

Hello friends,

I hope your holidays were wonderful, refreshing and full of outdoor activities. John and I took a 2 1/2 hour walk on the beach over the New Year's weekend. I'll take a warm December anytime...although I am hearing rumors of longings for snow.

I want to write to thank your kids for helping with "Make Room for Jesus." Your kids were amazing in every way. I am so proud of how they memorized Luke 2:8-14. Their desire to honor Jesus could be sensed by all.

It is overwhelming the email, notes and comments all saying how Dec. 18th was a blessing to all. God answered my prayers! And I have some amazing pictures I will share with you soon.

Here is a look at this coming Sunday, January 8th...

Children will worship with their families at the beginning of both services, 9:30 & 11. They will be dismissed from the service to meet their teachers in the main hallway on the 1st floor. Pick up is on the 3rd floor after the service.

The Nursery and Pre k & K welcome children before the service at 9:20 am.

John & Caroline Findley and family are visiting from Africa and will speak with our children at both the 9:30 & 11 am Sunday Schools. The Findley's visited two summers ago and it was a delightful time.

5th Grade Class Cooking Meals for Interfaith, Jan. 8th. One class each week will cook a meal for Interfaith, Jan. 8th to Jan 29th, with Marcia Martin in the church kitchen. Each year, God blesses our church with the opportunity to help homeless families in our community. The families stay at our church during the week. We currently do not have a family scheduled to stay, so our deacons will deliver the meals to other people in our community. For more information, you can contact our church office at 215-646-3030.

Memorizing the Books of the Bible in Sunday School. I am setting a goal for children, 1st to 5th, to memorize the Books of the Bible.

More Children's Ministry News....

Summer Friends Recruiting Has Begun! Summer Friends 2012 is scheduled for July 9 to 13th, 6 to 8:30 pm with a Family Meal at 5:30pm. Start brainstorming about an interest or hobby you could share with the kids in a workshop. Or maybe you would like to help with drama, Bible storytelling, or being a part of a team to make this the best Summer Friends ever! Contact Marie Thomas to volunteer, Marie@FPCAmbler.org.

Night Hike for 4th & 5th Fellowship on January 20th (Friday), 6 to 8:30 pm.

The 4th & 5th Fellowship will be going on a Night Hike at Fort Washington State Park. Harry Heckler, Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 3 in Ambler, Eagle Scout and Appalachian Trail Thru-Hiker will lead the way. Night concludes with hot chocolate, smores and Bible devotion around campfire. Dress warmly. Bring a flashlight and your Bibles. RSVP to let us know if you are planning to attend, and if you know a 4th or 5th grader who might enjoy coming, let me know. Marie@FPCAmbler.org.

January 26th, Ambler Marbles Club (6 to 14 yrs old) begins and meets every Thursday in Fellowship Hall. Come at 3:30 or at 6 pm. Master Ringer and prepare to compete in the 2nd Annual Ambler Marbles Tournament on March 24th. Contact Marie@FPCAmbler.org fro more information.

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