

Last week's family faith talk opportunity: **What is baptism and what's it all about?**

In the United Church of Christ there are two sacraments: communion and baptism. *“For infants and children, as well as for youth and adults who have never been baptized before, baptism marks their acceptance into the care of Christ's church, the sign and seal of God's grace and forgiveness, and the beginning of their Christian faith and life.”* (Baptism: A Practice of Faith in the United Church of Christ)



*As many of you as were baptized into Christ
have clothed yourselves with Christ.*

Galatians 3:27 NRSV

This and That

1. This Sunday, February 5th, is Communion Sunday. There will be Sunday School and Nursery Care. **Joanne Taber** will begin a three-week unit with the Youth Discussion Group, grades 7 and older. Her theme, the **Golden Rule**, will give our youth a chance to reflect on the universality of “do unto others as you would have them do unto you” and how it applies to our contemporary world. **Come be a part of this timely and lively discussion!**
2. **How can I help?** All parents, older siblings, teens and “civilians” are invited to take a turn or two helping in the Sunday School on Sunday morning. No preparation is required, just your presence. Please be in touch with me (barbara@salisburycongregational.org) to let me know when you are available.
3. **Registration is open for SILVER LAKE** Conference Center summer camp programs. If your child will be in 4th Grade or older in the autumn, pick up a brochure in the Parish Hall, speak with Pastor Diane, or go online at <http://www.ctucc.org> for more information. Our church provides scholarships for campers.

4. Thank you for helping the children remember to bring their **WEEKLY OFFERING** to Sunday School, either in the form of money or a non-perishable food item for the Corner Food Pantry.

5. We miss you when you're not here.

This week's family faith talk opportunity: **What would you do if you were RULER OF THE WORLD for one day?**

New Year Blessings,
Barbara

*As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves
with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience.
Colossians 3:12*