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1972 DIRECTORIES AVAILABLE JANUARY 30

Revised and up-dated directories of church member families will be available for all members at the table in the narthex on Sunday, January 30. Copies will be arranged alphabetically on the table. Members who wish to have more than one copy are asked to pay 25 cents for each additional copy.

The congregation is grateful to Shirley Tietjen for compiling the directory and to Ethel Roseman for typing the stencils.

CAPITAL FUND PLEDGE ENVELOPES

Those contributing toward their Capital Fund pledges are encouraged to use the blue envelopes provided for that purpose. If one check is written to cover both Operating Budget and Capital Fund, please indicate the amount to be credited to each on the check and on the envelope.

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DR.JOHN ARMSTRONG ELECTED PYM CHAIRMAN

Dr. John Armstrong, a member of the Potomac United Presbyterian Church, was recently elected Chairman of the Potomac Youth Ministry Board. The board is comprised of adult and youth representatives from the Potomac United Methodist, United Presbyterian and St. Francis Episcopal Churches and is responsible for directing the program activities of the new ecumenical venture.

MR. WILLIAM KNIGHT NAMED PYM DIRECTOR

Bill Knight, a student at Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington, D. C., has been chosen to serve Potomac Youth Ministry as its first, and for the next six months, part-time director. Most of Bill's time from January until June will be devoted to interviewing school, government and community officials and agencies to determine how the youth community of Potomac can best be served by community centered youth ministry. Actual programs for youth will be kept to a minimum until a more clearly-defined focus for the ministry is developed.

DAVID MEINKE ORDAINED AS RULING ELDER IN WOOSTER

David Meinke, son of Dr. and Mrs. Wayne Meinke and a sophomore student at Wooster College, Wooster, Ohio, was recently elected and ordained as a ruling elder of the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Wooster. Westminster serves both the college community and its larger neighborhood. Dave will be one of several students serving on the Session this year. As Dave helps to guide the Westminster Church in its mission, he will have the strong encouragement of at least one of its regular worshippers, his sister, Sue, who is a senior student at the college. Both Dave and Sue are National Presbyterian Scholars.

POTOMAC FISH NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Would you be a babysitter in the emergency of another family (taking care of children in their home when mother is hospitalized)? Would you be willing to visit elderly, lonely people or help organize a senior citizens group or take a senior citizen to lunch occasionally?

FISH needs such volunteers. If you can serve your neighbor in these ways, please call Cheris Garrison, FISH representative from the Potomac United Presbyterian Church, 926-6681.

FISH NEEDS FOOD

The Seventens Service Group is collecting cannot meats and cannot meals for FISH. Such foods will be distributed by FISH to families in financial emergencies. Please bring meats and meals to the church and place them in the boxes located in the narthex.

1972 REPRESENTATIVE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The following members of the congregation were elected to serve on the 1972 Representative Nominating Committee at the Annual Meeting on January 17, 1972: Mrs. William Johnston (Flo), Mrs. Quentin Marble (Donna), Dr. Wayne Meinke. Session members on the committee are: Mr. Robert McMahon who will serve as chairman and Mr. Compton Jones.

SKI-STUDY WEEKEND FOR NINTH-TWELFTH GRADERS

February 11-13 is the annual ski-study weekend for the ninth-twelfth graders of the Potomac United Presbyterian Church. As in prior years the young people and their adult advisors will travel to Deer Valley Lodge at Mount Davis, Pennsylvania, on Friday, leaving Potomac at 11:00 a.m. Friday and Saturday evenings and Sunday morning will be devoted to study and discussion. The focus for study this year will be on personal values. On Saturday the retreaters will travel to Seven Springs, Pennsylvania for a day of skiing, swimming and snow-mobiling at the Seven Springs Winter Resort.

All ninth-twelfth graders of the church are invited to participate. Mr. David Smith, Advisor for the Senior High Fellowship, Mr. Blice and Mrs. Mabon will assist the Senior Highs in designing the study and discussion portion of the retreat.

SEVENTEN PROGRAM ADDS NEW DIMENSION

The first hour of the weekly three-hour program for seventh-tenth grade young people is now designed to provide for four interest groups. The groups are: Service, led by Mrs. Wayne Meinke; Worship, led by Mr. Blice; Drama, led by Mrs. Samuel Willcoxon; and Crafts, led by Mr. Peter Mellem. The groups will change in their membership every ten weeks, thus allowing for all Seventeners to participate in each of the groups over the course of the school year.

TREMENDOUS RESPONSE TO CONTEMPORARY THEOLOGIANS SERIES

The current lay education series on Sunday mornings at 9:40 a.m. is receiving a tremendous response and is one of the most exciting series to be offered in the two-year history of the Lay Education Program. Lecturer and discussion leader is Dr. Harold Durfee, Chairman of the Philosophy of Religion Department at American University.

Having completed his lectures on Barth, Bonhoeffer and Tillich, Dr. Durfee will speak on the contributions of Reinhold Niebuhr to contemporary theological thought on Sunday, January 30. The series will conclude on February 6 when Dr. Durfee will discuss the contemporary theological situation as it is affected by these four men.

LAY EDUCATION - FEBRUARY 13-MARCH 26

Sunday, February 13, Dr. Thomas Ward will lecture and lead the discussion on "Drug Abuse and the Family." As a physician involved in medical research, Dr. Ward has become widely known for his work with drug users. Dr. Ward is a ruling elder at the Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church. On Sunday, February 20, the first Sunday of Lent, Mr. William Kerrigan will present an illustrated lecture on the Holy Land. Bill, a member of the Potomac United Presbyterian Church, was head of the Economic Section of the American Embassy in Tel Aviv for four and one-half years. As a career foreign service officer, Bill was also in Turkey, Germany, Norway and Canada. Beginning Sunday, February 27, and continuing through Sunday, March 26, Dr. James Logan, Professor of Theology at Wesley Theological Seminary, will present a series of lectures on the theme "Central Words of Faith." The purpose of the series will be to increase the participants' understanding of the meaning of those words such as "hope," "love," "forgiveness," "reconciliation," which are basic to the Christian vocabulary.

NEW YORK AVENUE LINCOLN DAY OBSERVANCE

Dr. Cynthia C. Wedel, president of the National Council of Churches, will keynote the 41st annual Lincoln Day Observance at the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church on Sunday, February 6. Beginning at 2:15 p.m., the program will include a reading of the Gettysburg Address by Lincoln Scholar Dr. James J. Quinn and music by Northwestern High School Band. Luncheon, open to the public, will be served at 12:30, and reservations may be made by calling the church office, 393-3700, by Thursday, Feb. 3.

TUSCON ARIZONA BOYS CHORUS APPEARING IN POTOMAC

The Tuscon Arizona Boys Chorus - Arizona's Singing Cowboys - will present a concert at the St. Maurice School on Kentsdale Road on Friday, February 25, at 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for juniors through 12 years and may be obtained by phoning Brother Lawrence Hogan, OFM, at 365-1763, or from Camalier and Buckley, The Surrey and the Potomac Village Pharmacy. The chorus has appeared on the Ed Sullivan Show, the Bell Telephone Hour and Wide-Wide-World.

HIGH PRIORITY TO BE GIVEN TO MISSION MONIES

A motion from the floor by Bill Skinner at the Annual Meeting on January 17 requesting that the Session give high priority to General Assembly General Mission with any monies received over and above the 1972 anticipated receipts was seconded and unanimously approved.

According to the 1972 budget as received by the congregation on January 17, at least \$3000 will be pledged to the mission of the church beyond the local church program: \$2500 has been allocated to General Assembly, Synod and Presbytery causes; \$500 will be given to Potomac Youth Ministry. In addition to these amounts the Potomac United Presbyterian Church will contribute to the several special offerings as approved by the Session each year. In 1971 these special offerings totaled \$2,008.87. General Assembly General Mission giving in 1971 amounted to \$1800.

YOUTH PROGRAM MEETING HELD AT CHURCH

Last Monday night 28 youth leaders and teachers met at the Potomac United Presbyterian Church to share resources, material problems and individual successes. There were representatives from Boyds, Bradley Hills, Geneva, St. Mark's Warner Memorial and Wheaton Churches, as well as nearly all of our own junior and senior high teachers and leaders.

We spent the first part of the evening playing a simulation game. It acquainted us with various resources and - more especially - with others' priorities in using them. The bulk of the evening was spent in four small groups focusing particularly on junior high study and senior high study and junior and senior high fellowships. We found that we had much helpful information to gain from the other participants, but, more important was the real encouragement and support from others who, like us, find many problems but see the need for much concern and effort in the crucial task of working with young people today.

...Joan Mabon

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CHANGE PERMITS CHILDREN TO RECEIVE LORD'S SUPPER PRIOR TO CONFIRMATION

In the summer of 1971 the General Assembly amended the $\frac{Book}{of}$ of Order, giving the Session the power "to permit baptized children of the church, when their families deem it appropriate, to receive the Lord's Supper with the congregation before such children shall have made formal profession of faith..."

The Session of Potomac United Presbyterian Church has agreed to exercise this power. This action is an important change from past procedure and has been given serious consideration. It was recommended that baptized children who are not yet confirmed be first invited to the Lord's Table on Maundy Thursday evening, April 6, and that extensive opportunities for interpreting this step be made available to the congregation, particularly to parents involved.

It is important to remember that even though the Session has agreed to welcome baptized children, it is the parents' responsibility to decide which children shall participate. To assist parents in making this decision with their children, the following program will be

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followed:

- 1. Letters of interpretation will be sent to each family involved;
- 2. Notices will be sent often through the usual channels of communication: the Sunday <u>Bulletin</u>, <u>Steeple to People</u> and the Church School;
- 3. A general meeting will be held for all parents concerned on Wednesday, March 8. The reasons for this decision will be discussed in detail, and guide lines for interpretation within the family will be offered;

4. The pastor will be available to discuss the question further at the request of any family in the congregation. He will also use a Lenten sermon to explain the concepts involved:

5. On Palm Sunday evening, March 30, family dessert night will be held. It will be a discovery-learning time for children and parents together.

LAY EDUCATION SERIES ON "THE HISTORICAL JESUS"

Complementing the very successful Lay Education theological series led by Dr. Durfee, a new biblical series of lecture-discussions will begin on Sunday, February 27, under the leadership of Dr. James Logan, professor of systematic theology, Wesley Theological Seminary.

Based on the theme, "What Can We Know About the Historical Jesus?" the series will include:

February 27 - Why the Question?

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March 5 - Jesus and His Words

March 12 - Jesus and His Actions

March 19 - The Passion and Death

March 26 - The Resurrection

The Lay Education group meets Sunday mornings at 9:40. All senior highs and adults are invited.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

The following new members were received at worship services on Sunday, February 20:

Mr. and Mrs. William Adams, Fairmont United Presbyterian Church, Kettering, Ohio

Mr. Robert Hammann, United Church of Christ, Acton, Massachusetts

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Presley, First United Presbyterian Church, Greenwich, Connecticut

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Guffey, Metropolitan United Methodist Church, Washington. D. C.

Mrs. Ginger Lewis, First Presbyterian Church, Endicott, New York

FAMILY COVERED DISH DINNER ON MARCH 3

Another opportunity for family participation in the life of the church will be the Covered Dish Family Dinner on Friday, March 3, at 7:15 p.m. The program will include a presentation on ecology by Mr. Ernst Christensen of the National Capital Parks Service. Call Mrs. Roland J. White (Dot), 424-5542, for reservations by Tuesday, February 29.

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN PLAYERS TO PERFORM MARCH 23

A puzzled Mr. Smith is seeking an answer to his question, "What is the church?" and is introduced to the congregation of the church in the middle of the block where he finds it. The satirical presentation by the drama group of Seventens points out some faults and raises some pertinent questions about the life of the church. By humorously portraying what a church should not be, the groups hopes to present some insight into what a dedicated church should be.

"Forgive Us Our Chicken Coops" will be presented on Thursday, March 23, at 7:30 p.m. at the church.

MEETING OF CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS FEBRUARY 28

Church School teachers will meet at the home of Mrs. Roland J. White (Dot) on Monday, February 28. They will be evaluating their work to date, discussing some changes in procedures and projecting plans for the remainder of the school year. In addition, leaders of the Church School will begin planning for Vacation Church Camp and considering school staff for the fall. Members interested in service in either of these two areas are asked to contact Mr. Blice or Mrs. Mabon.

JOINT CANTATA AND DRAMA UNDER PRODUCTION

Work is beginning on a Captain Noah celebration involving junior and senior high young people. Rehearsals for the cantata, Captain Noah and His Floating Zoo, will begin Sunday morning, February 27, at 9:40 and will be held regularly at that time under the direction of Mrs. Roger Mellem (Nancy) and Mrs. John A. Hoyt (Trudy).

With this musical event will be a theatrical production, To Build an Ark, under the direction of Mrs. Sam R. Willcoxon (Kathy). Tryouts for this will be Thursday, March 2, at 5:30. The cast includes four men and two women. Rehearsal dates will be announced.

The musical and dramatic productions will be presented together on June 4.

SENIOR HIGH SKI RETREAT REPORT

The Senior High Ski Retreat was held at Deer Valley Camp, February 11-13. Thirty young people spent a busy and energetic weekend with eight leaders and visitors along to help.

Friday and Saturday included extended discussions of values - What distinguishes authentic values? What are some of our values? All day Saturday was spent at Seven Springs in skiing, swimming and just relaxing. Sunday morning climaxed the Retreat with a contemporary worship service, with each person participating with his own offering of poetry, music or prose. There was even an unexpected extra hour of toboganning when the heavy weekend snow prevented leaving on time.

This event is always planned with high anticipation, and this year's, as always, exceeded expectations.

PLANS MADE FOR CONFIRMATION CLASS

Parents of eighth-grade students who are considering confirmation met with Mr. Blice and Mrs. Mabon on Tuesday evening, February 22. The confirmation class will have a somewhat different emphasis this year.

There will be a more extensive consideration of what church membership means in terms of what church members do. The students will be provided many opportunities to see the church in action throughout the entire Presbytery area - to visit a Presbytery meeting, various mission projects in the Washington vicinity and to talk with Presbytery staff members charged with specific missions.

MINISTRY TO COMMUTERS AT UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND

A new ministry to serve the special needs of the 18,000 young people who daily commute to the University of Maryland campus has been announced by the University's United Campus Ministry. Mr. Jeffrey Smith, a student at Wesley Seminary, has been employed part-time to work with commuters, hoping to bridge the gaps which exist between commuting students, the University and the fellowship of Christ's church.

Initial funding came from three churches near the University of Maryland, but, if the program is to continue, additional support must be found from other congregations and groups in the suburban area.

Members of Potomac United Presbyterian Church who desire to know more about this ministry or to support it in any way are asked to contact Mr. Blice.

THANK YOU FROM SEVENTENS SERVICE GROUP AND POTOMAC FISH

The Service Group of Seventens wishes to express its appreciation to the congregation for its cooperation and contributions in the recent food drive for Potomac FISH. Some 50 canned meals and meats were received and given by the service group to FISH for distribution to families in the Potomac area in financial emergencies.

LENTEN SERMON SERIES ANNOUNCED BY MR. BLICE

During the 1972 Lenten season Mr. Blice will preach a series of sermons under the title "Lenten Explorations" that will include:

Self: Who Am I? February 27 Others: Who Are You? March 5

The Word: Who Is The Christ? March 12
Worship: Why Am I Here? March 19
The World: What's Happening? March 26

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THE 1972 ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Hope through One Great Hour of Sharing comes with the knowledge that every contribution means that someone is helped toward a better way of life. This special Lenten sacrificial offering, in which local Presbyterian churches across the nation have participated for many years, offers each family an opportunity for extra giving and challenges them to a new commitment to self-understanding which will permit those who are less well off to begin to experience self-determination.

The One Great Hour of Sharing offering will be received at both worship services and in the church school on Palm Sunday, March 26. Coin boxes and interpretative materials were distributed to all students in the church school, and teachers have called attention to this expression of the church's ministry during the Sundays of Lent. Adult members of the congregation have received special offering envelopes.

Monies received are used to aid families and communities around the world who have suffered from natural disasters and war and for self-development projects at home and abroad. World relief funds from One Great Hour of Sharing have been used to aid East Pakistan refugees with milk, clothing, medical supplies, tools and shelter; to assist

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Peruvian citizens recover from the effects of the earthquake and repair irrigation facilities, roads, schools and homes; to provide guidance and counseling and recreational services for American servicemen; to underwrite job training and medical assistance to refugees in Africa, Hong Kong, Vietnam, the Middle East, Europe and the U. S. Self-development projects funded include: a communication center for the Indians in South Dakota; housing, economic development and social service programs for blacks in New Jersey; professional services for the treatment of mental illness among Mexican Americans in Texas; a wood pallet factory owned and operated by a black community in Alabama.

This year's goal for the One Great Hour of Sharing is \$10,000,000 to be divided as follows: \$2,350,000 for world relief and emergency service and \$7,650,000 for self-development of people.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Palm Sunday, March 26, marks the beginning of the 1972 Holy Week season. The regular Sunday morning schedule will be followed. Members of the Seventens worship group will lead the 9 o'clock service. One Great Hour of Sharing offerings will be received in the church school and at both worship services.

Maundy Thursday, March 30, 8 p.m. The Sacrament of The Lord's Supper will be celebrated. It was during the evening of the day before the first Good Friday that Jesus met with his disciples in the upper room in Jerusalem to have this last meal together. Symbolizing His willingness to be at one with us in life and in death, this meal has been of high sacramental significance to all Christians throughout the centuries. Maundy Thursday this year will mark the first time unconfirmed children are invited to participate in the sacrament with their parents.

Good Friday, March 31, 8 p.m. St. Francis Episcopal Church of Potomac will be host this year for the Community Good Friday Service conducted by the Rev. Edward Sims and the Rev. Burdette Stampley of St. Francis assisted by the Rev. DeWitt Dickey of Potomac United Methodist Church and Rev. Blice of Potomac United Presbyterian Church. Theme for the service will be "The Seven Last Words." All Christians of the Potomac community are invited.

Easter Sunday, April 2, 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Two identical worship services will be offered. There will be no church school or lay education group.

PALM SUNDAY FAMILY MEETING

A pleasant event has been planned for church families on Palm Sunday evening. This will be the last in the series of events designed to acquaint parents with the issues involved in deciding the appropriateness of their children's participation in The Lord's Supper. A large number of children are expected for this happy and informative evening.

The proceedings will begin with dessert. There will be some activities that involve everyone and some thoughtful comparisons of this shared celebration with the celebration of The Lord's Supper. Please call the church office or Mrs. William E. Hoge (Marilyn), 762-9102, if you hope to come.

OTHER EASTER OBSERVANCES AND EVENTS

Easter Sunday Sunrise Service, 6 a.m., April 2, Sugar Loaf Mountain. Breakfast will be served at the Dickerson Methodist Church, Route #28, Dickerson, Maryland, following the service. In case of bad weather, services will be held at the church.

Sacred Concert, Palm Sunday, March 26, 4 p.m., Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church, 1 Chevy Chase Circle, Washington, D. C. Program will include Bach's Cantata 159, Telemann's Sonata in C Minor for oboe and harpsichord and Bach's Canta 4, featuring soloists, the chancel choir and orchestra.

"Jesus Christ Superstar," Maundy Thursday, 8 p.m., Tabor Presbyterian Church; tickets at the door - adults, \$2.00; youth, 75 ¢; 150 S Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

"The Crucifixion of Jesus," Good Friday, 8 p.m., a CBS documentary-drama narrated by John Huston. "King of Kings," Good Friday, 11:30 p.m., the epic film presenting Jesus' life in the setting of pagan Rome.
"The Shoes of the Fisherman," Easter Sunday, CBS Movie Special starring Anthony Quinn, Sir Laurence Olivier, David Jannssen and Vittorio de Sica. All on Channel 9.

NEW LAY EDUCATION SERIES

Beginning Sunday, April 9, and for the three following Sundays, the Lay Education Seminar will undertake a dialogue with professional men of our church and community to inquire into the "ethical, moral considerations of the professions and their religious implications." The four Sundays are sheduled as:

- April 9 Business a panel discussion led by Bob Tietjen.
- April 16 Medicine Bob Garcia chairs the discussion with one or more of his colleagues participating.
- April 23 Science Howard Sorrows will present a view of scientists in a group-led presentation.
- April 30 Law Mike Bentzen will counsel and tell about legal principles and practice.

CHURCH SCHOOL FACULTIES TO MEET IN JOINT SESSION

On Tuesday, April 11, Potomac United Presbyterian Church will again be host to six other Presbyterian church school faculties. This meeting will be similar to the one in January at which teachers and leaders of youth shared experiences and problems. This April symposium is designed for teachers of elementary children; all of the participants have been using the same curriculum. They will share information on successful learning activities and solutions to common problems they have met.

COMPTON JONES NAMED SECRETARY OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Compton S. Jones has been selected to serve as Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Potomac United Presbyterian Church. He has served as a Ruling Elder of the church since February, 1971.

CHURCH YOUNG PEOPLE AND PARENTS TO SEE "GODSPELL"

Junior and senior high young people of the church will be attending together a performance of "Godspell" at Ford's Theatre on Thursday, April 20. This is a musical version of the Gospels which has received acclaim on Broadway. It promises to be a lively trip. A large block of tickets has been reserved for us - the price is \$3.00 for all ages.

First option on tickets will be given to young people and accompanying adults, but they must have their money in by Palm Sunday. After that time the ticket sale will be open to all others interested. The sale closes April 3. Call the church office, Mrs. Thomas Mabon (Joan), 424-7495 or Mrs. William Hoge (Marilyn), 762-9102, for reservations.

COVENANT STUDY GROUP MEETING SUNDAY EVENINGS

The Covenant Study Group, meeting every other Sunday evening, has completed an in-depth study of <u>The Cost of Discipleship</u> by Bonhoeffer. The group grew out of the lay education series led by Dr. Durfee and, on April 16, will begin consideration of <u>Moral Man and Immoral Society</u> by Reinhold Niebuhr.

CONFIRMATION STUDY GROUP SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 25, 10:30 a.m. Group will meet at church for transportation to Andrews Air Force Base, tour the base, interview Chaplain Fred Sundloff, Senior Presbyterian Chaplain, observe wedding and meet with Mr. Sundloff for a discussion.

Friday, March 31, Good Friday - No Confirmation Program.

Friday, April 14, 4 p.m. Group will meet at church for transportation to Woodrow Wilson International Center, interview the Rev. Antonio R. Welty, director, and learn of the United Presbyterian ministry to Spanish-speaking people of Washington, followed by dinner.

Friday, April 21, 4 p.m. Meeting at church with Rev. Gordon Ruff, COEMAR representative in India and Nepal.

Friday, April 28, 4 p.m. Group will meet at the church for transportation to the clinic of the National Institutes of Health, to meet with Chaplain Le Roy Kerney, Senior Protestant Chaplain, to learn of work of United Presbyterian Church with those who are sick.

Friday, May 5, 4 p.m. Group discussion at church.

Friday, May 12 - Saturday, May 13 Retreat.

Sunday, May 14, 7:30 p.m. Meeting with Session and parents.

Sunday, May 21. Reception into membership at worship service.

ROBERT MC MAHON III PARTICIPATES IN YOUTH AND GOVERNMENT SEMINAR

Robert McMahon III was one of 40 students selected to participate in the Youth and Government Seminar in Washington, March 7-10, conducted by the Synod of the Chesapeake of the United Presbyterian Church. "Mac" is a student at Wootton High School.

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COUPLES CLUB CRUISE FRIDAY, MAY 5

There is still time to make reservations for the Covered Dish C & O Canal trip, Friday, May 5, at 7 p.m. All members of the congregation are invited on the cruise; passage is \$4.00 per couple. This is an important fellowship activity - an essential part of our covenanted program of reconcilliation in the church. The group will meet in Georgetown at 30th Street, N. W., 1/2 block below M Street, where there is plenty of free parking.

Coffee and ice will be provided by the Club. Members and guests should bring beverages, utensils, paper plates and napkins, a covered dish for 10 to 12 people and guitars or other appropriate musical instruments. Reservations may be made through noon on Friday by calling Mrs. Rudolph Savage (Ginny), 299-6512, or Mrs. Roland J. White (Dot), 424-5542.

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ROBERT CHISM NAMED DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Robert Chism began service this month as Director of Music for Potomac United Presbyterian Church. Before coming to Potomac Bob served as organist and choir master at St. John's Episcopal Church in Beverly Farms, Massachusetts, where he also taught piano and organ. He previously served two years as organist and choir master of Holy Cross Episcopal Monastery in New York.

While studying at the New England Conservatory of Music, Bob toured Spain and Soviet Russia with the Conservatory Choir under the auspices of the U. S. State Department. He also studied piano at Oklahoma City University and was the recipient of the Paderewski Medal for excellance in piano awarded by the National Piano Teachers Association.

At the organizational Choir meeting Henry H. Wakeland was selected liaison between the Choir and congregation, and Mrs. Anthony B. Ferrara (Lucille) as Choir Librarian.

A special invitation is extended to all Church members, ninth grade and older, to join the Choir. Only prerequisite is a willingness to come regularly and on time to rehersals at 8 p.m. on Wednesdays and to worship services.

NEW LAY EDUCATION SERIES FOR MAY

"A New Look at Evangelism" will be taken by the Lay Education Group during its May sessions. Programs planned include:

- May 7 Evangelism: An Overview, led by Mr. Blice. "The Son Worshippers," a film about young people turning on to Christ, will be shown.
- May 14 The Salvation Army's Evangelism. A panel discussion led by three Army officers discussing the different areas of evangelistic activity in which the Salvation Army is engaged.
- May 21 The Presbyterian View of Evangelism Hostility vs. Love, led by Dean Gordon E. Jackson, currently Professor of Pastoral Theology and long-time dean of the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary.
- May 28 Evangelism as Practiced by a Neighboring Presbyterian Church discussed by representatives from the Fourth Presbyterian Church, River Road, Bethesda.

Sincerest thanks and appreciation are extended to Robert R. Fredlund who completed service as chairman of the Lay Education Group on April 30. New chairman, assuming duties on May 7, is Mrs. Thomas N. Chase (Joan). Bob has accepted new responsibilities as chairman of a special committee of Session.

REORGANIZATION OF SESSION COMMITTEES

Serving the Session under reorganization for the coming year will be:

Clerk of Session

Michael P. Bentzen

Church Education Committee

Mrs. Lewis V. Smith (Alice), chairman, William A. Johnston, Mrs. Thomas M. Mabon (Joan), William J. Taylor

Congregational Life Committee Robert Tietjen, chairman, Robert R. Fredlund, Anthony B. Ferrara, Lawrence Killion

Interpretation Committee

Compton S. Jones, chairman, Mrs. Rudolph Savage (Ginny), Michael P. Bentzen

When the Session sits as a Board of Trustees Robert J. McMahon serves as chairman of the Board and Compton S. Jones as secretary.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE COMMITTEE PLANS ACTIVITIES

Activities planned by the Congregational Life Committee for the coming month include:

- 6:30 p.m. Dessert and Coffee preceding the Covenant May 7 Players presentation at the church
- Coffee Hour following the ll o'clock worship service to welcome new members and the Confirmation Class members who will be received into membership May 21
- Family Night Dinner preceding the presentation of "Cap-June 4 tain Noah and His Floating Zoo"

New members of the Congregational Life Committee, in addition to Chairman Tietjen and Elders Ferrara, Fredlund and Killion, are Henry H. Wakeland, Mrs. William J. Taylor (Jane), Mrs. Winthrop D. Follansbee, Jr. (Carolyn), Mrs. William C. Murphy (Sue), Mac McMahon and Mrs. John E. Carroll, Jr. (Mimi), as Church Dinner Chairman. The congregation joins the committee in expressing appreciation to out going dinner chairman Mrs. Roland J. White (Dot).

CAPTAIN NOAH AND HIS FLOATING ZOO

June 4 promises to be a happy celebration - all in honor of Captain Noah. Young people and children have been working a number of weeks with Mrs. Sam R. Willcoxon (Kathy), Mrs. Roger Mellem (Nancy) and Mrs. John A. Hoyt (Trudy) on the musical-dramatic extravaganza to be produced that evening. The Service Group and the Dramatic Group that meet Thursdays are involved in addition to the Seventen Singers and the King David Choir. And the Worship Group is planning some surprises for the Sunday morning service.

CHURCH SCHOOL PLANS

As the school year comes close to the end, Church School teachers are planning for the final studies with their classes. The final Sunday morning sessions will be held June 11. Seventens will conclude with a picnic June 8. Teachers, as do children, look forward to the summer as a chance to change their routines and to renew their enthusiasm for a fresh start next fall.

Plans are being made now for next year's Church School program. New staff members and teachers are being enlisted where they are needed. Some new teachers are participating in a Teachers' Orientation study being held in conjunction with Warner and Wheaton teachers.

CHURCH LIBRARY READY TO OPEN

Beginning Sunday, May 14, you may check books out of the Church Library at any time on a "self-service" basis. Books may be kept for three weeks. Members are invited to visit the special library table in the Narthex and the Library after worship services on May 14 when members of the Library Committee will be on hand to answer questions and help with selections. Preparation of the Church Library has been under the direction of Mrs. Stuart McIntyre (Margaret).

COVENANT PLAYERS TO PERFORM AT PUPC

"A contemporary View of the Confusing World" will be presented at the church on Sunday, May 7, at 7:30 p.m. by the Covenant Players. The national repertory group, organized in Los Angeles in 1963, has performed coast to coast using humor, satire and drama as a means of communication. "Christian Dynamics" is the term used by the players to describe their motivational drama designed to relate Christianity to the modern world.

Members of the church and the community and their guests are invited to attend. There is no admission charge, but a free will offering will be taken. Dessert and coffee will precede the performance at 6:30.

POTOMAC DAY CAMP PROGRAM PLANNED

Our church is planning again this year to offer a day camp program in cooperation with Potomac United Methodist and St. Francis Episcopal churches. It will begin Monday, June 19, and will conclude Thursday, June 29; sessions will be Monday through Thursday for both weeks with Fridays being held as alternate rain days.

The location, Bowie Mill Road Camp, will be the same as last year. The program, too, will be essentially the same - discoveries in the Christian community outdoors. The extension of the program from five to eight days is an innovation.

As you make plans for the summer, consider this possibility for your children. Consider it also as a possibility for you; we will need much volunteer assistance from adults and young people.

THANKS TO SEVENTENS FROM FISH

Potomac Fish has written expressing its appreciation to the Seventens Service Group for its contribution to Fish. The Group's special projects program raised \$115.30 for this community service activity.

PUPC PERSONAL INTEREST CHURCH IN NEED OF LINENS, CLOTHING

The Central United Presbyterian Church of Phoenix, Arizona, our Personal Interest Church, is sponsoring a Head Start school and a day care center. Special needs include: dish towels, cot sheets, crib sheets, bibs, pillowcases, baby blankets, shorts, dresses and sunsuits. Contact Mr. Blice for further information.

PRESBYTERY CAMP AND CONFERENCE OPPORTUNITIES

A full range of camp and conference programs has been planned for the 1972 summer season by the National Capital Union Presbytery for grades four through twelve. Camp sites include Chesapeake Center, Camp Glenkirk, Camp Michaux, Camp Paddy Run and Bethany Beach. Summer activities feature: special short camps for children entering fourth grade; a supplemental confirmation conference for junior highs; canoe camps and overnight trips on the Shenandoah River for junior and mid highs; a music-drama conference for mid and senior highs; a series of canoe camps, Christian commitment conferences, seminars and folk arts festivals for senior highs. Registration forms and brochures describing the programs in greater detail are available in the church office.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SUMMER CAMPS

Additional volunteer counselors and activity leaders are needed for the Presbytery camp and conference programs just described. Qualifications include: at least 19 years old; a love for young people; friendly; good sense of humor; ability to work with other adults; and a working knowledge of the age group represented at the camp. Anyone who can give a period of his time this summer in this endeavor is requested to call the Camping Office at the Synod: 301-823-9370.

STUDY SAFARI TO EAST AFRICA OFFERED BY MISSION DIVISION

The Division of Mission of the Synod of the Chesapeake has endorsed a Study Safari to East Africa, July 3 through 24. The trip will provide opportunities for Presbyterians to see what the church is doing in Ethiopia, Kenya, Tanzania and Egypt and to visit some of the world famous game parks and Safari lodges. It will include visits to some of the more primitive tribal areas where there are Presbyterian mission stations and meetings with Africans in government, education and church work. Cost of the 22-day Safari is \$1550. A brochure describing the trip is available in the church office.

ELEMENTARY CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS MEET

On April 11 some 20 elementary teachers met at the church to exchange information about their work. There were representatives from Boyds, Geneva, Wheaton and Bradley Hills churches as well as most of our own staff. It is always helpful to work through similar problems with others who meet the same situations, and this evening of sharing proved especially helpful.

CONFIRMATION CLASS COMPLETING STUDIES

The Confirmation Class has spent many Friday afternoons seeing firsthand the mission of the church. Members will be received by the Session on May 14, will participate in a Retreat May 19 and 20, and will formally acknowledge their membership and be received by the congregation on May 21.

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PRESBYTERIAN HOME SETS RECORD STRAIGHT

On Friday morning, March 24, without notice or checking with the Home, an article appeared in the <u>Washington Post</u>, citing city nursing homes, including the Presbyterian Home of the District of Columbia. The article quoted Jane A. Rollins, chief of the city nursing home division, stating that "\$300,000.00 in overpayments were made for at least 300 of the city's 609 elderly welfare patients in nursing homes" and that "eight unlicensed nursing homes have been a source of great frustration..." The article's list of eight unlicensed homes included the Presbyterian Home.

K. Warriston McCracken has issued a reply for the Presbyterian Home. He states that the home "has never had a contract with the District of Columbia for welfare funds and has never received any. Therefore that portion of the article referring to misuse of funds is in error in reference to Presbyterian Home."

Mr. McCracken continues: "I am writing to you to set the record straight concerning the article. In September 1971 Presbyterian Home sent to the District of Columbia the license fee of \$93.00. The check was cashed and is of record. November 16, 1971 the Infirmary program was inspected and cited for lack of all employees having chest x-ray on record with annual physical. This was due to the review of medical records by the attending physicians. Both of these discrepancies were handled and the inspecting office notified by telephone. No follow-up inspection was ever made. A later citation was made concerning over-occupancy of the Infirmary, and this was abated January 26, 1972... At that time the Home was informed by telephone that the license was being issued...

"It has been determined by telephone that the reason the license had not been issued was due to Miss Jane Rollins' office not releasing it. Her assistant (the writer has not been able to talk with her) finally stated that the 'environmental health department' had not made a report and for this reason she had not released the license. If this is the case it is not the fault of the Home that the license has been withheld...

"The above is sent to set the record straight and to obtain your aid in combating the bad publicity which is essentially false."

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June 1972

FAMILY DAY AT CAMP FURMAN SUNDAY, JUNE 25, 11:00-3:30

The Potomac United Presbyterian Church Family Day will begin at 11:00 a.m., Sunday, June 25, with an outdoor worship service at the Camp Furman Amphitheater, Oakland Drive, Potomac. For the picnic that will follow the worship service, each family should bring its own complete lunch, including beverage and dessert.

A variety of afternoon recreational activities will be available, including softball and swimming. The church will have the use of the Camp Furman swimming pool, with a lifeguard on duty, and the bathhouse facillities for changing clothes. Special events for children through grade six have been planned under the leadership of the Seventens.

In the event of rain, all picnic activities will be cancelled, and the worship service will be held at the church at 11:00 a.m. This is the only summer worship service scheduled for 11 o'clock; all other services from June 18 through September 3 will be held at 10:00 a.m.

CHURCH MEMBERS TO RECEIVE "THE LAYMAN"

All families of the congregation will soon begin to receive copies of The Layman, a monthly newspaper published by the Presbyterian Lay Committee. This service is available through the auspices of a member of the church and is presented with the knowledge of the Session. There is no charge either individually or to the church for the service.

While <u>The Layman</u> is not an official publication of the General Session but rather is an expression of the concerns of a group of dedicated churchmen, the Lay Committee's actions are under the scrutiny of the General Assembly, and the committee is very clear in its desire to work strictly in accord with the constitution of the United Presbyterian Church. You may be interested in the opinions stated.

The Session is unanimous in agreeing to make this paper available without implying endorsement of the positions represented. If you do

not wish to continue to receive it, we will be responsible for the deletion of your name from the mailing list. Please contact the church office and request withdrawal of your name if you so desire.

Many members have been receiving this newspaper for some time, and the others will now be added to the distribution list.

MRS. MABON TO TEACH AT WILSON SYNOD SCHOOL

Potomac United Presbyterian's advisor in Christian Education, Mrs. Joan Mabon, will be a member of the teaching staff at Wilson Synod School for one week this summer. This school has for many years been a regular part of the Synod's efforts to develop and support competent leadership in church schools. Joan will be working as a member of a team of four conducting workshops in teaching skills. The other members of the team are Rev. Bob Belt, Synod Director of Christian Education, Rev. Bob McLaughlin, Director of the Ecumenical Teacher-Learning Center, and Mrs. June Stansbury, Director of Christian Education at Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church.

CHURCH SCHOOL SCHEDULE TO BE CHANGED IN FALL

The Session has approved a change in Church School scheduling - effective this fall. Beginning September 10, the following will be offered:

9:00 - 9:30 Worship; nursery for pre-kindergarten children
9:40 - 10:40 Church School - nursery through adult
11:00 - 12:00 Worship
Nursery and kindergarten
Enrichment - optional for all children 1-6 grades

It is hoped that the single study hour will strengthen our teaching program even more - an additional group for junior and senior high students is part of the new schedule. Elementary children will attend the early part of the ll:00 worship service and have the option then of dismissing to a supervised, but relatively unstructured, enrichment session.

POTOMAC VACATION CHURCH CAMP CANCELLED

It is with some dismay that the Christian Education Committee announces the cancellation of the Potomac Vacation Church Camp. Although staff was recruited and plans were ready to be put into operation, there was not sufficient registration of campers to warrant continuing. The camp staff is eager to try again next year, however. The response from 1971 was very enthusiastic. The staff would appreciate any suggestions for planning improvement.

WILLIAM SKINNER NAMED STEWARDSHIP CHAIRMAN

William J. Skinner has accepted the Chairmanship of the 1972 Stewardship Commitment Program. This vital post is responsible for organization and direction of the annual stewardship campaign of the church as well as interpretation of its role in the mission of the church throughout the year. Mr. Skinner has directed several stewardship programs in other Presbyterian churches under DISC (Dimensions in Stewardship Commitment) and plans to employ many features of the national year-round program in the 1972 campaign.

MR. BLICE TO DIRECT SYNOD CAMP

Mr. Blice has been asked by the Camp and Conference Committee of the Synod of the Chesapeake to direct a pilot camping program focusing on confirmation the week of July 2 through 8 at Chesapeake Center, Port Deposit, Maryland. The camp is designed for seventh, eighth and ninth grade young people who are just at the threshhold of their confirmation training in the local church. The camping program will supplement the study programs provided in the home churches of the campers. Mrs. Blice will participate in the work of the staff during the week, and their son, Joel, will be one of the campers.

BLICES ON VACATION - JULY 17 THROUGH AUGUST 17

Vacation plans for the Blices call for Mr. Blice to be guest minister at two churches in the Pittsburgh area on July 23 and July 30. On July 23 Mr. Blice will preach in his home church - Central Presbyterian Church, McKeesport, Pennsylvania. On July 30 he has been invited to preach at Third Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh, the church he served prior to beginning his pastorate in Potomac. During these weeks the Blices will visit with family and friends in the Pittsburgh area.

On July 31 the Blices will leave Pittsburgh for a liesurely trip through the New England States, returning to Potomac on August 17.

Ministers scheduled to fill the pulpit at Potomac United Presbyterian Church while the Blices are on vacation are:

- July 23 Keith Custis, retired minister of the Riverdale Presbyterian Church, Hyattsville, Maryland
- July 30 James K. Leitch, founding minister of Potomac Presbyterian Church, now living in State College, Pennsylvania
- August 7 Bill Knight, Potomac Youth Ministry minister

August 14 Phil Newell, Acting Director, D. C. Council of Churches

MARY MABON TO PARTICIPATE IN MISSION TO MEXICO

On July 30 Mary Mabon will be accompanying several other senior highs on the Partnership in Mission-Mexico trip sponsored by the N ational Capital Union Presbytery and the Commission on Ecumenical Mission and Relations (COEMAR) of the United Presbyterian Church. The group will spend two weeks in the Yucatan area with the intention of furthering friendly relations between the United States and Mexico. Before leaving, they will be briefed intensively on the history, the language, the church and the culture of Mexico in order to get more out of their experience. While there, the group will do some touring and sighseeing, besides assisting with, and participating in, the daily lives of the Mexican Indians.

CHURCH MEMBERS ON THE MOVE

The following church member families are known to be moving from Potomac during the summer months:

Lt. Col. and Mrs. Thomas Brain to Fort Campbell, Kentucky

Dr. and Mrs. Pat Patterson to El Paso, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. Jack White to Severna Park, Maryland

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Cone to Cleveland, Ohio

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Richards to Lake Forest, Illinois

To each of these families we express our thanks for their participation within our church fellowship, and we pray God's richest blessings for them in their new homes and communities.

ROB FITZGEARLD EMPLOYED AS CHURCH SEXTON

Rob Fitzgearld, a resident of Potomac and a student at the Universith of Maryland, has recently been employed as the church sexton. Rob lives with his family in the Glen Park area and, as a commuter student, plans to continue his work at the church through his college years. He will be a sophomore at Maryland in September.

WE INC. TO MAINTAIN FLOORS AND WINDOWS

WE, Inc., a maintenance company servicing the Potomac community, has been employed by the Board of Trustees to maintain the floors and windows of the church building on a regular program. The work of this company, along with that of Rob Fitzgearld, has brought a new luster and sparkle to the church building in recent weeks that is most appreciated by all church members.

RANDY WILLCOXON COMPLETES CONSERVATION PROJECT

A drainage problem that has plagued the church for many months has been solved by one of our teen-age members, Randy Willcoxon. As a project for his work as a Boy Scout, Randy designed and installed a drainage system for the terraced section of the lawn at the corner of the Fellowship Room.

SUMMER STEWARDSHIP

Church member families are urged to keep their pledge payments current during the summer months. Our church's pledge to General Mission, plus our regular responsibilities for salaries, the mortgage, and building maintenance program continue through the summer months even though worship attendance slackens. The Session encourages those members who will be absent from the worship services to mail their pledged amounts to the church to the attention of the financial secretary.

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September 14

1972

MEET YOU AT THE FAIR...

...on Saturday, September 30, from 11:00 to 3:00, on the church lawn. Booths, games, drama, pony rides, contests and refreshments promise four hours of festival fun for children, teenagers and adults. Also on the program is a white elephant and flea market sale - so canvass the house this week for those odd items and knick-knacks that may be someone else's collectables.

INTERNATIONAL LUNCHEON TO CELEBRATE WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

The festival weekend will conclude on Sunday, October 1, with an international luncheon, following the 11:00 worship service, in observance of World Communion Sunday. The menu will include anti pasto, sweet and sour Chinese chicken, French green beans, German cake and American cider, served family style. Luncheon is \$1.50 per person - \$1.00 for children under 12. Reservations should be made by sending checks to Mrs. William Hoge (Marilyn), 8801 Cold Spring Road, Potomac 20854, by Monday, September 25.

Members having costumes from other lands are encouraged to wear them to the Fair on Saturday and to church and the international luncheon on Sunday.

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FALL RETREAT FOR SEVENTENS AND SENIOR HIGHS

"Communication" will be the theme of the traditional fall retreat, Friday, September 22, through Sunday, September 24, at the Claggett Center, Buckeystown, Maryland. All Seventens and Senior Highs are invited to participate in the program which will include games, conversation, worship and recreation. The group will leave from the church after school on Friday and return Sunday after lunch.

The cost is \$20.00 for the weekend. Reservations should be made by Monday September 18, by calling the church office or returning the reservation cards that were distributed in the mail. Operated by the Episcopal Church, Claggett Center is located seven miles south of Frederick on Route 85.

BOWLING GROUP TO BEGIN FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

The church bowling program will begin Friday, September 22, at 9:15 p.m. at the River Bowl on River Road. Everyone, 9th grade and up, is invited to participate. Sign-up sheets will be in the narthex on Sunday, September 17, or call Harry Evans, 299-9230. The group will bowl every other Friday evening.

CONTRACT DISCUSSION GROUP TO START SERIES IN OCTOBER

The Contract Discussion Group begins its fall season on Sunday, October 8, at 8:00 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Thomas N. Chase (Joan), 9105 Cherbourg Drive. The discussion, led by Mr. Blice, will be based on the book, Between Man and Man, a series of lectures delivered during his long career by the prominent Jewish philosopher, Martin Buber. Anyone who has the time to do some reading and can attend the meetings regularly (every two weeks) is invited to join this group which grew out of Dr. Durfee's series on Contemporary Christian Theologians. The plan this year is to expand the group's scope to include the works of contemporary thinkers in all areas of religious philosophy.

LAY EDUCATION PROGRAM

The Lay Education Sessions began on Sunday, September 10. The Rev. Dr. Harold Durfee, who conducted the sucessful series on Contemporary Theologians last winter, is the discussion leader for a sixweek series on Existentialism. Dr. Durfee is chairman of the Department of Philosophy of Religion at American University. The group meets every Sunday at 9:40 a.m. in the Fellowship Room. The series includes:

September 17 - Decisions and the Teacher - Soren Kirkegaard

September 24 - Ciphers, Shipwreck and Transcendence - Karl Jaspers

October 1 - Being, Dasein and Care - Heidegger

October 8 - The Freedom of an Atheist - Jean-Paul Sartre
October 15 - The Rebel and Noble Humanism - Albert Camus

CHURCH DINNER COMMITTEE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Additional helpers are needed by the Church Dinner Committee. Responsibilities include setting up tables, serving and cleanup, and occasionally furnishing dessert, for church dinners four times a year. The first dinner will be October 22. Volunteers should call Mrs. John E. Carroll, Jr. (Mimi), 424-2233.

WORLD COMMUNION WILL BE CELEBRATED AT THE POTOMAC PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

9:00 and 11:00 A. M.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1972

POTOMAC YOUTH MINISTRY

The "Living Room" opened this summer in the ground floor of the Methodist Parish House on Falls Road at South Glen, providing a place for the youth of Potomac to gather, relax, watch TV, sing, rap and watch old movies and live entertainment. The fall program is being planned now under the supervision of Bill Knight, Director of Potomac Youth Ministry, and more details, as well as regular hours of operation, will be published next month. PYM is looking for a pool table and several folding ping pong tables for the "Living Room." If you have one or know of one available, call Mr. Blice.

SOFTBALL TEAM HAS GOOD SEASON.

This was a good year for softball at the Potomac United Presbyterian Church. In the first year of competition in a league composed of five other church teams from the upper Montgomery County area, PUC finished tied for second with a record of six wins and four losses. It was an interesting season, as the team lost its first game to the eventual league champions from Mill Creek Parish Church by a score of 13-3. Our offense was poor, but we showed a fine outfield defense led by centerfield Albie Thompson. The following week we got in the winning column with a 17-8 victory over the team from Good Shepard Lutheran This was the best offensive showing of the season and featured the fine pitching of Nathan Blice and the big bat of "Mel" Cole. following week was another big win as the team beat Gaithersburg Presbyterian 16-13 in a game PUC played with only six players against their ten. An outstanding outfielding job by Albie Thompson and Dave Tietjen turned many hard-hit balls into long fly outs, and timely hitting by Ted Moock and Bob Tietjen, and clutch pitching by Pete Tietjen snatched victory from the jaws of defeat. We weren't so lucky the next time out and lost 9-6 to the team from Grace Methodist. Newcomers to the team included Nick Smith, an outfielder from Cornell U., and his brother-in-law, Paul Dawson. It also marked the debut of Cliff Kendall at third base, replacing Moock, and Pete Tietjen at shortstop. The following week a close game against Boyd's Church resulted in a 6-3 win that was marked by many missed offensive opportunities by PUC batsmen. The week after we ran our record to 4-2, with an 8-6 win against Good Shepard again. The next week we ran into our nemisis from Mill Creek Parish who defeated a new Clark Kendall. Then the next week we pounded Boyds again, led by fine hitting and fielding by the entire team. team split the remaining two games, beating Grace Methodist with Craig Kendall on the mound and then loosing to Gaithersburg Presbyterian again with Craig Kendall pitching. Thus the season ended with a record of six wins and four loses and much talk of "wait 'til next year."

The team: Peter Tietjen, coach, ss; Dave Tietjen, Nick Smith, Alan Smith, Albie Thompson, Mel Cole, Paul Dawson and Craig Kendal, of; Bob Tietjen, Win Follansbee, lb; Bob McMahon, Pete Harrison, 2b; Ted Moock, Cliff Kendall, 3b; Dick Blice, Dave Edwards, c; and Nathan Blice, Craig and Clark Kendall, p.

THE PROTESTANT HOUR ON WMOD FM

The Protestant Hour, a year-round series of half-hour religious radio programs prepared by the Protestant Radio and Television Center, will be heard in this area at 8:00 a.m. on Sundays on Station WMOD fm. A 14-week series on "Hard Headed Hope" will begin Sunday, September 24, featuring Dr. James A. Wharton of Austin Presbyterian Seminary, Austin, Texas, and the choir of Austin College, Sherman, Texas. Over 595 stations in the United States carry The Protestant Hour, and it is one of the few religious programs aired regularly on the worldwide U.S. Armed Forces Radio Network.

CALENDAR ROUNDUP

Sundays - Coffee is served in the Fellowship Room following the 11:00 worship service

Sundays - Lay Education Series, 9:40 a.m., Fellowship Room

Sundays - 8:00 a.m., WMOD FM, The Protestant Hour

Sunday, Oct. 8, and every other Sunday, Contract Discussion Group 8:00 p.m.

Thursdays - Seventens, Church, Dinner fee \$15.00 (through January) 4:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Thursdays - King David Choir, 3:45 p.m. (Call Mrs. Roger Mellem [Nancy], 762-1038, for more information.)

Thursdays - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, 8:00 p.m., Church

Friday, Sept. 22, and every other Friday, Bowling, River Bowl, 9:15 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 17 - Senior Highs, Manse, 6:30 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 18 - Parents of seventh and eighth graders, review of plans and course of study for confirmation and pre-confirmation classes, church, 8:00 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 22 - Fall Retreat, Seventens and Senior Highs

Saturday, Sept. 30 - Church Fair, 11:00 - 3:00, church lawn

Sunday, Oct. 1 - World Communion Service, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. services

International Luncheon, 12:30 p.m., Fellowship Room

New Member Seminar, church, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 6 - Annual Ecumenical Assembly, Church Women United in Greater Washington, Zion Baptist Church, 4850 Blagdon Avenue, N. W., 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. (See announcement on church bulletin board.)

CHURCH EDUCATION

The Sunday morning Church School has a new look - all of the study groups are meeting at the same hour - 9:40. An enthusiastic group of teachers have made a good beginning and are looking forward to a good year. Some new faces in the Lay Education class make for a large and interested group.

There are two new additions to the program:

Young people, 7th grade through high school, are encouraged to gather in the choir room for informal sessions at 9:40. Mrs. Marilyn Hoge has begun meeting with them; other adults will continue.

Elementary children may be dismissed from the 11:00 Worship Service at the second hymn. They are offered a varied program under the present leadership of Mrs. Marti Bentzen and Mrs. Shirley Coll.

Senior High students began their fall meetings with a picnic at the Howe's. An enthusiastic team of leaders have been working with them over the summer and have planned a full calendar for this year. All 10-12 graders are invited to participate.

Seventens got off to a rousing beginning this week. Bob Chism will be leading the singing for the first hour at 4:30; supper follows. Study groups meet from 6:15 - 7:30. We're pleased to see many new faces; a number of 8th and 9th graders as well as the new 7th, and hope to have more.

Both groups are looking forward to the joint retreat the 22nd.

Our teachers participated in a Planning Workshop last Wednesday, September 6, at Wheaton Church with teachers from four other churches. Over fifty teachers played a situation planning game and shared specific plans for the first few Sundays with their age group. Nearly all of the Potomac teaching staff were on hand.

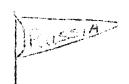
Youth leaders and teachers will have their chance at a workshop planned for them on October 7.

NATIONAL CAPITAL UNION PRESBYTERY

The Potomac United Presbyterian Church was guest exhibitor for the Board of Christian Education of the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. at a mission fair sponsored by the presbytery at the Westminster Presbyterian Church, Alexandria, Va., on Saturday, September 16. Mr. Blice and Mrs. Mabon were on hand at the Christian Education booth to explain and interpret the whole spectrum of educational resources published by the Board of Christian Education and the Westminster Press.

The Mission Fair featured many exhibits, entertainment, and several food booths and was held to demonstrate the tremendous variety of mission activities of the National Capital Union Presbytery.

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CHURCH FAIR FOR ALL AGES

WITH AN INTERNATIONAL FLAVOR

When:

Saturday, September 30, 1972

Where:

Potomac United Presbyterian Church

Time:

10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

EVENTS

Games, contests, refreshments, cake walk, flea market, pageant, etc.

Pageant Information:

age categories: 10 - below

11 - 15

In the 11-15 category, participants must explain use or purpose of their costume. A committee of eight judges will pick a lst, 2nd and 3rd place winner in each category - plus prizes for originality, color. etc. Any questions, contact Jeanne Follansbee, 424-6982.

HELP!!

Your help is needed to make the flea market a success. Your TRASH may be someone else's TREASURE! Please donate books, art objects, clothes, toys, jewelry, vases, furniture, etc., etc. ANYTHING AND EVERYTHING -BUT NOT BROKEN! Please call Virginia Fredlund, 762-8686 or Camille Kendall, 424-7539. Articles will be picked up - if you can't bring them to us.

Also needed:

Electric skillets

Camping stoves

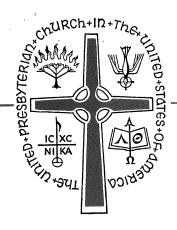
Trash cans or large metal barrels or tubs.

Please call Lisa Marble, 299-7160, if you can lend any of the above items.

Persons wishing to donate cakes and bakery goods for the cake walk are asked to call Patty Dunnavant, 299-6734.

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POTOMAC UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

10301 RIVER ROAD • POTOMAC, MARYLAND 20854 • PHONE 299-6007 RICHARD W. BLICE, JR., Minister

September 13, 1972

Dear Friends:

Welcome back from what I hope has been a joyous and exciting summer vacation. Those of us who were in church during the summer missed seeing most of you and look forward to your return.

Naturally this letter is concerning choir and the music program for the coming year. The importance of good music in church is, I presume, already a known reality with all of you, so I make an appeal for all of the members of the Potomac United Presbyterian Church to consider participating in the choir this year. I realize that there are many activities which compete for your time - but I also know that the choir will be an excellent means of participating and truly contributing towards the life of the church. The music will be stimulating and we plan some exciting events if we have sufficient members to work with. Arrangements can easily be made for those people who will have to be absent for business and personal reasons, so please do not let this deter your consideration of joining us.

Thank you and I look forward to being with you on Thursdays at 8:00 p.m. for rehearsals and Sundays at 10:30 a.m. for Divine Service.

Faithfully in Christ,

Robert Chism Director of Music

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DESSERT AND DISCORAMA PROGRAM

Plans for the DISCorama Dinner have been changed to Dessert and Coffee at 8 p.m., Sunday, October 22, in the Fellowship Room. All members and friends of the church are invited to the program that will include a special viewing of the film, "Trap of Solid Gold," which was exceptionally well received when it was shown earlier this year on ABC Television. VISITATION SUNDAY is scheduled for October 29, and members are requested to plan to be at home from 2 until 6 p.m., or until a Stewardship team calls.

COUPLES CLUB PLANS OLD-FASHIONED HALLOWEEN PARTY

The Couples Club will hold an old-fashioned Halloween Party on Friday, October 27 (see enclosed flier for details). All couples of the church are invited for an evening of fun and fellowship. New members are especially encouraged to join with the group for this special party and get acquainted.

INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL WEEKEND A SUCCESS

It was not supposed to rain for the Fair - but it did, cancelling the pony rides and the nine-hole golf course, but it didn't dampen the enthusiasm of the Fair organizers, adults and kids alike. Everything was moved inside. The food booth was superb (thanks to our expert chefs, the teenagers); the tacos were delicious, the borscht out of

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this world, the Bulgarian meatballs quite tasty, and the Russian cookies melted in the mouth - it was the best lunch in town.

The "flea market" had all kinds of interesting books, huge bottles, jewelry, pottery, plants and other white elephant items. The shooting gallery was at the end of the hall, the fishing booth in the library, the cake walk took the whole narthex, and the music of the merry-goround was irresistable. Many people tried to win a cake. There were candied apples, a clown face for bean-bag throwing, clowns wandering everywhere, a French artist with modern paintings, and, to compete with the wet weather outside, there were water pistols for blowing out candles and a sponge throw. Balloons were for sale with postcards attached for sending off with the winds - postcards have come back from as far as Canada!

Every hour on the hour there was live entertainment upstairs, a real eager-to-perform Boy Scout rock 'n roll band, a reading by one of our great PUPC actors, a contest with lovely participants wearing costumes from different countries and very serious judges.

The International Luncheon on Sunday was a great success. The food was excellent as was the accordian music played throughout the meal. The children made paper lanterns to decorate the room, and the red, white and blue, star-spangled napkin rings added the American touch to the flags and dolls from different countries. Seventen hostesses with lace coiffes, French singing and a Mexican piniata rounded out the program. The finale - more than 100 balloons taking off with messages from Potomac - made this World Communion Weekend a very special one. Many, many thanks to all of those who worked so hard so that others could have such a good time.

APPEAL FROM PROJECT FIND

Nutritional problems of the elderly, particularly those living on limited incomes, were cited by the White House Conference on Aging. In response, the President announced the establishment of Project Find - an effort to locate and enroll eligible older Americans in federal food assistance programs supplying food stamps and commodities. If you know of someone who may be eligible, contact the local welfare office by calling 881-1958. Volunteers are also needed to staff the Project Find activities. If you have some time to give, call the Red Cross office, 588-9396.

TOBEYTOWN RESIDENTS IN NEED OF FURNITURE

New homes for the people of Tobeytown will be ready in early November, and Potomac Fish has issued an appeal for beds, couches, tables, chairs, chests and linens. The residents will pick up contributions, conduct a sale among themselves and use the proceeds for community projects. Call Fish, 656-3424; after November 1, call Charlotte Lamiman, 299-6876.

After six years of service in the Potomac community, Potomac Fish has announced it will disband November 1. Requests for help have dropped to about ten each month during 1972, while fixed expenses for the telephone answering service have risen. New programs for volunteer help on a one-to-one basis will be developed over the winter.

ANTIQUE SALE AT BRADLEY HILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Demonstrations of techniques in preparing and arranging pressed flowers will be featured at the Antique Show and Sale by The Chestnut Tree at Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church, November 7-9. Demonstration lectures will be given by Sunny O'Neil on Tuesday, November 7, and Wednesday, November 8, at 2:30 p.m. In addition 25 dealers from four states will show fine china, glass, primitives, furniture, jewelry, books and antique clothing, and there will be a special collection of political memorobilia on exhibit on election day. Admission is \$1.50; Lecture \$1.00; Luncheon \$1.75.

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS SEMINAR FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Registrations are now being accepted for the International Affairs Seminar at the United Nations in New York, November 14-18, sponsored by the Christian Education Committee of Presbytery. The group will be headquartered at the Hotel Tudor and will work daily at the U.N. headquarters. Daily briefings and interviews will focus on the crisis in the Middle East with a focus on the concern of the Church for world peace. Schools have been cooperative in the past in excusing participating students. Interested Senior Highs may obtain registration applications from Mr. Blice. Total cost is \$60.00.

SHEPHERD'S SHOP TO FEATURE CHURCH WORLD SERVICE HANDICRAFTS

A new shop specializing in the sale of Church World Service self-help handicrafts from 25 countries has opened in the Good Shepherd Church, Spruell and Ingersol Drives, Silver Spring. The Shepherd Shop is a service project with the income going back to the self-help programs in the source countries. Books and cards will also be sold - the profit from these items going to overhead. "SERRV," the catalogue from the Shepherd Shop, is posted on the church bulletin board, full of many Christmas gift suggestions.

RELIGIOUS ART COLLECTION ON SPECIAL EXHIBIT

"The Hand and the Spirit: The Religious Impulse in American Art, 1700-1900," showing at the Smithsonian's National Collection of Fine Arts through November 5, is the first major exhibition to document the religious theme in American art. The National Collection of Fine Arts is on 9th Street, N. W., between F and G Streets. Admission to the museum is free. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily, including Sunday.

RESPONSE TO NEW CHURCH SCHOOL SCHEDULE

The Church School teachers are very enthusiastic about the new class schedule this year. They find operating as a teaching team a very productive way of working for them and for their students. Their classes are enjoying the results of this combined effort. The Lay Education class has also had a very fine response from adults and older young people and has proved a real enhancement to the Church School hour. Junior High children meet informally on Sunday with emphasis for their study directed to the Thursday program. An enrichment program of varied activities is offered for children, preschool-elementary, during 11:00 Worship Service. But we encourage everyone's participation in the single Church School study hour at 9:40.

COVENANT DISCUSSION GROUP TO MEET OCTOBER 29

The Covenant Discussion begins its season with a consideration of Guilt, Anger and God, written in 1971 by C. Fitzsimons Allison, Professor of Church History at Virginia Seminary in Alexandria. Dr. Allison in his introduction says, "My hope in writing this book has been to make it one which an intelligent skeptic will read thoughtfully ...[It] attempts to take responsible account of what perceptive non-Christians have said about the modern human condition and what they have offered by way of analysis and solution. And only after that has been done, do I discuss the Gospel and its message to our discontents."

The group has also suggested a discussion of Sontag's Why Did You Do That, God? and Bultmann's Jesus Christ and Mythology for later in the year. If you would like to join the group in its Sunday evening semi-monthly discussion, why not call Nancy Monroe, 299-3431, and come to the first one at her home, 10509 Gainsborough Road, at 8:00 p.m. on the 29th of October? Guilt, Anger and God may be purchased from Mr. Blice.

"FIRST WEDNESDAY" - 7:30 p.m., NOVEMBER 1

November 1 marks the beginning of a new Lay Education event in our church. On that evening, the "First Wednesday" series will start with a panel discussion entitled, "A Christian Looks at Death and Dying." The selection of the topic grew out of an extremely interesting psychiatric study conducted by Dr. Elizabeth Kubler-Ross at the University of Chicago Billings Hospital. Assisted by the Chicago Theological Seminary staff, she interviewed dying patients and their families over a period of three years. Her findings have much to say to us about how a human being reacts to death, of his fear, his feelings of isolation and anger and of the many stages through which he passes before final acceptance. Her book also teaches us something of the support and love which a dying person needs but which is often difficult for the healthy to give because of their own feelings of guilt or fear.

To discuss this important topic on the evening of November 1, a panel of speakers who are eminently qualified in their respective fields has been invited:

- Rev. Robert Olson, Director of the Program in Pastoral Psychotherapy at Catholic University, will present the psychologist's point of view
- Rev. Herbert Meza, Pastor of the Church of the Pilgrims, Washington, D. C., will discuss the pastor's point of view
- Robert Garcia, M.D., of our own congregation will present the psysician's point of view.
- Rev. Richard W. Blice, Jr., will moderate

Dr. Kubler-Ross' book is presently available at the church for all those who are interested in reading it before the discussion. Copies may also be purchased on that evening. All are invited to join the group for dessert and coffee at 7:30 on November 1 and to benefit from a helpful and informative meeting.

COUPLES CLUB FALLO TEN PARTY

Friday, October 27, 8:30 P.H.

At the home of: John and Lois Armstrong
11401 Falls Road
(Next to Lake Normandy School)

Please park at Lake Normandy School and you'll be "escorted" to the party. Tryto arrive promptly at 8:30.

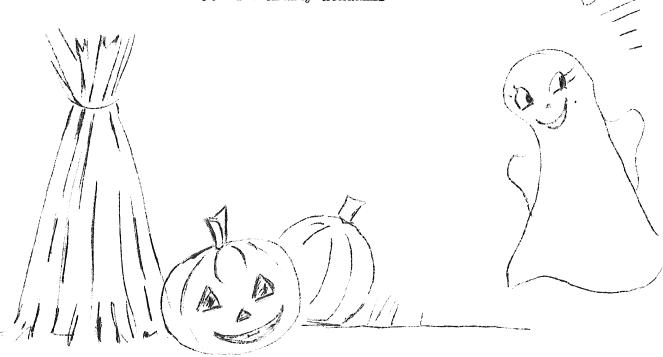
R.S.V.P. by Wednesday, October 25, to Lois Armstrong, 299-4467 2.00 per couple -- please pay the "ghost" at the door.

Come in costume! -- Originality encouraged! -- But don't stay home, you can always come as a bum or hippie!

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Those responsible for this spooky affair are:

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- 2. The Fearless Frelunds
- 3. The Krafty Kendalls



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POTOMAC UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, POTOMAC, MARYLAND

- 1. The Potomac United Presbyterian Church of Potomac, Maryland, being a particular congregation of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, recognizes that the Constitution of said Church is, in all its provisions, obligatory upon it and its members.
- 2. There shall be an annual meeting of the congregation in the church edifice on the second Monday of every January for the transaction of any business properly coming before such meeting.
- 3. Special meetings may be called by the Session or the Presbytery. Such calls shall state clearly the purpose of such special meeting and no other matter save that specified in the call may be considered.
- 4. Public notice of the time, place, and purpose of all meetings of the congregation shall be publicly announced from the pulpit on at least two Sundays next preceding the day of the meeting.
- 5. The pastor shall preside. If this church is vacant or if the pastor and the elders agree that the subjects to be discussed require it, or if the pastor is ill or is otherwise unable to be present, a minister of Washington City Presbytery shall be invited by the Session to preside. This invitation shall be cleared through the Ministerial Relations Committee of Washington City Presbytery.
- 6. The Clerk of the Session shall be Secretary of the meetings of the congregation. In his inability to attend, the Session shall designate a secretary in his stead.
- 7. All communicant members of whatever age in good standing and all regular contributors of full age, according to a list prepared by the Session, shall be eligible to vote at congregational meetings, except that in the election of a pastor, of an associate pastor, of elders and of deacons, only communicant members in good standing, of whatever age, and no others are eligible to vote.
- 8. Voting by proxy is not allowed.
- 9. Meetings shall be conducted in accordance with the Rules for Judicatories a adopted by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, so far as they apply, and when they do not apply, according to usual legislative rules of order.
- 10. All meetings shall be opened and closed with prayer.
- 11. A quorum shall consist of the Moderator, Secretary, and twenty eligible voters.
- 12. There shall be no less than three elders, the actual number to be reviewed each year by the Session, and if an increase is thought wise, they will recommend a change to be voted on by the congregation at its annual meeting, and, beginning with the January 1965 annual meeting of the congregation, elders shall be divided into three equal classes, one class of whom shall be elected each year at the annual meeting for a three-year term. No elder shall serve on the Session for consecutive terms, either full or partial, aggregating more than six years; but shall be ineligible to be elected to a new term until one year shall have elapsed.

- 13. The Board of Deacons, when established, shall be not less than three in number, the actual number to be determined each year by the congregation at its annual meeting, and the deacons shall be divided into three classes, one class of whon shall be elected each year at the annual meeting for a three-year term. No deacon shall serve on the Board of Deacons for consecutive terms, either full or partial, aggregating more than six years; but shall be ineligible to be elected to a new term until one year shall have elapsed.
- 14. Elders and deacons shall serve until the expiration of their terms or until their successors have been elected and qualified. Vacancies on the Session or Board of Deacons may be filled at a special meeting of the congregation or at the annual meeting, as the Session may determine.
- 15. The trustees shall be all of the elders but the Session may determine that a lesser number should serve as trustees in which case the Session shall designate certain of the elders as trustees, and they shall serve until their successors have been similarly designated and qualified.
- 16. There shall be a representative Nominating Committee chosen in accordance with the Form of Government. This committee shall bring to the annual meeting nominations of one eligible person only for each office to be filled. Additional nominations of qualified persons may be made from the floor by any eligible voter.
- 17. The above rules are based on the Constitution, and may be amended only as follows: Rule 2 is subject to amendment with respect to date, hour and place of meeting only. Rule 16 is subject to amendment only as to the number of nominations which shall be presented for each office. Rules 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 14 are not subject to amendment.
- 18. Gifts of stock, securities and other property, real or personal, shall be accepted, held and disposed of by action of the Session, and any documents necessary and incidental thereto shall be executed by the Clerk of the Session and by the Treasurer.

AMENDMENTS

When the congregation meets to elect members to serve on the representative Nominating Committee, it shall elect three, and only three, such members.

The congregation shall elect two auditors and the Church Treasurer; the terms of office to be one year. Persons elected to these offices shall be eligible for re-election at succeeding annual meetings if so nominated and having indicated their willingness to serve if elected. (Jan. '71)

A special congregational meeting will be held in October, no later than the third Monday of the month, for the purpose of electing the required number of ruling elders to be ordained and/or installed on the first Sunday of the succeeding January. At this October meeting the Interpretation and Stewardship Committee of Session will be required to make a preliminary report to the congregation of the Stewardship Commitment Program and budget goals for the next calendar year.

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CHRISTMAS CONCERT ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

A special service of lessons, carols and anthems will be presented at the church at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, December 10, featuring the Adult and Seventen Choirs and soloists and instrumentalists from the Marine Band and the Washington Cathedral Choir. The program will include an organ recital by Robert A. Chism, The Nativity According to Saint Luke by the Seventen Choir with organ, orchestra, harpsichord and soprano soloists, and Missa Brevis of Saint John of God by J. Hayden with soprano soloist, orchestra and harpsichord. Mrs. Sylvia Sturdivant, Director of Music, Trinity Presbyterian Church, will be the special guest organist. Soloists will include Mr. John Uhrig, counter-tenor, Tommy Meakem, soprano, and Jeanne Follansbee, soprano. The harpsichord has been made available through the generosity of Mr. Theodore Wolfe of Reston, Virginia.

All families of the church are urged to set aside the evening of December 10 and to plan to attend this special musical event with friends and guests. A substantial commitment has been made in preparation for a program of outstanding quality in anticipation of full participation. IT will be a most significant and enjoyable way to begin the celebration and observance of the Christmas advent.

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NEW LAY EDUCATION SERIES ON PROPHECY

The Lay Education Group's Advent Bible Study in December will be led by Dr. Bruce Birch, professor of Old Testament Studies and Hebrew at Wesley Seminary, who will discuss four prophets as models for prophetic ministry. Dr. Birch is especially concerned for the reorganization of the prophetic ministry of the church for more than just social action. He sees prophecy as not just denouncement but as the calling back to God's purpose in the profoundly conservative sense. He will treat Amos, Jeremiah, Jonah and the second part of Isaiah as elements in the prophetic message upon which the New Testament picture of the Messiah is modeled. Participants are encouraged to read the books of Amos, Jonah, Isaiah, Chapters 40-55, and selections from Jeremiah. Junior and Senior Highs are especially invited to join with the group that meets each Sunday at 9:40 a.m. in the Fellowship Room.

NATIONAL SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA TO PRESENT MESSIAH

Paul Callaway will guest conduct the National Symphony Orchestra's annual performance of Handel's Messiah on Saturday, December 2, at 8:30 p.m., and Sunday, December 3, at 3:00 and 8:30 p.m. in the Kennedy Center Concert Hall. Soloists for the presentations will be Susan Belling, soprano, Elaine Bonazzi, mezzo-soprano, Dan Marek, tenor, and Donald Bell, bass. The performances will also feature the Cathedral Choral Society. These concerts will mark Dr. Callaway's 13th appearance as guest conductor with the National Symphony, and his fourth presentation of Messiah.

Tickets for the performances are on sale at the Kennedy Center Concert Hall Box Office and Ticketron outlets and are priced at \$1.25, \$3.50, \$4.50, \$5.50 and \$6.50.

SHARE CHRISTMAS WITH SAINT ELIZABETHS PATIENTS

Members of the greater Metropolitan area are invited to share their Christmas blessings with the 3100 patients at Saint Elizabeths Hospital. Special needs include: tree and ward decorations, contributions for the purchase of trees, entertainment (musical groups or talent shows) and gifts (wrapped and labeled as to contents and appropriate sex of recipient). Among the gift suggestions are books, candy, fruit, cards, stationery, games and toilet articles. For further information, see the flier on the church bulletin board or call 574-7446.

FAMILY STUDY OF CHRISTMAS MESSAGE PLANNED FOR DECEMBER

The last two Sundays in December will offer a special opportunity for church members of all ages to learn together of the Christmas message. On both of these mornings all church school participants, old and young, in addition to other parents, friends, visiting grandparents and cousins, are invited to participate together in unique study learnings. Two special Sundays - working and learning as a total church family - for some special fun. More details in the December Steeple To People.

PARENTS OF SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADERS, DECEMBER 14

Parents of seventh and eighth graders are invited to attend the Seventens program for dinner at 5:45 p.m. on Thursday, December 14. Following dinner the seventh and eighth graders will present a program on the Prophet Isaiah, a prophet on whom they have been doing some indepth research during the past several weeks.

Isaiah is one of the key prophets of the Old Testament, and the Old Testament book by his name has been of central importance to the Christian faith. The seventh and eighth graders have researched the times in which the prophet lived, the audiences to which he spoke, and they are prepared to debate the question as to whether there is one or two - or even three - Isaiahs in the one book.

This study has been fascinating, and the young people are anxious to share their learnings with their parents. The date is December 14 for dinner at 5:45 p.m.

SESSION CONFERENCE, DECEMBER 2

Members of the Session, the Ad Hoc Committee on Reconcilliation and the Ruling Elders-Elect will meet for an all-day conference in the Fireside Room of the Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church on Saturday, December 2, beginning at 8:30 a.m. Morning hours will be given to a discussion of the final report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Reconcilliation; the remaining hours of the conference will be devoted to the establishing of short- and long-range goals for the life and mission of the Potomac United Presbyterian Church.

The Reverend Edward White, Associate in Metropolitan Mission for the National Capital Union Presbytery, will be present to guide and assist in the planning process.

SEVENTENERS TO VISIT PRESBYTERIAN HOME ON DECEMBER 21

The Seventen Singers will travel to the Presbyterian Home on Military Road on December 21 to present a program of Christmas music to the residents there. This has become a traditional event in the Seventen program - one to which the residents of the home look forward as much as the Seventens. They will sing under the direction of Mr. Robert A. Chism.

Transportation will be needed. If you can drive, please call the church office. The Seventeners will leave the church following dinner at 6:30 p.m. and return to Potomac at approximately 8:30 p.m.

CONFIRMATION GROUP TO MEET WITH ED WHITE DECEMBER 1

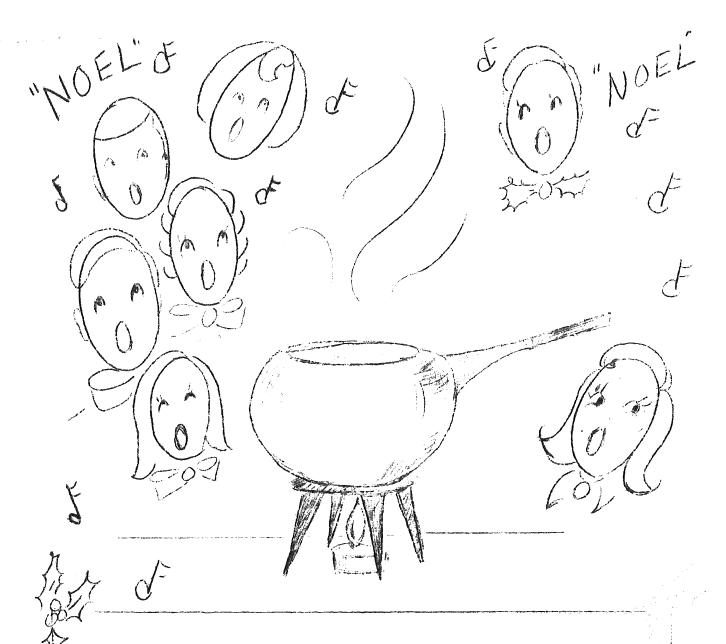
In their effort to learn as much as possible about the mission of the church in the D. C. area, the confirmation group of eighth graders will consult with the Rev. Ed White of the Presbytery Staff at their regular monthly meeting on Friday, December 2. Mr. White will present an overview of the major missionary projects developed and sponsored by the Presbytery in both the suburban and intercity communities of Metropolitan Washington. All members of the group are urged to be present for the discussion at 4:30 p.m. in the Church Library on December 1.

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Home of: Lew and Alice Smith 8408 Fenway Road Bethesda, Maryland 20034

(Get directions from Alice)

Please R.S.V.P. to Alice Smith, 469-8379, by Wednesday, December 13: