how she is doing and what you can do to help. Accordingly, Chris and Julie have set up a CaringBridge site where Julie will post how she is doing and where help can be coordinated so all our efforts will work together effectively. Please click <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/juliedanielewski> for the CaringBridge site, and the Danielewski family thanks you for keeping them in your prayers during this challenging time.



New Worship Chairs! Great news, POP's new worship chairs have been delivered. The chairs are currently being stored in a classroom until the day arrives when we can all worship safely together again inside our sanctuary. Thank you to all those who donated to the chair campaign and helped along the way.



Contact POP! Although the physical church buildings remain closed and staff continue to work remotely, POP is very much alive and available to all! **Please contact the church office anytime!** Messages are checked daily and promptly returned. And if requested, we are happy to accommodate meetings with proper social distancing and safety. Also, **Pastor Elizabeth** and the **deacons** are always available for pastoral care by phone!


POP Community Support! POP encourages all to call each other regularly and support one another in prayer. **If you are a Facebook member, consider joining the private "Friends of POP" group. ...And Like Us on Facebook!** If you are enjoying worshiping online with us on Sundays, please do more than say "hello" in the comments section. "Like" us as well and that will make our posting go farther!

Call for POP Pictures! If you have any church-related pictures, please send them to the church office!



Technology and Live Streaming Access!

POP is extremely thankful that we are able to worship virtually during this time; however, we realize that technology can also bring issues and frustrations! Your continual feedback is extremely important and appreciated.

- † **Facebook Members:** Please log into your Facebook account and then simply go to the Prince of Peace page to watch the live broadcast.
- † **Non-Facebook Members:** Please go to the Prince of Peace [website](#) and then simply click on the first picture regarding live streaming. Computer users may also click the  button in the upper right-hand corner or at the bottom for mobile users. You do not need to sign up for Facebook to watch, so please ignore and close the pop-up box which invites you to join.
- † The live stream will start around 10:25 a.m. with organ music, but **be sure to "refresh" the page occasionally if you don't see the service.**
- † For those without printers but still would like to be able to view the live stream service while looking at the bulletin, you unfortunately might need two devices—one for the live streaming and another for the bulletin. Computer users might try opening two different windows.



Missed the live stream? Our worship videos are available to view on our [website](#) and on our Facebook page afterwards. **Please also "share" the services on your own Facebook page for others to enjoy!**

Calendar for October 18, 2020

Today	9:15 a.m.	<i>Faith 5</i> Scripture Study – Held via Zoom
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service – Parking Lot (<i>Reservations Required</i>)
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service – Online via Facebook
	1:30 p.m.	Nature Walk – Parking Lot
Monday	7:30 p.m.	Session meeting – Held via Zoom
Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	<i>The God Who Liberates</i> class – Held via Zoom
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	CCCC at POP Church – Narthex
Thursday	7:30 p.m.	Virtual Choir rehearsal – Held via Zoom
Sunday	9:15 a.m.	<i>Faith 5</i> Scripture Study – Held via Zoom
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service – Parking Lot (<i>Reservations Required</i>)
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service – Online via Facebook
	6:30 p.m.	God Squad youth group – Held via Zoom

