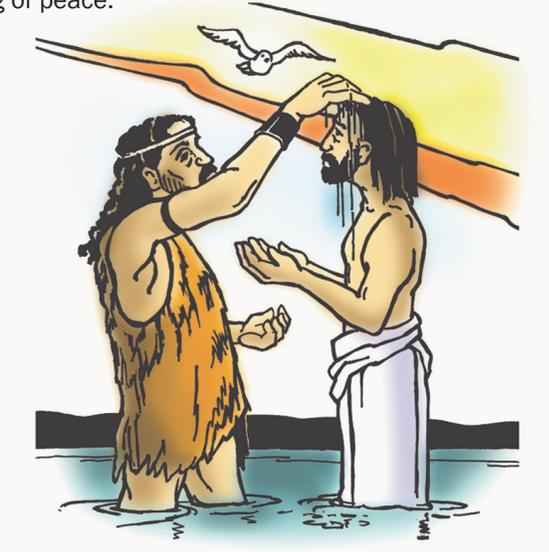


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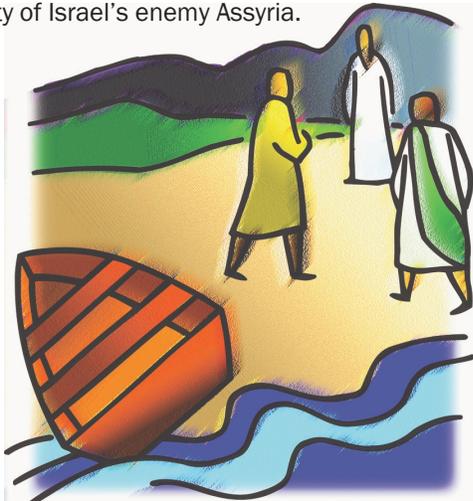
1 Epiphany: Baptism of Our Lord ... this Sunday is about Jesus being baptized by John the baptizer. The voice of God speaks from heaven, and the Spirit descends like a dove. This story is also about us: we too have been baptized, we have heard God's loving call, and we have received the Holy Spirit. What is God's voice like? Psalm 29 says that God's voice can break the cedars and strip the trees bare, but also give a blessing of peace. "



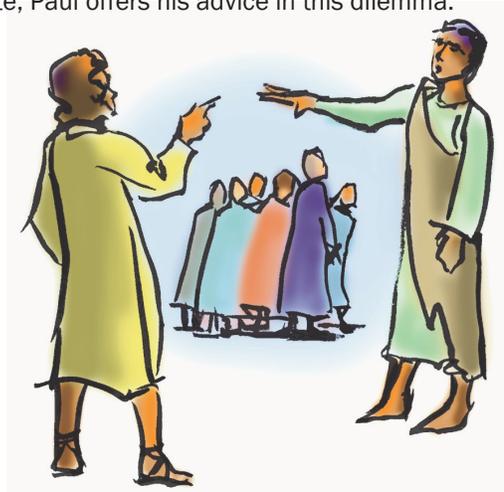
2 Epiphany: Follow Me ... now we hear about his calling of the disciples. It is the same with us: after baptism we are called to follow him, whom this Sunday's gospel reading calls Jesus, son of Joseph, Rabbi, Son of God, King of Israel, and Son of Man. To speak the mystery of Christ, we need many titles.



3 Epiphany: "Saying Yes Requires Saying No" ...The word "Epiphany" means "the showing forth of God," and the readings on the Sundays after Epiphany and our participation in the sacrament continue to show forth Jesus to be our God. This Sunday, Jesus calls the disciples—and us—to repent, believe, and follow him. And Jonah, after trying to run away, finally heeds God's call and preaches repentance in Nineveh, the capital city of Israel's enemy Assyria.



4 Epiphany: Rules or Relationship?...In the Gospel of Mark, the first person healed by Jesus had "an unclean spirit." So do we all; yet in baptism we receive instead the Holy Spirit. The second reading this Sunday is Paul's interesting discussion about whether Christians could eat meat that had been first offered to gods or goddesses. Since nearly all meat available in Corinth at that time had been first offered in a pagan religious rite, Paul offers his advice in this dilemma.



"We Are A Family of Christians - Growing In Faith & Reaching Out In Love"

JANUARY 2018 | FROM THE FILES

Attendance By Service/Total

Nov. 26		297
First Service	106	
Second Service	143	
Third Service	48	
Nov. 29 (Advent I)		140
Dec. 3		310
First Service	113	
Second Service	163	
Third Service	34	
Dec. 6 (Advent II)		145
Dec. 10 (Christmas Program)		456
First Service	102	
Second Service	354	
(No third service)	N/A	
Dec. 13 (Advent III)		97
Dec. 17		324
First Service	123	
Second Service	153	
Third Service	48	
Dec. 20 (Advent IV- Healing)		148
Dec 24 (Christmas Eve)		966
10:30 am	332	
2:00 pm	172	
4:30 pm	272	
8:00 pm	190	
Dec 31 (New Years Eve)		173
First Service	67	
Second Service	106	

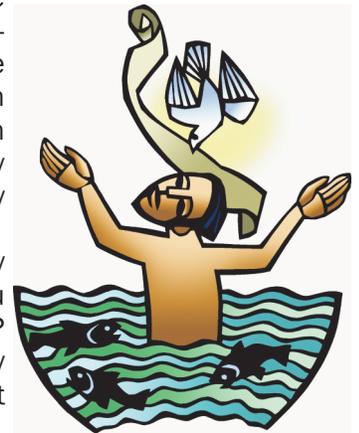
KEY DATES FOR 2018 CALENDARS:

Epiphany Season	Jan. 6 - Feb. 11
Baptism of Our Lord	January 7
Annual Meeting	January 28
Transfiguration Sunday	February 11
Ash Wednesday	February 14
Lenten Suppers (We)	Feb. 21 - Mar. 21
Daylight Savings Begins	March 11
Seder Meal	March 11
1st Communion	March 18 (& 25)
Palm Sunday	March 25
Maundy Thursday	March 29
Good Friday	March 30
Easter Sunday	April 1
Confirmation Sunday	April 22
Ascension Sunday	May 10
Pentecost Sunday	May 20
Last Day of Faith Formation	May 20
Holy Trinity Sunday	May 27
Rally Sunday	September 9
Reformation Sunday	October 28
Daylight Savings Ends	November 4
All Saints Sunday	November 4
Thanksgiving Day (Th)	November 22
Christ the King Sunday	November 25
Advent Season	Dec. 2 - 23
Christmas Eve (Mo)	December 24
Christmas Day (Tu)	December 25

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As we begin a new year, what hopes do we have? We want to look into the future and see great possibilities, but we also know the reality that there is suffering in life. For the church, the New Year begins in the season of epiphany. Epiphany means "manifestation." In the season of Epiphany we hear how Jesus is made known as the Messiah, the Christ of God. The first Sunday of the New Year begins with Jesus' baptism. Jesus is made known as God's beloved Son. Baptism is also where we were claimed as God's beloved daughters and son. We begin a new year remembering again who we are and to whom we belong. In the joys and struggles of the coming year we return to the promises of our baptism; forgiveness, salvation, eternal life, and the gift of the Holy Spirit. Living in these promises of baptism we are secure and whatever may come our way we will have the faith and strength to keep following Jesus.



In baptism we are claimed and called. After Jesus is baptized, he begins his ministry by calling the disciples to follow him. What will your call look like in the New Year? Will you continue doing the same things, will there be an opportunities to grow in a new ways? When those first disciples were called they did not know where it would lead them. But they were open to being part of something new, something challenging, and something that would change their lives.

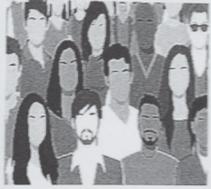
The disciples followed Jesus into the pain and suffering of others to bring healing. The last two gospel readings for Epiphany are stories of Jesus confronting the forces of evil and bringing healing. I wonder if the disciples were amazed at Jesus' power to cast out demons and restore health and wholeness. I know I would be. I would want to follow a Messiah who could bring new life out of sickness and suffering. And we do. We follow Jesus the Christ who heals us, who has brought life out of death and who has promised to be with us always. Through the Holy Spirit the power of Christ lives in us and we are now sent to be Christ's healing hands in the world. In this New Year, what hopes for healing do you have for yourself and for others? As we follow Jesus Christ into this New Year, let us bring to him our hopes and prayers that he may lead us to words and deeds of healing and compassion.

Pastor Jennifer

Please note this is for CWU !!!

Church Women United in Outagamie Co.

2018 ANNUAL MEETING



When: Friday, January 26, 2018

- 11:30 AM Registration
- 12:00 N Lunch \$10.00
- 12:45 PM Business Mtg
- 1:00 PM Speaker—Karen Nelson, Diversity and Inclusion Coordinator

Topic: "Fostering Diversity & Inclusiveness in Our Community"

Where: First United Methodist Church,
325 E. Franklin St., Appleton

To register, contact Marilyn at 788-5850 or mdvofkau@new.rr.com or Jayne at 246-8569 or plainjayne37@gmail.com

We will be taking a collection of items for the Fox Valley Warming Shelter: Bathroom tissue, paper towels, men's or women's underwear, 39 gallon garbage bags, toilet bowl cleaner, bleach, belts (new or used), razors.

PoP's meeting is on
JANUARY 28, 2018
 & all PoP Members are
 invited to the:
ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER
(11:30 A.M.)
 (Benefitting our
 Youth Mission Trip)
 followed by the
POP ANNUAL CONGREGATION
MEETING (12:15 P.M.)

These events are for all members of Prince of Peace to join in fellowship and to learn about various ministry programs for the coming year which your annual pledges help fund.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Happy New Year! Make a 2018 resolution to check out a book from Prince of Peace's library.

New to the nonfiction collection:

For Charles Swindoll fans there are four new titles:

Abraham: One Nomad's Amazing Journey of Faith

Moses: A Man of Selfless Dedication

Paul: A Man of Grace and Grit

The Church Awakening: An Urgent Call for Renewal
(LARGE PRINT)

Help, Lord! I'm Having a Senior Moment: Notes to God on Growing Older by Karen O'Connor. Need I say more!

Night Light by Dr. James and Shirley Dobson is a devotional for couples.

Blessings of Heaven: Timeless Wisdom and Spiritual Truths compiled by Stephen Hines is a collection of reflections on heaven featuring the writings of Joni Eareckson Tada, C. S. Lewis, Billy Graham, John Ortberg, Lee Strobel and Charles Swindoll to name a few.

Reader's Digest brings *Jesus and His Times* to life in this volume that allows the reader to experience the everyday life in the world that Jesus knew as well as visit its holy places.

When God Winks at You: How God Speaks Directly to You through the Power of Coincidence by Squire Rushnell is a collection of stories by everyday and famous people who experienced God's everpresence and His everlasting love through special messages the author calls godwinks proving God is here with us and He is listening.



When the Lutheran Resource Center closed I was able to pick up some Christian bulletin board books that may be of interest to anyone who needs to put up a bulletin board here at Prince of Peace.

- Bulletin Boards that Communicate
- Bulletin Boards for All Occasions
- Bulletin Board Ideas
- Celebrate the Seasons of the Church
- Motivate with Bulletin Boards
- Banner Designs for the Church Year (may be of interest to the quilters)

THRIVENT WORKSHOPS THIS MONTH & NEXT OPEN TO ALL POP MEMBERS & GUESTS



Appleton, Wisconsin • Minneapolis, Minnesota

Stewardship has arranged for some topical financial presentations to be shared in the next few weeks. All are invited to participate and ask any questions you may have. Presented by Thrivent Financial representative Troy Beck, CLTC, FIC.

To RSVP, contact Edana Beck at 920-423-3896 or edana.beck@thrivent.com.

Please note that no products are being sold at these events; all events will be held on **Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. in the CLR** :

January 11th Identity Theft – Be proactive in protecting your identity; get tips and tools to help you avoid identity theft or deal with the consequences should you become a victim

January 25th Retire Wisely - Will you have enough to retire? Will your retirement income last? Are your assets protected?

February 1st Preparing for Long Term Care & Social Security: Strategize to Maximize - Did you know that there are hundreds of options associated with your Social Security retirement benefits? Explore how to sort through the choices. Help ensure the decisions you make are ones you can live with—for the rest of your life. Got a strategy to take the scare out of long-term care? We will also introduce you to long-term care—what it is, what it's not and how you and your family can prepare for it.

February 8th It's better to give and receive. Learn how. Are there people and organizations in your life that you care about and want to help sustain financially? If so, be sure to attend this complimentary one-hour presentation, "Your Legacy—Family, Church, Charity," we will introduce you to ways to unleash your generosity and ensure your legacy lives on.

For general questions about this event, contact PoP member, Deb Fleming at 738-0403 (sportysoon@aol.com).

MISSION POSSIBLE



GIFTS OF HOPE 2017

Our 3rd year of *Gifts of Hope* was a great success! Gifts of Hope outreach served 30 at-risk students from Appleton East High school. We provided gift boxes filled with a range of goodies from hygiene essentials and food items to socks and hats. The PoP quilters made a beautiful quilt for each student, while the PoP-A-Stitch group made fleece hats, scarves and mittens. The students had full hearts knowing that our congregation members reached out in love by helping to lift their spirits during the Christmas giving season.



We thank everyone who donated items from our wish list and those who provided cash donations. Thank you to the individuals who helped pack and wrap the gift boxes. A special thanks to the quilters and sewers for all of their love and time put into each item. And we thank community businesses for their support: Culver's, Subway, Fox Communities and Dr. Hack Dentistry. Together, we made the Christmas of 30 struggling teens brighter and lighter by providing them with a *Gift of Hope!* Heartfelt thanks for all of your support! Please see the Witness Ministry board in the narthex for the students hand written 'Thank you!' notes to the congregation.



Thank you to all who helped put together a quite delicious **WELCA Epiphany Brunch** spread, Saturday, January 6th for about 40 guests, who then stayed for the annual meeting. Thank you to outgoing WELCA Co-Chair Donna Cook (far left) for sharing your gifts and talents!

Last call for items to fill the suitcases heading to Jamaica. Bring items by noon, Friday, January 12th. Please keep the crew of fifteen PoP Members and guests in your prayers as they travel Saturday, January 13 through 20th on their annual trip: Nancy Wittrock, Beth McQuiston, Anne Jackson and her granddaughters Lexie, Rachel & Molly, Mike & Louann Kalinowski, Greg & Sue Knudson, Tom & Nancy Scheuerman, and Rietta and Cheryl from two other local area Lutheran churches.



JANUARY 2018 | WORSHIP SUPPORT

ASSISTING MINISTERS

January 7 Lori Adams
 January 14 Monica Koller
 January 21 John Allhiser
 January 28 Adam Brown

USHERS

8:00 am Terry Clemmons & Ron Joten
 9:20 am Dennis Sauberlich & Chris Howard
 10:45 am Chris Volkman & Scott Perrine

ACOLYTES

8:00 am
 January 7/10 Olivia Wingender
 January 14/17 Josiah Doris
 January 21/24 Amber Hansen
 January 28/31 Mackenzie Kasper

9:20 am

Nicole Benedict
 Samuel Gingras
 Sara Helmeid
 Peyton Kloehn

10:45 am

Carson Berger
 Max Gronbach
 Abby Herring
 Logan Lowry

Wed. OASIS

Tyler Birn
 Abby Gronert
 Abby Hutchinson
 TBD

GREETERS

8:00 am

January 7
 East Greg & Kay Lockhart
 West Arlyn & Pat Plate

9:20 am

Dennis Sauberlich
 Evers Family

10:45 am

Eckrose Family
 Mike & Missy Holz

January 14

East Tom & Shari Mason
 West Marilyn Miland

Gary/Michelle Wiesman Family
 Gingras Family

Buchberger Family
 Kinser Family

January 21

East Shirley Clemmons
 West TBD (Sub needed)

Romnek Family
 Julie Lawler/Joyce Lee

Belongea Family
 Gene Begalske

January 28

East Bill & Marilyn Helmeid
 West Reinhold Family

Kris Gurholt
 Ron & Carol Rank

Jeff & Pam Wickman
 Jay & Kate Worth

PARAMENTS & CANDLE VOLUNTEER: (1/7 - White, 1/14-28 - Green) Lyn Almquist

NURSERY CARE PROVIDERS: Lynda Chavez / Shayla Mason

WINTER CHORAL ENSEMBLES

If you like to sing but can't commit to the Canticle Choir for the entire singing season, we are excited to announce two choral singing opportunities scheduled for January for ALL members of PoP. For fun, you are also encouraged to invite friends or family members who are non-members too! What a great way to reach out! Both ensembles require about a 2 1/2 week commitment.



- A **Men's/Lower Voice Ensemble** is scheduled to lead worship on Sunday, January 14th at the 8 & 9:20 a.m. services. This is an excellent opportunity for ALL who sing in bass clef range (i.e. low voices), including changed voice young men who are currently in high school, to come together to lead worship! The next rehearsal will be held this Wednesday, January 10th at 7:15 p.m.

- A **Women's/Treble Voice Ensemble** will lead worship on Sunday, January 28 at the 8 & 9:20 a.m. services. What a wonderful opportunity for women and younger, unchanged treble voices of Prince of Peace to come together to sing a joyful noise! (Perfect for moms & daughters (or sons!), friends & neighbors.) Rehearsals will be held on Wednesdays, January 17 & 24 at 7:15 p.m.

In order to ensure that we have ample music for all, please place your name & contact information on the sheet mounted on the bulletin board outside the MUSIC OFFICE.

January 2018

Sunday		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
DECEMBER <small>SUN MON TUE WED THUR FRI SAT</small> 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30		1 NEW YEARS DAY - CHURCH CLOSED 6:30 PM BS Troop 127 Wkly Mtg 7:00 PM NA Meeting	2 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Property Ministry 6:30 PM WELCA Bible Study Leader Training	3 6:30 AM Men's Bible Study 9:00 AM Quilters Meet 9:30 AM Soil Deo HB 5:00 PM Peace Ringer HB 5:30 PM OASIS Rehearsals 6:15 PM OASIS Wed Worship 7:10 PM HH Health Ministry / NAMI Program 7:15 PM 6-9th Gr Confirmation Small Groups 7:15 PM Men's Ensemble	4 6:30 PM PoP A Stitch	5	6 7:00 AM Alcoholics Anonymous 9:00 AM WELCA Epiphany Brunch/Annual Mtg
7 BAPTISM OF OUR LORD 8:00 AM Worship w/ Holy Communion (Soli Deo) 9:20 AM Worship with Holy Communion + FF (Soli Deo) 10:45 AM Worship with Holy Communion (Blue Grass)		8 8:30 AM CWU Board Mtg 10:00 AM Salvation Army (Naomi) 1:15 PM SARAH Circle @ A. Nelson (B. Mendyke) 6:30 PM BS Troop 127 Wkly Mtg 6:30 PM NAOMI Circle @ M. Heimeid (P. Christianson) 7:00 PM ESTHER Circle @ PoP/S. Rohde (P. Henningsen) 7:00 PM NA Meeting	9 11:30 AM RUTH Circle (Lunch Out) 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Fellowship 1:00 PM Staff Meeting 4:30 PM Cub Scout Pack 3127 Derby Races 6:30 PM Social Concerns Ministry Mtg	10 6:30 AM Men's Bible Study 9:00 AM Quilters Meet 9:30 AM Soil Deo HB 11:00 AM Funeral Service for Barbara J. Champeau 5:00 PM Peace Ringer HB 5:30 PM OASIS Rehearsals 6:15 PM OASIS Wed Worship Small Groups 7:15 PM 6-9th Gr Confirmation 7:15 PM Men's Ensemble	11 4:30 PM Cub Scout Pack 3127 Derby Races 6:30 PM Thrivent Workshop - Identity Theft	12	13 7:00 AM Alcoholics Anonymous
14 EPIPHANY II 8:00 AM Worship w/ Holy Communion (Men's Ensemble) 9:20 AM Worship with Holy Communion + FF (Men's Ensemble) 10:30 AM NAMI Mental Illness meeting 10:45 AM Worship with Holy Communion (PoP ROX)		15 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 6:30 PM BS Troop 127 Wkly Mtg 7:00 PM NA Meeting	16 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 10:30 AM Helping Hands meeting	17 6:30 AM Men's Bible Study 9:00 AM 1st Colleague Group Meeting 9:00 AM Quilters Meet 9:30 AM Soil Deo HB 5:00 PM Peace Ringer HB 5:30 PM OASIS Rehearsals 6:15 PM OASIS Wed Worship Small Groups 7:15 PM Women & Trebles	18 1:30 PM Book Club 6:30 PM PoP A Stitch	19	20 7:00 AM Alcoholics Anonymous
21 EPIPHANY III PRAY, ACT, FAST. - Day of Global Fasting 8:00 AM Worship w/ Holy Communion (Peace Ringers) 9:20 AM Worship with Holy Communion + FF (Peace Ringers) 10:30 AM FROLIC Faith Class 10:45 AM Worship with Holy Communion (Blue Grass) 11:30 AM PoP A. Stitch Veteran Luncheon 12:00 PM "Rolling with the Punches" Bowling Event @ SuperBowl Lanes		22 6:30 PM BS Troop 127 Wkly Mtg 7:00 PM NA Meeting	23 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Fellowship	24 6:30 AM Men's Bible Study 9:00 AM Quilters Meet 9:30 AM Soil Deo HB 5:00 PM Peace Ringer HB 5:30 PM OASIS Rehearsals 6:15 PM OASIS Wed Worship Small Groups 7:15 PM Women & Trebles	25 6:30 PM Thrivent Workshop - Retire Wisely	26 11:15 AM CWU Annual Meeting / Lunch (at 1st United Methodist)	27 7:00 AM Alcoholics Anonymous
28 EPIPHANY IV 8:00 AM Worship w/ Holy Communion (Women & Trebles) 9:20 AM Worship with Holy Communion + FF (Women & Trebles) 10:30 AM Annual Spaghettii Dinner Fundraiser 10:45 AM Worship with Holy Communion (PoP ROX) 12:15 PM Annual Congregational Meeting		29 11:00 AM Seniors Gathering Planning Meeting 6:30 PM BS Troop 127 Wkly Mtg 6:30 PM Witness Ministry Meeting 7:00 PM NA Meeting	30 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 1:30 PM Global Missions Ministry meeting	31 6:30 AM Men's Bible Study 9:00 AM Quilters Meet 9:30 AM Soil Deo HB 5:00 PM Peace Ringer HB 5:30 PM OASIS Rehearsals 6:00 PM UNITY SERVICE 7:15 PM Canticle Choir	February S M T W T F S 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28		



'SPIRITUAL GIFT' MONTHLY SPOTLIGHT: MERCY



There are different kinds of gifts, but the same spirit. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all them in all men. Every Christian is a Minister! Every Christian is gifted for ministry! The Holy Spirit is God's living presence in Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, and he bestows spiritual gifts on all members, enabling us to minister through the church and daily work.

- Mercy – the gift that gives a believer to feel deeply for those in physical, spiritual, or emotional need and then acts to meet that need.
Biblical References: Luke 7:12-15, Luke 10:30-37, Matthew 25:34-36.

- Ways to share your gift of mercy at PoP:
- Christmas in August Program – Assists with program
 - Circle Participant – WELCA – Serves in WELCA
 - Community Outreach – Promotes special projects & opportunities
 - Food Drive – Helps assemble and prepares for delivery
 - Homebound Visitor – Visits those who are hospitalized
 - Provide food for Funeral luncheons – Prepares and delivers for luncheons
 - Small Group Leader/Participant – Leads or participate in specific activity

NEW HH/HEALTH MINISTRY OFFERINGS:

NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) and the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Health Ministry team are collaborating to bring educational information and resources for parents, members and friends. Join us for the following sessions that will be held on the 1st Wednesday of every month (through April 2018) from 7:10 – 7:55 p.m. in the Congregational Life Room.

- Social Media and Bullying: February 7, 2018 - Breaking Stigma through Telling Your Story
- Warning Signs of Suicide and Prevention: March 7, 2018 - Crisis Management and Suicide Prevention Strategies
- Connecting with Resources: April 4, 2018 - Navigating Through the Mental Health Services

EARLY SPRING NEW MEMBER CLASSES

"Creating a caring connection within our church community"...that seems to sum up pretty well what the new members classes are about. Are you, or someone you know, considering joining Prince of Peace? Mark your calendars for the upcoming new member classes. Our first gathering is scheduled for **Sunday, February 18th**. Classes will run through **March 11th on Sunday mornings, starting at 9:20 a.m. in the Congregational Life Room**. An informational letter will be sent out in the beginning of January to all individuals or families who express interest in joining.

- PoP Members: Once again, the Witness Ministry is implementing a "mentor" program for the new members. If you would like to be a mentor for the spring class, please let Cindy Romnek know of your availability.

For more information on any of the above, please contact Kris Gurholt at 608-279-0888 or Cindy Romnek at 739-5255.



CHILI LUNCHEON & VETERANS RECOGNITION GATHERING – SUNDAY, JANUARY 21 AT 11:45 A.M.

Come join us for a "Chili Luncheon" provided by the Prince of Peace Helping Hands' PoP-a-Stitch ladies. The luncheon is to pay tribute to our Prince of Peace veterans who have served in World War II and Korean wars. All Congregation members are invited to attend. Mark your calendars for Sunday, January 21st at 11:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.



ALL-CONGREGATION BOWLING EVENT AT SUPERBOWL

Come join us for a fun bowling & fellowship event – "Rolling with the Punches!"

Sunday, January 21st, from Noon – 2:00 p.m. at SuperBowl Lanes in Appleton.

The cost per person is \$8.00. This includes 2 hours of unlimited bowling, shoe rentals, pizza and soda. Bring a friend too!

Sign up on the Witness Ministry board. For more information, please contact Dick Nicolaison at Nicolaison@sbcglobal.net or Kris Gurholt at kris.gurholt@gmail.com.

For any Faith Formation/Confirmation/Youth Outreach questions or concerns, please contact us through the church office #739-5255 or by email:

Anna Reinhold (Birth - 5K) areinhold@popappleton.org

Brigetta Wingender (1st -9th Grade)
bwindgender@popappleton.org

Jayne Spielvogel (Youth Mission/Outreach)
jspielvogel@popappleton.org

FROLIC FAITH CLASS

Prince of Peace is offering an exciting opportunity for families with infants and toddlers to grow in faith together!

Frolic Faith classes are designed for young children (ages birth-3 years old) to participate with their parents/guardians. Each session has a theme (i.e. new friends, patience, sharing) and consists of:

- Circle time
- Play time with fun activity stations
- Story time
- Songs

Our next Frolic Faith class will be **Sunday, January 21 from 10:30-11:10 a.m. in the nursery.** (We will offer these classes once each month.) Snacks will be provided. Join us for this special time to grow in faith with your child and connect with families at Prince of Peace! If you have any questions, please contact Anna Reinhold (areinhold@popappleton.org).



3RD AND 4TH GRADE FAMILIES:

The 3rd and 4th grade classes have moved from the Fellowship Hall. 3rd graders will now have class in the Community Room (formerly known as Creation Corner, the large open room outside of the cinema), and 4th graders will now have class in the room just off of the Community Room (its door is on the same wall as the door for the Cinema).

IN SEARCH OF: GRILLED CHEESE GRILLERS!!

Wednesday evenings at 5:30pm are Grilled Cheese Wednesdays for our youth! We are looking for volunteers to cook up these yummy sandwiches! We supply all the ingredients for the sandwiches, and we are looking for volunteers to cook them up! If you or someone you know is interested, please see the sign-up sheet outside Jayne and Brigetta's office, or email Brigetta (pictured right at bwindgender@popappleton.org).



HOME COMMUNION TEAM RECOGNITION

We recently acknowledged six 9th grade Confirmation students for their participation in our Home Communion Team ministry. These youth take part in bringing the Lord's Supper to some of the home bound members of Prince of Peace. We are so grateful to these youth, and their parents, for volunteering their time to go visit with those who are unable to make it to church. This is a new and wonderful opportunity for both the youth and our shut-ins to build new friendships across generations, as well as to connect through their faith in the administering of the sacrament of Holy Communion. The youth that were acknowledged are: Peter Lison, Kelsie Malliet, Brady Neumann, Isaac Resch, Grace Robertson, and Olivia Wingender.



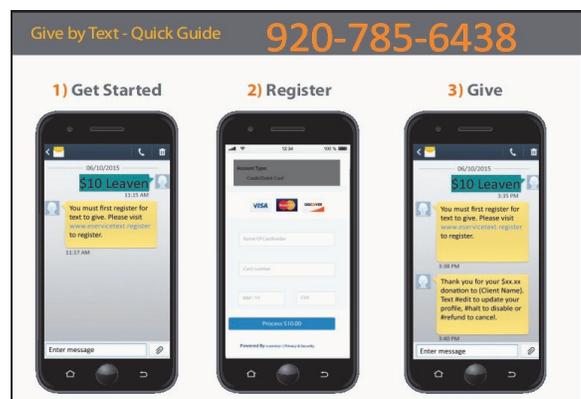
ACOLYTE TRAINING

The 7th grade Confirmation Class will be receiving acolyte training this Wednesday, January 10th, after the Oasis service. Please plan on having your son/daughter at this training, as they will be learning important information that they will need to be comfortable in the role of acolyte. If your son or daughter is unable to make the training, please contact Brigetta Wingender, and we will schedule a time to go over what will be covered in the class. The 7th grade class will begin being added to the schedule that begins the 3rd week in February.



FIRST COMMUNION

Attention families of 4th grade Faith Formation students, and families with any children in 4th grade and older who have not received their First Communion. More information on the dates for the First Communion class will be sent home during the month of January. Please be on the lookout for emails, as well as information being sent home from Faith Formation Classes.



CONFIRMATION STUDENTS GIVING TO THOSE IN NEED

The first two weeks of Advent were a very special and busy time for the Confirmation youth at Prince of Peace! They spent this time, working on a project focused on helping to provide comfort and healing to those in need. Our first week targeted helping a family that we, as a group “adopted” through the Salvation Army’s “Adopt-a-Family” program using donations collected throughout the Fall, as well as supporting three Prince of Peace families over the Christmas season.



The 9th Grade class took to shopping and chose gifts for the family that we adopted through the “Adopt-a-family” program. The students were incredibly thoughtful in the gifts that they chose, at times discussing which item would be better suited for the child for whom they were shopping! When they returned to Prince of Peace that evening, they spent time assembling cookie recipes in a jar, to give to the families of Prince of Peace that we would be supporting.

That same Wednesday, the 8th grade classes each were tasked with creating a menu for our families, choosing two side dishes and 1 dessert from the PoP cookbook. This was done with the understanding that Jayne and Brigetta would go out and buy those items for the recipes

that they felt others would enjoy. Our goal was to have the students take time to reflect and put thought into what food others might enjoy, creating an enjoyable and complete meal with those thoughts in mind.

The 7th grade class, along with Jayne Spielvogel, made 3 pans of lasagna for our “adopted” Prince of Peace families to enjoy.

To wrap things up, our 6th grade students made decorations to give to Prince of Peace families. They made tree ornaments adorned

with glitter (LOTS OF GLITTER!!) and the Fruit of the Spirit. They also made crosses out of Scrabble letters, which spelled out “Amazing Grace.”



The following week, all of the Confirmation classes came together in the Fellowship Hall to make tie-blankets. In all, they made over 20 blankets that we donated to COTS and to Project Linus. “COTS” is a transitional shelter in the Fox Cities that helps those experiencing homelessness in the area, whose goal is to “end homelessness by helping individuals

transition to self-sufficiency and independent living.”

“Project Linus” is an organization with a mission to provide children who are seriously ill, traumatized or otherwise in need, with comfort and security, through lovingly created handmade blankets.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank them all for their hard work and generosity in using their hands to do God’s work.







Wall art provided by many PoP members, adults and youth alike, during the Advent season on display in the Narthex.

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