

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

*"Hope can be defined
as faith directed
toward the future."*

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KERRY ON ...

WHAT ABOUT THE 90'S?

One student of sociology summed up recent history this way: In the 60's, students studied sociology to change the world. In the 70's, they studied psychology to change themselves. In the 80's, we studied business to get a job.

What if in the 90's we studied God to get a vision of eternal values? By "we" I mean children and young people, middle agers and senior citizens. Jesus said, "Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness..." I believe that this means that we need to give primary attention to spiritual values if our lives are to have a clear focus that is faithful to God.

The local congregation is THE place where we are enabled to be about this best, in spite of its faults. Worship, study, fellowship and mission are the essential ways God's people seek his will for their lives. Our commitment to Christ in and through this congregation is a sign of our faithfulness.

As we begin this new year and new decade, I want to challenge you to deepen your commitment to Christ and His people. Sunday worship, education, fellowship and mission will strengthen our faith and give new and clearer focus to our lives. Sharing our financial resources will be a sign of our spiritual values. Active participation in the life of this congregation is essential.

My hope is that the 90's will be a decade of renewed faith for you and for this congregation.

Kerry

CONGREGATIONAL DINNER JANUARY **21** - SEE PAGE 7

C.E. BAILEY-WICK

Christmas is over once again. I feel especially blessed to have shared my first Advent and Christmas with the people of PPC. It was a wonderful season - beginning with the Williamsburg Breakfast - through the Birthday Party, the Nativity Pageant, the lovely music - and most of all, your generous outpouring of gifts for others. The culmination was the Candlelight Communion services - "Joy to the World!"

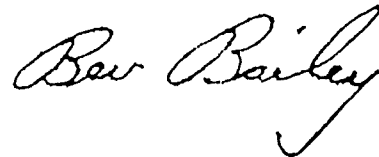
And now it is the season of Epiphany - and I offer to you the words from "A Tyrolese Carol":

The wise may bring their learning,
The rich may bring their wealth,
And some may bring their greatness,
And some their strength and health;
We too would bring our treasures to offer to the King;
We have no wealth or learning,
What gifts then shall we bring?

We'll bring him hearts that love him
We'll bring him thankful praise,
And souls forever striving to follow in his ways;
And these shall be the treasures to offer to the King,
And these are gifts that ever, Our grateful hearts may bring.

Let us here at PPC continue to learn to praise God, to follow in the footsteps of that special babe born so humbly. As we nurture and educate our children and youth - as we continually struggle in our own faith journeys - may the love, care and wisdom we offer to each other be also "the treasures we offer to the King."

Peace,



VOLUNTEERS

Looking for a family or group project? Montgomery County Coalition for the Homeless and Community Ministries of Rockville are sponsoring a winter emergency shelter at Holiday Park Senior Center. Volunteers are needed for activities weekdays from 4-7:00 p.m.; weekends 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. The Shelter will be open the first week of January. Volunteers will be asked to lead games, provide homework assistance, serve as parental role models, chaperone field trips, provide after school snacks. Volunteers who provide 2+ monthly visits will be given leadership status. This is an opportunity to serve and to learn. A training and information session will be held at 10:00 a.m., January 6 at the Holiday Park Senior Center, 3950 Ferrara Dr., Wheaton. Call Priscilla Fox-Morrill, 946-1728, to register or for more information.

Fellowship SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

JANUARY 14

Meet at 2:00 at Shady Grove/Fairlanes Bowling Alley for 2 hours of free bowling, free shoes, free snacks. Call Pat King to reserve and bring the kids!

JANUARY 21

Annual Congregational Dinner/Meeting. Call Lynn Bigler or Marilyn Shankland to reserve and get food assignment. And be in Fellowship Hall in time to SIT at 6:00 p.m. promptly. As usual, we're looking forward to the famous PPC slide show.

FEBRUARY 10

Square Dance. Watch bulletins for details; meanwhile, polish up your do-si-dos.

TEA AND HANDWORK

Would you like to learn how to knit, crochet, smock, counted cross stitch, etc.? We would be glad to work with you and show you how.

In the church parlor we get together from 1:30-3:30 on Thursdays. Join us:

January 11 and 25
February 8 and 22



ALL IN THE FAMILY

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Kenny and Carolyn Kent, proud parents of twin sons, Christopher John and Stephen Mitchell, born December 13.

Bill and Pat King, grandparents of Courtney Brooks King, born to David and Susan King, December 21, in Richmond, Virginia.

NOTED:

Elder George Boddiger is the newly elected senior vice president of the International Federation of the Multiple Sclerosis Societies.

REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:

Ruth Willoughby and her family in the recent death of her father;

Barbara Barthelman and her family in the recent death of her father.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP NEWS

Senior High Fellowship - Sunday, January 7: 12:30-3:00

Lasagna Bake and Games. Come help us make casseroles for "Rainbow Place", a women's shelter in Rockville. Afterwards we'll eat some of what we create, play Pictionary, Spoons, Scruples, etc. Can we put together a giant jigsaw puzzle in one afternoon?

Middle School Fellowship - Friday, January 19: 6:00 p.m. until Saturday, January 20: 10:00 a.m.

Lock-in. Once you come in, you can't get out! Food, Games, Crafts, Movies, Talk - Time to be together. Watch for more information.

Joint Fellowship Activity - SKI TRIP! - February 2-4

Leave Friday evening - back Sunday evening - Deep Creek Lake - Skiing at Wisp. Mark your calendars now!!!!!!!

Other Congregational Activities of Interest to Youth:

Sunday, January 14 - Bowling Party - All church activity. Meet at 2:00 at Shady Grove/Fairlanes. Free bowling, free shoes, free snacks. Let's go!



Sunday, January 21 - Congregational Dinner/Annual Meeting. See yourself in the slide show.

IN SESSION

In Session, on December 18, Elders received plans for worship services on December 24 ... learned that classes in family communication are being planned ... were told of a number of activities scheduled for junior and senior highs ... reviewed reports reflecting shortages in pledge receipts as of November ... approved 11 communion dates for 1990 ... received auditors' report verifying accuracy of 1988 financial records ... requested estimates for installation of a security system ... noted with appreciation the service of outgoing Elders Lynn Matson, Dennis McMahon, Janet Olding and Shirley Tietjen.

Joy To The World

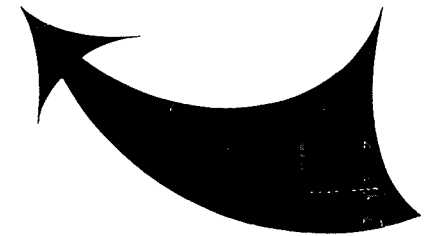
We brought joy to our own backyard this Christmas as we all gathered at the Birthday Party for Jesus and brought forward our gifts. We brightened the lives of four very special families with a total of 19 children.

There were 73 gifts under the PPC tree. Each child received three gifts and each family received Christmas dinner. The remainder of the gifts were distributed by the county.

The joy and enthusiasm that was expressed about the opportunity to give in such a direct way was delightful. We thank you and wish you God's blessing in the coming new year.

-Your Mission Committee

P.S. There will be an ongoing effort to continue to help these families with good quality used clothing. If you are interested in participating, please call Janet Olding at 294-9665.



ADULT EDUCATION

The Adult Educational Committee has planned a thought-provoking course of study for the winter and spring seasons. You will be receiving a brochure covering all topics - here are the January courses, which meet in the Library.

January 7 & 14 - "What Shall I Say?" Bev Bailey will lead a two-week Bible-oriented study on the role of prayer - both individual and corporate - in our every day lives.

January 21 & 28 - "The USSR Since Gorbichov". The Rev. Richard Rodes, a retired minister who has led many tours to USSR, will give us an up-to-date view of the state of religion in this area. Rev. Rodes is a friend of Tom Miles, and promises to be a lively speaker.

Also, on January 21 - The CE Committee will offer a once-a-month class which will be a continuation of our Family Communications Class. This class will meet the third Sunday of each month through May - covering topics of your choice. The first two months we will talk about the "Sandwich Generation: the Caregiver in the Middle". Bev Bailey will lead the January discussion, meeting in the Parlor.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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"THE SERVICE YOU GIVE IS
THE RENT YOU PAY FOR THE
SPACE YOU TAKE IN THE
WORLD." - Jo Torpy
(Jo is 80 years old, a
retired D.C. school
teacher - still volunteering)

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KERRY ON ...

After his arrest on cocaine charges last week, Mayor Marion Berry came to St. Timothy's Episcopal Church in Southeast on Sunday to make an emotional confession. He said in his public statement, "I have come face to face with my deepest human frailties. I have had to look my human weaknesses straight in the eye." Then his wife, Effie, said, "Marion, for you to admit to the world that you have a problem, that you need to deal with your problem to make yourself whole again, is truly a burden that has been lifted from our souls".

These words express profound spiritual truth and describe the path to healing and wholeness. Some would say, "Thank God, there but for the grace of God go I" and usually refer to someone caught up in wrongdoing. Wholeness for any of us, however, is not dependent upon avoiding being caught doing something wrong. It is rather defined by our willingness to admit failure and weakness and to seek help. King David, caught in a web of personal and political scandal, came to the point of admitting his failure and weakness. From there he was forgiven and reconciled to God and others. He wrote in the 51st Psalm,

"I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me."

May we all pray for the Mayor and for ourselves in the Spirit of the Psalmist that healing may come to Mr. Berry, our nation's capital and to ourselves.

HOME COMMUNION BEGINS FEBRUARY 28 - SEE PAGE 4

C.E. BAILEY-WICK

As I begin to "settle in" here at PPC, my thoughts turn more and more often to youth ministry. I feel as if I have just barely been able to begin knowing the young people here - and my initial reaction is that they're a really nice group of very busy kids. So...how do we as a congregation help them to be more fully involved in their church and in their faith?

In my reading I've happened upon a workbook entitled: "Guidebook for Youth Ministry in Presbyterian and Reformed Churches." I would like to share a portion of it with you.

We do youth ministry in order to lay the groundwork for young people to have a faith in Jesus Christ that is their own. As Presbyterians, we baptize infants and, as a congregation, promise to teach them about Jesus and God's love for them until they can make their own statement of faith. Youth ministry is the special ministry of the church that provides young people the opportunities to work out their questions, their commitments, and their opportunities to grow in faith. Whenever we are in youth ministry, we intend, in some way for the following elements to be present:

1. To call young people to discipleship in Jesus Christ.
2. To respond to the needs and interests of young people.
3. To work together in partnership, young people and adults.
4. To be connected to the whole church, community, and world.
5. To be inclusive of all young people.

How can we best fulfill these intentions here at PPC? It will take time, concern, and much effort on the part of both youth and adults here for this to happen. I'm eager to get to work with all of you.

IN SESSION

In Session, January 15, Elders re-elected Bill Brill Treasurer for 1990 with strong affirmation of his skills and appreciation of his past efforts...approved membership figures for the annual report to General Assembly...reviewed possible mission opportunities for 1990 and numerous fellowship committee plans ...approved recommendations revising make up of the Personnel Committee as well as revisions of the staff evaluation process...re-elected Joyce Jenkins Clerk of Session for 1990.

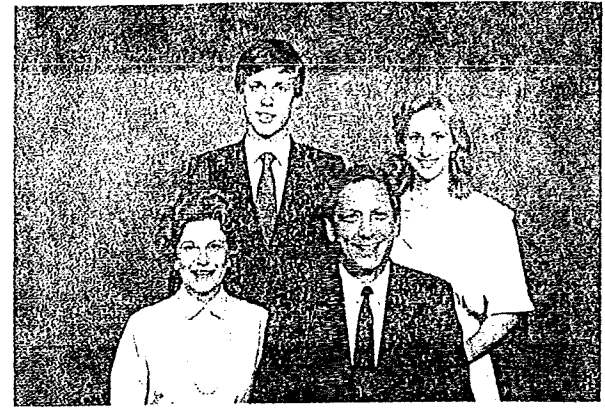
WE WELCOME AND CONGRATULATE OUR
NEW ELDERS AND DEACONS:

GEORGE BODDIGER, DIANE CHAPIN,
THOMAS COOKERLY, MOLLY NEWELL,
EDWARD TENNENT, BARRY BARTHELMAN,
CHARLENE BRUMBAUGH, JUDY KAHL,
PHYLLIS MATSON

deacon of the month

DEACON OF THE MONTH, a new feature, will introduce you to our Deacons. Catching up, we present January's and February's Deacons in this issue. - Ed.

January's Deacon was BOB KING who joined PPC in 1986 and has served on the Outreach Committee since that time. Bob works with Phillips Publishing Company in Rockville and his family includes wife Cheryl and children Steven, Jonathan and Sharine. At the recent Deacons' Retreat, Bob was elected Chairman of the Board of Deacons for 1990.



Deacon of the Month for February is BOB HAZARD who joined our congregation in 1973 along with his wife Ann. Bob is a physician specializing in allergy. He has been a volunteer at Miriam's Kitchen and worked with Senior Highs as well as serving on the Faith Share Committee. Bob's children Bob Jr. and Jeanne are recent college graduates and Jeanne will be married at PPC in June. Members of the Hazard Parish Group will be your hosts at coffee hours this month.



There will be an INQUIRER'S SERIES during the month of February. The four-part series taught by our pastor will be held on February 4, 11, 18 and 25 at 9:45 a.m. in the church parlor. Those wishing to unite with the church following completion of the series will meet with the Session on Sunday evening, February 25, at 9:00. Church recognition of these new members will be held on Sunday, March 4, at the 11:00 a.m. service.



ALL IN THE FAMILY

REMEMBERED IN PRAYER

Donna Mechlenberg whose mother died in early January in Minnesota after a long illness.

Janet Olding whose father is hospitalized in California.

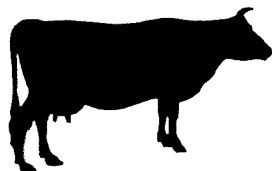
Su Kuwabara whose mother died in Hawaii recently.

Rosa Egan whose father died in mid-January.

Jack Trant resting at home after hospitalization.



SAVE ALUMINUM CANS FOR HEIFER PROJECT



Last September members of the kindergarten-first grade class were studying ways of working to help keep God's world safe - and asked for our help in recycling aluminum cans. The response was great and the whole Sunday School has decided to take it on as a project. Please continue to bring your aluminum to church. The money collected will go to the Heifer Project. We thank Barbara Perry for offering to head the recycling project for us.

THANKS

December 30, 1989

Dear Elder Bob Tietjen:

The Korean Community Service Center Board and Staff would like to thank you for your church's gift (used electric organ). It is through donations such as yours that the Korean Community Service Center can continue to serve the Korean and other Asian immigrants in this area in the various programs offered at the KCSC.

It is very much appreciated and please be assured that we will maintain the organ in the same high standard that your church had.

Once again, thank you very much for your contribution.

Sincerely yours,

Kyungsoo Choi
Executive Director

ADULT EDUCATION

February 4, 11, 18, 15 - A 4-week INQUIRER'S CLASS conducted by the pastor will be held in the parlor. This class is for all who are interested in learning about the Presbyterian Church or are interested in joining PPC.

February 4 - In honor of RACE RELATIONS SUNDAY, we have invited Rev. Cameron Byrd to speak with us in the library. Rev. Byrd is a former Moderator of National Capital Presbytery and is presently the Chaplain at Washington Hospital Center. He is an interested observer, as well as mover, in the relationship between the races.

February 1, 18, 25 - "The Authority of the Bible" lead by old friend and speaker Dr. Donald Miller; meet in the library.

So, February 18 - "Third Sunday", a monthly class dealing with family issues, offers a continuation of THE SANDWICH GENERATION: CAREGIVERS IN THE MIDDLE. Dr. William Polk, a psychiatrist from Suburban Hospital's Speakers Bureau, will provide us with more information on this timely subject. This class meets in Fellowship Hall.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP NEWS

February 2-4 - SKI TRIP!!! to Wisp Resort in McHenry, Md. We will be staying in PPC members' homes at Deep Creek Lake. Joint Jr.-Sr. High Retreat.

February 23-25 - Presbytery Sr. High Retreat at Camp Glenkirk. A weekend with other young people from the metropolitan area. If you're interested, call Bev Bailey at the church.

April 21 - Sr. High Expedition to "climb Old Rag Mountain". Led by Lynn and Brent Matson - a Saturday experience together.

April 29 - Presbytery Jr. High Experience. An afternoon of entertainment and workshops at a Virginia church. Come meet lots and lots of youth from the area.

Coming in May - Youth Sunday . . . Super Dog Sunday



MONTREAT!!! for Senior Highs - July 8-14. Mark your calendars now - and tell Ruthanne Stoltzfus or Bev Bailey that you want to go. We have a limited number of reservations.

HELP THE HUNGRY



in February

BY DINING OUT

Many people are unaware that hunger is a serious problem in Montgomery County. Every month thousands seek emergency assistance from private agencies. By County estimates there are 78,000 people who are struggling to feed their families. The number of requests for assistance has increased more than six fold in the past ten years. Not only have the numbers increased but so have the complexity and intensity of the problem.

You can help by supporting Thanksgiving in February (TGIF). On February 20, 1990, sharing restaurants will donate 10% of their proceeds to the Montgomery County Hunger Relief Fund. This fund will be distributed to non-profit organizations that serve meals to those in need. By going out to a neighborhood restaurant, you can have an enjoyable evening and help those who need assistance to feed their families. Many of us have a great deal to be thankful for and TGIF is a wonderful way to share with others.

PLEASE HELP OTHERS BY DINING OUT ON FEBRUARY 20, 1990.

Labels & Lids to Lincoln

Davis-Stuart, a Presbyterian therapeutic residential center for youth, can use labels from food projects to redeem for needed equipment. Following is a description of the kinds of labels they save and the portions of those labels that should be kept:

Campbell's canned products - front portion of label

Campbell's Fresh Mushroom Soup - the label

Campbell's Quality Soup - Recipe Mix - bottom flap - UPC panel

Swanson Frozen Foods - proof of purchase seals

Pepperidge Farm products - proof of purchase seals

Prego Spaghetti Sauce - front portion of label

Prego frozen entrees - proof of purchase seals

Mrs. Paul's frozen foods - "Quality Pledge Panels"

Vlasic pickle products - the lid

Please give your labels to Ruth Lincoln, 340-0760.



Home Communion

During Lent there will be communion services held in the homes of deacons. Your deacon will call you and invite you to the service scheduled for his or her parish group. If you cannot attend with your group, you are welcome to attend any one of the other services. The schedule is as follows:

2-28 Ash Wednesday Bob King* and Barry Barthelman
13617 Query Mill Road (921-0960)

3-6 Tuesday Bob Hazard and Charlene Brumbaugh*
9124 Falls Chapel Way (340-0781)

3-13 Tuesday Janet Koonce* and Marnel Williams
9101 Kendale Road (469-7975)

3-18 Sunday Margie Bedingfield and Phyllis Matson*
10028 Weatherwood Court (279-5598)

3-27 Tuesday Gloria Leber* and Kitty Albright
9408 Copenhaver Drive (340-9844)

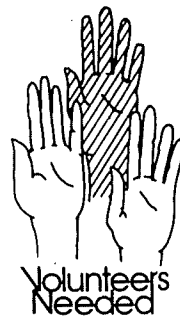
4-5 Thursday Judy Kahl* and Bettina Curtis
8000 Hackamore Drive (365-4445)

* Home Host Time: 8:00 p.m.

The Deacons and Worship Committee are pleased to provide this unique worship opportunity during the Lenten Season. Home Communion is a reminder that the early Christians met in homes for worship and the Sacrament of Communion. We hope that these gatherings will enrich our experience of communion. Pastor Stoltzfus will lead these services and elders from the Session will assist.

SOME FOOD FOR THOUGHT

the message and mission of the church



The Mission Committee is busy preparing for an active and challenging year of opportunities for us to witness our faith in service and love to others. Although there may be some financial constraints from a reduced budget, there are many things PPC members can do to spread God's Word of salvation in Jesus Christ by giving of their time and talents, not just their dollars. Much of what you will hear from the Committee this year will be an invitation to join with each other in certain "in-kind" service programs. We will also continue our support of three special offerings; the Blanket Offering for Church World Service programs in early February, One Great Hour of Sharing during the Lenten Season, and the Joy Gift Offering at Christmas.

Some of the programs you will hear more about include:

1. Thanksgiving in February - local restaurants donate 10% of their take on February 20 (see article elsewhere in newsletter)
2. Christmas in April - a housing rehab opportunity on one Saturday for all "handypersons"
3. Continuation of a support role with the 1989 Christmas families
4. Establishing a link with a S.C. church and family hurt by Hurricane Hugo to help them recover
5. Investigation into becoming an emergency overflow shelter for the homeless in the winter months and/or providing a respite care program once/month for care-providers in the Potomac community
6. Adopting the schoolage population of a local shelter to equip the kids with their "back-to-school" needs next September
7. Doing more mission interpretation of our denominational programs and policies
8. Continuation of our acquaintance with the Rev. Andres and Gloria Garcia in their Central American ministry

As you can see, we have some ambitious ideas and programs. These will be added to the already existing volunteer efforts with soup kitchens, shelters and nursing homes. If you would like to help plan, study, organize, or participate in any of these programs, please join our committee at its next meeting, February 12 at 8:00 p.m., or call Elsie Reid at 652-6880 (work) or 340-8142. Share with us in the invigorating experience of encouraging our members to put their faith into action.

Elsie Reid and George Boddiger, Elders for the Mission Committee

Service

Fellowship SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



SQUARE DANCE - FEBRUARY 10

Get out your dancin' shoes - square dancin', that is! All are welcome to join the fun at 6:30 for supper followed by two hours of swingin' and do-si-do-in'. The usual small PPC fee will admit you to a really fun-filled evening. Call 983-1682 to tell Lynn Bigler you'll be there.



LADIES: Once again it's time for a TASTING LUNCHEON. We'll celebrate Valentine's Day on February 15 at noon by bringing our favorite recipe (the finished product AND THE DIRECTIONS). For \$1.00 you'll receive a compilation. Please prepare a recipe you have NOT shared at this luncheon in the past. We invite one and all to come and enjoy visiting with each other and especially to hear our own Bettina Curtis tell us about Rose Greenhow, Confederate Spy. Please let Pat King know at 340-0456 if you plan to come.

TEA AND HANDWORK

Take time out from your busy schedule and join us for two hours of needlework and friendship. We are very informal. Come to the church parlor February 8 and 22; March 8 and 22, 1:30-3:30 p.m., Thursdays.

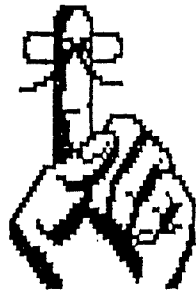


Check your passport and start packing your bags for Scotland!

Our trip is planned for the last two weeks in June. Ron and Agnes Gibson and Bill and Isobel Paterson from South Parish Church, Girvan, are planning our trip to the Highlands. They are working on a 7-day and a 10-day plan. Among the places we will visit in addition to Girvan will be Oban, Mull and Iona (the birthplace of Christianity in Scotland). Both couples plan to travel with us, and as we know from their visits with us, they are great fun. We will worship at South Parish Church at least one Sunday. If you are interested, meet in the library after worship on February 11 for coffee, more details, and to "sign up".

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SENIOR HIGHS! Save this date for Montreat Youth Conference! July 8-14, 1990						
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Communion Sunday 4:45 Sunday School/Adult Ed Inquirers Class 10:00 Worship 12:00 Fellowship 5:00 Confirmation Class	6:30 Miriams Kitchen 8 Worship Committee	1-6 Lord's Table	9:30 Bible Study 6:30 Masterworks	1:30-3:30 Tea/Needlework 8:00 MD. Orn. Society 7:00 Handbell Choir 8:00 Sanc. Choir		6:30 Square Dancing
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THINK RUMMAGE



The Fellowship Committee will sponsor its famous and fun RUMMAGE SALE again, June 1-2. Now is the time to start your own rummaging in closets, attic, garage, etc. for your donations. We'll take anything (almost!). Call Lynn Bigler 983-1682 with questions and, of course, to say you'll help out that week!

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FREDERICK E. BERGER MEMORIAL LECTURE

WILLIAM SLOANE COFFIN

SUNDAY, MARCH 25, 1990
4:00 P.M.
AT THE CHURCH

"Religion and Global Security"
Lecture and Questions

RECEPTION FOLLOWING

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Sermon Schedule

ANCIENT CREED/MODERN FAITH

Pastor Stoltzfus continues a series of sermons on the Apostles Creed and the meaning of faith today. One of three most familiar texts of Christian faith along with the Lord's Prayer and the 23rd Psalm, the Creed continues to shape who we are as Christians and what we believe God calls us to do. The series will conclude on Easter Sunday with the affirmation, "I believe in the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting."

March 11 Part IV Suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;

March 18 Part V The third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

March 25 Part VI I believe in the Holy Ghost

April 1 Part VII The forgiveness of sins

April 8 Tom Miles Palm Sunday

April 15 Part VIII The resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

IN SESSION

In Session on February 19... Elders heard a report from the Memorial Garden Committee and gave permission for the committee to determine the level of interest within the congregation...discussed at length the revised budget for 1990 which shows anticipated income of \$257,755 and incorporating drastic cuts in all program areas, expenses of \$263,348...were informed of plans to update the pictorial directory in June; and participate in Christmas in April (see article elsewhere in Steeple to People)... signed up to serve communion during the Home Communion services during Lent.

Conference



Our Presbytery is sponsoring a conference on what churches in our metropolitan area can and are doing to help disadvantaged children. It will be held at National Presbyterian Church on May 19. Volunteers are needed to help with publicity, to coordinate plans for workshops and for exhibits describing specific local programs (e.g. day care and Head Start, after school and homeless family programs, teen pregnancy and legislative lobbying), and to plan for a Support Network to facilitate the post-conference exchange of experience and information between churches. If you would like to help, please contact Gilbert Brown, 241-2935.

...announcing

- April 21 Senior Highs climb Old Rag Mountain with Lynn and Brent Matson, chief guides.
- April 29 Super Dog Sunday. Lynda Tennent and Ruthanne Stoltzfus, coordinators.
- April 29 Presbytery-wide Junior High Event.
- May 13 Youth Sunday
- June 1-3 Middle School Beach Trip hosted by the Chapin family.
- June 18-22 Vacation Bible School. We need your help in teaching classes.
- July 8-14 Montreat Youth Conference for grades 9-12. Registration and \$50 deposit due March 18.

kids' stuff

... John saw Jesus coming toward him and said,
"Behold the _____ of God."
(John 1:29-34)

Connect the dots below starting with number 1. Write the name of the picture in the blanks above.

Update

ADULT EDUCATION

- March 4 Mission Committee presents Eleanor Wilchynski Holman from Church World Service
- March 11, 18, 25 "The Growth and Development of the Opposition to Jesus" Tom Miles will lead a 3-week Lenten study of the factors leading to the death of Jesus.
- March 18 "Third Sunday" We will spend one last class on "The Sandwich Generation: Caregivers in the Middle".

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP NEWS

Middle School

- March 2-4 "Christians and the Meaning of Sexuality." A weekend seminar for 7th and 8th graders and their parents. Held in conjunction with St. Mark and Bradley Hills Presbyterian, Mary Pappas, Associate Pastor at Colesville Presbyterian, will be the workshop leader.

Middle School Fellowship - "Urban Quest". Join your advisors for a day exploring Washington, D.C. With the help of trained guides we will follow a mysterious course and discover more than we ever knew about our city. An all-day Saturday event with more information to follow. Tentatively set for March 24.

Senior High

Sunday School in March. Join us as we explore the work of our Mission Committee and how Senior Highs can get involved in helping others. Possible outcome - a summer workcamp!

Senior High Fellowship - Saturday, March 10. Senior High Lock-In and 1 Skating! Meet at the church at 8:00 p.m. for ice skating at Cabin John. Back to church where we'll be "locked-in" for the night to plan Youth Sunday, watch movies, eat and possibly sleep! Activities culminate on

Sunday morning with breakfast and the great PPC slide show. Call Bev Bailey at 946-1999 or Jeff Kuwabara at 857-7792 for more information.

C.E. BAILEY-WICK

I spent a week in February attending two conferences as part of continuing education. One was a local retreat sponsored by National Capital Presbytery for all new church professionals. Then I spent five days in Kansas City at the annual conference for the Association of Presbyterian Church Educators (APCE). Over 650 of us studied education as part of our holistic ministry. As I talked to colleagues and attended workshops on confirmation, peacemaking, sexuality, curriculum, and models for youth ministry, I became increasingly convinced of the importance of the whole congregation's being involved in the ministry of the church. I will speak of my experience as an educator and of the ongoing work of the C.E. Committee. Each month a small group of PPC members come together to plan programs which have been requested by you. We get excited as we see ideas unfold. But often these ideas don't come to fruition because we can't find people to help implement them. Some of the various programs which we are planning now which need your help are:

- Vacation Church School June 18-22
- Montreat Youth Conference July 8-14
- Youth Fellowship Activities
- "Third Sunday" Family Class
- Adult Education
- Special Events for Children's Ministry
- Creative Enrichment and Nursery

All of these need all of you. The Church of Jesus Christ is a volunteer ministry supported by the faithful. If you can give any of your time, please call me at church or talk to your C.E. Elders, Sally O'Neal and Diane Chapin.

Bev Bailey

YARD CLEAN-UP TIME

Tired of being cooped up in the house? Like to be outside? We have the answer - and as a bonus, you'll get some exercise!

All ages are invited to join in the SPRING YARD CLEAN UP, Saturday, April 7, from 9-3. Come anytime; stay as long as you can. Lunch will be served at noon.



Please bring digging/weeding/pruning/raking tools marked with your name. Let's get the yard perfectly groomed for the Easter Bunny! Rain date: 4-21.

WILLIAM SLOANE COFFIN: FIRST FRED BERGER LECTURER

The inaugural Frederick E. Berger Memorial Lecture is presented by Potomac Presbyterian Church in memory of Fred who joined our congregation in early 1985. He died in 1988 after a long and gallant battle with cancer. He was committed to adult education and especially the study of contemporary issues from a theological perspective.

He joined the World Bank as an economist in 1981 and was lead economist in the Latin American-Caribbean countries department since 1987.

This first lecture is given in Fred Berger's memory and to honor his wife, Zidi, and their sons, Christian and Jonathan.

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We are pleased to present WILLIAM SLOANE COFFIN, the president of SANE/FREEZE: Campaign for Global Security, as the first Fred Berger Memorial lecturer.

Dr. Coffin was born in 1924 in New York City and was raised there and in Carmel, California. His secondary school years included musical studies with Nadia Boulanger in Paris, and graduation from Phillips Academy in Andover, Massachusetts, in 1942. He served in the U.S. Army as a liaison officer to the French and Russian armies. Returning to Yale in 1947, he changed his course of studies to government and graduated with a B.A. in that discipline in 1949. From 1950-53 he worked abroad for the CIA. He returned to America in 1952 and entered Yale Divinity School. After receiving his Bachelor of Divinity in 1956, he became chaplain of Phillips Academy and later of Williams College. In 1957 Coffin was named chaplain of Yale University, a post he held for 18 years. For the past 25 years Coffin has been a strong presence in the civil rights and peace movements. He has received nine honorary degrees, the keys to three cities and is an honorary citizen of three more. Dr. Coffin became senior minister of Riverside Church, New York City, on November 1, 1977, and founded its Disarmament Program shortly thereafter. In January 1988, Rev. Coffin became the president of SANE/FREEZE and since that time has travelled extensively around the country to promote the organization's programs and priorities.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

"Share the Struggle, Share the Joy" is this year's theme for the One Great Hour of Sharing offering which we will be learning about and participating in during the Lenten Season (Feb. 28-Apr. 14). This offering supports ministries of compassion central to our faith and expressed in the Bible. As Jesus spoke to his disciples and indeed to us: "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you....You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit...." (John 15:12, 16).

On March 4, Ms. Eleanor Wilchynski Holman, the Regional Director for Church World Service in the Mid-Atlantic Office, will be speaking to our Adult Education Class at 9:45 a.m. She plans to present a new video showing how OGHS monies support integrated development projects in the Dominican Republic. She will enable us to see how our dollars joined with the resources of others have made and are making a positive difference in the lives of the poor. OGHS funds are divided among three church programs. Ms. Holman can help us to understand how the Presbyterian Hunger Program, the Self-Development of People Program and the World Relief Program benefit, in fact, survive because of our answer to God's call to be a loving compassionate people.

Use your Mission Yearbook to learn many of the ways OGHS funds are being used creatively not always as "bandaids" but also as "building blocks" to help people help themselves and others and in turn share their blessings. Join with your children in filling the World Coin Bank with change to teach them, or perhaps to learn from them, that sharing is for all of us. Maybe you can select a coin unit (a nickel, dime or quarter) and donate that amount or multiples of that for each hot meal you share, or for every bed in your home, or for every snack you eat over the Lenten Season, or for each schoolbook you have in the house. You can surely think of many ways your blessings can be counted and then shared. Come and listen to Ms. Holmes on March 4. There will be additional educational materials available during Lent to learn more about OGHS. Finally, we will receive the OGHS Offering on April 8 and 15.

"Practice hospitality ungrudgingly to one another. As each has received a gift, employ it for one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace ...in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ." (I Peter 4:9-11)





ALL IN THE FAMILY

NOTED:

Artist Peggy Hawley's recent exhibit at Spectrum Gallery Inc.

CONGRATULATIONS:

Tom Stanton recently achieved the rank of Eagle Scout.

COOKIES NEEDED:

Your donations of cookies are needed March 25 for a reception following the lecture scheduled that afternoon (see page 1). Please tell Pat King you will help out; cookies may be brought that morning to worship.

HIGHLIGHTS from PPC's Christmas letter from Jack and Nancy Bryant:

5th Christmas in Pakistan...Nancy has become Interim Director of the Aga Khan University School of Nursing...Jack continues as Chair of the Department of Community Health Science at AKU...recently named a member of the Pakistan Delegation to the World Health Assembly; Dr. Koop awarded him the Surgeon General's Medallion for international health service...1st grandson born in Sept.

FROM MARILYN SHANKLAND:

Thanks to my PPC friends for all your comfort, love and concerns shown to me when my mother passed away in January.

DEACON OF THE MONTH



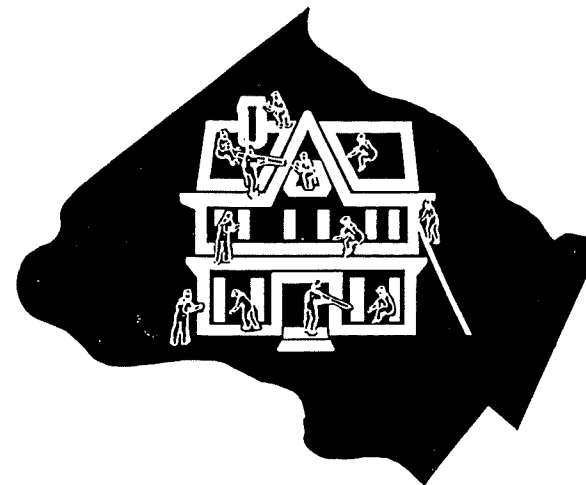
MARNEL WILLIAMS joined PPC in 1983 transferring to us from Carron Hall United Church of Jamaica and Grand Cayman and has been a faithful choir member since that time. In 1988 she was elected a Deacon. This is her 12th year in the United States. Marnel has worked for the last 4 years with Legent Corporation and since January at Landmark Systems Corporation, both computer software companies in Vienna, Virginia. She is an administrative assistant for sales.

TEA AND HANDWORK

From 1:30-3:30 on Thursdays, we meet informally in the parlor to enjoy each other's company and share our needlework. We would love to see you! March 8 and 22, April 5 and 26.



Christmas In April



On April 28, Montgomery County will be conducting its first Christmas in April project. This is a volunteer program devoted to assisting low-income elderly and handicapped people to live in dignity in their homes. Several County homes have been selected as qualifying for this program. The needs range from painting, minor carpentry, some plumbing, lots of scrubbing and cleaning, yardwork and minor repairs.

Christmas in April began in Midland, Texas, and has quickly spread to many neighborhoods across the country. It will be a one-day blitz to repair and improve about 15-20 homes in this county. In "barnraising" fashion, volunteers will join hands with homeowners, mostly elderly, to make their homes more livable.

The Mission Committee invites all of you to join a PPC work party to improve one home. Frank Bond has graciously agreed to be our House Captain, but we need 20+ helping hands to make a go of participating. And before the "unhandy" among you put this project aside, your help is needed also. If you cannot work on the 28th, you can sponsor a worker or make a cash contribution. Donations are needed to buy supplies and materials or you can give paint, hardware, fixtures, lumber or glass for renovation. More details will be forthcoming; please let Elsie Reid, George Boddiger or Frank Bond know if we can count on you. Remember, while craftspersons are needed, unskilled labor is also in demand.

FIRST TIME EVER!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<h1>MARCH 1990</h1>						
					1 8:30-9:00 p.m.- Girl Scouts-F.H.	2 9-1 p.m.- Session Records review
					4 - Human Sexuality for Jr. Hi. @ St. Mark Pres.	Human Sexuality Workshop continues
9:45 Sunday School/ Ad Ed ⁴ 11:00 Worship Baptism/Communion 12:00 Fellowship 2-8:30 Human Sexuality Workshop 5:00 Confirmation	6:30- Miriam's Kitchen ⁵ 8 Worship Comm.	1-6 Lord's Table ⁶ 8:00 Home Communion @ Brumbaugh's	9:30 Bible Study ⁷ 10:30 Well-Care Exer. Class 6:30 Masterworks	1:30 Tea & Needlework ⁸ 7 Handbell Choir 8 Sanctuary Choir	5:30-10:30--- MD Ornithological Society Social ⁹	9-Noon--- ¹⁰ Clean-up of S.S. Rooms 7-9 Adat Shalom 8 Sr. High Lock-In & Ice Skating
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5. How much should I give?

This is a difficult question to discuss. The answer is a very personal one that each family must settle in prayerful consideration of your response to God's call. One thing is clear, it is not faithful stewardship to divide the need by the number of families, and by strict arithmetic, decide how much to give. Proportional giving is the Biblical method, each giving in proportion to his view of God's blessings.

In this spirit, to provide a perspective to help with an approach for your personal answer, let us offer the following information, based upon the giving profile of our congregation. We would solve our problem if we received the following in additional gifts.

20 gifts	\$ 100 each	\$ 2,000
40 gifts	200 each	8,000
30 gifts	300 each	9,000
20 gifts	500 each	10,000
6 gifts	1,000 each	6,000
116 gifts		35,000

6. What are the benefits of my making a contribution?

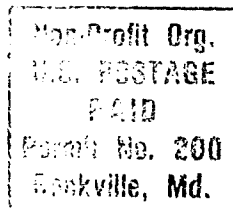
We are serving needy people in Montgomery County. Good News is preached, Christian Education is growing, we are attracting new members, and our fellowship is being enriched. We are poised to move forward in the 1990's. We can all experience the joy that Jesus spoke of when he said, "It is more blessed to give than receive".

If you have questions, please call the Pastor or one of the elders.

The Session

Kerry L. Stoltzfus
Moderator

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KERRY ON ... SECOND MILE APPEAL

1. What is the "Second Mile Appeal?"

It is a special appeal by the Session, asking the congregation to reconsider its giving plans for the remainder of the year, and add an additional \$35,000 to its planned giving for 1990.

2. Why do we need more money NOW?

Soon after the start of the new year it became evident that the response to the fall stewardship appeal was not going to meet the needs of the 1990 budget. We realized that somehow the congregation did not recognize the urgency of the situation, and that we faced a substantial shortfall in pledges.

The Session has been striving to find a solution to the dilemma, but the facts are clear, we have little choice but to raise additional funds, and quickly.

Only by meeting this challenge directly, NOW, can we faithfully support the program, mission, staff and facilities of our church.

3. How did we get into this position?

When the new building was planned, the congregation overwhelmingly agreed to incur a substantially increased debt to pay for the new facilities. During the last few years, for various reasons, we have been sheltered from the full impact of the new, larger payments this debt would require. Now, however, we must face the effect the \$54,000 per year interest and principal cost will have on our stewardship.

4. When does our church need my contribution?

We need to know the amount of your additional gift as soon as possible.

We are asking for your gifts during April. We can delay receiving full payment of both regular and supplemental gifts until the end of the year, if that suits your situation, but we need to know how much you will give, to permit us to continue with our program.

Pastor Stoltzfus will be speaking about the "Second Mile Appeal" during the month of April. Gifts and promises will be received each Sunday.

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C.E. BAILEY-WICK

Jesus said: Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them; for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven (Matthew 19:14).

At our last teachers' meeting we discussed at length the subject of discipline, both here at church and elsewhere. Our talk centered on how to make our church classrooms a "safe place" for both our great volunteer teachers and for their students. A few days later I was reading an article written by a teacher who tutored learning disabled youngsters. As she worked with all the different children, she became convinced that all of us need to have a safe place to grow and learn and develop our sense of self. Her description of this place hit home with me and a copy of "A Safe Place" is now on the walls of each classroom and in the library. I would like to share it with you.

A SAFE PLACE

In a safe place people are kind. Sarcasm, fighting, backbiting and name-calling are exceptions. Kindness, consideration and forgiveness are the usual way of life.

In a safe place there is laughter. Not just the canned laughter of television, but real laughter that comes from sharing meaningful work and play.

In a safe place there are rules. The rules are few and fair and are made by the people who live and worship there, including the children.

In a safe place people listen to one another. They care about each other and show this in all that they do.

-adapted from Turnabout Children
by Mary MacCracken

Rev Bailey



We are inviting contributions for the fund for MEMORIAL FLOWERS for the church on Easter Sunday. Anyone wishing to sponsor a memorial should send his check to the church office with a note indicating "In Memory Of ..." and "Contributed By..." Names of persons commemorated and donors will be listed in the church bulletin on Easter.

DEACON OF THE MONTH



KAHL, Judy & Jim
Greg, Steve, Kristin

JUDY KAHL is our DEACON OF THE MONTH for April. Since joining PPC in 1984, Judy has been a member of the Worship and the Outreach Committees, and is still on the latter. She was the coordinator of the Photo Directory, has been teaching Sunday School for three years and assists with Vacation Bible School. Judy and husband Jim live in River Falls with their three children: Greg, Steven and Kristin who are all members of PPC.

NEW MEMBERS

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Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Young (Marilyn), 11530 LeHavre, Potomac, 294-2652
The Youngs come by Certificate of Transfer from the Orchard Park Presbyterian Church, Orchard Park, NY. Kenneth is Director, Government Marketing with West Publishing Co. He is also a part-time faculty member at American University teaching courses in technology and management. Marilyn does volunteer work at Sibley Hospital twice a week in the surgical waiting area. She says one of her most interesting and impressive experiences was being asked to work in the White House and often being in the presence of the President. The Youngs have three grown children: Kristen and twins Julia and Eric. Judy Kahl's Parish Group.

INQUIRERS

A four-week INQUIRERS CLASS SERIES conducted by our pastor will be held in the Church Parlor beginning April 29. These classes are for those persons who want to learn more about the Presbyterian Church and those persons who might be considering joining PPC. Come at 9:45 on the following Sundays:

April 29: A Faith For Today
May 6 : Our Family Story
May 13 : The Church and You
May 20 : A Place For You

After completing the series, those wishing to unite with PPC will meet with the Session on May 20 at 8:00 in the Parlor. Recognition of new members is scheduled for the 11:00 service on May 27.

WANTED: NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Can you operate a pair of scissors, ruler, pencil, glue bottle, telephone, dictionary, typewriter? If so, call Lynn Bigler, 983-1682. OJT - yes!

WELCOME TO

The following new members were recently received by the Session and presented to the congregation on Sunday, March 4, 1990. We welcome these new families into the work and worship of our Church.

Mrs. Robert Bavier (Anne), 12601 Lloydminister, Gaithersburg 20878, 963-1015

Anne comes by Certificate of Transfer from Warner Presbyterian Church, Kensington, Md. Her husband, Robert, is an architect and she works for the National Cancer Institute running a national network of community physicians doing cancer research. Anne also does volunteer work as secretary of The Junior League of Washington. The Baviers have one son, Robert, 8. Bob King's Parish Group.

Miss Olivia Mabeus and

Miss Karen Mabeus, 2000 Baltimore Road, Rockville 20851, 738-9448

Olivia and Karen come by Certificate of Transfer from Geneva United Presbyterian Church, Rockville. Olivia is a Registered Nurse at NIH. She has served as a Deacon in two of her former Presbyterian churches in California and also served on the Pastor Seeking/Nominating Committee (which she says she hopes she doesn't have to do at PPC!) Olivia hates to cook but is actually a prizewinning dessert maker (hope she comes to our pot luck suppers!) Karen is an Administrative Assistant for the Institute on Religion and Democracy. Her special interests are with human rights, organizing and participating in community projects. She serves as a Community of Hope volunteer in the District. Karen says she loves to travel anywhere and everywhere. Phyllis Matson's Parish Group.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Russell (Gloria) and

Mr. Scott Russell, 9719 Beman Woods Way, Potomac 20854, 469-9471

The Russells come by Certificate of Transfer from the United Methodist Church, New Canaan, Connecticut. Charlie has been with IBM for the past 30 years living in many places including North and South Dakota, Chicago, Virginia, Connecticut, Japan, France, and now Maryland. Fortunately, he enjoys traveling. Gloria enjoys tennis, cooking, sewing, needlepoint and decorating. Scott is a student in Litchfield, Connecticut. The Russells have one other son, Steve, who is older. Gloria Leber's Parish.

Mr. Charles Vaughn, 13309 Oakwood Drive, Rockville 20850, 424-7197

Charles comes by Reaffirmation of Faith. He is a Commercial Real Estate Broker with Commercial Locations, Inc., in Gaithersburg. This is his own company and he specializes in land for development, commercial/industrial properties, primarily along the I-270 corridor. Charles has two grown sons who live in this area. He has served as a Deacon in a former Presbyterian church. Bob Hazard's Parish Group.

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YOUTH FELLOWSHIP NEWS

April 1, 12-2:00 - Senior Highs meet in Library for pizza and planning for Youth Sunday.

April 15 - Youth host Easter Egg Hunt for PPC children.

April 21 - Senior Highs climb Old Rag Mountain with Lynn and Brent Matson.

April 29 - SUPER DOG SUNDAY! Support your youth as they raise money deliciously for a youth mission project. All invited at noon.

AND Junior High Experience - a Presbytery-wide event, 1:30-5:30.

May 13 - YOUTH SUNDAY!

ADULT EDUCATION

April 1, 8 - Tom Miles completes his course, "The Growth and Development of the Opposition to Jesus" - a timely and thoughtful study.

April 15 - EASTER - No Sunday School.

April 22 - Mission Sunday. Lon Dring will speak to us on "Why a Community Ministry". Join us for this fascinating speaker on an important subject to all of us.

April 29 - Dr. Harold Durfee, professor at Wesley Seminary and a regular worshipper at PPC, joins us for a 2-week study on the "Philosophy of Religion".

AND "Third Sunday" in April. Because Easter is the third Sunday, this month we will meet on April 29. We will begin a 3-part series called "Family Talk" - discussing the different issues that all families deal with: discipline, values, money, stress, etc.

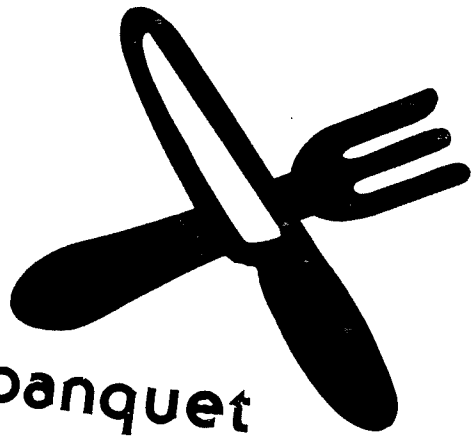


IN SESSION

At the March 19 Session meeting, Elders again struggled with the implications of inadequate funding for 1990 and took action to initiate a "SECOND MILE" financial appeal...learned that the Christian Education Committee is formulating long term goals and objectives, Fellowship Committee is planning a rummage sale in June, Mission Committee is preparing for Christmas in April, Outreach Committee has Friendship Sunday - April 1 - well in hand and Property Committee is busily involved in building maintenance as well as grounds clean-up set for April 7...authorized Senior Highs' holding the Second Annual Super Dog Sunday on April 29...were informed that Minute and Register Books were approved without exception at the Annual Review.

POT LUCK

A pot luck supper is scheduled for Palm Sunday, April 8, at 6 p.m. The program, planned by the Worship Committee, consists of a dramatic reading from T. S. Eliot's play, "Murder in the Cathedral," which deals with the murder of Thomas Becket, Archbishop of Canterbury, in 1170 - a play that looks back to the events of Holy Week and forward to the present time. Call Marilyn Shankland or Bettina Curtis to make a reservation and tell what dish you're bringing.



banquet

The Fellowship Committee is planning another fantastic Mother-Daughter Banquet set for May 18 at 6:30 p.m. Ladies of all ages are encouraged to join in for good food and interesting entertainment.

This year's program will feature dramatist Ecky Broad who will come to us from Chagrin Falls, Ohio, to present her show. Watch the bulletin for further information on reserving a front row seat.



TEA AND HANDWORK

We shall close our season at the end of April. Plan your summer needlework with us this month. See you all in the Church Parlor April 5 and 26 from 1:30-3:30.

SAVE: cans/stamps

The congregation is reminded to save aluminum cans for the Sunday School Heifer Project. Cans may be left in the narthex. The Heifer Project provides farm animals to under-developed countries.

Also save your cancelled stamps with a quarter inch border around them. Stamps may be left in Pat King's mailbox. They are sent to Church World Service to assist with their good works.



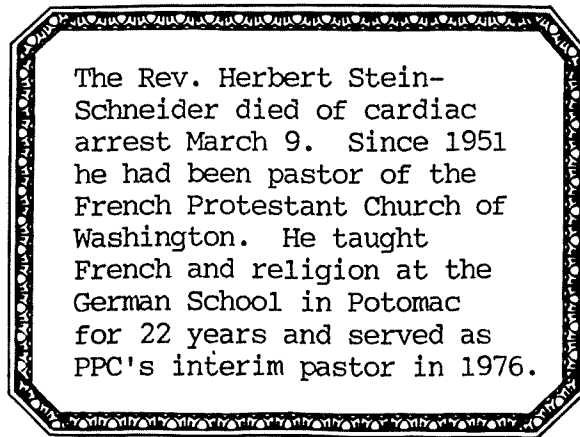
Allis Druffel, our choir soprano soloist, is available and would love to sing! Please call her at 301-982-2995.

VBS

vacation Bible School will be held at PPC from June 18-22, 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Last year VBS was a great success and we are looking forward to another exciting, fun-filled week. Plans are already underway for a week which includes crafts, music, recreation and adventure all based around the theme of Bible stories and activities.

Children of the church and community are invited to attend VBS. Classes will be offered for pre-school (4 years) through 5th grade at \$10.00 per student. Friends are welcome.

We need help for the following positions: teachers, classroom helpers, recreation, crafts, lunch period. If you would like to volunteer or have any questions, please contact co-directors Jane Shbaugh (840-0456) or Ardis Kline (299-7572).



The Rev. Herbert Stein-Schneider died of cardiac arrest March 9. Since 1951 he had been pastor of the French Protestant Church of Washington. He taught French and religion at the German School in Potomac for 22 years and served as PPC's interim pastor in 1976.



ALL IN THE FAMILY

WELCOME TO:

Joseph Tyler Catalani, born March 1 to Joey and Allison Catalani; Pat and Walter Maxwell are the proud grandparents.

BAPTIZED:

Douglas William Harker Fairbanks, son of Barbara King and Gregory Alan Fairbanks; grandson of Pat and Bill King.

ANNOUNCING:

Diane Prevary Kramer, our former Associate Pastor, has received a call to become Pastor of Woodbridge Presbyterian Church in Woodbridge, Virginia.

HOW TIME FLIES:

Kerry begins his sixth year at PPC on March 26!

REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:

Ralph Hall and his family in the tragic loss of his daughter-in-law in Chicago.

MISSION MESSAGES

There are four very important dates and activities for you to note on your schedules during the month of April that relate to our mission as Christians in the world. Please make note of them all:

1. One Great Hour of Sharing is the special offering we will be collecting on Palm and Easter Sundays. Our children and youth will be presenting their coin banks on Palm Sunday, and special envelopes will be in the pew racks for everyone else. Did you know that OHGS funds were used last year by our denomination to make an immediate, emergency grant of \$30,000 to victims of Hurricane Hugo? To date, through Church World Service, Presbyterians have contributed over \$800,000 to that cause. OHGS offerings also enable CWS to provide a \$100 grant to each refugee seeking to resettle in the United States, and to provide money for emergency needs and medical care. In 1989, Presbyterians assisted in resettling 1630 refugees, 846 from Eastern Europe and 686 from the Soviet Union alone. Isn't it wonderful to be a part of such a caring and capable church community?

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

2. On April 22nd, the Rev. Lincoln (Lon) Dring, the Executive Director of Community Ministry of Montgomery County, will be teaching the Adult Education Class. His topic will concern the Christian's role in social justice, or why a community ministry? This will be part of our interpretative effort of Peacemaking in the Church. Lon is a charismatic speaker; don't miss his conversation with us.

CMMC

3. On April 28, we will join hands with another church or volunteer group to refurbish a home in disrepair that is owned by someone too elderly or sick and too poor to afford to pay to have repairs made. More details will follow, but please plan either to labor (skills are not prerequisites), or to sponsor with your cash someone else's work. Frank Bond will be our House Captain for Christmas in April.

Christmas In April

4. Finally, as you will learn from the Session, we will be inviting you to contribute to a special stewardship campaign to overcome current budget constraints and to fulfill our call to love our neighbors as ourselves. Please give these needs as they are presented to you your prayerful consideration.

Our commitment shows.

CLEAN-UP

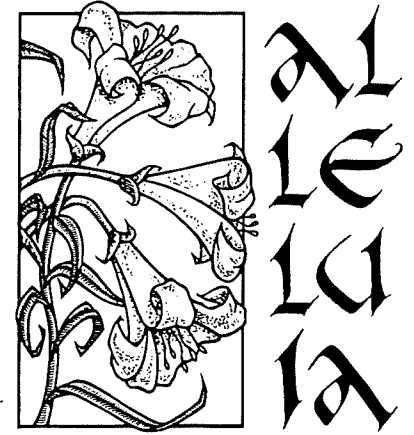
Come join our exercise group from 9-3 on Saturday, April 7. Well, actually it's the date set for the annual church grounds clean-up. All ages invited. Come anytime and stay as long as you can. Lunch served at noon. Please bring digging/weeding/pruning/raking tools marked with your name.

RUMMAGE SALE

In a little over two months, your PPC friends will be happily getting rid of their unwanteds at the Fellowship Committee's RUMMAGE SALE. Don't be left out! Go to your closet/attic/basement/garage right now and start weeding out your donations. Start today: you know how long it takes you to convince your kids to give up those old toys/dolls/books/models/bikes, etc.

From experience, we know that there's a buyer out there for nearly everything! Not only will your home look better but you'll also be doing your mission work as our proceeds always go to good causes.

Many hours of labor are required to set up the sale so your help will be needed May 28, 29, 30 and 31 as well as on sale days June 1 and 2. Call Lynn Bigler at 983-1682 with questions or to say you'll help.



EGG HUNT

At 10:30 on Easter Sunday, April 15, the 7th Annual PPC Easter Egg Hunt will be held for 3rd graders and under. If you come to the 9:00 service, stay for the hunt. If you come to the 11:00 service, come early. Parents may attend Coffee Hour in Fellowship Hall from 10-11:00. The children should meet at 10:15 in the kindergarten/1st grade classroom. Bags for the hunt will be available or you may bring your own basket. During the 9:00 service, the Junior and Senior Highs will hide the eggs and then will watch over the younger children during the hunt.

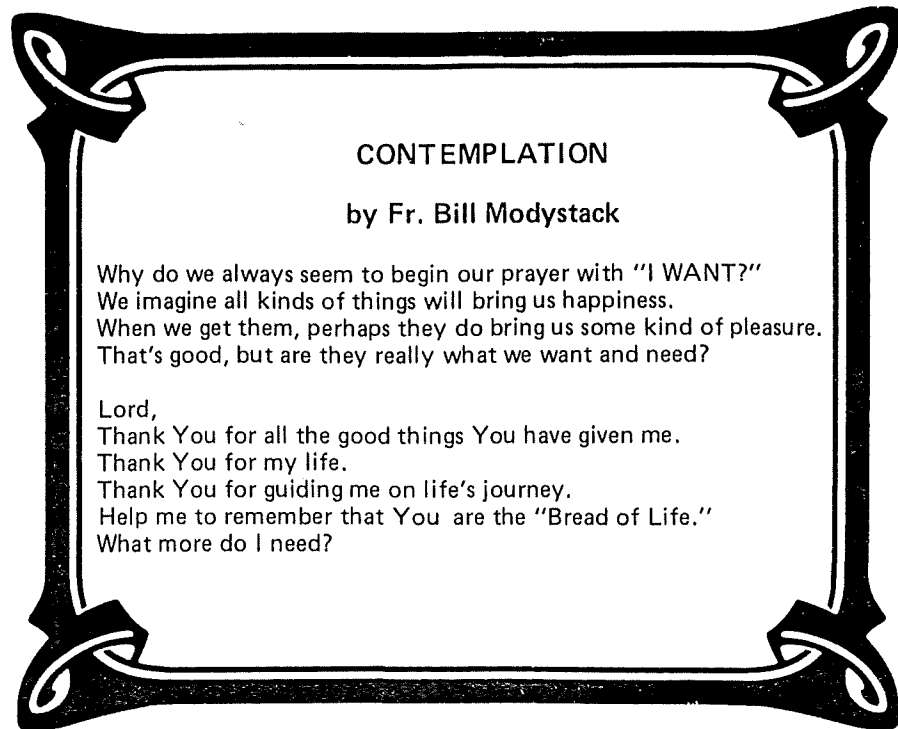
super dogs



Make plans now to attend PPC's second annual SUPER DOG SUNDAY immediately after the 11:00 service in Fellowship Hall, Sunday, April 29. Chow down on hot dogs, hamburgers, chili dogs, cole slaw, baked beans, desserts, and lemonade! Please support our Senior High Sunday School Class and this fundraiser for their special mission project.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>FRIENDSHIP SUNDAY 1 9:45 Sunday School/Ad. Ed. 11:00 Worship 12:00 Fellowship 12-2 Sr. Hi. Planning for Youth Sunday 5 Confirmation Class</p>	<p>6. Miriams Kitchen 2 10:30 Exer. Class 8 C.E. Comm.</p>	<p>1-6 Lord's Table 3</p>	<p>9:30 Bible Study 4 10:30 Exer. Class 3:15 Cub Scouts 6:30 Masterworks 8:00 Property Comm.</p>	<p>1:30 Tea/Needlework 5 7 Handbell Choir 8 Sanctuary Choir 8 Home Communion 8-10:30 MSOA</p>	<p>9-3:30 SPRING-CLEAN UP DAY 6 8 Armenian Church Music Program</p>	
<p>PALM SUNDAY 8 9:45 Sunday School/Ad. Ed. 11:00 Worship 12:00 Fellowship 5 Confirmation Class 6 Palm Sunday Dinner</p>	<p>10:30 Exer. Class 9 8 Comm. Meetings</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>NO BIBLE STUDY 11 10:30 Exer. Class 2:45 Collingswood 6:30 Masterworks</p>	<p>8 Maundy Thursday Communion Service 12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>EASTER SUNDAY 15 No Sunday School 9 Worship 10 Fellowship 10:30 Easter Egg Hunt 11 Worship 12 Fellowship 3:45 Worship @ Manor Care²</p>	<p>10:30 Exer. Class 16 8 Session</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>NO BIBLE STUDY 18 10:30 Exer. Class 6:30 Masterworks</p>	<p>7 Handbell Choir 8 Sanctuary Choir 19</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>2 SR. HI. FELLOWSHIP to Old Rag Raindate-Spring Clean-Up</p>
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CONTEMPLATION

by Fr. Bill Modystack

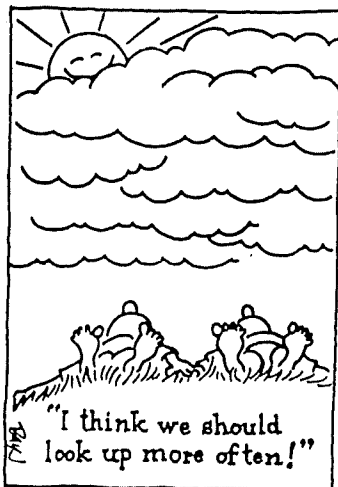
Why do we always seem to begin our prayer with "I WANT?" We imagine all kinds of things will bring us happiness. When we get them, perhaps they do bring us some kind of pleasure. That's good, but are they really what we want and need?

Lord,
Thank You for all the good things You have given me.
Thank You for my life.
Thank You for guiding me on life's journey.
Help me to remember that You are the "Bread of Life."
What more do I need?

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ANXIETY AND FAITH

Anxiety: a reaction to life experienced by everyone! From what source does anxiety come and can we deal with it creatively?

Dr. I.D. Yalom, MD, professor of Psychiatry at The Stanford University School of Medicine, in his most recent book, Love's Executioner, shares with his readers what he calls his primary clinical assumption:

". . . that basic anxiety emerges from a person's endeavors, conscious and unconscious, to cope with the harsh facts of life, the 'givens' of existence". (p. 4)

The "harsh facts" according to Dr. Yalom are (1) death, (2) our freedom to do what we will with our lives, (3) the fact that ultimately we are alone, and (4) the absence of meaning to life.

Death does exert uncontrollable power over us; aloneness characterizes even the life filled with friends and frenzy; and regardless of our successes, in themselves they do not necessarily give meaning to life.

Christian faith sheds light on these shadows that drift in and out of our lives with different shapes and hues from gray to black.

Easter addresses death. The rich symbols surrounding the resurrection of Jesus Christ speak to our death. Sometimes obscured in their mystery, the symbols still provide "answers" that satisfy the human soul.

The Gospel addresses our inner freedom - assuring us that, regardless of the limitations life imposes upon us, we possess a freedom unassailable by what Jesus called "the world".

Although we stand alone (remember the best seller, The Lonely Crowd?), our faith assures us of the presence of God. A final aloneness only occurs when a person lacks faith.

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C.E. BAILEY-WICK

As the weather turns warm and the outdoors beckons us, it is easy to be distracted on weekends and decide to take a week or so "off" from church. But...there are only a few weeks of regular Sunday School left and our teachers work hard to provide a good experience for the children and young people with whom they work. Our Adult classes also continue to provide stimulating topics and speakers. Imagine how frustrating it is never to know how many students will be in Sunday School.

I recently went over the attendance records for all young people through 12th grade. Of the 87 who have attended this year, only 31% have come more than half of the Sundays. The highest percentage of regular attendees has been in our Middle School class with over 50% attending. Our congratulations to this group of youngsters and their parents!

This single hour of Christian Education is sometimes the only time our children have to explore their faith and learn the Biblical stories. Our society does little to reinforce these learnings. The C.E. Committee is striving to improve the quality of the program here at PPC. Help us, please, by letting your children know how important the church and its education program is to you.



for Children

VBS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL June 18-22
11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Plans for VBS are well underway. We have chosen "Jesus Christ: Giver of Peace" as the curriculum. Each day will be filled with Bible stories, crafts, music and activities as we learn how to be peacemakers in our everyday lives.

We are looking for help at lunch time to give the teachers a break. If you could come one day for as little as an hour, we could use your help in any capacity.

Registration forms will be mailed to members in mid-May or you can pick one up in the church office.

Parents - don't miss this opportunity for your children to have a wonderful week-long church experience.

GRANDPARENTS - Invite your grandchildren to spend the week with you and attend VBS.

Proverbs 26:6 "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it".

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help, please call Jane Ashbaugh at 840-0456 or Ardis Kline at 299-7572.

assignment: WEED

Now that we finally have our spring clean up done, we need to plan for the future. To keep up with our healthy weeds, we are dividing up our church yard and asking families to be in charge of keeping an eye on small portions of it. On Sundays in May we will have sign up sheets or you may call Barbara Perry at 299-6067 for an assignment.



banquet

MOTHER/DAUGHTER BANQUET reservations may be made Sundays in the narthex with your check for \$9/adult; \$5/child under 12 OR send your checks made out to PPC to Pat King by May 15.

The BANQUET which begins at 6:30 on May 18, will feature a chicken cordon bleu feast with entertainment by Ecky Broad - Broad as in Broadway - coming to us from Chagrin Falls, Ohio.

Hope to see ALL you girls there at this Fellowship Committee event.

THANK YOU!

I would like to thank everyone who helped to make Friendship Sunday a success. Especially, the members of the Outreach Committee and the new members who participated in greeting, ushering and helping with the coffee/fellowship time following the service. Also a special thanks to Kerry for going beyond the call of duty with helping in the late night painting of the sandwich board and to Bev for providing the children with the "I am Loved" buttons. Lastly, thanks Mom and Dad, for pulling it together in my absence!

-Molly Newell

RUMMAGE SALE

The Fellowship Committee invites you to participate in its FUND raising RUMMAGE SALE in some capacity beginning May 27 following the coffee hour. Your donations (you did clean those closets last week, didn't you?) may be brought AFTER the Fellowship Hour on Sunday, May 27, and May 28-31. PLEASE bring earlier in the week rather than later! Set-up help is needed all day every day that week - bring a lunch! We can use paper bags and hangers, thanks. And for goodness sakes, come on June 1-2 from 10-3:00 and find yourself a treasure! Our proceeds go to mission causes. Questions? Call Lynn Bigler at 983-1682.

CAMP GLENKIRK



CAMP GLENKIRK
1990 CAMP VISITATION DAY
- sponsored by National Capital
Presbytery
- for campers entering grades 3-6.

Interested persons are invited to Camp Glenkirk in Gainesville, Va., on its CAMP VISITATION DAY, Sunday, May 20, from 2-6:00 p.m. This will provide an opportunity to see the camp and learn about the summer camping programs. There are Resident camps for the younger children and Resident and/or Adventure camps for the older children whereby campers have the opportunity to spend part of their time canoeing on the Shenandoah River. The camp begins the season on June 18. For more information, contact Truman Nabors, Camp Director, at 591-3362, or pick up a camp brochure in our church office.

ATTENTION: ALL PROUD FAMILIES

Please let the church know if you have family members graduating from high school or college this spring. We want to feature them in our June issue. Call the office with your information as soon as possible.

KENTUCKY KAPTURES KERRY

Pastor Stoltzfus preached April 22 at the Booneville, Cow Creek and Indian Creek Presbyterian Churches in Eastern Kentucky. He spent a week of continuing education visiting with Rev. Joe Powlas who has pastored these churches for nearly forty years. Kerry began his association with this ministry in the early 70's when he organized youth group trips to Booneville. He also visited Morris Fork Crafts which we learned of this past fall in Adult Education. Our hope is that perhaps some day a youth or adult group will plan a visit to this remarkable ministry.

YOUNG ADULTS PICNIC

Mark your calendars now for an END OF YEAR/BEGINNING OF SUMMER picnic Sunday evening, May 20. Place and time to be decided. Your deacon, Phyllis Matson, will be calling you with more information.

ADULT EDUCATION

- May 6 ... Dr. Harold Durfee, Professor at American University in the Department of Philosophy and Religion, and regular PPC worshipper, continues his class. This week his topic is "Revelation and the Crisis of Reason".
- May 13, 20, 27 ... Pastor Stoltzfus will teach a class entitled "Theological Themes" and will consider the following questions: How can we find God? How does God find us? What are we doing here? Is God for us? He suggests reading Romans 1:16-23 and John 1:1-14 before the first class session.
- Also ... THIRD SUNDAY class will meet May 20 to continue its study "Family Talk", a video series led by Bev Bailey. This class will meet in the parlor.
- And ... INQUIRERS CLASS for prospective members continues on May 6, 13, 20.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP NEWS

- Sunday, May 13 ... YOUTH SUNDAY. The Senior Highs have planned a meaningful worship service filled with the joy of music and youth. Led by all the children and young people of PPC, the theme of the day is "What can WE do?" If you haven't been contacted and you wish to participate, please call Bev Bailey at church.
- Saturday, May 19 ... CROP WALK for hunger. A 10k. walk in downtown DC sponsored by Church World Service. Senior Highs, college students and young adults are encouraged to join the PPC delegation led by Bev Bailey, Keith Bratt, and Jeff Kuwabara. We hope all church members will sponsor one of our young people in this important activity. Watch the bulletin for more information.
- Sunday, May 20 ... Middle School Fellowship 12:00-3:30. Activity to be decided. Suggestions?? Call Bev Bailey.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Middle School Beach Trip, June 1-3. The Chapin Family has invited all Middle Schoolers to join them in Bethany Beach for a great weekend in the sun. A great way to end the school year!

MONTREAT, for all students 9-12th grade. July 8-14. So far 5 PPC-ers and Bev Bailey will make the trip to the beautiful North Carolina mountains for a week of worship, fellowship, study, music and play with other young people from around the country. Interested? We still have room - but hurry! Call Bev soon!

RAINBOW PLACE SHELTER



Rainbow Place Women's Shelter has completed eight years with record numbers: 96 different women and 3,629 bednights. Casseroles from many churches-PPC being well represented-arrived. Volunteers Bob and Kathy McMahon were there often to help in the kitchen (hectic as mealtime can become) as a quiet and efficient team. All in all this Christian outreach showed endless patience and a lot of hard work. Rockville Presbyterian Church should be given a "badge of honor" for their willingness to continue this mission activity. In closing this

continue this mission activity. In closing this year, Rainbow's Director offers this poem from Maggie, one of the homeless women at the shelter.

May there always be work for your hands to do.
May your purse always hold a coin or two.
May the sun always shine on your window pane.
May a rainbow be certain to follow each rain.
May the hand of a friend always be near you.
May God Christ Jesus fill your heart with
gladness to cheer you.

-With gratitude, M

God bless the heart that cares for others.

IN SESSION

At the Session meeting on April 16, Elders called for a Congregational Meeting following worship on May 6 for the purpose of electing an Elder for the remainder of Michael Willoughby's 1990 term...were told that Senior Highs are planning the May 13 worship service in observance of Youth Sunday...heard of plans for Vacation Bible School, June 18-22 under the direction of Jane Ashbaugh and Ardis Kline...were reminded of the Mother-Daughter Banquet, May 18...learned of PPC's Christmas in April house which is located in Silver Spring where 8 volunteers under Frank Bond's direction will work on a porch as well as painting and other "fix-up"...noted that installation of new gas furnaces is complete.

deacon of the month

Our Deacon for May is Charlene Brumbaugh. She and Bruce joined PPC in 1976 coming from National Presbyterian Church and before that from St. Louis. Besides keeping busy with Mary Ann and Blake and community affairs, Charlene has been active with WOC events, a member of both the Sanctuary and Property Committees, and has "always taught Sunday School".



BRUMBAUGH, Charlene & Bruce
Mary Ann, Blake

KITCHEN SEEKS EARLY BIRDS

For several years a regular core of PPC members has risen early to arrive at Western Presbyterian Church at 1905 H. Street NW, on the first Monday of each month. They do this to prepare and serve breakfast for homeless adults. Kathy McMahon (762-2076), our coordinator for Miriam's Kitchen, is in need of some additional volunteers to replace a member who no longer works downtown. You need not assume responsibility for going every month, but it would be great if we had a pool of five or six to rotate turns. The hours are 6:30-8:30 a.m. and the Metro is convenient. Please call Kathy.

There are numerous opportunities to get involved in social action as witness to your faith. Please feel free to contact Elsie Reid or George Boddiger for ideas.

Borrowed from the Rockville FISH Newsletter:

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

O, heavenly Father:

We thank Thee for food and remember the hungry.

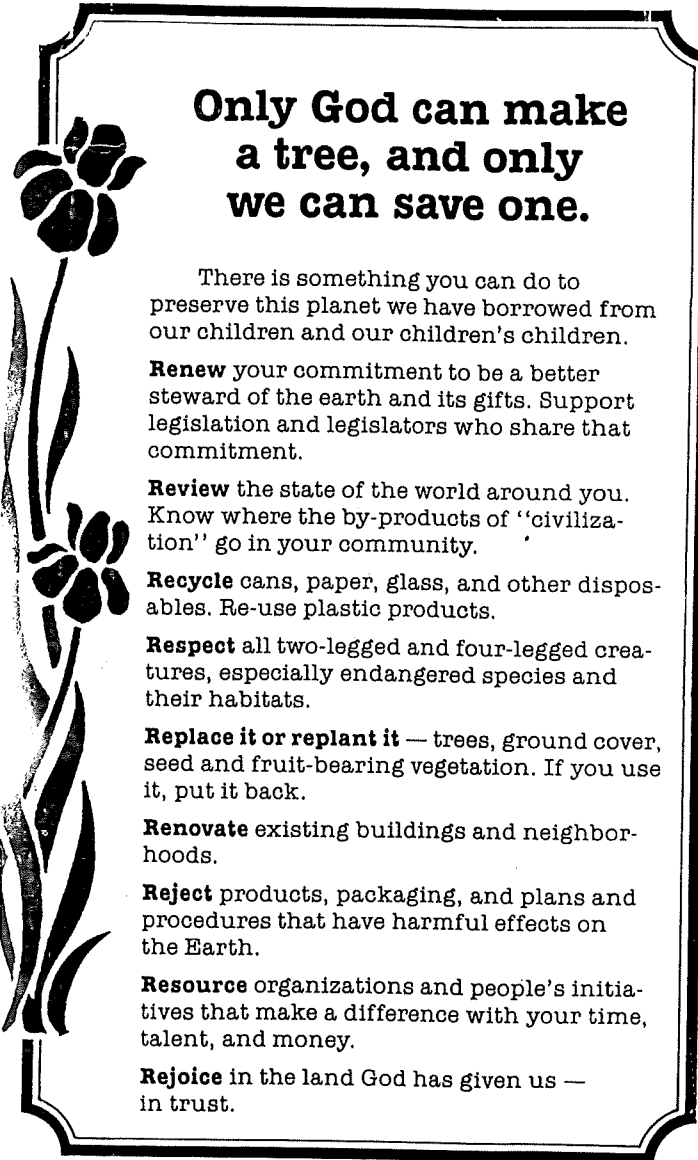
We thank Thee for health and remember the sick.

We thank Thee for friends and remember the friendless.

We thank Thee for freedom and remember the enslaved.

May these remembrances stir us to service,

That Thy gifts to us may be used for others. Amen.



Only God can make a tree, and only we can save one.

There is something you can do to preserve this planet we have borrowed from our children and our children's children.

Renew your commitment to be a better steward of the earth and its gifts. Support legislation and legislators who share that commitment.

Review the state of the world around you. Know where the by-products of "civilization" go in your community.

Recycle cans, paper, glass, and other disposables. Re-use plastic products.

Respect all two-legged and four-legged creatures, especially endangered species and their habitats.

Replace it or replant it — trees, ground cover, seed and fruit-bearing vegetation. If you use it, put it back.

Renovate existing buildings and neighborhoods.

Reject products, packaging, and plans and procedures that have harmful effects on the Earth.

Resource organizations and people's initiatives that make a difference with your time, talent, and money.

Rejoice in the land God has given us — in trust.

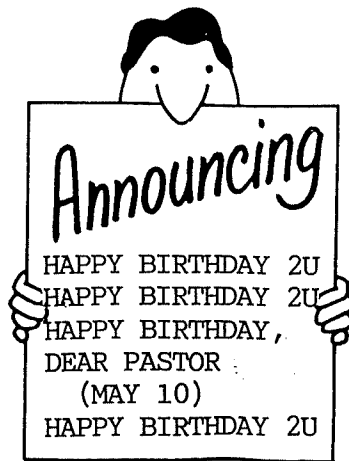
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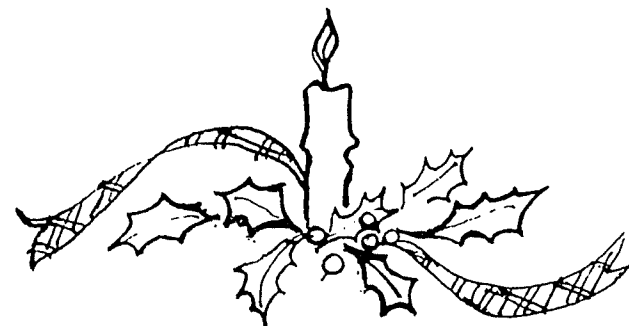
The person of faith possesses meaning in life: in the faith of all the harsh facts of life, we know who we are — the children of a purposeful God. So we find meaning in life not because it is there waiting for us. We find it because God in Christ floods our life with his saving love. And we, trusting that love, pour it into the lives of others.

So we possess the one ingredient that overcomes the fear of dying, the limits of our freedom, our aloneness, and the sometimes meaningless of life — the peace of God that passes understanding.

—TOM MILES



CHRISTMAS INTERNATIONAL HOUSE



Christmas vacation can be a lonely time on a college campus (as dorms and cafeterias shut down and students go home for the holidays) when your home is thousands of miles away across the ocean.

Seeing the great need of overseas students for somewhere to go during this vacation, Atlanta-based Christmas House International set up a program about 20 years ago to provide host families for these overseas students.

Some 12 years ago, the Gaithersburg Presbyterian Church began participation in the CHI program. Three years ago, three families from PPC participated to their great enjoyment.

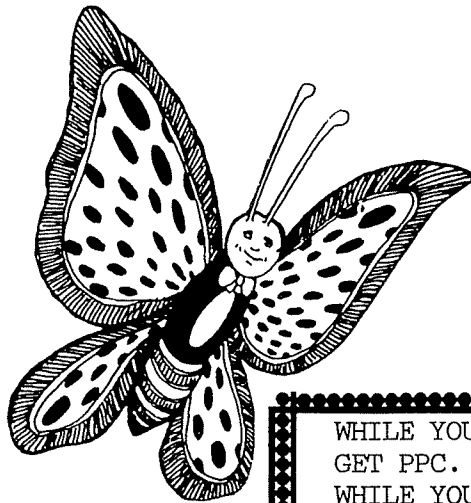
Host families provide housing, food, and local transportation for these college men and women (most are in graduate school) during the period a day or so before Christmas through New Year's or a day or so after. The students pay for their own transportation to Washington.

Life-long friendships with the overseas students have been one of the rewards for host families as well as an unusual and pleasant holiday season with someone who really appreciates the hospitality. The occasion is also a great way to promote peace throughout the world by developing better understanding among countries.

If you think you would like more information on the CHI program, or might be interested in participating, please leave word in the church office or see Mission Committee Elders Elsie Reid or George Boddiger, or any member of the Mission Committee. You'll be the winner!

Mission

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<h1>MAY 1990</h1>		1-6 Lord's Table ¹	9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Exer. Class 6:30 Masterworks ²	7:00 Handbell Choir 8:00 Sanctuary Choir ³		8:30-4 Presbyterian Workshop ⁴
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WHILE YOU'RE AWAY THIS SUMMER, DON'T FORGET PPC. THE BILLS HAVE TO BE PAID EVEN WHILE YOU'RE AT THE BEACH! REMEMBER YOUR SUMMER PLEDGES! AND BRING US A BULLETIN FROM YOUR SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICES AWAY.

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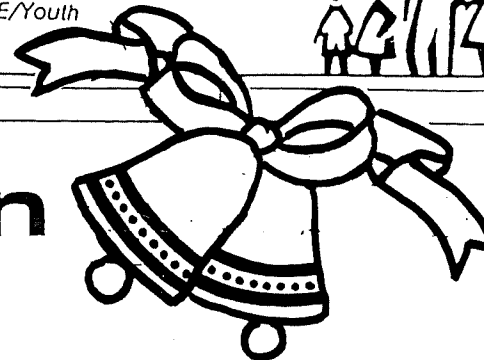
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KERRY on



June is a month for weddings and this year there are five weddings planned for our sanctuary. As Christians we believe that God has ordained marriage, Jesus Christ has blessed this relationship, and it has been declared holy throughout the life of the church. Those who pledge themselves to each other in the sight of God are promised God's help as they enter into the joys and duties of life together.

When a marriage is performed in the context of Christian worship, the proclamation of the gospel of reconciliation in Jesus Christ is a promise of blessing to that marriage. As the man and woman respond affirmatively to this proclamation, their marriage is in the Lord.

We pray that all who say their vow and make their promises in our church will be blessed by God.

Many of our congregation may be unaware of the ministry of the Wedding Guild which assists the Pastor and families who celebrate this joyous occasion at our church. Usually two members of the guild are present for the rehearsal and ceremony, answering questions, guiding the couple in a gracious manner, and making the work of your pastor much easier.

I would like you to know who serves on the Wedding Guild and to thank them for their ministry. Shirley Tietjen is chair and the members are Nancy Barr, Bettina Curtis, Bettie Ann Johnson, Pat King, Barbara Perry, Dawn Thompson, Janet Clark and Jane Ashbaugh. Incidentally, this is one group in the church that has a waiting list of volunteers!

Kerry

C.E. BAILEY-WICK

It has been a busy and productive few months in Christian Education, culminating with Session approval of a new set of goals and objectives for the CE program for the next five years. These goals are extensive and visionary and will give us guidance in planning the best education program we can offer. We will be sharing these goals with you in our Fall Education brochure and hope that you will find them as comprehensive as the Session did on May 21.

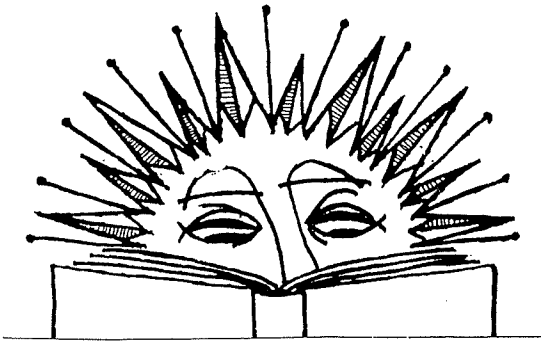
Two other special committees have been hard at work: the Sunday School Redecorating Committee and the Youth Ministry Design Team. They will be reporting their progress to you soon - but look for a new "face" on our downstairs education wing as the summer progresses.

I'd like to take this opportunity to personally thank all those who worked hard in our Sunday School, Creative Enrichment, and Nursery Programs. We hope that you'll join us in honoring these dedicated people on June 10 during the morning worship service.

It has been an exciting and challenging "first year" for me - with God's grace shining through many times. The culmination for me was working with and watching your children and young people lead all of us in worship on May 13, a service which was marked with grace, dignity, intelligence and care. For this, I thank you.

Bev Bailey

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL



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11 TO VISIT SCOTLAND



The FAITH SHARE '90 get-together will be comprised of 11 PCPer's and 4 South Parish, Girvaners touring the Highlands of Scotland.

Nancy and Bob Barr, Bill and Pat King, Kathy McMahon, Barbara and Charlie Shamel, Wanda Sherfy, Lew and Alice Smith and Dawn Thompson along with Agnes and Ron Gibson, and Isobel and Bill Paterson will start out after worshipping at South Parish Church on Sunday, June 17.

Among the highlights will be a trip to the island of Iona where St. Columba is reported to have first brought Christianity to Scotland. A night will be spent at a hunting lodge where King George VI reportedly spent a weekend. A trip to Glenfiddick distillery, some shopping trips and much sight-seeing, golfing at Turnberry, worship at Crathie Church (where the Queen worships when she's at Balmoral Castle) and visits to some castles are included in the itinerary. All are looking forward to a memorable trip.

WORD SEARCH FOR KIDS (OF ALL AGES)

Old Testament Books

Jeremiah
Leviticus
Ecclesiastes

Proverbs Psalms
Numbers Joshua
Ezekiel Judges

Daniel Ruth
Exodus Ezra
Isaiah Esther

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PPC SPRING CLEAN UP UPDATE

Despite having our SPRING CLEAN UP days cancelled once due to SNOW and again because of RAIN, we have our church yard in order. Trees and bushes have been removed and trimmed, six bushes were transplanted, 22 bushes and a tree were planted, iris bulbs and flower seeds were planted, all of the beds were weeded, ground covers were planted, the bushes were fertilized and everything was mulched.

This all happened little by little as dedicated PPC members pitched in and many returned again and

again to help. Grateful thanks go to Bob and Jonathan King, Olivia Mabeus, Ralph Hall, Pat King, Lew Smith, Wanda Sherfy, Lew Chapin, Lowell Perry, Bettina Curtis, Donna and Bob Mecklinburg, Ken Young, Ginny Crozier, Wilma Sharer, Diane and Whitney Kendall, and Cub Scout Den 4.

Thanks also go to Jim Kaple and Dennis McMahon for being on call and having their heavy duty equipment ready for our scheduled work days - we'll try for better weather this fall or next spring!

We have divided the yard into 35 sections and the PPC WEEDING TEAM has been formed. With our team members having small patches to weed throughout the summer, we look forward to enjoying a yard groomed at its best. This is the beginning and with the proper attention each year will get easier and easier.

GO TEAM GO!

Many thanks,
Barbara Perry

"A PERSON WHO GIVES IS A PERSON TOUCHED BY GOD". Pastor Stoltzfus joyfully announced to the congregation May 20 that the Second Mile Campaign has reached and topped its goal of \$35,000 needed to support the 1990 budget. "PRAISE THE LORD!"

ADULT EDUCATION

June 3

"Honesty in the Family". All classes meet in the Library. The subject has meaning for all ages and is part of the Family Talk being studied by the Third Sunday class. Bev Bailey will lead discussion.

June 10

BIBLE CHALLENGE for all ages in Fellowship Hall.

June 17 through Labor Day

Summer Worship Schedule - no adult classes.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be held at PPC from June 18 through June 22 from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Attendance for last year's Bible School was outstanding. Make sure your son or daughter doesn't miss the fun and sign up NOW! Please contact the church office at 299-6007 to register.

JUNE 10 BIBLE CHALLENGE

To celebrate the end of the Church School season, all children, youth and adults will gather in Fellowship Hall for a chance to show off their Bible skills. This inter-generational event will occur at 9:45 in place of our regular education classes and will find us dividing into teams which will challenge our minds - and help us to know each other better. This event is for the entire PPC family. Come discover the fun of BIBLE CHALLENGE.



YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

June 1-3

"Beach Break" for all Middle Schoolers. Spend a weekend with the Chapin family at Bethany Beach, Delaware. Cost: \$23. Call church office to register.

June 19

"The Toaster-Oven" which was presented by 3 of our youth as part of Youth Sunday, will be the sermon for the worship service at the June Presbytery meeting at National Presbyterian Church. Call Bev Bailey if you'd like to support our young people by attending.

July 8-14

Montreat Youth Conference, Montreat, NC. Open to all Senior Highs - over 1000 young people attending from all over the US. Watch your mail for a June planning meeting.

RESOLUTION



May 21, 1990

WHEREAS the youth, teachers and staff of Potomac Presbyterian Church celebrated Youth Sunday on May 13, 1990; and

WHEREAS said youth, teachers and staff did plan, prepare and present an outstanding Worship Service on that date; and

WHEREAS every part of the service was appropriate and in keeping with the Directory of Worship, utilizing many talents; and

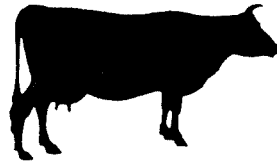
WHEREAS the congregation was heard to comment upon the excellence of this presentation;

THEREFORE, Be it resolved that we the Session of Potomac Presbyterian Church take this opportunity to extend our deep appreciation for their efforts and advise that we will continue to support and aid future observances in a like manner, and encourage continued involvement of all youth in the ongoing program of our church.



On June 3, the 1990 Confirmation Class will enjoy breakfast with their families and members of Session, make their Statements of Faith, be photographed and presented to the congregation at the worship service. We welcome these new young members into the family of PPC: Laura Christina Beck, David Alan Eagleson, Christina Elizabeth Goeltz, Caroline Olalo, and Arianna Elizabeth Smith.

SAVE ALUMINUM CANS FOR HEIFER PROJECT.



Dear Friends,

I am settling in both at home and at Covenant. The move went well and being back in Virginia feels good!

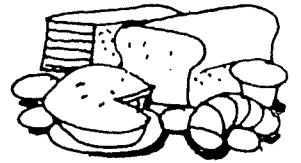
My installation will be June 3 at 4:00 p.m. Ann Hazard will represent you as Elder-Participant in the Commission of National Capital Presbytery to install me. Please know all are invited to attend; there will be a reception following.

Remember, I'm not too far away! It's an easy drive so, y'all come!

Blessings,
Diane

12309 Beechnut Ct.
Woodbridge, Va. 22192

BREAD FOR THE WORLD



Bread for the World, a Christian hunger movement endorsed by the Presbyterian Hunger Program, is embarking on a three-year campaign to end the arms race, promote peaceful resolution of conflict, and redirect resources toward ending hunger. The effort will be to encourage the President and Congress to reduce defense spending and meet urgent human needs. For example, there are 12 million children living in poverty in the U.S. and 40,000 children throughout the world die each day from hunger-related causes.

Bread for the World is supporting the Harvest for Peace Resolution introduced by U.S. Sen. Mark Hatfield (Rep. Oregon) and U.S. Rep. Matt McHugh (Dem. New York). The resolution calls on Congress to seek mutual reductions in defense and arms spending, to encourage peaceful resolution of conflicts, and to increase spending for Third World development and human needs in the U.S. and throughout the world.

If you wish to support this resolution, please write your Congresswoman Constance Morella or our Senators Paul Sarbanes and Barbara Mikulski addressed to the Congress, Washington, D.C. 20510. More information about the resolution or Bread for the World, which Presbyterians helped found, may be obtained by calling or writing Katherine Smith, 802 Rhode Island Ave., N.E., Washington, DC 20018 (202) 269, 0200.

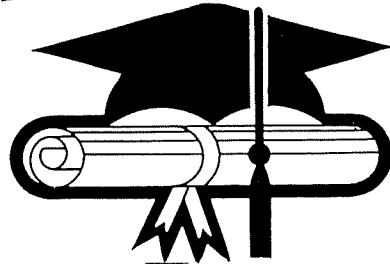
CROP

WALK

On May 19, a small group of PPC young people joined others from area churches and walked for hunger in the annual D.C. CROP WALK. The 10 kilometer walk (6.2 miles) took four hours as we visited many of the different shelters our money supports. Some of our stops included Miriam's Kitchen, Zaccheus Medical Center, Martha's Table, Sojourners Food Center, and So Others Might Eat.

We'd like to thank all of you who pledge money and ask that you turn in your pledges as soon as possible. Checks may be made out to CWS/CROP and can be turned in to Lindsay Chapin or mailed to the church to Bev Bailey's attention. It's not too late to support this walk. All money collected goes to help the Capital Area Food Bank and its 400 area agencies, and to Church World Service.

CONGRATULATIONS!



TODAY IS THE FIRST DAY OF THE REST OF YOUR LIFE. Graduates, your PPC family wishes you the best as you graduate from high school and college and begin a new step in your life.

The following graduate from high school in June; their colleges follow their names:

- James Alan Beck - College of Wooster
- Kenneth Lee Bedingfield - U. of Md.
- Jennifer K. Chung - Colgate
- Matthew G. H. Endicott - Ohio State
- John David Evans - The Gunnery, Washington, Ct.
- Franklin Scott Koonce - M.I.T.
- Brent Alan Matson - U. of Colorado
- Melissa D. Redman - Goucher
- Melissa Mary Smith - Princeton
- Thomas Stanton - Gettysburg
- Gregory Lynn Tennent - U. of Tenn.

The following graduated from college this spring:

- John Barr - U. of Kansas
- Brian Porter Bentzen - Northern Michigan U.
- Janis Merle Bigler - North Carolina State U.
- Drew Lawrence Grandi - U. of Michigan
- Robert Eben Jenkins - Rice
- Lynn Kier - Allegheny College
- Susan Kier - U. of Richmond
- Elizabeth Ann Koonce - Dennison
- Josie Ann Parr - Carnegie Mellon
- David Summers - (graduated 12-89)- East Carolina U.

Mission

YOUR MISSION DOLLARS AT WORK

During the month of May our church dollars were at work supporting the ministry of service to others and the spreading of God's word. The following contributions were made in your name:

- + to the Rev. and Mrs. Andres Garcia, \$500 in support of their Central American ministry of church leadership training and development of a health ministry in Costa Rica
- + to Miriam's Kitchen and the Lord's Table, \$500 each to assist in their feeding programs
- + to Stepping Stones and Rainbow Place, \$250 each, to supplement their shelter operations' budgets
- + to Christmas in April, 1990, \$400 to pay for materials used in the renovation of the Silver Spring home PPC members performed
- + to CMMC, \$2000 for their general operating budget and \$1000 for the Grant Assistance Program (GAP)

In future months we hope to continue our support of CMMC and local food and shelter programs. We will be reaching out to Karachi, Pakistan, to lend assistance there, and we are planning a special project to help Sunrise Presbyterian Church in South Carolina, replace youth hymnals and musical instruments as this church, now worshipping nearly a year later in a tent, as it recovers from the devastation of Hurricane Hugo. Stay tuned...

deacon of the month

Deacon of the Month is Cici Phair who joined PPC in 1968. Originally from Minnesota, Cici has lived in Potomac for 22 years and came to our church from Warner Memorial. She has always been active with the women's group and has been on both the CE Committee and the Sanctuary Committee. Cici has been a Deacon previously at PPC and is presently completing Kitty Albright's term of office.



IN SESSION

In Session May 21, Elders enthusiastically approved a resolution commending the youth, teachers and staff for the excellent youth worship service presented May 13...reelected Bruce Brumbaugh assistant treasurer, and Fred Sass and Donald Thompson as auditors for fiscal year 1990...moved to receive with commendation the statement of goals and objectives prepared by the CE Committee and suggested the inclusion of specific areas relating to budget, resources, and the educational purposes of PPC...were informed of the completion of a successful Second Mile Stewardship Campaign and supported restoration of budget recommendations previously unfunded...learned that all weeding plots have been adopted and considerable outside planting accomplished...and adjourned promptly at 10:00!

MEET SIX NEW MEMBERS



The following new members were recently received by the Session and presented to the congregation on Sunday, May 27, 1990. We welcome these new families into the work and worship of our Church.

Dr. and Mrs. Gene Bingham (Hattie), 17120 Spates Hill Road, Poolesville, 20839, 301-340-5163

The Bingham's come by Certificate of Transfer from the First United Methodist Church of Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Both Gene and Hattie work at the National Institute of Mental Health. Gene is a veterinarian and Hattie is a secretary. Gene went to Auburn University. His hobbies are: wood-working, gardening and hiking. Hattie grew up in Montgomery County and went to Hood College. She enjoys music, art and hiking. The Bingham's lived in Oak Ridge for 10 years and also in Pittsburgh for 10 years. They have 3 grown children and 2 grandchildren. Barry Barthelman's Parish Group.

Mrs. Michael P. Cronin (Jacqueline - "Jackie"), 6 Rock Falls Court, Potomac, 340-0343

Jackie comes by Certificate of Transfer from the First Presbyterian Church, Niles, Michigan. She comes from a long line of Presbyterians; Jackie says, "All my relatives are Presbyterian." Jackie is a Flight Attendant with American Airlines out of National Airport; she just received a Professional Flight Attendant Award for exemplifying a conscientious flight attendant. Her husband, Mike, is a Pilot (Captain) also with American Airlines. Jackie grew up in Niles, Michigan, and went to Miami University in Ohio. Her hobbies include needlepoint, tennis, gardening and traveling. The Cronin's are expecting their first child in November. Janet Koonce's Parish Group.

NEW MEMBERS continued on page 7

All in the Family

WELCOME TO:

Caroline Amanda, daughter of William and Martha Merz; brand new grand-daughter of John and Margery Orem.

Whitney Ann, daughter of Clark and Diane Kendall, born April 17. Whitney is the grand-daughter of Cliff and Camille Kendall and Lowell and Barbara Perry.

Heather Lynn Gavin, born April 8; daughter of Dennis and Cheryl Gavin of Melbourne, Florida; grand-daughter of Bob and Donna Mechlenburg.

BAPTIZED:

Bradford Stevens Kline II, son of Ardis and Bradford Kline.

Christopher John and Steven Mitchell, twin sons of Kenneth and Carolyn Kent.

MARRIED:

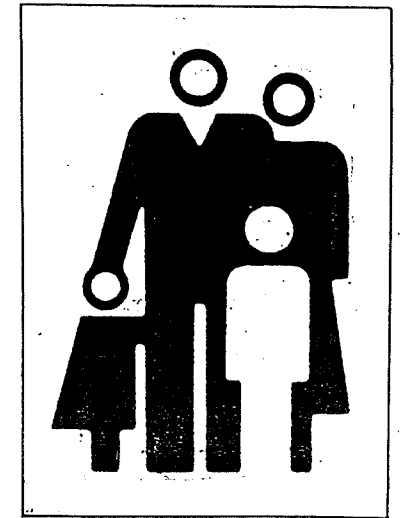
Kevin P. (Pat) McMahon, son of Bob and Kathy McMahon, to Susan Bleistift in Boston, May 27.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Janet and Bill Harrison who will celebrate their 55th wedding anniversary on June 14.

HONORED:

Harold Durfee received the honor of Professor Emeritus at the recent commencement at American University. Harold is retiring after teaching at American for 35 years.



NEW ADDRESS:

Isabel Bartholomew is now a resident of The Presbyterian Home. Friends may reach her at 3050 Military Road, NW, Washington, DC 20015, Room #367. Phone: 362-9135.

GODSPEED TO:

William and Donna Greenaway who are moving to Evans, Georgia.

REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:

The family of Rachel Dart following her death this past month.

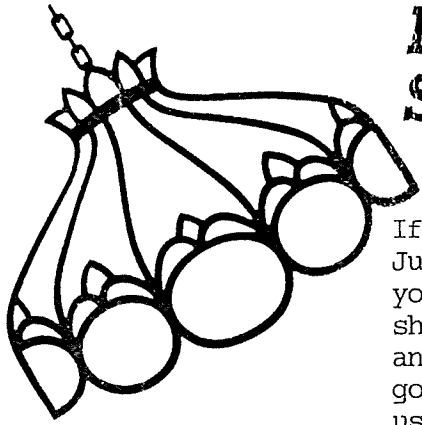


STICK
YOUR
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OUT.....



..... it takes
all kinds
to sing in
the choir!

RUMMAGE SALE



If you're reading this before June 2, it's not too late to get your rummage donations to Fellowship Hall in support of PPC's annual RUMMAGE SALE. And, for goodness sakes, come shop with us - you'll find treasures and bargains beyond your wildest dreams!



FROM ONE SUNDAY'S ORDER OF WORSHIP AT THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF POTSDAM, NEW YORK, SHOWING SOME EXASPERATION IN RESPECT TO THE OPENING MINUTES OF WORSHIP, WHEN CHILDREN ARE STILL PRESENT IN THE SERVICE. IT READS:

"HYMN 597: 'THE STRIFE IS O'ER, THE BATTLE DONE' (CHILDREN LEAVE FOR CHURCH SCHOOL)."

80+ THANK 12

Over 80 women of all ages enjoyed chicken cordon bleu served and cleaned up by our wonderful guys at the 4th ANNUAL MOTHER DAUGHTER BANQUET held May 18. Thanks to: Barry Barthelman, organizer, and Mike Bentzen, John Clouse, Bill Harrison, Bob Hazard, Bill King the Taller, Hal Newell, Calvin Reid, Douglas Reid, Del Smith, Kerry Stoltzfus and Bob Tietjen.

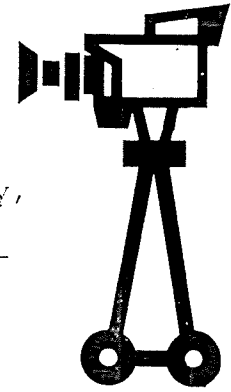
Eyes and smiles were wide as Mary Poppins (Ecky Broad) entertained the group following dinner.



ATTENTION NEW MEMBERS!!!

UPDATE FOR PPC PHOTO DIRECTORY

Anyone who was not included in the original Church Directory, sign up now for the photo session on Sunday, June 17th. The Outreach Committee will have a table set up after Sunday services on May 27 and June 3 to schedule anyone wishing to make an appointment. If you have questions, please call Molly Newell at 564-1134 or Judy Kahl at 365-4445.



NEW MEMBERS continued from page 6

Steven W. Dorman, 7912 River Falls Drive, Potomac, 299-4246.

Steve comes by Profession of Faith. Born in Atlanta, Georgia, Steve moved to Chevy Chase at age 2 and grew up in that area. He went to Ripon College in Wisconsin where he earned an A.B. in Economics and met his wife, Vicki. Vicki has been a member of PPC since 1988. Steve is the General Agent for Massachusetts Mutual and runs the D.C. office. He is a Chartered Life Underwriter (CLU) and a Chartered Financial Consultant (ChFC). He is active in sports, plays on 2 volleyball teams, enjoys tennis and "tries" at golf. He also coaches the soccer team of one of his daughters. The Dormans have 3 girls: Melissa 9, Catherine 7 and Carolyn 2½. Gloria Leber's Parish Group.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott A. Mason (Melanie), 9730 Beman Woods Way, Potomac, 365-1115

Scott comes by Profession of Faith and Melanie comes by Reaffirmation of Faith. Scott was born in Boston but grew up in Bethesda. He went to Walt Whitman where he played on the basketball team. He did his undergraduate work at Duke, received his Masters Degree from Penn State and his Doctoral Degree from GWU. In 1981 he started his own firm, National Health Advisors, to provide strategic management services to progressive health organizations throughout the U.S. (He travels alot!) Melanie was raised in Fords, New Jersey. She completed her B.S. Degree at Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pa, and her Masters Degree in Hospital and Health Care Administration at the University of Minnesota. Her hobbies include skiing, music, piano, hand crafts, ice skating and she recently took up golf. Scott and Melanie were married at PP on March 24 of this year. Bettina Curtis' Parish Group.

JUNE 1990

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 10-3 Rummage Sale	10-3 Rummage Sale Jr. Hi. Beach Trip
3 CONFIRMATION/COMMUNION 9 Confirmation Breakfast 9:45 S.S./Adult Education 11:00 Worship 12:00 Fellowship 7-9 Youth Ministry Design 7:00 Jr. Hi. return	4 6:30 Miriam's Kitchen 7:30 Deacons 8:00 Worship Comm.	5 1-6 Lord's Table	6 1:30 Wedding Comm. 2:45 Collingswood 8:00 Adult Ed. Mgt.	7	8	5 Strand/Kemper Rehearsal
10 TEACHER APPRECIATION SUNDAY 9:45 S.S./Adult Education 11:00 Worship 12:00 Fellowship 4 Strand/Kemper Wedding	11 8:00 Committees	12	13 12 Noon Women's Bible Study Luncheon	14	15 4:30 Collins/Cvarcara Rehearsal 6 Hazard/Osborne Rehearsal	10 12 Noon Hazard/Osborne Wedding 5 Collins/Cvarcara Wedding
17 ***** 9:30 SUMMER WORSHIP HOUR BEGINS!!! ***** Sacrament of Baptism 10:30-3:30 Picture Day! 3:45 Worship @ Manor Care	18 11:30-2:30 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 8:00 Session	19 10:00 Presbytery @ National	20	21	22 Last day of VBS	23
24 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship 5 Young Adults Picnic	25	26	27	28	29 6 Boutrop/Orem Rehearsal 8:15 Faller/Barker Rehearsal	30 11 Faller/Barker Wedding 1 Boutrop/Orem Wedding

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STEEPLE to PEOPLE

Kerry L. Stoltzfus, Sr. Pastor
Tom Miles, Parish Associate
Beverly Bailey, DCE/Youth
Lynn Bigler, Editor



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SUMMER 1990

KERRY on "Preaching"

As your pastor, what do you think I would like to hear as you come out the door following worship? "I learned something today; I was moved by what you said; and I intend to do something about it," says Tom Long of Princeton Seminary in his book, The Senses of Preaching. He was paraphrasing Saint Augustine who said preaching "is to teach, to delight, and to persuade."

Presbyterians more than any denomination believe that the pulpit has a teaching responsibility. Pastors used to be called "teaching elders" and are sometimes referred to as theologians in residence. We believe that an informed faith is a vital faith and that it is important to worship God with our minds.

However, Augustine would say, "yes, but..yes, we are to teach but the pulpit is not a lectern, it is a witness stand, and the truth to which we testify demands more than learning. To delight means to be inspiring, touching, moving, involving!" Long says we are looking for some sign that the hearers have been emotionally fed by our sermons. I think of it as being able to say some things that will enable people to say, "He knows how I feel."

We teach, yes. We delight, yes. But we are also called to persuade. Augustine was looking for discipleship, the obedient ethical response to the claims of the gospel. We all long to be doing something that has meaning, some task that makes a difference. Long describes Calvin's church in Strasbourg, which had an alms box at the door. You did not place money in the box when you entered the church as if to pay the price of admission. You placed your offering in the box as you left the church. Giving money to the poor was the first act of obedience to the Word you had received in worship.

I pray that most Sundays you will be able to leave worship and say, "I learned something today." "I was moved by what you said, and I intend to do something about it."

Kerry

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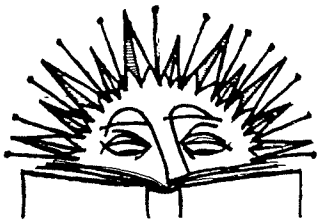
IS IT SUMMER ALREADY?

It may be summer, but it's been really busy in CE at PPC. June brought with it teacher recognition and an intergenerational event called "Bible Challenge." Three of our young people presented their Youth Sunday sermon, "The Toaster-oven", for worship at a Presbytery meeting, and we had a successful Vacation Bible School. We have instituted a summer Sunday School for children 3-8 years of age, and have begun having special worship bulletins for children during our Sunday services. We hope you'll tell us how your children like them and if you think they are helpful.

In addition, five of our Senior Highs and I have just returned from Montreat, North Carolina and our denomination's Senior High Youth Conference. This year's theme was "Just Before Daybreak", and over 1000 young people and their sponsors worshipped, played and studied together - learning more about how to let Christ into their lives. It was a profound experience for me as I talked with Presbyterian youth from as far away as California, Michigan, Louisiana and Florida. And the real personal bonus was getting to know our own youth - Abby, Kristin, Caroline, Bryan and Josh - laughing, crying, praying together. Our children get very busy in their lives, and their faith sometimes gets pushed down to the very bottom of their schedules. Montreat is a very important opportunity for them to spend some quality time exploring their faith, and - even more important - meeting lots of kids from everywhere who aren't afraid to talk about it. If you have a teenager in high school, I highly recommend this annual event. Please feel free to talk to any of the five youth who attended or myself. We'll tell you all about it.

Shalom,

Bev Bailey



SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Beginning Sunday, June 17, and continuing through Labor Day Weekend, the CE Committee will offer a broadly-graded class for children 3-8 years of age. This class will be held during the worship service. Based on the Creative Enrichment model - yet with a different course of study called "Stories of the Bible", Bev Bailey will be the lead teacher. The class will combine the use of story, music and crafts. Children 4th grade and older will attend worship with their families - but look for something new in church during July and August.

CHOIR NOTES



WANTED: SUMMER SINGERS

Are you a shower singer? You're needed in the summer "Pick-up Choir"! We meet each Sunday morning at 9:00 and put together an anthem which we sing at the 9:30 service. No long term commitment is necessary. Sing one Sunday or sing every Sunday.

REPAINTING

The Sunday School classrooms on the lower level are being repainted this summer. Stop by to offer assistance this month and next OR come "ooh and aah" at the renovation when classes commence again in September.

CAN YOU HELP?

As Asian family who are sponsored by St. Mark Presbyterian Church and have been here for several years need help in finding employment. They are excellent cleaners and would like regular employment, part-time only...whatever they can find. They do have transportation. If you can assist this family, please call Johnni McFarland (965-3131).

WE DID A GREAT THING- TOGETHER

TOGETHER we filled Fellowship Hall with our cast-offs in early June. TOGETHER we worked nearly a week sorting and pricing to present them to the public. And, TOGETHER, we realized a total amount of \$2936 from our annual RUMMAGE SALE. This is the most ever!

Love and thanks heartily go to those persons who pitched in TOGETHER to make this happen: Lucille Ferrara, Ruth Lincoln, Alice Smith, Jean and Merlin Ray, Ginny Crozier, Jackie Cronin, Camille Kendall, Klara Rozner, Rosa Eagan, Bettina Curtis, Pat and Bill King, Marilyn Young, Sherry Bond, Mary Reichley, Wanda Sherfy, Wilma Sharer, Dawn Thompson, Harriet Grier, Janis, Jason and Bill Bigler. Forgive me if your name escaped my list! And, dear congregation, without your donations we wouldn't have had our fabulous merchandise - many thanks to you, also.

Half of our profits this year are going to the Mission Committee; half to the Christian Education Committee. Some of the unsold clothing was given to the Polish Charity Organization via Klara Rozner; the remaining items were donated to the Frederick Union Mission. They would appreciate being called any time during the year to pick up your unwanted items. Their goal is "Helping the Homeless."

Let's do it again next year!
-Lynn Bigler, Chairman



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VISIT SCOTLAND

On July 16 we all met with our host families and other South Parish Church members for a pot luck supper. After supper, Jim Carson, who was master-of-ceremonies, entertained us with stories interspersed with Scottish dancing (performed by the same girls who danced for our group in 1986), a bagpiper, violinist, and several singers. A real Scottish celeidh! This time, we Americans did not have to perform.

Sunday, after church services in which Bill King and Charlie Shame1 participated, we set forth with three Scots (Agnes Gibson and Bill and Isobel Paterson) in our 33-passenger bus for the Highlands. At our first of many stops for tea, coffee, etc., we purchased "Shoo!" to ward off the midgies (Scottish gnats) which was deemed "effective and safe to use; apply before imminent attack." We found we would need it at our next stop where our proprietor met us dressed in kilts.

We visited many historical sites and castles. At the Wallace Monument in Stirling, we climbed 300 feet up the Abby Craig. Kathy McMahon was awarded the Badge of the Brave by us since she continued to climb a stair spiralling up like a stick of twisted rock another 200 feet and none of the rest of us could manage that.

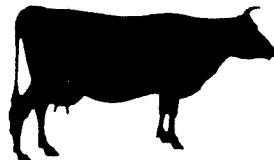
Bob Barr and Barbara Shame1 visited their ancestral homes; Bob at the Village of Barr and Barbara at Achnocarry Spean Bridge where there is a Clan Cameron Museum.

Time was found for four games of golf played on very different courses. (One began at 5:00 a.m.; the sun came up at 3:30 a.m. and set about 10:30 p.m.).

We all enjoyed beautiful scenery of mountains, lochs, burns, flowers, sheep and highland cattle and much laughter. Bob and Nancy Barr, Bill and Pat King, Kathy McMahon, Barbara and Charlie Shame1, Wanda Sherfy, Alice and Lew Smith, and Dawn Thompson will all be more than happy to regale you with their memories.

-Pat King

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YOUTH MINISTRY

Last April the CE Committee commissioned a special committee, the Youth Ministry Design Team, to study Youth Ministry here at PPC. This group was chaired by Bev Bailey, facilitated by your pastor, and included Jeff Kuwabara, Lindsay Chapin, Judy Kahl, Lynn Matson, Sally O'Neal, Susan Toerge, Dawn Thompson, Nathan King, and Lynda Tennent. Much study, prayer and thought has gone into these weekly meetings and much has been accomplished. The team has written a mission statement and has revamped the entire program. Beginning in September - in addition to a well-planned Sunday School class - both Middle Schoolers and Senior Highs will meet weekly for a program which includes food, study, mission and recreation.

We think highly of our young people here and want them to feel closer to their church community. If you would be willing to help in these weekly programs, please call Bev at the church. Support your youth. They are not only the future of the church - they are the church NOW!!!

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Middle School - An August trip to Kings Dominion! Date to be decided. Call Bev if you'd like to go.

Senior High - Barbeque/Pool Party at Bev Bailey's. Say good-bye to our departing

Seniors. Sunday, August 12, 2-5 p.m.



All young adults of PPC are invited to a picnic at the home of the Matsons, July 29, at 5:00 p.m.

If you haven't received a call, contact Bev Bailey or Anne Cloar at the church. Come casual and enjoy!

ADULT EDUCATION

The Adult Education Committee has planned a thought-provoking fall season of Sunday classes. Speakers will include Tom Miles, Lon Dring of CMMC, and Louise Winfield; and topics will cover mission, stewardship, advent, death and dying, and Biblical studies. In addition, "Third Sunday" will resume its monthly study of family-related issues led by Bev Bailey and friends. Inquirers Class for prospective new members will take place in October. Studying together is an important way to feel a sense of renewal in your faith. We hope that you'll join us in September.

VBS AT PPC



"Jesus Christ - Giver of Peace" was the theme of our successful Vacation Bible School this year, June 18-22. Between warm snugglies, field day, paper quilts, a visit to Manor Care with song and gifts, the 27 children attending had an action-packed week. Thanks to an outstanding teaching staff, the kids learned alot and had fun, too!

We also had a special visitor from Jesus' time. Named Martha, she knew Jesus personally - He had visited her home. A special thanks to Bettina Curtis for her dramatization.

A special thanks to our teachers for their time, energy and enthusiasm. Classroom: Carrie Matsko, Gail Dufek, Cheryl King and Olivia Mabeus; Music: Bev Bailey and Jackie Galliher; Art: Lynda Tennent and Kay Mitchel. Also thanks to our teenage helpers: Nathan and Meg King, Jon Paul Norvel, Fred and Caroline Olalo, and Melissa Smith; and the many others who helped make the week a success.

With combined help from all teachers, we traveled to Manor Care with all the children bearing gifts and song. The gifts were hand-painted flower pots with hand-planted petunias, and the children sang songs about peace to the gathered residents.

Things were really buzzing the last day as parents attended a closing program and picked up all the arts and crafts and other projects made during the week. Kerry was able to visit with us several days to welcome the children to PPC and to help hand out certificates at our closing program. The children wore smiles on their faces as they left carrying all their treasures to their cars.

We caught many of our memories on film so please stop to check out the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. Bev has extra class pictures if you are interested (good gifts for grandparents).

Ardis Kline and I had a great time working on the VBS program this year with Bev Bailey. Without Bev's guidance, hard work and expertise, we would not have had as successful a program as we did. Our thanks to all of you. Hope you'll join the fun next year.

-Jane Ashbaugh, Co-Chair VBS

ALL IN THE FAMILY

WELCOME TO:

Meredith Lee Bond, new baby daughter of Frank and Sherri Bond, sister of Trevor. Meredith was born June 21.

Sebastian MacDonald Corzy, recently born grandson of Mac and Marty MacDonald.

GODSPEED TO:

Mark and Carrie Matsko and their children Kellee, Karen and Robin who have recently moved to Boise, Idaho.

Mike and Ruth Willoughby and their children Suzanne, Andrew and Christopher who have recently moved to Centreville, Virginia.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

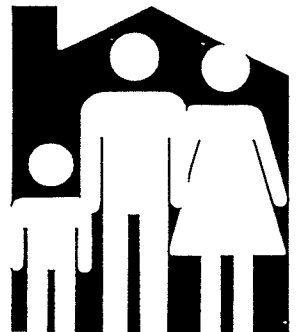
Tom Stanton, son of Bill and Jane Stanton, who was one of seven Whitman students to receive the annual Britton N. Chichester Sportsmanship Awards this June. Tom, a baseball player, received a \$500 scholarship and a plaque during a ceremony at the school.

Pastor Kerry Stoltzfus who celebrated the 20th anniversary of his ordination on July 16.

REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:

Bob Haack who was in Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore in mid-June.

Mary Margaret Smith and her family in the death of her mother, Alma Jackson, in Appleton, Wisconsin.



deacon of the month



CURTIS, Bettina

August's DEACON OF THE MONTH is Bettina Curtis who joined PPC in 1985 coming to us from Williamsburg Presbyterian Church where Marty and Mac MacDonald are now members. Bettina has been active with the WOC, a member of the Fellowship Committee, and the Wedding Committee.



BEDINGFIELD, Margie
Ken

DEACON OF THE MONTH for July is Margie Bedingfield, a native Washingtonian baptized and confirmed at Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church. Margie coordinated our VBS in 1989 and our Creative Enrichment program for two years. She's been on the CE and Outreach Committees. She and husband Bob have two children: Gray and Ken.

INQUIRERS SERIES

There will be a 4-part INQUIRERS SERIES beginning Sunday, September 30 and continuing on October 7, 14, and 21. The classes will be held at 9:45 a.m. in the parlor and taught by our Pastor. These classes are for those persons who want to learn more about the Presbyterian Church and/or are interested in membership at PPC.

After the series has been completed, those wishing to unite with the Church will meet with the Session on Sunday, October 21, at 8:00 p.m. New members will be presented to the congregation during worship service on Sunday, October 28.

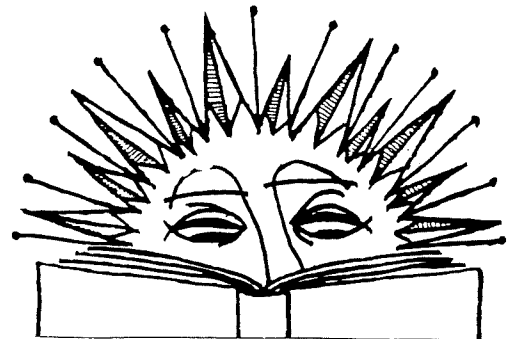
Anyone wishing additional information about the series, please contact Kerry Stoltzfus.

UNBELIEVABLE !!

An 8-year-old lad was asked by his mother what he had learned at Sunday School. "Well," he said, "our teacher told us about when God sent Moses behind the enemy lines to rescue the Israelites from the Egyptians. When they came to the Red Sea, Moses called for the engineers to build a pontoon bridge. After they had all crossed, they looked back and saw the Egyptian tanks coming. Moses radioed headquarters on his walkie-talkie to send bombers to blow up the bridge and thus saved the Israelites."

"Bobby!" exclaimed his mother. "Is that really the way your teacher told you the story?"

"Well, not exactly," Bobby admitted, "but if I told it her way, you'd never believe it."



WHILE YOU'RE AWAY THIS SUMMER, DON'T FORGET PPC. THE BILLS HAVE TO BE PAID EVEN WHILE YOU'RE AT THE BEACH! REMEMBER YOUR SUMMER PLEDGES! AND BRING US A BULLETIN FROM YOUR SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICES AWAY.

YOU CAN'T SCARE WEEDS OUT OF GARDENS:
YOU HAVE TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THEM!



GOD BLESS THE PPC WEEDING TEAM.
THE CHURCH YARD LOOKS GREAT!!



MISSION

MESSAGES



The 202nd General Assembly approved a 1991 Mission budget of \$108,970,402. This figure is a 4.3% increase (\$4,520,818) over the 1990 budget. Half of the monies are expected to come from unified giving by churches such as ours (a portion of our "denominational mission" budget item); the balance will come from designated program gifts, and special fundraising efforts for such things as disaster relief. In future newsletters we will bring you news of how these monies are allocated and spent by our national church.

One of the largest mission areas for our denomination is evangelism and global mission. At the recent General Assembly held in Salt Lake City in early June 85 mission workers were commissioned. This was the largest class of missionary workers in the last ten years. At this same ceremony 33 retiring missionaries were honored.

The recent Assembly also celebrated the 10th anniversary of the Peacemaking Program. The commissioners passed resolutions calling for normalized relations between Cuba and the United States and urged the removal of military bases from the Philippines. A measure to evidence support for non-violent solutions to the political, economic and religious crises of Northern Ireland and one calling for release of hostages throughout the world were passed.

Finally of interest are the comments (as reported in THE NEWS) of the newly elected Moderator of the Assembly on his "agenda" for our denomination:

My audience of choice will be the laity...we need to hear two messages... the first is reassurance [to the average Presbyterian who] has never been to a meeting of presbytery, has never served on a committee outside the limits of the local church...[with the question] can we put aside our differences long enough to make a cohesive witness to the world?... "Are the people in authority still in touch with their congregational life? [My answer is] our staff people...by and large are competent, they're courageous, they earn their keep, but they don't vote...the Commissioners do that."

Message number two will deal with challenge and opportunity...the PCUSA could become a 5 million communicant denomination by the year 2000 if we believe in it, pray for it and work at it.

Let's join Price H. Gwynn III in his quest for reviving a sense of community within our denomination so that we may better witness God's salvation and fulfill our call to "go and serve, making disciples of all nations."

NEWS FROM THE LORD'S TABLE

Recently the Mission Committee received a "thank you" from the Gaithersburg Soup Kitchen. In usual fashion the Board members expressed gratitude for our \$500 gift and indicated that "every cent" goes to running the kitchen, helping and feeding the guests. But the note went on to mention that, after consulting with CMMC and the County Mental Health Association, they had decided to close The Lord's Table for July and August. Their poignant words and their request are reprinted here:

To the last year we have seen younger men who appear to us and to the shelter providers as being very dependent on free food and lodging; making little effort to better themselves. Women with children and families whom we serve during the cold winter months go elsewhere after school closes. We have few if any during July and August.

During the summer months, the men do have small jobs and spending money but they don't seem to be planning to save for their future. They seem quite content with the present system of a free meal and shelter. The men and women receive meals at the shelter - enough to sustain them. Our goal is to help all we can to achieve independence or as much as they are capable of obtaining. Instead, we find many who are becoming very dependent on this service. Tough love seems to be called for - we are concerned.

Please pray with us so the Lord will guide us to do the best for His people.

Gail Bernero, Member
Board of Directors

Our prayers and concerns are shared with them.

MISSION COMMITTEE MEETING

The Mission Committee meeting held on July 18 will result in a mission program and budget to be presented to the Session in September for calendar year 1991. Many exciting ideas are under consideration: raising funds for new youth songbooks for Sunrise Presbyterian Church in South Carolina; Community Service Day, 1990; a caregiver respite center; Christmas International House; and repeating last year's aid to families at Christmas. Please see George Boddiger or Elsie Reid about joining in on the planning and implementation of our "mission work." As you've heard before, the reward is heavenly!

MONTREAT REVISITED

This poem was written by Kristin Kahl as she remembered her experiences in her small group at the National Presbyterian Youth Conference in Montreat, N.C., July 8-14.

the warmth wraps around,
secure in your arms.
I only can remember
the affection,
revealed by embraces
and sincere phrases.
friendship lasts forever,
but doesn't heal
the frustration of missing you.
now,
I hold you in my prayers.
the charming melody of the week
will forever perform in my heart.
God has blessed our souls for uniting.
evermore with eternity,
we have reached together.
tomorrow the sun will rise,
the spirit within to carry me on.
I will never forget you all,
I love you and God Bless!

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Kerry L. Stoltzfus, Sr. Pastor
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Beverly Bailey, DCE/Youth
Lynn Bigler, Editor

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KERRY on...

Life in the 90's - is there any word from the Lord? This fall I will begin a sermon series that I hope will bring to us a word from the Lord. It is an ancient word and as up to date as the morning newspaper. The Ten Commandments are God's word to us as surely as they were to the young nation of Israel struggling to become a people as they journeyed from Egypt through the wilderness to the promised land.

Al Winn in his book, A Christian Primer, suggests that we speak of the commandments as "The Ten Promises". He means that implicit in every demand of God is a promise of God. In Hebrew the negative future expresses the promise of what life will be like. "As my people you will not have other gods, you will not make graven images to worship...you will not kill, commit adultery, steal, life, covet."

Another author suggests that the commandments are more like a "bill of rights" than a "criminal code". Or to put it another way, to live out these promises is to live out God's dream for us. I look forward to seeing you on Sunday, September 9, at 9:45 for Sunday School and Worship at 11:00. It is my hope that all our members will make a new commitment to faithful attendance at Worship and Sunday School this fall and that we may hear a word from the Lord that will help us to live for the Lord in the 90's.

Kerry

ATTENTION: COLLEGE STUDENTS/PARENTS OF COLLEGE STUDENTS

MAY WE PLEASE HAVE COLLEGE ADDRESSES FOR ALL OUR YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE OFF TO COLLEGE THIS FALL? WE WANT VERY MUCH TO BE ABLE TO KEEP IN TOUCH WITH OUR YOUTH DURING THE COMING YEAR. CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE (299-6007) WITH THIS INFORMATION.

C.E. BAILEY-WICK

As I celebrate the anniversary of my first year as Educator at PPC, many thoughts fill my head. It's been an exciting, profitable, and busy year for the C.E. Committee. Much has been accomplished - new goals, new committees, new organizational patterns, and a new look for the children's classroom area. We have much to look forward to, also. The youth program is coming alive this fall with a new weekly program which includes study, recreation, mission and fellowship. Called Thursday and Sunday Nite Live, these activities will be led by many of our young adults - including Clark and Diane Kendall, Jeff Kuwabara, Charlie Kendall, Susan Reichley, Molly Newell, and Keith Bratt. I've enjoyed working with many of you and am looking forward to getting acquainted with even more of you as we find ways to make your faith come alive in even more challenging ways.

Personally, it has been both a fascinating and a challenging year as I get used to a different kind of congregation - a congregation which is full of very busy people with fast paced lives who want to find ways to nurture their own faith and that of others in a limited amount of time. I feel that I am just beginning to put roots down here as I get to know the youth, the children, and their parents and other adults who make up this unique community of faith. I hope that we can continue to work together to realize the importance of our faith in our everyday lives - and that we must show our children how important continued study of our faith is to our lives today.

Please, as you plan your fall schedule, consider the importance of that one hour a week called Sunday School and set aside that hour for your whole family. We all need a regular, scheduled time to explore and renew our faith - and it is offered to you right here at PPC - our gift to you.

Shalom,



deacon of the month

September's DEACON OF THE MONTH is Barry Barthelman. The Barthelmans came to Potomac from Ridgefield, CT, and joined PPC "because you're such a friendly group of people!" Barry has always been active in church life as a member of the Church Council and Music Committees in other churches. Barry and wife Barbara both sing in our choir, and besides singing, golfing and fishing are his favorite things to do! Son Jeff is a senior at the U. of Md.; daughter Cheryl is a junior at the U. of N.C., Wilmington.



BARTHELMAN, Barbara & Barry
Cheryl

Christmas House International

For the past 11 years in the Gaithersburg-Potomac area, CHI has hosted students from outside the USA during the Christmas holiday season. College dormitories close and students far from home are left without housing or meals.

The CHI program provides host families for students who want to come to the Washington area for about two weeks. Family responsibilities include providing room and board to the students along with some transportation to planned group events. The students provide their own transportation to and from Washington.

With the swirl of world developments, participation in the CHI program gives host families a chance to make lasting friendships with students from far places; learning of their culture and developing a bond that will last a lifetime.

PPC families are urged to learn more about this exciting program to their great benefit and to the sincere appreciation and satisfaction of helping people when they need help. For more information, contact Dawn Thompson at 299-6214 or George Boddiger at 365-0748. Eleanor Munch of Gaithersburg PC is the local CHI Chairman and can be contacted at 926-3728.

WE'D LOVE
TO HAVE
YOUR COMPANY!



Does counted cross stitch interest you?
We have new border towel patterns.

Do you wish to smock for children or grandchildren?

Does quilting fabric scraps appeal to you?

Do the hand knits and crocheted items excite you?

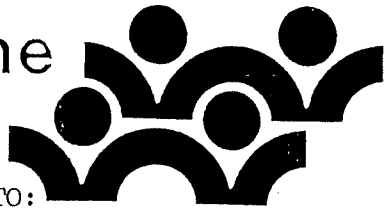
Join us with your favorite handwork. We'll see you on Thursday, September 20 from 1:30-3:30 in the church parlor. In October, we'll get together the 4th and 18th. Questions? Call Kathy McMahon at 762-2076.



...PROGRESSIVE DINNER ...

PPC ANNUAL/POPULAR SOCIAL
EVENT . . . SEPTEMBER 22 . . .
6:30 P.M. . . . SEATING
LIMITED TO 40 . . . CALL
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INQUIRERS SERIES

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Alan Beck who, on September 1, will take over the role of President of the West Montgomery County Citizens Association.

REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:

Lowell Perry whose father died in Pennsylvania in early August.

Mike Dobbs whose father died in late July.

Kathy McMahon whose father was hospitalized in late July.

Maggie Tietjen whose mother died in July.

Jane Steinmetz whose uncle died in July.

Lynn Bigler whose brother-in-law, George Edwards, died in July in Cleveland.

GODSPEED TO:

Karen Mabeus who left for China in early August.

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There will be a 4-part INQUIRERS SERIES beginning Sunday, September 30 and continuing on October 7, 14, and 21. The classes will be held at 9:45 a.m. in the parlor and taught by our Pastor. These classes are for those persons who want to learn more about the Presbyterian Church and/or are interested in membership at PPC.

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teens shop

On Monday, September 20, our Senior High youth group accompanied five teens from Rockville on a "Back to School Shopping Spree" to Potomac Mills. The group left at 10:00 AM on a Rockville City Van and returned at 4:00 PM. The five teens were treated to a day of lunch and shopping for school clothes. School supplies will be purchased later. Proceeds from Super Dog Sunday, mission, and private donations were used for this mission project.

The group will continue to meet with our group for fellowship and support.

MISSION

MESSAGES

PRESBYTERIANS RESPOND TO DISASTER NEEDS: PPC/SUNRISE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Spring and summer storms have displaced nearly 10,000 people in the South and midwest U.S. this year. According to "The News of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)," July/August, 1990, a special World Service Relief account has been created in our denomination's Louisville offices. This account named "1990 U.S. Storms" is only one way Presbyterians are responding to emergency needs and helping in rebuilding efforts. (Donations may be made earmarked to Account #9-2000075).

To illustrate, in Texas, several Presbyterian churches are participating in a 27-church building coalition; the Arkansas Presbytery recently received \$5000 from "national" to assist flood victims; out West, our church aids relief efforts in the wake of fires that consumed woodlands and destroyed over 400 homes in Southern California alone this summer.

Emergency and immediate response is necessary when disasters occur. Yet recovery is a long-term effort requiring the infusion of capital to rebuild long after the clean-up is over and of concern to restore hope long after the immediate crisis has been met.

In South Carolina on Sullivan's Island a Presbyterian Church much like our own is still coping to overcome the disastrous effects of Hurricane Hugo in June of 1989. We now have a special opportunity to help this fellowship of our church family.

SUNRISE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, a 35-year-old church, lost its sanctuary and education wing in the storm. Church contents were lost due to flooding. Fifteen of its families lost everything in the storm - 80 homes on the island were destroyed.

Over the last year SUNRISE with help from other churches just like ours has assisted island families in recovery efforts and has continued its worship efforts in a tent, but with great enthusiasm. Praise God.

The church has asked us in response to our inquiries if we might provide new youth songbooks for their young children and youth - a book called "Songs" compiled by Yohann Anderson. These books cost \$8.00 each and they need about 50 of them.

The Session has approved the Mission Committee's request that we challenge our PPC membership to buy these books as a gift for SUNRISE. The books are here. On September 2 and 9, you will have an opportunity to purchase one. Please join us in contributing a gift of property and a gift of care to SUNRISE. THANK YOU.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
COMMUNION SUNDAY 2 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship Hour	3 OFFICE CLOSED Labor Day	4 1-6 Lord's Table 8 Worship Comm.	5 1:30 Wedding Guild meeting 7:30-10 Masterworks	6 9:30-4 Presbytery Staff meeting 7 Handbell Choir 8 Sanctuary Choir	7	8
RALLY DAY-FALL SCHEDULE 9 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship 12:00 Fellowship Hour 5:00 Young Adult Picnic	10 8 Committees	11	12 2:45 Collingswood 7:30 Masterworks	13 5:30-7:30 "Thurs. Nite Live" 7 Handbell Choir 7:30 MD Orn. Soc. 8 Sanctuary Choir	14	15
9:45 Sunday School 16 3rd Sunday Class 11:00 Worship 12:00 Fellowship Hour 12:10 Nominating Committee 3:45 Worship @ Manor CARE 6:30-8 "Sunday Nite Live"	17 8 Session	18	9:30 Bible Study 19 7:30 Masterworks 8:00 Nominating Committee	20 1:30 Tea/Needlework 9-3 TNL Zoo Trip 7 Handbell Choir 8 Sanctuary Choir	21 6:00 Sr. High Beach trip Zuranski Reh.	22 Sr. Hi. Beach trip 12 Noon Zuranski/Lyons wedding
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9:45 Sunday School 30 Inquirer's Class 11:00 Worship 12:00 Fellowship Hour & Deacon's Brunch 6:30-8 Sunday Nite Live						

SEPTEMBER

ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM
FALL, 1990

BIBLE AND ISSUES CLASS: meets each
Sunday in the Library.

September 9: Rally Day. An inter-
generational experience in Fellow-
ship Hall.

September 16, 23, 30: The Kingdom of
God, led by the Rev. O. Thomas Miles.
This 3 week series answers questions:

1. What is it?
2. How does a person enter it?
3. What difference does it make?

October 7: in celebration of World
Communion Sunday, the Mission
Committee will present a program
concerning some of our mission
support services.

October 14, 21: Stewardship, led by the
Rev. Lincoln Dring, director of
Community Ministries of Montgomery
County. A thought-provoking dis-
cussion of the Biblical view of
stewardship and what it means in our
personal lives and the life of the
church.

October 23, November 4, 11: God's Good
Creation: What in the world has gone
wrong? Can it be made right? Good
friend Louise Winfield from St.
Mark Presbyterian will lead us in
a study of Genesis from Adam to
Abraham.

November 18: Remembering. A presen-
tation by the Memorial Gardens
committee.

November 25: The Church--The Book. The
first part of a video series by
theologian Fred Craddock.

December--Advent/Christmas
2--Williamsburg Breakfast for all
members.

9--The Tradition of Carols, led by
Jackie Galliher and Bev Bailey.

16--Birthday Party for Jesus.
This event, led by our children
and youth, has become an annual
tradition.

23--Thoughts of Christmas--a video
presentation.

THIRD SUNDAY CLASS: meets once a month
faith issues of interest to families.

September 16: Talking with our
Children about God. Led by our
pastor, this session is an outgrowth
of an excellent sermon.

October 21: Family Talk Revisited.
Another session from the excellent
Family Talk series we studied last
spring.

November 18 & December 16: we will
meet with the other Adult class for
the Memorial Gardens report and the
Birthday Party for Jesus.

INQUIRER'S CLASS: led by our pastor,
Kerry Stoltzfus. This 4 week series
is for those persons who want to
learn more about the Presbyterian
Church and/or are interested in
membership at PPC. Series runs
September 30, October 7, 14, 21;
and is held in the Parlor.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY is a weekly Wednesday
morning class led by the pastor and
covers a variety of Biblical themes.
Begins September 19, 9:45 am in Library.
A WEEKEND WITH DR. LEE BARRETT, Professor
of Theology at the Presbyterian School
of Christian Education in Richmond, VA.
March, 1991. (Watch for more details
and the exact date!)

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
OPPORTUNITIES

1990-1991

POTOMAC PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Beverly Bailey
Director of Christian Education & Youth

Sally O'Neal, Diane Chapin
Christian Education Elders

Mary Reichley
Church School Superintendant

"And these words which I command
you this day shall be upon your heart;
and you shall teach them diligently to
your children..."

Deuteronomy 6:6-7

Worship, education and mission are
three moments of the Christian life
which are interrelated. In worship we
take the moment to pray and we are in
communion with God. In education we take
the moment to nurture and be nurtured as
we grow in the faith. In mission we
take the moment to witness and serve as
we testify to what God has done for us
and all people.

The Christian Education Committee at
PPC understands the importance of edu-
cation in uplifting all other ministries
of the church, and has drafted a new set
of goals and objectives which were
approved by Session in June, 1990.
Listed on the next page are the goals
which will serve as guidelines for pro-
gramming C.E. for the next five years.

The Goals of the C.E. Committee of PPC are To Enable the Congregation:

1. To be knowledgeable in the elements and style of worship of the Reformed Tradition.
2. To have a working knowledge of Biblical Usage/Interpretation.
3. To have an appreciation of the values of Christian nurturing.
4. To attain greater commitment to their faith and church.
5. To have a working knowledge of church history, including Presbyterian heritage.
6. To become knowledgeable in the area of mission and social action as defined by the mission committee.
7. To minister to each other through Christian fellowship.

Our Sunday morning program begins September 9, and continues through June 9, 1991. Classes for all ages are held at 9:45 a.m.

All children ages 3 through 5th Grade will again be using our denominational curriculum CELEBRATE. It is Bible-based and lectionary-related, and has its roots in the Reformed tradition. It is also written to meet the needs of our children at their levels of maturity.

NURSERY

Nursery care is provided for all infants and children through age two during both the Sunday School hour and the regular Worship Service. At this time our young children will begin to experience the nurture of their faith community.

Coordinator: Katie Dickinson

AGES 3, 4, and 5

The theme for this Sunday School class is the Church Year from Advent to Pentecost. The Autumn sessions will be devoted to the Covenant Community.

Coordinator: Vicki Dorman
Teachers: Susan Toerge, Sonya Russo, Jeannine Maxwell

FIRST-SECOND GRADE

The children will explore the themes Remembering and Obeying; God's People Remember; Global Awareness; Jesus and his Friends; The Life of Jesus; and The Good News about Easter.

Coordinator: Molly Newell
Teachers: Linda Lyons, Nelia Chichester, Jane Steinmetz, Wendy Atwood

THIRD-FOURTH-FIFTH GRADES

This broadly graded class will study units on: God's People, Stewardship, Seeing God's Promise, You are the Christ, and What We have Seen and Heard.

Coordinator: Olivia Mabeus
Teacher: Anne Bavier

SIXTH-SEVENTH-EIGHTH GRADES

Our "Middle Schoolers" will be working on a special project concerning the life of Jesus. The results will be a newspaper or magazine depicting the events of Holy Week in Jerusalem, 33 A.D.

Coordinator: Lynn Matson
Teachers: Bob King, Mary Margaret Smith

GRADES NINE-TWELVE

Our Senior High class will explore the Bible through contemporary faith issues. Classes will include the video series, "Questions of Faith", and guests speakers such as Tome Miles and members of our Session.

Coordinators: Lynda and Ed Tennent

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

CREATIVE ENRICHMENT is offered during the 11:00 Worship Service after the Childrens Sermon. It is a supplement to Sunday School with different teachers; and the curriculum includes Bible stories, music, crafts, and games. Two age groupings: 3-5 years, and 6-8 years.

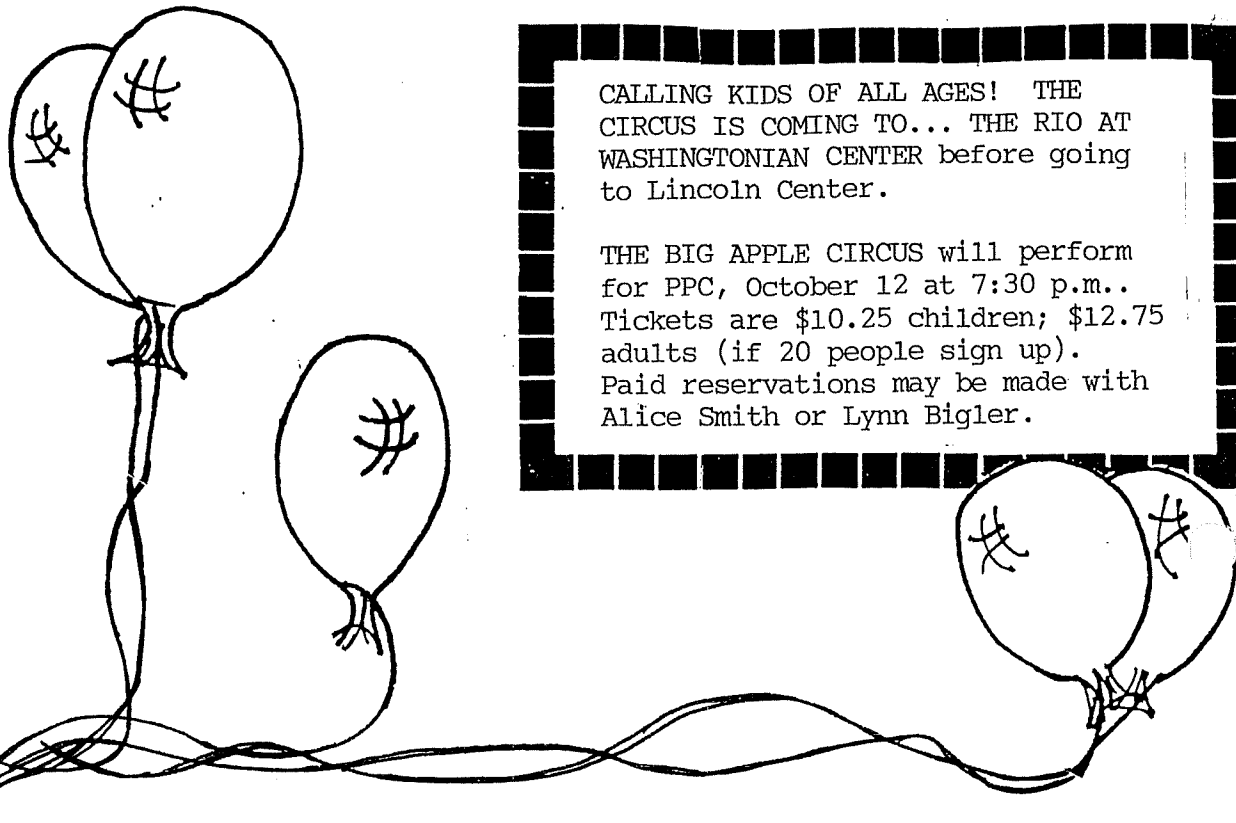
THURSDAY NITE LIVE: Middle School Fellowship begins September 13 at 5:30-7:30 pm. Meets weekly at the church for recreation dinner, and discussion. Advisors: Clark and Diane Kendall.

SUNDAY NITE LIVE: Senior High Fellowship begins September 16 at 6:30-8:00 pm. Meets weekly at church and in member's homes for fun, food, and study. Advisors: Jeff Kuwabara, Keith Bratt, Charlie Kendall, Molly Newell, Susan Reichley.

CONFIRMATION CLASS (for 9th grade and above) will occur during Spring, 1991. Teachers will be the Pastor and DCEY and will prepare our young people to make their own Profession of Faith.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL will take place June 24-28, 1991--for children 4 years through 5th grade.

MONTREAT YOUTH CONFERENCE--denominational retreat for all Senior Highs, July, 1991. MUSIC AND SPECIAL EVENTS including seasonal pageants and Youth Sunday occur throughout the year.



CALLING KIDS OF ALL AGES! THE CIRCUS IS COMING TO... THE RIO AT WASHINGTONIAN CENTER before going to Lincoln Center.

THE BIG APPLE CIRCUS will perform for PPC, October 12 at 7:30 p.m.. Tickets are \$10.25 children; \$12.75 adults (if 20 people sign up). Paid reservations may be made with Alice Smith or Lynn Bigler.

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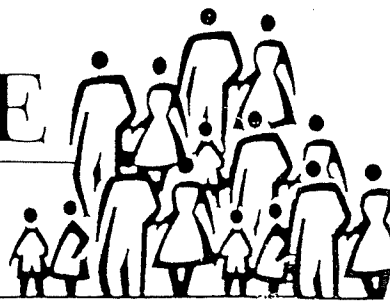
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KERRY on...

"What's best for everybody - family, community, school and nation."

"Defer to authority, listen to advice of parents, teachers and youth leaders."

"Do what makes you feel good and happy."

"Follow religious authority, such as Scripture or religious leaders."

"If doing something helps you get ahead, do it."

These five approaches to making moral choices were discovered by Robert Coles, author of the prize winning book The Moral Life of Children as he interviewed young people between the ages of 10-18. He labels the approaches: Civic Humanist, Conventionalist, Expressivist, Theistic and Utilitarian.

It seems to me we would do well as parents and as a church to talk with our children and young people and explore with them how we believe Christian faith informs our ethical decision making. While doing what's best for everybody sounds pretty much like the "golden rule", doing what makes us feel good and happy may or may not be expressive of love for neighbor. Though following some kinds of authority is admirable, there are times when Christians must stand up against authority. Certainly getting ahead is a worthy goal, but at what or whose expense?

I would make a modest suggestion that we talk in our families about these ways of making moral decisions to the end that we might follow God's intentions for us. As Jesus said, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. And you shall love your neighbor as yourself." Matthew 22:37. Also, I would remind you to come to worship each Sunday this fall as I am preaching a series on the "Ten Commandments."

Kerry

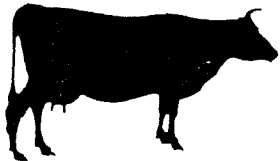
C.E. BAILEY-WICK

September is the month of returning to regular schedules of school, church, sports, and work. For us at PPC it is exciting to see the faces of children, youth and adults, and to hear the sounds of people greeting each other, children singing, teachers engaged in crafts projects or storytelling or discussion. Youth Ministry is beginning its fall schedule and it's great to have our teenagers back again, getting reacquainted and catching up on summer news. It is very encouraging to have so many volunteers who understand the importance of Christian Education for all of us. The C.E. Committee offers thanks to all of you who are willing to spend your time working with our children, youth, and each other as we explore God's Word and its importance in our lives today. We are so glad to see all of you! Psalm 95 says it so well:

O Come, let us sing to the Lord;
 let us make a joyful noise to the rock
 of our salvation!
 Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving,
 let us make a joyful noise to him with
 songs of praise! (v.1-2)
 O come, let us worship and bow down,
 let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
 For he is our God, and we are the people
 of his pasture, and the sheep
 of his hand. (v.6-7)

Rev Bailey

SAVE ALUMINUM CANS FOR HEIFER PROJECT



For over 45 years HEIFER PROJECT INTERNATIONAL has been a means for churches of all faiths to share livestock and training with needy people across the USA and around the world. Livestock which provide both food and income become the means for rural farmers around the world to become self-reliant. PPC children through 8th grade help support

Heifer Project with their weekly Sunday School offering. We also support this project by collecting aluminum cans for recycling. Last year we raised over \$250.00 for this worthy project, not quite enough to purchase a cow, but more than enough to send a goat, sheep, pig, rabbits, chicks, fish, or bees to someone in need. On Sunday, October 21, we will be taking the children through 5th grade to New Windsor, MD, to see the animals that will be going all over the world. Watch for more information about this "hands-on" field trip to support Heifer Project. SAVE YOUR ALUMINUM CANS FOR PPC!

IN SESSION

At the September 17th Session meeting, Elders devoted a major portion of time to consideration of Committee proposals for the 1991 budget preliminary to the Finance Committee's finalized proposal due at the October meeting ...supported selection of Kay McClaine as PPC Commissioner to CMMC, expressing appreciation to Art Heming for his service as last year's representative...noted the enthusiastic support of the Hugo/Sunrise church songbook project with nearly \$500 raised to donate songbooks and leader guides to the Sunrise PC on Sullivan's Island, South Carolina...approved the sale of Christmas wreaths and greens that has been done in previous years under the auspices of the Worship Committee...voted to call a congregational meeting Sunday, October 28, following worship for the purpose of electing deacons and elders for the classes of 1993.

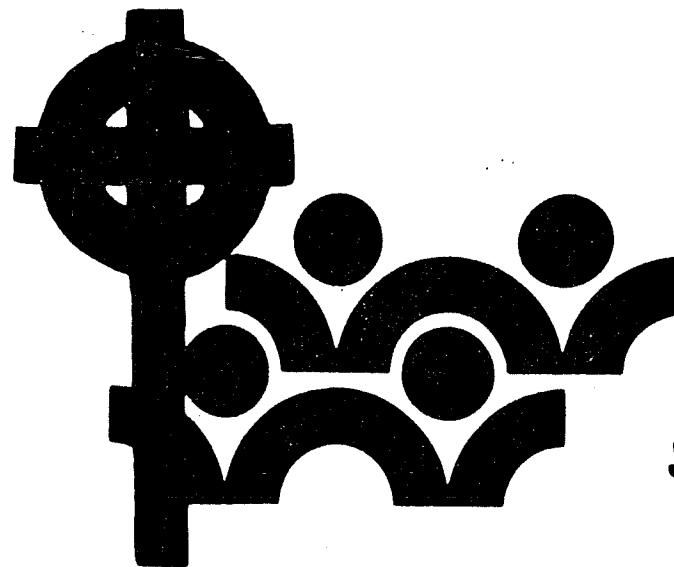
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REGISTRATION FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE IN OUR CHURCH OFFICE. THE COST IS \$20 WHICH INCLUDES A CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AT 8:30, AND LUNCH.

CALL RICHARD GAUTHEY 451-5047 OR VIRGINIA WHITE 244-4762 FOR MORE INFORMATION.



Saturday, October 27, 1990

8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

BUNCHES OF BRUNCHES



Join us right after church on September 30 for the annual fall church brunch. Deacons Barry Barthelman, Charlene Brumbaugh, Margie Bedingfield and Judy Kahl are opening their homes for this gathering and will be assisted by Deacons Curtis, Hazard, King, Koonce, Leber, Matson, Phair and Williams. Just come and enjoy the good food and fellowship with your parish group and others. Your deacon will contact you to confirm your location.



ALL IN THE FAMILY

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Harold and Doris Durfee who celebrated their 46th wedding anniversary August 10.

REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:

Sally O'Neal and her family upon the death of her mother, May Jordan, in Maine.

TEA AND HANDWORK



If you missed our first meeting in September, join us with your favorite needlework in October.

We shall get together from 1:30-3:30 on Thursdays - October 4 and 18.

In November, it will be the 1st, 15th and 29th.

CHOIR NOTES



HANDBELL CHOIR needs two or three people to join the fun. Requirements are the ability to have fun and some music reading skill (this can be piano or band 30 years ago!). Rehearsals are Thursday nights from 7-8 p.m. Call Jackie Galliher at 479-7752 if this is you.

SCHUBERT "Mass in G": Join us for rehearsals on Thursdays until November and learn the Schubert in preparation for singing with a professional string quartet for the November 18 worship service. This one is fun to sing and lovely to listen to. Don't miss out on the goose bumps. Again, call Jackie to say yes.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP NEWS

"Thursday Nite Live" for Middle Schoolers; 5:30-7:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall

- 10-4 Planning for Camping Trip - Dinner (Olalos)
- 10-11 "Oh, Those Ugly Rumors" - Dinner (Bill Kings)
- 10-18 "Pointing Out Prejudices" - Dinner (?)
- 10-25 "Mystery Ride Night" - Dinner (?)

Plus. . . . Fall Retreat at Camp Glenkirk "Uniquely Yours"
Saturday, October 6, 8:30 a.m. - Sunday, October 7, 4:00 p.m.
Call Diane Kendall, 977-5097, or Bev Bailey at church for more information.

"Friday Nite Live" for Senior Highs; 6:30-8:00 p.m.

- 10-7 "House Night", host Charlie Kendall, 2 Tobin Ct., 469-5866
- 10-14 "Activities & Pizza" - Fellowship Hall
- 10-21 "House Night & Planning for Halloween Party, host ?
- 10-28 "Halloween Party at Children's Hospital (details to follow)

Questions? Call Bev at church or Susan Reichley, 340-7649.

ADULT EDUCATION

Bible & Issues Class

- 10-7 Althea Burns, Consultant for Funding from National Capital Presbyterian will talk to us about mission giving through the Presbyterian Church - "Where does the money go?" Ms. Burns is a member of Colesville PC and past moderator of the Synod of the Piedmont.
- 10-14/21 "Stewardship" A tough topic with discussion led by Lon Dring, director of Community Ministries of Montgomery County. Biblical view and what stewardship means in our lives today.
- 10-28 "God's Good Creation: What has gone wrong?" The first of a three week study led by good friend Louise Winfield; a study of Genesis from Adam to Abraham.

Inquirers Class - October 7, 14, 21. A series led by our pastor for persons who want to learn more about the Presbyterian Church and/or are interested in PPC membership.

Third Sunday - October 21. Family Talk Revisited. "How to talk to your children about Choices..." Led by Bill and Karen King.

Christmas House International

YOU CAN BE A PEACEMAKER!

In a world that seems to swing rapidly between war and peace you can provide a small stabilizing influence for world peace. Join our Christmas International House program as we prepare for the 12th annual visit of foreign students over the holidays. From December 20 to January 2, 20 international visitors will arrive from colleges all over the U.S. We are one of over 50 communities around the country participating in the 1990 program, providing an opportunity for people to demonstrate and share the real meaning of Christmas. Dialogue and exchange of ideas characterize the program - peacemaking at the grassroots level.

Last year's guests wrote: "All the people helping with this program are so kind and enthusiastic." "I'm glad I could meet many wonderful people and make a lot of friends. That was a precious experience for me." "Thank you very nice for all the wonderful you were." How much better it is for students to learn about Christmas in a loving family than to stay in a nearly empty college dorm.

Please join us in a planning meeting on Monday, October 15, at 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of Gaithersburg Presbyterian Church. Special emphasis will be on planning for three D.C. trips, three extra parties, and suggestions for other trips or tours. We need lots of help in planning for this very Christian way of celebrating Christmas. Call Eleanor Munch, 926-3728, for further information.

CRAFTS COMING

We are pleased to host the Morris Fork Crafts who will present hand-crafted creations from the mountains of southeastern Kentucky on Nov. 17-18 in our Fellowship Hall. The exhibit and sale will be held from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday and noon to 3 p.m. on Sunday.

Morris Fork Crafts is a self-development project managed by volunteers and has continuously returned 80% of the craft selling price to the craftmakers allowing them to earn some income with dignity using native skills. It is a Presbyterian mission in action project.

Don't miss this opportunity to see and obtain beautiful handcrafted gifts and support your mission program in the process.

REQUEST FROM CMMC

We have received a request that those of you who contribute to various employee charity campaigns consider designating your contribution toward the programs of CMMC.

Those who contribute through Montgomery County Employees Charity Campaign, United Way or Combined Federal Campaign would assign donations to #03230.

Those who contribute through the State of Maryland United Charity Campaign would assign donations to #6497.

-Kay McClaine
PPC's CMMC Commissioner

Mrs. Paul's

The "Labels for Education Program" by Campbell Soup Company has been a real help for Davis-Stuart, Inc., a Presbyterian therapeutic residential center for youth. Through this program they have been able to obtain sporting equipment and other badly needed items that would be costly. Many thanks to the few people who saved their labels for this project during the past year.

Here is a list of products and portions needed. We can all contribute. Just put this list on your refrigerator as a reminder. Then slip the labels into a plastic bag each time you use the product.

- Save the front portion of labels from these products:
- Campbell's Condensed Soups (red and white label)
 - Campbell's Chunky Soups
 - "Soup for One" Soups
 - Campbell's Low Sodium Soups
 - Campbell's Gold Label Soups
 - Campbell's "Home Cookin'" Soups
 - Campbell's Beans Products
 - Campbell's Tomato Juice and "V8" Vegetable Juices
 - Franco-American Products
 - Swanson Canned Food Products
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 - Campbell's Fresh Products



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- Save the lids from Vlasic Pickle Products
- Save the proof of purchase seals from Swanson Frozen Food packages, Prego Frozen Entrees, Pepperidge Farm Products
- Save the UPC symbols from Juice Works Blends of 100% Pure Fruit Juices Frozen Concentrate and Juice Box
- Save the bottom flap UPC panels from Campbell's Quality Soup and Recipe Mix
- Save the Quality Pledge panel from Mrs. Paul's products
- Save the UPC symbol from V-8 Juice boxes and front panel from V-8 cans.

Give your labels to Ruth Lincoln or call her at 340-0760.



NEW DISCUSSION GROUP BEING FORMED

"Living as Christians" - a time for PPC members and friends to come together monthly to discuss issues of importance in their everyday lives. This informal, weekday discussion group will be led by Bev Bailey. Join us for a Get Acquainted Meeting Tuesday, October 16 at Jane Ashbaugh's, 13900 Turkey Food Road. For more information and reservations, call Jane at 840-0456. Childcare will be provided if requested.

MISSION

MESSAGES

THE PERFECT CHURCH



I think that I shall never see
 a church that's all it ought to be;
 A church whose members never stray
 beyond the straight and narrow way;
 A church that has no empty pews,
 whose pastor never has the blues;
 A church whose deacons always "deake,"
 and none are proud, and all are meek;
 Where gossips never peddle lies
 or make complaints or criticize;
 Where all are always sweet and kind
 and all to others' faults are blind.
 Such perfect churches there may be,
 but none of them is known to me,
 But still I'll work and pray and plan
 to make our church the best I can.



-from a poet at First Church
 Kingsville, Texas

UNICEF AT HALLOWEEN

UNICEF makes a tremendous difference in the lives of the world's children helping to fight disease and the causes contributing to it in developing countries around the world. Every day 40,000 children under the age of 5 die in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Middle East. As many as half these deaths can be prevented through oral rehydration of diarrhea-stricken infants, breastfeeding and immunizations.

For 40 years Trick or Treat for UNICEF has enabled UNICEF to build water supply systems and sanitation disposal facilities, and to immunize millions of children against diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus and polio.

The Mission Committee has ordered collection boxes for our children to carry with them on Halloween night. These can be returned to the church office and the Committee will forward the monies collected to UNICEF. We urge you to make this cause a part of your children's holiday festivities. Please pick up the boxes in mid-October. The world's children need our help!

AMEN

A GIFT OF SONG

"A gift of song is a gift of love"

You did it! Thanks to all of you who purchased/donated "Songs", the youth songbook for Sunrise Presbyterian Church in South Carolina which was heavily damaged by Hurricane Hugo a year ago. Your generosity of nearly \$500.00 paid for 50 songbooks, leaders guides and the shipping costs.

All of Sunrise's material possessions were lost in the hurricane. These books will replace ones lost by the youth fellowship and choir.

We will want to continue to remember Sunrise and its members in our prayers and charitable concerns. 80 island families, 15 of whom were members of Sunrise, lost everything in that storm and recovery is still a struggle. Your gift is a sign of hope to them.

deacon of the month



Janet Koonce, Deacon of the Month, grew up in California and joined PPC in 1973. She and Calvin have 3 children: Elizabeth, Kathleen, and Scott. Janet loves anything outdoors and especially swimming. She's been secretary of the Deacons for 2 years, has taught Sunday School, been on the Sanctuary Guild, rung bells, and has been active in the WOC.



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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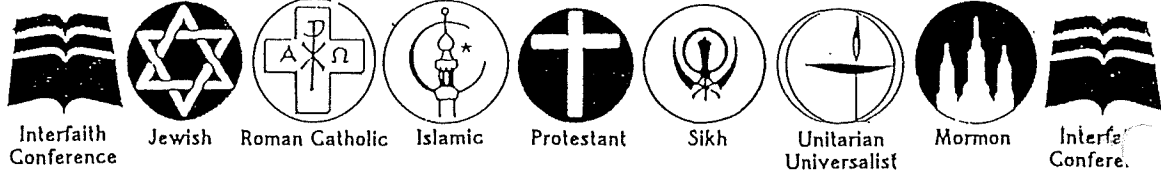
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KERRY on...

"GIVE 'TIL IT FEELS GOOD"

The theme of our 1991 Stewardship Campaign is based on the Biblical foundation in II Corinthians 9:7,8... "Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work."

Our Stewardship Committee is making an extraordinary effort to inform the congregation of our ministry. It is our hope that everyone will feel good about what PPC is trying to do to serve the Lord in this community. Please be ready to welcome the callers who would like to visit with all our members on Sunday, November 4. And when you fill out your pledge card, "Give 'Til It Feels Good."

PRESBYTERIAN MISSION IN ACTION

MORRIS FORK CRAFTS
Handcrafted Creations From The Mountains
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C.E. BAILEY-WICK

Youth Ministry is alive and growing and happening here at PPC. And it's all because so many of you care enough to lend your support. Because of the work of a Youth Design Committee, a plan for youth has been put into place this fall. In addition to well-run Sunday School classes under the guidance of Lynda and Ed Tennent and others for Senior Highs, and Lynn Matson, Mary Margaret Smith and Bob King for Middle School; we also have successful evening programs.

"Thursday Nite Live" for grades 6-8 combines recreation, dinner, hot topics, and an occasional trip for young teens. Under the able leadership of Diane and Clark Kendall (with Whitney and the dogs), myself, and a supportive group of parents, a small but loyal group of eight meets every Thursday from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

"Sunday Nite Live" for Senior Highs meets each Sunday, 6:30-8:00 p.m. The program alternates meeting in members homes with game night here at church, with mission projects and occasional outings. Eighteen young people have joined Jeff Kuwabara, Charlie Kendall, Susan Reichley, Keith Bratt, and myself for a chance to explore issues of importance and to just have fun with each other

But we need your help. Both programs incorporate a meal in the evening's activities. The parents help a lot, but in order to give them an occasional break we need your interest. For the Middle Schoolers you can provide a simple meal for 12 any Thursday evening at 6:00 p.m. Just call me at the church for details and to sign up for a specific date.

Also, would you be willing to host "Sunday Nite Live" in your home? Here's your chance to provide a light supper and enjoy getting to know about 15 young people and their advisors. Again, call me to reserve any first or third Sunday evening.

Our young people need to know that this is a congregation who cares about them. And they are a great group with many different interests and ideas. Get to know them - your return investment will be well worth it!



CAN YOU PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION FOR THE PPC HANDICAPPED ON SUNDAY MORNINGS? IF SO, CALL JUDY KAHL AT 365-4445.



Thanks,

American Red Cross



We'll Help. Will You?

Your Montgomery County RED CROSS urgently needs weekday volunteers to drive our elderly to and from medical appointments, and day, evening or weekend volunteers to escort our elderly/homebound clients or go by yourself to the grocery store. If you like helping others, please call the Office of Community Relations at 588-2515 weekdays from 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

WANTED:

WE'RE LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD...RUGS, CHAIRS, ETC.



Our lower level classrooms are looking much brighter and neater thanks to a new paint job and some dedicated cleaning by the Refurbishing Committee consisting of Ruthanne Stoltzfus, Peggy Hawley, Martha Bentzen, Pat Dunnivant, and Bob Crozier.

Now we're looking for some new area rugs, an upholstered chair and someone to build modular shelving. If you have any of these items in your home or would be willing to donate the cost of purchasing new things, we would be most grateful. Here's what we need:

1. Upholstered rocking chair for the nursery. This would be a sittin' and rockin' chair for the adults caring for our littlest ones. A wood rocker would pose a safety hazard to little fingers and toes and would probably take up too much room.
2. Area rugs. The rugs in all our classrooms are more than a few years old and more than a little drab. We're looking for bright, new area rugs (preferably nylon) to replace them. We have some flexibility in the sizes we can use, but we're looking for 3 rugs in the neighborhood of 15 x 12 and one smaller rug about 6 x 9.
3. Modular shelving. We need someone to build some simple storage shelving with coat hooks underneath in each classroom.

We need things that are in good condition and that suit an educational environment tailored to young children (bright, modern). If you can help, please call Diane Chapin at 983-1688.



ALL IN THE FAMILY

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Bob and Jane Jordan on the birth of grandson, Robert Jordan Maniglia, born September 26 to John and Julia.

Jeffrey Matthew Evans, son of Harry and Jackie Evans, who received his Bachelor's degree in Aerospace Engineering from Ga. Tech. in early September.

GODSPEED TO:

John and Marjean Gray who have recently moved to Cincinnati.

MORRIS FORK CRAFTS

HANDCRAFTED CREATIONS FROM THE MOUNTAINS OF SOUTHEASTERN KENTUCKY will be on display and for sale in our Fellowship Hall on Saturday, November 17 from 10-4:00 and Sunday, November 18 from noon-3:00.

Morris Fork Crafts (MFC) is a self-development project launched in 1978 by a young mission volunteer and the Morris Fork Presbyterian Mission Church and pastor "to be a source of hope and positive service to the Lord Jesus Christ". MFC is a non-profit corporation operating as a craftmaker co-op. It was made possible by \$21,000 in grants from Presbyterian Self-Development of People Program and Presbyterian Hunger Program funds and from United Presbyterian Women's Opportunity Giving. Managed from the start by volunteers and supported over the years by additional donations from many churches and well-wishers, MFC has continuously fulfilled its goal of returning 80% of the craft selling price to the craftmaker. Open to all who live in Southeast Kentucky's Appalachia, the MFC project has permitted many of the area's residents to earn some income with dignity using skills native to the culture of the area.

WELCOME TO:

A special welcome was extended to Jack and Nancy Bryant, PPC members living and working in Karachi, Pakistan, who worshipped with us October 7.

BAPTIZED:

Meredith Lee, daughter of Frank and Sherri Bond, on September 30. The Bonds gave a crystal pitcher to be used for this Sacrament and in celebration of Meredith's baptism.

REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:

Don Ashbaugh whose grandfather died recently in Florida.

Sunday School

Middle School - Continuation of work on Magazine Project.

- November 4 - Jesus' Childhood/Mr. King
- 11 & 18 - Disciples and Friends/Mr. Matson
- 25 - Miracles/Mrs. Smith

Senior High

- November 4 & 11 - Bible study with Ed Tennent
- 18 & 25 - Christmas Project with Lynda Tennent

"THURSDAY NITE LIVE" 5:30-7:30 Thursday at the church

- November 1: Prejudices - How do they affect me?
Dinner: Molly Stanton & family
- 8: Giving
Dinner: Chris Testa & family
- 15: Thanksgiving project for Manor Care
Dinner: _____
- 22: No meeting - Thanksgiving
- 29: Play Practice - Birthday Party for Jesus
Dinner: Sara Hougen & family

"SUNDAY NITE LIVE" 6:30-8:00 Sundays

- November 4: House Meeting at Kristin Kahl's, 8000 Hackamore Drive
365-4445
- 11: Pizza and Game Nite - at church
- 18: House Meeting at _____ (we need a host!)
- 25: No meeting - Thanksgiving Weekend

ADULT EDUCATION

Bible and Issues Class - meets in the Library

- November 4 & 11 - Continuation of Louise Windfield's study of Genesis called "God's Good Creation: What Has Gone Wrong?"
- 18 - "Remembering"/a presentation by the Memorial Gardens committee in conjunction with the morning's worship service and special music.
- 25 - "What is the Church Anyway?" Part I: The Book. A video with Fred Craddock, theologian at the Candler School of Theology at Emory University. Discussion led by Pastor Stoltzfus.

"Third Sunday"

- November 11 - "Talking with your children about....." Another timely topic in this monthly series led by Bill and Karen King. (please note the change in date!)

Christmas International House

Now is the best time to start thinking about how you will spend your Christmas holidays. In Gaithersburg, Christmas International House will entertain 20 foreign students from December 20-January 2, and we will need host families, as well as help with three planned trips, extra meals, etc. CIH provides an opportunity for people to demonstrate and to share the real meaning of Christmas. Dialogue and exchange of ideas characterize the program - peacemaking at the grass roots level.

If you can house a student for one or two weeks, or if you can help in any other way, please let us know early in November. We would like to have all arrangements made before Thanksgiving. For further information call Eleanor Munch, 926-3728, Chairman.

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BELLS**

Ringers Needed

All you need to join in this fun experience is the ability to have fun and some basic music reading skill. Rehearsals are Thursday nights from 7-8 p.m. Please call Jackie Galliher at 469-7752 and say you want to help make joyful noises!

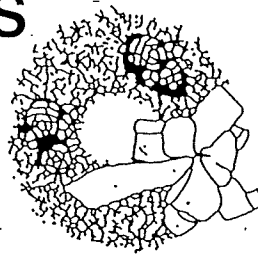
IN SESSION

In Session, October 10, Elders devoted a major portion of the docket to the comprehensive report of the Memorial Gardens Committee and authorized the committee to follow its schedule of education, information and presentation of the proposal to the congregation... noted the efforts of the Mission Committee for the successful Manor Care party...and commended the Board of Deacons for the Parish Brunches enjoyed by over 140 members and guests on September 30

WREATHS

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ROPING



As we have done in past years, the Worship Committee is making Christmas greens available to the congregation at an attractive price. White pine roping and 22" undecorated wreaths may be ordered until the deadline of November 4. Call Anne Cloar at the church or Shirley Tietjen at 299-3272 for additional information.

The wreaths are \$9.00 and 25 ya. of white pine roping is \$20.00.

Checks must accompany orders made out to PPC, Christmas Greens. Orders may be picked up December 7-8 at the church.

more MISSION MESSAGES

MISSION SPENDING IN THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.) 1991

Mission dollars in our denomination are spent at all levels of our church structure. PPC has its own budget for programs and projects we wish to specifically and directly support.

Yet we, as a community of faith, do much more on a denominational level. Our "so-called" denominational giving, \$20,000 in 1990, was shared among our governing bodies as follows: \$12,000 to our Presbytery, the National Capital Presbytery; \$2,000 to the Mid-Atlantic Synod; and \$6,000 to the General Assembly.

How are these monies used? Who decides? Are there political agendas being advanced? Are our mission programs properly balanced among the priorities of evangelism, human service and congregational nurture?

These are important questions and our church is increasingly aware of the need to better interpret Presbyterian Mission for us to encourage our participation in and support of our church's desire to be a vital part of the global body of Christ - sharing His love and joy and justice with all people.

The Mission Committee has placed some informative materials in the Library (on the Mission shelf) which set forth the various components of our denomination's mission units and their annual budgets. Althea Burns, a part-time consultant to NCP for Mission funding and a volunteer for General Assembly stewardship interpretation, spoke to our Adult Education class on October 7th about Presbytery programs. We hope to sponsor more interpretive programs next spring.

We have learned that the titles of various Mission units are often ambiguous or their connotations misleading. For example, the Evangelism Unit of General Assembly works on national (U.S.A.) programs only - evangelism on an international scale is through the Global Missions Unit. When one couples the 1991 budgets of these two units, they are about 1/3 or \$34,000,000 of our total General Assembly 1991 mission budget of \$106,741,000. Or, for another example, the Social Justice and Peace-keeping Unit, which many suspect is an advocate of "political" causes we might reject, spends \$18 million of its \$21 million budget on direct human development and service projects (hunger relief, disaster aid, homelessness) which most of us would support. But, this unit also does support our Church's Washington Office (\$433,000), the Peacemaking Program (\$870,000) and the Church and Public Issues Unit (\$1.3 million). These more controversial programs reflect our struggle to define our church's role as a social witness and to draw a line between politics

MISSION

MESSAGES

CAMPUS MINISTRIES/YOUR MISSION GIVING AT THE SYNOD LEVEL

The Synod of the Mid-Atlantic, of which our Presbytery (NCP) is a part, supports 34 ministries on college/university campuses in MD, VA, DE and NC as well as in DC. Funding these educational ministries comes from the unrestricted giving churches like PPC provide to our denomination, eg., in 1990 of the \$20,000 given by PPC to our denomination, \$2000 or 10% was allocated to the Synod.

These ministries are dynamic, adapting to the needs and personalities of the individual campuses, their student bodies and the campus ministers. Rev. Susan D'Arcy Fricks, Presbyterian campus minister at Duke, recently posed these questions in an article for The Presbyterian News, 9-90 edition.

What does it mean to proclaim the Good News of the gospel on a functionally secular, affluent, consumer-oriented, academically-pressured campus? And just what is that Good News?...What does it mean to live a life of Christian discipleship?

What can the PC (USA) offer undergraduate members that will encourage and enable them to reflect on their experiences in light of the gospel?...Is there a need to evangelize among the unchurched?

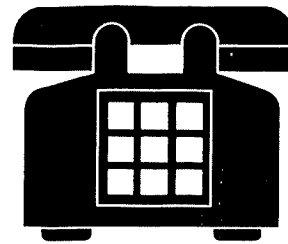
These are all questions and issues which the various campus ministries wrestle to address, but their presence among our college generation is a testament to God's love for our youth and our faith's belief that Christian living is for all times and places.

COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY AND PPC (SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13)

Thanks to the following who provided an hour of music, games and refreshments to approximately 30 "house-bound" residents of Manor Care: Bev Bailey, Sue Benning, Lynn Bigler, Doris Durfee, Peggy and Susan Hawley, Melanie Mason, Kathy McMahon and Elsie Reid. This event is one example of the Mission Committee's outreach efforts in Potomac.

OFFERING HELPS REFUGEES

\$15,000 from the One Great Hour of Sharing fund has been sent to assist the 1000's of refugees who have fled to Jordan from Kuwait since the Iraqi invasion. \$30,000+ worth of blankets furnished through the Church World Service Blanket Offering has been sent to the region where temperatures plummet at night. Those interested in contributing to relief efforts may do so with checks designated for "Refugee Relief in Jordan."



CALLING
ALL
ELDERS &
DEACONS

Have you served as an Elder or Deacon in a Presbyterian Church other than Potomac? New directions from National Capital Presbytery require that the Clerk of Session maintain a list of all members of the congregation who have ever been ordained to an office in a local congregation. Please help by providing your name; office held; church, place and date of ordination and placing that information in Joyce Jenkins' box in the church office.

MESSAGES

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and religion. As we are called to be God's agents for social justice and peace, what strategies, if any, do we as a Church follow? Very tough questions, don't you think?

In 1991 the Mission Committee has proposed continuing \$20,000 from our budget as support for denominational programs. We are also hopeful of giving an additional \$5,000 to two designated programs being funded solely by "extra giving." These are "Presbyterian Evangelism and Church Development" and "Witness Among the Nations - the New Missionary Challenge." Both of these efforts address our belief that high priority ought to be given to spreading the Word both locally and abroad.

We also hope to delve further into mission priorities and spending at the denominational level - to learn more about the lay and ordained members of the committees who approve project funding and authorize social witness statements. Stay tuned so that you may:

COME AND SEE WHAT GOD HAS DONE:
TREMENDOUS ARE GOD'S DEEDS. Ps. 66:5.

-Elsie Reed, Mission Ch.

TEA

AND HANDWORK

Are you between projects? Would you be interested in knitting or crocheting a hat to be donated to "Caps For Kids"?

Bring scrap yarn of worsted weight and #5 knitting needles or crochet hook size I to our next get-together.

Thursdays from 1:30-3:30,
November 1st, 15th and 29th
January 10th and 24th



NOVEMBER 1990

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 1:30 Tea/Needlework 5:30 TNL 7 Handbell Choir Reh 8 Sanc. Choir Reh.	2 6 Friends of Great Falls Tavern - F.H.	3 9:30-1 Adat Shalom
4 STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY 9:45 S.S./Ad. Education 11:00 Worship/Communion Recognition of New Members 2-7 Masterworks Pot Luck - FH 6:30 SNL @ Kahl's	5 6:30 Miriams Kitchen 3:15 Girl Scouts 8 Worship Comm.	6 9:30 "Coping As Christians" @ Ashbaughs 1-6 Lords Table	7 9:30 Bible Study 7:30 Masterworks	8 5:30 TNL 7 Handbell Choir 8 Sanc. Choir 8 MD Ornithological Society - FH	9 6:30 McMahon/Arnold Wedding Reh.	10 SESSION RETREAT 1 McMahon/Arnold Wedding
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18 9:45 S.S./Ad. Education 3rd Sunday Class 11:00 Worship 12-3 Morris Ford Craft Show 3:45 Worship @ Manor Care 6:30 SNL	19 3:15 Girl Scouts 7:30 Churchill Cross Country Awards Dinner 8 Session	20 7:30 Masterworks	21 3:15 Cub Scouts	22 OFFICE CLOSED	23 OFFICE CLOSED	24
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Get The Festive Spirit

WHO?

The Sunday school teacher asked her class of kindergarteners to draw a picture of the manger scene at Bethlehem. In the corner of one student's sketch was a very plump, jolly-looking fellow.

'Tell me about this person,' requested the teacher, pointing to the portly character.'

'Oh,' replied the pupil, 'that's Round John Virgin!'

-Unicoi United Methodist Church
Unicoi, TN

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Lynn Bigler, Editor



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KERRY on...



Would you like to give a Christmas gift that you can't find at the mall or in the L.L.Bean catalog? How about a gift for your children which will not sit under the tree? Or something for a special friend that will be cherished for a lifetime?

I have a suggestion. Come to the special Advent and Christmas services and programs at Potomac Presbyterian Church. The gift is one of joy in celebrating God's greatest gift - the birth of Jesus.

A calendar of events is on page 4.

Kerry

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MEMORIAL GARDEN

Just West of Potomac's congested center, one encounters a peaceful church. There, nestled by stately walls of loving memory will stand a serene statement of our Christian faith and life: PPC's Memorial Garden.

Here we plan to create a place of life, hope and memory celebrating the eternal life and worth of persons. The resurrection story is retold in the perpetual care and natural growth of the Garden through the visual and spiritual liturgy of the evergreen and seasonal vegetation.

Our church extends God's ministry to people at all significant times in their lives: at birth, baptism, marriage, and times of illness, and death. We mark death with memorial services in witness to the Resurrection, but let other agencies provide for burial.

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C. E. BAILEY-WICK

Dear God,
Christmas should be earlier because kids can only
be good for so long.

from Children's Letters to God

When someone we like is coming to stay with us, it may be hard to wait for the day to arrive. But there are all kinds of things to do first, in order to be ready for our guest.

The Christian church calls the four weeks before Christmas "Advent". Advent means "coming", and this is the time of year when we prepare for our most important guest - Jesus Christ.

It is the time when we remember a past "coming" - when Jesus was actually born in that manger so long ago. God's son, coming to live with us, grow with us, and die for us. But we also need to think of Advent as a present "coming". The spirit of Christ is waiting to come now to every person who invites Jesus into his/her heart and life.

At Potomac, we offer many opportunities for preparing for the coming of Christ. We offer opportunities for worship each Sunday and on Christmas Eve. We offer fellowship in the form of the Williamsburg Breakfast and the Birthday Party for Jesus. We offer the chance to share our blessings through the Mission Committee's adoption of families for Christmas. Our Middle Schoolers will collect mittens for children and our Senior Highs and Young Adults will help DC children purchase Christmas presents through "Dollars for Needy Children". We offer the chance to share the joy of the season through caroling - both with the Adults at area nursing homes, and the Senior Highs, caroling at members' homes. We offer the chance to share our gifts and talents at the Birthday Party for Jesus and in the decorating of our church home for the holidays. And we offer the opportunity to explore our faith and grow in knowledge through our Sunday School programs.

At Advent we should try the key to our heart's door. It may have gathered rust. If so, this is the time to oil it, in order that the heart's door may open more easily when the Lord Jesus wants to enter at Christmas time!

from Our Family Christmas Book
anonymous New Guinea Christian

I wish all of you a blessed and glorious Advent Season and a joyous Christmas!



In Christ,

Bev Bailey

ADULT EDUCATION

- December 2 - Williamsburg Breakfast: A Family Affair to begin the Advent Season
- 9 - "The Carols of Christmas". Explore the history of some of the more famous Carols, sing your favorites and learn some new ones. Led by Bev Bailey.
- * 16 - Birthday Party for Jesus. A family celebration of Christ's birth led by the children of the church. Coordinated by Mary Margaret Smith.
- 23 - "The Visitor". A timely Christmas video, discussion led by Pastor Stoltzfus.
- 30 - No Sunday School.
- *Third Sunday will not meet this month because of family activities.



**Our THANKS
to people
like YOU!**

INQUIRERS SERIES

There will be a 4-part INQUIRERS SERIES beginning Sunday, February 3 and continuing on the 10th, 17th and 24th. The classes will be held at 9:45 in the parlor and will be taught by our Pastor. These classes are for those persons who want to learn more about the Presbyterian Church and/or are interested in membership at PPC.

After the series has been completed, those wishing to unite with the Church will meet with the Session on Sunday, February 24 at 8:00. New members will be presented to the congregation during worship service on March 3. A luncheon will follow in Fellowship Hall honoring the new members.

Anyone wishing additional information about the series may contact Kerry Stoltzfus.

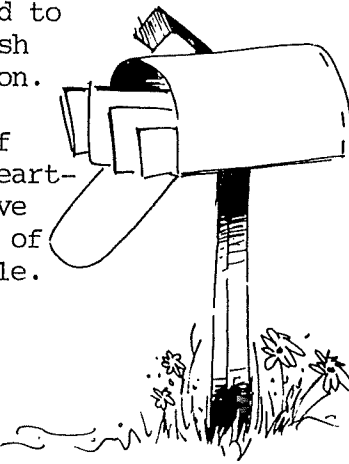
The youth of PPC would like to take this opportunity to thank all the people who have helped make the Fall season of activities so special. A special thanks to all the parents who have fed and housed us - everything was delicious! Thanks to the Chapin family for letting us use your "fab" condo at Bethany Beach - we had a great time! The Middle Schoolers thank the Perrys and the Harrisons for a "mysterious" evening. We learned a lot about religious freedom. We want to thank our Sunday School teachers for taking the time to work with us each week: Sr. Highs: Lynda and Ed Tennent, Tom Miles, Bob and Ginny Crozier; Middle School: Lynn Matson, Mary Margaret Smith, Bob King. And a great big "thank you" to our advisors - the people who laugh, play, talk, and pray with us: Clark and Diane Kendall, Charlie Kendall, Keith Bratt, Becky Ledwith, Susan Reichley, Jeff Kuwabara, and Bev Bailey. Have a great Christmas!

WE GET LETTERS...

We are very grateful for your contribution of clothing which we shipped to Poland. (Note: these were items left after our rummage sale). We are certain that with the coming of winter these items will be most welcomed. The shipment should have arrived in Poland and will be forwarded to its destination by the Polish Episcopate Charity Commission.

In the name of the people of Poland, please accept our heartfelt thanks. Your initiative and the response of members of your Church is most admirable.

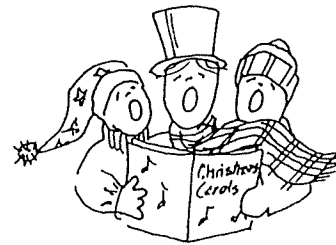
-received by Lynn Bigler
Rummage Sale Chair
-from Myra Lenard
Executive Director
Polish American Congress
Charitable Foundation Inc.



Please extend our deep appreciation to the Mission Committee and the Session for their gift of \$1000 to the on-going work of New Hope Presbyterian Church. (Note: this is the church we helped get started as a part of our 25th anniversary celebration.) 1990 has been a year of land acquisition and building site education for our Session. The prospects for 1991 look great! We will keep you informed of our progress.

Continue to keep us in your prayers.

-received by Kerry Stoltzfus
-from Walter A. Harman, III
Organizing Pastor, New Hope



SENIOR HIGHS GO CAROLING

On Sunday, December 16, while PPC adults sing at area nursing homes, our Senior Highs would like to go caroling to members' and friends' homes. If you know of someone who lives in the general area who would like some special Christmas cheer, please call Bev Bailey at church or 946-1999. This would include anyone in our congregation who is home-bound or ill, or even someone you know who would appreciate the presence of a group of young people full of the Christmas spirit. After singing the group will go out to eat at a favorite restaurant.



FOR NEEDY CHILDREN

The Senior Highs and Young Adults will again participate in their annual project of helping DC children purchase Christmas gifts. Sponsored by the Downtown Jaycees, this project enables children to shop and purchase gifts for their families and we get to help with the shopping. We will leave church at 7:45 a.m. on Sunday, December 9 and should return about 12:30. There is a party for all volunteers after the shopping trip. If you wish to participate call Clark Kendall, 977-5097. We have promised to supply 12 volunteers so call now-avoid the rush!

COLLEGE FRESHMEN RECEIVE "CARE PACKAGES"

On Sunday, November 18, the Sunday Nite Live crowd and their advisors gathered at the Stoltzfus house for pizza and lots of hard work. Their job was to put together 10 care packages for PPC college freshmen who will soon be studying for first semester finals. Shoe boxes were filled with gum, cookies, "I Feel Good" buttons, pencils, candy and other incentives to get them through those horrendous finals. Our hope is that these collegiates know that the youth back home are thinking about them and praying that they have a great semester. What a wonderful early Christmas present!



SAVE STAMPS

Please save the cancelled stamps from your holiday mail - and your everyday mail - for the Mission Committee. Cut out with a quarter inch border of envelope around them and turn them in to the church office. These are sent to Church World Service who sells them and uses the money to help feed and clothe worldwide. See how easy it is for you to HELP!

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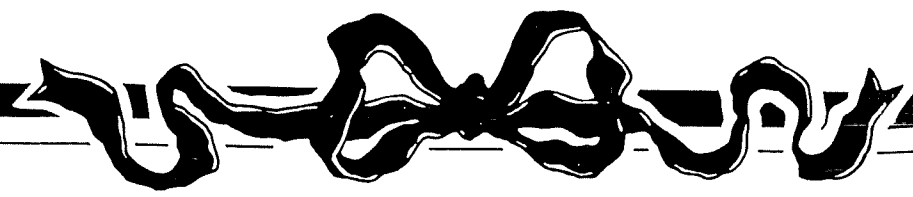
NEW ELDERS/DEACONS

At the October 28 Congregational Meeting, the following were elected Elders: Janet Clark, Jon Hawley, Bob McMahon and Gene Sharer; the following were elected Deacons: Jess Begley, Bettie Ann Johnson, Jane Jordan, Netti Propps, Wanda Sherfy and Alyce Tamzarian. CONGRATULATIONS!

MIDDLE SCHOOLERS VISIT MANOR CARE

PPC "Thursday Nite Live" participants spent November on a special project. Much time was spent in the church kitchen making gingerbread cookies in the shape of turkeys. The result: 118 iced cookies individually packaged with a note that said, "Happy Thanksgiving from your friends at PPC". The project culminated in a trip to Manor Care where Molly Stanton, Meg King, Doug Reid, Chris Testa, Fred Olalo, and Derek Smith personally distributed these cookies to the residents there. We met lots of wonderful people and it gave a special meaning to Thanksgiving this year.

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ADVENT CALENDAR

Dec. 2 First Sunday of Advent

9:30 a.m. Williamsburg Breakfast
11:00 a.m. Worship

Dec. 9 Second Sunday of Advent

7:00 a.m. Shopping for Needy Children - Sr. Highs & Young Adults
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
Adult Education - "The Carols of Christmas" - Bev Bailey
11:00 a.m. Worship

Dec. 16 Third Sunday of Advent

9:45 a.m. Birthday Party for Jesus
11:00 a.m. Worship
4:00 p.m. Adult Caroling: Manor Care, Collingswood. Followed by supper @ Cliff & Camille Kendall's.
5:30 p.m. Sr. High Caroling to members homes - followed by pizza party.

Dec. 23 Fourth Sunday of Advent

9:45 a.m. Rehearsal for Christmas Pageant - all children and youth
Adult Education - "The Visitor", a video
11:00 a.m. Worship and Pageant

Dec. 24 Christmas Eve

5:00 p.m. Family Service
7:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion Service
11:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion Service

Dec. 29 First Sunday After Christmas

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
11:00 p.m. Worship - College Students
Participating in Leading Worship



MEMORIAL GARDEN

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While we recognize cremation is not for everyone, PPC's Memorial Garden, in the timeless tradition of churches through the ages who have provided for the whole of life's experiences, will offer the service of interment in our garden. We will also offer a means for our congregation, through memorial plaques, to honor and remember their loved ones who are interred elsewhere.

We invite and encourage you to take the time to seriously explore this Christian burial option PPC now offers.

For the past year, our committee has explored extensively all phases of developing our Memorial Garden. We used the following criteria to evaluate sites and establish a design: provide privacy for meditation, be cost effective and self funding, allow for future expansion of both church and garden, have memorial plaques on-site, be evergreen and enhance the beauty of our church.

We have established the following timetable to assist you in exploring this burial option:

-During December, please take a minute to view the architect's drawing and model in the narthex and ask questions of the Committee members.

-In early January, expect to receive a Memorial Garden brochure which outlines the specifics and pricing information. Please help us in our efforts by returning the enclosed response card.

-On January 13, an information session will be held during adult education and it will be your first opportunity to make an actual financial commitment to the Garden; i.e., through niche reservation, plaque memorialization or donation.

Assuming we have sufficient financial commitments to cover construction costs, our goal is to proceed with construction this Spring and by May or June dedicate our Memorial Garden. Between now and March 31st, we have to determine your actual commitment and support, so please think seriously now about making the Memorial Garden a reality.

Committee members: Janet Clark and John Clouse - co-chairmen
Lew Smith
Phyllis Matson
Joyce Jenkins
Art Heming
Nelia Chichester

Advisors: Kerry Stoltzfus
Bob Crozier
David Chichester
Jack Dart

deacon of the month



MATSON, Phyllis & Lynn
Sharon, Brent

November's DEACON OF THE MONTH was Phyllis Matson. The Matsons came to PPC in 1983 from Wayzata Community Church in Minnetonka, Minnesota. Phyllis has been active at PPC with Vacation Bible School, the Memorial Garden Committee, and as a Junior High Fellowship leader. With Brent 19 and Sharon 21 off to college now, the Matson "children" are Chelsea and Rugby, their golden retrievers. Phyllis enjoys quilting, playing tennis and being outdoors.

IN SESSION

In Session on November 19, 1990, Elders reviewed the report made by the Outreach Task Force several years ago and suggestions which were made at the Session Retreat culminating in a committee of four which will evaluate and present recommendations to the January Session meeting...received an update on the Stewardship Campaign reporting pledges of \$275,260 as of November 19 with a few pledges still due...approved a Mission Statement for Youth Ministry as prepared by the Youth Design Team...added their congratulations and appreciation to those of the congregation for the outstanding presentation of the Schubert Mass by Jackie Galliher, the choir, and the string quartet on Sunday...heard of Morris Fork's successful crafts fair this past weekend in Fellowship Hall...authorized distribution by the Senior Highs of the red ribbons provided by MADD promoting safe driving especially over the holidays.

Gloria Leber is December's DEACON OF THE MONTH. The Lebers joined the church five years ago; since then Gloria has been active in the choir and with the Fellowship Committee. The family, including Laura, Mike, and Charlie (he's the one with the camera) came to Potomac from Hope Presbyterian in Mitchellville, Maryland, where Gloria was an Elder. She enjoys cooking, "loves being a Deacon", and loves PPC because of the warmth and friendliness of its people.



LEBER, Gloria & Charles
Michael



ALL IN THE FAMILY

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Lowell and Barbara Perry, proud new grandparents to Karen Louise Peters, daughter of Lee and Brenda Peters.

Doreen McMahon, daughter of Kathy and Bob, and Kent Arnold who were married in our sanctuary in November.

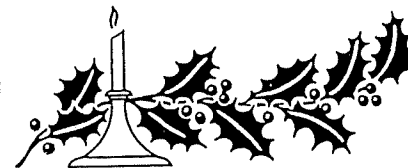
REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:

The following recovering after hospitalizations: Bob Haack, Bill Albright, Paul Yadlosky, Isabel Bartholomew, Mae Ruth Shields (mother of Phyllis Matson), and Bob Fredlund

and Bill King whose father died recently in Texas.

NOTE:

Bob Crozier will exhibit and offer for sale a portion of his private collection of original illustrations, rare prints, posters and photographs in the Potomac Place Shopping Center from November 21-December 31, at the Fast Frame and the Book Stall shops.



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8
9:30 A.M.

Bring clippers. Any amount of time you can help will be greatly appreciated. Lunch will be served by the Fellowship Committee. Questions? Call Carol Clouse.

* * * CHRISTMAS PARTY * * *

CAROLING AND POT LUCK

DECEMBER 16. MEET AT MANOR CARE AT 4:00 p.m. TO CAROL; THEN GO ON TO COLLINGSWOOD. FINALLY, POT LUCK AT THE KENDALLS. CALL MARILYN SHANKLAND 983-1931 FOR A FOOD ASSIGNMENT. THERE WILL BE A SMALL HOSTESS FEE.

EACH PERSON SHOULD PLAN TO BRING A CHRISTMAS-WRAPPED "WHITE ELEPHANT" TO EXCHANGE. MAKE IT FUN!

BAZAAR

Workshops will begin in January on Wednesday mornings to prepare for the 1991 PPC CHRISTMAS BAZAAR. New ideas and new participants in this project are eagerly sought to join the Crafty Ladies. Watch the bulletins for details. Meanwhile, save your fabric scraps and torn stockings for us. Call Lynn Bigler if you're as excited about this event as she is!

Welcome new members

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

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Barnard (Phyllis), 8821 Copenhaver Dr., 340-2287
Tony and Phyllis come by Certificate of Transfer from St. Lukes Methodist Church, Indianapolis, Indiana. The Barnards have two children: Patty 17, and Jim 15. Tony graduated from the Air Force Academy and served in the Air Force in California and Ohio. His present business career finds him as Manager, Vega Precision Laboratories in Vienna, VA, where he focuses on computers, electronic test equipment and defense electronics. Phyllis grew up in the Chicago area and attended Stephens College before transferring to the U. of Colorado at which time she met Tony. (His roommate at the Academy and her roommate were dating and introduced them.) After graduation, Phyllis taught Spanish and Typing in high schools in Colorado, Ohio, and California. After the children came along, she did substitute teaching, modeling and lots and lots of volunteer work. Both of the Barnards like to play golf and tennis in their spare time. Parish Group: Deacon Charlene Brumbaugh.

Lt. Col. Joseph P. Curry, III (Joe), 11817 Enid Dr., 983-5339
Joe comes by Profession of Faith and by adult baptism. The Currys have two daughters: Rebecca 7 and Amelia 5 who attend Beverly Farms Elementary School. Joe is in the U.S. Army and presently stationed at the Pentagon. His wife, Eve, is an Occupational Therapist at Shady Grove Adventist Hospital and Manor Care Nursing Home. In his spare time, Joe likes to play racquet ball and he is presently serving on the PTA Board at his children's school. Parish Group: Deacon Bob Hazard.

Mrs. Daniel Hayes (Christie), 10204 Garden Way, 299-5962
Christie comes by Certificate of Transfer from St. Andrews United Presbyterian Church, Butler, PA. Christie was born and raised in Butler. She graduated from the College of Wooster in Wooster, Ohio, with a Psychology major as well as being certified as an elementary teacher. Christie and Dan, who is a partner at Ernst and Young, are expecting their first child in January. However, Christie says, "We already have one baby - a 90# Golden Retriever named Malson." In her spare time, she likes being outside - tennis, bike riding, at the beach, etc. Parish group: Deacon Judy Kahl.

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MISSION

SERVICE MEMBERS
OPERATION DESERT SHIELD

Show your support for our service men and women in the Middle East by forwarding a letter or package to the addresses below. Address the mail to: "Any Service Member" and the military will route it to troops who aren't otherwise receiving mail.

For the Army, Air Force and Marine Corps:

Any Service Member
Operation Desert Shield
APO New York 09848-0006

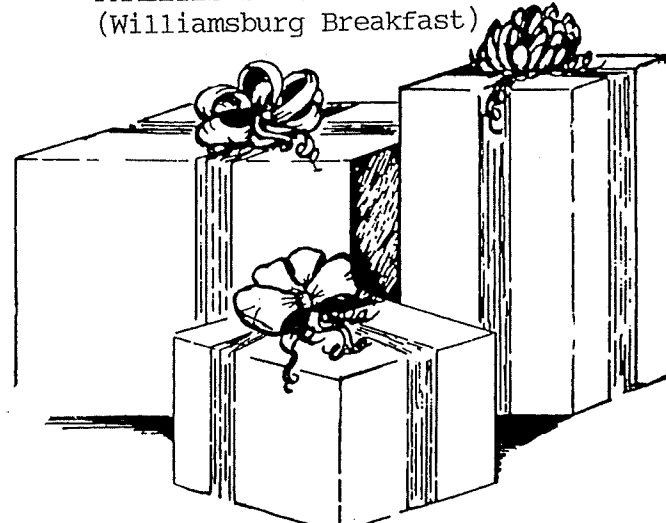
For the Navy and Marine Corps on ships:

Any Service Member
Operation Desert Shield
FPO New York 09866-0006



UPCOMING EVENTS

JOY GIFT OFFERING (Advent)
and
FAMILIES SHARING WITH FAMILIES
(Williamsburg Breakfast)



MESSAGES



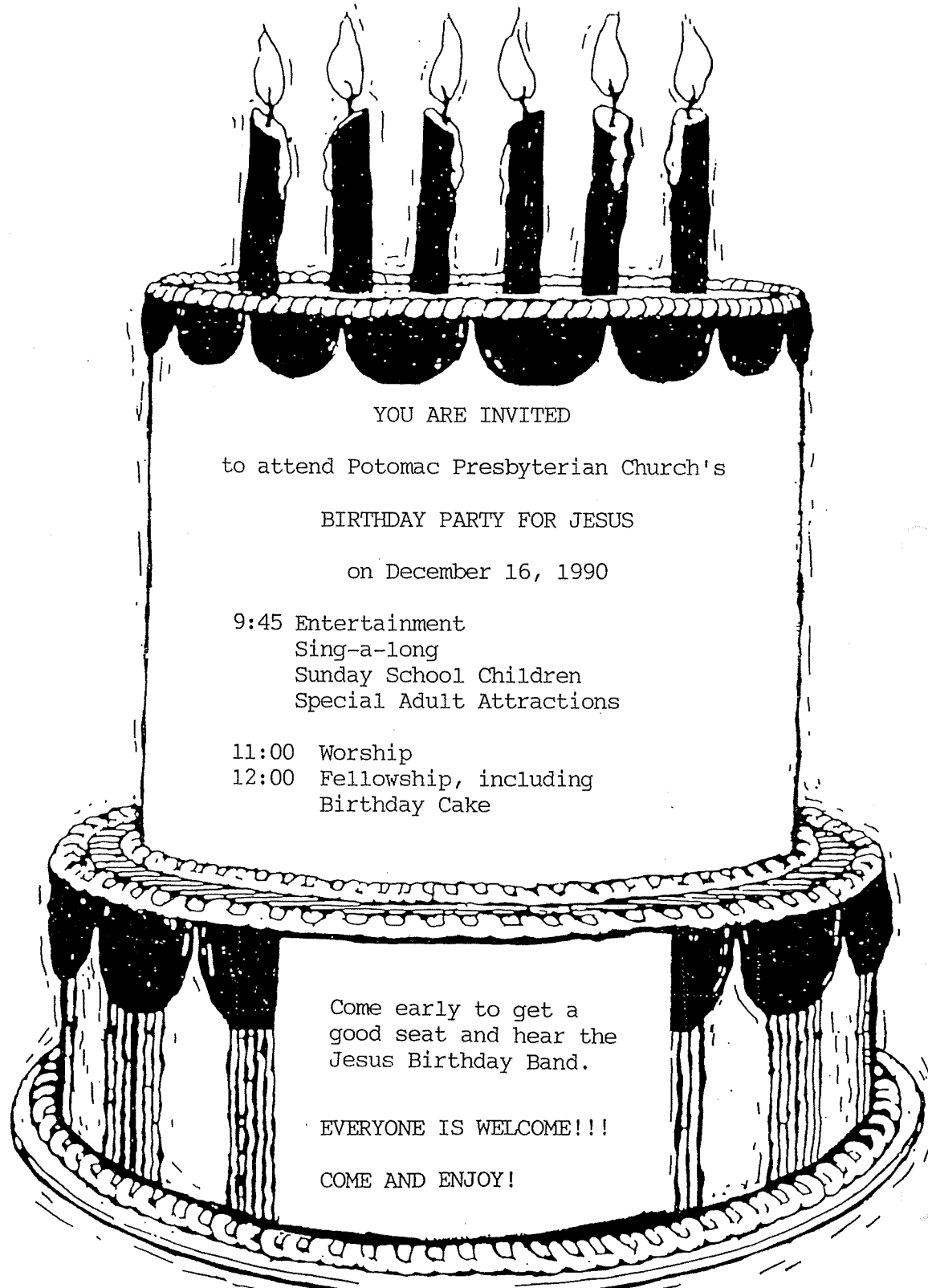
UNICEF AT HALLOWEEN

Thanks to our children, \$22.57 was collected as a Halloween treat for children in need around the world. Their neighbors' pennies, nickels, dimes, etc. will be instrumental in saving and enriching children's lives. For example, \$1 buys enough vaccine to immunize seven children against measles and poliomyelitis, or it can purchase four bottles of chloroquine syrup to treat children suffering from malaria. A gift of just 20¢ buys a vial of penicillin to treat a child's infection or a nasal tube for feeding a seriously malnourished child.

Our children's gift has been sent to: United States Committee for UNICEF, 331 East 38th Street, USA - New York, NY 10016.

You may wish to multiply their gifts with ones of your own. Today, 13½ million children die before the age of five and UNICEF believes half these deaths could be averted or disabilities prevented. Thanks to our children we have helped to stop the unnecessary suffering of innocent children.

SHARING



YOU ARE INVITED

to attend Potomac Presbyterian Church's

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR JESUS

on December 16, 1990

9:45 Entertainment
Sing-a-long
Sunday School Children
Special Adult Attractions

11:00 Worship
12:00 Fellowship, including
Birthday Cake

Come early to get a
good seat and hear the
Jesus Birthday Band.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!!

COME AND ENJOY!

NEW MEMBERS (con't. from p. 6)

Mr. and Mrs. Thad McDonald (Ann), 12209 Pueblo Rd., Gaithersburg 20878, 869-8294. Thad and Add come by Certificate of Transfer from Wellshire Presbyterian Church, Denver, CO. The McDonalds have two children: Sharon is an elementary music teacher in Tacome, WA, and their son Scott is a junior at the U. of Colorado. Thad received his degree in Accounting from the U. of Colorado; worked for Arthur Anderson in Chicago and then spent 15 years as a Traveling Auditor for Amtrak. Presently he is Audit Manager for Amtrak in Washington, DC, and enjoys taking the train between home and work every day. Ann says the first phase of her life was growing up in Galesburg, IL and attending Northwestern University. The second phase was spent raising their children in Denver. She did some substitute teaching and a lot of volunteer work. (She had a lot of experience in organizing band bingo games and uniforming 200-member bands.) Thad and Ann are entering the third phase of their lives - the "empty nest" phase. Ann feels God has put them in an interesting place (DC) with so much to see and do. And, she feels that God led them to PPC. Parish Group: Deacon Barry Barthelman.

PPC Weeding Team: 1 Weeds: 0

The frost is on the pumpkin and our PPC WEEDING TEAM has played its first season and won! Many thanks to the following players who continually sized up and struck out the opponent during the 28-week season.

Lynn Bigler
Marcia Boogaard
Nelia & Dave Chichester
Lew Chapin
Janet & Ed Clark
John Clouse
Ginny & Bob Crozier
Chip Dickinson
Evans Family
Ralph Hall
Peggy & Jon Hawley
Diane & Clark Kendall
Camille Kendall
Bob King Family



Pat King
Olivia & Karen Mabeus
Matson Family
Pat Maxwell
Lisa & Dennis McMahon
Kay Mitchel
Sally O'Neal
Perry Family
Russo Family
Wilma & Gene Sharer
Alice Smith
Alyce Tamzarian
Dawn Thompson
Marilyn & Ken Young

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP NEWS

Middle School - 6th-8th Graders; Thursday Nite Live 5:30-7:30 p.m.

December 6 and 13: Rehearsals for Advent Play, "They Met at Bethlehem" - to be presented at the Birthday Party for Jesus on December 16. (If you cannot possibly come on Thursdays but want to be in the play, call Diane Kendall, 977-5097 - she'll try to find a place for you).

Dinners prepared by: Sara Hougen and family (Dec. 6)
????? (Dec. 13)

December 20: Our Christmas Party
(Bring a pair of mittens for a homeless child). Dinner prepared by: ?????

Also, Sunday, December 23 - the Christmas Pageant during worship service. Come at 9:45 for practice. Pageant is at 11:00.

Senior Highs; Sunday Nite Live 6:30-8:00 p.m.

December 2: "Getting Ready for Christmas" - an evening of creating ornaments for the church's Christmas Tree. Hosts: Allison and Lindsay Chapin and family, 10820 Admirals Way, 983-1688

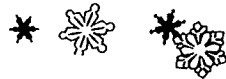
9: 7:45 a.m. Dollars for Needy Children. Sr. Highs and Young Adults travel downtown to help DC children purchase gifts. Call Clark Kendall if you can help (977-4097).

And, 6:30-8:00. Decorating the Christmas Tree. Join us at church for an old-fashioned decorating party. Bring \$3 for pizza.

16: 5:30. "Caroling our Friends and Neighbors". We'll travel in caravan - then out to eat afterwards.

23 & 30: No Sunday Nite Live. Merry Christmas!

Other Activities: Don't forget the Williamsburg Breakfast, the Birthday Party for Jesus, and the Christmas Pageant. We need your help for these all-church activities.



JOINT YOUTH ACTIVITY: WINTER SKI RETREAT TO CANAAN VALLEY, WEST VIRGINIA

Mark your calendars now for the Jr.-Sr. High Winter Retreat at a great ski resort. The dates are Friday, Jan. 25 - Sunday, Jan. 27. Because we are renting houses at Canaan Valley, we must have your deposit for this trip of \$30 by Sunday, Dec. 16. Watch your mail for more details or call Bev Bailey at PPC or Charlie Kendall, 469-5866.

IT'S A GREAT PLACE TO BE...

The Adult Education class began the 1990 Church School year with a series of outstanding presentations.

On September 16, 23, and 30th, the Rev. Tom Miles conducted an outstanding discussion of The Kingdom of God. Among the characteristics were statements from the New Testament Scriptures that mentioned the Kingdom of God. To mention just a few: It is God's Kingdom, When Will the Kingdom Come, Where the Kingdom Will Come, How a Person Gains Entrance to the Kingdom, The Value of the Kingdom of God, Who Doesn't Possess the Kingdom, Who Does Possess the Kingdom.

When the class is conducted by an experienced and knowledgeable teacher such as Rev. Miles, one's attendance can be a truly worthwhile experience.

On October 7th, Elder Elsie Reid arranged a program on Missions that was very well planned and conducted by Althea Burns and Billie Ayrens. Ample opportunity was given those present to ask questions about the use of mission funds by the Presbytery and each class member had an opportunity to understand more clearly where our mission giving is utilized.

On October 14th and 21st, the Rev. Lon Dring, Director of CMMC, was responsible for the program. With the capable assistance of Bev Bailey, well planned discussions were conducted with special emphasis on stewardship. Louise Winfield from St. Marks Presbyterian Church, an outstanding Bible teacher, led the discussion October 23rd and November 4th and 11th. With God's Good Creation as her theme she made her comments interesting and informative and made class participation both easy and inspiring.

If you feel that Bible study led by highly qualified teachers would help you to a better understanding of the meaning of the Scriptures in your life, you should make a special effort to attend the Adult Education class each Sunday at 9:45.

-Jim Spivey

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