# P.O.P. NEWS

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## WINTER/SPRING STUDY: The Gospel of John

This study will meet on Tuesdays at 10:00am or Thursdays at 6:30 pm starting January 14/16, 2025, running through May 6/8. Packets and schedule are available at the Information Table in the Coffee House.

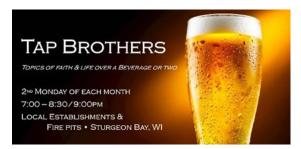
## THE AFTER-WORSHIP continues on Sundays:

December 22: Q & A in Classroom A

• December 29: No Q & A

January 5: Q & A in Classroom A

January 12: Fellowship



**TAP BROTHERS** will meet January 13, 2025, Foxglove Inn (344 N 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. Sturgeon Bay). Food: TBD. Topic: Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) – video to watch beforehand.



### **COMMUNITY DINNER, DECEMBER 19 – 5:30PM**

This week's meal, served by Team C:

- \* Chestnut Soup
- \* Seasonal Winter Salad
- \* Cranberry Pear Pie
- \* Beverages: Holiday Punch, Coffee, Water, and Lemonade

There are 3 ways to make your reservation:

Click <a href="https://bit.ly/ComDin">https://bit.ly/ComDin</a>

Call church office at 920.743.7750 or

**Text 920.226.2868** (Your name & # attending)

#### **COMMUNITY DINNER TEAM SCHEDULE 2024:**

January 2 – Team D: Shepherd's Pie

January 16 – Team A: TBD January 30 – Team B: TBD

#### **UPCOMING CHAPEL SERVICES:**

- Bay View Senior Care January 7 @ 9:00am
- Sturgeon Bay Health Services December 19 @ 10:00am

**NEW SONG FOR WORSHIP,** December 29. Just a heads up on a new song called, "Keep the Feast". Great Communion hymn for a festival day.

#### **NOT THE WORST PASTORS PODCAST: Advent**

**Devotions** Join the podcast for additional daily devotional content based on the booklet <a href="Everyday Gospel">Everyday Gospel</a>, by Paul David Tripp. Thanks for listening! Episodes release on daily in Advent on Spotify, iTunes, or the podcast website: <a href="https://nottheworstpastors.org">https://nottheworstpastors.org</a>





A PLEA AND AN APB: Ron and Cary Kodras are seeking Ron's missing coat. It is believed to have been picked up by mistake this past Sunday after service (December 15), as there is a similar dark coat still residing on the coatracks outside the sanctuary. Along with the missing coat are the contents of its pockets, most importantly a bunch of keys that will be difficult to replace.

Please double check your closets and cars in case this stowaway article of clothing made its way into your possession. Ask any guests who may have accompanied you to the Family Service. Not only is Ron shivering from the cold (not pictured), but he and Cary worry for the coat's wellbeing and long to be reunited with their friend.

Please return the coat to the church office or call 920.743.7750 to let

us know. Thank you!

YOUTH GROUP (7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>): Meets the 1<sup>st</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of each month

- December 18 Snack, Devotion, and Cookie Decorating @ 6:30-8:00pm
- January 1 No Youth Group. Happy New Year everyone!
- January 15 Snack, Devotion, and Games/Activity

## **YOUTH OUTING TO ODYSSEY CLIMBING GYM-Sunday, January 12, 2025**

Weather permitting, we'll head to Green Bay for an afternoon of climbing at Odyssey Climbing Gym. After service, we'll hang out with a couple of games and some lunch. We will leave for the Gym around 12:45pm and climb from 2:00-4:00 before returning home. Cost is \$10/person for youth in 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade. We will need 3-4 adult drivers for this event. Please bring money to the church office and sign the <u>Climbing Waiver</u> to sign up!

**CONFIRMATION INSTRUCTION** – For students in 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade, here is the schedule for the remaining classes:

Lord's Prayer	3*: January 3 – 4 (lock-in w/ sleep), 2025	6:30pm – 7:30am
	AND January 8 & 15, 2025	5:30 – 6:25pm

#### SAVE-THE-DATE ACTIVITIES

- December 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service @ 5:00pm
- January 12 Youth outing to Odyssey Climbing Gym
- January 18 Congregational Bowling @ Apple Valley Lanes
- January 26 Annual meeting at 10:30am after worship
- February 8 Youth Fundraiser; Charcuterie Boards are back!

**HOLIDAY OFFICE AND COFFEE HOUSE HOURS:** Prince of Peace will have the office and Coffee House open for limited hours during the busy holiday weeks. The schedule is as follows:

Monday December 23 - Friday December 27 CLOSED

Monday December 30 CLOSED

Tuesday December 31 OPEN 9-3

Wednesday January 1 CLOSED

Thursday January 2 OPEN 9-3

Friday January 3 OPEN 9-12

**The STURGEON BAY COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE** will be held at St. Peter's Lutheran Church (108 W Maple St. Sturgeon Bay) on Monday, January 6 from 12:00pm – 6:00pm and again Tuesday, January 7 from 9:00am – 3:00pm. To make an appointment, visit RedCrossBlood.org or call 1-800-733-2767.

**HANDICAP ACCESSIBILITY PROJECT:** Our North Doors will soon be more friendly to those with accessibility needs. The Barnard Family has taken the initiative to get a quote for a door-opening system, and Mary Ann Moeller is covering the expense of installation. Trustee Chris Borgmann is on the job working with electricians and coordinating schedules. While we are grateful that the church is already quite accessible in many ways, we are also grateful for this gift that will help others better navigate our entryway. Thank you to all who bring new, good ideas to life.

**CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE: December 24 –** Our evening service begins at 5:00pm and features the lighting of candles throughout the sanctuary. The message theme is "God's Varied Grace", based on 1 Peter 4:10-11. Join us for the blessed evening of worshiping Jesus Christ, who is our Prince of Peace.

BIBLICAL FEASTS AND WHERE TO FIND THEM: Hanukkah, December 29 – while we will celebrate on this singular day, Hanukkah is an 8-day festival celebrated by the Jewish community from December 26 – January 2 this year. We thought it might be fun for you to help decorate the sanctuary for that Sunday by creating and bringing in your own versions of the Hanukkah Menorah. If you're creative, or if you are interested in using this as a teaching moment in your household, consider this project. You can find some ideas for this 8 + 1 candle holder/arrangement here: <a href="https://rebekahlowin.com/diy-menorah-ideas/">https://rebekahlowin.com/diy-menorah-ideas/</a>

**CONFIRMATION OVERNIGHT INSTRUCTION** will begin on Friday, January 3 at 6:30 PM and conclude the following morning, Saturday, January 4 at 7:30 AM. The plan for the evening is to learn about prayer and to have time to pray in a variety of ways. The basic schedule is reminiscent of a Hobbit's meal schedule: prayer, food, prayer, games, prayer, sleep, breakfast, prayer.

## **2024 RECORD OF OFFERINGS**

The Weekly Financial Status shows "Total Budgeted Money" received each week. The weekly Designated Funds are recorded and made available upon request.

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	GIVING	
WEEKLY		YEAR TO DATE: (December 15, 2024)
\$3,209.49		\$228,614.44
	<b>BUDGET</b>	
\$4,642.06		\$232,030.92

**This is the final** newsletter of 2024. We will start the New Year with a newsletter on January 8, 2025. We wish you a very Merry Christmas and a blessed, beautiful New Year!



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