POTOMAC UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

POTOMAC, MARYLAND

STEEPLE TO PEOPLE

February 20, 1970

The Family Worship Service will begin at 9:00 A. M. instead of 9:15 A. M. beginning Sunday, February 22, 1970.

The Sunday morning schedule will therefore be as follows:

9:00 A.M. - Family Worship

9:30 -10:30 A.M. - Lay Education Program - Church School

11:00 -12:00 noon - Worship - Church School

ORGANIZATION OF THE SESSION - 1970

At a special meeting of the Session held on February 2, 1970, the Session was organized as follows:

Clerk of Session - Dr. Andrew W. Breidenbach

Church Education Committee - Michael Bentzen, Chairman; Alice Smith, Robert McMahon.

Congregational Life Committee - Neil Benedict, Chairman; Charles Hemphill, Anthony Ferrara.

Interpretation and Stewardship Committee - Dr. Lawrence Killion, Chairman;
Andrew Breidenbach.

Finance and Property Committee - Frederick Sass, Chairman; James Clark, William Harrison, William Lowrey.

PARISH PLAN REVIEWED BY SESSION

Because of the addition of several new church member families and the election of three new ruling elders, the Session has made necessary changes in the Parish Plan. A complete listing of the parishes and the ruling elders in charge of the parishes follows:

FOX HILLS

Andrew Breidenbach, Parish Leader.

PARISH

Cornell, Hall, Smith, Stobie, Hansen, McCain, McFarren, Fredlund, Cole, Gilliams, Carroll, Kendall, Mabon, Moock, Maxim, Coll, Hoge, Bonner, Follansbee, Martin, Drakert, Boody, Bauer, Spangenberg.

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LAKE NOR-MANDY PARISH Lawrence Killion, Parish Leader.

Amtmann, Bond, Bonner, Farabow, Fraley, Mackay, Wakeland, Sumichrast, Timko, Coffman, Blice, Brain, White, Mellem,

Starkey, Garcia, Stack, Bryant, Chase.

GLEN PARK PARISH Robert McMahon, Parish Leader. Abernethy, Baldwin, Cook, Hampton, Johnston, Netch, Pratt, Rudd.

GLEN MILL PARISH James Clark, Parish Leader. Boogaard, Ellis, Harwick, Jennison, Jones, Ketcham, Lankler,

McPhee, Snider, Beer.

SANDY LAND- William Harrison, Parish Leader.

ING PARISH Burgess, Colan, Dart, Day, Dykhuizen, Howard, Lawson, Murphy,

Richards, Sass, Merchant, Howe, Snyder.

CARDEROCK Alice Smith, Parish Leader.

PARISH Bloch, Fore, Kerrigan, Meinke, Roseman, McIntyre, Angell.

RIVER ROAD Charles Hemphill, Parish Leader.

PARISH Scheurer, McAlpin, Willetts, Lein, Hinrichs, Strahle, Stanley,

Tietjen.

FALLS ROAD Anthony Ferrara, Parish Leader.

PARISH Dunnavant, Evans, Filson, Fowler, Hankin, McLaughlin, Perrin,

Savage, Saxton, Wilson, Wirth, Fleming, Malone, Cone, Angel.

TRAVILAH William Lowrey, Parish Leader.

PARISH Riggs, Rowan, Benton, Phair, Blemker, Fling, Mott, Garrison.

POTOMAC Neil Benedict, Parish Leader.

FALLS PARISH Dugan, Greene, Haack, Ill, Sidey, Spivey, Taylor, Harting,

Pownall, Schilling, Brown, Mercer.

SCATTERED Michael Bentzen, Parish Leader.

PARISH Boswell, Eckman, Krise, McNeill, Miller, Spangler,

Jas. Carroll, Bray, Sebastian.

The Parish Plan has been established by the Session in order to provide for more effective communication between the church member families and the Session. Members of the Session will visit the homes in their parish from time-to-time. Church member families are encouraged to call their parish leader whenever there are questions about the church's mission. The parish leaders will be happy to receive any suggestions about ways the church may more effectively perform its mission in the Potomac community.

NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED AT WORSHIP, February 15

Mrs. Robert W Coll (Shirley) 12400 Copenhaver Terrace

Mr. and Mrs Winthrop Follansbee (Carolyn) 9217 Paddock Lane

Mr. and Mrs. Verne M Spangenberg (Susan) 10(12 Pebble Brook Lane

Mrs. Thomas Stack (Doty) 11304 Rouen Lane

Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey D. Starkey (Norma Jean) 12004 Gregerscroft Road

Mr. and Mrs William J. Taylor (Jane) 1000 Pleasant Hill Drive

COFFEE HOURS ON SPECIAL OCCASIONS ONLY

The Congregational Life Committee, noting the sharp decline in attendance at the coffee hours following the second worship service, has recommended that they be held hereafter only on special occasions. The decline in attendance, the committee observed, is related directly to the changing of the time of the second worship service from 10:30 to 11:00 a.m. In the future, coffee hours will be scheduled at the request of the Session and on special occasions in the life of the congregation.

WOMEN"S ASSOCIATION TO SEE "The Parable"

The February meeting of the Women's Association will be held at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, February 24, in the Fellowship Room of the church

The program for the meeting is the widely acclaimed film, The Parable. This film was first introduced in the Protestant-Orthodox Pavilion of the 1964-65 New York World's Fair and has since become one of the most popular short films anywhere in the world

All women of the church are invited to this meeting.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

This special Lenten Sacrificial Offering provides funds, personnel, food, and medicines and other ways of expressing love and help to young and old who are the victims of earthquake, floods, hurricanes, and other natural disasters in the United States and across the world.

The 1970 Hour of Sharing offering will be received in the Potomac United Presbyterian Church on Palm Sunday

The teachers of the church school will distribute coin boxes to all church school students on February 22 Offering envelopes for adults will be mailed to all church families with the March issue of Steeple To People.

The Property Committee of the Session requests that members and friends of the church refrain from parking their automobiles on any lawn areas of the church property including the strip along Gary Road. The school parking lot next door is available when the church parking lots are filled.

REQUEST FOR USED CARPET

The room abo we the narthex is being used as the choir rehearsal room and by the Three Year Nursery. A used piece of carpet approximately 14' x 20' would be most helpful in this room and would be greatly appreciated by those who use it regularly. If you have such a carpet and would like to give it to the church, please call the church office.

IN TIMES OF SICKNESS

or when members are hospitalized please call Mr. Blice at the manse or at the church office. Calling on the sick is an important part of his ministry but he must know about the sickness if he is to make such calls. Please do not assume that someone else will notify him. It is better that he receive several phone calls than none at all.

LENTEN SERMONS FROM LUKE

During the Sundays of Lent and Holy Week, Mr. Blice will base his sermons from the Gospel of Luke, Chapters 19:28-24. In these chapters Luke records the events of Christ's last week.

Members and friends of the church are encouraged to read and study these chapters as a part of their own personal and family worship.

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION PURCHESES PROJECTOR FOR CHURCH

A new 16 mm sound film projector will soon be delivered to the church as a gift from the Women's Association. The new projector is an important addition to our audio-visual supplies and will eliminate the need to borrow from neighboring churches and various business offices. Thank you members of the Women's Association!

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MARCH 12, 1970

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES OF WORSHIP

Palm Sunday - March 22

The regular schedule of church school, lay education program, and worship will be followed on Palm Sunday morning. Young people who have completed their confirmation studies will be received into the communicant membership of the church at both the 9:00 a.m. and the 11:00 a.m. worship services.

Maundy Thursday - March 26

The church will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday at 8:00 p.m. It was on this Thursday evening before the Friday on which Jesus was crucified that he had his last meal with the disciples in the upper room in Jerusalem.

Good Friday - March 27

A Potomac Community Good Friday Service will be held at 8:00 p.m. at the Potomac United Methodist Church on Falls Road at South Glen. The choir of the host church will participate. Mr. Sims of St. Francis Episcopal Church, Mr. Blice, and Mr. Dickey of the host church will each provide a meditation upon one of the events of Christ's last week. The offering received at this service will be given to Potomac FISH. This is the first community Good Friday service to be held by the three Protestant churches of Potomac.

Easter Sunday - March 29

The 9:00 a.m. worship service on Easter morning will be one hour in length. The choir will participate in this service. There will be no lay education program or church school on Easter Sunday except for pre-school groups. Only the pre-school groups will be in session during the ll:00 a.m. service. This action was taken by the Session in the belief that families will want to worship together on this most important day in the church's life.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING - Palm Sunday

The Potomac United Presbyterian Church will join with other local congregations of the denomination on Palm Sunday in receiving this special offering. The One Great Hour of Sharing is one way that United Presbyterians say how much they care about the homeless, the sick, the hungry, and the refugees of the world. It is a way of reaching out to those in need. It is a world-wide mission of mercy.

A special offering envelope and an interpretive leaflet are enclosed with this issue of Steeple To People. Children of the church school are encouraged to return their coin boxes for the One Great Hour to their church school classes on Palm Sunday. The Session is confident that the response of the church to this appeal will be most generous.

MR. WILLIAM MALONE NAMED CHURCH TREASURER

Mr. William Malone has accepted the appointment by the Session to be church treasurer. Bill is an attorney at law with the Covington and Burling Law Firm of Washington, D. C. He and his wife, Jan. and their two children reside on Masters Drive in the River Falls community.

APPOINTMENTS TO SESSION COMMITTEES

Last months issue of Steeple To People listed the members of the Session according to their committee responsibilities. The Session is now very pleased to announce that the following members of the church have accepted appointments to the four committees of Session.

Congregational Life. - Rudy Savage, Jim Perrin, Shirley Tietjen, Jack White Jim Rudd, Pat Dugan.

Interpretation and Stewardship. - Bob Garcia, Ralph Hall, Bill Johnston, Ford Farabow, Jim Carroll, Grover McCain, James Spivey, Bill Kerrigan, Chuck Pratt. Church Education. - Penny Wirth, Marilyn Hoge, Joan Mabon, Cheris Garrison, Dave Smith, Church School Superintendent, ex-officio.

Finance and Property. - Walter Schilling, Compton Jones, Jack Day, Owen Cornell, Bob Tietjen.

1970 FLOWER COMMITTEE NAMED

Shirley Tietjen was recently named chairman of the Flower Committee by the Executive Board of the Women's Association. Serving with Shirley this year will be: Elaine Lowrey, Hope Gilliams, Nancy Abernethy, Barbara McLaughlin, Mary Netch, Mimi Carroll, Jackie Evans, Cindy Moock, Carol Smith, Jan Malone, and Ellen Brain.

"THE AMERICAN FAMILY - SURVIVING THROUGH CHANGE"

"Worried observers have been asking once again whether the family, as we know it, can survive its current problems. The question is not as farfetched as it appears, for the family is under heavy fire." So begins family-education specialist John Charles Wynn in a special sixteen-page study of The American Family-Surviving Through Change, being published simultaneously in Presbyterian Life, The Episcopalian, and United Church Herald. In every culture, marriage and family-living are expected to fulfill agreed-upon purposes, Dr. Wynn asserts. If these purposes are met by outside aid or if these purposes no longer seem important, does this spell the doom of family life? Illustrated with pertinent, perceptive cartoons and poetry, the article delves into the major threats to family and marital stability - accelerating social and technological change, new sexual attitudes and more permissive standards, boredom, loneliness, the loss of intimacy, and failure in sexual relations are discussed. In addition, Dr. Wynn untangles some of the paradoxes and refutes some of the popular fallacies about the occurrence of divorce, and the morality of modern youth. ($^{\Pi}$ Judging from available data in the ever-growing research studies of sexual behavior, the grandparents of today have no justification to point an accusing finger at our young people," he says." In examining the attitude of the church, Dr. Wynn sees a tendency toward making ethics conform to both rapidly changing times and the individuality of church members. Nevertheless, many of the values of the family of yesteryear are not only with us yet; some have been reinforced. And the family's ability to adapt to changing circumstances, to serve as a mediator for society is a hopeful sign. Can the American family survive the challenges confronting it? Read Dr. Wynn's answer in the March 1 issue of Presbyterian Life.

REQUEST FOR CHOIR ROOM FURNISHINGS

The choir is now meeting in the room directly above the narthex for its Thursday evening rehearsals. A rug for the floor and some drapes and drapery rods would greatly help the acoustics in the room. A file cabinet, a table, and a full-length mirror are also needed.

FLOWERS FOR THE CHANCEL AT EASTER

Easter flowers are available for anyone wishing to order them. Easter lilies, azaleas, and hydrangeas will be available at the following prices: Lilies, \$2.00; Azaleas, \$2.50 and \$3.25; Hydrangeas, \$2.00 and \$3.00. Requests for special colors will be honored. Please call Mary Netch, 762-1423, or Shirley Tietjen, 365-4811, or the church office to order them. Orders for the flowers must be received no later than March 15.

CHRISOMONS FOR CHRISTMAS

All women of the church are invited to join in the making of "Chrisomons" to be used to decorate a tree in the church next Christmas. Chrisomons are ornaments depicting religious symbols such as the various crosses, the fish, the crown, angels, Alpha and Omega, the Holy Trinity, etc. The word Chrisomon means literally, Christ's Monogram. An organizational group will get together on Monday, March 23, immediately following the March Women's Association meeting. Come to the meeting, bring a sandwich, and plan to stay for an hour or so and learn more about this interesting project.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

Several church members have inquired about gifts which might be made to the church in memory of a loved one. The Congregational Life Committee has submitted the following list of items which it believes are appropriate for memorial gifts.

- 1. Paraments four sets three pieces per set (Paraments are the scarfs and table runners used with the chancel furniture.)
- 2. Sterling Silver Communion Cruet
- 3. Sterling Silver Baptismal Bowl
- 4. Hymn Books
- 5. Sterling Silver Bread Trays (two are needed)
- 6. Sterling Silver Communion Wine Service
- 7. Starter Set of Books for Library
- E. Phonograph and Portable Public Address System.
- 9. Film strip Projector
- 10. Narthex Furnishings

Approximate prices for these various items with the exception of item 10 are available from Mr. Blice.

SPRING FAMILY RETREAT TO BE HELD IN APRIL

Camp Letts, Maryland along the shore of the Chesapeake Bay, will be the site of the first family retreat for the Potomac United Presbyterian Church. Camp Letts is located a few miles south of Annapolis.

The dates for the retreat are - evening of April 10 through the noon meal of April 12.

Friday evening will be given to orientation, refreshments, and fellowship. Although the remainder of the schedule for the week-end is not yet firm, Bob Fredlund, chairman of the Retreat Planning Committee, reports that Saturday through Sunday noon will find the retreatants involved in a full but relaxed schedule of activities for all members of the family. Opportunities for study, conversation, rest, and indoor and outdoor athletic activities will be provided. The camp has offered the use of its row boats, canoes, and sail boats. There will be supervised activites for children.

The cost: \$14.50 per person for two evenings lodging and five meals. Registration forms will be mailed to all families in the very near future. Interested families are urged to call the church office for reservations. The camp facilities in the winter lodge provide for only fifty persons.

KAREN MCINTYRE TO ATTEND SEMINAR AT UN

Karen, a senior student at Churchill High School and an active member of the Senior High Fellowship of the Potomac United Presbyterian Church, will attend the International Affairs Seminar at the United Nations April 7-10. The seminar is being sponsored by the Synod of the Chesapeake through its Division of Christian Education.

Headquarters for the event will be the Hotel Tudor on 42nd Street, New York City, and all events will take place at the United Nations. This International Affairs Seminar will focus directly on the Middle East crisis and the problems of world poverty. Agencies of the United Nations will conduct briefings for the youth (UNESCO, UNICEF, WORLD HEALTH, etc.) and personnel serving the United Nations will meet with the delegates to discuss vital issues being debated in the U.N. and its various committees and organizations. Members of delegations to the United Nations will also meet with the young people to share their particular concerns and viewpoints as the delegates are made aware of the vital issues that affect peace and tranquility in our world.

CHURCH EDUCATION COMMITTEE TO REVIEW NEW EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS

The Board of Christian Education of the United Presbyterian Church has completed the publication of new educational resources for local churches. Entitled, Christian Faith and Action, these materials will be available for local church use beginning September, 1970.

The Church Education Committee of the Potomac United Presbyterian Church has received introductory copies of the materials and is now in the process of reviewing them with regard to their use locally. Mr. Blice will meet with the committee at a special meeting on March 18 to discuss the educational philosophy which undergirds these resources and the Biblical and theological pre-suppositions on which they are based.

NEW LAY EDUCATION SERIES

"Where In The World Is The United Presbyterian Church" is the title of the current lay education series on Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. The resource leader for the program is the Reverend Edward White, Associate in Metropolitan Mission for the Presbytery of Washington City.

The focus of the series is the church's ministry in urban areas and particularly the District of Columbia. On the remaining Sunday mornings of the series Mr. White will follow the schedule listed below:

March 15 An Audio-Visual Survey of Current Ministries of

the Presbytery of Washington City. Basic Issues - Problems, Strategies of Church

March 22 Basic Issues - Problems, Strates
Development In The Center City.

March 29 Easter Sunday - No Lay Education Program

April 5 Community Development In The City

April 12 The Church and The Suburbs

THE CIRCUS IS IN TOWN!

Children and youth of the church are being given the opportunity to attend the Ringling Brothers - Barnum and Bailey Circus as a group. Tickets are \$4.00 each for the 10:30 a.m. performance at the Coliseum on Saturday, March 28.

Those wishing to attend the circus are asked to reserve tickets by calling the church office. No reservations will be taken after 9:30 a.m., Monday, March 16.

Several adults will attend with the young people as chaperones. Final details regarding transportation, etc., will be mailed to all those making reservations.

MARCH WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION MEETING

Mrs. Robert Swartz, a native of India now living in Potomac, will be the speaker at the March meeting of the association. The meeting will be held in the Fellowship Room on Monday, March 23, at 10:30 a.m. All women of the church are invited.

DECOUPAGE

Fourteen women of the church have just completed six weeks of instruction in decoupage by Mrs. Betts Thomson and Mrs. Jean McTigue. Those participating in the class have learned to do decoupage to wood and glass. Their work during the six weeks was with boxes and lamps.

The group will continue to meet everyother Wednesday beginning March 18 at 10:00 a.m. Members will share ideas and experiences with the craft. Although no instruction will be given, others are welcome and invited to participate.

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CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Sunday, May 17, is Pentecost. This day, observed by Christians around the world, marks the birthday of the Christian Church. Luke, the author of The Acts Of The Apostles, describes the events of the first Pentecost in chapter two of his story of the earliest beginnings of the church. From the first century to the present, Pentecost, the fifthieth day after Easter, is remembered as the day when the first disciples experienced the power and the presence of the Holy Spirit in their midst. With the Holy Spirit as their Enabler, the disciples moved from Jerusalem into the major cities of the Roman Empire serving the Christ with a faith and obedience that was to change the course of history.

Pentecost 1970 in the Potomac Church will be marked by the celebration of the Lord's Supper at both the 9:00 A.M. and ll:00 A.M. worship services.

NEW MEMBERS TO BE RECEIVED AT WORSHIP MAY 17

The congregation will publicly receive and welcome the following persons into the communicant membership of the church on May 17:

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Mercer (Joyce)

from the Countryside United Methodist Church, Topeka, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bauer (Margaret)

from the Silver Spring United Presbyterian Church, Silver Spring, Maryland.

Mr. and Mrs. William Brill (Winnie)

from the First Presbyterian Church, Paoli, Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mills (Dorothy)

from the First Presbyterian Church, Stamford, Connecticut.

Miss Joan Fraley

by Confirmation of her Baptismal Vows.

FUND FOR FREEDOM OFFERING - May 17

A special offering will be received at the worship services on Sunday, May 17. Known as the Fund For Freedom, this money is used by the Council on Church and Race of the United Presbyterian Church to meet emergencies and crises as well as special needs of persons and groups. The Council on Church and Race is the national agency of the United Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., set up to deal with the many forms of racism that infect our society, working with other agencies of our church to combat injustice, discrimination, and poverty affecting black Americans, Spanish-speaking Americans, Indian Americans, and Americans of oriental ancestry.

This year 50% of all the funds given by United Presbyterians in Washington City Presbytery will be returned to the presbytery to assist the Tabor United Presbyterian Church, 150 S Street, N.W., in its Summer Youth Program. This program will serve 60 children, age 5 through 12, Monday through Friday - 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M., June 29th - August 21st. Staff for the program will be adults and teens from the Tabor Church and parish.

The program will provide wholesome activities for children and youth and at the same time both employment and leadership training for a significant number of teenagers and young adults.

The program will offer a wide range of activities in the areas of cultural enrichment, trips to places of interest, modern dance, square dancing, interpretive dancing and ballet, music, films, studies in black history and culture, photography, games, arts and crafts, dramatics, sewing, cooking, grooming, etc...

The full time staff will include a Director, two adult assistants, and eight young adult workers. There will be an emphasis on in-service training of the leadership.

A special envelope for the Fund For Freedom is enclosed with this issue of Steeple To People. The Session of the Potomac Church encourage all church member families to respond generously to this appeal.

FAREWELL COFFEE FOR FAMILIES ON THE MOVE

Following the 11:00 A.M. worship service on Sunday, May 24, a coffee hour will be held in the Fellowship Room in honor of those church member families who will be moving from the Potomac Community this summer.

Those families known to be moving are:

Dr. & Mrs. Phillip Wirth to St. Louis, Missouri

Mr. & Mrs. Felix Bloch to Berlin, Germany

Capt. & Mrs. Edwin Stobie to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Mr. & Mrs. James Strahle to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Mr. & Mrs. James Rudd to Greensboro, North Carolina

Mr. & Mrs. James Eckman to Charlottesville, Virginia

IF YOU WERE TO ADVISE THE PRESIDENT

During these early weeks of May our nation has experienced wave after wave of protest and has heard many voices of concern about President Nixon's decision to send troops into Cambodia. On college campuses and in cities large and small the evidence is clear: open and honest communication leading to national community must become a top priority for every American. The president himself has seen fit to encourage the process of communication by visiting with university students and faculty and by calling the nation's governors to his office.

The Lay Education Hour on Sunday, May 17, will be designed to continue the process of communication in the local congregation in these times of crisis. The problem to be proposed is: If You Were To Advise The President.

Mr. Robert Fredlund will serve as moderator for the discussion. Additional leader-ship for the discussion will be provided by Mr. Hugh Sidey, Time Bureau Chief, Time Life News Service, Washington, D. C., and Dr. Harold A. Durfee, Professor, American University.

STUDY REPORT ON DRUG ABUSE

On September 30, 1969, the Session of the Potomac United Presbyterian Church appointed the following persons as an ad hoc Committee On Drug Abuse:

Dr. Robert Garcia, Chairman

Dr. Andrew Breidenbach

Dr. Phillip Wirth

The Rev. Richard Blice, Jr.

ex-officio

The committee was asked to study the drug abuse problem and to report to the Session it's findings and recommendations. The report, received by the Session at its April meeting follows:

"During the past few years there has been an increasing usage of both addicting and non-addicting drugs throughout the country. Unfortunately, this phenomenon has reached into the Potomac Community, if not into our own church family. At the direction of the church Session, the Interpretation and Stewardship Committee was directed to make a survey as to relationships of this drug usage to the health and well-being of the user, of the family involved, and upon the possible inter-relationships within the community. As initial steps, material was requested and received detailing adverse reactions to drugs, including marijuana, LSD, amphetamines and barbiturates, and the more potent, heroin-type drugs. These materials were obtained from the Division of Narcotics Abuse, Department of Justice; and from various divisions of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. As a second approach, local newspaper clippings have been collected detailing the War on Narcotics (WON), a small action group here in Montgomery County.

"From these studies, several summary conclusions may be drawn:

- (1) All drugs spanning the spectrum from marijuana to heroin are dangerous in use.
- (2) The using of drugs may underlie a basic inability of the user to be happily adjusted to the "normal" environment in which he lives.
- (3) The individual apparently seeks to resolve his conflict with the sometimes abrasive environment with an escape to unreal sensory perceptions and delusions.
- (4) Reactions to the various drugs vary considerably; however, the use of many drugs by one individual underlies the basic psychological problem which may have incurred their original use.

Perhaps the most dangerous of the newer used drugs is LSD. This drug is notably psychoto-mimetic. That is, it causes experiences of a true psychotic personality in the user: hallucinations (the seeing or hearing of persons or voices which do not exist) or delusions (the misinterpretation of known or familiar surroundings). Unfortunately, some users may become permanently psychotic and this development appears to be dose-related. That is, the higher the dosage, the greater the tendency. Judgment is greatly impared which causes grave dangers in use of automobiles, and in time-space relationships. There are several documented scientific reports which also indicate a dangerous effect upon the chromosomes of the individual which has some genetic implications.

"Marijuana similarly causes deterioration in judgment and marked disturbances in time-distance relationships.

"The various other drugs have known similar effects, and although affording a "temporary escape", may have profound destructive effects. Some of these drugs are not addicting but may give rise to a strong psychological dependence by the user. Materials will be available in the church office for those who wish to study specific drug effects in greater detail.

"The impact upon the family, when it is learned that one of the members is a "dangerous drug" user, is most often devastating. The parents must appreciate the tremendous divisive force in their midst in order to maintain the family in tact until help and proper psychological adjustment can be made. It is felt that in this area the church family is extremely important. The simple act of regular church attendance helps develop a set of values, establish friendships, and offers the individual the opportunity to look into the needs of others.

"The WON group has expressed itself in its feelings that insufficient attention to the problem by responsible school officials is present in this county. Parental involvement in PTA groups and a close recognition by the parent of what school-related activities the student participates in are extremely important in considering this facet of the problem. Specifically, the "free" period during the student's day can be a crucial one in the formation of undesirable associations. It is during this time that pushers are often at work. The use of the free period in the student's curriculum has paralleled the increasing experimentation with drugs. If free periods were more suitably used (as for an elective subject or study hall), the student would be less apt to stumble into an unwholesome situation while lounging around the school campus or strolling or driving to nearby shops.

"Thus, prevention would appear as the most important goal. In the event, however, that the problem arises in the family, the immediate attention to the matter in as near an unemotional approach appears to give the best outcome. Psychiatric help, counseling with the pastor, and frank discussion with school officials may give the best prospects for helping the individual and the family surmount the crisis.

"This report would not be complete if alcohol and tobacco were not mentioned.

"Alcohol has the ability acutely to impair judgment and promote aggressive behavior. Chronically used, alcohol causes definite brain damage which is irreparable (organic brain syndrome), and chronic liver disease (cirrhosis). Alcoholism ranks with heart disease and cancer as one of the major causes of death today.

"Tobacco, needless-to-say, is directly involved as a causative agent for heart disease, and lip, oral and lung cancer.

"These two last subjects, while not "drugs", are often pointed to by the youth of today as parental vices. If is often hard for a contemporary youth to understand why he or she should not "escape" or "turn on" with drugs when a parent or other valued adult is seen polluting his internal environment with similar deadly toxins as alcohol and tobacco."

The specific WON League recommendations were included in the report for the information of the Session and the congregation. They are:

- (1) The action taken by the School Board on April 21, 1969, to establish outside smoking areas on school grounds should be rescinded immediately, and the no smoking rule be re-established.
- (2) A compulsory lunch program under which students would not be permitted to depart from the school grounds during the lunch period except with written parental permission.
- (3) A closed campus which effectively excludes unauthorized persons from entering school grounds and school buildings.
- (4) Any publication, pamphlets, or other printed materials, or excerpts therefrom, which advocate the use, sale, or transfer of illegal drugs should be prohibited by the school authorities from being distributed or displayed on bulletin boards on school property.
- (5) Any organization which (a) distribute or otherwise employ illicit drugs to further their objectives, (b) encourage by way of policy statements or through affiliated publications the use, sale, or transfer of illicit drugs, or (c) advocate non-compliance with existing laws and school regulations to eliminate the use, sale or transfer of illicit drugs on school property should not be permitted to function as legitimate student organizations and should be prohibited from conducting any activities whatsoever in school buildings or on school property either during or after school hours.
- (6) Any teacher, official, or other school employee who engages in the use, sale, or transfer of illegal drugs or who during the course of school activities encourages or condones the use, sale or transfer by students of illegal drugs should be subject to immediate dismissal from the Montgomery County school system.
- (7) A uniform and well-publicized procedure should be established for dealing with drug abuse, under which a ranking official (and an alternate in his absence) shall be designated at each school to serve as the central reporting point for all instances of suspected or detected use, sale, or transfer of illicit drugs. Such designated officials must give immediate notification to the police authorities when there are reasonable grounds to suspect the use or presence of illicit drugs on school property, including school vehicles.

The ad hoc committee made the following three recommendations which were approved by the Session:

- (1) The informal designation of Richard Blice as focal point of any individual problem related to drug abuse. He can then proceed with counseling and advice as he sees fit, using any church resources which he may deem necessary.
- (2) The placing of booklets, reprints, and clippings as gathered by the committee in the church library as resource materials for teachers, or members of the congregation.
- (3) That the Session invite speaker(s) to the Potomac United Presbyterian Church as an additional means of keeping the congregation informed on the issue of drug abuse.

It was noted by the Session in regard to recommendation 1 above that Mr. Blice stands by as an interested concerned party who can either counsel directly with those persons or families who have been affected by drug abuse or, with their permission, make confidential referrals to private and public agencies who are devoting their efforts to helping those so affected.

MISSION - ZAMBIA

The United Church of Zambia, Africa has invited the Washington City Presbytery to send a group of young people to Zambia this summer in a project called "MISSION - ZAMBIA". These youth are to be carefully selected for their ability to communicate their own concerns and insights into the issues of life as seen by a Christian and to share those concerns with youth in Zambia. Using folk music and dramatics as a means of communication and involvement this team of youth will spend ten weeks at the Mindolo Christian Center in Kitwe, Africa in dialogue with the youth of this nation.

It will cost each participant in the neighborhood of \$800 to participate in this event. These volunteers have varying degrees of resources available to make this trip a reality. Through the cooperation of CROSSROADS AFRICA significant savings on air fare have been realized. But to make the MISSION a reality there is a need for contributions from local churches and individuals. Already approximately \$1750 has been obtained (one Methodist family gave one scholarship) but there is still a need for much more. Several of the youth will need complete scholarships if they are to go.

The Session of the Potomac Church has given its full support to "MISSION - ZAMBIA" and encourages church members to aid the project through the giving of scholar-ship funds. Checks marked for "MISSION - ZAMBIA" may be drawn to the Presbytery of Washington City - Operating Fund, and mailed to the Presbytery Office, 4125 Nebraska Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20016.

FATHERS AND SONS TO SENATORS GAME

Through the sponsorship of the Congregational Life Committee fathers and sons of the church will attend the Senators-Twins game at the stadium on the evening of June 5th. Reserve the date now and watch the Sunday bulletin for further information. Rudy Savage is in charge of the program. The possibility of chartering a bus is being investigated.

INTERPRETATION AND STEWARDSHIP QUESTIONNAIRES

On April 14 all church member families were mailed a questionnaire prepared by the I&S Committee of the Session. It is most important to the committee that all these questionnaires be returned. All church member families who have not completed theirs are requested to do so and to return them to the church no later than June 1.

POTOMAC UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

POTOMAC, MARYLAND

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May 20, 1970

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

The May meeting of the Women's Association will be held in the Fellowship Room on Monday, May 25, at 10:30 A.M.

This is the annual luncheon meeting of the Association and its last meeting until September. Members are requested to bring a salad for four. Beverage and dessert will be provided.

Mrs. R. Neil Benedict, president, will preside at the business meeting during which a new president and vice-president will be elected. The Nominating Committee has announced that it will nominate Mrs. Robert Garcia and Mrs. Andrew Breidenbach, respectively, for those offices. Mr. Blice will conduct the service of installation for the new officers.

The program for the meeting will be a film and discussion on drug abuse.

All women of the church are invited to attend.

FATHERS AND SONS - SENATORS AND TWINS - JUNE 5th

An evening at D.C. Stadium has been planned for the fathers and sons of the church by Rudy Savage and the Congregational Life Committee. The Senators will be playing the Minnesota Twins and it is said that Mr. Williams has promised Mr. Savage the Senators will surely win.

Charter bus transportation from the church will be provided, leaving the church parking lot at 6:00 P.M. The cost per person for game ticket and transportation is \$6.00

To make your reservations, please call the church office (299-6007) or Rudy Savage at 299-6512 before May 25th.

LAY EDUCATION - MAY 24th - 9:30 A.M.

India - Its People, Progress, and Problems will be the topic for discussion at the Lay Education Hour on May 24th. Our guest for the morning will be Shri D. S. Sastri, Attorney At Law, Hyderabad, India. Shri Sastri is currently doing advanced study in Washington, D. C. His primary interest is the interface of science and technology with international law.

Mr. Robert Fredlund will introduce our guest and participate with him in the program.

FAREWELL COFFEE FOR FAMILIES ON THE MOVE

Following the 11:00 A.M. worship service on Sunday, May 24, a coffee hour will be held in the Fellowship Room in honor of those church member families who will be moving from the Potomac Community this summer.

Those families known to be moving are:

Dr. & Mrs. Phillip Wirth to St. Louis, Missouri

Mr. & Mrs. Felix Bloch to Berlin, Germany

Capt. & Mrs. Edwin Stobie to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Mr. & Mrs. James Strahle to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Mr. & Mrs. James Rudd to Greensboro, North Carolina

Mr. & Mrs. James Eckman to Charlottesville, Virginia

SPECIAL YOUTH SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES

The Synod of the Chesapeake sponsors several very exciting programs for senior high youth during the summer months. A sample of these are an advanced trail hike through the Shenandoah National Park, a canoe camp (for boys only), a music and drama camp, a work camp to Mexico, and the Bethany Folk Art Festival at Bethany Beach, Delaware. More information about these events and others is available from the church office. Senior highs who are interested should call Mr. Blice in order to assure their reservations in the next few weeks.

IN SEARCH OF UNDERSTANDING

The leaflet enclosed with this extra issue of Steeple to People is sent to the members of the congregation by the Church Education Committee of Session. It is a statement of the theological presuppositions and principles of subject-matter selection in the Christian Faith and Action materials for Grades 1-10. The Session of the Potomac United Presbyterian Church has approved the use of the Christian Faith and Action materials for grades 1 through 10, beginning September 1970. You are encouraged to read this leaflet. It is the first of several introductory pamphlets and leaflets that the Church Education Committee will present to the church member families during the summer months.

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June 8, 1970

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MID-WEEK PROGRAM FOR SEVENTH - TENTH GRADERS

Your Church Education Committee has been developing some very exciting plans for the youth of our church this fall. The plans center around a Thursday evening fellowship-activities-study-recreation program that has exciting potential.

The new educational resources are written for classes through the tenth grade - and what began as a need for more class rooms on Sunday (where can we put a new class of 9 - 10 grades???) has evolved into a full-fledged, week-day program to be held every Thursday from 4:30 to 7:30

The high point of the evening sessions will be the study hour from 6:30 to 7:30, using the new materials as guidance. These classes will be held for all grades 7 - 10 instead of Sunday morning classes. (We will ask those who may be coming Sundays at the regular church school hours with others in their family to serve as aides in the younger classes occasionally.) The adult leaders for this program are already busy planning some lively sessions of study and discussion.

The middle hour, from 5:30 - 6:30, will include supper - HOORAY!!! - fun and fellowship. Tentative plans call for mothers involved to prepare and serve the meal on a rotating basis with each young person being asked to help defray expenses.

During the first hour, a variety of some informal activities will be offered. The adult leaders have suggested some ideas already - possibly dramatics, maybe some art work, maybe just recreation - but they want especially to plan what

the young people themselves want to do and will welcome suggestions from them. For those interested in music and musical fun, Judy Peters, Director of Music, has agreed to lead a folk choir in learning some of the contemporary folk hymns, using guitars and possibly other instruments. Judy will be one of the key resource persons for the first hour's activities and will be present regularly on Thursday afternoons.

The committee realizes that the new scheduling is a radical departure from the traditional Sunday-morning, Sunday-evening pattern of study and fellowship. With the backing of all parents, though, and all of the seventh through tenth graders, this plan provides an opportunity for real growth and for a significant contribution to the life of the church.

Mrs. William Hoge will be the co-ordinator of this mid-week program. Serving with her are Judy Peters, Virginia Fredlund, Rudy Savage, Bob Garrison, and Richard Blice. Bobbie Benedict will take responsibility for planning the meals and scheduling mothers to prepare the meals.

THE FALL TERM OF THE CHURCH SCHOOL

Members of the Church School Faculty for '70-71 are already busy studying and planning for their work with the children this fall. They have met as a total faculty to discuss in general terms the curriculum resources and some approaches to teaching; they will be attending a Presbytery training session on Sunday, June 14, and have made plans to meet with the other teachers of their particular age group for detailed planning. Their initial interest and enthusiasm is contagious and heightens our anticipation for stimulating class work this fall.

With school starting September 1, the Church School year will begin officially September 6, the Sunday before Labor Day. The teachers will be prepared to make a good beginning with each pupil, and, in spite of the holiday, all parents are urged to have the children in the proper class.

Later this month you will be mailed a pre-enrollment form for each child in your family. It is important that the Church Education Committee have all of the vital statistics for every child of the church from birth through high school. Please return these forms as soon as possible.

The Church Education Committee is asking that all parents of children up through 6th grade choose carefully the particular class hour preferred, doing so with the expectation of continuing in that hour. The new materials require that each teaching team plan individually the specific study materials and activities for their class only; therefore, the activities for one age level may vary considerably from one hour to the next. For example, although 5th and 6th graders may all be studying the Israelite kings, by October 11 the 9:30 class may be deeply involved in the Life of King Saul while the 11:00 group may be in the process of re-creating Solomon's temple. Interrupting the progression of a particular study unit may create real hardships for the pupil and the teacher; we hope parents will make every effort to enable each child to take advantage of the planned continuity of the class hour which he chooses.

The faculty is embarking on this new study venture with high hopes. They earnestly solicit the support and prayers of every church family for its success.

JOAN MABON APPOINTED CHURCH SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

At its May meeting the Session accepted the recommendation of the Church Education Committee that Mrs. T. M. Mabon (Joan) be appointed Church School Superintendent effective September 1, 1970.

Joan comes to this position with much experience in the field of church education. Prior to moving to Potomac, the Mabons lived in Fort Smith, Arkansas, where Joan and her husband, Tim, were both very much involved in the educational ministry of their church there. Joan has participated in several synod leadership training schools and served in several key leadership positions during the time when new educational resources were being introduced in the Presbyterian Church U.S. She has achieved expertise in the areas of teacher training, unit planning, and church school administration. Inasmuch as the Potomac United Presbyterian Church will embark on a whole new adventure in church education in September, the Church Education Committee is pleased to announce Joan's appointment as the one who will be providing so much of the guidance in this adventure.

CHURCH SCHOOL FACULTY FOR '70-71 ANNOUNCED

Having indicated their willingness to serve the Session has appointed the following persons to serve on the Church School Faculty when the fall term begins in September.

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| Gr. 1 & 2 | Alice Smith Kathy McMahon | And the second of the second o | Ethel Roseman Norma Jean Starkey Chauncey Starkey |
| Gr. 3 & 4 | Madie Saxton Barbara Pratt Charles Pratt | | Tim Mabon Margaret McIntyre |
| Gr. 5 & 6 | Shirley Coll Emmie Mackay | | Barbara Brown Mavis Fowler |

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Grades 7 - 10 -- Mid-Week Program

Rudy Savage Ginny Fredlund Judy Peters

Bobbie Benedict

Many of these men and women have served in the teaching ministry of the church in prior years either in this church or elsewhere. For others this will be a new experience. But the essential thing, already recognized by the Church Education Committee, is the enthusiasm and the commitment that each of these persons brings to the teaching task. Working under the direction of Joan Mabon, the Session is confident that these church school teachers will increase the growing effectiveness of the educational ministry of the Potomac United Presbyterian Church.

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CHILDREN'S CHOIR TO BE ORGANIZED IN SEPTEMBER

An additional activity for children in grades 3 - 6 is being scheduled for next fall. They will have the opportunity of working as a children's choir under the leadership of Mrs. Roger Mellem, a member of the adult choir. The tentative plans call for an hour's work every Thursday afternoon beginning at 3:30. We hope they will welcome this chance to learn more about some of the great music of the church, old and new, and to participate more actively in the life of the church.

IN HONOR OF OUR GRADUATING SENIORS

We salute the following young women and men of the Potomac United Presbyterian Church who will be graduated from area high schools this month.

Carol Bray
Linda Dykhuizen
Steve Eckman
Jeff Gilliams
Laurie Greene
Jane Killion
Pat Savage
Nick Smith

Rick Fleming
Mike Fleming
Bobbie Breidenbach
David Meinke
Karen McIntyre
Linda Haack
Marianne Pownall

During the 11:00 a.m. worship service on Sunday, June 14, special recognition will be given these graduates. A reception in their honor will be held in the Fellowship Room following the worship service. All members and friends of the congregation are invited to attend and to extend their personal greetings to these friends who have now concluded the high-school phase of their academic careers.

SUMMER WORSHIP
AND
CHURCH SCHOOL HOUR

Beginning Sunday, June 21 and continuing through August 30, worship and church school will be offered concurrently at 9:30 A.M.

FINANCE AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE APPLAUDS CONGREGATION

At the regular meeting of this committee on June 3, the committee members were pleased to receive a report from Church Treasurer Bill Malone that receipts to the church treasury are higher than this time a year ago and that all financial obligations have been fulfilled to date. It was also noted that the church had been able to contribute a sizable share of its General Assembly General Mission commitment as of May 31.

But the committee was also aware that the church is entering that period of the year when attendance at worship is lower than usual because of week-end travel and family vacation periods. At the request of the committee Steeple To People is urging every church member family to keep its pledge payments current during the summer months and to make pre-payments on pledges where possible.

ENVELOPES ENCLOSED

Several envelopes addressed to the Financial Secretary are enclosed with this issue of Steeple to People.

Please use these to mail pledge payments when you will be absent from worship during the summer months.

LAY EDUCATION SERIES TO CONCLUDE FOR SUMMER ON June 14

The wrap-up session of the 1969-70 Lay Education Series will be led by Mr. Blice on Sunday morning, June 14, at 9:30 a.m. The session will be devoted to an evaluation of this pilot year's program. All regular participants in the Lay Education Program have been asked to submit personal evaluations of the Sunday morning sessions. These evaluations plus the group's evaluation on June 14 will be considered by the Lay Education Planning Group as they prepare the 1970-71 program. The Lay Education Program will not be held during the summer. It will resume again on Sunday morning, September 6, at 9:30 a.m.

RULING ELDERS BENTZEN AND BREIDENBACH TO SERVE PRESBYTERY

Mike Bentzen was elected by the Presbytery of Washington City at its May meeting to serve on a Special Administrative Commission of the Presbytery which has been charged to make a thorough study of the churches and their mission in the District of Columbia. The commission will meet with each of the Sessions and Parish Ministers of the particular churches in the District and consider with them their future as units of Christ's mission in the city. Once its study is completed, the commission will report its recommendations to the Presbytery as to how this mission may be strengthened.

Earlier this spring Andy Breidenbach was named to serve on the Interpretation and Stewardship Committee of the Presbytery. Having served at an earlier time on a similiar committee in Cincinnati Presbytery, Andy brings a wealth of experience to this work of the Presbytery in Washington. The Interpretation and Stewardship Committee is responsible for interpreting the mission of the church and for guiding churches in their stewardship commitment to that mission.

BLICE'S SUMMER PLANS

Mr. Blice will be on study leave during the first two weeks of July when he will participate in the Summer School of Theology at Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Virginia. A few days after his return from Richmond, the Blices will travel to Fort Lauderdale to vacation with old friends of theirs in that city. Mr. Blice will return to the pulpit on Sunday, August 16. During his study leave and vacation period the Congregational Life Committee will arrange for guest ministers to lead the worship services. The names of these guest ministers will be announced in a Sunday bulletin later this month.

MEMORIAL GIFTS RECEIVED FROM MR. AND MRS. SPANGENBERG

Verne and Sue Spangenberg have recently presented the church two very special gifts which will be used in the administration of the sacraments during the worship services. The gifts are a sterling baptismal bowl and two silver communion bread plates to match the two given by the Tietjen family several years ago.

The gifts were given in memory of Verne's parents and Sue's father. The church is grateful to Verne and Sue for their thoughtfulness in presenting these gifts.

DAVID SMITH TO HEAD NURSERY SCHOOL STUDY COMMITTEE

Over the past several years the church office has received numerous inquiries as to whether the Potomac United Presbyterian Church would or did sponsor a week-day nursery school. A negative answer was always given primarily because of the inadequacy of the present sewer system to handle the greatly increased use of the building that such a school would bring. Now, although no firm date for connection has been established, the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission has assured the Session that the completion of the sewer system along River Road will be in the early fall.

Having received this assurance, the Church Education Committee is now proceeding to make a detailed feasibility study of a church sponsored nursery school. The committee believes that such a school would provide a valuable service to the Potomac community and that it would be economically self-supporting. David Smith will be chairman of the study committee. Serving with him are Marion Lein and Betty Hampton.

KAREN MCINTYRE - BOBBIE BREIDENBACH - HOPE VALLEY COUNSELORS

Soon after the commencement exercises at Churchill High School two of the graduates will begin a very special kind of work at Hope Valley Camp in Frederick County, Maryland. Karen McIntyre will be assistant waterfront director and Bobbie Breidenbach will serve as a children's counselor. Hope Valley is owned and operated by the Council of Churches of Greater Washington. Its program is designed particularly for children of the inner city.

DAVID MEINKE NAMED PRESBYTERIAN SCHOLAR

David Meinke has won a National Presbyterian College Scholarship for 1970-71! He will be one of 253 Presbyterian scholars from all parts of the country studying in 39 of our 46 church-related colleges. David will be a freshman student at Wooster College, Wooster, Ohio, this fall.

At the worship service on Sunday, June 14, a Certificate of Award will be presented to David by Mr. Blice in behalf of the Board of Christian Education. The certificate is worded as follows: "This certificate recognizes that David W. Meinke has been selected as a National Presbyterial College Scholar on the basis of excellence of character, superior academic achievement, active participation in church and community, and exceptional promise of Christian leadership. This scholarship is being funded by The Board of Christian Education."

A CHAMPION IN OUR MIDST

We congratulate Jackie Cone of this congregation who this past week won the 50th Women's Maryland State Amateur Golf Championship. This great day in her life came on Saturday, June 6, at the Tantallon Country Club. Jackie closed out the 72 par course with a score of 76.

CONGRATULATIONS TO SANDY LANKLER!

Sandy, who has been very active in Republican Party activities for many years, was recently named Chairman of the Republical State Central Committee of Maryland. Sandy and his wife, Cici, and their two daughters, are charter members of the Potomac United Presbyterian Church.

MEMORANDUM

To: Men and Teenagers of the Church

From: William C. Lowrey, Finance and Property Committee of Session

As you know, the Blice's home in Potomac is our Manse, and the congregation is committed to its maintenance for the sake of appearance and to prevent structural deterioration. The manse needs painting. Since early fall is the best time for exterior house painting, we are making plans to paint the outside of the manse the weekends of September 19 and 26, and we need your help.

When the 1970 church budget was developed we knew that it would be necessary to paint the manse this year. Because of the need for funds for other programs, however, we allocated only enough money to pay for painting supplies, and have planned to do this job with volunteer labor. In view of the variety of work required on this project, we can use your help even if you don't consider yourself an expert house painter.

We are planning to do this job on two successive Saturday mornings, September 19 and 26. The work, tools, and workers required are as follows:

- 1. Surface Preparation
 - a. Prune and tie back shrubbery.

Tools: pruning sheers, tie ropes, tarps.

Workers: 4

b. Scrape and wire brush old paint surface.

Tools: Paint scrapers (sharp), wire brushes, ladders (4)

Workers: 10

c. Caulking.

Tools: Devices to remove old caulk, caulking guns

Workers: 4

1. Painting

a. Priming (September 19)

Tools: Brushes, pails, ladders (4-as above)

Workers: 4

b. Final Coat (September 26)

Tools: Brushes, pails, ladders (6)

Workers: 12

Please indicate below what help you will give on this project and tear off and return this information as soon as possible to the church office. We will be in touch with you when the planning is completed.

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POTOMAC UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH POTOMAC, MARYLAND

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THE FALL TERM OF THE CHURCH SCHOOL BEGINS SEPTEMBER 6

Sunday, September 6 will be a most significant day in the Potomac United Presbyterian Church and in many other United Presbyterian congregations across the nation. On this day a new program in church education entitled Christian Faith and Action will be launched.

The published resources of the Board of Christian Education include teachers' guides, student resource books, classroom libraries, pictures, maps and charts for classroom use and teacher education materials. Used effectively by teachers and students, Christian Faith and Action will bring new and vigorous strength to the church as a learning-growing community.

Members of the faculty of the Potomac United Presbyterian Church School have worked individually and in groups over the summer months to prepare for teaching from the new resources. By Sunday, September 6, the classrooms will be ready for the two sections of the church school. The Church Education Committee of the Session is urging every child from nursery age through sixth grade to be present for this opening session.

MID-WEEK PROGRAM FOR SEVENTH-TENTH GRADERS

As announced in the June Steeple To People a new study-fellowship-music program for seventh-tenth graders has been planned for the fall term. The first session of the program will be held on Thursday, September 17, at 4:30 p.m. This age group will meet thereafter every Thursday afternoon that the public schools are in session. The Thursday programs will conclude at 7:30 p.m.

Dinner will be prepared by mothers of young people participating and will be served at a cost of 75 cents per week. The study program will be based on the Christian Faith and Action educational resources. Judy Peters, Director of Music, will lead a folk choir in learning some of the contemporary folk hymns, using guitars and possibly other instruments.

All seventh through tenth graders are invited and urged to attend the Thursday programs. On Sunday mornings, young people of this age will participate in worship with their parents at 9:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. and serve as aids in the several church school classes.

For information regarding the mid-week program, young people or their parents are asked to call Mrs. William Hoge, 762-9102, who, besides teaching one of the age groups, is serving as co-ordinator.

TWO WORSHIP SERVICES OFFERED SEPTEMBER 6

A 9:00 a.m. family worship service and the traditional 11:00 a.m. worship service will be offered again on Sunday, September 6. The first worship service is one-half hour in length and is designed for those church families with children and youth who wish to worship together as a family.

At 9:30, the Lay Education Series for 11-12 graders and adults will be offered in the Sanctuary. Nursery-sixth grade children who have registered for the first section of the church school will meet in their assigned classrooms. This section of the church school will conclude its study at 10:30 a.m.

At 11:00 a.m. the second section of the church school for nursery-sixth grade children will meet. The second worship service, one hour in length, with the choir participating will be offered in the Sanctuary.

Worship and study are two of the three most important functions of the Christian Church. The third is service as it is offered individually and corporately. The Potomac United Presbyterian Church seeks to be faithful to its Lord in all three of these functions. Let it be so as we begin a new season of the church year.

CHURCH ISSUES FOR CHURCH PEOPLE

Beginning Sunday, September 6, Mr. Blice will preach a series of sermons under the general theme of Church Issues For Church People. The sermon topics for the series are as follows:

September 7 Faith As A Personal Matter

13 The Church of Christ Uniting I

20 The Church of Christ Uniting II

27 Living With Controversy In The Church

October 4 World Wide Communion Sunday

11 Sexuality And The Human Community

18 The Self Development Of People

25 A Potomac Youth Ministry

These sermons are planned for the ll:00 a.m. worship service. Participants in the 9:00 a.m. worship service may receive copies of the sermons upon request.

WORLD WIDE COMMUNION - OCTOBER 4 - NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED

Joining with other congregations around the world on October 4, the Potomac United Presbyterian Church will celebrate World-Wide Communion. New members will be received during the 11:00 a.m. communion service. A New Member Seminar is scheduled for those persons wishing to unite with the church at this time on Sunday evening, September 27, at 8:00 p.m.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR FOR GRADES THREE - SIXTH

Under the direction of Mrs. Roger Mellem, a trained musician and a member of the senior choir, a Children's Choir will begin meeting this month. The plan calls for an hours work every Thursday afternoon at 3:30 p.m. beginning September 17. The Children's Choir will provide participants the opportunity to learn some of the great music of the church - old and new - and to share more actively in the life and worship of the church.

A REMINDER FROM THE FINANCE AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The church's income dropped drastically during the summer months. We are having difficulty paying our bills. If all church families will promptly catch up with their pledges, the financial situation will be very much improved. If you cannot be regular at worship during September, please pre-pay your pledge using the pre-addressed envelope to the Financial Secretary sent to all families earlier this summer. If you have any questions about your pledge, please telephone Mrs. Simon Dykhuizen, Financial Secretary, 299-6216.

FLOWERS FOR THE CHANCEL

The congregation is grateful to the following families who provided flowers for the chancel for the summer worship services.

July 5 - Mr. and Mrs. Harry Evans

19 - Mr. and Mrs. Stillman Mackay

26 - Dr. and Mrs. R. C. Garcia in memory of F. C. Stevens

August 9 - Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schilling

16 - Mr. and Mrs. A. James Clark

23 - Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Burgess in memory of Ralph's mother

30 - Mr. and Mrs. Owen Cornell

The flower chart is posted in the narthex again this month for those families who may wish to provide flowers for certain available Sundays in September, October and November.

IN MEMORIAM

Thomas L. Scheurer - Age 15 -Son of Mr. & Mrs. Herman Scheurer. Death occurred August 23, 1970, at the Clinical Center of the National Institutes of Health where Tommy had been a patient for several months. A memorial service was held in the Potomac United Presbyterian Church August 25, 1970.

SEPTEMBER WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION MEETING

On September 28 at 10:00 A.M. the Women's Association will begin a new year of study and service under the leadership of Mrs. Robert Garcia (Joy). All women of the church are invited to participate in the program and various activities of the association.

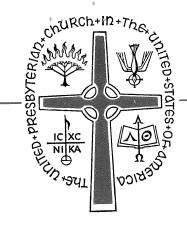
The September meeting will feature a speaker from the Crossroads Africa organization. Under the Crossroads Africa program, college students from the United States travel to Africa for two months each summer where they work in small villages on construction projects and other projects requiring physical labor. The program has drawn national acclaim and continues to build a stronger relationship between the United States and Africa.

Mrs. Andrew Breidenbach, Vice-President and Program Chairman will be in charge of the program segment of the meeting. Refreshments will be served at the beginning of the meeting.

LAY EDUCATION PROGRAM 1970-71

The Lay Education Program is designed for eleventh and twelfth graders and adults. The program is scheduled from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. every Sunday morning. Beginning with the first session September 6, 1970 the program will be offered in the Fellowship Room. An informal discussion of the plan for lay education this year will be led by Mike Bentzen at this first session. Coffee and rolls will be served. The program emphasis in 1970-71 according to Mike, who is chairman of the Church Education Committee, will be upon contemporary theological issues and the nature and mission of the church.

The Lay Education Planning Group will meet at 8:00 p.m. at the church on Tuesday evening, September 8.



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Dear Friends,

We would like to acquaint you with the new aspects of the Stewardship Program for this year. As you know, our Stewardship Program is scheduled in the fall and this year we plan to conduct Home Group Fellowship Meetings at ten different homes at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday evening, November 8.

You will be invited soon by one of the host families to their home for the Home Group Fellowship Meeting. A presentation will be made at the meeting on the church program for the coming year.

We are advising you of these plans for the Stewardship Program in order that you may have the time to give your pledge for the coming year your most prayerful consideration. This year we plan to provide pledge cards at the meeting on November 8 in order that you may make your pledge at the end of the meeting.

We trust you will be able to reserve the November 8 date on your calendar and join with the other members of the church at the meeting.

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NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED AT WORLD WIDE COMMUNION

At the celebration of the Sacrament of The Lord's Supper on World Wide Communion Sunday, October 4, the following persons were publicly received into the communicant membership of the Potomac United Presbyterian Church:

Mrs. Thomas Chase (Joan) - Bethesda Methodist, Bethesda, Md.
Mrs. Robert Jenkins (Joyce) - Rockville United Church, Rockville, Md.
Mr. & Mrs. Howard Sorrows (Jane)-Bethesda Methodist Church, Bethesda.
Miss Carolyn Sorrows - Bethesda Methodist Church, Bethesda, Md.
Miss Joyce Sorrows - Bethesda Methodist Church, Bethesda, Md.
Mrs. John A. Hoyt (Trudy) - First Presbyterian Ch., Ft. Wayne, Indiana
Mrs. Thomas T. Egan (Rosa)- Chevy Chase Presbyterian Ch., Chevy Chase, Md.
Mr. & Mrs. Quentin G. Marble (Donna)-Presbyterian Church, Owego, N. Y.
Miss Lynn Marble - Presbyterian Church, Owego, New York
Mr. Paul Marble - Presbyterian Church, Owego, New York
Miss Alisa Marble- Presbyterian Church, Owego, New York
Mrs. & Mrs. Samuel Willcoxon (Kathy)-First Presby. Ch., Ridgewood, N.J.

HOST HOMES FOR NOVEMBER 8 MEETINGS

The Home Group Fellowship meetings announced on page one of this issue of Steeple To People will be held at the homes of the following church members at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, November 8. Please respond affirmatively to your invitation.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Netch
Mr. and Mrs. James R. Perrin
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Mr. and Mrs. Vincent J. Colan
Mr. and Mrs. Samuel McLaughlin
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Cole
Mr. and Mrs. James S. Spivey
Mr. and Mrs. Compton S. Jones
Mr. and Mrs. Bradley K. Maxim
Mr. and Mrs. A. James Clark

SEVENTENS PROGRAM RECEIVES ENTHUSIASTIC RESPONSE

The new mid-week program for young people in grades seven through ten has received an enthusiastic response from the participating youth. Attendance at the three-hour session has averaged at 35 students or more than double the attendance during the 1969-70 term when this age group met on Sunday mornings in two sections.

The first hour of the program is devoted to music. Under the direction of Miss Judy Peters, the Seventeners are developing their own folk choir which, when properly prepared, will participate regularly in the worship services of the church. Several of the young people have accepted Judy's invitation to bring their musical instruments and thus provide additional accompaniment for the choir. Judy expects the choir to be ready for participation in worship prior to the beginning of the Advent Season.

The second period of the Seventens Program is the time when dinner is served. Mothers of the participating young people are responsible for preparing the meal while the young people themselves organize the fellowship room and set the tables.

From 6:15 to 7:30 p.m. the Seventeners are in study groups. The seventh and eighth graders are engaged in an extensive study of the literature of the Old Testament. Ninth and tenth graders have launched into the first of five inquiries they will make this year into the meaning of personal existence.

Teachers and leaders of the group in addition to Miss Peters are Mrs. William Hoge and Mr. Rudy Savage - Seventh Grade; Mr. Blice -Eighth Grade; and Mrs. Sidney Howe and Mr. Robert Garrison - Ninth and Tenth Grade.

Twenty-six of the seventeners participated in a week-end retreat at Chesapeake Center, Port Deposit, Maryland, October 2-4. Another retreat is scheduled at this site in April, 1971.

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH APPOINTED TO SESSION COMMITTEES

Participation by senior high youth in the church's life goes beyond the services of worship and the Senior High Youth Fellowship. The following eleventh and twelfth graders are currently serving on Session committees:

Miss Lynn Marble - Interpretation and Stewardship Miss Janice Perrin - Congregational Life Miss Jennifer Savage - Congregational Life Members of the Senior High Youth Fellowship will sponsor a Family Night Dinner for the congregation scheduled for Friday evening, November 20. They are asking that the families of the church reserve this date now. Those planning the event will announce more complete details early in November.

SENIOR HIGH LEADERSHIP 1970-71

Program leadership for senior high youth during the 1970-71 year will be provided by five senior highs and seven adults. A Senior High Planning Committee composed of the following young people is meeting monthly to develop a varied program of discussion and recreation: Jennifer Savage, Lynn Marble, Mary Mabon, Craig Cole and Peter Blemker. Adult advisors to the group this year are: Mr. and Mrs. Berrien Blemker, Mr. and Mrs. James Clark, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lawson. Mr. Blice will work with both the Planning Committee and the adult advisors as a resource person.

SENIOR HIGHS AND COUNT DRACULA TO MEET AT BLEMKER'S

Members of the Senior High Youth Fellowship will meet at Pete and Mike Blemker's home, 13690 Esworthy Road on Sunday evening, October 25, at 7:00 p.m. As this is their regular meeting before Halloween, the sanior highs have planned for the mysterious, the spooky, and the strange. Count Dracula will be in attendance. Fear and trembling will be the order of the evening. All tenth-twelfth graders are invited if they are brave enough to attend.

OCTOBER WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION MEETING

On Monday, October 26, women of the church will tour the Agricultural Research Center of the U.S. Department of Agriculture at Beltsville, Md. Participants will leave the church parking lot at 9:30 a.m. The tour will be approximately 2 hours in length. To make reservations please call Joy Garcia, 299-4645, or Jean Breidenbach, 762-5256.

SERMON TOPICS ANNOUNCED

Mr. Blice will preach on the following topics during the next six Sundays:

October 25 Reformation - 1970 Style

November 1 Church Issues For Church People

6. A Potomac Youth Ministry

November 8 "I'm Going To Love This Church"

November 15 What Do Our Pledges Mean?

November 22 Church Issues For Church People

7. Sexuality And The Human Community

November 29 The Commands Of Christ

BRASS QUINTET TO PARTICIPATE IN WORSHIP - October 25

The Brass Quintet of the John Nevins Andrews School in Takoma Park will participate in the 11:00 a.m. worship service on Sunday, October 25. The quintet is comprised of two trumpets, trombone, french horn, and baritone. The director is Miss Ruth Millard.

October 25 is Reformation Sunday. The quintet will play Martin Luther's famous hymn, Ein Feste Burg, as the offertory anthem.

BEFORE PLACING LITERATURE IN THE NARTHEX...

please request the permission of the Session. After it was brought to the attention of the Session that someone had placed political literature on the Book Table in the narthex at primary election time, the Session, without debate, has ruled that no literature except that which interprets the mission of the United Presbyterian Church or books from Westminster Book Service may be placed on the table without its permission.

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE AT ST. FRANCIS

The traditional Community Thanksgiving Service for the people of Potomac will be held at the St. Francis Episcopal Church in the village this year on Thanksgiving morning. Mr. Blice will bring the Thanksgiving Day message. Mr. Simms and Mr. Dickey of St. Francis and the Potomac United Methodist Church will participate in the liturgy of the service.

CHUCK BREIDENBACH AND CURT KENDALL AT WORK ON SCOUTING AWARD

The God and Country Award is one of the highest awards of the Boy Scouts of America. With the guidance of Mr. Blice, Chuck Breidenbach and Curt Kendall of the Potomac United Presbyterian Church are working to earn that award by the spring of 1971. Chuck and Curt are currently working on several projects at the church and in their local neighborhoods in order to complete the second of five phases involved in God and Country work. Earlier this summer both boys spent several days at Hope Valley Camp doing volunteer labor for the camp and interviewing both campers and leaders. Hope Valley is owned and operated by the Council of Churches of Greater Washington. Its summer program is designed primarily for black children and youth from the inner-city.

POTOMAC FISH NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Potomac FISH is a loosely organized group of men and women from the Potomac community whose primary purpose is to help their neighbors. FISH helps by providing food and clothing to those who request it. FISH helps by providing transportation (mainly to hospitals and doctor's offices) to those who need such transportation. Right now FISH needs three types of help itself.

- 1. Drivers one day a month
- 2. Message-takers take messages at home and deliver as required.
- 3. Food. Members of the Potomac United Presbyterian Church have been requested by FISH leadership to donate canned meats and meals for FISH distribution. Such meats and meals may be brought to the church and left in the narthex where they will be picked up by the FISH Food Committee. If every family of the church were to bring at least one can the FISH supply cupboard would be well stocked.

Questions about FISH may be directed to Mrs. Jane Kauffman, FISH President, 299-9490.

PRESBYTERIAN HOME ANNUAL BAZAAR

The Presbyterian Home of the District of Columbia will hold its annual bazaar on Saturday, November 7, from 10;00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The home is located at 3050 Military Road, N. W.

The purpose of the Bazaar is to assist the Women's Board of the Presbyterian Home to raise funds for the internal care and comfort of the residents of the Home. Materials may be donated for sale prior to November 1 by delivering them to the Home.

Presbyterians in the Washington area are encouraged to visit the Home on Bazaar Day and to take this opportunity to meet the professional leadership, see the facilities, and to meet many of the residents.

INVITATION TO JOIN THE ADULT CHOIR

The Adult Choir, under the direction of Miss Judy Peters, is now preparing in earnest for the Christmas services and especially for Sunday, December 13, when it will present Vivaldi's "Gloria" at the 11:00 a.m. worship service. The choir, according to Judy, is stronger than it has ever been but is still in need of additional voices. Male voices are especially needed. Church members who may wish to serve the church in its ministry of music may do so by indicating their interest to Judy and attending the regular Thursday evening rehearsals.

MANSE PAINTED BY MEN OF THE CHURCH

The manse, located at 9300 Marseille Drive, has had a facial. Working under the foremanship of Bill Lowrey, several men of the church have made required minor repairs on the exterior of the manse and have painted the exterior surface. Because these men gave several of their October Saturdays to this project, the church treasury has been saved of nearly \$1,200.00. Painters and repairmen, we thank you!

CHURCH BUILDING USED WEEKLY BY MORMON WOMEN

The Relief Society of the Church of the Latter Day Saints - Gaithersburg stake, has rented several rooms for use every week in the Potomac United Presbyterian Church. The Relief Society has a membership of some forty women. They gather at the church every Thursday morning from 9:30 - noon for study, worship, and craft projects. Child care is provided by the group in the nursery and kindergarten rooms.

NATIONAL SYMPHONY COMES TO MONTGOMERY COUNTY

The 1970-71 Montgomery County Series of the National Symphony will be held at Montgomery Blair High School Auditorium in Silver Spring. The concert dates are December 3, February 12, and April 30. All begin at 8:00 p.m. Ticket information may be obtained by calling the Symphony Business Office at 483-4111.

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SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER TO BE CELEBRATED ON ADVENT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29

The Potomac United Presbyterian Church will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at both worship services on Sunday, November 29. This is the first Sunday of the 1970 Advent Season, the time of year when Christians around the world prepare through worship and in prayer for the celebration of Christ's birth.

OBSERVING THE ADVENT SEASON AT HOME

Annually at this time of year the Congregational Life Committee of the Session provides every church member family a folder of Advent worship services for use by families in the home. The 1970 folder is enclosed with this issue of Steeple To People.

The folder includes four worship services for use on the four Sundays of Advent. Many families traditionally make an Advent wreath for use as the focal point of these worship services at home. The wreath is a simple ring of pine in which four candles are placed equadistant from each other. On the first Sunday of Advent one candle is lighted during the worship service. On the second Sunday two candles are lighted and so forth. A fifth candle may be placed in the center of the wreath and lighted at the family worship service on Christmas Day.

The liturgical color for the Advent season is purple. Ribbon or candles of this color may be used in the wreath to further reflect its Advent significance.

SCHEDULE OF ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SERVICES

November 29 - First Sunday of Advent The Sacrament Of The Lord's Supper

December 6 - Second Sunday of Advent Vivaldi's "Gloria" will be presented by the choir at the 11:00 a.m. worship service. December 13 - Third Sunday of Advent

4:30 p.m. - A worship service devoted to the music of Christmas. The King David Choir, the Seventen Choir and the Senior Choir will participate.

December 20 - Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 24 - Christmas Eve.

Worship services will be held at 7:30 p.m. and at 11:00 p.m.

December 27 - First Sunday After Christmas

The Sacrament Of The Lord's Supper will be celebrated at both the 9:00 a.m. and the 11:00 a.m. worship services

SPECIAL OFFERING FOR MINISTRIES TO CHILDREN

The United Presbyterian Church in the USA serves Christ in all sections of the nation and throughout the rest of the free world. Wherever our Church serves, special attention is given to the needs of children.

Your money will feed youngsters in India, give hope to black children in the American ghetto, teach refugee boys in the Sudan that someone cares, build dreams in the minds of "little ones" in Appalachia, and tell children everywhere that Christ, whose birth we celebrate, is very much alive today. Give to the Christmas Offering for Ministries to children world-wide.

Children in the church school will be given coin candle boxes on Sunday, November 29, which are to be returned to the church Sunday morning, December 20. Special offering envelopes will be made available in the pews beginning Sunday, December 13, for use by adults and teenagers.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - DECEMBER 6th

A special Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, December 6th, at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Room. The purpose of the meeting will be for the cong egation to elect three members to serve on the 1971 Nominating Committee. These three members along with Ruling Elders Charles Hemphill, chairman, and Alice Smith, will nominate a slate of four persons to serve as Ruling Elders at the Annual Meeting in January.

ROBERT MCMAHON NAMED CHAIRMAN OF POTOMAC YOUTH MINISTRY PLANNING COMMITTEE

At its organizational meeting on November 17, the Potomac Youth Ministry Planning Committee organized into four task committees and named Robert McMahon, a Ruling Elder of the Potomac United Presbyterian Church as its General Chairman.

The task committees and their members are as follows:

Definition Task Committee

Sarah Jane Hawken, Chairman, St. Francis
Ronald Dykhuizen, Potomac United Presbyterian
Pamela Ramsey, St. Francis
John McCann, Potomac United Methodist
Judy Bullis, Potomac United Methodist
Sue Sheridan, Potomac United Methodist

Public Relations Task Committee

Berrien Blemker, Chairman, Potomac United Presbyterian
Nancy Simpson, St. Francis
Adele Burgess, Potomac United Presbyterian
Bess Shipe, Potomac United Methodist
Jennifer Savage, Potomac United Presbyterian
Linda Skelton, St. Francis

Finance Task Committee

Leon Miller, Chairman, Potomac United Methodist Peg Lawson, Potomac United Presbyterian Luke Maisonpierre, Potomac United Methodist Harry Kavetas, St. Francis

Leadership Task Committee
William Wombough, Potomac United Methodist

It was agreed that when the Definition Task Committee had completed its assignment, the committee would be dissolved and the members reappointed to the Leadership Task Committee.

TOYS FOR TOBYTOWN

Again this year members of the Senior High Youth Fellowship will collect, repair, and repaint used toys which they will then make available to the families in Tobytown.

Toys may be left at the church anytime beginning November 29 through noon on Sunday, December 6th.

Toys particularly wanted are games, trucks, dolls, athletic equipment, bicycles, doll buggies, children's books, and toys for infants. All toys should be in repairable condition. Toys with missing parts are not acceptable.

The senior highs will gather for a toy repair workshop at 2:00 p.m. on December 6. The toys will then be given to Tobytown Associates who will be responsible for their distribution to parents of children and youth in Tobytown.

SEVENTENS AND SENIOR HIGHS TO CAROL AT THE FRESBYTERIAN HOME

The Seventeners will be joined by members of the Senior High Youth Fellowship for dinner in the Fellowship Room at 5:45 p.m. on Thursday, December 17. Following dinner the combined youth groups will travel to the Presbyterian Home on Military Road where they will present a service of Christmas carols for the residents. Miss Judy Peters, Director of Music, will lead the singing and accompany the group.

Transportation will be needed. Adults who wish to volunteer are asked to call the church office. The young people will leave the church at 6:15 p.m. and return to Potomac by 8:30 p.m.

NEW EDITOR FOR STEEPLE TO PEOPLE

Beginning with the next issue of Steeple To People, Mrs. William Brain (Ellen) will assume the editorial responsibilities. Bill and Ellen and their four children live on Cherbourg Drive in the Lake Normandy area of Potomac. Ellen is an experienced newsletter editor having just completed a two-year term as editor of the PTA newsletter for the Maryland Congress of Parents and Teachers, Inc. Besides serving as editor, Ellen was at the same time State Vice-President For Chairmen. Steeple To People welcomes you, Ellen, and looks forward to being prepared by your skillful hands.

SESSION TO STUDY GENERAL ASSEMBLY REPORT

The Session of the Potomac United Presbyterian Church will soon engage itself in a study of the 1970 General Assembly report on Sexuality And The Human Community. The Session has requested the Church Education Committee to prepare a plan of study by the December meeting of the Session. It is expected that the Church Education Committee will also make study and discussion opportunities available to all members of the church early in 1971.

PLEASE PAY UP PLEDGES!

By December 6, 1970, all pledging church member families should have contributed eleven-twelfths of their 1970 pledge. The Interpretation and Stewardship Committee is encouraging every family to keep its giving current and if at all possible to contribute on or before December 27, 1970, the total amount pledged for 1970. The faithfulness of the church's stewardship depends on the faithfulness of the stewardship of each church member family.

SUNDAY MORNING LAY EDUCATION PROGRAM

Under the leadership of Bill Hoge, Bob Fredlund, and Marilyn Meinke, some twenty to thirty adults and senior high youth are making a chapter by chapter review every Sunday morning of the Plan of Union of the Church of Christ Uniting. The group meets in the Fellowship Room at 9:30 a.m. Subjects for study and discussion cover a wide range and include such items as worship, celebration, the sacraments, mission, church government, and the nature of the church. The subjects are relevant. The discussions have been lively. All senior high and adult members of the church are invited.

MISSION TO EAST PAKISTAN

The cyclone that swept across the Bay of Bengal has appaled the world. Hundreds of thousands of deaths strain our imaginations, as does the destruction of the people and the physical structures of the 13 Bay islands. Large numbers of survivors on the mainland are living in desperate conditions and call to the world for compassion.

Governments and private groups have responded to East Pakistan's tragedy with food, clothing, tents and medicines. Churches around the world are sharing in these efforts to meet emergency needs. United Presbyterians are responding to Church World Service, supported from One Great Hour of Sharing funds, which acted immediately to provide such help as antityphoid serums. Further help will be provided as needs are identified.

Potomac United Presbyterians may send their contributions to the Central Receiving and Agency, Room 1044, 475 Riverside Drive, New York, N. Y. 10027, designated for use by the Committee on World Relief and Emergency Service.