

Steeple to People

Potomac Presbyterian Church

January 1987

**The National
Presbyterian Church and Center**
4101 Nebraska Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C.


Sunday
January 11, 1987
7:30 pm

*The Annual Service of
Intercession and Holy Communion
on the Convening of Congress*

**The Reverend
Benjamin M. Weir**
Moderator of the General Assembly

Meditation:
"When The Spirit Surprises"

Under the auspices of the
General Assembly of The Presbyterian
Church (USA).
in association with the
National Capital Presbytery
*All who desire to pray for the Nation
and World Peace are invited*



SERVICE OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

11:00 A.M.

Sunday, January 18

Our new officers begin their ministry with this special service of worship. All ordained Elders are invited to participate in the laying on of hands.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

Sunday, January 25

Following Worship

A special part of this meeting will be a slide presentation entitled "The Year In Review". The annual report will be presented, and changes in terms of call for the Pastors will be recommended for action.

JOY GIFT/CHRISTMAS OFFERING

\$1,600

Many thanks!

RETREAT

On Wednesday, January 21, all women of the church and friends are invited to escape the "January Blues". Come for a day of relaxation, fellowship and renewal at our Third Annual Retreat, which will be held at the Villa Cortona, 7007 Bradley Boulevard, from 10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M. Christa Burns and Diane Kramer will lead us in an "Adventure In Prayer". Please see or call Pat King (340-0456) to make your reservation by Sunday, January 18. The cost this year is \$13.00 per person, which includes coffee-time and lunch.

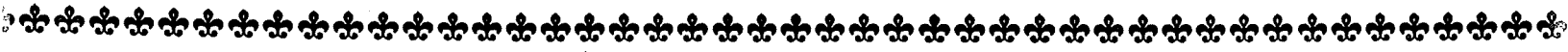


Looking ahead to February—please make a note to save Wednesday, February 18 for Coffee with the WOC. Please watch the Sunday bulletin for further details . . .

Members of the staff and congregation of Potomac Presbyterian Church are much in evidence on several committees of National Capital Presbytery. Committee members are either named by the Moderator of the Presbytery or nominated for election by the Nominations Committee. Presently serving are:

- Kerry L. Stoltzfus - Parish Leadership Development Committee
- Diane P. Kramer - Communications Committee, Chair
- James J. Cook - Singles Committee
- Jonathan P. Hawley - Ministerial and Parish Relations Committee
- Ann M. Hazard - Communications Committee
- Walter P. Maxwell - Planning and Evaluation Committee

Most individuals serve a three-year term and may be renominated for only one successive term of three years. There are 39 Presbytery committees at present. Each operates as a separate entity, with varying dates, times and frequency of meetings. If any member of the congregation has an interest in serving on a committee or learning more about the opportunities for such involvement, please contact Kerry, Diane or Joyce Jenkins, our Clerk of Session.



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CONGREGATIONAL PHOTOGRAPH AVAILABLE

Copies of the photograph recently taken of our congregation to send to our partner church in Girvan, Scotland are available in a choice of sizes. Please call Dorre Lytle: 983-0740 (H) or 986-4777 (W).

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POTOMAC TO PARSONS UP-DATE

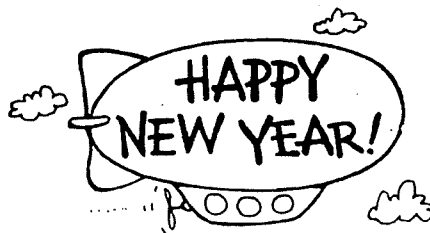
We recently received a letter from the Reverend William Smythe, Pastor of Parsons Presbyterian Church, telling us of the recent rededication of that church one year after it was almost completely destroyed by the floods which ravaged West Virginia. Our congregation was involved in a project which sent furniture to Parsons, and we have stayed in touch through the year. Bill writes: "We shall be ready to welcome any from your Church any time they are able to come to see us. If you let us know a bit ahead of time, we can have the 'cake' baked!" Of Parsons he writes: "While there is a great deal to be done, and while many of our people are now shouldering massive debt, yet we must say that our recovery has been more than we could have imagined on November 4, 1985."

NEW ADULT CLASS: LEARN ABOUT PEACE

"What do we mean when we say 'peace'?" beginning on January 14 at 7:45 P.M., an adult class will begin to explore "SHALOM: A Study of the Biblical Concept of Peace." The class will be led by Associate Pastor Diane Kramer and members of the recently completed Kerygma Bible Study course. Pre-registration is necessary in order to order materials. Please call the church office by Sunday, January 11. The class will meet each Wednesday evening for seven weeks from 7:45 to 9:00 P.M.

PPC CHRISTMAS GIFTS MAKE CHILDREN HAPPY

Christmas gifts which were brought to our Birthday Party for Jesus on December 21 were gratefully received by the Community Resources Department in Rockville. They were delivered on December 22 to an excited and appreciative staff who immediately began tagging them for specific children throughout Rockville. MANY THANKS TO ALL whose contributions went to make a brighter Christmas for many of our neighbors.



CHURCH CALENDAR
OF EVENTS

January

1987

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	6:30 P.M. New Officer Dinner at PPC		11:00 A.M. - Staff Meeting 4:30 - Jr. Highs 6:30 - Confirm.	7:00 P.M. Handbell Choir 8:00 P.M. Sanctuary Choir	Closed	Deacons' Retreat
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	7:30 P.M. COMMITTEE MEETINGS	8:00 P.M. Worship Committee	11:00 A.M. - Staff Meeting 4:30 - Jr. Highs 6:30 - Confirm. 7:45 - SHALOM	7:00 P.M. Handbell Choir 8:00 P.M. Sanctuary Choir		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS	8:00 P.M. SESSION MEETING		10:00 A.M. WOC Retreat 11:00 - Staff 4:30 - Jr. Highs 6:30 - Confirm. 7:45 - SHALOM	7:00 P.M. Handbell Choir 8:00 P.M. Sanctuary Choir		
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING	7:30 P.M. DEACONS' MEETING	10:00 A.M. Presbytery Meeting	9:30 A.M. WOC Bible Study 10:30 - Crafts 11:00 - Staff 4:30 - Jr. Highs 6:30 - Confirm. 7:45 - SHALOM	7:00 P.M. Handbell Choir 8:00 P.M. Sanctuary Choir		Senior High Retreat



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FEBRUARY 1987

POTOMAC PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Kerry Stoltzfus, Senior Pastor
Diane Kramer, Associate Pastor
Lynn Bigler, Editor

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KERRY ON ...

I've been called many things over the years. When I began as an associate pastor in Tennessee I was sometimes called "the little preacher". Other names have been "Rev", "Pastor", "Dr. Kerry" (by a young child), "theologian", "friend", and "leader". I imagine I've been called other names which I was not meant to hear.

More often than not I am called by my first name, perhaps because my last name is so difficult to pronounce. But I've never been called a "broker".

Bob Hudnut in his book, This People, This Parish, says a minister is called to broker God. I find myself in a home, an office, a hospital, a school. Why am I there? There is only one reason - to broker the transcendent.

Hudnut reminds me that we all live in the dimension of self which we call psychology. We all live in the dimension of others which we call sociology. We all live in the dimension of the world around us which we call ecology. But we do not all live - at least consciously - in the dimension of God which we call theology.

As a broker, it is the minister's task to mediate God to bring the divine dimension to bear on the other three.

You can help - by asking questions. Ask me, how do I see God at work in whatever it is that is happening. And tell me, too, this is what I see God doing and what I hear God saying.

A broker - maybe there is something in that name.



Kerry

Coming



LENTEN STUDY SERIES

BEGINNING MARCH 4

7:00 FAMILY SUPPER

8:00 PROGRAM BY
TUSCULUM COLLEGE CHOIR
GREENVILLE, TENNESSEE

A simple supper will also be served on the following four Wednesdays at 7:00 with Dr. Donald Miller leading those sessions beginning at 8:00.

Watch bulletins for the details.

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Join us.

People

The

following members were ordained and installed on January 18: Lynn Matson, Dennis McMahon, Janet Olding and Shirley Tietjen as Elders; Ann Kier, Lewis Chapin, Chuck Faller, Maggie Fahs and Clark Kendall as Deacons.

We welcome them to the service of the Lord and say

Thank You

THE CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY 25 IS
POSTPONED UNTIL FEBRUARY 1.

IN SESSION

At its most recent regular meeting Session elected Mary Reichley and Lynn Bigler to the 1987 Representative Nominating Committee..... approved a joint meeting with the Board of Deacons on March 23..... reviewed proposed changes in terms of call for the pastors and approved a letter describing those changes for mailing to members..... approved Communion dates for 1987..... elected John Lytle as Commissioner to the January 27th Presbytery Meeting..... noted Diane Kramer's plans for Study Leave at Union Theological Seminary February 2-6..... approved the proposed 1987 budget which includes operating disbursements of \$247,591..... reviewed the revised committee structures and newly-assigned Elders: Christian Education - Elders Olding and McMahon; Fellowship/Outreach - Elders Bigler and Matson; Mission - Elders Lytle and Forgotson; Property - Elders Maxwell and Tietjen; Stewardship/Finance/Personnel - Elders Clark and Clouse; and Worship - Elders Crozier and Reichley.




Cupid sed,

"You gotta wear red."
SOCIALIZERS' VALENTINE
POTLUCK

at Bedingfield's
8217 Buckspark Lane

FEBRUARY 14, 7:00 P.M.

Have a heart and  **TOLL-FREE**

983-0931.

Marilyn Shankland will take your reservation and give you a food assignment.

*come dine
with us...*

ALL IN THE FAMILY

Engagement congratulations to:

Lisa Burke and Dennis McMahon
Diane Perry and Clark Kendall

Remembered in prayer:

Marty MacDonald and her family in the death of her father; Kay Mitchell and her family in the death of her husband's grandmother; John Curtis, the father of Solvejd Rozner, and the father of Janet Clark who are ill; George Boddiger now home from the hospital and recovering.

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"We would like to thank the members of the congregation for all their prayers and kind expressions of sympathy in the recent death of our son Marty. Your outpouring of love and affection has helped us enormously during this difficult period."

-Winnie and Bill

WOMEN

of the Church and friends are invited to a coffee at the home of Alice Smith, 8408 Fenway Road, on Wednesday, February 18, at 10:30 A.M.

Looking ahead - please mark your calendars for lunch on March 25, and on May 1 and 2 our annual rummage sale will be held. Your trash may be someone else's treasure - start saving now for this annual event.

The Crafty Ladies are meeting again at 9:30 Wednesday mornings. We promise there will be a Christmas Bazaar this year! Come join in the fellowship of preparation.

**And bring friends
along**

TAKE



This is your invitation to join the music program at PPC. There are three groups to choose from. The children (grades 1-6) may sing in the King David Choir; rehearsal Sunday mornings at 9:15. The Sanctuary Choir rehearses on Thursday evenings at 8:00. The Handbell Choir rehearses at 7:00 on Thursday evenings. Please join us in Praising the Lord.

Office

Just Added!

The new Panasonic copying machine in the church office plus a gift of a word processor will upgrade our capabilities immeasurably.

In Search of

VOLUNTEER PHOTOGRAPHERS to chronicle church events. Please contact Lynn Matson at 279-5598 if you are willing to snap your shutter on behalf of the church!

WAY TO LEARN.

Adult Education during the month of February features Diane Kramer leading four sessions entitled "Bible Study in the Psalms". Join the group at 9:45 Sunday mornings in the Library.

NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE . . .
FEBRUARY 22

THANKS FOR THE HELP

PPC received a heartfelt, hand-scribed note from Gail Bernero, Gaithersburg Soup Kitchen, thanking us for a donation. The letter states in part:

"...thank you for your very generous donation...your interest and concern are deeply appreciated. It shocks me to see children in a soup kitchen. One day we had 11. Their mothers have experienced a sharp decrease in income due to separation or divorce...There are those with major illnesses or disabilities...The raising of rent... or job loss can bring others. Some are illiterate...lack job skills...released from institutions without suitable dwellings or sufficient community-based after-care. All this in affluent

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

People like yourselves have responded beautifully. The faith in which donations are given will bring hope for many. Please keep us in your prayers."

Opportunity

Community Ministry of Montgomery County has as its purpose to inform and support member congregations in their efforts to alleviate human need. CMMC, headed by Rev. Lon Dring, relies on volunteer support for most of its work. CMMC needs someone to:

MISSION

- + do research on various legislative proposals
- + help support a new soup kitchen on wheels
- + raise funds for CMMC
- + plan the Thanksgiving Hunger Drive
- + help with maintenance chores at CMMC office
- + help with CMMC newsletter
- + keep CMMC financial records
- + prepare educational materials on CMMC issues

And when these are done, there are more needs. Contact Elsie Reid, PPC's CMMC Commissioner, or Diane Kramer to volunteer.

Think about it.

DESIDERATA

GO PLACIDLY AMID THE NOISE & HASTE, & REMEMBER WHAT PEACE THERE MAY BE IN SILENCE. AS FAR AS POSSIBLE WITHOUT surrender be on good terms with all persons. Speak your truth quietly & clearly; and listen to others, even the dull & ignorant; they too have their story. ☛ Avoid loud & aggressive persons, they are vexations to the spirit. If you compare yourself with others, you may become vain & bitter; for always there will be greater & lesser persons than yourself. Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans. ☛ Keep interested in your own career, however humble; it is a real possession in the changing fortunes of time. Exercise caution in your business affairs; for the world is full of trickery. But let this not blind you to what virtue there is; many persons strive for high ideals; and everywhere life is full of heroism. ☛ Be yourself. Especially, do not feign affection. Neither be cynical about love; for in the face of all aridity & disenchantment it is perennial as the grass. ☛ Take kindly the counsel of the years, gracefully surrendering the things of youth. Nurture strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune. But do not distress yourself with imaginings. Many fears are born of fatigue & loneliness. Beyond a wholesome discipline, be gentle with yourself. ☛ You are a child of the universe, no less than the trees & the stars; you have a right to be here. And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should. ☛ Therefore be at peace with God, whatever you conceive Him to be, and whatever your labors & aspirations, in the noisy confusion of life keep peace with your soul. ☛ With all its sham, drudgery & broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world. Be careful. Strive to be happy. ☛ ☛

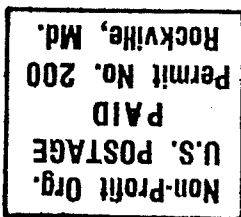
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<p>15</p> <p>9:15 A.M. - King David Choir 9:45 A.M. - Adult Education: "The Psalms"</p> <p>11:00 A.M. - Worship Service New Members Received</p>	<p>8:00 P.M. Session Meeting</p>	<p>17</p> <p>10:00 A.M. Presbytery Meeting at Northeastern PC</p>	<p>18</p> <p>10:30 - WOC Coffee at Alice Smith's</p> <p>11:00 - Staff Meeting</p> <p>4:30 - Junior Highs</p> <p>6:30 - Confirmation Class</p> <p>7:45 - Shalom</p>	<p>19</p> <p>7:00 P.M. Handbell Choir</p> <p>8:00 P.M. Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>
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DEADLINE: Steeple To People



POTOMAC PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
10301 River Road
Potomac, Maryland 20854

The Way We Are

The decision was made at the annual Session Retreat in November, 1986, to slightly reorganize our church's committee structure. Below you will find a brief statement of purpose of each of our committees and the names of the Elders assigned to lead each.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (Janet Olding & Dennis McMahon): provides general oversight to the educational programs offered to include all ages, nursery through adults. It is the purpose of our comprehensive program to enable our members to grow in their faith and in the knowledge of God's love, through our Lord Jesus Christ.

FELLOWSHIP/OUTREACH (Lynn Bigler & Lynn Matson): provides a comprehensive program of fellowship activities for the congregation and provides a comprehensive outreach program based on the recommendations of the Outreach Task Force.

MISSION (John Lytle & Judith Forgotson): provides interpretation and opportunities for our congregation to witness our faith among ourselves, in our community and in the world.

PROPERTY (Walter Maxwell & Shirley Tietjen): provides for the management of the property of the church, including determination of the appropriate use of the church buildings and facilities.

STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE/PERSONNEL (Ed Clark & John Clouse): develops the annual stewardship campaign and provides for the participation of new members throughout the year; administers the financial affairs of the church, including the proposal of an annual budget; coordinates (in cooperation with the Senior Pastor) all personnel functions for the church staff.

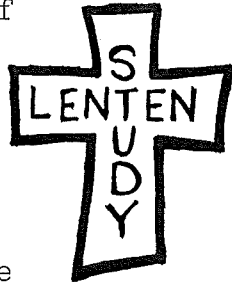
WORSHIP (Mary Reichley & Bob Crozier): works with the church staff to provide a vital worship program for the congregation; coordinates all programs and activities that contribute to worship; gives special attention to educating and involving the congregation in worship.

FIRST OF ALL!

The Wednesday Night Lenten
Series **IS A FAMILY AFFAIR**

which continues through April 1 with the Tusculum College Choir from Greenville, Tennessee, performing on March 4, and Dr. Donald Miller speaking the other four evenings. Dr. Miller, former professor of New Testament at Union Theological Seminary in Virginia, and retired President of Pittsburgh Theological Seminary will lead an adult Bible Study/discussion in the Gospel of John. He will be with us March 11, 18, 25, and April 1.

A simple family supper will be served at 7:00 each Wednesday in the library. Reservations for each Wednesday must be made the Sunday before by filling out the insert in the bulletin.



people

At the February 1 Annual Congregational Meeting the following persons were elected to serve during the coming year:

Nelia Chichester - Deacon for a 2-year term; William F. Brill - Treasurer; Bruce L. Brumbaugh and Calvin S. Koonce - Assistant Treasurers; Frederick Sass, Jr. and Donald L. Thompson - Church Auditors; Sherri Bond, David Chichester, Marjean Gray and Lewis Smith - to serve on the 1987 Representative Nominating Committee. And we thank each one.



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KERRY on

"Baby Boomers return to church" concludes a study by the Lutheran Church in America. The Washingtonian Magazine recently devoted a cover story to the same phenomenon. Parents with young children have been joining our congregation in significant numbers.

What are baby boomers looking for? The Lutheran study observed that, "when asking questions about the meaning of life, facing issues of personal identity and seeking answers to the complexities of morality, baby boomers often see the church as a resource for them."

Perhaps these questions become urgent for us all about the time we have children and begin to raise families. In faith we affirm that we are called to love the Lord our God with all our heart and soul and might. Deuteronomy 6 tells us that we are to teach these things to our children.

May our congregation be a community of faith that supports one another in responding to this call to love God.

Kerry



LENTEN SERMONS/EDUCATION

"ENCOUNTERS WITH JESUS"

- March 8 "Temptation in the Wilderness (Matthew 4:1-11)
- March 15 "Nicodemus" (John 3:1-17)
- March 22 "The Woman at the Well" (John 4:5-42)
- March 29 "A Man Born Blind" (John 9:1-41)
- April 5 "Lazarus" (John 11:1-53)

As we travel the Lenten journey and prepare for Holy Week and the celebration of Easter, we will be exploring these encounters of Jesus. Please read and meditate on the Scripture selections in preparation for worship.



IN SESSION

At the Session meeting held on Monday, February 23, 1987, Session examined and moved to ordain and install Nelia Chichester as a Deacon for a two-year term learned of plans by at least four couples from Scotland to visit here in October approved a jointly sponsored Senior High/Faith-Share Dinner and Auction to be held on May 10 which will in part help fund special events for these visitors received a report of plans for a Lenten Series and Palm Sunday and Easter observances noted progress of Library Resource Committee in shelving and organizing books looks forward to the joint meeting to be held with the Board of Deacons on Monday, March 23, 1987.



CHILDREN OF ABRAHAM

March 8 - April 5

". . . and Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. And when he drew near and saw the city he wept over it, saying, 'Would that even today you knew the things that make for peace!'" (Luke 19:28, 41-42)

March 8 On Jordan's Stormy Banks: Toward Understanding the Middle East; 20-minute color/sound filmstrip/video exploring social and religious roots of the on-going Middle East crisis.

March 15 Steve Silverberg representing the Washington Area Jews for an Israeli-Palestinian Peace - guest.

March 22 Khalil Jahshan, Assistant Director, Palestine Research and Education Center, a Palestinian American who is well informed about the Middle East crisis.

March 29 The Presbyterian Presence in the Middle East. Examination of the mission relationships of the PC (USA) with other denominations and institutions in Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Syria, Turkey, and the West Bank. The Reverend Walter Owensby, Washington Office PC(USA)-guest.

April 5 The Reverend Lon Dring, Presbyterian Minister and Executive Director of Community Ministry of Montgomery County, reflects upon the Lucan passage (Luke 19:41-42) in light of his recent trip to Israel.

PEACEMAKING— They Really Are Asking For Our Opinion!

"They" in this case refers to the PC(USA) Advisory Council on Church and Society who is preparing a policy statement on peacemaking for consideration by the 1988 General Assembly. Issues being addressed include the appropriateness of non-payment of a portion of taxes calculated as supporting military programs and the usefulness of the "Just War Theory" in the nuclear age. The Council decided that such questions are so important that it would be useful to the General Assembly if congregations were asked to offer advice.

To collect such advice and insights, an educational method called "Advocacy Ethics" is being used. In this method, a position is defended in such a way as to bring out a variety of opinions about the position. A study paper entitled "Presbyterians and Peacemaking: Are We Now Called to Resistance?" was prepared by two members of the Advisory Council to elicit discussion and written comments from congregations.

The issues involved are important and it is likely that some PPC members have strong opinions on the various "resistance" measures addressed in the study paper. Your PPC MISSION COMMITTEE considered the possible divisive nature of debating this subject but we concluded that we have a moral responsibility to state what we believe. Furthermore, at our meeting on February 16, 1987, we decided that every PPC member should have the opportunity to express his opinions (verbally or in writing) during the development of our PPC response. If you want to participate, please tell Diane Kramer, John Lytle, or call Shea Johnson at the church by March 15 so we can order you a copy of the study paper and a separate document which rebuts much of what is presented in the study paper.

Some of us have complained in the past about positions adopted by our General Assembly. We now have a chance to state our views and possibly influence what happens. Whether you choose to work with us or not, your prayers for our deliberations are sincerely requested.

your point of view.



43 IN RED

Forty-three very sociable folks dressed in red enjoyed delicious food and a musical game! at the Bedingfield's on Valentine's Day. The evening ended with Alice Smith and Bill Shankland being crowned Queen and King of Hearts!



The coming spring socials will be unforgettable. Rush to your telephone the moment you see them announced in the bulletin or newsletter - and make your reservation.

LIKE TO PARTY ?

One goes down every month at the Collingswood Nursing Home.

Admission: one birthday cake.

Next party: March 11.

Call Alice Smith, 469-8379, to say you'll come.

It's your turn

That big empty basket in the Narthex is for you . . .

to fill with canned goods for GAITHERSBURG HELP (16 oz. cans, please).



PAUL BERRY WOC SPEAKER

The popular Channel 7 News Anchor, Paul Berry, will speak at the WOC Fourth Annual Spring Tasting Luncheon scheduled for March 25 at the home of Camille Kendall. Pat King will take your reservation at 340-0456 before March 22.

Bring your favorite dish to share, but not one used at a previous tasting luncheon. Recipes should be given to Shea Johnson by March 11 so another mini-recipe booklet can be prepared. This issue along with past ones will be sent to the women's group at South Parish Church in Girvan, Scotland.

Don't miss this exciting event. All ladies and PPC friends are invited.

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Alice Smith hostessed a full house for coffee and fellowship on February 18, at her Carderock home.

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CRAFTS

Workshops meet every Wednesday morning at 9:30. With unfailing enthusiasm the Crafty Ladies continue their Christmas Bazaar creations. You just missed Barbara Perry's session on ornaments made via needlepoint on plastic canvas. Coming: folded ornaments, a repeat of the popular Temari Japanese ornament, and advent calendars. Want to help make a quilt? - call Kay Mitchel. Can't come on Wednesdays? Make us something at home, then!

Christmas Bazaar too far ahead for you to imagine? Then, plan your closet cleaning to contribute treasures to our May 1-2 rummage sale. Donations will be accepted at church the last week of April. Don't throw anything away - we'll take it! Call Lynn Bigler for details, 983-1682.

**NEW YEAR'S
GREETINGS FROM**

friends!



Excerpts from recent letters from Jack and Nancy Bryant now in Karachi, Pakistan; and John and Jean Hummon now in Botswana.

THE BRYANTS have been involved in the founding of the International Church of Karachi. "To fill the need for an interdenominational Christian church...a few of us have formed the nucleus...have a constitution, a room to meet in, 30 chairs, 30 hymnals, and buying an organ. The attendance has grown from 6 to 36...at least 10 nationalities. Nancy continues as Associate Director of the Aga Khan University School of Nursing; Jack as Chairman of Community Health Sciences...blessed to work in this situation of immense need and opportunity." They send their love and prayers to all of us at PPC.

THE HUMMONS were thrilled with the picture of the congregation we sent during the Christmas season. "Sarah and Gretchen visited for two weeks...we drove to the Chobe Game Reserve...into Zimbabwe to visit Victoria Falls...superb...went carol singing in Gaborone, attended African church services, and called Marc (in Nashville) and Jan (new mama of Matthew Hummon Westman, the first grandchild) on Christmas Day...happy here in our work...greatly miss the warmth and fellowship of our church in Potomac."

ALL IN THE FAMILY

MARRIED:

Carrie Howe and Bruce Douglas married November 11, in Fairfax.

ENGAGED:

Patricia Johnson and Robert Kirchner

WELCOMED:

CHRISTOPHER DANIEL WILLOUGHBY, new son of Ruth and Michael, born on January 29.

REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:

BETTINA CURTIS and her family in the death of her husband, JOHN; HARMONY FORE and her family in the death of her husband, CHARLES (PPC charter members); the father of JANET CLARK who has entered an Illinois nursing home; the father of SOLVEJD ROZNER who is hospitalized in Germany; TOM BOOGAARD who is hospitalized in Suburban; the father of JUDITH FORGOTSON who has had surgery in St. Louis; the mother of MARGE HEALING hospitalized in Portland, Maine; father of BOB KING hospitalized in Penn.

WELCOME

TO THESE NEW FAMILIES, RECEIVED BY THE SESSION ON FEBRUARY 8, 1987, INTO THE WORK AND WORSHIP OF OUR CHURCH. PLEASE ADD THEM TO YOUR NEW DIRECTORY.

THE NEXT NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION CLASS WILL BE HELD APRIL 5. NEW MEMBERS WILL BE RECOGNIZED ON APRIL 12. ANYONE WISHING TO UNITE WITH THE CHURCH, PLEASE CONTACT ONE OF THE PASTORS.

Introducing

Jennings C. & Bettina Brinsfield
7517 Pepperell Drive
Bethesda 20817 469-6171

Chuck and Tina come by Reaffirmation of Faith. He is General Manager of Manufacturers Financial Group. The Brinsfield's have two children: Melissa Lee, 10, and Jeffrey Charles, 6. M. Fahs' Parish.



Introducing

Barry M. & Barbara Barthelman; Cheryl
12916 Brushwood Terrace
Potomac 20854 977-3651

The Barthelmans come by Certificate of Transfer from the First Congregational Church, Ridgefield, Connecticut. Barry is an IBM Manager; Barbara teaches kindergarten at Potomac elementary; Cheryl is a Wootton senior and will attend UNC in the fall. P. Hawley's Parish.

INTRODUCING

William R. & Jan Malone; Elizabeth,
David and Christine 365-1175
9117 Vendome Dr., Bethesda 20817

The Malone family who were former PPC members return by Certificate of Transfer from the First Presbyterian Church, Stanford, Conn. Bill is a lawyer in private practice. Elizabeth and David are in college. Christy is at Churchill. C. Faller's Parish.

INTRODUCING

Allan & Carol Kamara; Michael,
David and Heather 299-2103
9508 Lost Trail, Potomac 20854

The Kamara family come by Certificate of Transfer from the First United Methodist Church, Athens, O. Allan is Vice President and Assistant Manager of Dean Whittier Co. Carol is Director of Professional Services of the American Speech, Language and Hearing Association. Twins Mike and David are Cabin John students; Heather is at Miami U. in Ohio. F. Bond's Parish.

INTRODUCING

Thomas L. & Donna Wylie
7617 Royal Dominion Drive
Bethesda 20817 469-4984

The Wylies come by Certificate of Transfer from Canyon Creek Presbyterian Church, Dallas, Texas. Tom is an attorney with Sun Co., Inc. The Wylies have two children: Terrence John ("T.J."), 13, and Andrew (Andy), 10. N. Chichester's Parish.

CHURCH CALENDAR
OF EVENTS

March

1987

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 9:45 A.M. - Adult Ed.: "Children of Abraham"	2 8:00 P.M. Worship Committee	3 1:00-7:00 P.M. The Lord's Table	4 ASH WEDNESDAY 9:30 A.M. WOC Bible Study 11:00-Staff Meeting 4:40-Junior Highs 6:30-Confirmation 7:00-Supper 8:00-Choral Service	5 7:00 P.M. Handbell Choir 8:00 P.M. Sanctuary Choir 8:00 P.M. Building Committee	6	7
8 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT COMMUNION 9:45 A.M. - Adult Ed.: "Children of Abraham"	9 8:00 P.M. Committees 8:00 P.M. Outreach Committee	10 Wednesday, 11th: 2:45 P.M. → Birthday Party Collingswood Nursing Home	11 9:30 A.M. WOC Bible Study 11:00-Staff Meeting 4:30-Junior Highs 6:30-Confirmation 8:00-Lenten Bible Study, Dr. Donald Miller	12 7:00 P.M. Handbell Choir 8:00 P.M. Sanctuary Choir	13	14
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22 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT 9:45 A.M. - Adult Ed.: "Children of Abraham" DEADLINE: Steeple To People	23 8:00 P.M. Joint Meeting Session and Deacons	24	25 9:30 A.M. WOC Bible Study 11:00-Staff Meeting 4:30-Junior Highs 6:30-Confirmation 8:00-Lenten Bible Study, Dr. Donald Miller	26 12:00 Noon WOC Tasting Lunch, Camille Kendall's 7:00 P.M. Handbell Choir 8:00 P.M. Sanctuary Choir	27	28
29 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT 9:45 A.M. - Adult Ed.: "Children of Abraham"	30	31				



STEEPLE TO PEOPLE
Potomac Presbyterian Church
10301 River Road
Potomac, Maryland 20854

Meet Tuesday, March 10, 7:30 p.m.
at the church. Call Lynda Tennent,
340-3031, for FUN bridge.

Bridgers: date change!

One Sunday afternoon this
spring, the PPC family will walk
to raise money for the hungry in
the world. CROP WALKS are part
of education and fundraising out-
reach of Church World Services,
the disaster relief, development
and refugee resettlement division
of the National Council of
Churches of Christ in the U.S.A.
Watch for more information in
the weeks to come and gear your
family for this all-important
10K walk.

PPC'S WALKING



HELP!

DARNESTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH is
looking for a part time Director
of Christian Education - approxi-
mately 20 hours/week. Candidates
should have done graduate work in
Christian Education. Please call
Judy Wenig at 963-1164.

sr. highs' march

- 1st: "Going Alone" 6:30 at PPC
- 8th: Mission Funds 6:30 at PPC
- 15th: Fun Night TBA
- 22nd: Guest Speakers from Mont-
gomery County Police De-
partment 6:30 at PPC
- 29th: "Self/Group Exploration"
6:30 at PPC

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It's Suicide/It's Peace

Suicide accounts are always tragic copy in our newspapers and magazines, but are never more so than in recent weeks when we have been faced - almost daily - with news of yet another teenage suicide. A friend observed to me last week as we discussed the death of the young people in Bergenfield, New Jersey, "...we are killing our kids!" I assume he meant that the adults of our society are allowing the pressures of our fast and furious pace of life to render our children incapable of living. This is, I pray, an oversimplification. Suicide is always the result of many different problems, never just one. Pressures accumulate from all sides. Yet, it is true that teenagers today are being forced to forge their own values and make important decisions about such matters as sex and drugs at a younger age. How do we as parents and as the extended family of faith equip our young people to face the life which we have given them? What do we teach them and what do we model for them?

Someone remarked to me that our congregation seems always to be "breathless". We are always running to keep up with our next activity. Obviously, some of this frenetic pace is a result of the nature of running a volunteer organization in which many different schedules must be accommodated. On the other hand, some of our breathlessness comes from our over-extension - we try to do too much and then scold ourselves when we have not excelled in all.

I am struck by the contrast of our breathlessness with the sense I have of the peace in which Christ lived out his life and ministry. Christ did not walk away from controversy and did not refuse to deal with very problematic situations, yet Christ taught and modeled an inner peace to which I believe each of us is called as we live our Christian lives. I was reminded of this yesterday by our friend Robert Cook, pastor of our partner congregation in Girvan, Scotland. In answer to a question I had asked him in my last correspondence, Robert pointed me to Colossians 3:15:

"The peace that Christ gives is to guide you in decisions you make; for it is to this peace that God has called you together in the one body. And be thankful."

Thankful we are that we have each other and can depend upon each other. Peace in Christ is what we hope to teach and model for our children, but we must always test that. Soon we will be planning our church's ministry for the new program year. In what specific ways can our ministry equip us to meet the needs of our community of faith and at the same time proclaim the good news of our Lord Jesus Christ? In what ways can the ministry we plan model the "peace of Christ"?

These are questions which need our prayerful attention . . . and action.

Shalom!



**steeple
to
people**

APRIL 1987

POTOMAC PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Kerry Stoltzfus, Senior Pastor
Diane Kramer, Associate Pastor
Lynn Bigler, Editor

DIANE

worship committee at work

Dr. Stoltzfus, Jackie Galliher, Ann Hazard, Jim and Mary Reichley, Dawn Thompson, and Bob Tietjen attended a one-day seminar on Music and Worship last month at the Lewinville Presbyterian Church in McLean, Virginia.

The Lenten Series of suppers and studies with Dr. Donald Miller concluded April 1. An average of 30-40 people per Wednesday enjoyed fellowship and learning throughout this five-week program. Our sincere thanks to the many who hosted the visiting Tusculum College Choir overnight and also to the women who prepared the suppers.

HOLY WEEK:

April 16 8:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service/Communion

April 19 9:00 and 11:00 Easter Sunday Worship Services

There will be a COFFEE HOUR following each of the Easter Sunday services. Due to construction, there will be NO EASTER EGG HUNT for the children.

A Holy Week Devotional Booklet, prepared by members of the congregation, will be mailed to everyone.

SENIOR HIGH CALENDAR

April 5 6:30 at PPC

April 12 and 19 No meeting

April 26 6:30 at PPC

May 3 Confirmation Party

May 10 Silent Auction/Pancakes

June 19-21 Spring Retreat

IN SESSION

At the Session meeting held jointly with the Board of Deacons, March 23, 1987 . . .

the Deacons' minutes were reviewed . . .

sharing of mutual ministry to our members was explored . . .

assimilation of new members into parish groups was discussed . . .

Session commended the Deacons for activities they sponsored during the year under difficult circumstances with limited facilities.

Certificates of transfer were approved for Dr. Barbara Heming and Dr. Charles Smart to First Presbyterian Church of Youngstown, Ohio.

Clerk Joyce Jenkins reported both Register and Minute Books were approved without exception at the annual review required by Presbytery.

CHANGES

IN ROLES OF WOMEN IN RELIGION
AND SOCIETY: THEIR IMPACT ON
WOMEN AND MEN IN THE U.S.:

. . . An afternoon of input, discussion and worship, with women and men, laity and clergy of the Islamic, Jewish, Protestant and Roman Catholic faiths. Sponsored by the Interfaith Conference, April 5, 4:00-9:00 p.m., at St. Alban's Episcopal Church in D.C. Please register with Diane Kramer if you wish to participate.

AUCTION:

On May 10, the Senior Highs and the Faith Share Committee are jointly sponsoring a pancake supper and silent auction.

The new twist this year is the Faith Share involvement. This group is attempting to raise money to host our friends from Girvan, Scotland, who will be visiting in October. Funds are needed for transportation, admission fees, etc. Faith Share asks all the artists and aspiring artists out there to donate some of their work to be auctioned. The Senior Highs are requesting donations of services, recreation trips, items, etc. to be auctioned as they have been in the last two years.

Those wishing to make a contribution should contact Dennis McMahon at 340-7605 for the Senior High items or Lynn Matson at 279-5598 for artworks. The proceeds of this exciting event will be divided between the two groups.

Come enjoy the evening . . .
**And bring friends
along**

SOCIAL SCENE



Twenty-four SOCIALIZERS landed on the shores of Captain Bill's Isle on March 21 to eat Jamaican Chicken Calypso, do the hula, and get educated in the language of the sea.

The next social event is the one we've all been waiting for: Dedication and Open House at the church to celebrate our new wing and renovations. WOC will hostess this MAY 31 event and your entire family is invited. Watch for more details.

HAPPENING!

All in the Family

REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:

WILMA BODDIGER and her family in the death of her father . . .

TOM COLE and his family in the death of his father . . .

SOLVEJG ROZNER and her family in the death of her father . . .

ED CLARK and his family in the death of his grandmother . . .

GINGER HUBBARD O'NEIL and her family in the death of her mother . . .

TOM BOOGAARD, hospitalized in George Washington Hospital . . .

DAPHNE BOOGAARD, at home following hospitalization in Children's . . .

HILDA HEMING recovering at home after surgery . . .

THINK RUMMAGE

START NOW - cleaning closets of unwanteds. The WOC will sell your donations at the JUNE 5-6 RUMMAGE SALE and use the proceeds to aid many local missions.

In the past we've sold TV's, boats, furniture, lawn mowers; we'll take anything. Yes, clothing! Don't be bashful; we'll turn your junk into dollars and have fun doing it.

Rummage may be brought to the church beginning June 1.

Please volunteer to Lynn Bigler now at 983-1682 to help out the week before the sale. Many hands are needed!



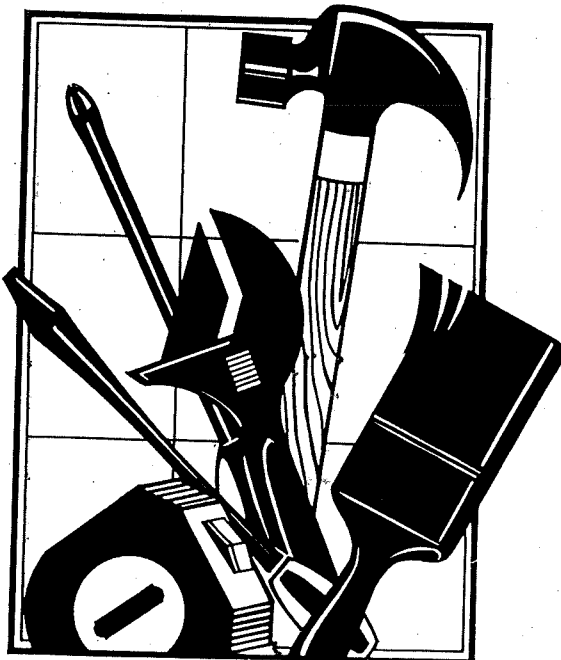
Building

Our contractor has obviously failed to meet his latest estimated completion date of March 20, 1987, but we are now only weeks away from being able to make use of our new facilities. The work now in progress in our new wing includes the installation of interior finishes, plumbing fixtures and kitchen equipment. By the time you read this report, work should also have been completed on a new flagstone and concrete entry to the narthex.

I am happy to report that Dr. Marc Cathey, Director of the National Arboretum and a former member of PPC, has agreed to prepare a landscaping plan for our new wing.

Our building project has taken much longer than anticipated and has caused numerous problems and program disruption. Our new facilities should, however, allow us to strengthen all aspects of our church life and provide us with exciting new opportunities for continued growth. On behalf of the entire committee, I want to thank the congregation for the support and encouragement which you have given us throughout the last year.

Bill King, Chairman
Building Committee



ANNOUNCING

The next NEW MEMBER SEMINAR will be held at the home of Camille Kendall on Sunday, April 5, 6:30. Anyone interested in uniting with the church at this time should speak to Camille, Kerry or Diane.

Know the facts

... Kerry began his third year at PPC on March 26!

...The 20th anniversary of the first service held in the new Sanctuary - a Maundy Thursday Communion Service - was March 23!

WE WISH

The Fine Arts Committee (Kitty Albright, Wilma Boddiger, Peggy Hawley, Kay Norvell, Lynda Tennent) has been working with the Building Committee, the architect, and a design consultant to coordinate such things as furnishing the parlor, securing of furnishings for the offices and some other areas within a general theme compatible with the design of the church property which is American Colonial ("Williamsburg").

The committee's intent has been to secure furnishings and accessories of the best quality we could afford that would reflect the style as well as being of enduring quality. Because we obviously do not have an unlimited budget, many gaps remain that hopefully will be supplied in time.

The group is compiling a "Wish List" of other items that are planned for specific locations that can be donated as gifts, honorariums or memorials, or that can be budgeted in as funds are available. An album is being created for this purpose and will be on display in the parlor.

IT'S UP TO US

("borrowed" from
THE PRESBYTERIAN OUTLOOK
March '87

There are 139,000,000 church
members in America.

78,000,000 are inactive.

This leaves 61,000,000 to do
most of the work.

22,000,000 are over 65 and
have done their share.

24,000,000 are under 21.

This leaves 15,000,000 to do
most of the work.

But 9,000,000 are "too busy".

This leaves 6,000,000 to do
most of the work.

But 3,000,000 are in the
military.

This leaves 3,000,000 to do
most of the work.

But 2,000,000 are in school.

This leaves 1,000,000 to do
most of the work.

But 750,000 are sick or disabled.

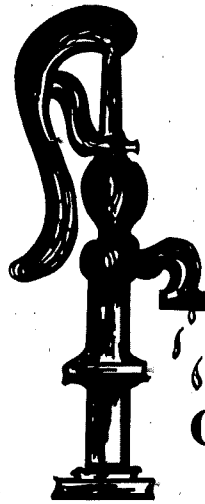
This leaves 250,000 to do
most of the work.

But last week 249,998 were away
from home on business or vacation.

This leaves 2 people to do
most of the work.

So it's up to you and me. If we
don't do it, it won't get done!

5.
... and the leaves of the tree shall
be for the healing of the peoples Rev. 22:2



**CLEAN WATER, VITAL FOR
LIFE, IS ALSO VITAL
FOR HEALTH.**

**OVER ONE HALF THE
PEOPLE IN THE THIRD
WORLD DO NOT HAVE
CLEAN WATER TO DRINK.**

**ONE GREAT HOUR
OF SHARING**

For more than 36 years, the ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING has represented Presbyterian compassion for people who are suffering. Contributions are used in part to support the work of Church World Service. Grants from our denomination's programs to CWS multiply many times over as they help people in need. Your contribution together with the volunteers, governments, churches and councils of churches, and the people in poor countries who contribute their skills, labor and vision, make things happen to improve the lives of our sisters and brothers worldwide. People are enabled to survive catastrophes, to be sheltered as refugees, to grow and market their own food, to improve their health care and nutrition, to learn how to read and write. These are the results of cooperation between people who combine their resources to do together what they could not do alone.

Please join this effort with your donation on Palm Sunday. Envelopes will be in the pews April 5 through Easter Sunday.

GETTING INVOLVED IS EASY—AND REWARDING

REFLECTIONS

FROM THE REV. LON DRING, EXEC. DIR., COMMUNITY MINISTRY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY

(Recently a small group of concerned Christians organized by the Office of Social Development in Washington talked about taxes with Senator Larry Levitan, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Budget and Finance. Following are some of Lon's reflections upon this conversation.)

You wonder as you sit talking to a State legislator what is the sense to him of the idea of caring in a primary way for society's weak. (The newspapers recently told of \$10,000-a-plate PAC breakfasts for members of Congress and of Justice Department delays - fourteen years! - in enforcement of requirements of available drinking water and toilet facilities for migrant workers.)

I tried to come up with some reasons I might give to a government leader for making primary civil policy the care of the needy. I came up with four ideas:

1. Compassion, real care for others, is the social cohesion without which there would be no society. It is not irrelevant, sentimental rubbish, the illusion of bleeding heart liberals. It is the most realistic, practical stuff, and we ought to be able to claim compassion as a compelling political argument. We care for our poor, because that's the kind of people we are and want to be.

2. Care for the marginalized and deprived members of the community in our own self-interest because we ourselves are so vulnerable. We are not really self-made; we need each other. Tomorrow, it may be we who are elderly, chronically ill, or jobless. An American University professor was serving a meal in a D.C. soup kitchen with fellow (CMMC) church members and one of his former graduate school students appeared in line.

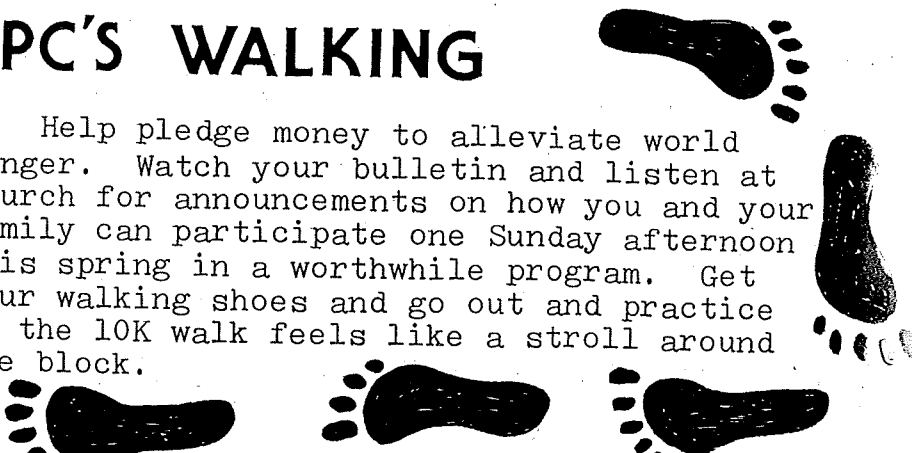
3. It is a matter of the self-interest of society. Our investments of energy, time and capital - whether in stocks, bridges, or schools - are justifiable only because they benefit people and make them more happy, able, productive contributors to the community (and the more people touched and helped the better). Direct investment in people is an obvious good; indirect investment through other things may be better in the long run but that approach ought to bear the burden of proof. We forget that the poor are people; they are not burdens but promises. They are where life is and where our future lies.

4. Equality, while it is certainly not an absolute standard is a moral norm and an indicator of social health. The vast inequalities of income and wealth among us today are signs of serious social sickness and must be of very serious concern to leaders who have our society at heart.



PPC'S WALKING

Help pledge money to alleviate world hunger. Watch your bulletin and listen at church for announcements on how you and your family can participate one Sunday afternoon this spring in a worthwhile program. Get your walking shoes and go out and practice so the 10K walk feels like a stroll around the block.



CHURCH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL


1987

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>LOOKING AHEAD TO MAY:</p> <p>3: Confirmation Day</p> <p>10: Pancake Supper & Silent Auction</p> <p>15: Mother - Daughter Banquet</p> <p>17: Crop Walk</p> <p>31: DEDICATION OF NEW BUILDING</p>	<p>3: Confirmation Day</p> <p>10: Pancake Supper & Silent Auction</p> <p>15: Mother - Daughter Banquet</p> <p>17: Crop Walk</p> <p>31: DEDICATION OF NEW BUILDING</p>	<p>1:00-6:00 P.M. The Lord's Table</p> <p>Wednesday → 2:45 P.M. Collingswood Birthday Party</p>	<p>9:30 A.M. WOC Bible Study</p> <p>Craft Workshop</p> <p>11:00 - Staff Mtg.</p> <p>4:45 - Jr. Highs</p> <p>6:30 - Confirm.</p> <p>7:00 - Supper</p> <p>8:00 - Dr. Miller</p>	<p>7:00 P.M. Handbell Choir</p> <p>8:00 P.M. Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p>6:00 P.M. Wedding Rehearsal</p>	<p>4:30 P.M. Johnson Wedding</p>
<p>6:30 - New Member Seminar</p> <p>6:30 - Sr. Highs at PPC</p>	<p>8:00 P.M. Worship Committee</p> <p>7:30 P.M. PPC Bridges</p>	<p>1:00-6:00 P.M. The Lord's Table</p> <p>Wednesday → 2:45 P.M. Collingswood Birthday Party</p>	<p>9:30 A.M. WOC Bible Study</p> <p>Craft Workshop</p> <p>11:00 - Staff Mtg.</p> <p>4:45 - Jr. Highs</p> <p>6:30 - 8:30 Confirmation Class</p>	<p>7:00 P.M. Handbell Choir</p> <p>8:00 P.M. Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p>6:00 P.M. Wedding Rehearsal</p>	<p>4:30 P.M. Johnson Wedding</p>
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<p>SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM</p>	<p>7:30 P.M. Deacons' Meeting</p>	<p>1:00-6:00 P.M. The Lord's Table</p> <p>Wednesday → 2:45 P.M. Collingswood Birthday Party</p>	<p>9:30 A.M. WOC Bible Study</p> <p>Craft Workshop</p> <p>11:00 - Staff Mtg.</p> <p>4:45 - Jr. Highs</p> <p>6:30 - Confirm.</p> <p>7:45 - Shalom</p>	<p>7:00 P.M. Handbell Choir</p> <p>8:00 P.M. Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p>12:00-3:00 PM GOOD FRIDAY Service at St. Francis</p>	<p>4:30 P.M. Johnson Wedding</p>
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steeple to people announces....

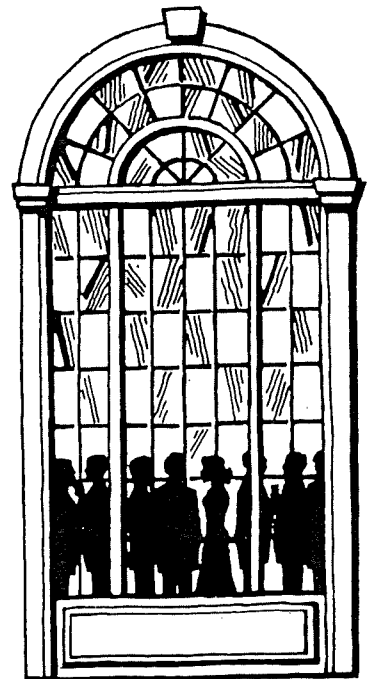
THE SESSION invites all members and friends of Potomac Presbyterian Church to join us for an OPEN HOUSE AND DEDICATION of our new facilities on Sunday, May 31, at 4:00 p.m.

This special service and celebration marks the completion of the dream of the founding members of our congregation. We look forward now to expanded opportunities for ministry in the Potomac community.

The service will begin in the sanctuary with our guest Dr. James Leitch, organizing pastor, sharing his reflections on the early days at PPC. Special music will be provided by a brass ensemble. In a grand procession we will move from the sanctuary to the new Fellowship Hall where the service will continue with the introduction of guests and appropriate remarks.

Following the service the members of the Building Committee will be hosting tours of the building. Refreshments will be served by the WOC.

Please join us for A GRAND CELEBRATION AND DEDICATION OF OUR NEW FACILITIES TO THE GLORY OF GOD.



ALL IN THE FAMILY

WELCOME TO:

EVAN THOMAS GRAY, born March 19 in California, son of Timothy and Beverly Gray, grandson of Marjean and John Gray.

MARRIED APRIL 11:

MARK DARYL GUSTAFSON and ELIZABETH ANNE JOHNSON at PPC.

BAPTIZED APRIL 26:

JEFFREY CHARLES BRINSFIELD, son of Chuck and Tina Brinsfield.

KATHERINE ANN KING, daughter of Robert and Cheryl King.

CHRISTOPHER DANIEL WILLOUGHBY, son of Michael and Ruth Willoughby.

REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:

HILDA HEMING recovering at home following surgery. . .

TOM BOOGAARD recovering at home following hospitalization . . .

DAPHNE BOOGAARD recovering at home following hospitalization . . .

MARION LATIMER, mother of Pat King, in a nursing home in New York . . .

NELLIE CARTER, 8-year-old granddaughter of Bob and Virginia Fredlund, recovering beautifully from surgery. . .

FATHER of Judith Forgotson who is ill in St. Louis.

MOTHER of Maryann Cookerly who is ill in South Carolina.

MARTY MACDONALD in the death of her brother.

DORRE LYTTLE in the death of her sister.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

KATHERINE BENTZEN of the Capital Aquatics Diving Club who won two February events in the Potomac Valley Diving Association Junior Classic Meet.

Relay runner STEVE KAHL who helped Landon star in recent Landon Relays.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO: KERRY!

IN SESSION

At the Session meeting Monday, April 20, 1987, Elders

. . . . heard the report of Bill King, Chairman of the Building Committee, on estimated total construction costs and plans to present that information to PPC members

. . . . learned that offering for ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING totaled \$2442.55

. . . . was informed that Ann Hageman will serve as Superintendent of Sunday School and Cindy Faller as Coordinator of the Nursery beginning in the fall

. . . . were given individual Statements of Faith written by members of the Confirmation Class in preparation for being received as members of PPC on May 3.

WOMEN

All ladies are invited to a
COFFEE May 7 at 10:00 at PPC.

The FIRST ANNUAL MOTHER-DAUGHTER
BANQUET will be held May 15 at
7:00 in the new Fellowship Hall.
Tickets may be purchased from Lynn
Bigler Sundays after worship in
Fellowship Hall or from Shea John-
son in the office weekdays through
May 10. Ladies 7 and over: \$6.50;
ladies 6 and under: \$4.00.

Madeleine Greene, a home
economist with the Maryland Cooper-
ative Extension Service, will speak
on "Low-Budget Chic" - how to use
accessories in fashionable yet
budget-conscious ways.

Don't miss this "first". You
may not be a grandmother; you may
not be a mother; but ladies, you
are ALL DAUGHTERS!! Please join
us for a girls-night-out!

WOC is providing refreshments for
DEDICATION SUNDAY, May 31. We're
looking for dips, tea sandwiches,
cookies, all kinds of finger foods.
Please call Ruth Lincoln 340-0760
or Cecie Phair 926-8944 to volun-
teer your refreshment donation.
If we don't hear from you, you'll
hear from us! It would be a great
help if you'd call first!

The Nominating Committee has
presented the following SLATE OF
OFFICERS for the 1987-88 year:

President	Pat King
Programs	Maryann Cookerly
Treasurer	Barbara Perry
Secretary	Bettina Curtis
Resources	Shirley Tietjen
Global Mission	Ruth Lincoln
Local Mission	Dawn Thompson
Historian	Lynn Bigler
Coffees	Wanda Sherfy
Luncheons	Charlene Brumbaugh



May 15
7:00 p.m.

Your "no-fits" and "don't-
needs" from garage, attic, closets
and under junior's bed are needed
by the WOC for their JUNE 5-6
RUMMAGE SALE. Items may be
brought to Fellowship Hall no
earlier than June 1. The earlier
in the week you bring them the
easier will be the work involved
in sorting and pricing. Please
don't drop a ton on the doorstep
at the last minute!

We will accept anything
(probably not a box of guinea pigs!)
. . . . especially your help any
day that week and for certain we
need many workers on the two sale
days. Please please please volun-
teer to Lynn Bigler, 983-1682;
ask anyone who has worked our
rummage sales - it's almost more
hard work, fun and profit than
you can stand!

Will you loan us your card
tables for that week? Mark your
name on the bottom and deliver on
Monday, June 1, along with your
station-wagon full of donations;
they'll be much appreciated in
set-up.

RUMMAGE

10 CONFIRM

On May 3, following a breakfast hosted by 8th grade parents for Confirmands, families and the Session, the Session will hear Statements of Faith from our young people. During worship the group of ten will be accepted into PPC membership. That afternoon, the Senior Highs welcome the new members into their fellowship with a party/cookout. Truly, it will be an exciting day for the following. We welcome and congratulate them.

Jamie Beck	Brent Matson
Ken Bedingfield	Melissa Redman
Jenny Chung	David Rose
David Evans	Melissa Smith
Scott Koonce	Gregory Lynn Tennent

AUCTION:

On May 10, at 5:00 p.m., the Senior Highs and the Faith Share Committee are jointly sponsoring a PANCAKE SUPPER AND SILENT AUCTION. Faith Share is attempting to raise money to host our Girvan, Scotland, visitors in October. All persons donating art to be auctioned, please set it up in the Library by Friday, May 1. Work will be on display for the congregation May 3 through May 10.

Check the poster in the narthex to make donations of any kind for the auction or contact Dennis McMahon at 340-7605 or Lynn Matson at 279-5598.

You are invited

Bravo.

THANK YOU, ALICE SMITH and your helpers for the beautiful Easter Sunday coffee hour in our new Fellowship Hall. All members and visitors are invited each Sunday to enjoy coffee and fellowship in the new room following the worship service.

AND, of course, say yes when Alice asks you to be a hostess!

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PHOTOGRAPHERS NEEDED FOR EVENTS!

PLEASE CONTACT LYNN MATSON TO VOLUNTEER TO TAKE SLIDES OF SPECIAL CHURCH EVENTS

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THE NEXT NEW MEMBER SEMINAR WILL BE HELD AT THE KENDALL HOME, 6:30 P.M., MAY 17. ANYONE WISHING TO UNITE WITH THE CHURCH, PLEASE CONTACT CAMILLE KENDALL OR EITHER OF THE PASTORS.

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SENIOR HIGH CALENDAR

- May 3 Confirmation Party 6:30
- May 10 Silent Auction/Pancake Supper 3:00 for youth
- May 17 Program 6:30
- May 24 "Fun Night" 6:30
- May 31 Dedication Sunday 4:00

A Thank You to the

ladies who provided casseroles for the evening shelter, Rainbow Place, at Rockville Presbyterian Church this past cold season:

Dawn Thompson	Pat King
Nelia Chichester	Bettina Curtis
Kay Mitchel	Dorre Lytle
Wanda Sherfy	Ginny Crozier
Rusty LaGuardia	Nancy Mellem
Jan Malone	Alice Smith
Naomi Ulmer	Marty MacDonald

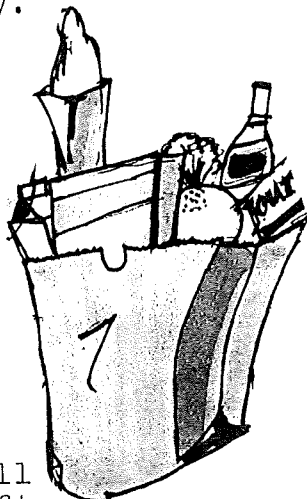
Your cooking is always greatly appreciated!

GAITHERSBURG HELP needs food to stock their food pantry.

Suggestions:

- cereal
- peas
- Spam
- soups
- stews
- applesauce
- corned beef
- peanut butter
- grape jelly
- tomatoes
- 3-5 qt. instant milk

For storage purposes, buy the 16-oz. can. All donations should be left in the basket in the narthex. And, thank you!



Mission : Time For Action

As reported last month, PPC was given the opportunity to comment on a study paper about Peacemaking. We invited all to participate and about twenty of you did so. If it is possible to make a general statement about a complex issue, it would be fair to say that while we obviously endorse the goal of peace among all nations, most of us do not endorse the "resistance" measures discussed in the study paper. The "measures" included such actions as withholding the portion of our tax dollars which go for defense, not registering for the draft, not working in a defense industry, etc. Our response will be sent to the appropriate committee of the General Assembly along with a clear indication that we support positive Peacemaking efforts. Now may be just such a time for PPC folks to be heard from. Why not take the time to write to your elected officials and voice your opinions about the current missile reduction proposals. We need to let our Christian opinions be heard - especially NOW on this important issue.

-John Lytle, Chair
Mission Committee

COLLECT LABELS

DON'T FORGET Davis Stuart, a Presbyterian Home for Children, which is in need of Top Value, S&H Green, Family, Gold Bond and Quality Stamps. Receipts from these stamps provide educational, recreational and household equipment. Also needed are Campbell products labels, Swanson products triangles, and proof of purchase seals from Recipe dog food. If you have any of these, please give them to Ruth Lincoln, 340-0760.

Rest

YOUR FEET FOR NOW . . .
PPC'S CROP WALK
HAS BEEN
POSTPONED.

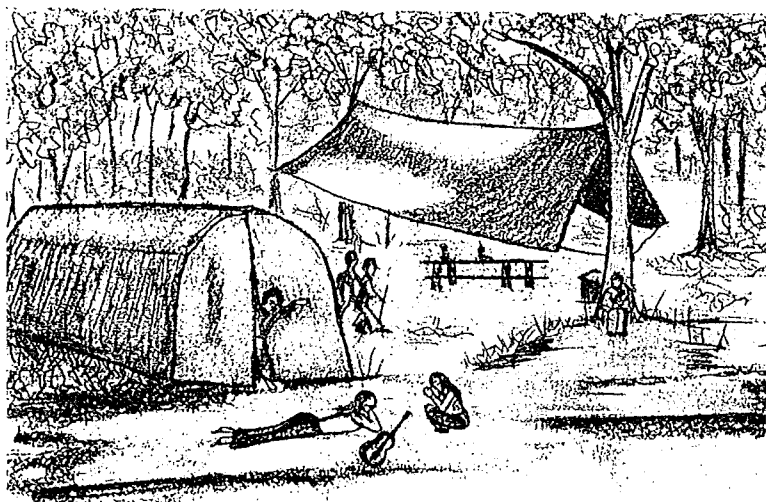


ALL ABOUT GLENKIRK

CAMP GLENKIRK IS - owned and operated by the National Capital Presbytery. The camp is located southwest of Washington at Gainesville, Virginia, on 214 acres. Facilities include a lodge, staff cabins, swimming pool, bath houses, recreation facilities, lake, nature trails, and camping villages. Campers sleep in one of five villages of hogans (structures with canvas top, wooden floor, cots), one of the two villages of tree-houses (houses on poles among the trees), one village of Adirondack type houses, or one lakehouse (a wooden structure with sleeping and eating facilities).

CAMPING AT GLENKIRK IS -

- a time to pause and take stock of the meaning of one's life
- an opportunity to discover and live the Christian life style
- the possibility of knowing more fully the dignity of being a human
- a small group experience where Christian community is to be lived
- where the total environment and all experiences and relationships are seen as an opportunity to discover new dimensions in God's purpose
- discovery, fun, adventure, excitement of the out-of-doors, and celebration of life.



SOMETHING SPECIAL CAN HAPPEN AS A GLENKIRK CAMPER BECAUSE -

- life is lived close to the creative forces of the out-of-doors
- there is an extended length of time to develop life together
- there are counselors and staff who care deeply for people and seek to relate the Christian faith to daily life
- individual responsibility for behavior, actions, and thoughts is encouraged in an atmosphere of loving concern and built-in standards.

BROCHURES WITH REGISTRATION FORMS
ARE AVAILABLE IN DIANE'S OFFICE.
CAMP GLENKIRK IS AN EXPERIENCE
WORTH HAVING! ! !

CE HAPPENINGS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL -

will be offered this summer;
watch for details in the near
future.

TEACHER RECOGNITION SUNDAY -

is set for June 28.

HUMAN SEXUALITY WORKSHOP -

in conjunction with St. Marks,
this annual workshop will take
place at PPC on September 18, 19,
20. The weekend is for all 7th,
8th, and 9th graders and their
parents.

CHURCH CALENDAR
OF EVENTS

1987

May

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>LOOKING AHEAD TO JUNE:</p> <p>5-6: Rummage Sale 19-21: Senior High Retreat 28: Teacher Recognition</p>						
<p>CONFIRMATION SUNDAY</p> <p>8:45 - Confirmation Breakfast</p> <p>9:45 - Adult Education: "Mature Children of Aging Parents"</p> <p>6:30 - Senior High Party for Confirmands</p>	<p>8:00 P.M. Worship Committee</p>	<p>1:00 - 6:00 P.M. The Lord's Table</p>	<p>9:30 A.M. WOC Bible Study Craft Workshop</p> <p>11:00 - Staff Mtg. 4:45 - Jr. Highs 7:45 - Shalom</p>	<p>10:00 A.M. WOC Coffee</p> <p>7:00 P.M. Handbell Choir</p> <p>8:00 P.M. Sanctuary Choir</p>		
<p>9:45 - Adult Education: "Scruples"</p> <p>5:00 - Pancake Supper & Silent Auction</p>	<p>8:00 P.M. Committee Meetings</p>		<p>9:30 A.M. WOC Bible Study Craft Workshop</p> <p>11:00 - Staff Mtg. 2:45 - Collingswood Birthday Party</p> <p>4:45 - Jr. Highs 7:45 - Shalom</p>	<p>7:00 P.M. Handbell Choir</p> <p>8:00 P.M. Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p>7:00 P.M. Mother/Daughter Banquet</p>	
<p>9:45 - Adult Education: "Scruples"</p> <p>6:30 - New Member Seminar</p>	<p>8:00 P.M. Session Meeting</p>	<p>1:00 P.M. Presbytery Meeting at Smokey Glen</p>	<p>9:30 A.M. WOC Bible Study Craft Workshop</p> <p>11:00 - Staff Mtg. 4:45 - Jr. Highs 7:45 - Shalom</p>	<p>7:00 P.M. Handbell Choir</p> <p>8:00 P.M. Sanctuary Choir</p>		
<p>9:45 - Adult Education: "Scruples"</p> <p>DEADLINE: Steeple To People</p> <p>DEDICATION SUNDAY</p> <p>9:45 - "Scruples" 4:00 - Dedication Service</p>			<p>9:30 A.M. WOC Bible Study Craft Workshop</p> <p>11:00 - Staff Mtg. 4:45 - Jr. Highs 7:45 - Shalom</p>	<p>7:00 P.M. Handbell Choir</p> <p>8:00 P.M. Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p>Wedding Rehearsal</p>	<p>11:00 A.M. McMahon Wedding</p>

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Kerry Stoltzfus, Senior Pastor
Diane Kramer, Associate Pastor
Lynn Bigler, Editor

steeple to people

KERRY ON —

The new facilities at PPC are nearly complete and we all look forward to a Service of Dedication on Sunday, May 31, at 4:00 P.M. I know all members of the congregation join me in a special word of thanks to our Building Committee. Thank you, Bill King, Chairman, Kitty Albright, Peggy Hawley, Bob Jenkins, Walter Maxwell, Roger Mellem, Kay Norvell, Gene Sharer and Bob Tietjen. Thank you, Wilma Boddiger and Lynda Tennent for helping with decoration and furnishings. Thank you, Mike Bentzen, Ed Clark and Tom Cookerly for your work on the Building Fund Committee.

It seemed at times as though Bill King might have felt something like Noah when God commissioned him to build an ark. I have been saving an article for the completion of the building entitled, "How Long, O Lord...?"

After Noah started to work, one day the Lord came to check on the progress. "Where is the ark I commanded thee to build, Noah?" And Noah said, "Verily, I have three carpenters off ill. The gopher wood supplier hath let me down. Shem, my son, who helpeth me on the ark side of the business, hath formed a rock group with his brothers Ham and Japeth." And God said, "Come thou, Noah, I have left thee with a deposit, and thou hast signed a contract." And Noah said, "Lord, thou knowest in thy wisdom what it is like with delivery dates."

To Bill and the Committee, who have spent innumerable hours, suffered many headaches, and weathered the trials and tribulations of this building program, we say a heartfelt thanks. The ark which you have wrought is truly a building of which we are all very proud. More than that, you have provided a place of worship and fellowship, education and mission which we are about to dedicate to the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Remember, if you felt like Noah and his crew at times, you are in good company for the Lord loved Noah and made him a promise for all times and all peoples.

"Behold, I establish my covenant with you and your descendents after you, and with every living creature." (Genesis 9:9,10)



GUESTS
FLOWERS
REFRESHMENTS
TOURS
DREAMS COME TRUE
—
DEDICATION SUNDAY
MAY 31 4:00 P.M.

All in the Family

IN SESSION

WELCOME TO:

CAROLYN JEAN KOZAK, daughter of Patty and Tom Kozak, grandbaby of NANCY AND ROGER MELLEEM.

LAUREN GENE BRANNING, daughter of Karen and Eric Branning, grandbaby of WILMA AND GENE SHARER.

DANIEL PATRICK SMITH, son of Mary and Alan Smith, grandbaby of ALICE AND LEW SMITH.

MATTHEW SCOTT IRVINE, son of Jane and Tom Irvine, grandbaby of VELMA AND LARRY KILLION.

MARRIED:

May 8: CHRISTINA (TINA) BISSELL and Robert Faass, at St. Mark's.

May 30: Lisa Burke and DENNIS MCMAHON, at PPC.

REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:

JUDITH FORGOTSON and her family in the recent deaths of her father and her father-in-law.

CELIA SULLIVAN and her family in the death of her mother on Good Friday.

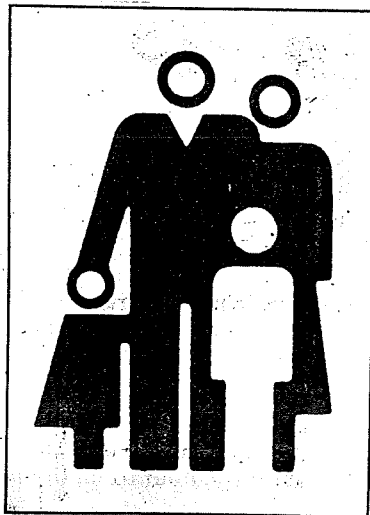
ANN HAZARD and her family in the death of her brother.

TOM BOOGAARD recovering at home after his stay at George Washington Hospital.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

KRISTINA NORVELL, National Merit Scholar at Holton Arms.

SHARON MATSON, Graphics Editor of the Churchill Yearbook, won three State of Maryland awards for her work.



At the Session meeting, May 18, 1987, the Christian Education Committee announced VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL will be held at PPC



Vacation
Church
School

JULY 27-31

....the Silent Auction held after worship on May 17 yielded \$2225 to be shared by the Senior Highs and the Faith Share Committee.

....the Fellowship/Outreach Committee reported attendance of 80 at the Mother-Daughter Banquet.

....in consideration of our new and newly renovated facilities which includes new carpeting and furnishings, the Property Committee proposed a NO SMOKING policy for the entire church building which the Session voted to implement.

....Session approved forwarding the results of "Resistance" Study Paper to Advisory Council on Church and Society. A copy of our study group's response is available for review in Diane Kramer's office.

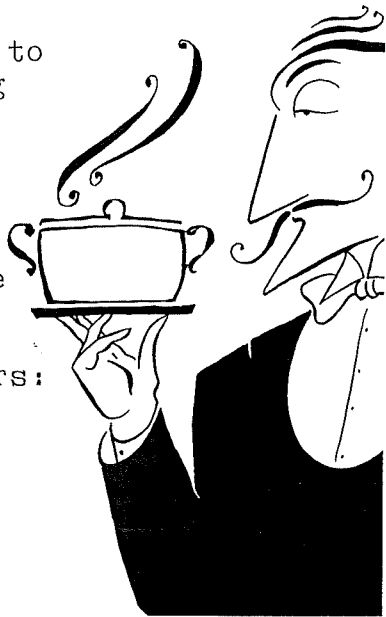
....the Mission Committee has announced that MARC HUMMON, son of Jean and John Hummon, will be attending the theological seminary at Vanderbilt University beginning in the fall.

80 WOMEN

Nearly 80 daughters, moms, and grandmas were on hand to inaugurate the first WOC-sponsored Mother-Daughter Banquet in our new Social Hall, May 15. Following dinner, songs and stories, several ladies modeled the accessory creations of guest speaker, Madeleine Greene.

Many helped to make the evening successful, but
SPECIAL THANKS go to a group which made the evening so relaxing for the ladies: the Charming and Efficient Waiters:

- BILL SHANKLAND
- BOB TIETJEN
- JOHN CLOUSE
- BILL KING
- LEW CHAPIN
- BILL HARRISON
- BRIAN BENTZEN
- MIKE BENTZEN



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The WOC held its May 7 Coffee in the new Parlor. Watch for information on our first fall Coffee.

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THANKS to the WOC and all participants who provided delicacies to fill the tables on Dedication Sunday.

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WORKSHOP FOR WOMEN

NOW IS THE TIME . . . for all good PPCers to bring

RUMMAGE

donations to the church. We'll take books, magazines, records, TV's, shoes, winter coats, cups and saucers, motorcycles and playpens. If you can get it here, we'll sell it! You may begin carting your treasures to Fellowship Hall on June 1. See Lynn Bigler for a tax receipt.

Just because you're loyal newsletter readers, we'll tell you that the two large beautiful chandeliers which hung in the old Fellowship Hall will be on sale June 5-6. Interested?

Please be sure to have all your donations at church by Thursday, June 4; earlier, if possible. And plan to stay and help sort and price when you do so. Many hands are needed every day that week.

Portable clothes racks are desperately needed for displaying our Sack's Thrift Avenue garments; can you lend one?

Proceeds of the sale help support the good works of the WOC.

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"WHY MEN GO CRAZY AT MIDLIFE AND HOW TO KEEP FROM JOINING THEM"

Tuesday, June 2 7:00-9:30 P.M.

Please sign in the narthex if you can attend. This will be a workshop with active participation. Guests are welcome. Ruthanne Stoltzfus will lead this group. She is a graduate student in Trinity College's Health Promotion Counseling program.



FLOWERS FLOWERS

Many thanks to the following who made possible the many beautiful floral arrangements throughout the building on Dedication

Sunday: Ruth and Bill Lincoln; Sally, David and John O'Neal; Dennis and Lisa Mc-

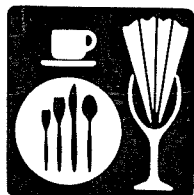
Mahon; Bettina Curtis; Gene and Wilma Sharer; Lynn and Phyllis Matson; Kay and John Norvell; Pat King; Gloria and Charles Leber; Bob and Virginia Fredlund; Judith Forgotson; Isabel Bartholomew; Lynn Bigler; Jackie Evans; Rosa Egan, Marjean and John Gray; Miriam and Fred Sass; Marilyn and Jim Spivey; and Ruth and Michael Willoughby.

ONLY 50

... will be seated for the PPC Annual Spring Progressive Dinner. Call Lynn Bigler at 983-1682 to make your reservation and receive a food assignment. Rumor has it you'll have to eat filet mignon again!

Watch bulletins for details about this June 20 event.

*come dine
with us...*



GRADUATING IN '87?

If you are - or know of - a graduate of high school or college this spring, please call the church office at 299-6007 so we can celebrate this event in the next newsletter.



20th CENTURY PRESBYTERIANISM

Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary has received a grant from the Lilly Endowment, Inc. for a 3-year study of American Presbyterianism in the 20th century. This study is triggered in part by the dramatic membership loss in the Presbyterian Church during the last 20 years, a pattern characteristic of mainstream Protestant denominations. Presbyterians have been a declining percentage of the American population since the 1920's, but in the last two decades membership has declined by approximately one-third.

This study will also focus on theological developments in American Presbyterianism during the 20th century and the church's changing relationship to American culture. It will also investigate the history of the organizational strength and vitality of the Presbyterian Church as it sought to carry out its mission activities.

The results of the research will be communicated through conferences and publications. We shall "stay tuned."

MEET THE ENEMY... MEET THE BODY OF CHRIST

On Wednesday, June 10, at 8:00 P.M. in the Library, the Rev. Donald Allen will be our guest for a special presentation of his 1986 trip to the U.S.S.R. Don is the Pastor of Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church and his trip was one which he created himself for the twofold purpose of "meeting the enemy, and meeting the body of Christ."

Our invitation to him to share his experience stems from the work of the Study Group which recently finished its work on PRESBYTERIANS AND PEACEMAKING, Are We Now Called To Resistance? Beyond its firm response, NO!, we are not called to resistance, the group began to explore what it does mean to be called to be peacemakers in the twentieth century. Knowing more about our enemies seemed to be a good place to start.

The Russian Orthodox Church is approaching its 1000th anniversary; the Reformed Church in Russia numbers its members at one million. Come join us on June 10 to learn more about our brothers and sisters in faith in a land and culture far removed from us.

JUNE 10 8 PM
The Church
In Russia
Don't Miss It!

Introducing

The following new members were received by the Session on Sunday evening, May 17, 1987. We welcome these new families into the work and worship of our Church.

ROBERT C. AND HELEN ("BETSY") GOELTZ
12201 Glen Road 670-0952

Bob and Betsy come to us by Reaffirmation of Faith. The Goeltz's have two children: Bobby (14) and Christina (12). Bob is the Tennis Coach at the University of Maryland and Betsy teaches second grade at the Primary Day School in Bethesda. Frank Bond's Parish.



DONALD P. AND CAROL PIPER
9530 Reach Road 251-6288

The Pipers are joining PPC by Reaffirmation of Faith. Don and Carol have two children: Erin (4) and Brendon (2). Don is a Consultant specializing in mergers and acquisitions with the Great Falls Investment Group in Reston, Virginia. Carol is with Lewis of London in Rockville. Chuck Faller's Parish



RICHARD L. AND MOLLY TRUEB
STEVEN, MARGARET ANN AND JOHN
9705 Corral Drive 299-9531

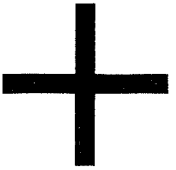
The Trueb family come to us by Certificate of Transfer from White Memorial Presbyterian Church in Raleigh, North Carolina. Dick is President of Interstate Resources, Inc., and Molly is a full-time Homemaker. Steven is an architect, Meg is a student at Auburn University, and John is at Churchill High School. Nelia Chichester's Parish.

Mission :

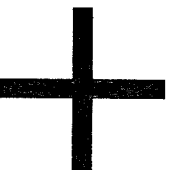
COMMUNITY MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS NEEDS. PPC has budgeted \$4,400 of our 1987 local mission budget for Community Ministry of Montgomery County (CMMC). Elsie and Calvin Reid are our representatives to CMMC and through them we are kept aware of various community needs.



ADEQUATE INCOME FOR THE POOR. One in ten Marylanders must depend on public assistance for survival. Maryland is the 7th richest state, but our welfare grants are 26th in the nation. Almost 200,000 recipients, mostly children, must live on cash grants and food stamps which together equal only 80% of what the Department of Human Resources estimates is necessary to live a minimally decent life. This year's state budget offers an increase of 15¢ per person per day.



FOOD. The Maryland Food Committee estimates that now 700,000 Marylanders are at risk of lacking food each month. Church food pantries and soup kitchens have increased dramatically in response to the need. There are 25,000 frail, home-bound elderly, chiefly in the counties, who cannot get home-delivered meals, due to a shortage of federal funds. There was no increase for elderly meals or grants for food distribution in the state budget.



HOUSING AND SHELTER. Maryland's lack of low income rental housing has reached crisis proportions. It is estimated that by 1990 there will be a shortage of about 39,000 units for families with incomes under \$10,000. This situation results in overcrowding and homelessness. On any given night, 1,900 homeless people cannot find shelter in this state. Most of the homeless - 58% - are under 30 years old, 28% are intact families, and there are increasing numbers of working poor among the homeless. The state has budgeted \$32 million to provide more low income housing units, supportive housing for the frail elderly, but another \$26 million is needed.



EMPLOYMENT. Today at least 100,000 Marylanders who want to work cannot find jobs. Minorities, female heads of households and youth are hardest hit. Federal dollars for job training have fallen dramatically. Low skill, entry level jobs are those most needed. The Investment in Job Opportunities program is a joint effort of the business, economic development and social services community to create jobs, help welfare recipients obtain and retain employment while providing supportive services to clients. The state provides \$5 million to serve about 850 welfare recipients but an additional \$10 million is needed.

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SENIOR HIGHS

voted to give \$1000 of their 1986 monies to the following four groups, \$250.00 each:

STEPPING STONES

GAP

KARMA PROGRAM

ZION CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

CHURCH CALENDAR
OF EVENTS

June

1987

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| | 7:30 P.M.
Deacons' Meeting | 7:00-9:30 P.M.
Workshop: "Why Men Go Crazy At Midlife and How To Keep From Joining Them" - Ruthanne Stoltzfus | 11:00 A.M. - Staff Meeting
7:45 P.M. - Shalom Bible Study (final meeting) | NO Choir Rehearsals | 10:00 A.M. -
4:00 P.M.:
WOC RUMMAGE SALE | 10:00 A.M. -
2:00 P.M.:
WOC RUMMAGE SALE |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| <u>PENTECOST SUNDAY</u>
9:45 A.M.
Adult Education: The Middle East - Conclusions | 8:00 P.M.
Committee Meetings | | 11:00 A.M. - Staff Meeting
8:00 P.M.
Rev. Donald Allen: "The Church In Russia" | 6:30 P.M.
Community Ministry of Montgomery County Annual Dinner at PPC
7:00 P.M.
Handbell Choir
8:00 P.M.
Sanctuary Choir | 6:00 P.M.
Wedding Rehearsal | 5:30 P.M.
Wedding |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 9:45 A.M.
Adult Education: <u>Kerygma Bible Study</u> | 8:00 P.M.
Session Meeting | Potomac Ministerial | 11:00 A.M. - Staff Meeting | 7:00 P.M.
Handbell Choir
8:00 P.M.
Sanctuary Choir | SENIOR HIGH RETREAT (Through Sunday) | Adult Social Group: PROGRESSIVE DINNER |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 9:45 A.M.
Adult Education: <u>Kerygma Bible Study</u> | Presbytery Meeting
Bradley Hills
Presbyterian Church | | 11:00 A.M. - Staff Meeting | NO Choir Rehearsals | | |
| 11:00 A.M. - TEACHER RECOGNITION | | | | | | |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | LOOKING AHEAD TO JULY: | | | |
| 9:45 A.M.
Adult Education: <u>Kerygma Bible Study</u> | | | 27 - 31: Vacation Bible School at PPC | Summer Worship | Summer Office Hours | |
| | | | | July 5 - August 30 | Beginning July 1 | |
| | | | | 9:30 - Worship | 9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. | |
| | | | | 10:30 - Fellowship | | |

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ALL IN THE FAMILY

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

NELIA CHICHESTER, ordained and installed as a Deacon on June 14 ...

HELEN and JIM BELL, parents of JANET KOONCE, who recently celebrated their 50th anniversary ...

LOWELL and BARBARA PERRY celebrating their 30th anniversary this month ...

ANN and BOB HAZARD celebrating their 30th anniversary this month ...

BILL and JANET HARRISON celebrating their 52nd anniversary this month ...

KRISTINA NORVELL, Valedictorian of her Holton Arms graduating class ...

FRED SASS who recently attended the 55th reunion of his University of Chicago Law School class ...

KERRY STOLTZFUS, ordained 17 years ago, July 16, at the Great Valley Presbyterian Church, Malvern, Pa., where he grew up and was confirmed ...

MAGGIE FAHS who recently received the Distinguished Service Award from the Association of U.S. University Directors of International Agricultural Programs for her dedication, for excellence in communications, and her advocacy for aid to developing countries ...

DENA PICKEN (niece of BETTINA CURTIS) and MIKE HASELTINE, married in our sanctuary June 13 ...

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REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:

JUDITH FORGOTSON and her family in the recent death of her father-in-law ...

JEAN, AMY, and HOLY WUCKOVICH in the recent death of husband and father, Nicholas ...

RANDY DUNNAVANT recently returned home from Suburban Hospital ...

DAVID EVANS recovering at home from surgery ...

Mother of KAY SUMMERS who is ill in Missouri ...

FRED BERGER at home after surgery at Johns Hopkins ...

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IN SESSION

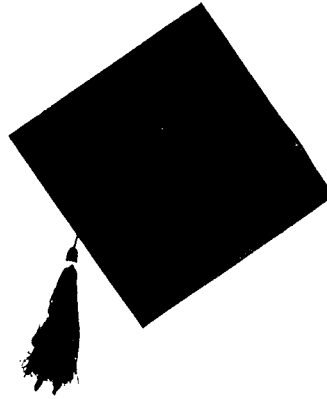
At the June Session meeting Elder Janet Olding presented update on plans to staff enrichment program in the fall and reported that Vacation Bible School program - July 27-31 - is set with recruitment of teachers still underway Elder Lynn Bigler proposed a Potomac Garden Tour as alternative to Christmas Bazaar Elder John Lytle reported on the annual dinner for 85 representatives of the Montgomery County Community Ministry held in PPC's new Fellowship Hall, June 11 Elder John Clouse announced that annual staff evaluations would be conducted during June Elder Mary Reichley distributed draft copies of the wedding booklet being prepared for use by couples planning to be married at PPC. It will cover all aspects of planning the wedding including meetings with the pastor(s) and guidelines for use of our facilities Elder Dennis McMahon was presented a gift from the Session on the occasion of his marriage to Lisa Burke.

It's Hot Out There

Please don't feel that necktie is really necessary on summer Sunday mornings. You are encouraged to dress more casually during July and August worship services.

HATS OFF TO OUR GRADUATES!

Following are our graduates, their high schools and the colleges they plan to enter. We congratulate each of them and send our love and best wishes to every one.



CHERYL BARTHELMAN - Wootton - University of North Carolina, Wilmington

* THOMAS BOOGAARD - St. Paul's, Concord, N.H. - Haverford

ELIZABETH ESTES - Holton Arms - St. Lawrence College

JACKIE FLAKE - Churchill - Cornell

ANNE HAWLEY - Churchill - Wooster

STEVEN KAHL - Landon - Dartmouth

KATHLEEN KOONCE - Holton Arms - Virginia Tech

MIKE LEBER - DeMatha - Penn State at University Park, Pa.

SHARON MATSON - Churchill - University of Richmond (Va.)

KRISTINA NORVELL - Holton Arms - Yale (Valedictorian)

KRISTI PEEK - Wootton - Ohio University

TRICIA SKINNER - Wootton - Montgomery College

SCOTT SMITH - Landon - Duke

RANDY SULLIVAN - Churchill - Frostburg

* MICHELE COOK - Escalon (California) - Delta College

And, these are our college graduates; we're so proud of them and wish them luck in the future.

STEVEN BRILL - LeHigh

CAROLINE CLARK - University of South Carolina

SUSAN HAWLEY - Wooster

BOB HAZARD - LeHigh

SUSAN REICHLEY - University of Pennsylvania

JODI SMITH - Bucknell

MICHAEL SUMMERS - Wake Forest

JOHN FAHS - Towson University

AND, HILDA J. GREGORY, mother of Lynda Tennent - 75 years young - recognized as the oldest graduate ever from the University of North Carolina, Wilmington. Hilda had 2 B's her freshman year but all A's after that, graduating summa cum laude! CONGRATULATIONS!

Honored

A Thank You to the

35 PPC readers who provided treasures, came as customers, or just stopped by to see the setup in the new Fellowship Hall of the early June WOC Rummage Sale.

A SPECIAL THANKS to Marj Sapanaro, her son Frank, and Sister Ann Marie of Visitation School in Georgetown who provided clothes racks which greatly facilitated our setup. Truly, we were involved in an ecumenical community outreach activity.

DOUBLE THANKS to Marjean Gray, Diane Gregg, Janis Bigler, Gloria Leber and Mary Reichley who assisted with the sale.

HEAPS OF THANKS to the faithful group who practically ate and slept in Fellowship Hall the first week of June: Lucille Ferrara, Ruth Lincoln, Alice Smith, Virginia Fredlund, Pat King, Sherry Bond, Nancy Mellem and Camille Kendall. You are jewels!

And, THANKS THANKS THANKS, Mom and Dad - Jean and Merl Ray - who came from Ohio to volunteer their hearts and hands to help us toward our total profit of \$1860.00.

Love you all! - Lynn Bigler

PS: And for all your work on our behalf during rummage week - Bob Fredlund - you are now an honorary member of the WOC!



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STOLEN from the newsletter at First Presbyterian Church, Hamilton, Massachusetts:

"The ladies of the church have cast off clothes of every kind and they can be seen in the church basement on Friday afternoons."

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VERY TASTY

The old and new WOC Board met for lunch at the home of President Pat King on June 15. Plans for the coming year were discussed. Watch bulletins and newsletters for dates and activities. All women of the church are invited to participate.

We Get Letters

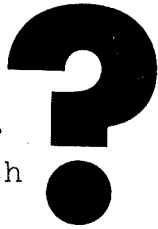
Excerpt from a letter received from Betty Shields, Women's Guild President at our sister church in Girvan, Scotland, upon the occasion of our WOC's sending them measuring cups and spoons:

"...Thank you for the wonderful Easter gift you sent to us. We had a very good children's story in church the Sunday after it arrived. I asked Robert if he would make an announcement to our Guild Ladies about our gifts - not only did he do that but he told the children about measures and different measurements and different standards in life and our Bible's standards. We all enjoyed it. So, you see, you gave us, in the Guild, a lovely and surprise gift and also you gave our minister inspiration for his children's address."

IT'S SO EASY

... every time you open a letter, tear off the commemorative stamp with a 1/4" border around it and save it for the WOC stamp collection. You'll be amazed at how the teapot will fill up in six months! Then bring the stamps to the office; there's a box marked CANCELED STAMPS with the other mailboxes there. Told you it was easy! The canceled stamps are sent to Church World Service where they are miraculously turned into monies which provide help for the poor.

DID YOU KNOW

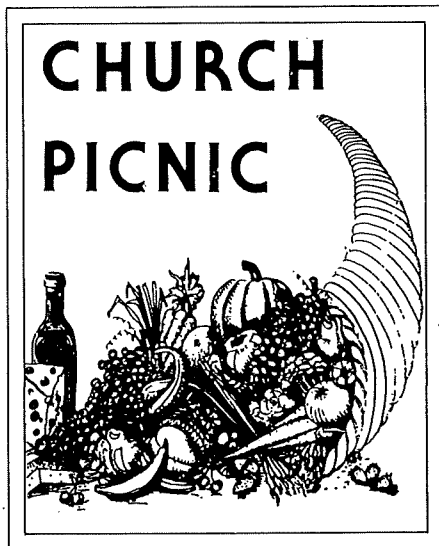


about the existence of the Deacons' Fund which is designed to provide instant financial assistance in the event of some sudden personal catastrophe such as a fire or a flood. Any members of the congregation who, unfortunately, find themselves in such a predicament can obtain emergency relief by contacting their Deacon.

WE HAVE A NEW NAME

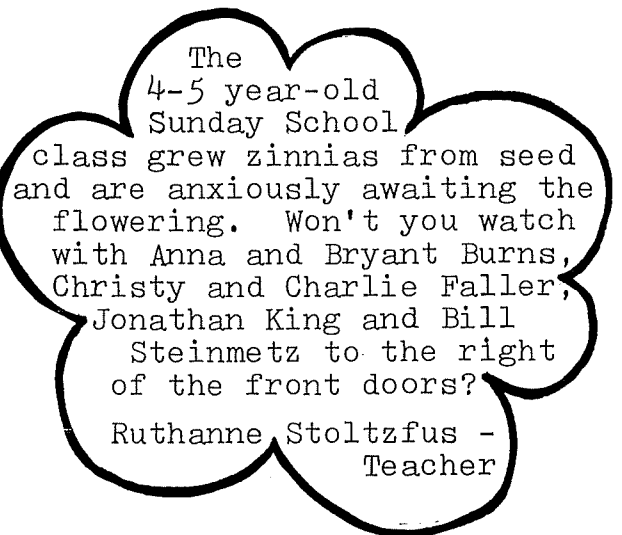
ADULT SOCIAL GROUP is not only a mouthful but not a very exciting name for our members who socialize together monthly throughout the year. So, we're just going to be the SOCIABLES from now on. 1987-88 activities are being planned now; why don't you plan to be SOCIABLE and join in the fun starting in the fall?

If you missed the filet mignon main course of the June progressive dinner, DON'T MISS the next get-together! Call and reserve as soon as you see announcements on coming activities.



On July 12, the Outreach Committee and the Board of Deacons will jointly sponsor a cook-out on our new patio. All church members are invited to come and we hope our newest members will especially take this opportunity to join in this family event. Mark your calendars now and watch the bulletins for details.

BRING YOUR CHILDREN



music to your ears

If you sing in the shower, we need you in the summer "Pick-Up Choir". The rehearsal is 30 minutes before the service each Sunday morning. No long term commitment is required. Sing one Sunday this summer or sing every Sunday. We begin Sunday, June 28. Please call Jackie Galliher at 469-7752 if you have any musical questions.

Thanks

FOR NOT SMOKING
IN THE BUILDING

85 came for dinner

The annual Montgomery County Community Ministry dinner was held in our new Fellowship Hall on June 11. The group is composed of commissioners from member churches. This dinner honored retiring secretary Phyllis Vanderberg. A special surprise was the visit during dinner by the entire choir of Colesville Presbyterian Church where Phyllis is a member. Their music was superb. Many thanks to Dawn Thompson and Pat King who organized this event.

"For Everything... A Season"

The newly formed Maryland Support Group, sponsored by the National Capital Singles Committee will meet the FIRST and THIRD SUNDAYS each month during June, July and August. Pat McLucas will lead the participants through conversations centering on personal turning points and transitions. With a principal theme "For Everything There Is A Season", the group will gather at 4:30 PM through 6:30 PM at Saint Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Road, June 21, July 5, July 19, August 2 and August 16. If additional information is needed, call Pat McLucas (703) 280-2958 or Betsy Dowling (301) 474-5937.

REV. ALLEN: RUSSIA

The Rev. Donald Allen of Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church spoke at PPC recently on the Christian church in Russia. His presentation was not a travelogue but a real focus on our fellow Christians behind the Iron Curtain. Rev. Allen visited in the homes of Christians and Refusniks there. His wonderful talk sparked an interest in PPC listeners and we hope to hear more in the fall. Don't miss his next visit.

Conference

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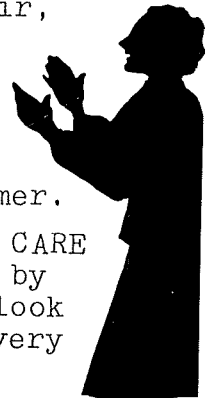
Diane Kramer will be at Montreat, July 6-11, as a member of the Planning Team. She will be a workshop leader on Adult Education. Elder Janet Olding will also be attending the Montreat Conference.

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TLC

A very special "THANK YOU" to all the ladies who baked cakes for the birthday parties at Collingswood Nursing Home during the past year:

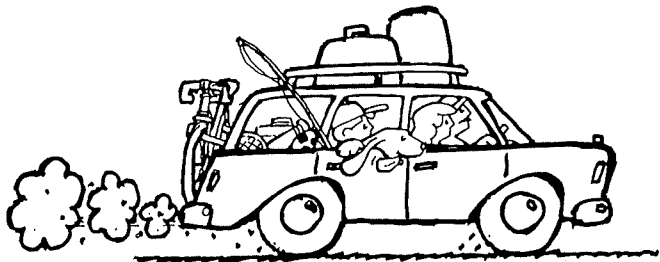
Bettina Curtis, Marjean Gray, Janet Harrison, Pat King, Ruth Lincoln, Nancy Mellem, Kay Mitchel, Cecie Phair, Marty MacDonald, Kay Norvell, Margery Orem, Barbara Perry, Miriam Sass, Marilyn Spivey, Trish Smith, Dawn Thompson, and Naomi Ulmer.



Your TENDER LOVING CARE is greatly appreciated by all the residents who look forward to our visit every month.

6 THANKS A LOT! - Alice Smith

NOT SO FAST ---



THE CHURCH'S BILLS
DON'T TAKE A VACATION . . .

DON'T FORGET TO KEEP YOUR
PLEDGES COMING DURING
JULY AND AUGUST.

HAVE A SAFE AND RESTFUL
SUMMER!

THANKS, TEACH !

Many thanks to our Sunday School teachers and to the volunteers who staffed our Nursery and Creative Enrichment programs this past year. Without their energy, enthusiasm and TIME, we could not provide the educational program for the children of PPC.

The Good News Bible says:

"Teach a child how he should live, and he will remember it all his life." (Proverbs 22:6).

As teachers, we all provide a valuable religious experience that will last a lifetime.

- Mary Margaret Smith
Sunday School Superintendent
- Margie Bedingfield
Creative Enrichment Coordinator
- Janet Olding
Christian Education Chairman

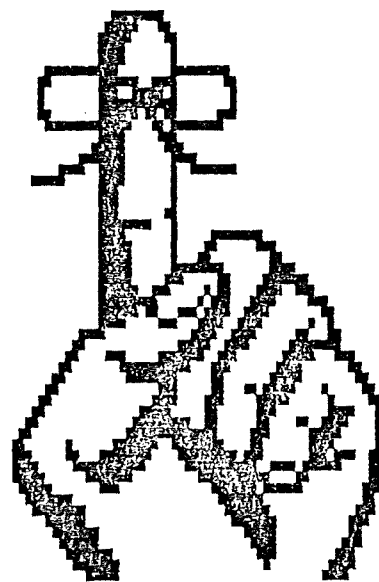
Gifts _____

Special thanks from the Building Fund Committee for the following gifts presented to the church at the May 31 Dedication Ceremony:

\$75 from the children of the church toward the purchase of a tree for the grounds . . .

\$1000 from the Senior Highs for furnishings for the Senior High Room . . .

\$1700 from the Women of the Church for equipment for the new kitchen . . .



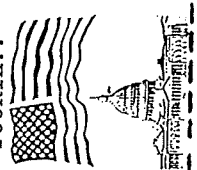
JULY AND AUGUST WORSHIP SCHEDULE

- 9:30 Worship, Nursery, Junior Enrichment, and Special Worship Activities for Grades 1 through 6.
- 10:30 Fellowship

CHURCH CALENDAR
OF EVENTS

July

1987

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|---|--|---------------------------------------|----------|------------------------------|---|
| <p>SUMMER SCHEDULE:
July & August</p> | <p>Worship
9:30 - Worship
10:30 - Fellowship</p> | <p>Office Hours
9:00 A.M.
to
1:00 P.M.</p> | <p>11:00 A.M. -
Staff Meeting</p> | | | <p>HAPPY
FOURTH!!
</p> |
| <p>9:00 A.M. - Pick-Up Choir
Rehearsal</p> | <p>Christian Educ.
Conference at
Montreat, N.C.
(Thru the 11th)</p> | | <p>11:00 A.M. -
Staff Meeting</p> | | | |
| <p>9:00 A.M. - Pick-Up Choir
Rehearsal</p> | | | <p>11:00 A.M. -
Staff Meeting</p> | | <p>Wedding
Rehearsal</p> | <p>6:30 P.M.
Perry - Kendall
Wedding</p> |
| <p>CHURCH PICNIC AT PPC</p> | | | | | | |
| <p>9:00 A.M. - Pick-Up Choir
Rehearsal</p> | | | <p>11:00 A.M. -
Staff Meeting</p> | | | |
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| <p>9:00 A.M. - Pick-Up Choir
Rehearsal</p> | <p>VACATION BIBLE
SCHOOL AT PPC
(Thru the 31st)</p> | | <p>11:00 A.M. -
Staff Meeting</p> | | | |



POTOMAC PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL July 27-31, 1987

11:30 A.M. to 2:30 P.M.

Children of the church and the community are invited to join us for our SPECIAL mid-summer VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL. Classes will be offered for pre-school (3yrs) through 6th grade. This will be a Christian Education experience with adventures in Bible study, recreation, fellowship and music. Each participant is asked to bring a bag lunch each day and to dress comfortably. The COST of this week is: 1 batch of cookies to be shared at refreshment time payable on July 27!!!!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL is sponsored and staffed by our Christian Education Committee, and endorsed and supported by our Outreach Committee. This is an activity to which our members are invited to "bring a friend;" therefore, PRE-REGISTRATION IS ESSENTIAL. Please complete and return the Registration Form below NO LATER than July 12 to the church office. [Additional registration forms are available in the church office.]

For more information call: Janet Olding (294-9665)
Diane Kramer (299-6007)

To volunteer to teach or assist call Jan or Diane!!!!



Detach and return to Potomac Presbyterian Church, no later than JULY 12, 1987.
10301 River Rd., Potomac, MD 20854

Student(s) Name(s): #1 _____ #2 _____
(same family) #3 _____ #4 _____

Birth Date: _____ Grade in school last completed: _____

Attends Potomac Presbyterian Church _____ Attends _____ Church.

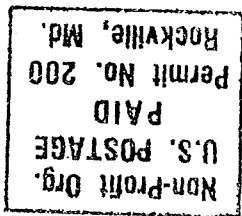
Allergies: _____ Other information teacher should know: _____

Parent(s)' Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone (Day) _____ (Evening) _____ (During VBS) _____

(more information on back)



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SPECIAL PERMISSION FORM

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

In case of emergency, and parents are unavailable, I give permission for the staff of VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL at Potomac Presbyterian Church to seek medical attention for my child(ren). Our family doctor can be reached at:

_____ (phone)

(Parent Signature)

(date)

STEEPLE TO PEOPLE

Kerry L. Stoltzfus, Senior Pastor + Diane P. Kramer, Associate Pastor + Lynn Bigler, Editor



July, 1987

Dear Friends,

In the two years plus that I have been your Pastor you have welcomed my ministry. In times of sorrow and stress as well as times of joy and celebration I have come to love you. You have welcomed me into your lives and your hearts.

Today as I write, your strong support and compassion in the sudden loss of my father confirms that you are welcomed into my life and my heart.

My whole family joins with me in deep and heartfelt gratefulness for your loving support. The meals, cards, letters, calls, flowers and visits have meant so much. Most especially, as I stood to read Psalm 103 at my father's Memorial Service, my eyes met Ed Clark's eyes and I knew that you were all there with us.

I trust that we will all grow through this experience in the love of Christ which binds our hearts together. My father's memory could receive no greater tribute.

With love,

Kerry

Dear Friends,

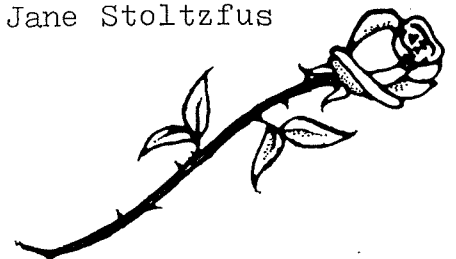
Thank you for the flowers to cheer us and for all the kindness shown to Kerry during this time.

Your love and concern for our dear son, Kerry, means so much to me. Some of my most difficult moments are not in sorrow so much for myself but for the fact that our children are hurting so much. They all loved their dad very much.

God is so faithful. We have walked close by His side for many years - since we trusted Christ as our personal Savior. Never will I doubt His Mercy and love and I find my strength each day in the promises of His word.

"Because He Lives!"

Jane Stoltzfus



ALL IN THE FAMILY

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

CLARK AND DIANE PERRY KENDALL who were married in our sanctuary by Kerry Stoltzfus and Diane Kramer on July 18.

BOB AND SHELLY SMITH JANNOTTA who were married July 25 at Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church by the Rev. Jim MacDonell.

CALVIN AND JANET KOONCE who celebrated their 22nd wedding anniversary on July 22.

BILL AND LYNN BIGLER who celebrate their 29th wedding anniversary on August 9.

DR. AND MRS. DONALD MILLER (ELEANOR), special friends of PPC, who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on July 21.

DR. DAVID TIETJEN, recently promoted to MAJ., U.S. Army, upon completion of his fellowship at Walter Reed Army Hospital in Nephrology. The Tietjens moved July 4 to Augusta, Georgia, where David assumed his new duties at Eisenhower Medical Center.

ROBERT R. FREDLUND who received the first annual Gladys Noon Spellman award for excellence in public service. Bob worked closely with the former Congresswoman in improving the merit system in the federal government and in Maryland.

BAPTIZED:

LAUREN GENE BRANNING, July 26, daughter of Eric and Karen Sharer Branning, grand-daughter of Gene and Wilma Sharer.

GRADUATED:

KEVIN BARTLETT from Wake Forest Law School.

ANDREW JOHN COLE from Colgate University with a BA in economics and psychology.



REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:

KERRY STOLTZFUS and his family in the recent death of his father, Earl W. Stoltzfus, in Florida.

FRED BERGER and his family who appreciate the continued care and support from the congregation.

CALENDAR

- AUG. 5-16 Diane Kramer
on vacation
- AUG. 17 Session Meeting
8:00
- AUG. 18-24 Kerry Stoltzfus
on vacation
- AUG. 25 Sunday School
Teachers meeting
8:00
- AUG. 31 Worship Committee
meeting 8:00

BAPTIZED

On Sunday, July 26, Lauren Gene Branning, daughter of Eric and Karen Sharer Branning and Granddaughter of Gene and Wilma Sharer, was baptized by Diane Kramer. During the Worship Service the children of the church were asked to make gifts for Lauren - to draw a picture, write a poem or a story - to help her remember her baptism in years to come. Here is an example of the gifts which were presented to Lauren that day:

Crying and confused
You weren't at all amused.
They placed water on your head
And your tears just fled.
You joined the holy family;
Everyone smiled so happily.
You wore a beautiful pink
dress that matched your mom's;
We said some prayers and sang
some songs.
We hope you'll live happily all
your life.
Love, care and always be nice.
Mother, Father, relatives, too,
Care for this one that's really
brand new.

Love,
Darcy Smith (age 9)

Community Service

Miriam's Kitchen is a breakfast feeding program located in Western Presbyterian Church, 1906 H Street, N.W. It has been cheerfully operating since October of 1983. About 100-150 people are served hot meals in the Kitchen in the mornings. They also can receive clothing, counseling, and job training at the Kitchen.

Miriam's Kitchen is a great opportunity for community involvement. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Diane Kramer at the church or John Lytle (775-3454 w; 424-5279 h).



Cancelled

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, which was to be held July 27-30, was cancelled this year due to a lack of pre-registration by participants. As of July 21, only 7 children were pre-registered. The decision to cancel was made with great reluctance but it was felt that to offer the kind of experience we would wish to offer, the enrollment would have to be higher.

WHAT ABOUT NEXT YEAR? If you were a family who could not participate this year, call the church office and let us know why. Is a different week better for you? Has Vacation Bible School lost its appeal? Would your whole family be interested in an evening FAMILY BIBLE SCHOOL? It is important that we know what our members want.

Now is your chance to tell us!

CHATTER

* Throughout the summer, CREATIVE ENRICHMENT will be offered during the worship hour for children ages 3-5. For children age 6 and above, there will be WORSHIP PACKETS available in the narthex each week. Children are encouraged to pick up a PACKET as they arrive, to participate in the activities (many of which are related to the day's Worship Service), and to return the unused portions of the PACKET to the narthex at the conclusion of the service. WE WELCOME OUR CHILDREN TO WORSHIP THIS SUMMER.

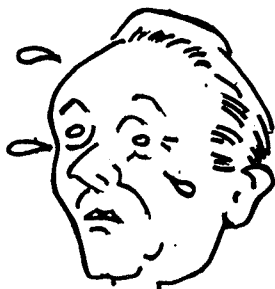


* YOU MAY PAY your Building Fund and General Pledge with one check, if you note the amounts designated to each on the check. Building Fund envelopes are not necessary.



* SUMMER PICK-UP CHOIR
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OFF
WITH
NECKTIES



You are encouraged to dress more casually during August worship services.

WELCOMES AND ONE FAREWELL

FAREWELL
to Shea Johnson who served faithfully as church secretary for the past eight years.

WELCOME
to Jean Spargur who began work on July 15. Jean and her family live in Rockville and are members of St. Mark Presbyterian Church. Be sure to introduce yourself when you call or come by the office.

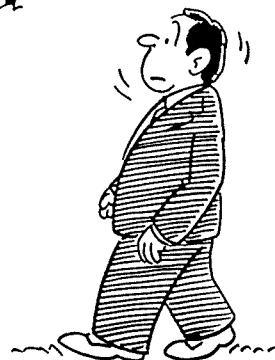
WE ALSO WELCOME
into the fellowship of Potomac Presbyterian Church the Trueb Family:

Molly
Richard
Steven
Margaret Ann
John

by Certificate of Transfer from White Memorial Presbyterian Church, Raleigh, North Carolina.



JOE MCKEEVER



It's worth lookin' for.

Be watching your mail in August to receive our annual OPPORTUNITIES IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION booklet. One will be mailed to each family describing the educational program of Potomac Presbyterian Church: the Sunday School classes for children, youth, and adults; Youth Fellowship; Confirmation Class; Kerygma; Women's Bible Study. Our new program year will begin on SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 at 9:45 A.M. PLAN TO JOIN US!!!

heifer project

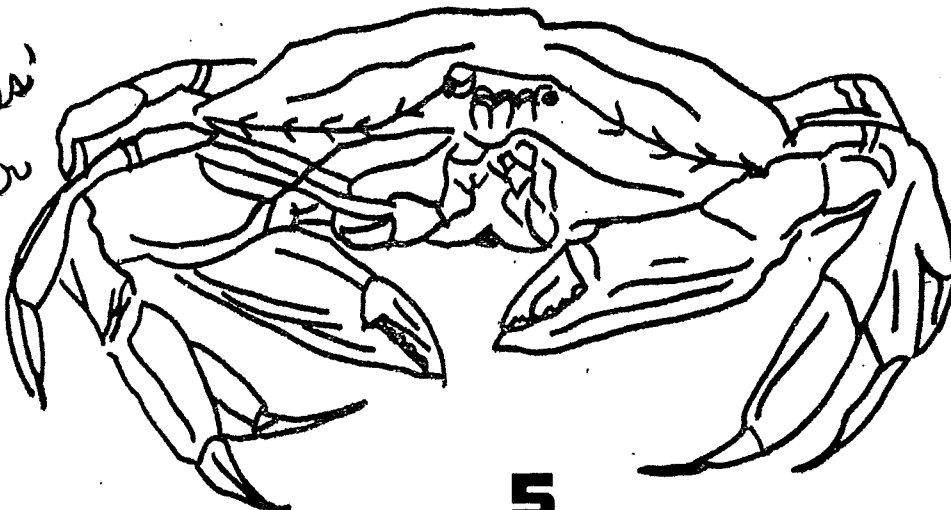
The Heifer Project International (HPI) was founded 40 years ago by Dan West on the conviction that the best way to achieve peace is by fostering international understanding, defending the dignity of every individual great or small, and insuring that every family has the means to provide food and a livelihood for itself. After World War II, HPI sent hundreds of boatloads of heifers and other farm animals to Germany and Japan as a symbol of desire for reconciliation. Since then, food-producing animals have gone to farm families in 105 different nations and 31 states in the U.S.

In 1986, a volcanic crater lake exploded in the northwest Province of Cameroon, Central Africa, and emitted toxic gases which killed more than 2000 inhabitants and over 4000 cattle in surrounding villages. HPI has initiated a project in cooperation with the Presbyterian Church in Cameroon to restock some of the dairy cattle to these families who are dependent on a daily milk supply for their traditional diet. The project includes a two-week training course in intensive dairy management for the farm families. Participants obtain animals on the condition that they pass on the first female offspring.

John Dieterly, Jr., the Mid-Atlantic Director of HPI, has asked National Capital Presbyterians for their help as the project gets underway. He is asking for \$10,000 to \$20,000 to help them get started on shipping the cattle from Kenya. If you can help, please send contributions to:

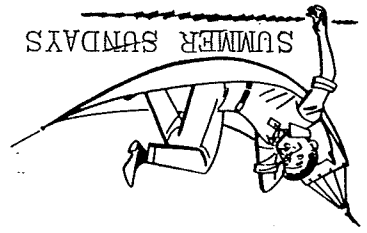
John Dieterly, Jr.
HPI-Mid-Atlantic Regional Office
PO Box 188
500 Main Street
New Windsor, Maryland 21776

*Socialables'
September
Crab
Feast*



*Watch
bulletins
for
details!*

9:00 Pick-Up Choir Rehearsal
9:30 Worship/Nursery/Enrichment
10:30 Fellowship/Refreshments



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KERRY ON ...

I picked up a book recently by Gregory Stock entitled The Book of Questions. The author's intention is to provide a provocative way to stimulate conversation and provide a tool for self discovery.

A few examples: "Given the choices of anyone in the world whom would you want as your dinner guest?" "What is your most treasured memory?" "Are there people you envy enough to want to trade lives with them? Who are they?" "When did you last cry in front of another person?" "Is there something you've dreamed of doing for a long time? Why haven't you done it?"

Perhaps you might like to sit around the dinner table some evening in the closing days of summer and try to answer some of these questions. I don't know whether Stock has considered the spiritual implications of many of his questions, but I was drawn to that dimension.

For example, "For what in your life do you feel most grateful?" Gratitude is at the heart of our relationship to God and the basis of true worship. Do we spend enough time identifying the particulars of our gratitude? As the old hymn says, "Count your many blessings, name them one by one." Once identified, how do we express our gratitude to others and especially to God? May your conversation be rich and your self discovery spiritually enlightening.

Kerry

Announcing

INQUIRER'S CLASS SERIES

A four-week Inquirer's Class Series conducted by the pastors will be initiated in the Church Parlor meeting September 6, 13, 20 and 27, from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. Those who want to learn more about the Presbyterian Church and those who are considering joining Potomac Presbyterian Church are warmly invited.

On Sunday evening, September 27, those people who have made the decision to join the church will meet with the Session at 8:00 at the home of Camille Kendall.



Update

We are looking forward to a visit from some members of the South Parish Church in Girvan, Scotland, in early October. Sunday, October 4, has been designated Faith Share Sunday (also World Wide Communion Sunday). Our Scottish visitors will participate in worship with us that Sunday. An International Coffee will be served at noon. Watch for news of activities during Faith Share Week (October 4-11).

ALL IN THE FAMILY

CONGRATULATIONS to HAROLD AND DORIS DURFEE who celebrated their 43rd wedding anniversary on August 10.

JIM AND HELEN LEITCH will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on September 6. Cards from you would add to their joy that day.

Dr. and Mrs. James K. Leitch
2435 N.W. 38th Street
Gainesville, FL 32605

Our friends living overseas would love to hear from you:

John and Jean Hummon
PO Box 90
Gabarone, Botswana, AFRICA

Jack and Nancy Bryant
c/o Aga Khan University
PO Box 3500, Stadium Road
Karachi-5, PAKISTAN

Peter and Vicki Swanepoel
170 Brook Street
Brooklyn
Pretoria, AFRICA

KLARA ROZNER is showing her oils at the NIH Galleries, Building 10, Center Drive, Bethesda, through September 15. Free underground parking. 722-1212 for information.

REMEMBERED IN PRAYER: PHILIP BERGER, brother of Fred Berger, who is recovering from heart surgery in Washington Adventist Hospital.

RUTHANNE STOLTZFUS and her family in the recent death of her aunt in Boston.



THE

WOC is kicking off the new season with a day out, September 23. We'll meet at the church at 9:00 a.m. to form carpools. Then it's off to Savage Mill in Savage, Maryland, for coffee, doughnuts, and an introduction and tour of this historical Maryland mill. After our tour and shopping, we'll have lunch at the mill.

Reservations must be made with Lynn Bigler, 983-1682, by September 18. Cost is \$12.00 per person. Checks made out to "WOC-Savage Mill" may be given to Lynn on Sundays or mailed to the church office by that deadline date.

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Watch bulletins and newsletters for coming WOC events:

October - a coffee
November - Bazaar
December - luncheon

Craft workshops resume September 16 to make final preparations for the Christmas bazaar.

Psssst!

Please call the church office and give us the addresses of your young people away at school and college so we can send them the newsletter throughout the school year.

GET HOOKED

RALLY SUNDAY

Sunday School participants of all ages are invited to meet for juice and doughnut holes in Fellowship Hall, September 6, 9:45 a.m., to learn about the education plans for the coming year.

Sunday School will begin promptly at 9:45 each week!

Junior and Senior Highs: watch the mail for your first meetings in September.

AND

COFFEE
DOUGHNUTS
SOCIALIZING

Come to a workshop on September 9, at 9:30 a.m. We need your help preparing craft projects for the children during the worship hour. Please call Margie Bedingfield, 299-4801, or the church office to let us know if you can assist.

AND

ATTENTION: PARENTS
OF CHILDREN 3
THROUGH THIRD GRADE

In September, we will be trying a new approach with your children during the worship hour. We will be linking the children's sermon with the creative enrichment activities. Diane will introduce a concept in the children's sermon; in Enrichment, the children will hear Bible stories and do art and craft projects related to that concept.

You, as parents, will know what your children are learning in Enrichment. You can reinforce their learning by asking about what they learned. Children need to know that what they are doing and learning is important.

Please let us know if you like this approach. Comments and suggestions should be directed to:

Margie Bedingfield

Diane Kramer

Music..

JOIN THE CHOIR

We need YOU in the music program at Potomac Presbyterian Church. Rehearsals begin Thursday, September 10.

HANDBELL CHOIR 7:00

SANCTUARY CHOIR 8:00

Just show up or call Jackie Galliher, 469-7752.



Garden Tour

PLANNING: THE LYNN/LYNN PROJECT

Lynn Bigler and Lynn Matson, chairmen of the Fellowship and Outreach Committees, respectively, are making plans for an all-church/all-community Potomac Garden Tour for early May of 1988. Subcommittee chairmen are needed plus workers on each committee in the following areas: Tickets, Signs, Publicity, Brochure, Hostesses, Gardens, Parking, Luncheon, Flower Show, Crafts.

Our purposes are twofold: to raise funds and to raise community awareness of Potomac Presbyterian Church.

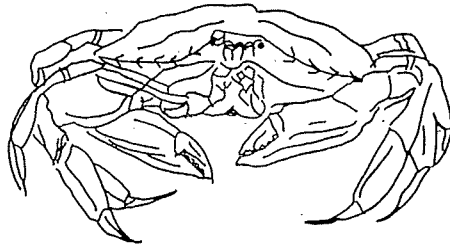
Sound like fun?
Sound like work?

YOU BET!

Get in the thick of it by calling Lynn or Lynn! We're looking for a few good folks to fill the few remaining slots. Tips on gardens to feature would be appreciated.



BYOM



BYOM (Bring Your Own Mallets) to the Skinners, September 19, 7:00, for a SOCIABLES' CRAB FEAST. Come watch the crab pig-out contest between two of our loveliest ladies!!

Reservations must be made by calling Marilyn Shankland, 983-0931, before September 13. Food assignments will be given when you call and a hostess fee will be charged at the door for the crabs. Call! Hurry! Limited to 18 couples.

**Shouldn't
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looking
ahead?**

OCTOBER

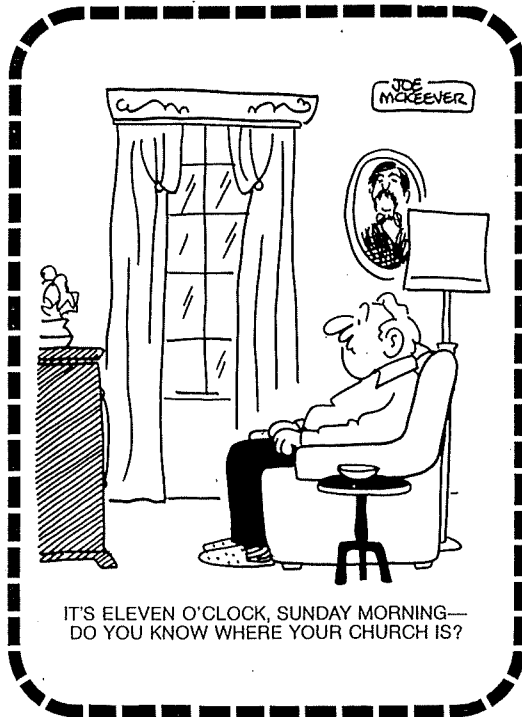
- 18 Nominees in Church Bulletin
- 25 Congregational Meeting; election of officers

NOVEMBER

- 1 Stewardship Sunday
- 8 New Officer Training
- 14-15 Session Retreat, Claggatt Ctr.
- 21 Presbytery Officer Training

IN SESSION

At the August 17th Session meeting, the Committees reported the following CE: Sunday School staffing nearly complete with many enthusiastic volunteers; brochure enclosed with newsletter Fellowship: fall social activities noted; Garden Tour plans underway Outreach; Girvan visitors' activities outlined; new format coming up for prospective new member meetings Mission: preliminary study of mission requests complete; presently reconciling requests with budget limitations Property: presented suggested guidelines for use of church facilities/fee schedule for weddings/receptions; to become part of the wedding booklet being prepared by the Worship Committee Stewardship, Finance and Personnel: Good news! PC is ahead of projected income at this point; committee working on fall stewardship campaign plans; personnel evaluations in process Worship: preparing for distribution of new wedding booklet; thinking ahead to Advent/Christmas plans.



CHURCH CALENDAR
OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

1987

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|---------------------------------|---|---|---|----------------------|--|
| 6** RALLY SUNDAY **
9:45 Church School
9:45 Inquirers' Class
1:00 Worship
2:00 Refreshments | | | | | Wedding
Rehearsal | Johnson Wed.
17:00 p.m. |
| 7 | | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| | | | Enrichment
Workshop 9:30 a.m. | 7:00 p.m.
Handbell Choir
8:00 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir | | 9-5 Leader
Training for
Sexuality
Seminar |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 9:45 Church School
9:45 Inquirers' Class
1:00 Worship
2:00 Refreshments | Committees Meeting
8:00 p.m. | | 9:30 Craft Workshop | 7:00 p.m.
Handbell Choir
8:00 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir
8:00 p.m.
Finance Committee | Sexuality
Seminar | Sociables C.
Feast 7:00
Sexuality
Seminar |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 9:45 Church School
9:45 Inquirers' Class
1:00 Worship
2:00 Refreshments
Sexuality Seminar | | 10:00 a.m. NCap
Presbytery at
Takoma Park | WOC Savage Mill
Trip | 7:00 p.m.
Handbell Choir
8:00 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir | | Sr. High Loc |
| Jr. High Spaghetti Dinner
8:30 p.m. at Church | | | Jr. Highs at Church
5:00-7:00 p.m. | | | |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | | | |
| 9:45 Church School
9:45 Inquirers' Class
1:00 Worship
2:00 Refreshments
8:00 p.m. New Members
Meet Session | | | 9:30 Craft Workshop
9:30 Women's Bible
Study
Jr. Highs at Church
5:00-7:00 p.m. | | | |
| Jr. High Fun Night | | | | | | |

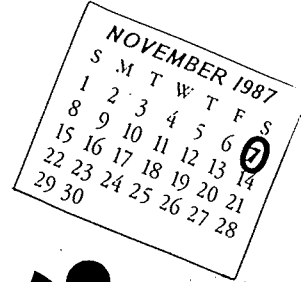
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Lay School of Theology

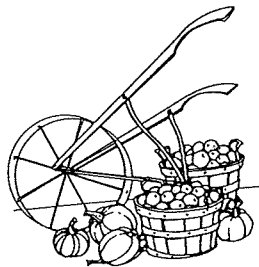
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.



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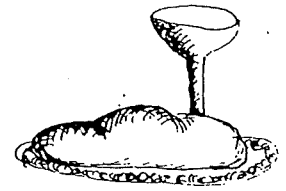


SEPTEMBER

TOGETHER AT THE TABLE

CHILDREN IN THE CONGREGATION

The presence of children in the congregational worship of the Presbyterian Church (USA) is not new. Many of us grew up attending worship each week with our parents, or perhaps even remember snoozing on a grandparent's lap during the sermon! While some churches have, over the years, provided an "alternative activity" for children during the Worship Hour, at PPC we feel very strongly that our children are to be welcomed and encouraged to participate in corporate worship. Our Creative Enrichment program is not designed to be "instead of" Worship but rather as a supplement to, and in many ways preparation for, Worship.



On October 4, we will gather together at the Table - we will celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper on what has been designated World Communion Sunday. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper is closely tied to the sacrament of Baptism, to the preaching of the Word, to the meaning of Christian discipleship, indeed, to the whole fabric of Christian worship and mission. It is most appropriate that we come to this celebration as the FAMILY of faith - young and old. All who are baptized, who trust Jesus as their Lord and Savior, are invited to feast at the Table.

We know that children grow in their understanding of and commitment to the Christian faith through the nurture of parents and other caring adults. In turn, when children grow in the faith, those who nurture them grow as well, and we become more aware than ever before of how deeply our faith is a corporate, shared, "family" experience, and not simply an individual matter. We cannot prepare our children to receive the Lord's Supper without, in a profound way, preparing ourselves as well. When children and adults gather together at the Lord's Table, we are given a visible reminder of the truth that we belong to Christ's church, not because of how much we know or the good deeds we have done, but because God has brought us together as a family.

In preparation for our celebration on October 4, reflect together in your individual families on what it means to each of you to belong to a family. Share together memories of special meals which you have experienced together; times when you have gathered together at your own tables and given thanks. Then spend a few moments thinking of our family of faith; of how we belong to and celebrate our thankfulness for that which we experience in this larger family.

In Scotland our friends sing a grace before meals which begins:

Come and dine, the Master calls us, Come and dine.

We may feast at Jesus' Table all the time

On October 4, World Communion Sunday, we invite all who trust in our Lord to "come and dine."

-DPK

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Editor

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STEEPLE TO PEOPLE

AN INVITATION FROM PASTOR STOLTZFUS

It is my conviction that the practice of stewardship is at the very center of our response to the Gospel. I believe we all need to listen to God's Word as we examine our response and prepare to re-affirm our commitments of time, talent and money.

Scripture passages are suggested for your reflection and prayer. Plan to spend at least twenty minutes daily. The setting aside of time for prayer and reflection is a stewardship issue itself. Find a place where you can be quiet and comfortable. Spend some time in quiet and be prepared for God to speak through His Word.

Some suggestions:

- + Read the passage slowly. Stay with any words or phrases that catch your attention.
- + You may want to write your reflections. Write a letter to God about the passage or a conversation between yourself and one of the characters in the passage. You might answer the question, "How are you trying to speak to me today, O God?"
- + Other questions for reflection: Did you feel any resistance to what the passage said to you? Did you feel called to any action? What did the Scripture say about your commitments of time, talent and/or money?
- + Make your prayer a time of inner dialogue with God about the insights, concerns or confusions the passage may have raised. You may want to conclude with the Lord's Prayer or a favorite Psalm.

On Sunday, November 1, we will be asked to make our stewardship commitment for 1988. It is my hope that our prayerful reflection through the month of October will greatly strengthen our response to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Of course I would welcome a call from anyone who would like to talk about his reflection on any of the Scripture passages.

Suggested Scripture Passages for Reflection in October:

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|----|-----------|--|----|-----------|----------------------|
| 1 | Thursday | Genesis 1:28 | 17 | Saturday | Luke 7:41-43 |
| 2 | Friday | Exodus 13:11-15, Leviticus 27:30-32 | 18 | Sunday | Luke 10:25-37 |
| 3 | Saturday | Deuteronomy 14:22-29, Leviticus 25:35-37 | 19 | Monday | Luke 12:15-21 |
| 4 | Sunday | Psalm 24:1, Psalm 145 | 20 | Tuesday | Luke 12:22-31 |
| 5 | Monday | Isaiah 1:12-17 | 21 | Wednesday | Luke 12:35-48 |
| 6 | Tuesday | Micah 6:8, Isaiah 58:6-9 | 22 | Thursday | Luke 13:6-9 |
| 7 | Wednesday | Matthew 6:19-21 | 23 | Friday | Luke 14:25-33 |
| 8 | Thursday | Matthew 6:24-34 | 24 | Saturday | Luke 16:1-13 |
| 9 | Friday | Matthew 20:1-16 | 25 | Sunday | Luke 16:19-31 |
| 10 | Saturday | Matthew 25:1-13 | 26 | Monday | Luke 18:9-14 |
| 11 | Sunday | Matthew 25:14-30 | 27 | Tuesday | Luke 19:1-27 |
| 12 | Monday | Matthew 25:31-46 | 28 | Wednesday | Romans 12:6-13 |
| 13 | Tuesday | Mark 8:35 | 29 | Thursday | ICorinthians 4:1-2 |
| 14 | Wednesday | Mark 10:23-31 | 30 | Friday | ICorinthians 6:19-20 |
| 15 | Thursday | Mark 12:8-17 | 31 | Saturday | ICorinthians 16:1-14 |
| 16 | Friday | Mark 12:41-44 | | | |

(Adapted from a paper by Eugenia Gamble, Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.)

ALL IN THE FAMILY

CONGRATULATIONS: A first great grandchild for Bob and Virginia Fredlund - Christopher Michael Adams, son of granddaughter Robin and Clark Adams, born August 25, in Pennsylvania - with red hair!

GRADUATED: Scott A. Hotes, son of Bill and Cathy Hotes, with honors from Case Western Reserve with a Bachelor of Science degree in physics.

CONVOCATION HONORS: Awarded to Carol Neel Fox in recognition of her academic achievement at Hood College in Frederick.

NEW ADDRESS: Bob and Virginia Fredlund, 4293 Oakhurst Circle East, Sarasota, Florida 34242.

AUTHOR, AUTHOR: Tom Steinmetz has recently written a manual on the ins and outs of applying for a home mortgage. "The Mortgage Kit" should prove valuable to the first-time buyer or someone thinking about refinancing.

FLY LIKE AN EAGLE: Jason Bigler, having completed 120 hours of service at PPC, has just passed his Eagle Scout Board.

REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:

Harry Evans whose brother died in Houston, Texas, recently.

Walter Propps who is recovering at home from surgery.

Mary Ann Cookerly in the death of her mother.

Chuck Smith in the death of his grandmother.

Fred Berger and his family.



DID YOU KNOW?

October 9 will be the 4th anniversary of Diane Kramer's ordination. She began her 5th year of ministry at PPC on September 1.

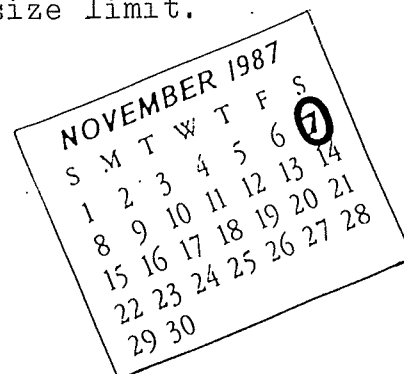
Lay School of Theology

I would like to introduce the newer members of our congregation to the Presbytery's annual Lay School of Theology and remind our other members who are familiar with it that it's that time again. The Lay School provides us with an excellent source for knowledge concerning scripture, theology, and the Christian life.

It is scheduled this year for November 7, from 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Warner Memorial Presbyterian Church in Kensington. The church is 1½ miles north of the beltway on Connecticut Avenue.

This is the seventh year for the Lay School. I had the pleasure of serving on the planning committee for its first three years and chaired it for one of those years. The faculty for the school includes some of the best instructors in their fields that can be found in the surrounding seminaries and local congregations.

There are eleven different courses offered this year. Please pick up a blue brochure in our narthex and look it over. You will want to get your registration form in soon as some of the classes have a size limit.



Rachel Harwell

SQUARE DANCE

Come do-si-do on October 10 at 7:00. It'll be a barbecue supper and square dancing called by Eben Jenkins. Beginners welcome!

Dress: western style, jeans, straw hats, bandanas, full skirts, FLAT shoes, square dance clothes if owned; something comfortable.

Call Lynn Bigler at 983-1682 to reserve and get a food assignment. Come to eat and watch the fun if you're not up to the dancing. Let's fill Fellowship Hall. Senior Highs y'all come, too!



LIVE HOLIDAY WREATHS
WILL BE SOLD AGAIN TO
SUPPORT DECORATING
NEEDS FOR THE ADVENT
SEASON. WATCH YOUR
BULLETIN FOR AN ORDER
BLANK.



WOC

19 ladies enjoyed lunch and a tour of Savage Mill for their WOC fall kick-off activity last week. The former textile mill, established in 1822 - located between Baltimore and Washington - is now a unique marketplace with many exciting shops, museum displays, and historical panels describing mill life and technology - a perfect blend of shopping and history!

WHAT'S UP

- October 22 - Coffee in the Parlor, 10:00 a.m.
- November 18 - Luncheon, 11:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall
- December 4 and 5 - NEW dates for the Christmas Bazaar

The CHRISTMAS BAZAAR will run two days this year for the first time ever - from 10-3:00 on Friday; from 10-2:00 on Saturday. Coffee, tea and goodies will be served in our mini-restaurant during the bazaar both days. In addition to a regular bake sale, we are asking everyone to donate a batch of Christmas cookies which can be gift-packaged and sold in our bake shoppe.

CRAFT WORKSHOPS continue each Wednesday morning at 9:30 to prepare. Does it sound like we need your help? You're right!

IN SESSION

At the Session meeting of September 21, 1987, Elders received a preliminary report from Ed Clark on the proposed 1988 budget as well as plans for the 1988 Stewardship Campaign . . . Elders Maxwell and Tietjen presented a complete statement of policy and guidelines for the use of church facilities which Session adopted Elder Olding reported Sunday School enrollment of 50 children through the 6th grade Elder McMahon outlined the comprehensive involvement of junior highs and their parents in the human sexuality course presented jointly with St. Mark Presbyterian Church September 18-20 Numerous Fellowship and Outreach activities were noted by Elders Bigler and Matson with special emphasis on Faith Share Week for our Scots visitors . . . Elder Lytle reported that Elsie and Calvin Reid will serve again as Commissioners to MCCM Elder Reichley announced that Rev. Nancy Pederson, Dean of Student Life at Union Seminary, Richmond, will participate in worship on September 27 as part of Seminary Sunday.



POTOMAC/GIRVAN



It is with great joy that we anticipate the arrival of Bill and Isobel Patterson, Ron and Agnes Gibson, David and Sheena Watson, and John and Mabel Cowie who will be visiting Potomac Church the week of October 3-11 as part of our FAITH SHARE partnership with South Parish Church from Girvan. Below is the itinerary for the week. PPC members are invited to join in the activities listed with an asterisk. Cost of each trip to be announced later.

- Saturday, October 3: 7:00 P.M. Dinner at Cliff & Camille Kendall's with all PPC folk who have visited Girvan (and Faith Share Committee members)
- Sunday, October 4: 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP & COMMUNION (Faith Share Sunday)
12:00 Noon Fellowship (International Coffee Hour)
Afternoon & Evening Free with Hosts
- Monday, October 5: WASHINGTON, D.C. (by Metro)
dinner and evening free
- Tuesday, October 6: * 7:00 A.M. depart PPC for CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA. (tour Monticello, University of Virginia, Ashlawn Plantation; lunch at Mitchie Tavern side trip to Virginia Metalworks) open to all PPC'ers
return via LEESBURG, VA. dinner at Laurel Brigade Inn
- Wednesday, October 7: WASHINGTON, D.C. (by Metro)
7:00 P.M. Progressive Dinner among Host homes
- Thursday, October 8: * 7:00 A.M. depart PPC for LANCASTER, PA. (tour Amish Country)
dinner at Groff Farm, Lancaster (open to all PPC'ers)
- Friday, October 9: 9:00 A.M. depart PPC for BALTIMORE, MD. (cruise on Coast Guard Cutter, tour Aquarium, Inner Harbor, G.M. Plant)
7:00 P.M. dinner together at The Manse for the Scots
(Kerry & Ruthanne Stoltzfus, Lynn & Phyllis Matson hosting)
- Saturday, October 10: free day for loose ends, local attractions
(Canal Hike/Stroll, Sugarloaf Mt., White Flint, Georgetown. . .)
* 7:00 P.M. Supper and Square Dance at PPC (guests & congregation)
- Sunday, October 11: 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP & FAREWELL

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Please note: all of the activities listed above are suggested. It is our intention that Faith Share participants will feel welcome and comfortable opting out of a specific event if it does not appeal to them, or suggesting an alternative activity which could better meet their interests.

PPC "EDUCATORS"

We are especially thankful for the commitment and energy which our educational leaders share each week with the children and youth of PPC. More than 50 children and 15 youth are involved in the 9:45 a.m. Sunday School Hour; 30 children are participating in Creative Enrichment during our Worship Hour. It is wonderful to see our rooms filled with lively young people. Please take a minute to visit our Sunday School and Enrichment classes and to thank those who are nurturing our young Presbyterians.

Ann Hageman - Coordinator,
Sunday School

Margie Bedingfield - Coordinator,
Creative Enrichment
Dennis McMahon/Janet Olding
Elders for Youth Ministry and
Christian Education

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

3-4's: Sarah Lincoln, Ruth Willoughby,
Nelia Chichester
K-1's: Margie Bedingfield, Tina
Brinsfield
2-3's: Judy Kahl, Molly Newell
4-5-6's: Diane Chapin, Betsy Goeltz
Jr./Sr. Highs: Diane Kramer

CREATIVE **Enrichment**

Junior: Frank/Sherri Bond, Tricia
Skinner, Cindy Faller, Janet
Kattah, Miriam Sass, Anne Hageman,
Joy Dritschilo, Don/Carol Piper
Senior: Winnie/Craig Brill, Elsie/
Calvin Reid, Clark/Diane Kendall,
Kay/Melissa Norvell, Ed/Gregory
Lynn/Edward Tennent, Arlene/Jane
Harris, Ruthanne Stoltzfus

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

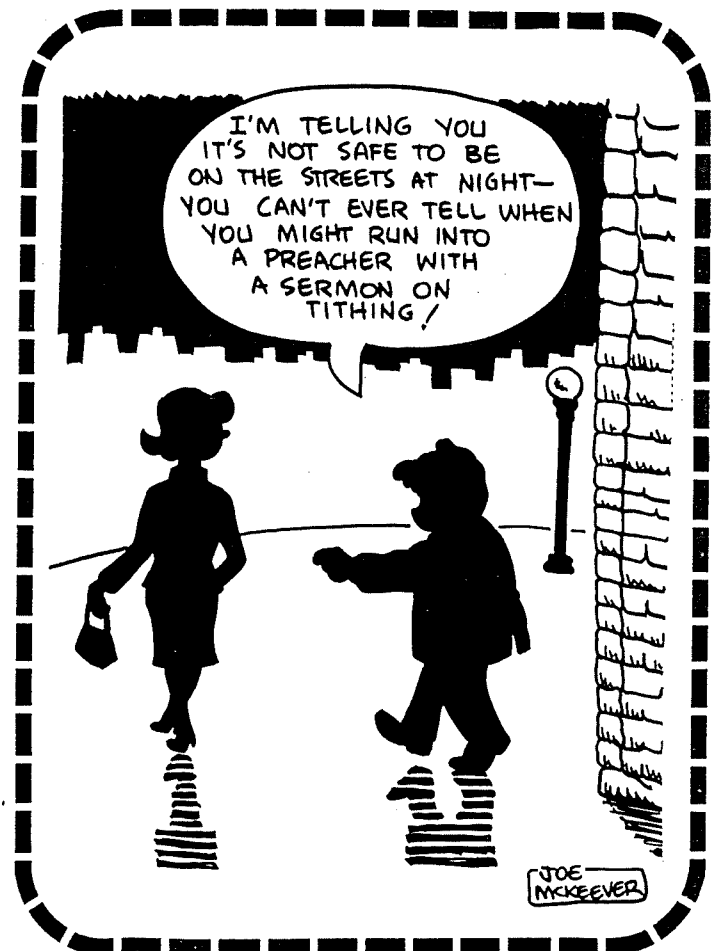
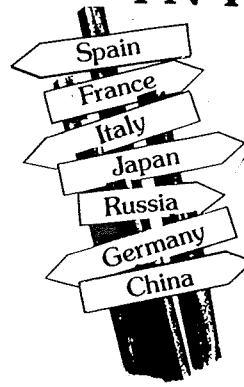
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Hee Chung, Camille Kendall, Martha
Bentzen, Trudy Gautier, Dianne Gregg,
Alice Smith

Watch for Youth Volunteers in the
next issue.

INTERNATIONAL COFFEE

In celebration of World Communion Sunday, October 4, the Fellowship Committee is sponsoring an INTERNATIONAL COFFEE following worship. Our friends from Scotland will be with us that day; please make it extra-special by bringing a batch of your favorite (foreign?) cookies to share. Please volunteer to Lynn Bigler or Alice Smith. AND, plan to wear your kilts, kimonos, dirndls, or other national costumes that morning.

WORLD
COMMUNION SUNDAY
OCTOBER 4



GONE...BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

Listed below are our new college freshmen, away for the first time. The congregation is encouraged to remember these youngsters with a letter or card of greeting throughout the year.

Miss Cheryl Lynn Barthelman
Box 25162
UNCW/Station
Wilmington, NC 28407

Mr. Thomas Boogaard
Haverford College
Haverford, PA 19041-1392

Miss Jackie Flake
Rm 4272 Balch Hall
Cornell University
Ithaca, NY 14853-1401

Miss Anne Hawley
The College of Wooster
Wooster, Ohio 44691

Mr. Christopher Stanton
Room 604 Jeanne Mance
University of Vermont
Burlington, VT 05405

Miss Kristina Norvell
P.O. Box 4064 Yale Station
New Haven, CT 06520

Miss Kristi Peek
408 Boyd Hall
Athens, Ohio 45701-2738

Miss Tricia Skinner
9001 Wandering Trail Drive
Potomac, MD 20854

Mr. Scott L. Smith
P.O. Box 10886
Duke Station
Durham, NC 27706

Mr. John R. Sullivan
120 D Diehl Hall
Frostburg State University
Frostburg, MD 21532

Mr. Steve Kahl
Dartmouth College
Hinman Box 1458
Hanover, NH 03755

Miss Kathleen Koonce
7073 West A Johnston
Virginia Tech
Blacksburg, VA 24061

Mr. Michael Leber
512 Poster Hall
University Park, PA 16802

Miss Sharon Matson
W.C. Box 5872
University of Richmond
Richmond, VA 23173

INQUIRER'S SERIES

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On Sunday evening, November 22, those people who have made the decision to join the church will meet with the Session at 8:00 at the home of Camille Kendall. Church recognition will be November 29.

We hope you enjoyed the zinnias on the right side of the entrance to the church. They were grown from seed and planted by some of our four and five-year-olds.

There are some pictures of the planting on the bulletin board.

POLICIES FOR THE USE OF THE CHURCH FACILITIES HAVE BEEN PREPARED BY THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE AND PASSED BY THE SESSION. COPIES OF THESE POLICIES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

CMMC

Community Ministry of Montgomery County held its first meeting for the year on Thursday, September 10. Reverend Lon Dring, Executive Director, set the tone for the meeting by citing a verse by Frederick Buechner:

God is calling us to that place where our deep gladness and deep hunger of the world meet.

MISSION WORK: RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

Several weeks ago Kerry preached a sermon with a message from Psalm 37, verse 3, which states: "Trust in the Lord, and do good . . ." Important words to live by, and if you heard Kerry's amplification and illustrations, I would guess the message will stick with you for a long time.

As I understand the Reformed Tradition as practiced by Presbyterians, our basic motivation to "do good" is to respond in a positive way to God's blessings which have been freely given to us. Obviously we have many opportunities to reflect God's love in our daily work and social contacts. In addition, our Mission Program at PPC provides an organized way through which members and friends can volunteer time, energy, imagination, and enthusiasm toward fulfilling Christ's ministry in the world.

Each week I receive many more requests for "people-power" than we can possibly fill; it is always difficult to say "no." I realize, however, that we live very demanding lives and we must choose carefully how we spend our time. Let me simply encourage you to consider, among your choices, one of the many opportunities which our Mission Committee can put before you - to "trust in the Lord, and do good . . ."

Give me, or any member of our committee a call: John Lytle, Judy Forgotson, Jim Reichley, John Norvell, Rachel Harwell, Marjean Gray, Art Heming, Bill Skinner, Diane Kramer.

*The Possibilities
Are Endless*

-John Lytle
Chairman
Mission Committee

CMMC is a ministry of local churches united to advocate for the poor, not primarily on an individual basis, but by addressing social, political and economic forces which impact on the less able. Confronted daily, however, by requests for emergency and direct aid to those in need, CMMC personnel and volunteers spoke to the CMMC Commissioners of the needs to address more forcefully than ever the Needs of the "Working Poor", the "Single Parent", and the "Elderly", particularly in housing. Improvements (ie., increases) in fundraising, volunteer services and membership for CMMC are goals for the year.

The undersigned will be reporting to you periodically on CMMC concerns and needs. Plan now for the annual Thanksgiving Hunger Drive and please be thinking of the talent or time you might be willing to devote, on an occasional basis, for a "Volunteer Bank" to be a way of addressing our neighbors' needs.

Cal and Elsie Reid
CMMC Commissioners

Psssst!

PPC BRIDGERS will meet Monday, October 5, at 7:30, at the church. If you would like to have some good bridge fun with fellow PPCers, we would love to have you join us. Call Lynda Tennent, 340-3031, or just come!

CHURCH CALENDAR
OF EVENTS

OCTOBER

1987

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|--|--|--|--|---|---|
| <p>4</p> <p>FAITH SHARE/WORLD
COMMUNION SUNDAY
9:00 A.M. King David Choir
9:45 A.M. Church School/
Adult Education
1:00 P.M. Worship
2:00 P.M. International
Coffee</p> | <p>5</p> <p>8-10 A.M. YMCA
Aerobics
7:30 P.M. Bridgers</p> | <p>6</p> <p>8-10 A.M. YMCA
Aerobics
9:30 A.M. WOC Bible
Study
Craft Workshop
5-7 P.M. Jr. Highs
7-11 Masterworks</p> | <p>7</p> <p>8-10 A.M. YMCA
Aerobics
9:30 A.M. WOC Bible
Study
Craft Workshop
5-7 P.M. Jr. Highs
7-11 Masterworks</p> | <p>8</p> <p>7:00 P.M.
Handbell Choir
8:00 P.M.
Sanctuary Choir</p> | <p>9</p> <p>7:00 P.M.
Handbell Choir
8:00 P.M.
Sanctuary Choir</p> | <p>10</p> <p>7:00 P.M. Bar-b-
que/Square
Dance</p> |
| <p>11</p> <p>9:00 A.M. King David Choir
9:45 A.M. Church School/
Adult Education
1:00 A.M. Worship
2:00 P.M. Fellowship</p> | <p>12</p> <p>8-10 A.M. YMCA
Aerobics
8:00 P.M. Committee
Worship
Meetings</p> | <p>13</p> <p>8-10 A.M. YMCA
Aerobics
9:30 A.M. WOC Bible
Study
Craft Workshop
2:45 Collingswood
Party
5-7 P.M. Jr. Highs
7-11 Masterworks</p> | <p>14</p> <p>8-10 A.M. YMCA
Aerobics
9:30 A.M. WOC Bible
Study
Craft Workshop
2:45 Collingswood
Party
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7-11 Masterworks</p> | <p>15</p> <p>7:00 P.M.
Handbell Choir
8:00 P.M.
Sanctuary Choir</p> | <p>16</p> <p>7:00 A.M. Roaring
20's to Old
Rag</p> | <p>17</p> |
| <p>18</p> <p>9:00 A.M. King David Choir
9:45 A.M. Church School/
Adult Education
1:00 A.M. Worship
2:00 P.M. Fellowship</p> | <p>19</p> <p>8-10 A.M. YMCA
Aerobics
8:00 P.M. Session</p> | <p>20</p> <p>8-10 A.M. YMCA
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Study
Craft Workshop
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7-11 Masterworks</p> | <p>21</p> <p>8-10 A.M. YMCA
Aerobics
9:30 A.M. WOC Bible
Study
Craft Workshop
5-7 P.M. Jr. Highs
7-11 Masterworks</p> | <p>22</p> <p>10:00 A.M.
WOC Coffee
7:00 P.M.
Handbell Choir
8:00 P.M.
Sanctuary Choir</p> | <p>23</p> | <p>24</p> |
| <p>25</p> <p>9:00 A.M. King David Choir
9:45 A.M. Church School/
Adult Education
1:00 A.M. Worship
2:00 P.M. Congregational
Meeting/Fellow-
ship</p> | <p>26</p> <p>8-10 A.M. YMCA
Aerobics
7:30 P.M. Deacons</p> | <p>27</p> <p>8-10 A.M. YMCA
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Handbell Choir
8:00 P.M.
Sanctuary Choir</p> | <p>30</p> | <p>31</p> |

Potpourri

A CHANGE FOR THE BETTER - a mini-course in the art of healthful cooking sponsored by The American Cancer Society, Wednesday, October 14, 10 til noon, at the National 4-H Center. Call 933-9350 for information.

Two Singles Events sponsored by the Singles Ministry Committee of National Capital Presbytery:

LIVING SINGLE IN A COUPLED WORLD - a day of workshops for single men and women, Saturday, October 3, \$15, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., at Knox Presbyterian Church, 7416 Arlington Blvd., Falls Church, Virginia.

FAITH AND SEXUALITY: LIVING OUR FAITH AS A SEXUAL BEING - a retreat at Camp Glenkirk, Gainesville, Va., October 23-25, \$15. Call our church office for information on either program.

MONTREAT

WHY SO EARLY? We would like to introduce Montreat to Potomac.

WHY? We think it is a fantastic place for our young people - professionally planned with a guaranteed great experience for every high schooler.

NOW is the time to block off the week of July 31-August 6, 1988, for your high schooler (entering 9th grade-graduating seniors) to enjoy a week at Montreat with other PPC young people.

Montreat is located 20 miles east of Asheville, NC, in a beautiful cove surrounded by the Blue Ridge Mountains.

The program includes small group discussions, large evening gatherings with contemporary music, and appealing recreational activities.

Attending camp together helps cement the group for a better PPC youth group. Look for more information in early 1988.

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Editor

November 1987

STEEPLE TO PEOPLE

KERRY ON ...

Jesus said, "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." Matthew 6:19-21

What is a treasure in heaven? Anything of lasting value is the simplest definition. Faith shared with our children, family and friends is a real treasure.

Values lived in vocation and community and family will last. If all our possessions were gone, the values we give our hearts will live on.

Memories left behind of integrity, goodness, grace, compassion, humor, and unselfishness are of inestimable value.

To the extent that we use our material blessings to build lasting value we will be laying up treasure in heaven. May all of us consider these words of Jesus as we make our pledge to His ministry through Potomac Presbyterian Church.

Sunday, November 1, is Stewardship Sunday. Remember, "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

Kerry

Announcing

At the Congregation Meeting held on October 25, the following persons were elected to three year terms:

ELDERS: Pat King
Sally O'Neal
Elsie Reid
Michael Willoughby

DEACONS: Bettina Curtis
Janet Koonce
Gloria Leber
Marnel Williams

Thanksgiving Eve Service

A Community Thanksgiving Service will be held on Wednesday, November 25, at 7:30 p.m. at Faith United Methodist Church on Montrose Road.

St. Francis Episcopal Church has invited us to attend their morning worship service on Thanksgiving Day, November 26, at 10:00 a.m.



COMBINED SERVICES

Potomac



Participants

Host Families, '84

Bentzen Kramer
 Evans Maxwell
 Harwell Parr
 Kendall Sherfy
 King Tietjen
 Koonce

Host Families, '86

Harwell
 Kramer
 Tennent

Youth to Girvan, '85

Brian Bentzen
 Jeff Evans
 Don Woodard
 Anne Hawley
 Sharon Matson
 Jennifer Kramer
 Katy King
 Beth Sherfy
 Katry Parr
 Josie Parr
 Jeannine Maxwell
 Tricia Skinner
 Jeanne Hazard
 (with)
 Jim & Rachel Harwell
 Ann Hazard
 Diane Kramer

Adults/Families to Girvan, '86-87

Pat & Bill King
 Donald & Dawn Thompson
 Barbara & Lowell Perry
 Alice & Lew Smith
 Bob & Virginia Fredlund
 Cliff & Camille Kendall
 John Lytle
 Sally O'Neal
 Dorre Lytle
 Kay & Ralph Mitchel
 Cece & Keith Woodard
 (Don, Kacie, Teri)
 Del & Mary Margaret Smith
 (Melissa, Arianna,
 Derek & Darcy)
 Bob & Margie Bedingfield
 (Gray & Ken)
 Wanda Sherfy

Host Families, '87

King Mitchel Perry Thompson

FAITH SHARE COMMITTEE

Lynn Matson, Convener
 Bob Benning
 Martha Bentzen
 Bob Hazard
 Jim Harwell
 Pat King
 Tricia Skinner
 Anne Hawley
 (Mary Thompson & Marty MacDonald)

ALL IN THE FAMILY

REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:

Betty Endicott recovering from surgery.

Susan Maxim recovering from an automobile accident.

Suzanne Begley whose mother died recently.

We continue to remember Fred Berger and his family.



Lay School of Theology



SENIOR HIGH ACTION

- Nov. 1, 8 at 9:45 a.m. Final sessions addressing adolescent stress
- Nov. 1 Probable hayride, time TBA
- Nov. 8 Surprise at 6:30
- Nov. 15 Dessert/presentation for students/parents on Montreat/Faith Share for summer of 1988, 7:00 p.m.
- Nov. 20-22 Yes, there is life after high school! All Senior Highs are invited to attend a special weekend, Nov. 20-22, in Raleigh, N.C., sponsored by the Synod Youth Council. 12 Presbyterian colleges will have reps at the Radisson Plaza for this retreat designed to deal with questions such as: "What will I do with my life?" "Will I go to college? Where?" "How does God fit into my plans?" Registration deadline Nov. 1; \$80 for the weekend. Questions? Call Rev. Di, 299-6007.

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Thank You

ALICE SMITH and bakers for a delicious International Coffee.
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THE ADVENT SEASON is just around the corner. The following activities have been scheduled. More details will be forthcoming.

ADVENT
December 6

Williamsburg
Breakfast

December 13 Supper/Craft Night

December 20 Caroling at Collingswood Nursing Home/Supper at Kendalls

WOC Has The Answer To Your Gift Giving Needs

Coming December 4 and 5 - Potomac's ONLY Christmas Bazaar! In our Fellowship Hall you'll find beautiful gifts for everyone on your list. In addition, we'll be serving coffee, tea and goodies during the bazaar. That's where you come in.

If you've been crying alligator tears because you haven't been able to participate in the bazaar preparation thus far, now's your chance. Please bake a batch of Christmas cookies and deliver them to the church by Wednesday, December 2. Crafty ladies will package them to sell or serve at the bazaar. Also, please bake something else for the bake table (bread, rolls, cakes, pies, whatever). Your contributions will be greatly appreciated. Bazaar profits go toward mission projects of the WOC, the group's own support, and special donations to the church.

If you can help the first week of December, please contact Lynn

Bigler to say **Yes** Plans are:

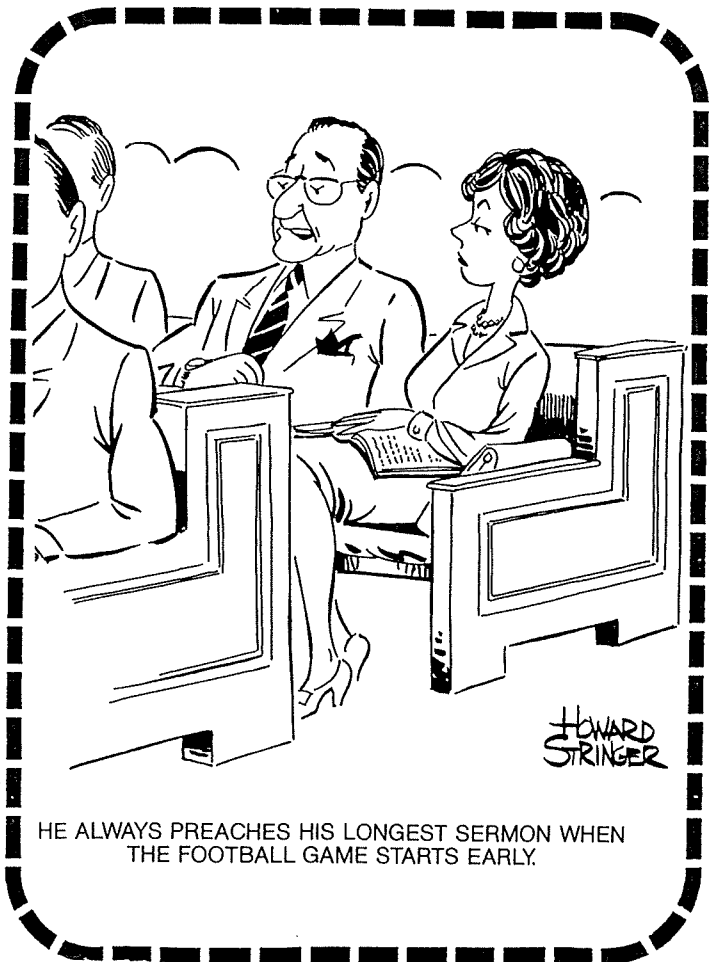
- Dec. 2 - cookie packaging/room set up 10:00
- Dec. 3 - craft set up 9:00
- Dec. 4 - BAZAAR 10-3:00
- Dec. 5 - BAZAAR 10-2:00/cleanup

DRIVERS NEEDED - The Montgomery Cty. Unit of the American Cancer Society is in desperate need of help to transport cancer patients to treatment centers. If you can spare a few hours a week, please call Moe Wulfow or Mary Parks at 933-9350.

IN TO LUNCH

On November 18, quadraplegic watercolor artist Eric Mohn will be the guest speaker at the WOC luncheon. Mr. Mohn, a self-taught painter, is a graduate of St. Andrews Presbyterian College. In 1981, one of his paintings was chosen for the Hopeful Art Exhibit in Toyko.

Reservations may be made by calling Kay Mitchel, 340-7768, prior to November 16, for this 11:30 a.m. very special gathering.



HE ALWAYS PREACHES HIS LONGEST SERMON WHEN THE FOOTBALL GAME STARTS EARLY.

Series

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IN SESSION

At the Session meeting held on October 19, Elders learned of varied programs scheduled for the coming Advent Season including the Williamsburg Breakfast, Sociables caroling, and Jackie Galliher's music program on November 22 coordinated plans for Stewardship Sunday considered several requests for use of our facilities presented by the Property Committee looked ahead to the annual Session Retreat to be held at the Clagett Center on November 14-15.

Introducing

The following new members were recently received by the Session. We welcome these new families into the work and worship of our church.

William R. and Karen King
7121 Darby Road
Bethesda, Maryland 20817 365-1519

Bill and Karen come to us by Certificate of Transfer from Village Presbyterian Church, Prairie Village, Kansas. The Kings have four children: Alyse 14, Nathan 12, Margaret 11, and Jennifer 6. Bill is a lawyer. Nelia Chichester's parish group.

Gabor and Joke Strasser
7305 Brookstone Court
Potomac, Maryland 20854 469-0891

Gabe and Joke come by Reaffirmation of Faith. Joke is from the Netherlands and Gabe is from Hungary. The Strassers have two small children: Steven 7 and Tessa 4 months, plus two grown children. Gabe is an engineer. Alexander Rozner's parish group.

John J. and Claudia Trant
8036 Herb Farm Drive
Bethesda, Maryland 20817 469-4879

Jack and Claudia come by Certificate of Transfer from Potomac United Methodist Church, Potomac, Maryland. The Trants have two grown daughters, Elizabeth and Marsha. Jack is a retired CPA. Rachel Harwell's parish group.

BARBERSHOP AFICIONADOS TAKE NOTE!

The Alexandria Harmonizers and the Bluegrass Student Union will perform on November 14 at 8:00 p.m. at Hayfield Secondary School. PPC's Sociables enjoyed this barbershop concert last November. Call the church office for ticket information.

BLOOD DRIVE

AT ST. FRANCIS



NOVEMBER 16

DONORS ARE SOUGHT.

The Many Ways You Can Help

Have you been trying to find a way to help others in our community? Do you have limited time and unlimited desire to help others? Look no further!

RAINBOW SHELTER at Rockville Presbyterian Church needs your help.

For the past six years, during the winter months, hundreds of women have found safety, warmth, food and a place to sleep at Rainbow Shelter. The shelter has provided this service from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. for 151 nights every winter.

There are many small ways you can make a contribution to this special ministry. PPC has been asked to furnish

CASSEROLES

a few days during the coming winter months.

For information regarding this easy gift of time and effort, please call Dawn Thomspson at 299-6214.

If casseroles don't "turn you on", there are other services you might prefer. Let's help our homeless sisters!

From Korea

In part, from John and Ruth Folta, Presbyterian missionaries to Korea, who visited us in 1986:

"...With so much about Korea in the media recently we want to assure you that we are all fine! Our work was in no way hindered by the student demonstrations even when they moved from the campuses onto the streets. Our Korean Christian friends are now filled with hope that a more democratic system of government will soon become a reality. From the pulpits of the largest churches in Seoul, to the pews of the tiny churches in the remotest islands, people have been praying, repenting, and calling on God to act. The institutions to which we are related such as the nursing school, hospital, Christian Broadcasting system, etc. are encouraged and hopeful that this is God's time for the changes for which they have prayed and worked. Join your prayers with ours for the future of this promising land, its Church and these institutions. . . ."

THROUGH GIFTS TO THIS CONGREGATION WE NOT ONLY SUPPORT the ministry of this church but also join together with

3,016,488 other Presbyterians, including

19,608 ministers and

121,652 elders, in

11,598 congregations,

189 presbyteries and

20 synods, and the

888 overseas mission personnel

working in 82 countries

to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to offer a ministry of concern, practical assistance, and of hope.

Lives are changed,
eyes are opened,
and hearts are
lifted to the Lord
because we believe that
Mission
is at the center
of our purposes as
a Presbyterian Church
and because we support
that conviction with
our mission
giving.

Our increased support through CONGREGATIONAL GIVING will extend the *whole mission of the whole church* to more people in more ministries in more places.

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CHURCH CALENDAR
OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER 1987

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|--|--|---|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY
9:00 AM King David Choir
9:45 AM Church School/
Adult Ed/Inquirers Class
11:00 AM Worship/Communion
12:00 PM Fellowship
Sr. High Hayride | 6:00 A.M. Jr. Highs/Miriam's Kitchen
8-10 A.M. YWCA Aerobics Class
7:30 P.M. Bridgers
8:00 P.M. Worship Committee | 1-6 P.M. The Lord's Table | 8-10 A.M. YWCA Aerobics Class
9:30 A.M. WOC Bible Study
9:30 A.M. Craft Workshop
5-7 Jr. Highs
7-11 Masterworks | 7 Handbell Choir
8 Sanctuary Choir | Davis Rehearsal | 9-4 Lay School of Theology
3:00 P.M. Davis Wedding & Recep. |
| 9:00 AM King David Choir
9:45 AM Church School/
Adult Ed/Inquirers Class
11:00 AM Worship
12:00 PM Fellowship
6:30 Sr. Highs
7 P.M. New Officer Training | 8-10 A.M. YWCA Aerobics Class
8:00 P.M. Committee Meetings | 10 | 8-10 A.M. YWCA Aerobics Class
2:45 P.M. Collingswood Birthday Pty | 7 Handbell Choir
8 Sanctuary Choir | 13 | 14
SESSION RETREAT |
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9 AM King David Choir
9:45 AM Church School/
Adult Ed/Inquirers Class
11:00 AM Worship
12:00 PM Fellowship
7 P.M. Sr. Highs w/parents
Faith Share/Montreat | 8-10 A.M. YWCA Aerobics Class
St. Francis Blood Drive
8:00 P.M. Session | 17
12:00 P.M. Potomac Ministerial Assoc.
1:00 P.M. Natl. Cap. Presbytery at Warner | 8-10 A.M. YWCA Aerobics Class
11:30 WOC Luncheon
5-7 Jr. Highs
7-11 Masterworks | 7 Handbell Choir
8 Sanctuary Choir | 19
20
Sr. Highs lv for College Weekend
Mellem Rehearsal | 21
12:00 P.M. Mellem Wedding & Recep.
Presbytery Officer Training |
| AMERICAN MUSIC SUNDAY
9:00 AM King David Choir
9:45 AM Church School/
Adult Ed/Inquirers Class
11:00 AM Worship
12:00 Fellowship
8:00 PM New Members Meet with Session | 8-10 A.M. YWCA Aerobics Class
7:30 P.M. Deacons Meeting | 24
7-11 Masterworks | 8-10 A.M. YWCA Aerobics Class | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT
9:00 AM King David Choir
9:45 AM Church School/
Adult Ed/Inquirers Class
11:00 AM Worship
12:00 PM Fellowship | 8-10 A.M. YWCA Aerobics Class | 29 | 30 | 31 | 32 | 33 |

spectacular events

NOVEMBER ADULT EDUCATION 9:45 a.m.

Kerygma meets in the Library.

Nov. 1 Addressing Adolescent Stress: Identity/Self Esteem

Nov. 8 Addressing Adolescent Stress: Family Communications

Nov. 15 Guest: Rosalyn Thompson of CMMC, Coordinator of Emergency Assistance

Nov. 22 Guest: Ed Knippers, artist - Christian ministry through one man's art

Nov. 29 Mission Interpretation: Our Church in the World

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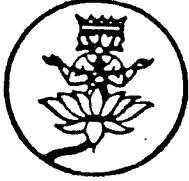
I doubt that God wants to hear pompous proclamations of thanks on one Thursday in November as much as He wants to hear a little heartfelt thanks from us each day of the year!

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EIGHTH INTERFAITH CONCERT

Tuesday, November 17,
8:00 p.m. at the
Washington Hebrew
Congregation



Massachusetts Avenue and
Macomb Street, N.W.

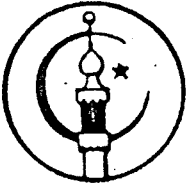
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STEEPLE TO PEOPLE



KERRY ON ...

WHAT IS THE SESSION RETREAT ALL ABOUT?

At our Session meeting, November 16, the Elders shared what the retreat meant to them. Some of their thoughts were: "getting to know one another", "Sunday morning worship service and Communion", "sharing favorite hymns and Scripture passages", "a chance to be away from town in a relaxed atmosphere and in a slow and easy pace", "renewing my strength in the Christian life", and "a stronger commitment to the Church."

This year we considered the meaning of the ordination questions and explored their implications for ministry. We reviewed the duties of elders and the responsibilities of the Session.

The retreat is a time for ministers and Session to step away from the busyness of our ministry and reflect on our faith. We look for new strength and mutual support to enable us to return to the service of Christ in and through the congregation. Getting to know one another better helps us to do our work with renewed enthusiasm and deepening trust.

The Saturday night "hearts" game is a reminder of our need to play and simply enjoy the company of those with whom we serve.

As we joined together for worship on Sunday morning we prayed for every member of the congregation. Each elder was assigned a number of families and all were prayed for by name. It is our hope that our whole congregation will be strengthened in their faith as we seek to be faithful elders. We ask that you pray for us, too.

Kerry

Instructions

Included with this issue of your newsletter is a flyer advertising the WOC Christmas Bazaar. Remove it carefully and carry it to a friend! If you have more than one friend, more are available in the church office!

Set-up work begins December 2 at 10 a.m. Help is needed from then until after closing time on December 5. Please come.

And don't forget your cookies and other baked items which will help our LAST BAZAAR become the BEST BAZAAR!

ALL IN THE FAMILY



WELCOME TO: ROBERT AUSTIN EVANS, born November 5, first grandchild of Jackie and Harry Evans

CONGRATULATIONS TO: RUTHANNE AND KERRY STOLTZFUS on their 20th wedding anniversary, December 23

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REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:

KATHY MCMAHON and her family in the recent death of her mother

MARVIN SUMMERS and his family in the recent death of his mother

KERRY STOLTZFUS and his family in the death of his great aunt, Minnie Stoltzfus

SUSAN MAXIM continuing to recover from an automobile accident

BETTY ENDICOTT recuperating at home

FRED BERGER and his family at home

IN SESSION

At the Session meeting held on November 16, 1987, Elders evaluated the Session Retreat held Saturday and Sunday, November 14-15 at the Claggett Center for present and newly elected Elders . . . were informed by Elder Ed Clark that the Stewardship Campaign has reached 85% of its goal with 83% of pledging units responding so far . . . authorized receiving of the special Christmas Joy Gift which is divided between supplemental aid to retired clergy and spouses, educational institutions and the Presbytery Clergy Crisis Fund . . . were reminded of the Christmas Bazaar December 4-5, special Advent activities and services, and preliminary arrangements for a Congregational Dinner at the time of the Annual Congregational Meeting, January 24. Note: The Garden Tour has been POSTPONED until spring of 1989.

YOU

are invited to attend a Birthday Party for Jesus, 9:45 until noon, December 20, 1987. Come and enjoy singing, fellowship, worship, prayer, entertainment, and refreshments . . .

Beginning at 9:45 in Fellowship Hall with a musical program . . .

Continuing in the Sanctuary at 11:00 with worship including the Children's Christmas Pageant and . . .

Concluding with birthday cake in Fellowship Hall.

Bring a gift - labeled by sex and/or age range - for a needy child.

NOTE: If YOU and/or YOUR FAMILY would like to perform (vocal or instrumental) please contact Mary Margaret Smith at 299-3331 immediately but no later than December 13.

kerygma

KNOWING THE UNKNOWABLE GOD

New Testament people accepted the Hebrew scriptures as revelation of God. A unique problem arose, however, when these same people became convinced that Jesus was somehow making God known in a new and definitive manner. Read the following:

- Isaiah 6: 1-8
- John 1: 1-18
- John 14: 15-26
- Acts 17: 22-34
- Philippians 2: 5-11

Join us in KERYGMA class in the library, December 13, 9:45 a.m.

Thank You

Many thanks to the following TEAM LEADERS who assisted with the November Stewardship Campaign - and SPECIAL THANKS to their leader, ED CLARK.

Bob and Barbara Redman
Dianne and James Gregg
Bill and Karen King
Alice and Lewis Smith
Michael and Ruth Willoughby
Dawn and Donald Thompson
Elsie and Calvin Reid
Ann and Dennis Hageman
Marilyn and Bill Shankland
Nancy and Roger Mellem
Janet and Bill Harrison
Bettie Ann and Taylor Johnson
Sally O'Neal
Janet and Calvin Koonce
Mary Ann and Thomas Cookerly
Elaine and Bill Skinner
Lynda and Ed Tennent
Barbara and Barry Barthelman
Cheryl and Bob King
Nancy and Jim Miller
Harriet and Douglas Grier
Molly and Richard Trueb
Carrie and Ben Vendette

WOC

A DAY OF DISCOVERY - for women of all ages and stages of life!

Thursday, January 21, 1988, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. promises to be a very special day in the lives of the women of PPC and their invited friends. Meeting at the Villa Cortona, just a few minutes away from our homes, we will travel across the breadth of our life's experiences to discover God's will in our lives. We will look at specific resources which are available to us to continue this discovery throughout the rest of our lives; we will enjoy warm and inviting fellowship; and we will gather together to worship God and celebrate the sacrament of communion.

The leaders of this event are Carlyn Moyer, an active laywoman in the Roman Catholic tradition, and Diane Kramer. The cost of the day is \$13.00 per person which includes lunch. Participants are asked to bring their own Bible and an open and willing spirit!

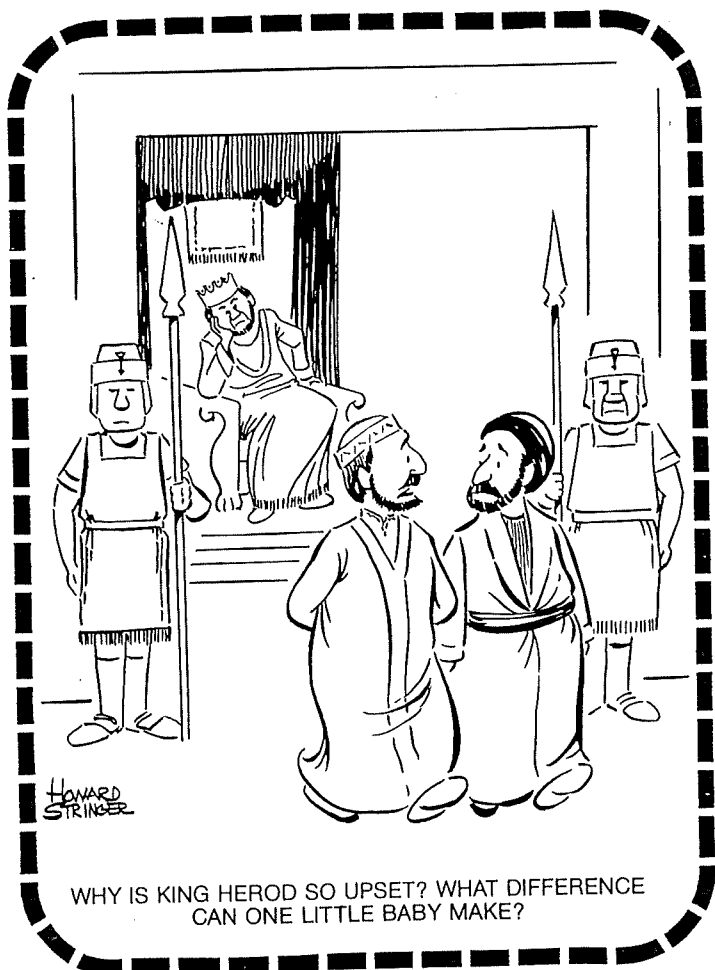
Pre-registration is necessary. Call Pat King 340-0456 or the Church Office 299-6007. Checks should be made payable to Potomac Presbyterian Church.

COME, BRING A FRIEND, AND PREPARE FOR . . . A DAY OF DISCOVERY.

Special Note to women-who-work-outside-the-home-or-are-otherwise-unavailable-for-a-weekday-event: an event is being planned for February for either a Saturday morning, a Sunday afternoon, or a weekday evening! Let us hear your preference on time and stay tuned for details.

Nearly 40 women were privileged to meet artist Eric Mohn at the November WOC luncheon. All ladies are encouraged to participate in the many and varied activities of the WOC!

COME WITH YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS TO OUR CHRISTMAS BAZAAR . . . DECEMBER 4 and 5, OPENING AT 10 A.M.



WHY IS KING HEROD SO UPSET? WHAT DIFFERENCE CAN ONE LITTLE BABY MAKE?

THANKS TO US

"Thank you and thank the Mission Committee of PPC for the huge wonderful cheque for \$750 you sent The Lord's Table Soup Kitchen. The Lord has truly blessed us by sending people like yourself and churches and groups such as yours into our path. And we humbly thank Him!

The Kitchen is doing very well; we've just celebrated our third birthday and we've made the first move towards our being able to open for a Saturday and Sunday dinner as well. I truly believe it will happen - now wouldn't that be great? Think of all the people who would not have to eat out of dumpsters!

Did you know there are five of our street men in a long term rehab center and that the City is talking about transitional housing for them when they "graduate" from there?

Thank you all again; you are part of the foundation of what is making all these great things happen. We'll keep you posted!

Love,
Mary"

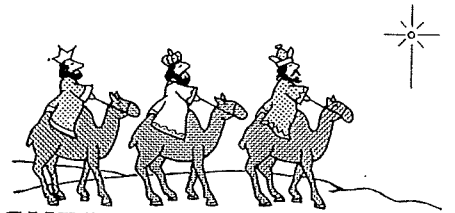
(Mary Canapary; Coordinator of Volunteers, Gaithersburg Community Soup Kitchen, Inc.)

Mission

If you would like to help cook and serve meals at The Lord's Table, our church provides volunteers the first Tuesday afternoon of each month. Call Diane Kramer for more information.

Psssst!

Don't forget to save your commemorative stamps from holiday mail in the coming weeks. Cancelled stamps work miracles after you donate them to the WOC stamp box in PPC's office.



CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Through your gift to the Christmas Offering Joy Gift you will help to continue our church's vital ministry of support and comfort to more than 4000 church servants whose needs in retirement exceed the provisions of their pension fund. You will also send a message of hope to minority youth - youth people whose potential is waiting to be realized. The gifts they share could enhance future generations.

Envelopes for this special offering will be in our pews beginning December 20 and will remain there until December 29.

These
gifts
we
share . . .



Chase Shelter

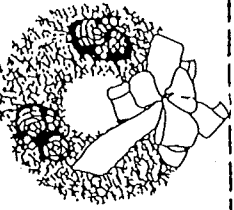
Community Ministries of Rockville, the sister organization of CMMC, is administering a shelter for men. Names for Calvin Chase, a homeless client of Community Ministry who died of exposure several winters ago, the shelter serves the needs of between 35-50 homeless men. The staff provide counselling, medical services, individual and group therapy, and most important, sense of care. Volunteers are needed at the shelter to prepare casseroles, provide assistance to the staff during evening hours and to present special programs such as literary training or AA.

Call Adrienne Carr 762-8682 for more information . . . or to volunteer.

CHURCH CALENDAR
OF EVENTS



DECEMBER 1987



| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|----------------|------------------|---|---|---------------------------|-------------|
| 2nd Sunday in Advent
9 - King David Choir
9:30 - Williamsburg
Breakfast
11 - Worship
12 - Fellowship | 8-10:15 - YWCA | 1-6 Lord's Table | 8-10:15 YWCA
9:30 Bible Study | 7 - Bell Choir
8 - Sanctuary Choir | 10-3 Bazaar | 10-3 Bazaar |
| 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 3rd Sunday in Advent
9 - King David Choir
9:45 - Sunday School/
Adult Education
11:00 - Worship
12:00 - Fellowship & Senior
High Card/Cookie Sale
4:30 - Family Craft/Supper | 8-10:15 - YWCA | 8-10:15 - YWCA | 8-10:15 - YWCA
5-7 Junior Highs
8-11 Masterworks | 7 - Bell Choir
8 - Sanctuary Choir
Bible Study
Luncheon | 2-4 - Princeton
Review | |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 4th Sunday in Advent
9 - King David Choir
9:45 - Birthday Party for
Jesus
11:00 - Worship
12:00 - Fellowship & Cake
4:45 - Caroling/Supper | 8-10:15 - YWCA | 8-10:15 - YWCA | 8-10:15 - YWCA
7 - Bell Choir
8 - Sanctuary Choir | 5 - Informal Family
Service
7 & 11 - Candlelight
Communion Service | | |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| Christmas Tide
College Student Sunday
9:45 - "The Christmas
Messenger"
11:00 - Worship (College
Students help)
12:30 - Refreshment (College
Parents & Young Adults) | | | 7 - Sheriffy Wedding | | | |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | |

DO SOMETHING DIFFERENT THIS

CHRISTMAS



CHRISTMAS INTERNATIONAL HOUSE provides an opportunity to demonstrate and to share the real meaning of Christmas. There are thousands of foreign students in colleges throughout the U.S.; when the dorms are closed during Christmas holidays, these young people have no where to go. For 8 years our local CIH program has hosted students from colleges as far away as Texas and California and representing 35 countries. CIH needs host families for 1 or 2 week periods, activity helpers, extra cars for transportation, dinner invitations for small or large groups, etc. The Tennent family hosted 2 Tunisian girls last year and would love to tell you more about this wonderful program. See Lynda or Ed after church or call them at 340-3031 for more information.



**2nd SUNDAY in
ADVENT**

WILLIAMSBURG
BREAKFAST 9:45

**3rd SUNDAY in
ADVENT**

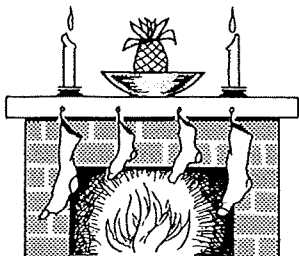
CRAFTS/SUPPER 4:30
251-6288 TO RESERVE

**4th SUNDAY in
ADVENT**

BIRTHDAY PARTY 9:45
CAROLING/SUPPER 4:45

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