# 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 Sundays:

- January 12: Fellowship
- January 19: Q&A w/ Pastor James (CR-A)
- January 26: POP Annual Meeting



**TAP BROTHERS** will meet January 13, 2025 @ 7:00pm, Foxglove Inn (344 N 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. Sturgeon Bay). Food: Pork Roast with arroz con gandules and yucca. Topic: Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) – video to watch beforehand.



CONGREGATIONAL BOWLING: Sign up for Cosmic Bowling fun and food at Apple Valley Lanes on Saturday, January 18 @ 6:30-8:00pm. Bowling and shoes are covered by a Thrivent Action Team.

#### **COMMUNITY DINNER, JANUARY 16 – 5:30PM**

This week's meal, served by Team A:

- \* Baked Ham
- \* Au Gratin Potatoes
- \* Apple Dessert
- \* Beverages: 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 30 – Team B: Italian Meatballs & Gnocchi

February 6 – Team C: TBD

February 20 – Team D: Chicken Tetrazzini

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

- Bay View Senior Care February 4 @ 9:00am
- Sturgeon Bay Health Services January 23 @ 10:00am

NOT THE WORST PASTORS PODCAST: Episode 97 will likely be recorded sometime this week, and released next Tuesday. Thanks for listening! Episodes release on daily in Advent on Spotify, iTunes, or the podcast website: https://nottheworstpastors.org

**NEWSLETTER FORMAT:** POP News will look a little different starting this year. We'll still offer a monthly version that is printed, sent via mail, and made available on our website. But, POP Weekly News will be formatted for Mail Chimp, our email service. No extra clicks or navigation to the website. Just scrolling and current info for that week. We hope this serves you well in 2025.

**BAY VIEW SENIOR CARE & STURGEON BAY HEALTH SERVICES CHAPEL:** We are looking for another assistant to join us for chapel at these care facilities. It involves meeting with people, and interacting on a friendly level, singing (as best as your gifts allow), and helping with songsheets and incidentals. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Gomez about schedule and times. Generally, these 30-minute chapel services are the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday/month at 9:00am (BVSC) and the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday/month at 10:00am (SBHS).

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

- January 15 Snack, Devotion, and Games/Activity
- February 5 Snack, Devotion, and Games/Activity
- February 19 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	January 8 & 15, 2025	5:30 – 6:25pm
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#### SAVE-THE-DATE ACTIVITIES

- 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!
- May 16 Swing into Spring @ 6:00pm

#### **LENT & EASTER SERVICES:**

Ash Wednesday - March 5 @ 6:00pm

Palm Sunday (Pesach/Passover) – April 13 @ 9:30am

Seder Demonstration – Tuesday, April 15 @ 6:00pm

Holy Wednesday - Wednesday, April 18: TBD

Holy Thursday - Thursday, April 17 @ 6:00pm

Holy Friday - Friday, April 18 @ 6:00pm

Easter Sunrise (Chag HaMatzot/Unleavened Bread) - April 20 @ 5:56am

Easter Celebration (HaBikkurim/First Fruits) - April 20 @ 9:30am

**HANDICAP ACCESSIBILITY PROJECT:** We're still moving on this project, which will make accessing the North doors easier for our those with physical limitations. Electrical bids are in, and custom materials are ordered. We're hoping to schedule an installation soon but are waiting on LaForce Inc to give us some options.

**AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS:** We are looking for a new Charter Representative for our local chapter. This position is important for the ongoing connection we wish to have with the troop, which has grown to include 12 girls (3 from our congregation). If you are interested in learning more about this, contact Amy Barnard at 920.746.8889

**FISH FRY – January 10, 2025:** Our Savior Lutheran Church (120 S Henry Street, Green Bay) is holding a fish fry from 5-6:30pm. The menu includes deep fried perch, baked cod, a combination of both, or chicken strips including bread, coleslaw, and a beverage (dine-in only). Dessert will be available for purchase. Call in orders for carry out will accepted at any time <u>prior to 4:00pm</u> on Friday night at 920.468.4065.

**FAMILY MEALS FOR SCHOOL STAFF – January 30, 2025:** Due to an abundance of dollars from Thrivent Action Teams, we will offer a take-out meal for the families of the Sturgeon Bay School District. We will need a couple of extra volunteers that day, working from 1:00-3:00pm, or 3:00-5:00pm. Talk to Pastor Gomez if you'd like to help this day.

**FUNERAL FLOWERS & MORE:** A 1-hour workshop to get you started on funeral arrangements, held on Thursday, January 23, 2025. For many, this is an uncomfortable topic, but one that will either be addressed by you or your loved ones. Truly, it is a gift to give them these plans, so that they can grieve without having to worry about the details. At this free workshop, you'll be given a workbook-guide, some encouragement on how to proceed from Pastor James Gomez, a few tips from Rebecca Engineer for selecting flowers and other funeral "extras", and access to one of our local Funeral Chapel directors for the practical questions you may have. The first session will be held at 11:00am in the Oasis, with Mark Forbes. The second session with Todd Huehns will be at 1:00pm, also in the Oasis. Light snacks and beverages will be available throughout, sponsored by a Thrivent Action Team.

### 2025 RECORD OF OFFERINGS

The Weekly Financial Status updates will begin again after the church annual meeting on January 26, 2025. The format may be adjusted based on upcoming changes to the newsletter.



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