

THE MESSENGER

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**Come to breakfast on
January 11
8:30-10:30 a.m.**

Enjoy eggs, bacon, grits, biscuits, sausage gravy, fresh fruit cup, orange juice, coffee and milk.

**Donation: Adults & Teens \$ 5.00
Children 6-12 \$ 3.00
Family Maximum \$15.00**

**Prepared by the United Methodist Men
Sponsored by Global Life Committee
to benefit Henderson Settlement**

ATTENTION WOMEN - Please mark your calendars for the following dates:

January 6, 5:45 p.m. - Executive Committee

January 6, 7:00 p.m. - Esther Circle

January 10, 9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. - District Membership/Leadership Day

January 14, 1:30 p.m. - Ruth Circle

January 15, 1:00 p.m. - Lydia Circle



As we approach the end of the year, we thank you for your wonderful support for your church's budget needs.

We have been able to pay 63% of our Conference Apportionments and hope to pay more before 2015. Please continue your generous giving.

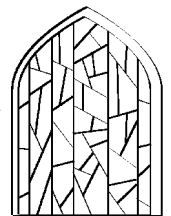


It's that time again...time to re-evaluate those things you might not need anymore and donate them to the annual Yard Sale to benefit summer camp scholarships. The sale is Saturday, February 7 and will be here before you know it. For information, contact Nancy Vaughan, 763-4021.

Thank you so much for your giving to the Angel Tree in December. The gifts went to children right here in our own community that have a parent in prison. You gave them joy in their lives and they also enjoyed our brunch where they were given their gifts.

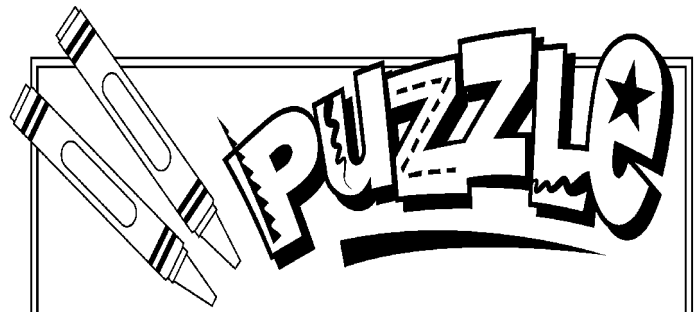
STAINED GLASS WINDOW FUND

We are truly grateful for your response to our plea for funds to restore the Ascending Christ stained glass window. As of the newsletter deadline we have received \$51,210 of our \$100,000 goal, so we are over half-way there. Thank you to each of you for your wonderful support!



FROM PARISH NURSE, DIANA SAUM, RN: Heart Disease - Men vs. Women: Signs of heart attack for men and women. Chest pain, pain in upper body (arm, back, neck), shortness of breath. More common signs in women - Nausea, lightheadedness or dizziness or fatigue.

The Global Life Committee's Giving Trees for January will be for CROS (Christians Reaching Out to Society) Ministries. Items being asked for will be canned meats, canned fruit, canned or packaged soups, canned tomato sauce, dry rice, dry or canned beans, gently used clothing, baby diapers, adult diapers and travel items like shampoo, tooth brushes, toothpaste, soap, deodorant, razors or lotion. CROS Ministries is an interfaith ministry serving Palm Beach County and the Treasure Coast. CROS is 36 years old. They are part of our Atlantic Central District and Florida Conference.



One Baptism

The "one" theme of Ephesians 4:4-6 assures us that we need to be baptized only once. Yet a relationship with God involves approaching him with a humble heart each day.

Directions: Inside the 1, fill in words using the spaces as a guide. Then unscramble the circled and boxed letters to reveal John's message about baptism in Mark 1:4.



- 2nd - Sheila Brown
- 4th - Beth Lehman, Ronda Watt, Carley Ostavitz, Keith Poole
- 5th - Jordan Bolen
- 6th - Diane Thrift

- 7th - Oscar Noland
- 8th - Arthur Eve, Taylor Rathbun
- 10th - Dawn Radebaugh
- 11th - Martha Watford
- 13th - Vivian Lee, Rosetta Gunsalus
- 16th - Alice Tyson, Jodie Jones
- 19th - Walter Taylor
- 20th - Fred Walker
- 21st - Dowling Watford, Jr., Irene Angel, Charles Snively
- 22nd - Kelsey Burnham, Ayden Wyatt, Diana Saum, Annarose Hill
- 24th - Joshua Rivera, Margaret C. Smith
- 25th - Richard Kersey
- 27th - Peregrino Ragamat, Bennett Yeilding
- 28th - Raye Marie Deusinger, Gerald Newcomer
- 29th - Millie Blesy
- 30th - Linda Bodine
- 31st - Christine Bishop, Stu Beebe

hope

Spirit

body

baptism

Lord

Father

God

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Answers: body, Spirit, hope, Lord, baptism, God, Father, repentance, forgiveness

If your birthday or anniversary is incorrect or has been omitted, please call the Church Office.