

CE E-LETTER

# L.O.F.T.

Living Our Faith Together

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“New Beginnings”

September 2011 - August 2012

November 28, 2011

Dear Parents and Families;



**Exploring Our Faith** has begun practice on the annual **Christmas Pageant!** Practice for the next three weeks will build confidence for their appearance in worship on on December 18th, the week before Christmas. We hope to see you next Sunday when parts will be assigned to all shepherds, towns people, Magi, and a host of “others.”

The **Advent-ure Workshops** are on! Mark your calendars for **Dec. 4 and 11** for this fun event which will take place in the Fellowship Hall of Trinity Lutheran. We will design an Advent Mural/Liturgical Piece for worship, decorate Christmas cupcakes, and sing carols. Parents can participate in the Adult Nurture while children explore their artistic and music talents!

We have five names yet to be chosen for the **Shaw Ministry Secret Santa** gifts at Christmas. Please consider asking Bonnie for a name of a youngster as you plan giving this Christmas.

The **Video Youth Project** will film during worship on **Dec. 18th.**

Youth are grabbing their calendars to find a good date for **"Movie Night in the City."** Nancy Withbroe will be contacting you about this important gathering for our young people.

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### **Calendar of Upcoming Events.**

#### **INTERGENERATIONAL**

**Dec. 4 & 11** Advent-ure Craft Workshops (after coffee hour) for all ages.

**Dec. 11** Deadline for Shaw Ministry Secret Santa gifts

**Dec. 24 @ 7:00 p.m.** Christmas Eve Worship at 10th and G (child care available)

**Dec. 25th @ 1:00 p.m.** Christmas Day Worship at Trinity

**Talent Show** - Date TBA

#### **ADULT**

**Sundays, 12:00-12:55** Bible Workbench follows the lectionary and meets in the downstairs fellowship hall unless otherwise posted. No advanced study required. Each participant has the opportunity to lead Bible Workbench. Materials for study are provided each month by e-mail.

**Dec. 4 & 11** Adult Advent Nurtures hosted by the Worship Commission and Rev. Sid Fowler

#### **WEE EXPLORE and EXPLORING OUR FAITH (Ages 4-10)**

**Sundays** Each Sunday Wee Explore and Exploring Our Faith gather in worship and after "Sharing Our Faith" continue downstairs with adult leadership.

#### **AFFIRMING OUR FAITH (11+)**

**Sundays** Each Sunday Youth aged 11+ meet with Adult Leaders to explore and discuss spiritual topics in relation to the bible and God's work in the the world. Outreach events are planned quarterly.

**Back to 10th and G Video Project** - Youth are asked to video on Dec. 18 in worship as a practice for the moving into the new building. See Bonnie for details.

**Feb. 26 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.** Potomac Youth Event at Westmoreland Congregational Church. A "night of service, faith, and fun". See Bonnie for details.

**Winter Movie Night in the City** - Date TBA

**L'Arche Outreach** - Saturday Date and Time TBA

**July 1-7th, 2012** - Potomac Youth (those who have graduated from 8th grade and older) Service Week in Franklyn, West Virginia in conjunction with Habitat for Humanity and the Potomac Association of the UCC

### **CHILDCARE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Children from birth to age 3 are welcomed to the nursery under the supervision of David and Edgar our child care providers. Parents are asked to pick their young ones up after worship.

### **TEACHERS FOR NEXT WEEK**

**Wee Explore** - Bonnie Hardy

**Exploring Our Faith** - Julie Brylawski

**Affirming Our Faith** -

### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMISSION MEETING**

**December 3rd** - Conference Call at 10:00 a.m.

Any questions or suggestions please contact your CE Commission.  
Grace and Peace,  
Bonnie