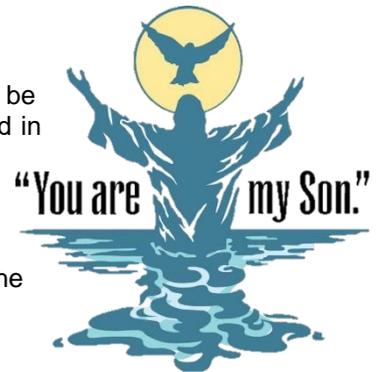


# Prince of Peace Presbyterian Church

## Life in the Church – January 10, 2021

### Today – Baptism of the Lord!

At the beginning of his public ministry, Jesus presented himself to John to be baptized in the Jordan, and Jesus' ministry to bring in God's rule was inaugurated in this baptism. As he came out of the water, the Spirit rested on Jesus and a sign of God's approval was heard. On this day, we not only remember Jesus' baptism, but we celebrate our own: the baptism we share with Christ. Normally, this Sunday is an appropriate time to celebrate the sacrament of baptism or the reaffirmation of the baptismal covenant; however, we have decided to save the spritzing until a later date when we can all celebrate safely in person together!



GIVE NOW

### The Many Ways to Give at POP!

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.**



## Spiritual Nurture and Formation Opportunities

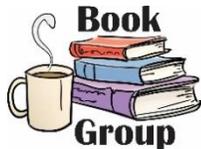
**Faith 5 Scripture Study!** Join Elder **Mark Weadon** virtually every Sunday morning for a lively discussion of each week's Lectionary readings, from 9:30–10:15 a.m. Click <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81207192738> to join (**Meeting ID: 812 0719 2738**).

**All are welcome!**



**God Squad Tonight!** POP's God Squad youth group will meet tonight at 6:30 p.m. and enjoy the Netflix movie *My Octopus Teacher* virtually together. Specific instructions were emailed to the group ahead of time, but for additional information, contact Elder **Beth Ross**.

**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 **Suzann Barthold** for the updated Zoom information. **All are welcome!**



**January Book Group!** POP's Book Group will meet this Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom, and will discuss *It's Not Supposed to be this Way: Finding Unexpected Strength when Disappointment Leaves You Shattered* by Lisa Turkeurst. **All are welcome!**

## Mission and Outreach



**Sarah's House Dinner Today!** Our next Sarah's House dinner is today and will consist of pizza and salad from *Three Brothers*, fresh fruit, drinks, and desserts. Proceeds from our 2020 Used Book & Media Sale will fund this dinner. **Thank you for your support!**

**CCCC Assistance!** All five churches of the Crofton Christian Caring Council (CCCC) that see clients seeking emergency financial assistance are open! Those in need should call the churches first to schedule a visit. Masks are required. For questions, contact Elder **Beth Ross**. The CCCC Food Pantry and Baby Pantry are also open.

## POP Updates

**Because we are in a covenantal relationship, we are called to support one another in our ministries through the Per Capita charge.** Communicants' Per Capita payments allow the other governing bodies to function and provide useful services to us through Baltimore Presbytery, the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic, and the General Assembly. There are no increases in the 2020 Per Capita. **Each communicant member's share is \$36.06.**



That money is divided as follows: Presbytery \$25.93; Synod \$1.15; General Assembly \$8.98. Your 2021 offering envelope boxes contains an envelope for this payment, but regardless if you use that envelope or not, please notate "2021 Per Capita" on the memo line of your check or in the Notes field of your online donation.



**Congregational Directory!** It's time to update our yearly congregational directory! *If you have moved over the past year, or changed a phone number or email address, or would like to include a cell phone number, please let us know by Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup>!* We hope to have new 2021 directories available in February.

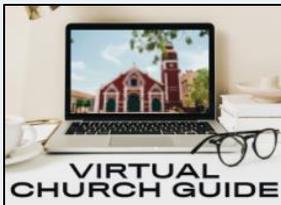
**Contact POP!** Although the physical church buildings remain closed and staff continue to work remotely, POP is very much alive and available! *Please contact the church office anytime!* Messages are checked daily and promptly returned. And if requested, we are happy to accommodate meetings with proper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



**POP Community Support!** *If you are a Facebook member, consider joining the private "Friends of POP" group!* Within this group, your posts—*pastoral concerns, joys, passwords, and whatever you don't want the whole universe to see but your POP family*—are entirely private and seen by the members of the group only. *...And Like Us on Facebook!* If

you are enjoying worshiping online with us, please do more than say "hello" in the comments section. "Like" us as well and that will make our posting go farther!

**"We Are POP" Project!** The deacons' "We Are POP" project has launched, and every Sunday (*for as many Sundays as we have videos*) you will watch a short heartfelt video from our POP members and friends. *And remember if you would like to submit your own video, email the Church Office for the link to upload your video to Dropbox as soon as possible.* In your video, just say who you are, how long you have been at POP, and what you love about the church!



### **Technology and Live Streaming Access!**

- † **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 view both the live stream service and the bulletin, you unfortunately might need two devices. 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!**

**Birth Announcement!** The single rose on the communion table is to celebrate the birth of Gabriella Rose Miller on December 28, 2020. Gabriella is the granddaughter of George and Darlene Miller.



### **Calendar for January 10, 2021**

Today	9:15 a.m.	<i>Faith 5</i> Scripture Study – Held via Zoom
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service – Online via Facebook
	4:00 p.m.	Sarah’s House dinner – Catered
	6:30 p.m.	God Squad youth group – Held via Zoom
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	CCCC at POP Church – Narthex
	7:00 p.m.	Book Group – Held via Zoom
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 – Online via Facebook

### **Here and There with POP Groups**



**Winter Farmers Market!** The Crofton Farmers Winter Market will be open on select Saturdays from now through April 17, 2021 at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church (1800 Seton Drive, Crofton, MD). For more information and exact dates, visit <http://croftonfarmersmarket.com/>.