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From Dianne's Desk

BAPTISMAL COVENANTS

"I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen." With these ancient, sacred words, I have the privilege of initiating infants, youth and adults into the family of Christ. It is for me one of the most holy moments I get to experience in the ministry. As I place water on the head of the one being claimed, I am aware of being an empty vessel, through which the Spirit of God pours grace, love and new beginnings into the life of this beloved one. I also love the words our congregation speaks as we prepare to baptize one into the body:

With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround this person with a community of love and forgiveness, that he/she may grow in his/her trust of God, and be found faithful in his/her service to others. We will pray for him/her, that he/she may be a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life.

On Sunday, January 9th, we will be reaffirming our baptismal covenants, reminding one another of these promises that we have made and of the permanent gift of God's amazing grace, offered to us in baptism. If you have pictures of your own or your children's baptisms, this would be a great week to get them out and talk about that special day. If you have a baptismal certificate with the names of those special people who were present with you in that moment, recall their love and care. If there were others who made a real effort to help you claim the fullness of being a baptized child of God, recall their names, tell their story, and maybe even write them a note. Just as the Church celebrates the birth of Jesus each year, so the Church celebrates his baptism annually and invites us to do the same. I hope to see you on the 9th as you gaze at the shells and choose the one meant for you.

Blessings, Dianne



Happy New Year
2011

LOCAL CHURCH LEADERS WORKSHOP January 15

The annual workshops for United Methodists in the metro area will be held at St. Luke's United Methodist Church, (15th & Robinson), beginning with a devotional at 8:30 a.m. District conferences follow at 9:00. The first session of workshops is being offered at 9:45, with the second session starting at 11:15. The workshops will conclude by 12:35. To read about the classes being offered, go to www.okumc.org/LCLW. The \$10 fee for the day can be paid at the door. The brochure is also posted on the bulletin board by Stacy's office. Call or email Stacy ASAP to register.

NEW STUDY BEGINS JANUARY 16

Are the Ten Commandments a set of rules or a way of life? How does each one call us to reflect and act? What does it mean to love God and neighbor in a world of violence and fear which threatens our lives and our souls? Joan Chittister addresses these questions plus the two great commandments of Christ in her book, *Ten Commandments*. We'll be working our way through this material one chapter at a time in the Journey Sunday School class in the parlor at 9:45 a.m. Come join the discussion!



SOUPER BOWL OF CARING
by Brigette Gean

Come celebrate the Super Bowl with your CHUM family on February 6, 2011 following the 11:00 a.m. worship service. Bring your favorite soup and/or a dessert, crackers, etc. to share as we have fellowship and food. We will be participating in the "**SOUPER BOWL OF CARING**" again this year, so bring either canned soups or monetary donations and they will be used to restock our pantry and also Skyline's pantry.



ARTS ACADEMY TRANSFORMING LIVES
by Janet Basler

"Can I please take more than one lesson next time?", asks a 3rd grader wanting to take piano and art.

"Thank you so much for teaching my child. You'll never know what it means to her and to us", says a smiling parent picking up her daughter from sculpting lessons.

"Thank you for letting me teach in the Arts Academy. I can't think of anything I love more right now", beams a college student after teaching a drawing class.

"What a wonderful sight to hear and see a beautiful child and her teacher in the cantata", exclaimed a teary-eyed member of the congregation after the cantata worship service.

These are all quotes heard about the Arts Academy at Crown Heights. 41 students have signed up to take piano, violin, clarinet, drum, art, sculpting, speech, and photography lessons this next semester. On January 4th about 25 high school and college age musicians and artists will come together to plan the lessons they will teach the children over the following 9 weeks.

When the United Methodist Church proclaims its mission to 'Make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world', it seems to describe exactly what is happening at Crown Heights United Methodist Church this last year.

While Whiz Kids tutors bond with their child and help them become more successful students, they are becoming disciples in the purest sense. And the world these children will be able to live in has been transformed. When teenagers share their God-given talents with younger children in an atmosphere of God's love, they are becoming disciples who will continue to transform the world for many years to come. Their students who are developing their talents as well as their self-confidence will also become disciples who transform their world.

What a privilege it is to be a part of something so very important to God's world. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry of our church.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Benjamin	Beverly
Brent	Christine
Cindy	Dan
Dianne	Ed
Eleanor	Emily
Erma	Jeanette
Jim	Joe
John	Julie
Katie	Kish
Lee	Lindsey
Melissa	Rosella
Steve	Steven
Thomas	Wayna

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Joe & Ginny

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUTH

- In February our Youth Group events are
- ◆ February 11-13 Boys'/Girls' Retreat at Canyon Camp.
 - ◆ February 18-19 30 hour Famine at Wesley.

WHIZ KIDS CHRISTMAS DINNER

by Janet Basler

Smiles, Songs, Gifts, Great Food, and God's Spirit were all in abundance December 16th at the annual Whiz Kids Christmas Dinner. Brigette Gean and her kitchen and serving crew of about 20 served over 120 meals to 25 Whiz Kids, their families and tutors.

Our tradition of singing *The 12 Days of Christmas* was continued with Charlene and Hilary Jones encouraging everyone to act out their part of the song. Their 'geese-a-laying' brought many smiles and made it easy for others to follow with dancing and other actions. Bruce Pitts called each Whiz Kid to the stage to receive their gift of a new Whiz Kids tshirt. Anita Roesler and the Metropolitan Library also supplied a brand new book for each child in their gift bags.

Pastor Dianne from Crown Heights and Dr. Robin Meyers from Mayflower Congregational church were on hand to welcome the families. Mr. Stripling, the principal of Putnam Heights Elementary School, spent much time hugging the children who ran to him when he arrived.



After circling the beautifully decorated fellowship hall and singing Silent Night together, all the families, tutors, and servers left singing the praises of the Whiz Kids program and the evening spent together in God's presence.

Much gratitude goes out to all who tutor a Whiz Kid and help coordinate the food and Bible story time each week. Also to those who helped make the dinner happen with time and cakes.

Our new semester of tutoring begins January 6th with a need for at least 5 more tutors. If you'd like to be a part of this ministry to the children in our neighborhood, please call Janet Basler, 229-3041 for more information.



BIBLE CONNECTIONS FOR SPRING

If you'd like to learn more about the Bible and find new ways that scriptures connect with your life, please join us each Wednesday evening from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Pyramid classroom. No previous Bible study experience is required. Just bring your Bible, your questions and your imagination. We're starting the book of James.

2011 SERVANT LEADERS

Administrative Council:

Chairperson & Lay Leader	Bruce Pitts
Secretary	Joy White
Lay Member of Annual Conference	Bob Anthony
Alternate Lay Member	Evelyn Physter
Membership Secretary	Stacy Gilbert Coombe
UMW President	Charlene Jones
+ chairpersons of committees and teams (*)	

Connecting and Serving

Missions Team:

Chairperson	*Janet Basler
Members:	Bruce Pitts, Glen and Brigette Gean, Taffy Fellingham, DeLene Moore, Joy Robison, Stanley Kitchens, and Charlene Jones

Community Outreach Team:

Chairperson	*Dolph Grolock
Members:	Evelyn Physter and Bruce Pitts

Welcoming Team:

Chairperson	*Kerra Fletcher
Members:	Mike Brown, Jeff Peters, Betty Langer, and Mara Porter

Communications Team:

Chairperson	*Jeff Peters
Members:	Steve Barrymore, Susie Wallace, Larry White—webmaster

CHUM Community Life

Fellowship Team:

Chairperson	*Brigette Gean
Members:	Brigette and Glen Gean, Charlene Jones, Sally Hayes
Meals Provider:	Sally Hayes
CHUM Café:	rotates

Worship Team:

Chairperson	*Joe Whitaker
Members:	Mike Brown (ushers), Dolph Grolock, Laura & Joe Whitaker, Betty Langer, and Jeff Peters

Care Team:

Chairperson	*Gail Foster
Members:	Phyllis Henry, Charlene Jones, Dolph Grolock, Edna Niles, Roxie McKnight, Kitty Ogburn, and Colleen Bicket
Funeral Dinners:	Colleen Bicket

Growing Disciples

Children's Ministry Council:

Co-Chairs	*Susie Wallace & Wayna Tyner
Members:	Betty Langer, Jamie Gross, + other parents

Youth Ministry Council:

Chairperson	*Julie Williams
Members:	Lee Endicott, Susie Wallace, David and Katie McKnight and Betty Langer, + youth representatives and parents of youth
Meals Coordinator:	Lee Endicott

Administrative Committees

Trustees:

Chairperson:	*Julie Armstrong
2011	Julie Armstrong, John Harris, and Carol Weaver
2012	Beverly Endicott, Chris Shuart, and Bill McKnight
2013	Jacob Benedict, Carol Barrymore, and Mike Brown

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+ Lay Leader and Lay Member of Annual Conf.	
Chairperson:	*Lee Endicott
2011	Lee Endicott, Joe Whitaker
2012	Wayna Tyner, Katie McKnight, and Sue Brown
2013	Mary Brooks and Taffy Fellingham

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Chairperson:	Dianne Peters
Vice-Chair:	
2011	Lee Endicott, Susie Wallace
2012	Joy Robison, Larry Foster
2013	DeLene Moore, Roxie McKnight

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2011	Colleen Bicket, John Funk
2013	Dennis Moore, Charlotte Trobaugh
2015	Beverly Endicott, Elizabeth Anthony

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 NEW YEARS DAY
2 Epiphany Sunday 4:00 pm Youth	3 9:00 am Mobile Meals 6:00 pm NA Meeting	4	5 6:00 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm Trustees Meeting	6 2:45 pm Whiz Kids 6:30 pm NA Meeting	7	8
9 Baptism of Our Lord 4:00 pm Youth	10 9:00 am Mobile Meals 6:30 pm NA Meeting	11 Eat at Johnnies 5:00 pm Arts Academy	12 6:00 pm Bible Study	13 2:45 pm Whiz Kids 6:30 pm NA Meeting	14	15 Local Church Leaders Workshop St. Luke's 8 - 12:30
16 2nd Sunday after Epiphany Noon Finance Mtg. 4:00 pm Youth	17 OFFICE CLOSED 9:00 am Mobile Meals 6:30 pm NA Meeting	18 5:00 pm Arts Academy	19 6:00 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	20 2:45 pm Whiz Kids 6:30 pm NA Meeting	21	22
23 3rd Sunday after Epiphany Noon Admin. Council 4:00 pm Youth	24 9:00 am Mobile Meals 6:00 pm NA Meeting	25 5:00 pm Arts Academy	26 6:00 pm Bible Study	27 2:45 pm Whiz Kids 6:30 pm NA Meeting	28	29
30 4th Sunday after Epiphany	31 9:00 am Mobile Meals 6:00 pm NA Meeting					