

News & Notes

May 19—May 26, 2013

Sunday, May 19

At both the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services, we will be celebrating Pentecost Sunday. The Sacrament of Communion will also be celebrated at both services. Please be sure to wear red! Following service there will be time for fellowship and refreshments in Chadsey Hall.

This week, as on every third Sunday, we will receive the Hunger Offering. Proceeds from the Hunger Offering are divided equally to support hunger ministries locally through our own TAP (Transition Assistance Program) and Shepherd's Table in Silver Spring, as well as the Shitoli Solid Rock Orphan and Feeding Program in Shikokho, Kenya. Place your gifts in the milk jugs as they are passed with the offering plates.

Christian Education

- * **Nursery Care** is available throughout the morning in Rooms 106/108.
- * At 9:30 a.m., children in Grade 2 and up will remain in worship this morning to celebrate the Festival of Pentecost. First graders and younger will leave after the Time with Children for classes in their regular rooms. This is the final Sunday of regular classes; there will be no classes on May 26 and Summer Sunday School will begin on June 2 for second graders (completed) and younger...with your help (see the related article below.)

For Adults:

- * **Faith Trek** (10:00–11:00 a.m. in the Library)
Faith Trekkers are now reading *Discerning the Signs of the Times: Sermons for Today and Tomorrow* by Reinhold Niebuhr. Contact Margaret Chan at 301-656-5034 for more details. All are welcome to attend.
- * **Bible in Context Class** (9:45-10:45 a.m. in Room 350B)
Join the final session of our study of the Gospel of John on May 19. Please read John 21, Jesus Appears to Seven Disciples, Jesus and Peter, Jesus and the Beloved Disciple. Everyone is welcome.

- * **Open Forum** (9:45–10:45 a.m. Geneva Hall) The Open Forum offers a forum for the discussion of a variety of topics on the intersection of faith and life.

May 19 – The Vatican and the Media- The Vatican has been in the news this year with the resignation of Pope Benedict and the election of Pope Francis as the new spiritual leader of the Roman Catholic Church. The Rev. Jane Duffield will discuss findings from her 2008 field study that explored the psychological, sociological and theological dynamics that drive the Vatican's communications program.

Other News

Pentecost Offering— This year's Pentecost Offering will benefit the two homegrown, signature mission programs of CCPC – the **Transition Assistance Program (TAP)** and the **Village of Shikokho of Western Kenya**. Help us empower people at home and abroad by giving generously. Indicate "Pentecost Offering" on the memo line of your check or place offering in the designated pew envelope.

Upcoming Concert—Join us this Sunday, May 19 at 4:00 p.m. for a wonderful concert. The CCPC Chancel Choir, Soloists and Orchestra will perform Bach's Magnificat, as well as arias from cantata 137, 82, St. John Passion and Easter Oratorio, which feature our wonderful soloists with instrumental obbligato. The concert will open with Julie Evans performing Sinfonia to Cantata 169.

**You are Invited to a
Pass the Plate Pig Roast
Saturday, June 8, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.**

At Kristen & Steve Best's home

An all-adult party benefitting CCPC to close the gap in the 2013 budget and support church programs.

Join us for great barbecue and fellowship, dancing, karaoke and a silent auction! \$100 per person or \$125 at the door.

If you have a donation for the Silent Auction, Contact Rebecca Iverson-Hunter at iverhunt@verizon.net by May 31st.

Tickets are on sale now after services or online at www.chevychasepc.org/giving.

It's going to be great fun!! Join us!

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS SOUGHT!!

Summer Sunday School begins on June 2 and continues through Homecoming Sunday, September 8 during the 10:00 a.m. worship service. Two to three classes for young children through second grade (completed) will be available, **but only with your help**. Teams of teachers are needed for each age group and a simple curriculum is provided to facilitate your teaching. Please check your calendar and see which Sunday you might be able to help! Sign up on the chart in Chadsey Hall in April and May during Sunday Brunch and Coffee Time. You may also contact Kristen Riley (202-237-8336 or kriley8@msn.com) or Lynn Jostes at the church 202-363-2202 x 22.

What To Do This Summer? Be a Summer Intern at TAP!

— The Transition Assistance Program (TAP), an outreach mission of the Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church, provides direct services to working and unemployed, often homeless, individuals who come to the church for assistance. The program is looking for summer interns entering grade 10 and up, who would like to volunteer up to three mornings a week at the church over the summer. Duties involve greeting clients, registering clients, serving sandwiches and juice, answering the phone, writing checks and other office duties as directed by TAP's experienced volunteers and paid staff. This also qualifies as community service commitment hours required by some schools. TAP is open Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. For more information, please contact Sue De La Torre at 301-589-0397 or sdelator2@msn.com.

Chancel Flowers— Flowers, given in loving memory of, honor of, or commemorating the celebration of an event, are a wonderful way to give Glory to God and beautify the sanctuary on a Sunday morning. The Flower Calendar currently has no donors for May 26 or June 30. There are also Sundays available in July through November. The cost of flowers for a Sunday morning is \$50. If you are interested in giving Sanctuary Flowers, please contact Norm Stant (normstant@mac.com or 301-942-6468) to arrange for a particular Sunday.

Shikokho's Women's Microfinance Initiative is Changing Lives—Flora Amugitsu is 43 years old and supports a household of 7 people: 6 are her own

children. No one else in the family has a job. None of Flora's children had school uniforms or shoes before she got her first WMI loan. She has used her two loans to expand and diversify her small poultry business, buying more chicks, chicken feed, and medicines to keep her animals productive, chickens meatier and to have lots of eggs to sell. She has added turkeys to her product line, and now also offers fresh produce to her customers. Life for Flora's family has changed. Flora reports that her family eats better meals, and that everyone is healthier. Because she can more easily pay for medical treatment, they are more likely go to a clinic. The profits from her business have enabled her family to paint their house, buy furniture, school uniforms, shoes, and a cellphone. She is saving to expand her business and one day hopes to buy land and a motorbike. Flora reports she has changed too. She has improved her marketing and arithmetic skills, and says she's more self-confident and organized. Her husband and children assist and encourage her in what has now become the family business.

Save the Date for our End-of-the-Year All Church Picnic

—Sunday, June 2, 2013 in Chadsey Hall and on the Church Grounds following 10:00 a.m. **Worship.** Plan to join us for traditional picnic fare and fellowship with your church family and a special performance by The Revelations Guitar Group. A donation of \$7 per adult (age 12 and up), \$4.00 per child (age 4-11), children age 3 and under (free)/\$20.00 max per family is requested. Reservations are appreciated but not required (so we'll know how much food to plan.)

Thank you — A big thank you to the Needlework Group for knitting the pastors' Pentecost stoles!

Not Your Parent's Offering Plate— Please join us on May 21 from 1:-3:30 p.m. at National Presbyterian Church. If you are interested or concerned about stewardship, please register at www.thepresbytery.org. The event is free.

Earth Stewards Tip

Add another item to your list of things that can be recycled: plastic, mostly evident in the bags grocers use for loose vegetables (not cellophane). Safeway has a box at their entrance for the return of these bags.