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SERVE MISSION

Intentional Excellence: A Progress Report from the Gerholz Center by Dale Hostetler, Chairperson of the Gerholz Team

An article in the November *Messenger* described a journey started by the Gerholz Team to assess the mental health needs of the surrounding community and to use that data to shape a new direction and mission for the Gerholz Center. This article provides further details on this God-centered, strategic planning process. The New Year brings with it thoughts of new beginnings and so it is appropriate to talk about the Gerholz Team's efforts to re-define the path and direction of the Gerholz Center. The community around us is changing and, as a ministry and a service provider to the community, it is important to reassess how we can optimize the help and assistance we offer.

Laurie Goggin, a strategic planning professional in the Kalamazoo area, has graciously offered to help lead the Gerholz Team through the fundamentals of the strategic planning process. Strategic planning is well understood and documented in the business world and is used to provide a long-term vision and focus for an organization. However, the Gerholz Team struggled mightily to understand how a secular business process could integrate and interact with a God-led, prayer-based ministry. Would it help us accomplish the work God had called us? Was there a biblical foundation for the concept of strategic planning? Does God honor the process of strategic planning? Proverbs 19:21 says "Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails." In the end, we

determined that God's purpose is the unique element in strategic planning for church related functions that is missing from secular strategic planning models. By setting our hearts and minds on God in the beginning we are convinced the outcome will be God's plan and not ours. With Laurie's guidance, the team has embarked upon the "Environmental Scanning" or data collection phase. In this phase, the team will construct a series of surveys of specific questions that will be asked of each person being interviewed. These surveys will be tailored and directed to different groups of people to collect perspectives and data. Current clients, community leaders, existing sources of funding, other institutions providing similar services, and focus groups comprised of potentially new clients are groups that Laurie suggested we survey. In addition, she suggested we establish a relationship with the Social Work Department at the University of Michigan in Flint to take advantage of their knowledge and insight.

Again, we want to extend the invitation that if this type of investigation, data collection and analysis is of interest to you, we would love to have you be a part of this journey. Through this process, the Gerholz Team, with God's help, hopes to create a picture of the future that will stand in spite of our present economic situation and that this process is the first step in creating that new future and responding to God's direction.

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New Year's Resolutions

New beginnings call us to examine our lives and hope for a more meaningful future. Many times we try by making New Year's Resolutions. But many are broken before one week has passed. They slip away because we rely totally on ourselves to keep them. Where can we find help to move us toward meaningful change in our lives?

On Sunday, January 11, we will be celebrating The Baptism of the Lord. On this festival day, we consider the beginnings of Jesus' ministry, his baptism and the relationship between his baptism and our own. Word and Spirit descended on Jesus and sent him out in ministry. In Christ's baptism he stands in solidarity with us taking on himself our sin and transforming our lives. Because Jesus identifies with us, God proclaims his blessing: This is my beloved Son. Jesus then starts his ministry.

As in Jesus' baptism Word and Spirit claim us as God's children and sends us out in ministry. In the waters of baptism we are buried with Christ, cleansed of our sins and raised with him in resurrection. We are reborn by the power of the Spirit and are declared the children of God. We are joined to Christ and his church, and with all the baptized we are called to share in Jesus' ministry. Every baptized person has been called to Christ's ministry as a disciple. Every member of the church is a disciple of Christ.

To begin the New Year on January 11th we will renew our baptismal vows. In so doing, we will renew our calling to be a minister in Christ's name. We are all called to Christ's ministry of kerygma, koinonia and diakonia. Each of us is to have a ministry of proclaiming the Good News of Christ, nurturing the community and being servant on mission.

This service will help us reflect on how each of us will proclaim, build and serve in the New Year: each being part of the Priesthood of Believers at First Presbyterian Church of Flint. The wonder is that unlike New Year's resolutions that fall by the wayside, our call to Christ's ministry is not left to just our human abilities. God does not call without empowering us to accomplish the task before us. God gives us meaning and hope for our lives.

Find meaning in the New Year by renewing your baptismal vows and following the call into Christ's ministry by worshiping on Sunday, January 11th, as we remember Jesus' baptism.

Dr. John L. Musgrave

Engaged by Christ's love to invite, worship, nurture, and serve.

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POINTS OF INTEREST

Worship: Sundays, 9:30am
Website: www.fpcf.org

Church Office Closed

The church office will be closed on Thursday, January 1st and Friday, January 2nd for New Year's as well as for Martin Luther King Day on January 19th. Have a happy and safe holiday.

Congregational Meeting February 1, 2009

This year the Annual Meeting of the Congregation/Corporation will be on February 1st following the service. The adult classes will take the week off so all can gather in the Sanctuary to receive the annual reports and next year's budget. The children's and youth classes will continue. Plan now to participate in this important time together.

Church Register

Baptism

Ella Marie Sepanak, daughter of Nicholas Ervin-John Sepanak and Shelby Lee Scott, on December 28, 2008.

Weddings

Mr. and Mrs. Steven Adamko (Lynn Beldin) on December 5, 2008 in the Sanctuary.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Gates (Lindsay Kinnamon) on December 27, 2008 in the Sanctuary.

Deaths

Charles Bailey of Flint (husband of Susan and father of Tyler, Logan and Madison) deceased on November 26, 2008.

Kathryn Salim of Frankenmuth (mother of Patricia Chonich) deceased on December 1, 2008.

Kathryn Louise Kelley of Fenton deceased on December 2, 2008.

Joan Crick of Grand Blanc (wife of Bill Crick) deceased on December 10, 2008.

Dorothy Lohnes of Flint (aunt of Ray Edson) deceased on December 12, 2008.

Josephine "Marie" Peryma of Davison (grandmother of Jaime Powell) deceased on December 20, 2008.

Nancy Cook of Grand Blanc (mother of Sandra Langford) deceased on December 23, 2008.

Gifts

To the Memorial Fund in memory of **Mary Gross** by Tim and Vicki Wade, Edith Carbeck, Dick and Mary Jo Handwerker, Marguerite Berry, Debra and John Oberpeul and Phyllis and LaVerne Heusted; in honor of **Keith and Anne Baldwin** by Phil and Sue Karau.

To the Gerholz Christian Counseling Ministry Fund in memory of **Alice H. Howes** by Roberta and Craig Hardy.

To the Bishop Class Stained Glass Window Fund in memory of **Mary Gross** by Pete and Gail Hutchison, Louise Potter, Ruthella Potter, and the Garland Street Literary Club; in memory of **Eileen Evans** by Ruthella Potter; in memory of **Gordon W. Potter** from his wife Ruthella.

To the Deacon's Neighborhood Breakfast Fund in honor of the **Arndt children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren** in lieu of gifts by Barbara Arndt; in honor of **Pete Hutchison** by Keith and Anne Baldwin.

To the Music Fund in honor of **Phil and Sue Karau** by Keith and Anne Baldwin.

To the Congregational Care Fund in memory of **Richard Jenkins (father of Linda Gibbs)** by Don and Dee Lada.

January Calendar of Events

WORSHIP SERVICES & SUNDAY EDUCATION CLASSES

Adult Church School, Sundays, 11:00am
Children's and Youth Education, Sundays, 10:45am
Contemplative Service, Wednesdays, 6:15pm, Chapel
Sunday Family Worship, Sundays, 9:30am, Sanctuary
Radio Broadcast, Sundays, 9:30am, WSNL 600am

BIBLE STUDY/ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Men's Bible Study, Saturdays, 8:00am, Rm 129
Women's Bible Study, Mondays, 7:00pm, Rm 129
Women's Bible Study, Wednesdays, 10:30am, Rm 129
Women's Bible Study, Thursdays, 9:15am, Rm 211
Women's Bible Study, Thursdays, 9:45am, Rm 207

EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

Salem Housing, Saturday, January 10, 8:30am, Offsite
XYZ Luncheon, Thursday, January 15, 12:00pm, Narthex

MEETINGS

Administration Team, Monday, January 12, 5:00pm, MP
Benevolence, Thursday, January 15, 5:00pm, OCR
Bishop Class, Friday, January 16, 10:00am, Rm 129
Budget Team, Tuesday, January 6, 5:00pm, RM 029
Children's Ministry, Thursday, January 15, 6:00pm, RR
Choir Officers, Tuesday, January 6, 5:30pm, OCR
Communication Task Force, Mondays, 4:00pm, OCR
Computer Tech Team, Monday, January 12, 5:00pm, Rm 129
Congregational Care, Tuesday, January 13, 4:00pm, OCR
Deacon's Team, Tuesday, January 13, 6:30pm, Rm 129
Gerholz Team, Wednesday, January 21, 6:00pm, OCR
Grief Recovery, Tuesday, January 27, 1:30pm, MP
Grief Support, Tuesday, January 13, 1:30pm, MP
Health Council, Tuesday, January 13, 6:00pm, OCR
Library Team, Monday, January 5, 11:00am, Library
MFA Team, Tuesday, January 13, 4:30pm, MP
Session, Tuesday, January 27, 6:00pm, Room 129
School of Choirs, Tuesday, January 20, 7:00pm, MP
School Choir Parents, Sunday, January 4, 1:30pm, Rm 129
Trustee Board, Tuesday, January 20, 5:00pm, RM 129
Trustee B & G, Tuesday, January 20, 5:30pm, RM 129
Trustee Finance, Tuesday, January 20, 5:30pm, RM 129
Women's Ministry, Tuesday, January 6, 6:30pm, MP

You Are Invited



Spiritual Enrichment Opportunities

Women's Bible Study

Consider making weekly bible study a part of your New Year's resolutions. We have four studies beginning the week of January 5. The joy of studying God's word and the fellowship of the other women will quickly become an important part of your week. Contact Kim Skaff at 234-8673 or kskaff@fpcf.org to sign-up.

Daniel: Lives of Integrity, Words of Prophecy

By Beth Moore
Monday evenings at 7:00pm
Room 129
Beginning January 5
Facilitated by Peggy Anderson

Thursday mornings at 9:15am
Room 211
Beginning January 8
Facilitated by Kim Skaff
Child care provided

The prophet Daniel faced unbelievable pressure to compromise his faith in a hostile culture and was constantly confronted by temptations and threats. As believers in today's culture we face similar trials. Studying the book of Daniel with Beth Moore will help you live with integrity in today's self-absorbed society. You will also explore the thrilling prophecies from the time of Daniel through the second coming of Christ. Be a part of this life changing study. A video and workbook will be used.

The Patriarchs by Beth Moore

Wednesday mornings at 10:30am
Room 129
Beginning January 7
Facilitated by Kaye Hollitt and Carol Hostetler
Child care provided

This class will study Beth Moore's book *The Patriarchs: Encountering the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob*. As you explore the chapters of Genesis 12 to 50, you will marvel at God's pursuit of a relationship with us and marvel as His plan to bless all of us unfolds. You will see how God endures in His relationship with us whether we are at our best or at our weakest. We will also explore concepts such as blessing, covenant, and promise and how they apply to our lives today. During this study you will be reminded of how God continually pursues each of us and desires a relationship with us. A video and workbook will be used.

Discerning the Voice of God – How To Recognize When God Speaks By Priscilla Shirer
Thursday mornings at 9:45am
Room 207
Beginning January 8
Facilitated by Corinne Kage
Child care provided

This class will study Priscilla Shirer's book *Discerning the Voice of God*. God desires a personal relationship with each of us and He speaks directly to us. Sometimes it is hard to discern what God is saying versus what others are saying. This study is designed to help you know the voice of God: His language, character and tone of voice. Grow closer to God through His Word and become more familiar with the Holy Spirit. The more intimate your relationship with Him, the clearer His voice will become. A video and workbook will be used.

Thank you to the Missioners



Over three months after Hurricane Ike hit the coast of Texas, the city of San Leon still looks like a war zone. The storm surge went over six miles inland and severely damaged most

homes and businesses. The People there were overwhelmed to know that folks from as far away as Flint MI., an area hit with its own problems, would come to help them. Because of you and your support and because of the willing volunteers who went, the hope that Christ brings to us was reflected to them. Thank you to all for your support.

Crossover

You, as a member of First Presbyterian Church, are a founding member of Crossover. You are being asked, as never before, to help this year. Winter clothing household goods, and personal items are always needed, but never before has food been so sparse. During this coming year as you grocery shop, please purchase an item or two, bring it to church on Sunday and place your items in the black box located in the Narthex labeled 'Crossover'. Thank you!

Spiritual Enrichment Opportunities

Educational Opportunities Throughout the Week
Winter 2009

Sunday Mornings, 11:00am – 12:00pm

Who's Who in the Bible – Have you ever wanted to know more about different individuals we read about in the Scriptures? Here is your chance to not only learn more, but to have fun too. Why? Because each week we will be looking at someone new and each week the class will have a different speaker, you can be sure of a very interesting and rewarding time. This will truly be a great way to learn more about the bible and to learn more about each other as we listen and talk about Who's Who in the Bible. Led by Steve Baillie & guest presenters in Room 211.

Celebration of Discipline – Richard Foster's classic book, *Celebration of Discipline*, is an invitation to those desiring a deeper walk with God. The book is a guide to growth, and is aptly subtitled, *The Path to Spiritual Growth*. Foster starts, "Superficiality is the curse of our age . . . The desperate need today is not for a greater number of intelligent people, or gifted people, but for *deep* people." In this class offering we will explore the classical Disciplines using Foster's book and video as our guide. You are invited to come and learn these God-ordained ways to place yourself before God so that you might be transformed by God, so that together we might grow to become a people of *depth*. Led by Paul Ytterrock in the Chapel.

Paul For Today – (This class will end on January 11). The writings of Paul are rich in meaning. They are also full of wonderful direction. In this world of conflicting values and mixed messages in the media, from friends and in our everyday lives, it is often hard to decide what is right. We will look at what some of the lessons that Paul taught mean for us today in an effort to see if they can give us some direction in our lives and help us to live the type of life that God would have us live. Although this will not be an exhaustive search through the epistles of Paul, we will attempt to look at issues that resonate with our lives today. Led by Pete Hutchison in room 129.

Beginning January 18th 2009

Life Lessons from the Mount: The Sermon on the Mount – In these most turbulent of times, it is often hard to make the right decisions about how to live our lives. We will explore some of the most profound of Jesus' teachings by looking at the lessons for living found in the Sermon on the Mount, as

recorded in the Gospel of Matthew. We will spend time discussing what the implications of these teachings are for us today and how they should impact our style of living. We will also look at current events in terms of the lessons taught by Jesus in this wonderful portion of the scripture. Led by Pete Hutchison in room 129.

Wednesday Evenings, 6:45 – 7:30pm

Gospel of Mark—Most think that the Gospel of Mark was the first Gospel written during the first persecution at Rome and the Jewish rebellion in Judea. This study will follow Mark's narrative listening for God whispering a word to us today. The major themes of Mark are Jesus' identity as the Son of God, the testing of God's Son, the testing of Jesus' disciples, the temple not made with hands, and the hope of the kingdom. Mark is the Lectionary Gospel for this year; therefore, the study will also guide us in a better understanding of the readings for Sundays this year. Led by Dr. John Musgrave in room 129.

Nooma-Nooma. What was that? *Nooma*. What *is* that? *Nooma* is the English phonetic spelling of the Greek word *pneuma*, which is most commonly translated "spirit" or "breath." What will we do in this class? Each week we will view a 10-minute-or-so production from the *Nooma* series (produced by Rob Bell of Mars Hill Bible Church in Grandville, MI) and consider together the experience. We hope you will join in the search, enter into the discussion sharing your questions along the way, and experience God's Spirit at work, moving among us as we journey together. Led by Jim Pope and Paul Ytterrock in the Memorial Parlor.

Men's Ministry Bible Class

Coffee Fellowship 8:00 – 8:30am
Saturday Mornings 8:30 – 9:30am

Discovering God's Will – a bible study by Andy Stanley. God has a wonderful and fulfilling plan for your life, yet determining God's will can be a difficult process, especially when you need to make a decision quickly! Discovering God's Will takes you through the important steps of decision making as you begin to discover the personal vision God has for you. Led by Steve Baillie in Room 129.

Music Ministry

Choir School Sunday

On January 4th the Choir School will have an "inside picnic" for the families of all K-6th graders. Following Sunday School, families will go to the Sanctuary for an opportunity to learn a little bit more about why the organ is called the "King of Instruments." Brenda Portman will present the engaging program "Rex – the King of Instruments" by Daniel Burton. You will hear about all the bells and whistles that make up our pipe organ. Also, you will hear a special performance by 7th grade organ student Christopher Newman. Lunch will be provided at 12:15pm in the Parish Hall. At 12:45pm the children will go with the choir school teachers for singing and special activities. The parents will meet for 35 minutes. We will all then reconvene in the Parish Hall for an Ice Cream Sundae Buffet! A donation of \$4 per person with a \$15 family maximum is requested.

Music Program

If you are a music lover, you will want to put **February 8, 2009** on your calendar. At 3:00pm in the Sanctuary our organist, Brenda Portman, will present a varied and energetic program of great organ music through the centuries. It is a common misconception that the pipe organ is only used for hymn-singing. The organ also has a

huge repertoire of concert and symphonic music that is meant to show off the full potential of the instrument.

Almost exactly 200 years after the birth of Felix Mendelssohn (born Feb. 3, 1809), the opening and closing pieces will be Mendelssohn's 1st and 4th Organ Sonatas. Also on the program will be works by J. S. Bach, César Franck, Daniel Gawthrop, and Pamela Decker. You will hear both old and new, serious and humorous, lyrical and vivacious, composers of late and those who are still living; there will be something for everyone and you won't want to miss it!

Sledding Party at the Koegel's

Are you in need of a day to relax and fellowship? Or are you ready for sledding, ice skating, and sitting by the fire with a cup of hot chocolate? Please join us for a fun filled day. The big pot of soup will be on! Join us on **Saturday, February 7th, 2009 from noon – 4:00pm** at John and Lisa Koegel's home (1440 Briarcliffe Dr., Flint, 732-0709). Come when you can and leave when you must. Don't forget your sleds, skates, and a dish to pass.

Nurture Mission

Youth Ministry



Sundays at the Pipe:

Neighborhood Breakfast at 8:00am
Help serve the community on Sunday mornings.

Good Morning Pipers at 10:45am in the Pipe.
This is a time for fellowship.

Educational Hour at 11:00am-12:00pm
Senior High students meet in the Green room of the Pipe. Junior High students will meet in the Pipe class room.

Chapel Choir at 5:45 – 6:45pm, Meet every Sunday in the choir room on the second floor.

Pipe at 7:00 – 8:30pm, Join us each week for a time of food, fellowship, music, videos and relevant teaching.

Wednesdays at the Pipe, Pipe Praise Band Practice is in the Pipe. Junior High, 5:30 – 7:00pm and Senior High,

7:00 – 9:00pm. Worship Service in the Chapel at 6:15pm.

Junior High Ladies Small Group, 6:15 – 7:30pm in the Pipe Green Room with Janeen Reigle.

Sr. High Ladies Small Group meets on **Saturdays at 1:00pm** at Borders with Kim Skaff.

Youth Team Meeting meets on January 10 from **10:30am – 12:30pm** in the Pipe.

Salem Housing, We meet on the second Saturday of each month from 8:30am-12:30pm. This month, we meet on **January 10th**.

Murder Mystery Party, January 24th at 6:00pm. Call the church office to RSVP by January 12. Cost is \$7.00.

Jr. High Retreat will be at TimberWolf Lake from **January 30-February 1**. Cost is \$95. Sign up in the Pipe.

The Shingles Vaccine

Submitted by Frankie Bonner, RN

Shingles, which is clinically known as Herpes Zoster, is a painful rash caused by reactivation of the chicken pox virus (VZV or the varicella zoster virus). If you have had chicken pox, the virus lives dormant in the body along nerve roots after recovery. Years later, the virus may be reactivated and when this happens it reoccurs as shingles. The shingles rash is not contagious but the virus may be spread in the blister faze to a person who has never had chicken pox or the chicken pox vaccine.

In 2006, Zostavax vaccine was approved to prevent shingles and the post-shingles nerve pain that can occur. The pain, called postherpetic neuralgia, is worth a-pound-of-prevention because it has the potential to become a chronic and debilitating inflammation that is intractable to treatment. The vaccine is designed for people age 60 years and older. It is a more potent form of the chicken pox vaccine and can reduce the incidence of shingles cases to 50% in the older adult population. The CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices issued the following recommendations for prevention of shingles in May of 2008:

The Zoster vaccine is recommended for all persons aged 60 and above who have no contraindications, including persons who report a previous episode of shingles or who have chronic medical conditions. The vaccine should be offered at the patient's first clinical encounter with his or her health-care provider. A booster dose is not licensed for this vaccine.

Patients do not need to be asked about their history of chickenpox or to have serologic testing conducted to determine immunity. Contraindications include severe allergy to gelatin, neomycin, or other ingredients; and immunocompromised state like cancer or AIDS; taking immune suppressing medications; active, untreated TB; and pregnancy.

Zostavax is covered by Medicare part D, the prescription part of Medicare. Because of this, your physician may need to write a prescription for the vaccine and you may need to get it from a pharmacy before it can be administered. Some specially trained pharmacists may give the vaccine. For a list, check at www.merck.com/product/mav/home.html.

Worship Mission

Sunday Morning Worship

January 4, 2009 Epiphany of the Lord Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12 "A Bright Light for a New Year" John L. Musgrave	January 11, 2009 Baptism of the Lord Genesis 1:1-5; Acts 19:1-7; Mark 1:4-11 "Coming Clean" John L. Musgrave
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January 18, 2009 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 1 Samuel 3:1-10; 1 Corinthians 6:12-20; John 1:43-51 "Come and See" John L. Musgrave	January 25, 2009 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Jonah 3:1-5, 10; 1 Corinthians 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20 "A Whale of a Story" John L. Musgrave
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Music Ministry

Music Ministry Meeting

The Music and Fine Arts Ministry is seeking input and feedback from parents. We encourage all parents of children in grades K-6 to attend a parent's meeting **Sunday, January 4th at 12:45pm**. This meeting will be part of our "inside picnic". Staff will give a brief summary of the program and then

ask parents to respond with observations, concerns and suggestions. First Presbyterian Church is blessed with an outstanding children's music program. Our staff of Dee Ann Galbreath, Kaye Hollitt and Lisa Koegel are unsurpassed in their ability and dedication to children's church music. We believe that every child has some capacity to be enriched and nurtured in the Christian faith through music.

Women's Chorus

January 15 and 18

Women of the church (6th grade – adult) are invited to join the women of the Chancel Choir for a special anthem on **Sunday, January 18th**. Rehearsal will be held on Thursday the 15th. A soup and salad dinner will be served beginning at 6:00pm followed by rehearsal in the Choir room 7:00 – 9:00pm. Cost for dinner is \$7.50. All women are invited! Participate in this special opportunity!

XYZ

Birthday Celebration

Thursday, January 15, 2009

Come and celebrate your birthday. Bring a wrapped birthday present. Don't spend more than \$10. We will play a very fun "pass the present" game. There will be a special birthday cake dessert. Cost is \$7.00 for lunch. Please have reservations in by **Tuesday, January 13**.

Day Trip to Detroit Institute of Arts

Thursday, March 19th—Note the date change!

See special exhibit:

American Chronicles: The Art of Norman Rockwell from 10:00am -12:30pm; lunch at the Institute Café and then on to Pewabic Pottery Store.

Cost is \$62.00 per person which includes motor coach transportation, admission to DIA & Norman Rockwell Exhibit, \$10.00 lunch voucher and stop at Pewabic Pottery Store. Your payment is your reservation, payment due no later than **February 10, 2009**. Limit 30 seats.

Spring Trip to Azalea Festival in Norfolk, Virginia

April 29- May 4, 2009

Enjoy the fabulous pageantry of Norfolk's Azalea Festival parade from your reserved seat. Cost is \$694.00 per person and includes:

Spirit of Norfolk Dinner Cruise with entertainment
Reserved seats for Azalea Festival Grand Parade
Norfolk Naval Base Tour
Norfolk Botanical Gardens Tram Tour
Hampton Roads Naval Museum
USS Wisconsin Battleship
NATOfest Activities
Virginia International Tattoo Show (features Scottish marching bands and drill teams from all over the world)
Visit to Waterside Complex
Tour of Colonial Williamsburg
Evening Entertainment

To make your reservation, make a deposit of \$100.00 payable to First Presbyterian Church and mail to Lee Doll. Balance is due by March 9th.

The Creation Museum in Cincinnati, Ohio

June 10-11, 2009

The Creation Museum is a the state-of-the-art, 70,000 square foot museum that brings the pages of the Bible to

life, casting its characters and animals in dynamic form and placing them in familiar settings. Adam and Eve live in the Garden of Eden. Children play and dinosaurs roam near Eden's Rivers. The serpent coils cunningly in the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil. Majestic murals, great masterpieces brimming with pulsating colors and details provide a backdrop for many of the settings. Cost is \$219.00 per person and includes transportation, overnight lodging at Holiday Inn, Admission to Creation Museum & Planetarium, 5 course family style Italian dinner at Buca di Beppo and an explore and shop at Cabella's on our way home. To make your reservation you need a deposit of \$75.00, check made payable to First Presbyterian Church and mail to Lee Doll. Balance is due by April 13th. Limit of 30 seats.

Children's Ministry

Sunday Schedule

January Title: "Jesus is Baptized"
10:45am Fellowship Room 312
11:00am PowerXpress units
12:00pm Dismissal Room 312

Experiencing God's love and grace through multi-intelligence rotational units

Art - teachers: Nancy Newman & Danielle Otero
Science - teachers: Dale Ehrhart & Mark Powell
Computer - teachers: Jeff Lorenz & Brian Hungerford
Games - teachers: Andy & Sharon Armstrong

Shepherds

Kindergarten - James & Missy Patterson
1st & 2nd grade - Michele Lorenz & Jan Nyholm
3rd & 4th grade - Brenda Horcha
5th & 6th grade - Violet Kilby

Preschool, 11:00am-12:00pm in Room 211

Teacher: Dori Mignault

Nursery Care available Sundays from 9:15am-12:15pm and Wednesdays from 4:30pm-5:30pm & 6:00pm-7:45pm.

Infant Room 205 - caregivers: Kristina Keene & Dorothy Cauthen.
Toddler Room 214 - caregivers: Brittney Hipkins & Janet Racher.

Wednesday Schedule K-6 Grades

6:15pm-7:30pm "Bee" Helpful Service Squad Room 312
"Learning to serve Christ by serving others."

3rd Grade Bible Presentation will be Sunday, January 18, at the 9:30am worship service.