

St. John's, Bem
United Church
Of Christ

The Scoop!

January, 2012

"...no matter who you
are or where you are
on life's journey,
you are welcome here
in the United Church
of Christ..."

From the Pastor's Keyboard...

"Birds on the Christmas Tree"

My aunt, who lives in Connecticut, sends us a package every Christmas. You never know what she will send- sometimes it is fruit or cookies from a mail-order source; sometimes it is hand-crafted pieces; other times it is artwork that holds some significant meaning. One year she sent, among other pieces, a bird.

This bird was an ornament- and the enclosed note explained that my grandmother, who was born in Germany, always had a "bird" on the Christmas Tree, what she claimed was an old German tradition. My father had died earlier that year and I never knew my paternal grandmother; so this ornament held special significance.

Her explanation was that a bird ornament on a Christmas Tree symbolized new beginnings. Even in the midst of winter, the bird ornament symbolized the new beginning that was just around the corner- springtime, newness and life.

The twelve days of Christmas, which include New Year's eve/day, are a good time to contemplate New Beginnings. During these twelve days of Christmas and through the Epiphany Season, there are many New Beginnings afoot. From the praise of the magi, Jesus' dedication in the Temple and the praise offered by Simeon and Anna, through his Adult Baptism at the River Jordan by the prophet John, New Beginnings are all around. We will even look this month at three different Creation stories in Genesis, and see how they, alongside Jesus' many New Beginnings, inform us of God's Creative and Redemptive ways.

The liturgical readings in January are all about New Beginnings. How is God doing a new thing in your life? What needs to be renewed, recreated, redeemed? To what New Beginnings can you open yourself?

This time of year, many people like to make "Resolutions." Often those resolutions fail because they are not really a new thing- just an old thing done in a different way. This year, don't just make an empty "resolution;" instead, take on a New Thing, and realize that God is enabling "New Beginnings" in your life every day.

-Pastor Rick

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WHAT DOES OUR CHURCH'S WIDER MISSION SUPPORT?

In the National Setting of the United Church of Christ there are four Covenanted Ministry partners who share gifts to *Our Church's Wider Mission* to do the work of our church.

The Office of General Ministries houses the President and General Minister, who serves in many ways. One strategic role of the President is convening leaders in conversations, discernment and work on what it means to be a faithful, vital and healthy church. These conversations take place in many and various settings of the church including Conference Boards, Local Churches, Seminaries and Mission Planning teams. The aim is to collaboratively develop new forms of cross-setting resourcing, engagement and sharing.

Another key ministry housed in the Office of General Ministries is our Publishing, Identity and Communications Office. One responsibility they have is establishing and maintaining a web and social media presence. The Church website, www.ucc.org has had 2,750,000 visitors since May of last year! Those visitors have viewed 7,477,000 UCC web pages! The largest numbers of visitors are those looking for a church and those using worship resources. This office also holds responsibility for communications, including social media outlets; the weekly UCC newsletter "Keeping You e-Posted" (56,000 subscribers weekly); and the Still Speaking Daily Devotional (30,000 subscribers receive this daily).

Local Church Ministries houses the Congregational Vitality and Discipleship Team among other ministries. This team has initiated a training program for UCC pastors around having "a compelling vision, effective communications strategy, data management, community development, external mission and transformative worship." This training program has partnered with two UCC seminaries, offering accredited courses and providing "technical training" while the seminaries provide theological grounding. These course offerings are in response to the complex and ever-changing landscape of what it means to be church today.

Wider Church Ministries is most widely known for the mission outreach work of the United Church of Christ because of our Disaster Ministries program. This arm of the church serves congregations and other settings of the church who strive to be inclusive of God's love to all who are in need. In partnership with the Disciples of Christ, we join in action and concern for all who are poor and oppressed. This arm of the church functions in missionary work by maintaining and utilizing over 70 partnerships with other relief organizations around the world, empowering and equipping 90 deployed volunteer staff around the world, maintaining 88 mission trip host sites around the world, and sharing resources with all those in need. They also resource with 164 United Church of Christ mission groups totaling over 5500 members.

Justice and Witness Ministries works toward God's vision of a more just, peaceful, compassionate world that honors all of God's creation. Through this arm of the church, several programs have developed including "Justice LED" (Leaders Engaging and Developing); "Justice and Peace Action Network" and others. Through these efforts, Justice and Witness Ministries continues God's work of caring for the hungry, thirsty, weak and oppressed.

Through *The Mission Fund* at Bem Church, we support *Our Church's Wider Mission* and the many ways it empowers us- the church- to be the church that God calls us to be. In 2012, please support this Fund generously with your gifts; knowing that through *The Bem Church Mission Fund* and *Our Church's Wider Mission*, you are loving God back- by loving God's Children.

SCRIPTURES FOR JANUARY, 2012

These are the scripture readings and topics we will be exploring in worship during the month of January. Read ahead! It is always beneficial if you read these before Sunday morning; you will get much more out of worship that way!

January 1- New Year's Day

"A Blessed Beginning"

Psalter Lesson: Psalm 148
Gospel Lesson: Luke 2:22-40

January 15- The Baptism of Christ

"A Focused Beginning"

Hebrew Scripture: Genesis 1:1-5
Gospel Lesson: Mark 1:4-11

January 8- Epiphany

"A Faithful Beginning"

Hebrew Scripture: Isaiah 60:1-6
Gospel Lesson: Matthew 2:1-12

January 22- Annual Meeting Sunday

"Making U-Turns"

Hebrew Scripture: Jonah 3:1-4:1
Gospel Lesson: Mark 1:14-20

Annual Congregational Meeting:

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be
Sunday, January 22, right after worship.
Budget forums: after worship on 1/8 and 1/15

January 29- Epiphany Continues

"A Dedicated Beginning"

Hebrew Scriptures: Genesis 8:15-9:3
Gospel Lesson: Mark 1:21-28

PRE-CONFIRMATION BIBLE WORKSHOP

An event designed for seventh graders who may choose to enter Confirmation next year- but open to anyone who wishes to attend!

Bible Workshop will be a fun four-day workshop held over four Wednesday evenings in January and February with the intention of strengthening the faith of those who wish to attend through the lessons and stories of our traditions! This workshop is designed for seventh graders who may choose to enter Confirmation next year; but it is open to anyone, youth or adult, who wishes to attend! (Friends are invited to attend as well; please register if you are attending!)

The dates will be January 11 & 18 and February 1 & 8 from 6:30-7:30 each evening. We will meet in the educational wing at church (new addition) and study the books of the Old and New Testament. Games, songs and mnemonic devices will be employed to help students not only memorize the books of the Bible, but actually learn something about them as well. As we study the Bible, we will be investigating how it informs us of God's nature, and relationship with us.

Please register- forms are available in the church office, or ask Pastor Rick. All participants will receive a Study Bible with helps and information throughout to aid in faith development; we are asking folks to register so we know how many to purchase. If you are able, please also include a \$15 donation to help offset the cost of the Study Bible. Questions? Ask Pastor Rick.

CHECK OUT THE NEW BEM CHURCH WEBSITE!

Thank you to Lindsey Mercer, who has constructed and is maintaining a new Bem Church website! The newly remodeled website can be accessed at the same address as before: www.bemchurch.com. Check it out! Pictures, information about the church, and past issues of The Scoop are posted there, among other things. And- Don't forget to thank Lindsey Mercer!
Thank you also to Mary Ota, who maintained the website for many years prior to Lindsey!

THE AGAPE CLINIC- BEM CHURCH MISSION OF THE MONTH!

The Agape Clinic is a new mission of the month for Bem Church; and one the Mission Committee is very excited about. This clinic is operates out of Belle, MO; and is a haven to all who are uninsured and underinsured. Below is a bit of information about the Agape Clinic, taken from a Grape Country Cluster Mission article from last summer:

Did you know there is a free health clinic in Belle, Missouri? The clinic is at 103 North Alvarado in Belle, MO and can be reached by phone at 573.859.3202. The Agape Clinic is one of the mission agencies supported by the Grape Country Cluster of United Church of Christ Congregations, as well as St. Paul United Church of Christ in Cooper Hill, and others.

Margie Lange, RN, FNP is present every Thursday from 11:00am-5:00pm, ready to provide health care to all who are in need. She focuses her practice on preventative care and health screenings. She can also provide prescriptions to those in need. (No medications are kept on the premises) Margie sees as many as 20 patients each day. When her clinic opened in 2008, she saw 186 patients; in 2009 she saw 416; 2010 was even higher. The need increases each year; and we are thrilled to be able to help her with her endeavors.

Margie requests a \$10 donation from clients, but that is a donation, not a requirement. The clinic bills are offset by donations and sponsors. The Agape Clinic is governed by a Board of Directors, who enable this ministry as they can.

The Agape Clinic is a wonderful example of how we can change the world when we accept the responsibility of being God's hands and feet in action. Margie Lange will be here to speak with us during worship on January 15; don't miss out on her compelling witness! We encourage you to give generously to Agape Clinic, our Mission of the Month! (*Bem Church friend Gene Ridder is on the Agape Board of Directors!*)

UPCOMING YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Bem Church Youth- we have had a great time at our youth activities so far this year; and many other awesome things are in the works! Youth are showing up in great numbers for all of our activities, and that makes for a fun time. The youth are bonding well, and participating in both service activities and group building initiatives; growing as friends.

The next big youth event will be our Midnight Madness Activity at Church! On January 13, we will gather at church at 6:00pm for pizza, games, activities and fun! More information will be coming home about what all this will entail. We will wrap up our evening at Midnight. Come be a part of this fun evening event! The schedule for 2012 is below:

January 13- 6:00pm-midnight	Midnight Madness Activity at Church
February 12- after church	Assemble & Deliver Love Boxes
March 9- after school	Bowling and Dinner in Owensville
March 18- after church	Service Activity
March 9-April 8	Take orders for Bem Church T-Shirt sales
April 8- morning	Easter Egg Hunt at Church
April 22- after church	Go to lunch and a movie
May 5- 9:00am-noon	Participate in church work day
June 20-24 (Wed-Sun)	Mission Trip to Chicago, Kansas City or Joplin

HEIFER PROJECT MISSION

Pairs and Spares is once again supporting Heifer Project in their mission to “pay it forward” to overseas farmers in need of aid. This is the Pairs and Spares Annual Christmas Mission. Members will all be donating; but you can donate, too! Just put your check in the offering plate marked “Heifer Project” to support this mission. Donations for this project will be collected through the end of January. Join the Pairs and Spares for their monthly meeting and meals January 8 & February 5!

STEWARDSHIP ON-LINE!

Tend to forget your checkbook or envelopes on Sunday mornings? Hate worrying about writing a check during the sermon or anthem? Tired of worrying about “making up” your financial stewardship when you are not in attendance? Look into e-giving! E-giving is now possible at St. John’s, Bem.

For more information, visit:
www.egive-usa.com; or check with Pastor Rick or the church office.

AGAPE CLINIC

BY THE NUMBERS

Agape is a free medical clinic in Belle, Missouri operated by Margie Lange, RN and governed by a Board of Directors. This clinic is our Bem Church Mission of the Month.

- 2008- Agape Clinic opened
- 186- Clients seen in 2008
- 416- Clients seen in 2009
- 570- Clients seen in 2010
- 311- Clients in first six months 2011
- 20- Patents seen daily
- 1- Days/week the clinic is open (Thursdays 11:00am-5:00pm)
- 361- Clinical Hours in 2009
- 110- Administrative Hours in 2009
- 339- Volunteer Hours in 2009
- \$8890- Annual Budget (roughly)

RECYCLE OWENSVILLE

Bring your recycling items to the Owensville City Hall Parking Lot from 9:00am-2:00pm the 3rd Saturday of each month! Rain or shine, the collection trucks will be there!

- Steel cans (rinsed)
- All plastics (except #6)
- Glass (clear, brown & green)
- Aluminum Cans
- Flattened cardboard
- Magazines, soft cover books, office paper, colored paper & newspaper
- Hard cover books
- No caps, lids or plastic bags, please!

2012 Recycling Dates are:

January 21; February 18; March 17;
April 21; May 19; June 16; July 21;
August 18; September 15; October 20;
November 17; December 15

This is open to everyone, not just Owensville City Residents!

BEM CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

The Bem Church Office is closed on Fridays. Carole is available (usually) Monday through Thursday 9:00am-2:00pm. ***Please leave a message if the machine picks up- often we are here, just away from the phone!***

JANUARY SERVICE SCHEDULE *Flowers: Fran Huebner*

Nursery Workers:	Greeters:	Lay Reader:	Acolytes:
1/1: Kim Oberle & Jodi Layman	The Nancy Carl Family	Nancy Carl	Allison Czeschin & Morgan Aytes
1/9: Nancy Kohrmann & Tammi Branson	The Willis Howard Family	Nancy Jenkins	Allison Czeschin & Morgan Aytes
1/16: Brooke Johnson & Leann Smith	The Tom Kohrmann Family	Robin Adkison	Jessie Smith & Garrett Wood
1/23: Judene Huellinghoff & Erin West	The Kevin Huebner Family	Amy Adkison	Allison Czeschin & Morgan Aytes
1/30: Paula Copeland & Andrea Hane	The Dana Goodman Family	Esther Tayloe	Jessie Smith & Garrett Wood

BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

1/1- Jackie Mitchell; 1/2- Barb Parker; 1/4- Chris Lewis, Jack McQueen;
 1/5- Bruce Chapman, Courtney Shockley; 1/8-Andrea Stout, Brooke Wildebrandt,
 1/8- Everett Scheel, Nathan Lewis, Beth Sieckmann; Glen Mercer
 1/10- Don Brand, Teresa Ringeisen; 1/12- Dee Ruegge; 1/14- Ken Adkison; 1/17- Ashlee Shaw;
 1/19- Dorathea Koepke; 1/20- Chirley Enke, Ken Glaser, Rob Copeland;
 1/21- Drew Layman, Chris Lauth; 1/22- Chad Peanick, Andrew Carey; 1/23- Dawson Peters;
 1/24- Morgan Aytes; 1/28- Trisha Mistler; 1/29- Clara Decker; 1/31- Becca Sieckmann
 ...**Happy Birthday!**

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES THIS MONTH

1/6- Nancy & Dennis Jenkins; 1/8- Jan & Mike Yamnitz; 1/14- Allison & Bryon Baker;
 1/26- Jodie & Corey Wilson; 1/29- Debbie & John Adams, Vera & John Kreter
 ...**Happy Anniversary!**

ATTENDANCE

Date:	Date:	Date:	Date:
September 4 96	October 2 82	November 6 123	December 4 135
September 11 144	October 9 107	November 13 112	December 11 139
September 18 97	October 16 94	November 20 146	December 18 121
September 25 104	October 23 125	November 27 212	December 24 35/165
	October 30 126		
Total: 441	Total: 534	Total: 593	Sunday Total: 395
Average: 110	Average: 107	Average: 148	Sunday Average: 132
Last Year: 107	Last Year: 120	Last Year: 127	Last Year Avg: 103

Annual Congregational Meeting: January 22, right after worship!
Budget Forums will precede the Congregational meeting on January 8 & 15.
Annual Reports were due December 24!

MAKING THE BEM CHURCH CEMETERY SECURE

For a number of years, there has been discussion at St. John's, Bem about the security of our Bem Church Cemetery. The Bem Church Cemetery is an important part of our heritage and an important caring ministry of our congregation; maintaining its integrity in perpetuity is a very real concern, and an important one for us to address.

One possible avenue for making The Bem Church Cemetery more secure would be to pursue separate incorporation of the Cemetery, and registration with the State of Missouri as an Endowed Care Cemetery (Perpetual Care Registry). This avenue has been debated for a number of years, by many individuals serving on the Cemetery Committee and others. Everyone on the Cemetery Committee for the past five years who has investigated this matter has come to the conclusion that this is not a recommended avenue for this congregation to pursue.

In a report to the Bem Church Council this past October, the Cemetery Committee stated, *"It is our belief that the procedures and regulations, as well as the fees involved, would bear little benefit or consequence to the mission and ministry of Bem Church through the St. John's, Bem United Church of Christ Cemetery. After investigating these exhaustive hoops, we are left with the question, what are the benefits to registering with the State of Missouri as an "Endowed Care Cemetery?" We have not found an answer to that question in our investigation."* (Cemetery Committee Report to Council 10/2011)

However, both the Council and Cemetery Committee recognize the need for increased security regarding the governance and integrity of the Bem Church Cemetery. They stated so in their October report to the Bem Church Council:

"While we do not recommend registering with the State of Missouri as an "Endowed Care Cemetery," we do understand the need for policies and procedures for our Endowed Care funds. We believe that we can establish the security that the Bem Church community is seeking without involvement of the State of Missouri. We can do this by establishing Cemetery By-Laws; by establishing an investment policy and spending policy for our Cemetery Endowed Care Funds; and by maintaining an active cemetery committee, overseeing the investment and spending of Cemetery Funds, regulating the activities of the cemetery, and ensuring the maintenance and upkeep of the cemetery in the future by establishing proper guidelines and procedures." (Cemetery Committee Report to Council 10/2011)

To that end, the Cemetery Committee has drawn up a proposed revision to the Bem Church Constitution that they believe will address the concerns the congregation has about the security and integrity of the Bem Church Cemetery, while still maintaining the Cemetery as a caring ministry of Bem Church, not a separate entity. This proposed revision to the Bem Church Constitution was approved at the December Bem Church Council meeting, and will be included in the Annual Congregational Meeting packet, for approval by the congregation.

It is the belief of both the Cemetery Committee and the Bem Church Council that this is the best direction for both the Bem Church Cemetery and Bem Church itself. If, after reviewing the proposed changes in the Annual Meeting Packet (which will be distributed January 8) there are any questions, they may be addressed to Bem Church Council or Cemetery Committee members.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR 2011

Keith Glaser, President; Debbie Adams, Vice President; Paula Copeland, Secretary;
Pat Branson, Treasurer; Willis Howard & Lois Ruffner, Trustees;
Jim Crook, Pastor/Parish Relations Committee Representative

THE RIPPETO FUNDS- MAKING MISSION WORK IN THE WORLD

Last year, the congregation of Bem Church was blessed with a gift- an endowment from Dorothy Rippetto to help make enable us to continue to be blessings in God's world. Heeding the many Biblical mandates to give 10% of one's blessings to God's work in the world, the Bem Church Council designated 10% of this gift to be set up in a special growth fund; the capital gains of which would be distributed every year to mission work in God's world.

The Bem Church Council, earlier this year, charged the Mission Committee with the responsibility of drawing up guidelines for distribution and management of this fund. The Mission Committee has done so, and those guidelines were approved by the Bem Church Council in December. (Copies of these and all church guidelines are on file in the "Policy Manual" on the built-in wooden shelves in the church office.) In essence, the policy calls for 80% of the annual capital gains to be distributed to Mission Agencies, while 20% will be reinvested for growth. The Mission Committee will present a report to the Church Council each year for distribution of that year's Mission Work.

This fund, named "The Rippetto Estate Mission Work Fund" was established with United Church Funds this past February, and has enjoyed a growth rate of approximately 6% in the past ten months. By the end of the year, there should be about \$4000 to distribute- truly the gift that keeps on giving. Recommendations for mission distribution will be submitted to the Bem Church Council in early 2012; but currently plans are to use these funds for several of the "Missions of the Month" that we have supported in the past, while freeing up "months" in 2012 for new mission concentrations. (Such as "Agape Clinic" in January.)

The Rippetto Estate gift can be a blessing to Bem Church; but it is very important that we use it as a blessing to the world, as well. Through this fund, invested with United Church Funds, Bem Church is tithing; giving back; enabling God's work; being that blessing.

THANK YOU

(some thank-you notes may be edited)

Dear Pastor Oberle,

Thank you for helping the Children of ECH find a place to call home...a place to feel safe...a place to heal and grow...this holiday season. Your donation of items for the Christmas store, valued at \$300, will allow us to continue offering a safe haven for the youngsters who need it most. This holiday season, as people are gathering around their tree preparing for family and gift giving, young boys and girls at ECH will be thankful for the ministry you provide.

Happy Holidays!

-Michael P. Brennan, Executive Director; ECH

Thank you to Bryan and Curtis Aytes! Curtis Aytes had a vision a while back, for securing a ladder to the rear exterior of the steeple/bell tower for easier access to the bell and cross lights. Bryan helped make this vision a reality by crafting such a ladder in shop class at school. Then one day this past month, Curtis and Bryan came out here and secured the ladder to the rear of the steeple providing easier access for maintenance; and also changed all the light bulbs in our cross lights! ***Thank you to Curtis and Bryan- and to all of the "unsung heroes" who make ministry happen at Bem Church!***

What's going on in the UCC?? Check it out at: www.ucc.org

Check out Eden Seminary's website: www.eden.edu

BEM CHURCH FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

General Fund

Balance as of 11-15-11	\$5852**
Income: Offering	\$9095
Tower	\$609
Reimbursements	<u>\$1139</u>
Total Income	\$12,579
Expense: Budgeted Items	(\$11,615)
Balance as of 12-15-11	\$5080**
<i>**General Fund Balance Includes \$20,000 from Rippeto Funds- Cushion for expenses</i>	

Building Fund

Balance as of 11-15-11	\$571
Income:	\$55
Expenses:	\$304
Balance as of 12-15-11	\$322.

Cemetery Fund

Balance as of 11-15-11	\$3343
Income: Envelopes	\$45
Apple Butter	<u>\$255</u>
Total Income	\$300
Balance as of 12-15-11	\$3643

Cemetery Fund Investments

CDs Balance	\$66,333
Money Market	\$15,096
Rippeto Funds	\$35,005
Balance as of 12-15-11	\$116,434

Memorial Fund

Balance as of 11-15-11	\$5522
Income:	
Charlie Shore Memorials	\$2000
Expense:	
To Church World Services	\$2000
Confirmation Picture Display	\$618
Reimbursement	<u>\$50</u>
Total Expenses	\$2668
Balance as of 12-15-11	\$4854

Memorial Fund CD

Balance as of 12-15-11	\$1493
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Quilters

Balance as of 11-15-11	\$810
Expense: Supplies	(\$712)
Balance as of 12-15-11	\$98

Licklider VBS Savings Account

Balance as of 12-15-11	\$500
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Licklider VBS Certificate of Deposit

Balance as of 12-15-11	\$15,795
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Special Offering Fund

Balance as of 11-15-11	\$364
Income: Mission Fund	\$679
Flowers	\$97
Helping Hands	\$35
Camp Mo-Val	\$20
Heifer Project	\$30
The Christmas Fund	\$61
Lydia's House	<u>\$213</u>
Total Income:	\$1135
Disbursements:	(\$249)
Balance as of 12-15-11	\$1250

Pairs and Spares

Balance as of 11-15-11	\$1171
Expense: Mission Work	(\$107)
Balance as of 12-15-11	\$1064

Youth Fellowship Account

Balance as of 11-15-11	\$1580
Income:	\$426
Expense: Activities	(\$534)
Balance as of 12-15-11	\$1472

Mission & Social Concerns

Balance as of 12-15-11	\$1572
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Hospitality Committee

Balance as of 11-15-11	\$1777
Income:	\$400
Expense:	(\$275)
Balance as of 12-15-11	\$1902

Pastor's Housing Equity Account

Balance as of 12-15-11	\$4510
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Scholarship Funds

Balance as of 1-1-11	\$171,838
Scholarships 2011	(\$6000)
Checking Account	\$50
Edward Jones	\$2784
United Church Funds	\$167,663
Balance as of 12-15-11	\$170,497

Rippeto Estate Mission Work Fund

United Church Funds	
Balance as of 1-1-11	\$85,000
Balance as of 12-15-11	\$90,834

(For information/balances/questions on other Rippeto Estate Funds, The Cemetery Funds, Or any other financial questions, ask Carole; Or a Church Council member!)

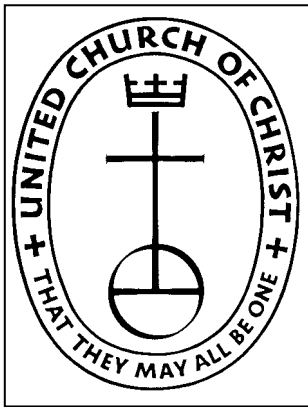
ST. JOHN'S UCC, BEM- JANUARY 2012 CALENDAR

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES- 10:00am; SUNDAY SCHOOL- 8:45am

January 1	<i>NO SUNDAY SCHOOL- worship at 10:00am (no communion)</i>	
January 4	Confirmation Class of 2012	5:00pm
January 4-7	Olan Mills Photo Shoot	
January 7	Breakfast at the Masonic Lodge	7:00am
January 8	Sunday School	8:45am
	Worship at 10:00 with pew communion	10:00am
	Budget Forum- Annual Reports Distributed	11:15am
January 11	Confirmation Class of 2012	5:00pm
	Bible Workshop	6:30pm
January 13	Helping Hands Outreach Center Mobile Market	10:00am
January 15	Budget Forum	11:15am
January 16	Church Council Meeting	6:30pm
January 18	Owensville/Rosebud Ministerial Alliance at FBC	10:30am
	Confirmation Class of 2012	5:00pm
	Bible Workshop	6:30pm
January 21	Recycle Owensville Collection Day	9:00am-2:00pm
January 22	<i>Annual Congregational Meeting after Worship</i>	<i>11:00am</i>
January 23	Helping Hands Outreach Center Annual Meeting	7:00pm
January 29-	<i>Smorgasbord after Worship</i>	<i>11:15am</i>
	<i>Quilting Every Tuesday 9:00am-2:00pm; Bring Sack Lunch!</i>	
	<i>Quilting also Wednesday evenings from 6:00-8:00pm!</i>	

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