

# The United Endeavor

News from United Evangelical Church

Feb/Mar 2011



## Pastor's Message



*"Onward through the ages, in unbroken line, move the faithful servants at the call divine."* These words were written for the familiar hymn most of us know as "Onward Christian Soldier." They offer us a new image with the same sentiment that we, the church, are carrying forward the message of Christ's redeeming love into the next generation. I thought of these words recently as I was wondering "how are we moving the church forward?"

As we embark upon this New Year this is something for all of us to be wondering. Asking ourselves questions like, "Do we do things at the church simply because we have always done them, or because they are advancing the message of Jesus to the next generation?" One thing that will be changing in order to move the church into the next generation is the format for this newsletter.

The next edition will be delivered electronically to all members who have email. If you have an email address, please send an email to [uecucc@verizon.net](mailto:uecucc@verizon.net) so that we can get your address on record. Not only will this save the church money, but it will save huge amounts of time and energy on the part of our secretary and our volunteer collators. If you don't have email, no need to worry, your Endeavor will still come to you via the U.S. Postal Service.

Whenever I think of the future, thoughts of new possibilities flood in. As we carry the message of Christ into 2011, two new opportunities to strengthen our faith will be available. A new Bible Study called "Feasting on the Word", based on a lectionary commentary of the same title, will be happening once a month. And a small group experience called "Companions in Christ" will be meeting every other week. You will find more information about these programs in this newsletter. Hopefully these new opportunities to move forward spiritually will be a part of moving the church onward through the ages.

In Christ's love,

Rev. Cathy



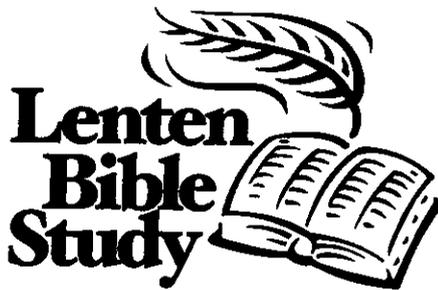
**Become  
Part of  
Our  
Church  
Family**

### New Member Classes Starting in March

If you have been attending United and are thinking of joining, or are simply interested in learning more about the church, new member classes will be happening on Sundays March 6, 13, and 20 at 9:15 in the Quiet Room.

## Lenten Announcements

### Lenten Series - The Parables of Jesus



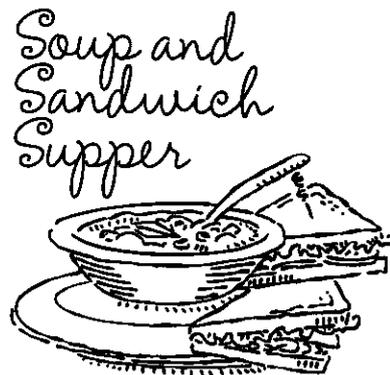
Have you ever read a parable in the Bible and had no idea what it was talking about? Jesus used parables to describe the kingdom of heaven. Could it be that the kingdom of heaven is not easy to understand? Come and find out at the Wednesday evening Lenten services as we explore 5 difficult parables.

March 16 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 p.m.	The parable of the workers in the vineyard	Matthew 20:1-16
March 23 <sup>rd</sup>	7:30 p.m.	The parable of the shrewd manager	Luke 16:1-9
March 30 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 p.m.	The parable of the wise and foolish maidens	Matthew 25:1-13
April 6 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 p.m.	The parable of the great banquet	Luke 14:15-24
April 13 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 pm.	The parable of the tenants in the vineyard	Matthew 21:33-41



### Lenten Mission Project

Our Lenten mission project again this year is One Great Hour of Sharing. In 2010 we saw an earthquake in Haiti, floods in Pakistan, another tsunami in Indonesia, floods in Nashville and more life devastating events. Through your support of OGHS you were there to help these people in their hour of need. For more information on how you were able to help go to [www.ucc.org/oghs](http://www.ucc.org/oghs) and read the 2010 Annual Mission Report or follow the links to the ministries supported by the OGHS offering. Sharing brings joy to us, to others, to God.



### Lenten Soup & Sandwich Suppers

**Wednesdays 6:00 p.m.**

No time to cook before Lenten worship? No problem. Each Wednesday during Lent soup and sandwiches will be sold before worship. Proceeds benefit One Great Hour of Sharing and all UEC related activities.

## Additional Announcements

### **The New Year Brings New Opportunities to Grow in Christ**

Starting in February there will be two new paths to grow in the Word of God. The first path leads to a "Feasting on the Word" Bible Study. It will happen the last Sunday of every month at 9:30 a.m. in the sanctuary. The format will be the same as the Bible study that was conducted during our Stewardship study, and will include a question and answer time based on selected scriptures. The scriptures and questions for February and March are included in this issue of the Endeavor.

The second path goes to a small group experience in spiritual formation called "Companions in Christ". Two sessions will be meeting, one in the evening for those who work and one during the day for those who don't like to go out at night. Each session will meet every other week for 10 weeks. The first theme to be explored is called "Embracing the Journey: The Way of Christ".

### **Embracing the Journey: The Way of Christ**

#### **Group 1 - led by Rev. Cathy**

Tuesdays February 22, March 8, March 22-  
1:00 pm

#### **Group 2 - led by Ric Nyborg**

Thursdays February 24, March 10, March 24 -  
6:00 pm

### **Altar Committee**

Please consider being a member of the altar committee. Millie Wirsing served for the past eight years and she will be greatly missed. She always worked together with Rose Jefferson. We need someone who is willing to take Millie's place. Please consider this service to your church. We now have only three members and some of us do not live in the neighborhood. Please call the church office or Ursula Jacob at 410-679-6163. I look forward to hearing from you.

### **The United Endeavor Will Soon be Available by E-Mail**

United Evangelical Church will soon be offering "The United Endeavor" newsletter by email. Sending the Endeavor by email will save postage and possibly eliminate the need to use "Bulk" mailing. If you would like to receive the Endeavor by email, please send your email address to [uecucc@verizon.net](mailto:uecucc@verizon.net) with Endeavor in the subject line. If we do not receive an email from you, we will continue to mail the Endeavor to your postal address (also known as snail mail).



Carol Duray  
Office Manager

## Bible Study in the Sanctuary—February 27, 2011

### Feasting on the Word Bible Study

February 27<sup>th</sup> 9:30 a.m. in the UEC Sanctuary

#### Isaiah 49:14-16

<sup>14</sup> But Zion said, "The LORD has forsaken me, my Lord has forgotten me."

<sup>15</sup> Can a woman forget her nursing child, or show no compassion for the child of her womb? Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you. <sup>16</sup> Behold, I have inscribed you on the palms of my hands;

#### Matthew 6:24-24

<sup>24</sup>"No one can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

<sup>25</sup>"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? <sup>26</sup>Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? <sup>27</sup>And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? <sup>28</sup>And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, <sup>29</sup>yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. <sup>30</sup>But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? <sup>31</sup>Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' <sup>32</sup>For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. <sup>33</sup>But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

<sup>34</sup>"So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.

1. What is the common theme between these two scriptures?
2. What does it mean to "strive first for the kingdom of God"?
3. What is the connection between Matthew 6:24 and the verses that follow?

## Bible Study in the Sanctuary—March 27, 2011

### Feasting on the Word Bible Study

March 27<sup>th</sup> 9:30 a.m. in the UEC Sanctuary

#### John 4:5-15

<sup>5</sup>So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. <sup>6</sup>Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

<sup>7</sup>A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." <sup>8</sup>(His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) <sup>9</sup>The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." <sup>11</sup>The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?" <sup>12</sup>Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" <sup>13</sup>Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, <sup>14</sup>but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." <sup>15</sup>The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

<sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." <sup>17</sup>The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; <sup>18</sup>for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" <sup>19</sup>The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet." <sup>20</sup>Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. <sup>22</sup>You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. <sup>23</sup>But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. <sup>24</sup>God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." <sup>25</sup>The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." <sup>26</sup>Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

1. What is the "living water" that Jesus offers?
2. What does Jesus mean by saying those who drink this water will never be thirsty?
3. How do we worship God in spirit and truth?

## Give it Some Thought

### Anyway

People are often unreasonable, illogical and self-centered;  
Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of self-  
ish ulterior motives;  
Be kind anyway.

If you are honest, people may cheat you;  
Be honest anyway.

If you find serenity and happiness, people may  
be jealous of you;  
Be happy anyway.

The good you do today, people will often forget  
tomorrow;  
Do good anyway.

Give the world the best you have, and it may  
never be enough;  
Give the world the best you've got anyway.

You see, in the final analysis, it is between you  
and God;

It was never between you and them anyway.

—"The Paradoxical Commandments," Kent M.  
Keith

### All Is Well

Horatio Spafford (1828-1888), a prominent, wealthy  
Chicago lawyer, is remembered for writing the be-  
loved hymn "It Is Well With My Soul."

It seems such lyrics would come naturally to some-  
one so successful. But Spafford didn't pen the hymn  
during life's high points. Instead, the words poured  
forth amid tragedy.

In 1871, the Great Chicago Fire wiped out Spaf-  
ford's life savings. Two years later, his wife, Anna,  
and their four daughters headed to Europe on the  
SS Ville Du Havre, with Spafford to follow a few  
days later. The boat was struck by another vessel  
and sank, killing 226 of the 313 people onboard. Al-  
though Anna survived, the Spafford girls didn't.

After receiving the news, Spafford went to England  
to get Anna. While sailing over the spot where his  
daughters had died, he wrote the lyrics to "It Is Well  
With My Soul." They're a reminder that no matter  
what life brings, our souls can be at rest in God.

"When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,  
when sorrows like sea billows roll;  
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,  
It is well, it is well with my soul."



## Youth Schedule

Day	Date	Time	Location	Activity	Details
Sunday	02/06/2011	Both Services	UEC Sanctuary	Souper Bowl skit and food collection.	Parts, Props, Costumes
Saturday	02/12/2011	10:00p.m. Midnight	Pinland Bowling Alley	Rock-A-Bowl Fund Raiser. Sponsor Sheet to support your bowling.	Bring friends. Cost non-youth member \$11.00. Youth Member \$5 plus shoe rental
Wednesday	02/16/2011	5:00p.m.	UEC Hall	Quarter Auction	Set-up Hall
Sunday	03/06/2011	9:15 a.m.	UEC See Brandon Hovermill	Submit Music for Spring Fling Dance	Spring Fling Dance Preparation
Thursday	03/10/2011	5:30p.m.	UEC Kitchen	Meeting Turn in music to Brandon Spring Fling Plans	Bring can goods if able. Dance-Spring Fling Preparation
Thursday	03/24/2011	5:30p.m.	UEC Kitchen	Spring Fling	Bring can goods if able. Hall Decorations
Saturday	03/26/2011	7:00p.m.- 10:00p.m.	UEC Gym	Spring Fling	Bring friends Cost To Be Determined
Month of APRIL, 2011	Nothing planned at this time Possible Crop Walk, or work project @ Church	Nothing planned at this time. Possible Crop Walk, or work project @ Church	Nothing planned at this time. Possible Crop Walk, or work project @ Church	Nothing Planned at this time. Possible Crop Walk, or work project @ Church	Nothing planned at this time. Possible Crop Walk, or work project @ Church

## Church Happenings



### **Congratulations to our Resolution Run Participants!**

On New Year's Day several of our members participated in the Earl's Place Resolution Run. Cal Gundlach, Bud Russell, Diane Pachilis and a family friend represented UEC in the race. Congratulations to all and many thanks for contributing to the success of the event.

#### **Out of a field of 611 runners:**

Cal Gundlach came in 258<sup>th</sup>. His time was 29:19.

Bud Russell came in 112<sup>th</sup>. His time was 25:08.

Diane Pachilis and Jessica Slegmann participated as walkers in a field of 150.



From left: Cal Gundlach, Bud Russell, Diane Pachilis and Jessica Slegmann

## Upcoming Events—Mark Your Calendars!

### Souper Bowl Sunday



### Souper Bowl Collection

Sunday, Feb. 6

Our UEC Youth Group will be collecting donations of money and/or food on Sunday, Feb. 6th for the annual Souper Bowl drive to help the hungry. So be sure to bring your non-perishable donation to help our youth in their ministry to help those struggling to provide food in their homes.

### Soup and Sandwich Supper



### Lenten Soup & Sandwich Suppers Every Wednesday during Lent

No time to cook before Lenten worship? No problem. Each Wednesday during Lent soup and sandwiches will be sold before worship, starting at 6:00 p.m.. Proceeds benefit One Great Hour of Sharing and all UEC related activities.



### Quarter Auction

Saturday, February 19—5:00 p.m.



Our first ever quarter auction. Come join us for an evening of excitement. Vendors include Micha Bags, Pampered Chef, Party-Lites, a jewelry vendor and a candy vendor. Food and refreshments will be available.



### Family Fun Bingo Night

Friday, March 4

Doors open at 5:00 p.m.

Bingo begins promptly at 6:00 p.m.

Food and munchies will be on sale so it's a no cooking night!!

Lotsa prizes, lotsa fun, lotsa food—what else is there!!

(PRIZES ARE NEEDED—PLEASE SEE CISSY FUNK)

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Looking Ahead

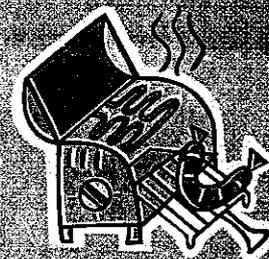
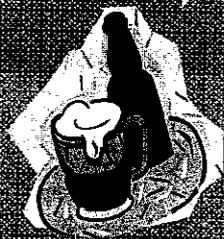
**United Evangelical Church**  
**Bull & Oyster Roast**  
**Saturday, June 18, 2011**  
**7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.**

**U.A.W. Hall**  
**1010 Oldham St.**  
**Baltimore, MD 21224**

**Menu**

**Draft Beer**

**Raw Oysters on the Half-Shell**  
**Beef, Turkey, Ham on the Pit**  
**Oyster Stew & Crab Soup**  
**BBQ Chicken, Meatballs**  
**Kielbasa & Sauerkraut & More!!**



**Music provided by local DJ Marski**

**Tickets: \$ 36.00 per person**

**For tickets contact:**

**Cissy Funk @ 443-676-9957 or UEC @ 410-276-0393**

**All proceeds to benefit United Evangelical Church**

## Chesapeake Association & Central Atlantic News

### Chesapeake Association Spring Meeting

SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 2011

11:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

(NOTE: Registration begins at 10:30 A.M.)

Fee: \$10.00 per person

Location:

Immanuel UCC

1905 Edmondson Avenue

Catonsville, Maryland 21228

Phone: 410-744-5014

**Please call or email Angie at the Conference office to register**

Call: 1-800-441-1965

Email: [amegna@cacuucc.org](mailto:amegna@cacuucc.org)

**(We need a count for lunch)**

#### Agenda

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|-----------------|---|
| 10:30am-11:00am | Registration  |
| 11:00am-11:15am | Opening Worship   |
| 11:15am-12:30pm | Business (Elections, Committee reports etc)                             |
| 12:30pm-1:30pm  | Lunch   |
| 1:30pm-2:45pm   | Presentations/Speakers<br><b>Theme: Vitality in the Faith Community</b> |
| 2:45pm-3:00pm   | Questions & Discussion about the speaker's presentation                 |

Sheila Helgerson, Executive Director for United Ministries/Earl's Place and Rev. Beth Cantrell, Pastor of Immanuel UCC, will present the efforts of Baltimore United Congregations, a faith-based consortium of churches and service providers committed to addressing the issues of poverty and homelessness.

Members of Rev. Cantrell's congregation will discuss the recent week-long program focused on AIDS/HIV awareness in the community, which featured panels of The Names Project AIDS Quilt and included worship services for Open and Affirming support of the GLBT population, and those who have died from AIDS.

**UNITED CHURCH  
OF CHRIST**



Places to Go, People to See, Things to Do....

Ladies Organization Trips & Events

Upcoming  
Events



Arlene Pate  
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April 2 Faith United Oyster, Turkey and Ham Luncheon  
\$ 37.00 per person  
Also stopping at McCutcheons Jellies, Baughers and Boscov's Department Store @ Cranberry Mall  
9:45 a.m -6:00 p.m.

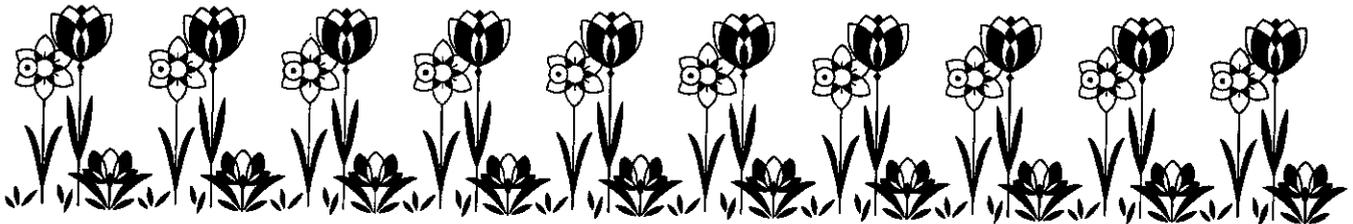
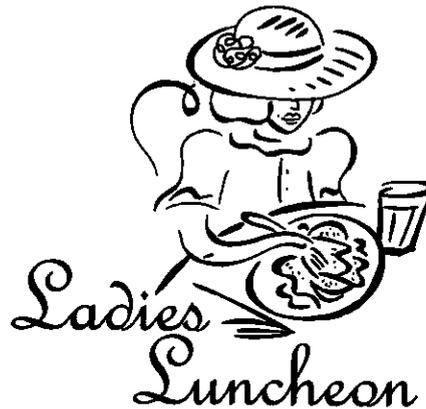
Arlene Pate 410-327-3211  
for ticket prices and availability

Come join the Ladies Organization,  
we would love to see you!!

New members are always welcome!  
Dues are \$ 10.00 per year

Upcoming Ladies Organization Meetings  
first Wednesday of the month.  
All Meetings Begin at 12 noon  
(unless otherwise noted)

- Feb. 2 Brown Bag Luncheon
- Mar. 2 St. Patrick's Day Luncheon (pending)
- Apr. 6 Brown Bag Luncheon
- May 4 To be determined
- Jun 1 Outside Activity



**Important Notice—All trips MUST HAVE DEPOSIT TO HOLD SEATS**

If you must cancel your seat you need to find someone to take your seat to receive your money back.

Persons to contact:

Arlene Pate 410-327-3211

# UEC February 2011 Calendar of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Bible Study 10:00 a.m.  Ladies Organization Brown Bar Luncheon 12 noon	3 Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	4	5
6 <b>Communion Sunday</b>  <b>Souper Bowl Sunday—UEC Youth Group Food Drive</b>  <b>Food Bank Donations</b>  8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Worship Service  9:15 a.m. Christian Ed.	7	8 Church Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.	9 Bible Study 10:00 a.m.	10 Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	11	12 Fortview Bull & Oyster Roast 7:00 p.m.-12 Midnight  Youth Group Rock-a-Bowl Pinland Bowling Alley 10:00 p.m. - midnight
13 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Worship Service  9:15 a.m. Christian Ed.	14	15 Christian Education Meeting 6:30 p.m.	16	17 Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	18	19 UEC Quarter Auction 5:00 p.m.
Rev. Cathy on vacation 2/14 thru 2/21						
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6 <i>Transfiguration Sunday</i>  <i>Communion Sunday</i>  Food Bank Donations  8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Worship Service  9:15 a.m. Christian Ed.	7	8  Embracing the Journey: The Way of Christ Bible Study 1:00 p.m.  Church Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.	9 <i>Ash Wednesday</i>  Ash Wednesday Worship 7:30 p.m.	10  Embracing the Journey: The Way of Christ Bible Study 6:00 p.m.  Youth Meeting 5:30 p.m.  Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	11	12  Chesapeake Association Spring Meeting Immanuel UCC 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
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### The Truly Successful Life

According to the Bible, true success comes when we do what God requires of us, namely "to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly" with him (Micah 6:8, NRSV). God wants us to use the talents and gifts he's given us to pursue his kingdom on earth.

Success comes when we share our achievements, blessings and wisdom with others, especially people who are hurting or in need. Success comes when our family is tied together with love, prayer and worship — and when we share one another's struggles, successes and goals.



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### A "Hunger Site at the U.N" on the Internet

All you have to do is click a button and somewhere in the world some hungry person gets a meal to eat at no cost to you. Corporate sponsors pay for the food. Just go to the site listed below and click.

**No gimmicks, no tricks.**

You are only allowed one click per day, so spread the word to others.

The site is: [www.hungersite.com](http://www.hungersite.com)

### General Mills Boxtops for Education



*Just a  
Reminder...*

Don't forget to bring in your General Mills Box tops for Education and leave them in the display in the Narthex.

Odds 'n Ends

Altar Flowers



The chart for requesting altar flowers is in the Narthex. The offering is \$ 18 per vase.

If you have any questions, please call

Ursula Jacob, 410-679-6163.



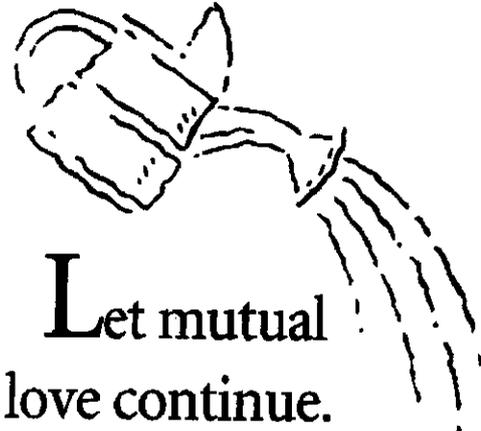
Our UEC Bowling League has Openings!

If interested contact Holly Raddatz @ 410-285-0894

A New Twist on Coffee Hour

With everyone's busy schedules it can be difficult to host Coffee Hour. So we are going to have a Coffee Hour Collection Carafe in the Narthex, When the collection totals enough for a Coffee Hour than we'll have one.

So look for the Coffee Hour Carafe in the Narthex,



Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it.

Hebrews 13:1-2



NEIGHBORHOOD Association

Canton Community Association Meetings

The Canton Community Association meets at our church on a bi-monthly basis. The meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary with free dinner beginning at 6:30 p.m. in Friendship Hall. These meetings are a wonderful way to meet new neighbors and stay informed about the concerns of our community. It also shows that our church thinks being involved in its community is important. Put the meetings on your calendar and come show our neighbors how important our community is to us as a church. Next meeting March 22—6:30 p.m.

To obtain additional info.— [www.cantoncommunity.org/](http://www.cantoncommunity.org/)

Comics Corner



"Are you sure you don't want to have a big finish?"



Lot

A father was reading a Bible story to his young son. He read, "The man named Lot was warned to take his wife and flee out of the city, but his wife looked back and was turned into a pillar of salt."

His son asked, "What happened to the flea?"

God Tells Me

Churchman Bill Keane, creator of the popular "Family Circus" comic strip, tells of a time when he was penciling-in one of his cartoons and his son Jeffy asked, "Daddy, how do you know what to draw?"

Keane answered, "God tells me."

Then Jeffy innocently responded, "Then why do you keep erasing parts of it?"



Kids Only!!



A Love Letter

In the New Testament, John writes a letter about God's love and the love we should show to other people.

DIRECTIONS: Working from left to right, write down all the 1's in the word blanks. Continue with the 2's and finally the 3's. Then read about love, from 1 John 4:11-12, NIV.

lives 3	in 3	us 3	Since 1	and 3	God 1	so 1	loved 1	his 3
us 1	love 3	we 1	If 2	also 1	is 3	made 3	we 2	ought 1
to 1	love 2	love 1	one 1	complete 3	one 2	another 1	in 3	us 3
another 2	God 2							

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1 John 4:11-12, NIV

Answers: Since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. If we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.



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