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THE CHIMES

An Open and Affirming Congregation
Connecting Faith to Community



May this New Year bring us all the hope, peace, joy and love of God!
May this year bring us new inspiration and vision for our achievements and a year fully loaded with the beauty of worship and fellowship together. And may the coming year be full of blessings for you and your family.

WORSHIP IN JANUARY 'Becoming the People of God"

We begin the new calendar year in the season of Epiphany, a time when we focus on the revelation that Jesus is fully God and fully human, God Incarnate among us. Notice that we do not say "become" or "became" or "will become." Rather, we are on a constant journey of becoming as we travel a path that we share with faithful followers in the Old and New Testaments, guided by the divine Light who forms us individually and communally into the people of God.

Sunday, Jan. 7 – Baptism Sunday "Water and the World"
Psalm 29; Mark 1:4-11

Sunday, Jan. 14
"Your Servant is Listening"
Psalm 138; John 1:43-51

Sunday, Jan. 21"A Second Time"
Psalm 62:5-12, Mark 1:14-20

Sunday, Jan. 28
"Among Your Own People"
Psalm 111, Mark 1:21-28

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SERVICE

Sponsored by the Christian Church Capital Region Sunday, January 14, 2024 - 3:00 p.m.

GUEST SPEAKER: Rev. Joan Bell-Haynes, Executive Regional Minister for the Central Rocky Mountain Region, Christian Church (Disciples of Christ); Shepherd Park Christian Church, 7900 Eastern Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20012 (Parking in the church lot is limited. There is some

street parking and a Public parking garage nearby)

January Board Meeting &

Leadership

Retreat

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27

10am - Board meeting12pm - Lunch followed byLeadership Retreat (Board, Elders, PEF & Church Trustees)

PLEASE RSVP

(https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0D4EA4A622A7FE3-46991184-january) so that we can get an accurate head count for lunch.

BETHANY BEACH EARLY SPRING RETREAT, FRIDAY, MARCH 15-MONDAY, MARCH 18



COMPLETE YOUR REGISTRATION FORM here or you can go to our website at this link:

2024 Bethany Beach registration

\$100 DEPOSIT DUE to reserve your spot. If you have problems accessing the form, please email Rev. Tatham (nc4pastor@gmail.com) and she will make sure you get one.



A Heart-felt thank you from your NC4 staff for the many lovely Christmas gifts!

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January 1 Teresa Arredondo
January 10 Richard Sherman
Yvonne McGee
January 16 Anne-Marie Crawford
Alexandra Dolak-Metivier

TJ O'Toole

January 18
January 20
January 21
January 22
Dorothy Brown
David Brock
Caroline Eyabi
Linda Petrovich



January 17

to **Deirdre Harris-George** and family in the death of her daughter, Jazmin Jefferson, on December 23, 2023, after suffering a medical emergency



on November 30, while on duty as a life-guard, at the Roosevelt Aquatic Center. Funeral services are pending.

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JANUARY						
SUNDAY	Monday	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
RECURRING EVENTS LEGEND: CR-Community Room; HH-Harlow Hall; SANCT=Sanctuary; WL=Weir Lounge; MC=Memorial Chapel CHURCH EVENTS IN BOLD						
	1 Office Closed NEW YEAR"S 8A: MoW Office Open 8:15 P - AA (HH)	2 8A: MoW Office Open 10A: - Zoom Prayer Group 7:30P - AA (HH)	3 8A: MoW Office Open 6:30P - Gerrymanders (HH) 7:30P - Gateway AA (CR)	4 8A: MoW Office Open 5P: Jazz Academy	5 Office Closed 8A: MoW Office Open 6:30P NC4 Staff Party (off site)	6 9:30A-1P: SHN (CR)
7 11A - Hybrid Worship (Sanc.) 12P - Coffee Fellowship 4P: GS Troop 34013 (CR)	8 Office Closed (Rev. Tatham's Day Off) 8A: MoW Office Open 8:15 P - AA (HH)	9 8A: MoW Office Open 10A: - Zoom Prayer Group 7:30P - AA (HH)	10 8A: MoW Office Open 8:30A - Needlechasers 6:30P: Gerrymanders (HH) 7:30P - Gateway AA	11 8A: MoW Office Open 5P: Jazz Academy	12 Office Closed 8A: MoW Office Open	13
14 11A - Hybrid Worship (Sanc.) 12P - Coffee Fellowship 1P - Rwandan Worship (Sanc) 1P Viola da Gamba (Blue Room) 3P MLK Service (off site)	15 Office Closed Martin Luther King, Jr Day 8A: MoW Office Open 8:15 P - AA (HH)	16 8A: MoW Office Open 10A: - Zoom Prayer Group 7P: Village of NCC Bd. (CR) 7:30P - AA (HH)	17 8A: MoW Office Open 6:30P - Gerrymanders (HH) 7:30P - Gateway AA (CR)	18 8A: MoW Office Open 5P: Jazz Academy	19 Office Closed 8A: MoW Office Open All Day: NCOS Event (HH)	20 All Day: NCOS Event (HH and CR)
21 11A - Hybrid Worship (Sanc.) 12P - Coffee Fellowship 1P - Rwandan Worship (Sanc) 3P - Down Syndrome Network (CR)	22 Office Closed (Rev. Tatham's Day Off) 8A: MoW Office Open 6P – NCOS (CR) 8:15 P - AA (HH)	23 8A: MoW Office Open 10A: - Zoom Prayer Group 7:30P - AA (HH)	24 8A: MoW Office Open 8:30A - Needlechasers 6:30P - Gerrymanders (HH) 7:30P - Gateway AA	25 8A: MoW Office Open 5pm – CSA delivery 5P: Jazz Academy	26 Office Closed 8A: MoW Office Open	27 10A: NC4 Bd. mtg. & Leadership Retreat HH
28 11A - Hybrid Worship (Sanc.) 12P - Coffee Fellowship 1P - Rwandan Worship (Sanc)	29 Office Closed (Rev. Tatham's Day Off) 8A: MoW Office Open 8:15 P - AA (HH)	30 8A: MoW Office Open 10A: - Zoom Prayer Group 7:30P - AA (HH)	31 8A: MoW Office Open 6:30P - Gerrymanders (HH) 7:30P - Gateway AA (CR)			

OPENING AND AFFIRMING STATEMENT

North Chevy Chase Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), committed to connecting our faith to community, and believing that "Love does no wrong to neighbor" (Romans 10), declare ourselves a spiritual sanctuary from the fear, rejection, hate and violence of a world that judges and condemns people for being who God has created them to be.

We proclaim God's inclusive welcome to the Communion Table and welcome into full membership, participation, and leadership persons of every color and ethnicity, language.

culture, nationality, age, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity and expression, physical and mental ability, economic status, familial status, and spiritual background. We also recognize that people find God in many ways, and we seek to support and affirm them in their spiritual journeys. We ask only that each person be accorded the honor, respect, and dignity due a beloved child of God.

Following the example of God's beloved son, Jesus, hereby declare ourselves to be an Open and Affirming church.

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