

ORDER OF BAPTISM

WELCOME AND ADDRESS

QUESTIONS OF THE CANDIDATES

*CONGREGATIONAL ASSENT

- (L) To all who are members of Christ's church, who witness to, and celebrate this sacrament of baptism:
Do you promise your love, support, and care to the one about to be baptized, as he/she lives and grows in Christ?
- (P) We promise our love, support, and care.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed p. 38 Hymnal

PRAYER OF BAPTISM

ACT OF BAPTISM

ACT OF PRAISE "Child of Blessing, Child of Promise"

PRAYER FOR THE BAPTIZED

BENEDICTION

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

Ronald S. Cole-Turner, 1981

1 Child of bless-ing, child of prom-ise, bap-tized with the Spir-it's sign;
2 Child of love, our love's ex-pres-sion, love's cre - a - tion, loved in-deed!
3 Child of joy, our dear-est trea-sure, God's you are, from God you came.
4 Child of God your lov-ing Par-ent, learn to know whose child you are.

With this wa - ter God has sealed you un - to love and grace di - vine.
Fresh from God, re - fresh our spir - its, in - to joy and laugh - ter lead.
Back to God we hum-bly give you; live as one who bears Christ's name.
Grow to laugh and sing and wor - ship, trust and love God more than all.

Ronald Cole-Turner, a teacher of theology, is an ordained minister of the United Church of Christ. He is an award-winning author on the interface of science and religion.

Tune: STUTTGART 8.7.8.7
Attrib. to Christian F. Witt (1660-1716), in
Psalmodia Sacra, Gotha, 171.

**UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST**



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LARGEST RELIEF EFFORT IN HISTORY

On Sunday, December 26 a massive 9.0 magnitude undersea earthquake unleashed deadly tsunamis that swept across south and south east Asia, leaving a path of death, destruction and despair.

Our partners throughout the region have mounted relief efforts which are being supported by funds from the One Great Hour of Sharing offering.

Please pray for the people of Southern Asia, for the people who have lost their loved ones and belongings, the injured, and those who are rendered homeless. Also pray for all those who are engaged in relief and rehabilitation work, particularly our partners, and strengthen their hands by extending support.

Please give to the Asia Tsunami Relief Fund. Your gift of \$108 provides the cost of a Family Shelter Kit, containing a family tent, ground sheet and plastic tarp. A gift of any size will help.

Thank you for your prayers and offerings.

For more information go to:

www.ucc.org/disaster www.globalministries.org

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WEDNESDAY LENTEN SERVICES

The Seven Deadly Sins

In Lent we are called to be introspective and turn away from the sin that creeps into our lives. In our Lenten series we will look at the most common and subtle ways that we turn away from God, and hear God's answer to our problem of sin. The series starts on Ash Wednesday and concludes on Maundy Thursday. The schedule is as follows:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	
Ash Wednesday	7:30 p.m.	Where is your heart? The Problem of Sin
Feb. 9		Our Sin/God's Answer
Feb. 16	7:30 p.m.	Pride/Humility
Feb. 23	7:30 p.m.	Envy/Kindness
March 2	7:30 p.m.	Anger/Patience
March 9	7:30 p.m.	Sloth/Diligence
March 16	7:30 p.m.	Greed and Gluttony/Generosity and Contentment
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Thursday, March 24	7:30 p.m.	Lust/Holiness

* Wednesday, March 23 8:00 p.m. Last Supper Tableau

A time of fellowship follows the Wednesday services.

LENTEN MISSION PROJECT

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The children in our Sunday School will also be collecting money throughout Lent for the **March 6th OGHS offering**. This Lenten season, remember the words of Christ that "Just as you did it to one of the least of these, you did it to me," and give generously. Together as a church, we can make a difference in our world.

One Great Hour of Sharing – "It's remarkable what your gift will do!"

WEEKLY CALENDAR

	CS	SS	G	FH	CR	QR
Sun. 2/27	Worship 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Casa de Restauración 3:00 p.m.	Christian Ed 9:15 a.m.	Casa de Restauración 3:00 p.m.	Youth Class 9:15 a.m. Casa de Restauración 3:00 p.m.		Bible Study 9:15 a.m. Confirmation Class 4:30 p.m.
Mon. 2/28		PACT 9:00 a.m.				
Tue. 3/1		PACT 9:00 a.m.	N.A. Tue. 8:00 p.m.			
Wed. 3/2	Wednesday Lenten Service 7:30 p.m.		Casa de Restauración 6:00 p.m.	Casa de Restauración 6:00 p.m.		Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Thu. 3/3	Contemporary Service Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.	PACT 9:00 a.m.			Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	
Fri. 3/4			Casa de Restauración 7:00 p.m.	Casa de Restauración 7:00 p.m.		Alonon 12:00 p.m.
Sat. 3/5	1 st Saturdays 5:30 p.m.		N.A. Sat. 8:00 p.m.			
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LAST SUPPER TABLEAU

Scripts for all parts are on the back table in the narthex. If you are unable to do your part, please contact Janet Pate, 410-288-2237, or Arlene Pate, 410-327-3211, as soon as possible.

Schedule

Wednesday, March 16, 2005 - 6:00 p.m.

Rehearsal in Fellowship Hall prior to Lenten Service.

Sunday, March 20, 2005 – Following 10:30 a.m. Service

Set up

Tuesday, March 22, 2005 – 6:30 p.m.

Rehearsal

Wednesday, March 23, 2005 – 8:00 p.m.

Last Supper Tableau

Please keep in mind that The Last Supper Tableau cannot be presented without the hard work and commitment of many people in the church. All suggestions, comments and questions will be taken into consideration since the future of the Tableau depends on everyone's continued involvement.

SERVICE OF TENEBRAE

During the readings, the chancel is stripped and the lights are slowly dimmed symbolizing the stripping away of Jesus' life and his impending death. At the end of the readings, all light in the sanctuary will be extinguished and a loud noise is heard symbolizing the closing of Jesus' tomb. After a few moments in darkness, the lights will be raised to allow for safe exit from the sanctuary. Please wait for the return of lights before leaving in silence.

1. The Shadow of Betrayal Matthew 26:20-25
2. The Shadow of Desertion Matthew 26:31-35
3. The Shadow of Inner Agony Luke 22:39-44
4. The Shadow of Loneliness Matthew 26:40-45
5. The Shadow of Arrest John 18:1-5, 12
6. The Shadow of Accusation Matthew 26:59-67
7. The Shadow of Mockery Mark 15:12-20
8. The Shadow of Death Luke 23:33-46
9. The Final Reading John 1:1-4, 3:19

Extinguishing of the Christ light – we wait in silence.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

Pastor: Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God

All: People will come from east and west, from north and south, and sit at the table in the kingdom of God.

Pastor: This is the Lord's table. Our Savior invites those who trust him to share the feast, which he has prepared. According to Luke, when our risen Lord was at the table with his disciples, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them, and their eyes were opened and they recognized him.

COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

Pastor: Lift up your hearts

All: We lift them up to God

Pastor: Let us give thanks to God Most High

All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Pastor: We give you thanks Holy One... Therefore, with the entire company of saints in heaven and on earth, we worship and glorify you, God Most Holy.

Sanctus *"Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth"* # 522

All: **Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of Sabaoth:
Heaven and earth are full, are full of the majesty
of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!**

Pastor: Holy One, show forth among us... May we remain faithful in Love and hope, until the perfect feast with our exalted Savior in the eternal joy of your heavenly realm.

All: Gracious God, accept with favor this our sacrifice of praise, which we now present with these holy gifts. We offer to you ourselves, giving you thanks for the perfect offering of the only one begotten by you, Jesus Christ our Savior: By whom and with whom and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit. All honor and glory be to you eternal God, now and forever.
Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

AGNUS DEI

"O Christ Thou Lamb of God"

525

All: O Christ, the Lamb of God,
that takes away the sin of the world,
Have mercy upon us;
O Christ, the Lamb of God,
that takes away the sin of the world,
Have mercy upon us:
O Christ the Lamb of God,
that takes away the sin of the world,
Grant us thy peace.
Amen.

CONSECRATION OF THE ELEMENTS

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

All: Almighty God, we give you thanks that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

	CS	SS	G	FH	CR	QR
Sun. 4/10	Worship 6:00 & 10:30 a.m. Casa de Restauración 3:00 p.m.	Christian Ed 9:15 a.m.	Casa de Restauración 3:00 p.m.	Casa de Restauración 3:00 p.m.		Bible Study 9:15 a.m.
Mon. 4/11		PACT 9:00 A.M.				
Tue. 4/12		PACT 9:00 A.M.	N.A. Tue. 8:00 p.m.	Council 7:00 p.m.		
Wed. 4/13			Casa de Restauración 6:00 p.m.	Ladies Organization 12:00 p.m.		Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Parish Relations 6:30 p.m.
Thu. 4/14	Contemporary Service Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.	PACT 9:00 A.M.			Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	
Fri. 4/15			Casa de Restauración 7:00 p.m.	Casa de Restauración 7:00 p.m.		Alonon 12:00 p.m.
Sat. 4/16			N.A. Sat. 8:00 p.m.			

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Sun. 4/24	Worship 6:00 & 10:30 a.m. Casa de Restauración 3:00 p.m.	Christian Ed 9:15 a.m.	Casa de Restauración 3:00 p.m.	Casa de Restauración 3:00 p.m.		Bible Study 9:15 a.m.
Mon. 4/25		PACT 9:00 A.M.				
Tue. 4/26		PACT 9:00 A.M.	N.A. Tue. 8:00 p.m.			
Wed. 4/27			Casa de Restauración 6:00 p.m.			Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Thu. 4/28	Contemporary Service Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.	PACT 9:00 A.M.			Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	
Fri. 4/29			Casa de Restauración 7:00 p.m.	Casa de Restauración 7:00 p.m.		Alonon 12:00 p.m.
Sat. 4/30			N.A. Sat. 8:00 p.m.			
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DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that a pair of tennis shoes hanging from telephone lines sometimes means that drugs are being sold in the neighborhood? The Mayor's Office of Neighborhoods is organizing a team with Officer Mel Penn, Southeast Community Relations Council and DPW to take down all the tennis shoes on wires in SE Baltimore. Please send all locations in your neighborhood where there are tennis shoes on wires to:

Elizabeth Ann Weiblen

Phone: (443) 984-1083

Fax: 410-396-1632

<http://www.baltimorecity.gov/government/moon/>



1955 – 2005 Confirmation Reunion Litany

- (L) Let us praise the Lord! Let us praise the name of the Lord.
(P) Let us give thanks for the goodness of the Lord.
- (L) Tell all the world of the faithfulness of your God; proclaim the source of your strength.
(P) Jesus Christ is the solid rock upon which I stand. He is my hope and my salvation.
- (L) Declare the good news of the One who is an ever present companion on your life's journey.
(P) It is Christ who has brought me to this time and place. For these fifty years since I reaffirmed my baptismal vows, God has empowered me with the Holy Spirit. For fifty years Christ has filled and sustained me. For fifty years Christ has shown me grace. Even now, the risen Christ is with us and continues to renew our faith.
- (L) By Christ's sacrifice, we are made one in the body of Christ.
(P) Christ has given us to be in loving fellowship with one another. In thanksgiving and joy, we come to share our story and ourselves with Christ's Church.
- (L) Do you promise to continue to be a faithful servant through joy and sorrow?
(P) I do, with the help of God.
- (L) Let us pray.
(P) O God, renew us with your Holy Spirit, draw our hearts to you, guide our minds and use us as you will, always to your glory and the welfare of all.
- (L) Praise the Lord forevermore.
(P) Let us praise the name of the Lord!

WEEKLEY CALENDAR

	CS	SS	G	FH	CR	QR
Sun. 5/15 <i>Pentecost Sunday</i>	Worship 8:00 & 10:30 p.m.	Christian Ed 9:15 a.m.	Casa de Restauración 2:00 p.m.	Casa de Restauración 2:00 p.m.		Bible Study 9:15 a.m.
Mon. 5/16		PACT 9:00 a.m.				
Tue. 5/17		PACT 9:00 a.m.	N.A. Tue. 8:00 p.m.			Christian Ed Committee 6:30 p.m.
Wed. 5/18			Casa de Restauración 6:00 p.m.	Ladies Organization 12:00 p.m.		Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Thu. 5/19	Contemporary Service Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.	PACT 9:00 a.m.			Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	
Fri. 5/20			Casa de Restauración 7:00 p.m.	Casa de Restauración 7:00 p.m.		Al-Anon 12:00 p.m.
Sat. 5/21			N.A. Sat. 8:00 p.m.			
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Sun. 6/5	Worship 8:00 & 10:30 p.m.	Christian Ed 9:15 a.m.	Casa de Restauración 2:00 p.m.			Bible Study 9:15 a.m.
Mon. 6/6						
Tue. 6/7			N.A. Tue. 8:00 p.m.			
Wed. 6/8			Casa de Restauración 6:00 p.m.			Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Thu. 6/9	Contemporary Service Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.				Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	
Fri. 6/10			Casa de Restauración 7:00 p.m.	Casa de Restauración 7:00 p.m.		Al-Anon 12:00 p.m.
Sat. 6/11			N.A. Sat. 8:00 p.m.	Strawberry Festival 11:00 a.m.		

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"Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you..."

LUKE 6:27

Love Your Enemies?

Recently, I organized a series of workshops on non-violence for a group of teen-agers. I was pleasantly surprised by the receptivity of the group as we talked about the different ways of facing conflict and violence. They were impressed by the examples of Martin Luther King Jr. and Gandhi, and openly admitted that violence was not a positive tool to construct human relations. As the workshop came near its end, I was feeling happy with the work we had done together.



TIM ROSE

On the last day, I asked the group to be honest about what they really thought of non-violence and the call to be peace builders. The response was almost unanimous: non-violence was great for people like Gandhi, Martin Luther King Jr. and "missionaries" like me, but in the "real world," their world, violence was almost an obligation. One young man explained it rather clearly, in "les cités" you have to be strong or you will get abused by the others. If someone acts in a disrespectful way, you hit him and then it is over and the others know not to mess with you.

Indeed, it is hard for us to respond to the ever-present violence we see around us. We live in political, social and economic systems that are based on force where the strong survive and prosper while the weak struggle. Yet the teachings of Jesus tell us to love our enemies, to be humble and to be peacemakers... all the while struggling to create a world of justice and righteousness.

Pray for a peace in the world that begins in our own hearts and in our own communities.

Tim Rose works with resettling refugees, primarily from Africa, as missionary with the Reformed Church of France.

You make the difference...



The prayers and help you provide through your local congregations make possible the work and witness of GLOBAL MINISTRIES, which is supported by Disciples Mission Fund of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and Our Church's Wider Mission (OCWM) of the United Church of Christ.

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Sun. 6/12	Worship 8:00 & 10:30 p.m.	Christian Ed 9:15 a.m.	Casa de Restauración 2:00 p.m.			
Mon. 6/13						
Tue. 6/14			N.A. Tue. 8:00 p.m.	Council 7:00 p.m.		
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Sanctus *"Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth"* # 522

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Mon. 8/22						
Tue. 8/23			N.A. Tue. 8:00 p.m.			
Wed. 8/24			Casa de Restauración 6:00 p.m.			
Thu. 8/25	Contemporary Service Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.					
Fri. 8/26			Casa de Restauración 7:00 p.m.	Casa de Restauración 7:00 p.m.		Al-Anon 12:00 p.m.
Sat. 8/27			N.A. Sat. 8:00 p.m.			
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AUGUST

9 Mission Moment

Back to School!

It's August—time to buy one last ice cream cone at the corner stand on the way to get school supplies. If there's a child or teen in your life, there's something more you can do this month to prepare them for school, and beyond that, for adulthood. In the midst of back-to-school purchases, invest some time talking about financial decisions.

Young children need to know a safe place to carry lunch money and how much lunch costs at school. Teens need to learn how to balance short-term and long-term desires. College students face a dramatic increase in financial responsibilities and choices. In a time of record-high credit balances and bankruptcies, young people can use guidance more than ever.

If handling money seems like an odd topic for the church to raise, think again. Gospel reports of Jesus' ministry reveal that he talked about money and possessions more than anything else except for love! Learning the wise use of our assets is part of the faithful Christian life.

Children learn about money at home. Think back to your own childhood. Maybe money was never discussed in your family; you learned to be secretive about finances. You might have been encouraged by a parent to set aside some money for college; you learned that saving can bring rewards. Perhaps your parents fought about money a lot; you learned that money is a source of power, controversy and pain.

Money messages like these come from daily life. Busy parents don't often give much thought to what they're teaching by their own actions. This month, be intentional about the money messages in your household. Talk about the ways we use money and how to make those decisions. Consider together what the instruction of Jesus means for money management in your family: see Matthew 6:19-21 and 24.

God is still speaking,

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Sun. 8/28	Worship 8:00 & 10:30 p.m.	Christian Ed 9:15 a.m.	Casa de Restauración 2:00 p.m.	Casa de Restauración 2:00 p.m.		
Mon. 8/29						
Tue. 8/30			N.A. Tue. 8:00 p.m.			Parish Relations 7:00 p.m.
Wed. 8/31			Casa de Restauración 6:00 p.m.			
Thu. 9/1	Contemporary Service Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.				Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	
Fri. 9/2			Casa de Restauración 7:00 p.m.	Casa de Restauración 7:00 p.m.		Al-Anon 12:00 p.m.
Sat. 9/3			N.A. Sat. 8:00 p.m.			
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Sun. 9/11	Worship 10:00 a.m.	Christian Ed 9:15 a.m.	Casa de Restauración 2:00 p.m.	Casa de Restauración 2:00 p.m.		Bible Study 9:15 a.m.
Mon. 9/12						
Tue. 9/13			N.A. Tue. 8:00 p.m.	Council 7:00 p.m.		
Wed. 9/14			Ladies Organization Cover Dish Lunch 12:00 p.m. Casa de Restauración 6:00 p.m.			
Thu. 9/15	Contemporary Service Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.	PACT 9:00 a.m.			Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	
Fri. 9/16			Casa de Restauración 7:00 p.m.	Casa de Restauración 7:00 p.m.		Al-Anon 12:00 p.m.
Sat. 9/17			N.A. Sat. 8:00 p.m.			

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"Who shall separate us from the love of God?"

ROMANS 8:35

Never Alone

Constantine Dabbagh is the director of one of our partner organizations, the Near East Council of Churches in Gaza. Since he, like most Gaza residents, is now not allowed out of Gaza, I have to visit him in order to see the ministry. But I, like most "internationals" these days, have been denied a permit to enter. So I speak to Costa on the phone to share greetings and news. Although he never complains, I can hear in his voice that the isolation is taking its toll on him, like all of those in Gaza who are separated from their families and friends in the West Bank and Jerusalem.



CATHERINE
NICHOLS

The continuing isolation year after year, gives Palestinian Christians and Muslims alike a strong relationship to their faith – a faith that has to be strong to carry them through challenging times which seem interminable. I wonder how we would handle not being able to see our daughter, son, brother or sister for one year or two or three – to miss weddings, funerals or simply birthdays. Would we look at this forced isolation as something that made us stronger in our faith or would it make us angry? Whether we are born a Palestinian, American, or any nationality, I think we all should have the right to see our relatives and practice our faith.

We pray for a just resolution to end the conflict between Israel and Palestine.

Catherine Nichols is a missionary with the Sabeel Ecumenical Liberation Theology Center in Jerusalem where she is program associate in interpretation and writing.

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BLESSING OF ANIMALS

"Be you praised my Lord, creator of all living things, great and small. You have given them beauty and loveliness to inspire us to honor and love you more"



In celebration of the feast of ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI, beloved saint of Animals, a special BLESSING OF ANIMALS CEREMONY WILL BE HELD
FIRST SUNDAY OF OCTOBER



1pm.



O'DONNELL SQUARE

The Canton/Highlandtown clergy from the Protestant and Catholic Churches invite you to bring your pets for this special ceremony



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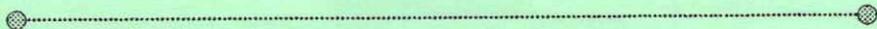


**SPECIAL
CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING**

October 9, 2005

in Fellowship Hall after the 10:30
service.

Order of business will be to vote
on recommendations of the
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Church School Building and an
inherited property on Lombard St.



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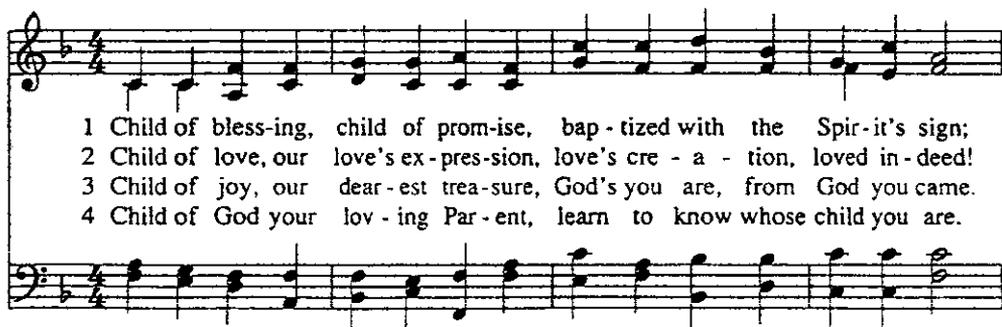
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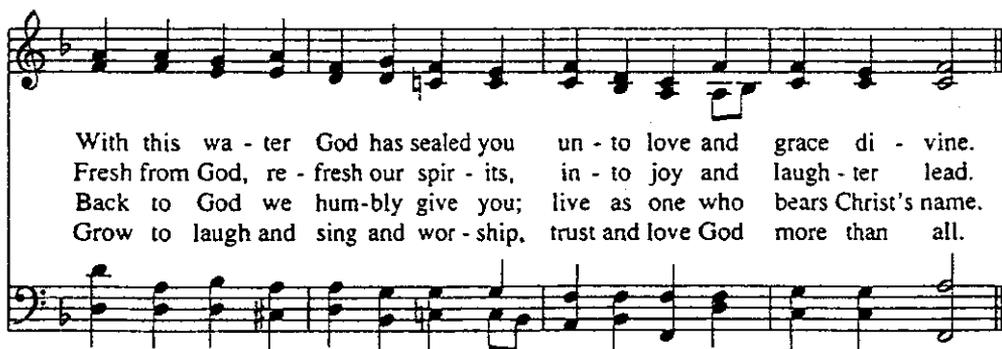
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3 Child of joy, our dear-est trea-sure, God's you are, from God you came.
4 Child of God your lov-ing Par-ent, learn to know whose child you are.



With this wa-ter God has sealed you un-to love and grace di-vine.
Fresh from God, re-fresh our spir-its, in-to joy and laugh-ter lead.
Back to God we hum-bly give you; live as one who bears Christ's name.
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Sat. 10/1	1 st Saturday 5:30 p.m.		N.A. Sat. 8:00 p.m.	Pancake Breakfast 9:00 a.m.		

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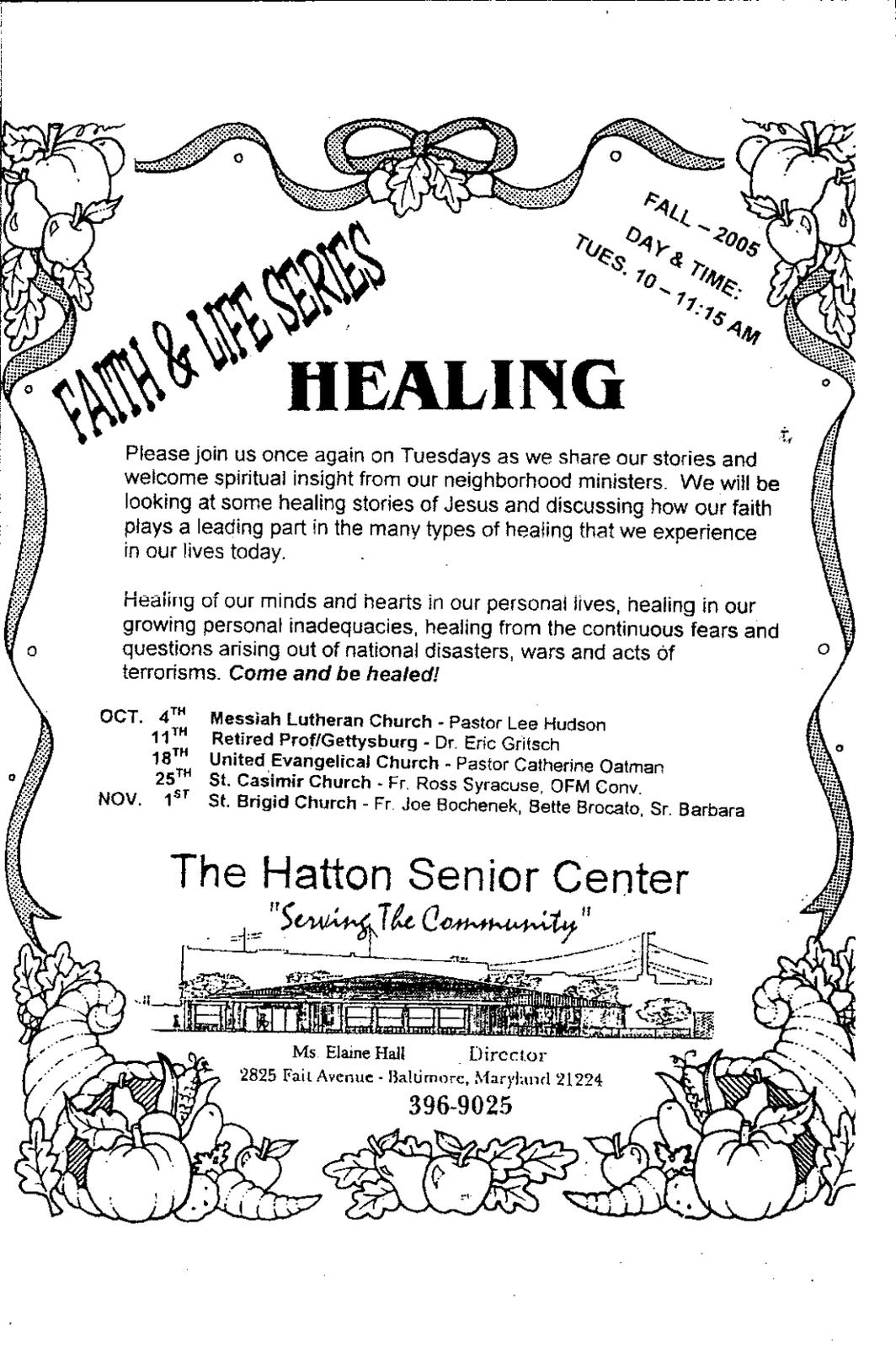
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Wed. 10/5			Casa de Restauración 6:00 p.m.			Confirmation Class 6:00 p.m.
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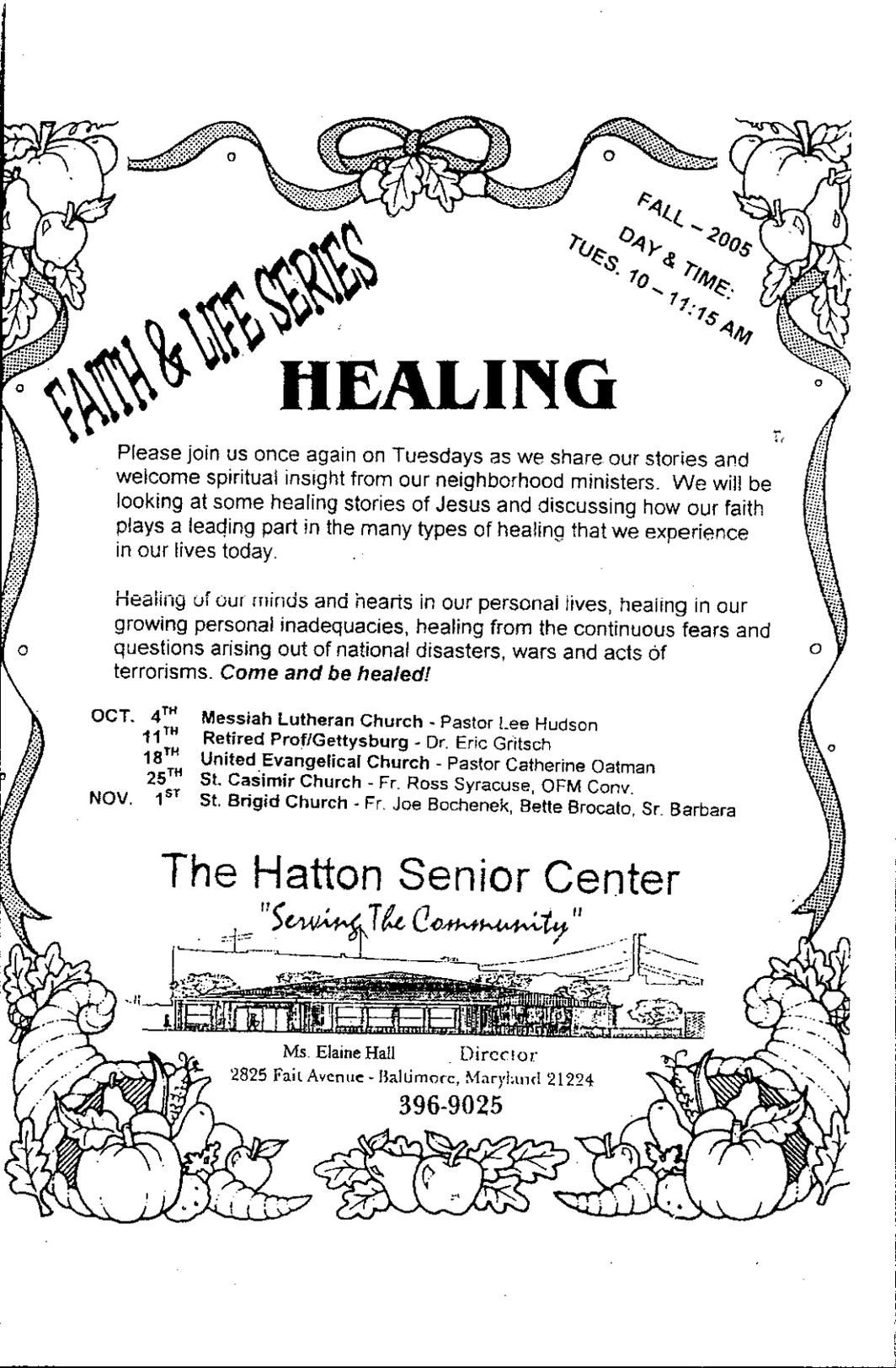
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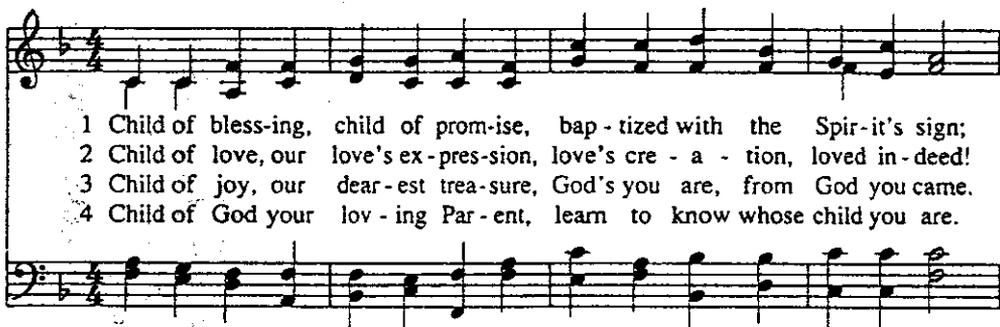
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Mon. 10/17		PACT 9:00 a.m.				
Tue. 10/18		PACT 9:00 a.m.	NA Tue. 8:00 p.m.			Christian Ed Committee 6:30 p.m.
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FAITH CHURCH BUS TRIP

There are eight seats remaining on the bus trip to the Faith Church Turkey and Oyster Dinner on November 5th. The cost is \$34.00. Please see Arlene Pate or Millie Wirsing.

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Tue. 10/25		PACT 9:00 a.m.	NA Tue. 8:00 p.m.			
Wed. 10/26			Casa de Restauración 6:00 p.m.			Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Confirmation 6:00 p.m.
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THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE



United will be participating again this year in an ecumenical Thanksgiving Eve Service on Wednesday, November 23rd at 7:00 p.m. The service will take place at Messiah Lutheran, Canton Square. There will be no service on Thanksgiving Day.

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LADIES ORGANIZATION MEETING

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Mon. 11/7		PACT 9:00 a.m.				
Tue. 11/8		PACT 9:00 a.m.	NA Tue. 8:00 p.m.	Domestic and Violence Workshop 8:30 a.m. Council 7:00 p.m.		
Wed. 11/9			Casa de Restauración 6:00 p.m.	Sidran Workshop 9:30 a.m. Ladies Organization 12:30 p.m.		Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Confirmation 6:00 p.m.
Thu. 11/10	Contemporary Service Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.	PACT 9:00 a.m.		Sidran Workshop 7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	
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HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS SUNDAY

The Chesapeake Association council has designated the Sunday before Thanksgiving as Homelessness Awareness Sunday. Congregations across the Chesapeake Association are joining together to hold a special offering for Earl's Place. Earl's Place provides housing and supportive services to homeless men who are working to change their lives.

SAFE AFFORDABLE HOUSING WITH SUPPORT SERVICES WORKS.

In Maryland, the cost to incarcerate an inmate for one year is approximately \$22,000 (\$60 a day).

The annual cost to provide services to a resident of Earl's Place is approximately \$5,475 (\$15 a day).

Without treatment or supportive services, approximately 69% of offenders are re-incarcerated once they leave prison.

With treatment, job training and housing, the rate of re-incarceration is below 10%.

Earl's Place works – in 2004, twenty-four out of thirty men obtained residential stability and remained drug and alcohol free.

A donation of \$30 from each member of the Chesapeake Association will provide half of the total operating budget. Your donations make a difference for the men we assist. Please give generously – whatever you are able. Thank You.



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Sun. 11/20	Worship 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.	Christian Education 9:15 a.m.	Casa de Restauración 2:00 p.m.	Casa de Restauración 2:00 p.m.		Bible Study 9:15 a.m.
Mon. 11/21		PACT 9:00 a.m.				
Tue. 11/22		PACT 9:00 a.m.	NA Tue. 8:00 p.m.			
Wed. 11/23			Casa de Restauración 6:00 p.m.			Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Thu. 11/24 Office Closed	<i>Thanksgiving</i> 					
Fri. 11/25 Office Closed			Casa de Restauración 7:00 p.m.	Casa de Restauración 7:00 p.m.		
Sat. 11/26			NA Sat. 8:00 p.m.			
Legend: CS – Church Sanctuary G – Gym FH – Fellowship Hall SS – Sunday School Building QR – Quiet Room CR – Choir Room						



"Let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action."

1 JOHN 3:18

Harvesting Cooperation

Indonesia was the hardest hit of the tsunami-affected countries, and now has an estimated 510,000 people who are homeless. Missionaries Diane and Tim Fonderlin, who work jointly with Habitat for Humanity, report a projected 100,000 new houses are needed. In order to gain approval to work in Indonesia's tsunami-affected communities, Habitat begins with the keuchik, or village headman. Grateful for work, training is offered for skilled and unskilled workers, and construction supervisors.

The recovery project is building 412 square foot houses made with fired brick and reinforced concrete posts and beams designed to provide a high degree of protection from earthquakes. Habitat has focused on preparing communities to build 10,000 houses in two years. Already more than 350 houses have been started in 7 communities.

The contributions of UCC congregations to One Great Hour of Sharing and Christian Church (Disciples) congregations to Week of Compassion have provided materials for houses in the community of Emperom, Indonesia. Thankfully residents have worked alongside three building teams to construct several homes, the newest completed just last month.

We pray for homeless families as they wait for their new home to be constructed.

Global Ministries missionaries Tim and Diane Fonderlin work in cooperation with Habitat for Humanity in Southern Asia.



DIANE FONDERLIN



TIM FONDERLIN

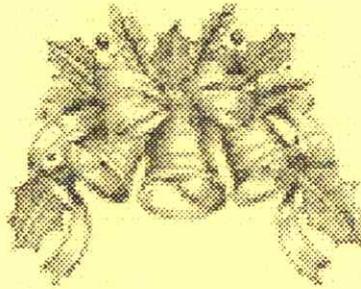
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Catherine Steever

Dorothy Topie

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

	CS	SS	G	FH	CR	QR
Sun. 12/4	Worship 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.	Christian Education 9:15 a.m.	Casa de Restauración 2:00 p.m.	Casa de Restauración 2:00 p.m.		Bible Study 9:15 a.m.
Mon. 12/5		PACT 9:00 a.m.				
Tue. 12/6		PACT 9:00 a.m.	NA Tue. 8:00 p.m.			
Wed. 12/7			Casa de Restauración 6:00 p.m.			Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Confirmation 6:00 p.m.
Thu. 12/8	Contemporary Worship Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.	PACT 9:00 a.m.			Choir Party Popular Inn 7:30 p.m.	
Fri. 12/9			Casa de Restauración 7:00 p.m.	Casa de Restauración 7:00 p.m.		
Sat. 12/10			NA Sat. 8:00 p.m.			
Legend: CS – Church Sanctuary G – Gym FH – Fellowship Hall SS – Sunday School Building QR – Quiet Room CR – Choir Room						

DECEMBER

WEEKLY CALENDAR

	CS	SS	G	FH	CR	QR
Sun. 12/18	Worship 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.	Christian Education 9:15 a.m.	Casa de Restauración 2:00 p.m.	Casa de Restauración 2:00 p.m.		Bible Study 9:15 a.m.
Mon. 12/19		PACT Christmas Party 7:30 p.m.				
Tue. 12/20			NA Tue. 8:00 p.m.			Christian Ed Committee 6:30 p.m.
Wed. 12/21			Casa de Restauración 6:00 p.m.			
Thu. 12/22	Contemporary Worship Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.				Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	
Fri. 12/23			Casa de Restauración 7:00 p.m.	Casa de Restauración 7:00 p.m.		
Sat. 12/24	Christmas Eve Service 7:30 p.m.					

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DECEMBER

9 Mission Moment

"God can draw straight with a crooked line and ride a lame horse." – *Martin Luther*

In just a few weeks during this season, we move from expectation to incarnation. Individually and collectively, what we feel or face right now may seem to be beautiful or ugly, tragic or fortunate. Yet all of this is the grist of grace – the cradle of Christ.

All of life is not a given, it is a gift. What God makes is good, twisted and distorted though it may become. In the light of Bethlehem, everything betokens God-with-us. Everything acquires the quality of "gift."

In the birth of Jesus, creation itself is seen as redemption. In all that is, including everything we feel and face, precisely there is a gift waiting to be recognized as such. It is the saving presence of God, deeper and wider than all that is contrary. Living out of that sense of life, we give accordingly, no longer handling what we have as ours alone but as something of God. And when we share that sense of life with others, divine goodness is made known all over again. For us, too.

– Rev. William C. Green
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God is still speaking,

ORDER FOR SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution

Distribution of the elements

The First Noel

The first Noel the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay,
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Refrain:

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,
Born is the King of Israel!

They looked up and saw a star,
Shining in the east beyond them far,
And to the earth it gave great light,
And so it continued both day and night.
(Refrain)

And by the light of that same star,
Three Wise Men came from country far,
To seek for a king was their intent,
And to follow the star wherever it went.
(Refrain)

This star drew nigh to the northwest,
O'er Bethlehem it took its rest,
And there it did both stop and stay,
Right over the place where Jesus lay.
(Refrain)

Then entered in those Wise Men three,
Full reverently upon their knee,
And offered there in His presence,
Their gold and myrrh and frankincense.
(Refrain)

Then let us all with one accord,
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord,
That hath made heaven and earth of naught,
And with His blood mankind hath bought.
(Refrain)

O Holy Night

O holy night! The stars are brightly shining
It is the night of the dear Savior's birth!
Long lay the world in sin and error pining
Till He appeared and the soul felt its worth.
A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn!

Chorus:

Fall on your knees; O hear the angel voices.
O night divine; O night when Christ was born.
O night divine; O night, O Night divine.

Truly He taught us to love one another
His law is love and His gospel is peace
Chains shall He break for the slave is our brother
And in His name all oppression shall cease
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we
Let all within us praise his holy name.

Chorus:

Christ is the Lord. O praise His name forever
His power and glory evermore proclaim
His power and glory evermore proclaim

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We give you thanks, O God, that you have come to us through
Jesus Christ, both in the midst of time and history in the city of
Bethlehem, and in the timeless presence of Christ's Spirit as
we receive the gifts of bread and wine. Send us out into the
world rejoicing, ready to share your love with the people we
meet; through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen