

# GRAPEVINE

January 4, 2012

A new year brings new opportunities for us here at GPC. We will begin to implement the recommendations of our Visioning and Planning Task Force. New committees focusing on adult discipleship, local mission, and social networking will begin their work. A task force will take a detailed look at our facility, examining basic infrastructure, remodeling needs, and a basic facelift. There will be a strong emphasis on small group ministry. All of our ministries will be examined in light of our overall goal of making disciples.

In worship, I will talk about "The State of the Church" on Jan. 8, followed by a six-week series on "Tough Questions about the Faith." We've received almost 50 questions from members of the church and community! Some of them are very challenging! There's still time to submit one if you'd like to.

Plan now to be part of what God is doing at GPC in 2012!

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# Thank You:

## A Huge Thank You for Christmas Eve!

I would like to extend a big thank you to the following individuals and choirs on behalf of the congregation of GPC. They provided music for the traditional services on Christmas Eve: Women's Choir: Sue Lindsay, Linda MacAskill, Bonnie O'Connell, Rachel Parmentier, Sheryl Suplee, Deb Litten, Bonnie Wright, Melissa Wright; Chapel Choir; Chapel Bell Choir; Trombone Trio: Laura Pennings, Grant Sanders and Barry Wareham; Soloist Kyleigh Grim; Violinist Nick Telenson; Adult Choir; Brass Choir: Dave Conklin, Hugh Ferguson, Drew May, Laura Pennings, Christian Swartzbaugh and Barry Wareham. Thank you for helping us celebrate Christ's birth.

- Becky Wareham

## A Thank You to the Adult Choir

We thank Dave Conklin and the Adult Choir for its wonderful presentation of Rutter's *Gloria* on the fourth Sunday of Advent. We also thank the following instrumentalists: Deb Litten, Johnna Sanders, Christian Swartzbaugh and Barry Wareham.

## "Calendar of Giving" Thank You

Dear Ann, Phyllis, GPC Members and Friends,

On behalf of the Adams County Office for Aging, Inc. and our home-delivered-meal consumers, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your amazing contribution of shelf-stable food items. Our staff was speechless with delight at the tremendous response from your monthly mission project. We had planned to use the items to put together emergency meals for our consumers in the Gettysburg area. Thanks to your generosity we were able to send food to all of our home-bound folks throughout Adams County!

Generally our consumers receive a hot, home-delivered meal each weekday. (Many of our meal delivery volunteers are members of GPC!) In the winter the weather sometimes causes us to cancel delivery of those meals. The food items you donated will ensure that our consumers have emergency provisions in the event that we cannot get their regular lunch to them.

Thank you again for including our agency in your Calendar of Giving and for the wonderful response. We are fortunate to have a church in our community that is attentive to local mission needs. Thank you also for helping us with our mission which is to support older adults who would like to stay in their own homes for as long as possible.

Sincerely,  
Linda Thompson,  
Community Services Coordinator

## SOUP KITCHEN NEWS

### "Thank you" to soup kitchen volunteers.



The Gettysburg Community Soup Kitchen runs almost entirely on volunteer help and donations of both time and money. Janet Lightner, Della Pierson, Rita Egloff, Bev Weber, Georgia Kuhn, Sandra Breighner, Bob Remaley, Wayne English, Helen Maitland, Hilda Oussoren, Pam Wisor, Gerry Dettloff, Beth Jones and Gail Lee prepared and delivered food. Georgia Kuhn has begun a term on the board of directors. An additional thanks to everyone from GPC who donated to the soup kitchen's capital campaign which raised the funds to renovate the new space, which is in the old kitchen of the former St. Francis rectory. The building is now called Peace House. If you are interested in volunteering, or just want to learn more about the Gettysburg Community Soup Kitchen, contact Mary Smith at [mjsmith2@aol.com](mailto:mjsmith2@aol.com) or 717-968-4602.

To all my wonderful and caring friends,  
After a late October "Leaking Bleed" in my left eye and November's Open Heart Window Procedure, to drain fluid from around the heart, I am slowly recuperating and healing.

Ann & I sincerely thank all, for your thoughts, words and deeds. It was uplifting and greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,  
C. William Settle

**Thanks for a Beautiful Pageant**

It was a memorable night. Adults, teens and children gathered as we sang Christmas carols and enjoyed the wonderful story of that first Christmas.

Thanks to the following participants for making the pageant possible:

- Director - Jen Beegle
- Primary Choir - led by Amy Hieber
- Chapel Choir - led by Amy Hieber
- Accompanist - Tammi Swartzbaugh
- Carol-Leader - Steve Swartzbaugh
- Bell Ringer - Steve Swartzbaugh
- Drummer Boy - Alex Cowden
- Two Narrating Angels - Alex Heeschen and Ben Dudash
- Mary - Jordan Williams
- Joseph - Christian Swartzbaugh
- Angels, Shepherds, Star Bearer and Magi - GPC Youth
- Costumes - Jen Wagner
- Spotlight - Steve Swartzbaugh

A special thank-you also goes to Cindi Knouse, Lois Edwards, and Sue Pizzuto for setting up and hosting the potluck dessert. And we appreciated all the delicious goodies that were shared!

**4 Special Thank-Yous**

Four church members deserve a special thank-you this Christmas season:

1. Bob Remaley again served as cashier and accountant for the Christmas Fair all through December, logging in 20 hours at the Fair, plus many more hours recording everything on his computer at home.
2. Kay Knox coordinated and led a Christmas ornament craft for 34 children in Youth Club.
3. Marion Lambert and Grades 4-5 Sunday School class participated in our Mission Bright Star project by together picking a star, shopping for the child's items, wrapping the gifts and also enjoying breakfast out on their gift-buying excursion.
4. Barb Sanders again served as Games Coordinator for our Christmas Fair, which included many hours of preparation time plus overseeing all the games at the Fair. They sure were fun!

**THANKS FOR THE HOLIDAY SINGING**

Thanks to all the church members, especially young families, who participated in Christmas caroling on Sunday, Dec. 18. After singing to church members and others at the Lutheran Home and the cottages nearby, all returned to the church for delicious goodies and hot chocolate. Special thanks to Amy Hieber for organizing and coordinating the carolers.

*The Worship & Music Committee and the entire GPC church family thanks Paulette Brabender for planning, organizing volunteers, and decorating the church for the Advent season. The sanctuary was beautiful!*

**Special Thanks**



Thank you to the following who gave up part of their Christmas Eve to help in our church nursery:

- 4:00 p.m. - Carrie & Steve McMaster
- 5:30 p.m. - Candace & Alex Nyiri  
Ashlyn Sowell & Sedona Wilson
- 7:00 p.m. - Sarah Lambert  
Marion Lambert
- 8:30 p.m. - Marion Lambert  
Phyllis Dowd

We appreciate the time you gave that night to enable parents to attend worship.

**Congratulations to  
Jim & Joanne Getty  
who celebrate their  
60th wedding anniversary  
on January 19th.**

### Gold, Frankincense, and Miracles

This Christmas our gifts in honor of the Christ child were no less precious than the original ones. Through our annual Christmas Fair, our church family opened up their hearts and gave generously to all of our mission projects. Below are the nine projects and totals for each:

1. Mission Honduras 2012	\$4,740.00
2. Mission South Dakota 2012	\$3,164.00
3. Heifer International	\$3,066.00
4. Faith in Action	\$2,793.00
5. Presbyterian Coffee Project	\$2,171.00
6. Mexico Mission 2012	\$1,637.00
7. Sea Island Habitat for Humanity	\$1,230.00
8. FFCM (Fruit boxes)	\$ 270.00
9. Zatoun (soap, zaçatar)	\$ 165.00
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$19,236.00</b>

### Christmas Fair Thank You:

Our Christmas Fair is held each year thanks to the efforts of our Christian Education team, including Susan Kolmer, Ann Cowden, Carole Simon, Kim Gipe, Jen Kareha, Libby Crowe and Heather Tschop. Thanks also go the Mission Team for the food, Barb Sanders for coordinating the games, Bill and Kathy Faloon for making and donating the cotton candy, Nancy & Jeff Cook, and Ann Cowden for set-up, Donna Heebner for coordinating the crafts, Mary Ann Remaley for serving at the øHelp Tableø, and Kelly Jones, Anne Kern and Melanie Keller who managed the change table.

This fair would not be possible without the dedication and time commitment of Bob Remaley who each year serves as cashier and øaccountantø for the entire fair, from start to finish.

Thank you also to all the church members who volunteered to run the games, all who donated crafts and baked goods, and to each of you who purchased alternative gifts. And a very special thank you to three members of our church staff, Penny Messinger, Steve Reinheimer, and Scott McPherson, who worked many extra hours for the Fair.

As we close out the year 2011, I thank you on behalf of all those in our community, country, and around the world who will receive food, shelter, medicines, and spiritual guidance because of your willingness to reach out in Christian love. What a wonderful witness this is to the Spirit of Christ's love as we pass these blessings from God through our hands to be blessings to others.

ø Phyllis

### Just a friendly reminder

When your group leaves a room following a meeting or study, please turn out the lights! This is a matter of good stewardship of our money, but also good stewardship of the resources of the earth.

### 2012 Chancel Flowers

The new calendar is available on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall to sign up for the Chancel flowers in 2012.



### Birthday Party for Jesus



During the 4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service, we held a "Birthday Party for Jesus" for children ages 2 - Grade 2. Twenty-seven children attended as we told the Christmas Story, sang, and colored nativity bags. The children then sang "Happy Birthday" to Jesus before blowing out candles and eating decorative cupcakes. Each child received a "Love Came Down at Christmas" book plus goodies for their gift bag. My very special thanks go to Nichol Fake, who planned and coordinated the decorations, food and volunteers for the party. Also, thank you to Dustin Hare, Daniel Crowe, Olivia Cowden, and Sydney and Alexis Tomassini for all of their help with our party, and Olivia Cowden and Nichol Fake for providing the cupcakes. See you next year!

—Blessings, Phyllis

## Young at Heart – January 12, 2012 at 12:00 Noon

Our January meeting will be a soup and salad luncheon at noon at the church. Cost of the luncheon will come out of our existing funds. Place settings for the luncheon will be provided.

Following lunch Margaret Curtis, a member of our congregation, will give a talk on the history of GPC entitled, “We Had a Gettysburg Address Before Lincoln”.

Everyone is welcome to attend; it is not necessary to be a regular attendee at YAH. If you are not on a regular call list and would like to attend, please contact Pam or Dick Wisor at 717-359-8896 no later than **Monday, January 9<sup>th</sup>**.

### In case of inclement weather...

In case of inclement weather, here's what you can do to find out about any change in plans at the church:

- We will try to notify everyone who has signed up for our congregational notification system by email.
- You can call the church office (334-1235, ext. 2) and listen for updated information.
- You can check the church website for updates.
- You can check the following radio and TV stations. In some cases our information will only show up on the station website.

WGAL TV (News 8)- [WGAL.com](http://WGAL.com)

ABC27 TV- [abc27.com](http://abc27.com)

WGTY (107.7) and WGET (1320) radio- [wgty.com](http://wgty.com) and [wget.com](http://wget.com)



The Wrights are the first Presbyterian co-workers to serve with the Presbyterian Church in Honduras. We have picked them to replace one of the retiring missionaries that are supported by our Presbytery. Since we already have a presence in Honduras in the medical area, we felt the Wrights' church-planting work would dove-tail well with our ongoing mission there. The Wrights provide leadership and theological training and promote self-sufficiency. The church in Honduras consists of 20 churches within a 60-mile radius of the capital city, Tegucigalpa. Many of the members are so enthusiastic that they meet 4 days a week.

The Wrights have an extensive church background: Ashley spent 4 years in children's ministry in Cincinnati, Ohio and before that as a youth minister in N.C. She has also been a librarian at Columbia Theological Seminary in Atlanta, a high-school biology teacher and a customer service rep. She has a B.A. in art and literature and a M.Div. from Columbia Theological Seminary in Atlanta. Mark spent 2 years in Germany and Austria and speaks fluent German. He served 5 years as pastor of a church in Cincinnati and 2 ½ years as pastor in N.C. He holds a B.A. degree in religion from Davidson College, N.C. and has 3 Master's degrees: one in teaching high school, one in German language and literature, and a M.Div. from Columbia Theological Seminary in Atlanta.



**South Dakota Mission  
Trip Meeting  
January 29, 2011  
@ 6:30 p.m.**

A meeting for all those interested in this year's South Dakota Mission Trip will be held on Sunday, January 29 at 6:30 p.m. in the Eisenhower Lounge. Come join us whether you want to sign up or just get information about our trip to the Cheyenne River Indian Reservation from July 19-29, 2012. If you have any questions, please contact Phyllis or Penny in the church office 334-1235, ext. 5.

Hope to see you January 29!

**NEED A RIDE?**

If you are having trouble attending church services and/or church functions due to not having transportation, let the Deacons help you. We are only a phone call away. The transportation Deacon for January is Ann Cook at 334-4642.



**Associate Pastor,  
Lou Nyiri's  
Continuing Education  
Update**

Many of you may have heard that I have enrolled in the Doctor of Ministry program in Reformed Theology which is a joint program with Pittsburgh Seminary and the University of Aberdeen in Scotland. This is a 4-5 year program which includes six core seminars to develop awareness and understanding of Reformed contributions to the areas of biblical studies, theology, ethics and worship.

In August 2011, I studied for two weeks in Pittsburgh and from January 5-21, 2012 I will travel across the pond for classes at the University of Aberdeen in Aberdeen, Scotland. This is an exciting opportunity for which I am so grateful!

Please keep me (and all theological students) in your prayers as I seek to study and understand more fully what it means to be a life-long follower of Jesus Christ.



**Mexico Mission Trip Meeting**

There will be a meeting for all those interested in this year's trip on Sunday, January 22 @ 7:00 p.m. in MacAskill Room.

Come and learn more about this exciting adventure in mission!  
The dates for this year's trip will be July 16 - 23.

**Mark your calendars now!**



**Mark Your  
Calendar!**

**Vacation  
Bible School  
will be held  
June 25 - 28, 2012**

# Upcoming Events:

## January Music Schedule

Jan. 8	8:15 a.m.	Early Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Adult Choir
Jan. 15	8:15 a.m.	Early Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Adult Choir
Jan. 22	8:15 a.m.	Adult Bell Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Youth Choir
		Youth Bell Choir
Jan. 29	8:15 a.m.	Early Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Adult Choir

## HIGH SCHOOL FELLOWSHIP

### December

January 8	5:30 - 7:00	New Year's Visits
January 15	5:30 - 7:30	Winter Fun Game Night
		NOTE: new time and wear old, OLD clothes as the games could be "messy")
January 22	5:30 - 7:00	Game & Discussion Night
		(Ski Day registrations are due)
January 28	6:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Ski Day
		Leave & return from GPC parking lot. Registration form in this newsletter or available for pick up at Sunday night High School Fellowship
January 29		NO High School FellowSHIP

## Contemporary Worship JANUARY 2012

Join us and begin 2012 with a less formal approach to worship and some contemporary Christian praise music. If you enjoy a variety of worship elements such as videos, dramas, banners, and contemplative worship, you will enjoy worshipping at the Contemporary service on Sunday mornings @ 9:25 a.m. (Our service begins with a prelude song at 9:25 a.m., so arrive a little earlier this year!)

### ----- Contemporary Worship Special Music

January 8 Youth Band to sing and play  
January 22 Kate Moyer, guest soloist.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

## MidSHIP Schedule

### December

January 8	5:30 - 7:00	Fellowship & Games
January 15	5:30 - 7:30	Winter Fun Game Night
January 22	5:30 - 7:00	Fellowship & Games
January 29	12:15 - 4:00	Rollerskating at Magic Elm

## Dr. Karen Pinto to return to GPC

### January 8th

Karen Pinto, a professor from the History Department at Gettysburg College, will be here to lead an adult Sunday School class this Sunday, January 8th. She will be lecturing on a book that she has just written which concerns the Islamic world, traditions, and maps during the Medieval period. Previously, Dr. Pinto took us through the entire history of Islam in two days, which was quite a feat! We hope you'll be able to come enjoy Dr. Pinto's knowledge and wit on January 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 in the MacAskill

## "Trip to the Holy Land" by Pastor Dave on February 5

On Sunday, February 5, at 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Pastor Dave will offer a Sunday School class on his trip to the Holy Land in 2010. All are invited to join us in the MacAskill Room.

## Adult Sunday School class on Phyllis Tickle's book "The Great Emergence"

January 15-29, 2012

For three weeks this winter, Susan Kolmer will lead a DVD-driven discussion of Phyllis Tickle's book The Great Emergence in our adult Sunday School.

Rooted in the observation that massive transitions in the church happen about every 500 years, Phyllis Tickle teaches that we are living in such a time right now. She compares the Great Emergence to other "Greats" in the history of Christianity, including the Great Transformation (when God walked among us), the time of Gregory the Great, the Great Schism, and the Great Reformation. Combining history, a look at the causes of social upheaval, and current events, Ms. Tickle discusses what the Great Emergence in church and culture is, how it came to be, and where it is going. Anyone who is interested in the future of the church in America, no matter what their personal affiliation, will find this class a fascinating exploration.

### Session Update

At its stated meeting of Dec. 11, the Session

- Received Elaine Bales, John Doerr, and Shaunna Hockenberry into membership.
- Discussed the budget for 2012, deciding to wait until more pledges are received to finalize the budget.
- Moved 13 members to inactive status.
- Elected the following people for the following tasks in 2012:
  - Jean LeGros- clerk
  - Mary Weigle- assistant clerk
  - George Marguglio- treasurer
  - Jim Biggar- assistant treasurer
  - John Harman, Jane Gwyn and Beth Smith-financial review team
- Will form a committee to coordinate the hosting of Presbytery here on Sept. 25, 2012
- Thanked our retiring elders, Bill Fitzpatrick, Mark Grim, Cindi, Knouse, Bob Remaley, and Bev Weber for their excellent service to the church!
- Called the Annual Meeting for Sunday, Jan. 29 at noon.

## PW CIRCLES

### Elizabeth Circle

**Monday, Jan. 16, 1:00 p.m.**

Paideia House, First Floor

Study Leader: Jean Holder

Lessons 4 and 5

Matthew 5:6; Luke 6: 21a, 25a

Psalm 107: 1-9

Matthew 5: 7; Luke 10: 25-37

### Mary Martha Circle

**Monday, Jan. 16, 7:00 p.m.**

Hostess: Barb Fair

294 Oak Lane

Gettysburg, PA

334-3839

Co-Hostess: Margaret Curtis

Study Leader: Bev Weber

Lesson 4: Matthew 5:6; Luke 6: 21a, 25a;

Psalm 107: 1-9

Collection: Tissues

### Esther Circle

**Thursday, Jan. 19, 9:30 a.m.**

Eisenhower Lounge at GPC

Study Leader: Janet Dewar

Lesson 5: Matt. 5:7, Luke 10: 25-37



**All Church Luncheon & Congregational Meeting** will be held Sunday, January 29th beginning with lunch at 12 Noon, followed by the Congregational Meeting at 12:30 for the purpose of reviewing the annual report and approving the terms of call for the pastors. Please do the Fellowship Team a favor and let us know how many will be attending from your family so we have enough food for lunch. You can let us know by leaving a message in the church office (334-1235, ext 4), returning the slip below via offering plate, snail mail, or e-mail to Rev. Lou Nyiri ([gpclou@embarqmail.com](mailto:gpclou@embarqmail.com))

Suggested donation of \$3 per person is requested.

\*\*\*\*Deadline for reservations is Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012\*\*\*\*

----- Tear off -----

All Church Lunch & Congregational Meeting

Name \_\_\_\_\_ will be attending the lunch and meeting.

I will have \_\_\_\_\_ in my party.

**Ski RETREAT at Camelback Ski Resort, Tannersville, PA  
January 28, 2012  
High School Fellowship (Grades 9-12)  
6:00AM - 8:00PM**

(Leave from & return to Church Parking Lot)

Cost to go is \$10.00 NON-REFUNDABLE (unless the ski trip is cancelled) plus ski needs payment.  
Register using the form below:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

- Needs:  Lift Tix \$38.00  Ski Rentals (skis, boots, poles) -- \$30.00
- Ski Lesson -- \$25.00  Ski Package (lift, lesson, rental) -- \$75.00
- 1st Time Skier Package (lift, lesson, rental) -- \$58.00 (*Beginner Slopes Only*)
- Snowboard Rentals (board & boots) -- \$30.00
- Snowboard Package (lift, lesson, rental) -- \$75.00
- New Snowboard (lift, lesson, rental) -- \$58.00 (*Beg. Slopes Only*)



I give permission for \_\_\_\_\_ to attend the Gettysburg Presbyterian Church High School Fellowship *Ski Retreat at the Camelback Ski Resort in Tannersville, PA January 28, 2012.*

I understand my son/daughter will be traveling in personal cars and vans.  
In the event that my child gets hurt, I give permission for my child to receive emergency medical treatment.  
In the event of an emergency, the following information may be given for medical purposes:

Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Carrier: \_\_\_\_\_

Policy No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies or other medical conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

I can be reached at: Home #: \_\_\_\_\_; Office #: \_\_\_\_\_; Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

or you may contact \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ who has agreed to be notified if I cannot be reached.

Signature

Date

**Make Check Payable to: Gettysburg Presbyterian Church**

**RETURN permission form to Lou, \$10.00 NON-REFUNDABLE deposit and ski needs payment by 5:30 p.m. Sunday, January 22, 2012. No Exceptions!!!!**

## Burden Bear Workshop - Requests are Flying In



We found that our closet was bursting with bags of Bear Bundles. Some of our workshop members were unable to help through the fall and winter. Therefore, we decided to turn off the sewing machines and let the cutters, sewers and stuffers take a winter break. Then the requests came tumbling in. These bundles of comfort are now being used as part of a welcome package to new residents at Transitions Health Care (formerly Green Acres). The Ronald McDonald House at Hershey is using the bears for siblings of patients and when the patients are discharged they may choose to take one home. Hospice is once again needing more bears than they have for the last 6 months. This past Monday, Survivors asked for three dozen for their children. Well, now we need to restock our shelves. Under the guidance of Audrey Jahn, while Joan Pore is in Florida, the workshops will be every Monday, beginning on January 9<sup>th</sup>, 8:30-11:30am (or whatever time anyone can give). We thank the congregation for their continuing support. Presbyterian Women has included our mission in their benevolent distribution, which is much appreciated. If any members or friends could come and help cut, stuff, sew, etc. they would be so welcome. Ask any member about the fellowship that is felt while working for such a loving, Christian activity. Information? Call Audrey, 624-1934 or audreycjohn@aol.com.

### Need Any More Tea or Cocoa?

We have the following left over from the Christmas Fair:

- 4 Ceylon Chai Tea
- 4 Spicy Hot Cocoa

If you would like to purchase any of the tea for \$3.00 or cocoa for \$4.00, see Phyllis in the church office.

The money will go toward next year's Christmas Fair!



Over the holiday season we have accumulated several new serving dishes and items here at the church.

If you donated food items and think you may have left your dish, please check the kitchen and take any item that is yours.

—thanks!

### CONDOLENCES:

Our thoughts and prayers are with:

Carol Merwede, Heidi Merwede & Harrison Crow, on the death of husband, father, and grandfather, Don Merwede.

# All-Church Pot-Luck Dinner & Variety Show

- When:** Sunday, February 12, 2012
- Time:** 5:30 to 7:30PM (Dinner 5:30 & Variety Show 6:30)
- Who:** Anyone desiring to fellowship with other church members  
Anyone wishing to share their talent with the church family  
Anyone who enjoys watching the talent of this church family
- What:** Singing, juggling, joke-telling, drama, skits, etc, etc, etc,
- What to Bring:** Last Name A-I please bring a Main Dish to feed 8-10  
Last Name J-R please bring a Salad/Vegetable/Side to feed 8-10  
Last Name S-Z please bring a Dessert to feed 8-10  
Table Setting for your party.
- Deadline to Register:** February 5<sup>th</sup>

**How to sign and act up:** Complete and return the form below to Rev. Lou Nyiri in the church office.

- Space is limited to 10 acts with 3-5 minutes per act, so sign up early.
- You are responsible to make arrangements for your own accompanist.

The design for this fellowship event is to showcase a wide variety of talent from as many of our members as possible. We hope you will join us!!!!

Fellowship Team will provide drink and cups as well as coordinate set up/clean up of the night event.

Please pre-register using the form below & let us know what last name you fit into so we have enough seats, drinks and food items available.

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# All-Church Pot-Luck Dinner & Variety Show

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I will be at the pot-luck dinner and will provide a (circle one) Main Dish / Salad- Vegetable-Side / Dessert to feed 8-10.

There will be a total of \_\_\_\_\_ in my party.

## Sign me up for the variety show too!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of act (singing, humorous, serious, signing to a song): \_\_\_\_\_

Length of act (3-5 minutes maximum): \_\_\_\_\_

Needs (#microphones, # chairs, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

(Return by February 5, 2012 to Rev. Lou Nyiri in church office or email [gnclou@embarqmail.com](mailto:gnclou@embarqmail.com) put "Church Variety Night" on subject line.)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1 NEW YEAR'S DAY</b> 7:40 a.m. Early Choir No Sunday School 5:30 p.m. NO SHIP / MidSHIP	<b>2</b> 8:30 a.m. Burden Bear Workshop	<b>3</b> 5:00 p.m. JMJ Spanish 7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision	<b>4</b> 9:00 a.m. Mom & Friends Bible Study 12:00 p.m. Men's Interfaith 3:15 p.m. Youth Club 5:45 p.m. Chapel Choir 6:00 p.m. Cont. Music Prac. 6:15 p.m. Chapel Bell Choir 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir	<b>5</b> 5:45 p.m. Girl Scouts 6:30 p.m. Christian Education 7:15 p.m. Adult Bell Choir	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> 7:40 a.m. Early Choir 9:15 a.m. Sunday School (ages 3 - Grade 8) 9:30 a.m. Sunday School (Grades 9-12 & Adult) 12:15 p.m. Property Committee 12:15 p.m. Deacons Meeting 4:00 p.m. Youth Bell Choir 5:00 p.m. Youth Choir 5:30 p.m. SHIP / MidSHIP	<b>9</b> 8:30 a.m. Burden Bear Workshop 5:45 p.m. Girl Scouts 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts 7:00 p.m. Cancer Support Group 7:00 p.m. Mission & Interpretation 8:00 p.m. Budget Committee	<b>10</b> 7:30 a.m. Habitat Board Mtg. 5:00 p.m. JMJ Spanish 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Leaders	<b>11</b> 12:30 p.m. Homeschool Volleyball 2:30 p.m. MidSHIP Sm. Grp. 3:15 p.m. Youth Club 5:45 p.m. Chapel Choir 6:00 p.m. Cont. Music Prac. 6:00 p.m. Welcome & Outreach 6:15 p.m. Chapel Bell Choir 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir 7:00 p.m. Cont. Worship Com.	<b>12</b> 12 noon Young @ Heart 5:45 p.m. Girl Scouts 6:30 p.m. Worship & Music 6:30 p.m. Small Group 7:00 p.m. Men's Fellowship 7:15 p.m. Adult Bell Choir	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 10:00 a.m. Budget Committee
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<b>29</b> 7:40 a.m. Early Choir 9:15 a.m. Sunday School (ages 3 - Grade 8) 9:30 a.m. Sunday School (Grades 9-12 & Adult) <b>12:00 p.m. Congregational Lunch &amp; Annual Meeting</b> 12:00 p.m. Youth Bell Choir 12:15 p.m. MidSHIP Rollerskating 1:00 p.m. Youth Choir <b>6:30 p.m. South Dakota Mission trip meeting</b>	<b>30</b> 8:30 a.m. Burden Bear Workshop 5:45 p.m. Girl Scouts 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts	<b>31</b> 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts	<h1>Jan-12</h1>			

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**GPC WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Traditional Worship @ 8:15 & 11:00 a.m.  
Contemporary Worship @ 9:30 a.m.

- 1/8            The State of the Church
- 1/15          Tough Questions about the Faith:  
Dealing with Doubt
- 1/22          Tough Questions about the Faith:  
Is Jesus the Only Way to God? I
- 1/29          Tough Questions about the Faith:  
Is Jesus the Only Way to God? II