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Entering into a brand new year, it is exciting to anticipate ALL that lies in store for us as we begin to live into our Future Story!

Chase away the Winter Blues in January with NC4's First-Ever Gospel & Jazz Brunch!

We are excited to announce that NC4 will be hosting our first ever Gospel & Jazz Brunch on Sunday, January 26th at 11:00AM in Harlow Hall. Come and chase away the winter blues this January with a warm celebration of God's love, lively music, and comfort food. We'll start at 11AM with a simple brunch buffet and fellowship around tables, and continue at 11:15AM with our informal Gospel & Jazz service, lead by our very own Jazz Ensemble. For brunch, we'll have Quiche-and-sausage style food, orange juice. If others can bring hot croissants, muffins, or biscuits we'll be good to go.

See you there!
IN JANUARY

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 5**
11:00 am — Regular worship
"On the Move" - Matthew 2:1-12
12:00 pm — Elders & Deacons Meeting
Sanctuary

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 12**
11:00 am — Regular worship
"Turning Points" - Matthew 3:13-17
12:30 pm — Leadership Retreat & January Board Meeting (Community Room)

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 19**
Worship in the style of Taize
Choir singing

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 26**
11:00 am
“Gospel & Jazz Brunch” Worship in Harlow Hall (see article, page 1)
12:30 pm — **ALL CHURCH PLANNING RETREAT**
(see article Page 6)

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**Epiphany—January 6**

Epiphany, from the Greek word *Epiphania*, meaning "revelation" is based on the biblical story that tells of the Magi who saw a bright star on the night Christ was born and followed it to Bethlehem. There they found the Christ child and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

The legendary visit would later give rise to the custom of gift giving at Christmas on the Feast of the Epiphany, today traditionally observed on January 6.

Epiphany goes by various names in different cultures, i.e., Little Christmas, Three Kings Day, or Twelfth Night, which remains the official end of the season’s “Twelve Days of Christmas” counting from Christmas evening on December 25 to the Epiphany on January 6.
Leadership 2014

NC4 Officers
Board Chair: Diane Barlow
Vice Chair: Nancy Longo
Clerk: Patsy Clark
Treasurer: Nancy Solomon
Assistant Treasurer: Anne-Marie Crawford
Financial Secretary: Jerry Rice
Assistant Financial Secretaries: Karen & Buzzy Barnard, Mary Rice, Betty Shelton

Elders
Term Expiring 2014: Buzzy Barnard, Nancy Longo, Jon Goeringer, Jerry Rice, Laird Thomason
Term Expiring 2015: Karen Barnard, Anne-Marie Crawford, Alice Goeringer, Andrea Sherman, Richard Sherman, Dolly Youssef

Diaconate
Term Expiring 2015: Wilsonia Cherry, Amelia Dodge, Alice Kessler, Carrie Lee, Devin Rambarran

Church Trustees
Term Expires 2014: Patsy Clark, Sally Coberly, Dwight Brock
Term Expires 2015: Dot Harper, Hume McClure

Permanent Endowment Fund Trustees
Term Expires 2015: Andrea Sherman (fulfilling unexpired term of Jim Heintze)
                  Ann McClure
Term Expires 2016: Buzzy Barnard, Laird Thomason

Sunday afternoon, 12:30-4:30 p.m.
immediately following worship
(lunch will be provided)
If you are a continuing or newly elected/appointed leader for NC4, please make your plans now to be in attendance at this very important retreat.
RSVP to Chair, Diane Barlow
diane.nc4@verizon.net
Our Future Story has been shaped into a Strategic Plan that the Board will be reviewing and approving at its January 12 Board meeting and Leadership Retreat. In order for all of us to live into this Future Story, we want and need your voices and input and would ask you to plan on attending an ALL-CHURCH PLANNING RETREAT ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON, JANUARY 26, immediately following our Gospel & Jazz Brunch and Worship.

Simply put, a strategic plan is the formalized road map that describes how we are going to execute our Future Story plans. The plan spells out where we’re going in this next year and how we’re going to accomplish what we want to accomplish. Our strategic plan is a management tool that serves the purpose of helping us do a better job, and it improves our mission and ministry as it helps focuses the energy, resources, and time of everyone in the church in the same direction. We hope to make this MORE than just something we cross off our list of “to-dos”—we want to create a culture of strategic thinking, so that our planning doesn’t just happen in a vacuum, but instead, becomes a part of our daily decision making. Join us for this exciting day!
NC4 and the Congregation Shirat HaNefesh invite you to a special showing and discussion of the HBO documentary *Gasland 2* which will be shown on **Monday, January 20th**, the Martin Luther King holiday, at **5PM in Weir Lounge**.

*Gasland 2* is the 2010 Oscar-nominated anti-fracking exposé sequel to *Gasland* directed by Josh Fox, a 1995 Columbia University graduate in theater studies. Josh Fox became interested in fracking in 2008 when an oil and gas company sought to lease land in Wayne County, Pennsylvania where Fox’s parents had built a home in 1972. The showing of this documentary is relevant since fracking may be introduced in Maryland.

*Gasland 2* profiles hydraulic fracturing or “Fracking”, a process of injecting a pressurized mixture of water, sand and chemicals down a drilled well causing layers of rock deep in the earth to crack releasing natural gas. Is fracking unsafe and environmentally ruinous? Can fracking decrease the demand for OPEC oil and decrease the cost of natural gas? Does the use of natural gas produced by fracking reduce U.S. carbon emissions by displacing the use of carbon-intensive coal? Or does the release of methane associated with natural gas extraction offset any emissions reductions associated with its use in electricity generation? Does fracking cause earthquakes? Do gas companies take adequate precautions to prevent chemicals used in fracking from seeping into ground water?


**HBO DOCUMENTARY TO BE SHOWN**

**GASLAND**

**JOINT YOUTH PROJECT**

Put it on your calendar!

**Sunday, May 4**

4-6pm

**Common Good Community Farm in DC**

Our YOUTH and Adults are invited to join youth and adults from Shirat HaNefesh Jewish Congregation for a service project in May. More details as the date nears!

**Habitat Dates**

Habitat for Humanity of Montgomery County

We have requested the following dates for volunteering from 8:30 AM-2:30 PM at the new Maple Hill townhouses in Gaithersburg.

Please notify Nancy Longo by email (longo.nancy@gmail.com) or cell phone of any or all dates you wish to participate so that you can receive specific instructions the week of your volunteering. You may invite friends to join you but we have a maximum of ~5 people for each date. If >5 respond for a given date, I will request more slots. However, I must have this information as early as possible. So scan your calendar & commit your time to the dates of your choosing.

Please note that two of the dates involve holiday weekends and three of the dates are Sundays, which involve volunteers from churches in an Interfaith Unity Build. (The work is the same but you may be more aware of the Holy Spirit!)

- **Sun. Jan 5**
- **Sat. Feb 15** (holiday weekend)
- **Sat. Mar 1**
- **Sun. April 6** (Easter is April 20th)
- **Sat. May 3**
- **Sat. June 7**
- **Sun. July 5** (holiday weekend)
- **Sat. August 2**
The 12th annual Ecumenical Advocacy Days (March 21-24, 2014) will see hundreds of Christians coming together in “Resisting Violence, Building Peace.” Guided by the image of Jesus weeping over a capital city that turned from the true way of peace (Luke 19:41-42), Advocacy Days events expose the violence that pervades our culture and world.

Registration brochures may be found on the shelf in the Glass way.

Early registration (through 2/21) = $195
After Feb. 12 = $210

All events are held at the DoubleTree Crystal City 300 Army-Navy Drive, Arlington, VA

For more information: info@advocacydays.org

ESTIMATE OF GIVING REMINDER

2014 Estimate of Giving Cards
If you have not already done so, we invite you to prayerfully consider your giving to the mission and ministry of God through North Chevy Chase Christian Church, as we work with faith and trust in God’s leading.

PLEASE RETURN YOUR ESTIMATE OF GIVING CARD TO THE CHURCH TREASURER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Thank you, Finance & Stewardship Team
News from the Pews

The sympathy of the Congregation to Paul and Deirdre George and family in the death of Paul’s mother on December 14.

Three of our members are recovering from recent surgeries: Hume McClure, Roland Lippoldt and Kylie Sherman. Please keep them in prayers in their recuperation.

REMEmBERING IN PRAYER

CLINT BROWN, JANET LUKEN

Those Confined to Home:
Jean Akers & Maude Covington, Renate Bever, Kitty Burke, Alline Crossfield, Grant Howard, Anna Kragnes, Virginia Masnovo, Mabel Smith; the Hawkins family.

Our Friends and Families:
Robert Bergesen (Sean’s father), Robert Buskirk (Glenn Zuber’s grandfather); Clint Brown (Rices’ son-in-law); Anne Huang, Amy Howell, Beverly McNamara, (friends of Ann McClure ); Ernestine Wilson, Beverly Harris and Delores McIntosh (Sherman & Angie Davis’ aunt & moms); Karen Hyde, Mary McClure Carter (Dorothy Brown’s family); Karl Smith, Ian & Jeanine Alves and Billie Gray (the Sherman’s friends); Antoune Youssef’s family in Cairo; Sheri Massey (friend of Diane Barlow); Donna (Sister of Judith McManus-Murray) Victoria Ringo (Dolly Youssef’s daughter); Doug & David Shawver (Jan Yatsko’s sons); Families served on Youth & Adult Mission Trips.

Capital Area Regional Churches:
Rev. Bob Perry, Interim Regional Minister
Regional Staff and Board
Regional Minister Search Committee

Military/Civilian Overseas Personnel:
Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, Killed/Wounded and their families, Active Duty Troops and their families, Military Health Care Workers, Humanitarian Workers Overseas, Media Correspondents Overseas.

Nations and Leaders around the World

JANUARY — Happy Birthday to...

2 Nina Peregrim
5 Charlotte Duvall
10 Richard Sherman
11 Virginia Biles
14 Yvonne McGee
16 Anne-Marie Crawford
16 Alexandra Dolak
16 Joshua Thompson
18 Dorothy Brown
18 Betty McArthur
20 David Brock
20 Stephen Rice
22 Linda Petrovich
24 Janice Warrington
27 Renate Bever
28 Betty Roth
31 Doug Glynn
North Chevy Chase Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)

STAFF:
Rev. Dr. Cheryl L. Tatham, Minister
Dr. Glenn Zuber, Min. Family Life
Christine Schadeberg Wydro, Interim Adult Choir Director
Glenn Pearson, Pianist/Organist
Dorothy Drennen, Church Secretary
Joan Sidell, Custodial Coordinator
Eric Pernell, Custodian
C. Hume McClure, Building Administrator
Simona Escobar, Nursery Attendant

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Read the CHIMES on-line @
www.nc4disciples.org

Submit articles to northchevychase@verizon.net

Sunday Art & Appetite

Sunday, February 2
An afternoon at the Ratner Art Museum
10001 Old Georgetown Road
Bethesda, MD 20814
Followed by a late lunch at Hamburger Hamlet
1044 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda

PHILLIP RATNER
This artist is noted for his five sculptures at the statue of liberty and 40 sculptures at Ellis Island. Other permanent collections include works at The Smithsonian, The Library of Congress and The United States Supreme Court.

• A permanent collection of the art of Phillip Ratner in sculpting, drawing, painting and graphics, and other exhibits.

FEASTING FOR THE EYES
AND THE STOMACH!
RSVP no later than January 26
### Legend:
- **CLR** = Class Room
- **CR** = Community Room
- **CHR** = Choir Room
- **HH** = Harlow Hall

**SUNDAYS:**
- 9:30: Choir Rehearsal (CR)
- 9:45: Adult Sunday School (MC/WL)
- 10:15: Childcare available
- 11:00: Worship
- 11:15: Children/Youth Sunday School
- 12:15: Coffee Fellowship (HH)
- 1:00: Rwandan Worship

### Events
- **AA:** Alcoholics Anonymous
- **IVE:** Instrumental/Voice Ensemble
- **RWC:** Rwandan Choir
- **RWA:** Ramadan Young Adult
- **SBW:** Suburban Women
- **SHN:** Shirat HaNefesh Congregation
- **TPG:** Tuesday Prayer Group
- **HABITAT:** Habitat Work Day
- **ECs:** Elders/Deacons Mtg. Following Worship
- **B. Mtg./Leadership Retreat:** Following Worship
- **Taize:** Taize Worship
- **Jazz:** Jazz Worship

### Calendar

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