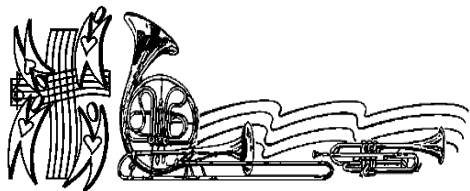


Sunday, March 4

**CHANCEL DRAMA**

**“Gods Trombone”**

*during morning Worship*



Wednesday, March 14



Join us in Custis Hall for the meal and first report from our 2010 Steering Committee.

Saturday, March 24

**FINAL SIDE DOOR COFFEE HOUSE**

*of the Season*

*“Money” by Matthew Calhoun and “Jumping” by William Borden*

**Directed by Richard Redfield**

*Presented by our players!*



SHOWTIMES:  
7:00 & 8:30 P.M.

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Hello!

The first visit of the Steering Committee of the '2010 Vision Plan' will take place on Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup>. That means that 15 of us (including me) were not present for worship on that day. We attended Sunday School and worship at the Bush Hill Presbyterian Church, where we were welcomed, taken on a tour of their building and asked everything we could about their ministry.

Throughout the coming spring, we'll continue to visit other churches to experience, inquire, study and evaluate. Beginning on Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> (and on all following Wednesday evenings), the Steering Committee will meet to discuss its visitation - and all of Riverdale Presbyterian Church are welcome and encourage to attend these meetings. Indeed, before the first Wednesday meeting, a full hot meal will be served - and during the meeting there will be activity for children. Please hold the members of the Steering Committee in your thoughts and prayers - and feel free to be asking them of their work. We want all that we're doing to be known to all!

Our annual All-Church Retreat will be held at nearby Camp Letts (only 40 minutes away on the Chesapeake Bay) over the weekend of May 19 - 20. Past 'retreaters' will note the change of date and location (sorry!), but those of you who've been telling me for years that the first Sunday of May is too early/inconvenient - now will be able to attend! Also, we're delighted to have anyone of our church attend for just the Saturday events. For now, please note the date, mark it on your calendars and plan on attending - for our goal at the retreat will be to discuss the visitations of our Steering Committee and to begin to decide "what/how/when" to actually begin the '2010 Plan.'

So I'll not be seeing you in church in the coming spring, but we'll still all be worshipping and working at our ministry - apart and yet still together.

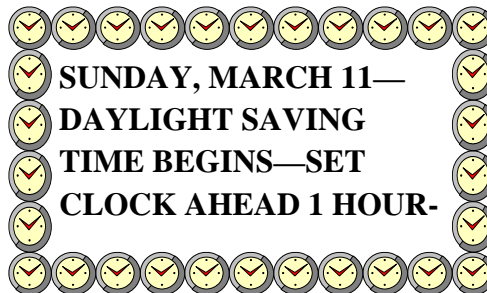
May God bless our efforts!

Dave



**Sunday Worship Services**  
**11:00 a.m. - Sanctuary**  
**Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.**

**All are welcome!**

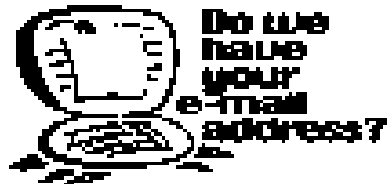
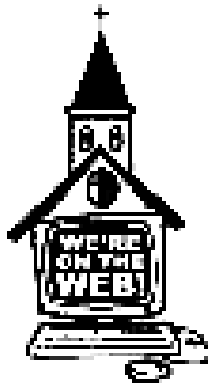


**March Meetings and Special Dates**

- March 1:** Bridge  
Chancel Choir, 7:30 p.m.
- March 4:** Bake Sale and Banner Day  
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.  
Worship, 11 a.m.  
**Chancel Drama—God’s Trombones**
- March 5:** Bell Choir, 7:45 p.m.
- March 6:** Faith Opportunity Circle, Custis Hall
- March 7:** After School Club (ASC) - 2-3:30 p.m.  
ASC - Bell Ringers, 3:30 - 3:45 p.m.  
Middlers - 3:15 - 4 p.m.  
Service Club - 5 - 6 p.m.
- March 8:** Worship Committee Mtg., 6:30 p.m., CH
- March 11:** **Daylight Saving Time Begins**
- March 13:** Deacons, 7:45 p.m., Room 1  
Board of Property Mgt., 8 p.m., Room 2
- March 16:** **NEWS NOTES DEADLINE**
- March 17:** **SC Retreat to 4-H**
- March 18:** CE Committee Meeting (after church)
- March 20:** **First Day of Spring**  
Session, 7:30 p.m., Parlor
- March 24:** **Side Door Coffee House, 7 & 8:30 p.m.**

**Remember:** We need all officers to attend all meetings!

\* See March calendar for other dates.



Why not forward our Web page on to a friend with an invitation to join us for worship!  
www.riverdalepresbyterian.org or contact the church office at 301-927-0477 for the latest information.

**SUNDAY, MARCH 4,  
CHANCEL DRAMA  
during Worship**

**Save the date!** For THAT GREAT GETTING UP MORNING—excerpts from GOD’s TROMBONES will be presented. Last rehearsal Saturday morning, March 3. Help us rejoice on THAT GREAT GETTING UP MORNING!  
(Contact: Fredericka Berger (301-779-6641))



“Let us stop complaining that we don’t have enough people, enough money, enough tools. That is simply not true. There is no shortage of anything that we need except vision, prayer and will. Prayer is the one resource immediately available to each of us.” W. S. Mooneyham



Love is a Decision by Gary Smalley acknowledges that tough times can strike any family relationship. In this practical book, family counselor and best selling author Gary Smalley reveals a simple yet profound plan for a marriage of depth and warmth and excitement. (646.7S)  
Giving Good Gifts by George Conway explores what we can learn from God and the Bible about parenting. George Conway uses scripture to identify seven gifts we can give our children to help them form healthy spiritual identities.



**HELP! We need a volunteer to lead up the annual STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL set for Sunday, June 3. Training and assistance from the Pastor is offered!**

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**WOMEN’S BOARD OF INGLESIDE  
PRESBYTERIAN RETIREMENT COMMUNITY**  
*Presents*  
**INGLESIDE SPRING FASHION SHOW LUNCHEON**  
 Saturday, March 24, 12 Noon  
 Ingleside Apartments Dining Room  
 3050 Military Road, N.W., Washington, DC 20015  
 Contacts: Lois Prince, 301-927-7841  
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**Your Christian Education Committee (CE)**  
This Committee of session meets monthly during the school year and performs a valuable service to the congregation: giving work to Dr. C!

Seriously, CE advises, plans, and helps with programs and the overall mission: “to help our young people to know, love, and serve Jesus Christ. This ministry will equip them with a strong Biblical foundation to apply Christian principles in their lives, encourage their involvement in our faith community, and empower them to serve others. Our CE ministry will also provide adult Bible study, fellowship, retreat opportunities, and services to the community, so that all people of our church continue to know, love, and serve in faith.”

Every CE meeting begins with a devotion (caring for our spiritual needs!) and ends with a prayer for our joys and concerns.

**We discuss the upcoming calendar and make changes as needed.** For example, we changed Banner Day and Bake Sale to March 4: remember to bring baked goods to buy back! With the retreat weekend changed, we changed Teacher Appreciation and Senior Day to May 4.

**We discuss future plans.** We are working on the planning for two more Special Rotation Sundays (April 22 and 29) where students of all ages will learn more about Jesus through the stories of the Centurion (Luke 7:1-10) and the Samaritan woman at the well (John 4:5-41).

**We discuss the needs of the program.** We are wrestling with attracting young families to Sunday School where our numbers of young children have been falling for the past 2 or 3 years. We have loads of older students and our adult Sunday School classes are thriving. We hope the 2010 process will give us some new ideas about space, promotion, and message.

This Committee has met on 3rd Tuesdays, but with Session meetings moving, we are trying to alternate 3rd Sundays after worship—March 18—at the pool table) with 1st Tuesdays—April 3—in my office. I try to remind people who have come before with a blue postcard with the upcoming agenda. We welcome Sunday School teachers, parents, youth, interested members! If you see us at the pool table, come join us!

Carolyn Fink, “Dr. C”