



Hunt's Memorial United Methodist Church

# The Point



November 2015

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## Service Schedule

9:00 AM  
Praise Worship

9:00 AM  
Adult Sunday School

10:00 AM  
Traditional  
Worship

10:00 AM  
Sunday School

Hunt's Church  
Preschool

[www.huntschurchpreschool.com](http://www.huntschurchpreschool.com)

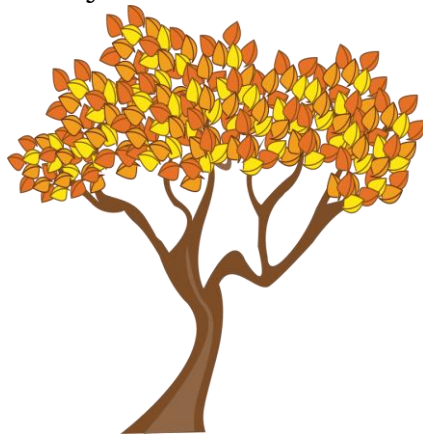
Friends,

As pastor of Hunt's, my office window provides a wonderful view of nature - trees, flowers, grass, shrubbery, and plants. Since we live in a geographical section of the country whereby one is able to experience the full spectrum of each season of the year, I am able to watch the landscape outside my window change from fall to summer. Right now I am watching the leaves fall from the trees. I must say that there are some beautiful trees that surround the grounds here at Hunt's church.



**The church sign outside on the point reads:  
"Autumn leaves are God's stained-glass windows."**

The psalmist used the tree as a metaphor to define what it means to be faithful to God's word and God's purpose for our lives. Eugene Peterson, in **The Message**, paraphrases the first few verses of Psalm 1 in this way:



How well God must like you –  
you don't hang out at Sin Saloon,  
you don't slink along Dead-End Road,  
you don't go to Smart-Mouth College.

Instead you thrill to God's Word,  
you chew on Scripture day and night.  
You're a tree planted in Eden,  
bearing fresh fruit every month,  
Never dropping a leaf,  
always in blossom.

**It's somewhat sad to watch all the leaves eventually fall off the trees.  
Yet we can learn something about our faith from watching a tree.**

**I just read this blurb about trees from the newsletter I received from my home church in Martinsburg.**

**ALL I NEEDED TO KNOW ABOUT LIFE I LEARNED FROM TREES**

- It's important to have roots.
- In today's complex world, it pays to branch out.
- Don't pine away over old flames.
- If you really believe in something, don't be afraid to go out on a limb.
- Be flexible so you don't break when a harsh wind blows.
- Sometimes you have to shed your old bark in order to grow.
- If you want to maintain accurate records, keep a log.
- Grow where you're planted.
- It's perfectly okay to be a late bloomer.
- Avoid people who would like to cut you down.
- Get all spruced up when you go out on a date.
- If the party gets boring or dangerous, just leaf (leave).
- You can't hide your true colors as you approach the autumn of your life.
- It's more important to be honest than poplar.



I like that well-known poem by Joyce Kilmer entitled "Trees". He begins the poem this way, "*I think that I shall never see a poem as lovely as a tree*"; then ends the poem with this line "*Poems are made by fools like me, but only God can make a tree.*" I encourage you to look up the poem on-line and read the poem again in its entirety. Enjoy the fall foliage!

Grace & Peace,  
*Gary*

# NOVEMBER

Pastor Gary will be out of town on vacation: Oct. 31 – Nov. 4

Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, November 1



1	9:00 am Praise Service <i>Message by Lloyd Schubert</i> 9:00 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Traditional Worship Service <i>Message by Lloyd Schubert</i> 10:00 am Sunday School 11:15 am Hand Bell Choir 6:30 pm Senior High	2	10:45 am & 7:00 pm Bible Study (Adult Ed. Rm.)  8:30 pm AA	3	7:30 pm Praise Band 	4	12:30 pm AA  7:00 pm Trustees Meeting	5	7:30 pm Chancel Choir	6	7:30 am Men's Fellowship  7:00 pm Girl Scouts	7	10:00 am Worship Committee Meeting
8	<b>All Saints Sunday</b> 9:00 am Praise Service 9:00 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Traditional Worship Service -- <i>Baptism</i> 11:15 am Hand Bell Choir 6:30 pm Senior High	9	10:45 AM & 7:00 pm Bible Study (Adult Ed. Rm.)  8:30 pm AA	10	7:30 pm Praise Band 	11	<b>Veterans Day</b>  12:30 pm AA  7:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting	12	7:30 pm Chancel Choir	13	7:30 am Men's Fellowship  6:00 pm Hand Bells Rehearsal  8:30 pm AA	14	4:00 pm to 7:00 pm Turkey Dinner <i>Carry-Out Available</i> 
15	<b>"Invite" Sunday</b> 9:00 am Praise Service 9:00 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Traditional Worship Service <i>Hand Bells playing</i> 10:00 am Sunday School 6:30 pm Senior High	16	10:45 am & 7:00 pm Bible Study (Adult Ed. Rm.)  8:30 pm AA	17	7:30 pm Praise Band 	18	12:30 pm AA  7:00 pm Church Council Meeting	19	7:30 pm Chancel Choir	20	7:30 am Men's Fellowship  11:30 am Funhunters  7:00 pm Girl Scouts  8:30 pm AA	21	9:00 am Project Morning
22	<b>Bible Sunday</b> 9:00 am Praise Service 9:00 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Traditional Worship Service 10:00 am Sunday School 11:15 am Hand Bell Choir 6:30 pm Senior High	23	10:45 am & 7:00 pm Bible Study (Adult Ed. Rm.)  8:30 pm AA	24	7:30 pm Praise Band 	25	12:30 pm AA	26	<i>Office Closed</i> 	27	<i>Office Closed</i>  <u>NO</u> Men's Fellowship  8:30 pm AA	28	
29	9:00 am Praise Service 9:00 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Traditional Worship Service 10:00 am Sunday School 11:15 am Hand Bell Choir <b>NO</b> Senior High	30	<i>Beth is using a vacation day today.</i>  10:45 am & 7:00 pm Bible Study (Adult Ed. Rm.)  8:30 pm AA		 <b>Advent</b> First Sunday in Advent: November 29								

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# Mulligans for Missions

## 2015

After getting rained out of the golf tournament on Saturday, October 3, we had a great day on the 10<sup>th</sup>. Twenty golfers had a light lunch and then teed off at 1:00 P.M. The usual winners repeated:

Low Gross: Jerry Cooper, Mike Cooper, Lloyd Schubert, Tom Calvert

Low Net: Ken Strubler, Neil Davis, Steve Kopf, Gil Scherholz

When all the numbers are in, we will be able to deposit about \$4200 towards Hunt's Mission Programs.

Many thanks to all: All those who bought tee sponsorships, a generous contribution from Carroll's-Gill's Endowment Fund and to Howard Lin, our photographer.

See you next year on October 1, 2016.

*-- Emory Brown --*





## SPONSOR-A-TURKEY

Sponsor one yourself or get together with a friend and sponsor one together!

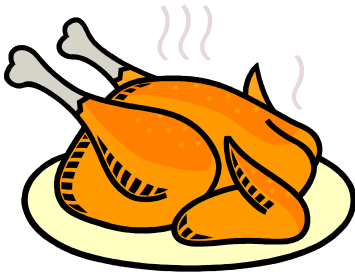
It's easy - a sponsor is \$50.

Drop off a check and write "Turkey Sponsor" in the memo line.

Checks can be placed in the offering or sent in to the church office.  
(Hunt's Memorial UMC; 1912 Old Court Road; Towson, MD 21204)

## TURKEY DINNER

On Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, our church will be filled with the smells of delicious food, and the sounds of fellowship. Our Annual Turkey Dinner is a wonderful event for our church and community, and it continues to be so with the help of volunteers, generous donations of baked goods, and sponsors of turkeys!



If you haven't signed up to volunteer, please take a few minutes to look at the sign-up sheet and see where you can help out. There are many different ways to help and I'm sure there is one that will be a good fit for you!

We would love to have all of our spots filled by Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup>. We appreciate everything that everyone contributes each year in helping us continue this wonderful Hunt's tradition. If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call. Thank you! *Kelly* (443-326-5668)



## BAKE TABLE

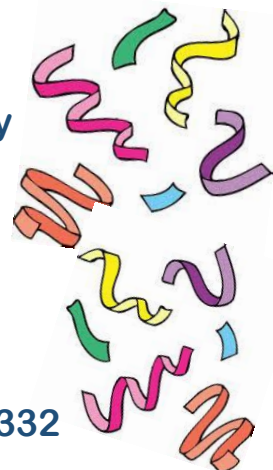


**Needed:** Homemade pies, cakes, cookies, breads, muffins, & candy

**When:** Bring to church by 1 p.m. on turkey dinner day.  
*The bake table room is next to the nursery.*

**Sign-up:** On bulletin board next to the kitchenette

**Questions:** Trish Funderburk 410-821-7437 or Ellie Lott 410-494-0332



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# ***TURKEY DINNER***

**HUNT'S MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

***1912 Old Court Road***

***Towson, Maryland 21204***

***410-339-7770***

***SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2015***

***4:00 TO 7:00 PM***

***ADULTS -- \$14.00 each***

***CHILDREN (AGES 4-12) -- \$7.00 each***

**MENU: Turkey, Gravy, Homemade Dressing, Cranberry Sauce,  
Homemade Mashed Potatoes, String Beans, Sauerkraut,  
Homemade Cole Slaw, Homemade Applesauce  
Homemade Apple Crunch for Dessert**

**Beverages: Coffee, Iced Tea, Lemonade, Milk**

***BAKE TABLE WITH HOMEMADE GOODIES***

***TAKE-OUT AVAILABLE: 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.***

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# Hunt's Church Preschool

We are having a great Fall here at Hunt's Church Preschool. We have started our registration for the next school year. If you have any friends or family who are interested in the preschool, please invite them to visit our website at [HuntsChurchPreschool.com](http://HuntsChurchPreschool.com). They may also call for a tour or visit us at our Open House. Last month, we had the Brooklandville Fire Department visit for fire safety month. The children loved seeing the firemen dressed in full gear and had fun exploring the fire trucks. We are getting ready to celebrate Thanksgiving this month. Pastor Gary will be joining us for our "Friendship Feast". Hope you all are having a wonderful fall. It has been nice seeing and talking to so many of you!

*Kelley Unger*  
HCPS Director



**Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>**

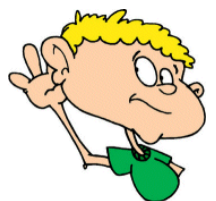
**9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**

**410-296-3500**

**1912 Old Court Road; Towson, MD 21204**



*Hunt's Church Preschool has a commercial on 106.5 FM  
through November 2<sup>nd</sup>!*



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## Church Project Mornings

Many thanks go out to the group who came on Saturday, October 24. While the group was small, we managed to cross off several things from our list: cleaning the resource room, cleaning Agape gutters, planting bulbs, picking up sticks, trimming branches, going to the dump, and removing the window A/C units from Agape House. Right on schedule, we shared in fellowship over hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, and brownies to conclude our day. During lunch, we talked about the recent Charge Conference when the District Superintendent challenged us to do some new things. Part of the discussion centered around thoughts for the church and part was about our Project Mornings perhaps not fitting into parishioners' schedules. **One idea we had was to compile a list of tasks, post it on our website, and ask that anyone who can help do so on their own schedule. I will have an update on that idea next month. Just in case, our next Project**



**Morning will be November 21 at 9:00 a.m.** I suspect the days of grilling hot dogs and hamburgers will be over for a while, but we will have something warm to feast on after a morning of giving. We hope to see you there.

*Ken Parrish*

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## Ushers:

November 1 Jerry Cooper and Dave Young  
November 8 Jerry Cooper and Dave Young  
November 15 Jerry Cooper and Melissa Regan  
November 22 Jerry Cooper and Dave Young  
November 29 Glenn Keatts and Linda Keatts

## Lay Readers:

November 1 – Praise Service: Pam Schlott  
Traditional Service: Leigh Leonard  
November 8 – Praise Service: Jim Foster  
Traditional Service: Lloyd Schubert  
November 15 – Praise Service: Alan MacEwen  
Traditional Service: Rich Goodale  
November 22 – Praise Service: Bill Leonard  
Traditional Service: Matthew Bayne  
November 29 – Praise Service: Kathy Davis  
Traditional Service: Kathy Lang

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## Update: CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Don't forget to update your records with our new mailing address.  
We are officially 1912 Old Court Road, Towson, MD 21204.

The Post Office has not been timely in forwarding our mail,  
so please pardon any tardiness for mail sent to the PO Box.

*Ken Parrish*





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## Kitchen Help

We are always looking for more Certified Food Service Manager - Level II parishioners. Anyone interested in helping in the kitchen or helping keep the kitchen open, please register for this class. The class is one day, and the certification is now good for 3 years. The next class offered by the county is Wednesday November 18 (Hunt Valley). If you were previously certified and need recertification, the next recertification class is on Wednesday December 2 (Rosedale) or you can also attend a new certification class. Having Level 2 Certified Food Service Managers is a requirement checked during our kitchen inspection by the Health Department enabling us to host public events involving food (like our annual Turkey Dinner). Many churches use dinners and public food sales as fund raisers, and sadly some have closed their kitchens for public events. Please click on Members on our website and download the registration form or a copy of the certification handbook used in the class. There is also a link to the county's website for more information.



*Ken Parrish*

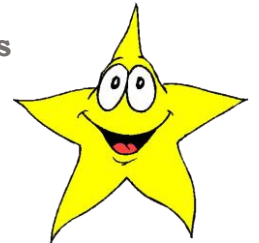
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# "ALL SAINTS DAY"

**Sunday, November 8**

Please submit the names of family members and friends who have gone Home to be with our Lord since November 2, 2014 ("All Saints Sunday").

Email: [Beth@HuntsUMC.org](mailto:Beth@HuntsUMC.org)  
Deadline: Wednesday, November 4, 2015



## Let's Get Excited !

**"VISITOR" Sundays**

**November 15<sup>th</sup>**  
December 13<sup>th</sup>

**Invite one (or more) friends and/or neighbors to attend Sunday School and/or the worship service with you!**

For additional information concerning the special activities that are being planned for these days, please contact Lloyd Schubert at 410-666-5185 or [lloyd\\_schubert@hotmail.com](mailto:lloyd_schubert@hotmail.com).

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## Funhunters Luncheon

**Friday, November 20**

11:30 a.m.



The Peppermill Restaurant  
1301 York Road --- Lutherville, MD 21093

If you are planning to attend this luncheon,  
please contact Lynn Henss at 443-600-2325.



(Lynn will “call ahead” so that our entire group will be able to sit together.)

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### HUNT'S MISSIONS

#### October Report – THANK YOU to the congregation for your support and donations as follows:

1 – \$399 for our missionaries (Special Offering in October)

2 – 454 box tops (worth \$45.40) and 182 Labels for Education.

Thank you to Mary Ellen and Steve Lippy for delivering these to the Board of Child Care.

3 – 16 casseroles for our Casserole Ministry in October

4 - Mulligans for Missions raised over \$2000 for Missions! Thank you to Emory Brown who coordinated this event and to all who played or sponsored holes. In addition, the Carroll's Gill's Endowment Fund donated another \$2000 in honor of those who took part as a sponsor or participant!

#### Missions Focus for NOVEMBER – Food to the hungry in our community

The November Special Offering is for the Assistance Center of Towson Churches (ACTC).

Also, November is the month we, and dozens of churches in our community, donate bags of Thanksgiving food for ACTC clients. Please bring in your bags filled with food by Sunday, Nov. 15. These will be delivered to ACTC for distribution to the needy in our community.

There are two options:

- 1) **Purchase one or more pre-packed Thanksgiving bags** from grocery stores in the area for a reasonable price. There are four grocery stores (listed below) participating in the ACTC Thanksgiving Food Drive which makes it very easy to participate! These pre-packed bags will be available starting on Nov. 1 and can be picked up at the Customer Service counter for \$23 (\$23.50 at ShopRite). If you are picking up more than a few bags, please call in advance.

Mars Supermarket, Timonium (at the intersection of York and Ridgely Roads, 410-252-3311)

ShopRite, Timonium (37 Aylesbury Rd., 410-308-8700)

Giant Supermarket, Timonium (across from the fairgrounds, 410-308-3868)

Giant Supermarket, Anneslie/Towson (across from the Drumcastle Center, 410-377-2673)

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- 2) **Write a check** and someone else will do the shopping! Write the check for the amount of one or more complete Thanksgiving bags, and put it in the offering plate by Sunday, Nov. 15. Make your check out to Hunt's with "ACTC" on the memo line. One complete bag costs \$23, two cost \$46, etc.

You can bring your bag of Thanksgiving food any Sunday starting Nov. 1 and put them in the coat closet.

You can also bring them during the Turkey Dinner. The deadline is Sunday, Nov. 15.

### Missions News

**Manna House** – Five Hunt's volunteers served 158 meals to the homeless at Manna House in Baltimore on Saturday morning, Oct. 17. Thanks to Howard Lin for taking photographs. Pictures are posted on the Hunt's website!

**Food for Thought** – The Missions Committee is discussing a possible new Hunt's mission. After you read the following, let Melissa know if you might be interested. (Interest equals a willingness to learn more and think about taking on some responsibility, not an automatic "Yes" to coordinate.)

Last year, ACTC became involved in a program called "Food for Thought" which helps students who have food insecurity on the weekend and consists of packing food items for these students to take home in a backpack.

**On Saturday, Nov. 7, from 10:30 to 12:30, there will be a "Brunch and Learn" at the Church of the Holy Comforter in Lutherville led by Monica Butta, who has successfully launched this program at her church. Monica will provide information on the cost of the program and how to organize it. Hunt's could adopt any number of students – even just one student - that we had a leader, funds, and volunteers for. If approved by the Missions Committee in their meeting on Oct. 28, money to run this program at Hunt's would come from Missions funding. Interested? Let Melissa know. Thanks.**

### School Supply Update



School supplies donated in September were given to the Baltimore City Association of School Psychologists (see [www.bcasp.net](http://www.bcasp.net)), an organization of about 100 psychologists working with youth throughout Baltimore, for distribution to meet specific needs, AND to Frederick Douglass High School. The kids really need these supplies!

Here is a list of the items donated by the congregation:

- > 55 spiral notebooks, four composition notebooks
- > Six packs of graph paper, 299 sheets construction paper, 17 packs notebook paper, 26 folders and report covers
- > 386 lead pencils, 30 mechanical pencils, 10 packs colored pencils, 267 pens, nine packs crayons, 4 highlighters, 12 pencil sharpeners
- > Three calculators, one stapler, three backpacks, two binders
- > 57 glue sticks, four rulers, two packs of paper clips

**Thank you for supporting this effort and thanks to Jim Foster for making the deliveries!**

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## **BOARD OF CHILD CARE**

On October 3, Mary Ellen and I attended the Suburban District meeting of the Auxiliary of the Board of Child Care (BCC) at BCC's Randallstown campus, which is one of the many services of BCC whose mission as an outreach ministry of the UMC is to serve children and families who require physical, emotional, behavioral and social support.

The Auxiliary is an organization of volunteers who provide special activities for the children served by BCC. One of their projects is the collection of Box Tops and Labels for Education, which are then redeemed for cash to assist the BCC.

The Auxiliary is always collecting something and in the need of volunteers. Many of their projects are similar to what we do for other causes so we do not actively promote them, except we do make a big push to collect cookies and snacks in February of each year, a special offering once per year, as well as the collection of Box Tops and Labels.

Notwithstanding, if you are looking for a worthwhile “short-term” project, here are some in the near future: donating specific food items for Thanksgiving baskets (due Nov 3), assembling the baskets on Nov 12, donating for their Christmas store where the children can purchase gifts for their families (due by Nov 25), set-up of the store on Nov 30 and Dec 1; staffing the store on Dec 2-3.

For more information and details on the BCC or Auxiliary, check the missions bulletin board, see Mary Ellen or me, or visit their website ([www.boardofchildcare.org](http://www.boardofchildcare.org)). At their website, there is a link “How to Help,” plus you can sign up to receive the Auxiliary's electronic newsletter “Keywords.”

*Steve Lippy*

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## **CAPITAL PROJECTS**

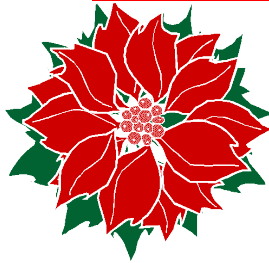
As we turn our attention to the steeple and other repairs around the place, we are bound by the funds available. As I mentioned last month, the operating budget provides for routine repairs and maintenance but not long term projects or major improvements. The Trustees currently manage three funds outside the operating budget: a steeple fund, started a year ago for steeple repairs, a roof fund, started a couple of years ago with the anticipation of a very expensive roof replacement within the next 10 years, and a general capital/building improvements fund for all other projects. Our attention is currently on the steeple, and we are continuing the process of better defining its scope of work to enable a direct comparison of each proposal. We expect this part of the process to be completed during the winter and hope the actual work will be started in the spring. One of our hardest decisions is less expensive repairs with a short life expectancy or more expensive repairs (probably needing a capital campaign) with a much longer life expectancy. We chose the latter when we replaced the soffit, fascia, and gutters around the church last year. I would like to hear your opinions and answer any questions you may have regarding the steeple condition and repair options.



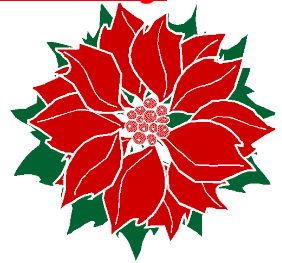
*Ken Parrish*

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**Red "Rose" Type Poinsettias for the Sanctuary  
on Christmas Eve**



(Deadline for orders is Tuesday, December 1)



Number of Plants (red only) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

In thanksgiving for \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_



In lieu of a Poinsettia plant, please make my contribution to the Mission Fund: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_  
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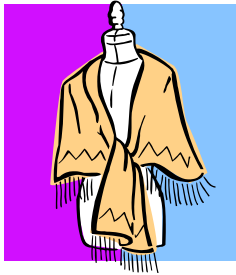
In memory of \_\_\_\_\_  
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In thanksgiving for \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_

**Place the completed form in the offering plate or mail to the church office.**  
**(1912 Old Court Road – Towson, MD 21204)**

***Poinsettias can be taken home after the last service on Christmas Eve.***



# Prayer Shawl Ministry

The next “Prayer Shawl Ministry” meeting will take place on Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, in the Adult Education Room.

If you would like to become a part of this amazing group, **please come!**

If you do not know how to crochet or knit, but you would like to learn, **please come!**  
*There are many willing and patient ladies who would love to teach you.*

From November 2009 to the present, **340 prayer shawls** have been given away. They have gone on to become blessings for their recipients (as well as for family and friends who witness the joy and comfort that their loved ones experience).

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## History Trivia

**A recent search led me to a set of blueprints (yes, they are actually blue) from 1933-35 for renovation following a major fire. Today’s Bicentennial Room or Parlor was used for a completely different purpose back then. What was it?**

*Ken Parrish*

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