

The Lutheran Light

"As the Body of Christ, St. Mary's Evangelical Lutheran Church is called by the Father through the Holy Spirit to worship God and witness to others."

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The Pastor's Prism



Great (and perhaps not so great) Persons of the Bible

The first of our Lenten Focus meetings will begin on Sunday evening, March 13th at 5:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. This year's theme, "Great Persons of the Bible," will involve the use of video and brief discussion which will be preceded by a simple supper of bread and soup. (See a more detailed schedule of these Lenten Focus meetings under "Lenten Focus Meetings on page 3 of this newsletter.")

"Great Persons of the Bible" covers much of the latter part of Genesis, particularly chapters 11 through 50. The film seems to realistically portray life in the Middle East at the time of Abraham and through the time of his great-grandson, Joseph.

We will learn how God revealed Himself to Abraham and Sarah, Isaac, Rebekah, Jacob, Esau, and Joseph; but we will also learn of His actions regarding others like Lot, Melchizedek, Hagar, Ishmael, Abimelech, Laban, Dinah, and others whom we might not be so familiar but are a part of the

Genesis narrative.

As we focus on the stories, we will also attempt to discern how God shows up in people's lives today, and for what reasons. We will also want to explore why God uses certain people and not others, and what happens when God establishes a covenant relationship with them. Understanding the covenant relationship that existed between God and His people of old might help us better understand how we are involved in a covenant relationship with God through our baptism.

Furthermore, we will attempt to understand connections between those ancient characters and stories with Christ's incarnation in the world as presented from the New Testament perspective.

Yet, we will not leave the ancient people of the Bible fixed in time, but try to understand how God may continue to work with various people in our day in the diverse circumstances of life.

What sort of struggles do people have to deal with when they are called into a covenant relationship with God? What

does it mean to be faithful to Him amid the ambiguities of life? What is the connection between sacrifices as practiced in the ancient world with sacrificial living today? These are the kind of questions we hope to explore as we review the film and discuss a section of the Scriptures via the video at each meeting.

Furthermore, as has been the case in the past, questions and discussions are likely to lead us into new possibilities for understanding that often come through group sharing. Your input is important, because one never knows just how the Holy Spirit might be working through any us!

We pray that God will use these means to help us all grow spiritually so we can better discern His will and live as His faithful people for our day, under the cross of Christ, serving Him and others.

I hope you will join with us for these Lenten Focus gatherings!

+ "Pr. Lee"

250th Anniversary Committee Collecting History

We need to get down the stories about life in our times here at St. Mary's for those who follow us.

Ordinary events to us, like the Strawberry Festival and Christmas Bazaar we just assume will be around forever but the likelihood is that there will be changes in coming years. Right now we need folks to take the leadership in writing something up about these events, or at least willing to share their knowledge. Maybe that's you!

Other topics that we would like to collect information on include such things as the history of the pavilion, the playground, the meditation garden, the Scouts, the large safe in the basement of the church, time capsules and where they are located, names of Sunday school superintendents, and changes in worship patterns over the years. This list is just a beginning, for there are many more possibilities. If you know something about any of these items, please leave word at the church office, or contact Pr. Lee.

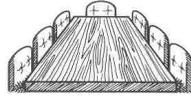
Almighty God, as You revealed Yourself to people of long ago, so reveal to us what it is that we need to learn from them about

Your dealings in our day. As we learn from them and their experiences, show us the connections with Jesus Christ, and how this learning impacts on our living today. Lead us during

this Lenten season to draw nearer to understanding what it means living under Jesus Christ and Him crucified. We ask these things through that same Jesus Christ, our Savior and our Lord. AMEN



Council Highlights



Council Meeting

Council met on February 14, 2011.

1. Lenten Focus this year is about famous people of the Bible and begins Sunday March 13. If you are interested in providing soup and bread on one of the nights see Pastor Lee for available dates.
2. The church council voted to make a donation to Lutheran World Relief in Pastor Lee's name as a Christmas gift this year. Pastor Lee is very appreciative of this donation. He served with Lutheran World Relief in three different countries in the past.
3. Set May 1 aside on your calendars and join the congregation for a covered dish luncheon in honor of our Seminary Student Laura Heller's last day with St. Mary's. We enjoyed getting to know Laura and wish her well as she continues her education.
4. St. Mary's Shut-In choir went to Carroll Lutheran Village and were well received by 22 residents of the Village. This group is open to other members who would like to share in this ministry.
5. The audit committee chaired by Donald Lawyer successfully completed the annual audit of the financial statements and found everything in order.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Wisner
Secretary

Free Women's Ministry Resources

The ELCA is making available over 30 ministry resources of interest to women including such topics as "Living a Life of Daily Bread," and "The Faces of Grief".

To access these resource, go to:
www.womenoftheelca.org

Don't go on the Web much (or at all)?

Contact Susan in the church office to help you access these resources.

The church office has downloaded copies of "Kitchen Table Philanthropy", "Stitches and Scripture".

Hosts Needed

Volunteers needed to host our Teaching Parish Student, Laura Heller, for Sunday noon meal on Sundays in February, March, and April.

Laura needs to get better acquainted with you in order to have a fuller understanding of our congregation as a part of her teaching parish experience with us. Also, we have a congregational responsibility to host our seminarian for the noon meal. Normally the visit and meal should be completed by no later than 2 p.m. so that Laura and Pastor Lee will have time to complete other aspects of the teaching parish curriculum.

Please contact Ann Brumback about the Sunday(s) you can host her. The dates still available are found below:

(Thanks in advance for your help!)

March 13	March 20	
April 3	April 10	April 17

Go Green for 2011

Help save resources by joining St. Mary's email list, you'll be notified monthly when the newsletter has been posted in PDF format to our website, and a paper copy will no longer be printed and mailed for your household.



To join for 2011, please send an email to stmarys@qis.net requesting to be placed on the newsletter list.

Lent in 2011

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 9. Our Ash Wednesday worship service at 7:30 p.m. will comprise of confession, imposition of ashes, and Holy Communion. Our Lenten offerings will go towards the support of Barbara Robertson, missionary in Tanzania.

Lenten Focus meetings will be held on Sunday evenings, beginning at 5:30 p.m. with a simple supper of bread and soup in the Parish House. From about 6 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. we will have presentations and discussions on “Great Persons of the Bible,” utilizing a video and followed by discussion. Following the discussion we will a brief devotion, hoping to complete everything by 7 p.m. **Please contact Pr. Lee if you are willing to be a bread/soup provider/server. Volunteers are needed!** Below is a list of the dates and those who have to date offered to provide and serve the bread and soup supper:

- March 13 Brumbacks
- March 20
- March 27 Spriggs
- April 3 Wisners, Wolfs
- April 10 Fleischers
- April 17

Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday, April 17 at 9:30 a.m. with the blessing of the Palms in the rear of the church. Maundy Thursday service is on April 21st at 7:00 p.m. (with the laying-on-of-hands for individual forgiveness, pedilavium (foot washing), Holy Communion, and stripping of the altar and sanctuary.

On Good Friday, April 22, we will have two services. The first service, Stations of the Cross, will be at 2 p.m. and outside, weather permitting. Please dress casually but warmly. In case of inclement weather, we will conduct the Stations of the Cross in the Parish House auditorium. This service lasts about an hour.

At 7:30 on Good Friday, our service is centered around Jesus’ Passion according to St. John and Jesus’ cross.

May this Lent bring us and others His blessings as we participate in the opportunities that are provided to worship, learn, and grow as His people in service to Him and to our neighbors.

[The Resurrection of our Lord is celebrated on Sunday, April 24, with a festive worship service at 9:30 a.m.]

ELCA World Hunger - Meet Jauvalda

Jauvalda Francique is 3 years old and eager to go to school—especially since the school she’ll be going to is brand new and her parents helped build it.

The school building in Jauvalda’s home town of Léogâne in Haiti was nearly destroyed in the January 2010 earthquake. With help from ELCA Disaster Response, a new school building has risen from the rubble, designed to withstand earthquakes, floods and hurricanes. To help students feel safe within its sturdy walls, families were invited to participate in the planning meetings and were kept informed throughout the construction of their new school.



Parents were hired to help with construction. Children chose the colors. School families asked that the shutters be painted with words in Creole, French, English and even Finnish, a nod to the construction manager. Natural ventilation and plenty of light make the new school a cheerful, comfortable and safe place for children to learn.

Josette Jean Pierre, age 11, is delighted to be studying again. She says, “I’m happy to be back at school.” Her little neighbor Jauvalda can’t wait to get started herself.

Your gifts to ELCA Disaster Response, designated for Haiti Earthquake Relief, support our ongoing work in Haiti. We’ll be working alongside the people of Haiti for as long as it takes, helping to bring new life from the rubble the earthquake left behind. Will you help with your gift today?

YES! I would like to support the work ELCA Disaster Response in Haiti.

_____ I have included my gift of \$250.

_____ I have included my gift of \$100.

_____ Other \$ _____

Please make your check payable to “ELCA Disaster Response” and write “Haiti” in the memo line. Place your gift in your congregation’s offering plate or mail it to: ELCA disaster Response, 39330 Treasury Center, Chicago, IL 60694-9300. To give online with a credit card, please visit www.elca.org/disaster.

Prayer Ventures

1 Lift up in prayer Randall and Carol Stubbs, teaching music at Makumira University College of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Tanzania. Rejoice with them and their students as they learn the gifts of music and friendship.

2 During Lent pray for our seminary students, that their hopes of fulfilling their vocational dreams of serving in the mission work of the church may be realized.

3 Pray for Dr Dorcas Wang as she teaches leadership development and capacity building among companions in the Chinese church and ministers at an international congregation in Beijing.

4 Pray for the Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary as it hosts a retreat, "Career Crossroads," March 4-6, where participants will explore what God might be calling them to do.

5 Pray for congregations in the Upper Susquehanna Synod going through the Transformational Ministry process together: St. John Lutheran Church, Jersey Shore, Pa; Grace Lutheran Church, Jersey Shore; Garman Lutheran Church, Jersey Shore; Trinity Lutheran Church, Avis, Pa; and St. James Lutheran Church, Rauchtown, Pa.

6 Transfiguration of Our Lord - We lift up to you, merciful God, the members of the emerging Christian communities in Myanmar and Thailand, that they may expand their holistic ministries.

7 Pray for Blair Lutheran Church in Blair, Wis., served by Pastor Christine Hallemeier, a new congregation formed by the people of Zion Lutheran and First Lutheran in Blair for the sake of doing more effective ministry and mission together in the same community.

8 United Nations Day for Women's Rights and International Peace - "For misuse of human relationships, and for unwillingness to see the image of God in others, Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us." (from "Service of Word and Prayer for Peace")

9 Remember in prayer Dr. Edna Johnson as she coordinates a new Masters in Nursing Education program in Liberia and as she continues to provide support to Curran Lutheran Hospital in Zorzor.

10 Pray for the Central States Synod Mission Fund Appeal. The funds from this appeal will be used to do the work God is calling the synod to do in the four mission foci the synod has identified.

11 Thank God for Patrick and Jacqueline Bencke, who serve at Kyushu Lutheran College, a college of the Japan Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kumamoto, Japan. Patrick teaches

English and Jacqueline works in the music program.

12 Pray for Oak Harbor Lutheran Church in Oak Harbor, Wash., as they offer food, fellowship and a place to do homework for students of Oak Harbor High School.

13 First Sunday in Lent - We give you thanks, O God, for the vitality of the churches in Cambodia, Laos and Vietnam. Build up these communities, that they may encourage other churches within the Lutheran communion.

14 Give thanks for the continued work of Pastor Viking and Marissa Dietrich who are in Ghana, West Africa. Viking is one of the regional representatives for the West Africa Region and Marissa serves in an associate appointment capacity.

15 Pray for the Lutheran World Federation staff on the ground in Haiti, including Louis Dorvilier, ELCA staff, as they continue to provide food, water, housing and health care for victims of the 2010 earthquake.

16 Thank God for Pastors Claudia Bergmann and Scott Moore, serving in Germany. Pastor Scott Moore is the ELCA coordinator in Wittenberg.

17 Pray for Chelsea Mathis, inspired as a teenager to volunteer for the ELCA as it works to promote peace in Palestine; she is now helping to promote travel to the Holy Land so others will be as inspired as she was.

18 Pray for Pueblo de Fe, St. Paul Minnesota, a bilingual new mission start in St. Paul's West Side.

19 Lift up in prayer the staff and volunteers of Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest, Tucson, Ariz., providing immigration services to refugees and asylees to assist them in achieving independence and stability in the United States.

20 Second Sunday in Lent - Gracious God, we pray for the future of China, Hong Kong and Macao, as these countries journey through a long period of adjustment and seek to form peaceful long-term relationships. We praise you for the continued growth of these churches as they spread the Good News about your love and compassion.

21 International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination - Pray that all ELCA members will work to bring to fruition the church's statements on education, which have placed great importance on equity to benefit the poor and extend their choices. They have singled out racial discrimination as impermissible.

22 World Water Day - Pray for Pastor Sam and Cindy Wolff, who serve at Nairobi International Lutheran Church in Nairobi, Kenya, a congregation of the Kenya Evangelical Lutheran Church, which includes many emphases, including a Water Project.

23 World Meteorological Day - Ask God to help ELCA members take to heart the task given in Genesis, "The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it." (Genesis 2:15)

24 World Tuberculosis Day - Thank God for the opportunities we have with companion churches and the ELCA Global Mission program unit as they grow in their capacity to respond to HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria,

25 Give thanks for Diane Persson and Daniel Johnson who serve with the Amity Foundation in China, teaching English at a university in Baotou, Inner Mongolia.

26 Pray for the many Lutheran Campus Ministry groups as they venture out and are welcomed into new communities on their alternative spring break trips, that they open their eyes, ears and hearts to embrace the people they meet and build new relationships.

27 Third Sunday in Lent - Loving God, we pray for the people of Brunei, Malaysia and Singapore, that they may be strengthened to meet the many challenges of a pluralistic world. We thank you for the companion relationships among the ELCA Southeastern Synod, the Lutheran Church in Singapore, and the Lutheran Church in Malaysia and Singapore.

28 Pray for the Seward Peninsula Lutheran Ministries Conference of the Alaska Synod, serving Alaska natives, to be held at Our Saviors Lutheran Church in Nome, Alaska, April 13-17.

29 Remember in prayer Pastor Wayne Nieminen and Pastor Christa von Zychlin, seminary professors at the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Hong Kong. Praise God for the dedication of the students, many of whom go forth to serve in Asian countries including Cambodia, Nepal, Myanmar, Thailand, and Hong Kong.

30 Pray for the Virginia Synod and Roanoke College as they host a conference titled; "We Love To Tell The Story," July 14-16.

31 Thank God for the faithful service of Barbara Robertson in the area of the Morogoro Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Tanzania, especially in their deepened engagement in community health work and in ministry among people living with HIV/AIDS.

Missionary Support To Continue

Revs. Janice Marie and Robert Lowden completed their service in Tanzania and now we will be supporting Barbara Robertson who also serves in Tanzania. Our congregation is pledging \$1,000 in 2011 (not in our budget) which will be raised through such things as our Lenten offerings, Strawberry Festival, Christmas Bazaar, and individual donations.

Dear Friends,

When I initially came to Tanzania in September 1999, I thought I was coming for just two years. It seems God had other plans for me. I am now in my tenth year serving in Tanzania.

My work has been diverse. I was called as an English language teacher attached to a nursing school, located in rural northern Tanzania. Many people who visited me assured me it was not just rural but remote! While there, I started volunteering with a team of people from the hospital who wanted to educate the community about HIV/AIDS. The people in that area had very little exposure to the facts about this dreaded disease. We started out small, but the demand for our service grew. At the same time that my services as an English teacher were no longer needed, due to a change at the school where I was working, the hospital received a massive grant for a multifaceted HIV/AIDS program from the Norwegian government. I was shifted into that program as the deputy director. It was an amazing time.

In 2005, when I was invited by Morogoro Diocese of the ELCT, which lies west of Dar-es-Salaam, to be its HIV/AIDS program officer, a significant change occurred in the leadership of the diocese. The planning and development officer's position became vacant, and I was asked to temporarily fill it. Not having the slightest idea what it meant to accept that responsibility, I agreed. What was to be a few months turned into two years.

During the first two years in this position, I focused my work on women, since the Women and Children's department of the diocese is very active, and it was a natural fit to work closely together. HIV/AIDS education seminars targeted traditional pastoralist women, women living in junction towns where trucks often park overnight, young single women, spouses of church workers, and Sunday school teachers. I have also worked collaboratively with a large organization here in the community that serves in all aspects of HIV/AIDS issues.

The capacity of the diocese is limited. We don't have a diocesan hospital or health facilities which we own and operate other than a small rural clinic. So we focus on

education and prevention. We also have taken steps to start a small income-generating project for women and youth. In November 2008 we opened an oil seed milling enterprise. The mill produces cooking oil from seeds such as sunflower, sesame, and pumpkin. Instead of selling seeds at a minimal price, people can now sell cooking oil. This service gives a significant amount of added value to their crop, and it encourages those who are most infected and affected by HIV/AIDS - youth and women - by expanding their opportunities to increase their income.

My official ministry is HIV/AIDS work. But I have found that I have another, unofficial ministry, which is to help people from the West and Africans understand one another better. We have very different frames of references. We have different values, different ways of operating. Sometimes, misunderstandings over cultural values and systems can arise. I have found that I am able to help translate and interpret cultures on both sides. As an American, I know what is important to us. And having lived with Tanzanians for a number of years, I have some knowledge of what is important to them.

One motivation I had for learning the local language was to be closer to people with whom I live and work. Through my Tanzanian friends, I have learned a tremendous amount about their values and culture. I frequently use that knowledge to help bridge the gap between the Western and African perspectives. I find great joy in facilitating understanding between people and am greatly blessed by those who have allowed themselves to become friends with someone who is not of their own race or culture. Great blessings come from participating in and giving witness to their daily lives.

Even though I live in a developing country and often do not have access to all the creature comforts and technology which is generally enjoyed in the U.S., I am content. I find life here to be rich and fulfilling. May God be given all the praise!

~Barbara

Missionary Prayer Page

GLOBAL MISSION/EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA



PRAY FOR

Barbara Robertson

Barbara's work involves coordinating and implementing the diocese's HIV prevention and education program, facilitating communication between the bishop's office and our partners in the U.S. and Europe. She also gives support whenever called upon by the leadership of the Morogoro diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania (ELCT).



BIRTH DATE February 26

COMPANION SYNODS

Northern Illinois	Greater Milwaukee
Southeastern Minnesota	Arkansas/Oklahoma
Northwestern Ohio	Southeastern Pennsylvania
Northern Great Lakes	Nebraska
Southern Ohio	Metropolitan New York
Saint Paul Area	Southeastern Iowa
NW-Pennsylvania	Western Iowa
Lower Susquehanna	NE Pennsylvania
Delaware/Maryland	Eastern Washington-Idaho
Southeast Michigan	South Carolina

COUNTRY OF SERVICE Tanzania

Prayer Concerns

- ‡ Pray that God would send favorable rains – the right amount at the right time – so that all may have enough food to eat.
- ‡ Pray for all those infected with and affected by HIV/AIDS, especially with regards to discrimination, stigmatization, access to services and adequate care – spiritual, physical, and emotional.
- ‡ Pray that those who do not know their HIV status would be courageous enough to be tested.
- ‡ Pray for safe travels both within and outside of my diocese.
- ‡ Pray that all have enough food to eat and safe water to drink.



Tanzania

(see letter from Barbara on the back side of this page)

As a sponsor of Barbara, you are asked to remember her with your prayers and your financial support. Gifts of any size are welcome. Please send support gifts to:
 ELCA Office for Global Mission Support
 Missionary Sponsorship
 PO Box 71764
 Chicago IL 60694-1764

Make check payable to: Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
 On the memo line of your check write: ELCA Missionary Sponsorship

Notes & Thank Yous

February 8, 2011

Dear St. Mary's Evangelical Lutheran Church,

I want to take this opportunity [to] say thank you for your generosity represented by what you have given to the Lord Jesus Christ through Good News Jail and Prison Ministry. You have given this gift to Him and we have used your contribution wisely to further the work of restoration.

On behalf of the President's Council and the Chaplain of Good News Jail and Prison Ministry, we thank you for your generous donation of \$40.00 in January, 2011 in support of our efforts to meet the spiritual needs of both inmates and staff.

Your gift will allow us to continue evangelism, discipleship, counseling and literature distribution within the Detention Center, develop relationships with individuals, churches and businesses in the community and provide education and training resources for our ministry partners such as you.

We thank you again for supporting us as we labor together for the Lord to bring the Good News to those behind the walls. You are making a difference in lives now and for Eternity.

I look forward to a great year ahead as we *break the cycle of crime, on life at a time.*

In His Grace,
Bob Kimmel, Chaplain
Good News Jail and Prison Ministry

I am so very grateful for your generosity shown to the Lord through the jar ministry. Thank You! ~Bob

To the People of St. Mary's
Dear Brothers and Sisters Christ,

Thanks for the gift you made recently in my name to Lutheran World Relief (LWR). That gift will help those in great need in one of the many places that LWR is involved. You may recall that I had the privilege of experiencing first-hand how such gifts brought assistance and hope to people in Vietnam, Greece, and Ethiopia where I worked as an LWR agriculturalist.

While we have difficulties in our country that need to be addressed, these concerns often pale against those whose daily life is a struggle amidst hunger, poverty, and warfare.

Again, thank you for honoring me with your gift in this most special way.

~ "Pastor Lee"

February 6, 2011

Dear Pastor Lee and St. Mary's Congregation,

Pack 483 thanks you for your continued support and generosity throughout the year in allowing us to use the facilities and for being the chartered organization that supports the Pack. Without you [we would] not be able to provide the programs for the boys that they enjoy so much and which help teach them some of the skills and values they will need as they grow into young men and citizens of our community.

Many thanks!
Pack 483

Dear [St. Mary's Congregation],

My name is Jacob Loewner of Boy Scout troop 483 out of Silver Run Maryland. I am currently planning an Eagle Project to benefit the Charles Carroll Recreation Council in my community by building picnic tables and hanging gutters around a pavilion located at the Wolf Ball field on Cherrytown Road. Currently the pavilion is not being utilized due to the fact that there is no seating.

I am writing you now to ask for a donation to help fund my project so that the Wolf Ball field will become a more family friendly place to spend a day or watch your children play baseball or softball. The estimated cost of this project is within the range of \$800 - \$1,000. Please make checks payable to Boy Scout Troop 483 with Loewner Eagle Project on the memo line, and mailed to me at 614 Yorkminster Court, Westminster, Maryland 21158. Your support will undoubtedly help me in raising the sufficient funds for this project and help make the community a better place.

Thank you and highest regards,

Jacob Loewner
614 Yorkminster Court
Westminster, MD 21158

St. Mary's Lutheran Donations 2010

	<u>Month</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
Monthly Donation:				
Carroll County Prison Ministry	Jan.	1/19/10	35.00	
Pleasant Valley Fire Co.	Mar.	3/28/10	65.00	
New Life for Girls	Apr.	4/14/10	35.00	
Habitat for Humanity	May	5/12/10	47.00	
ELCA Vision for Mission	June	6/28/10	42.00	
Carroll County Food Sunday	July	7/25/10	65.00	
Silver Run Lights Fund	Aug.	8/18/10	65.00	
Gettysburg Lutheran Sem.	Sept	9/28/10	39.25	
Alpha Fire Co.	Oct.	10/21/10	52.00	
St Dysmas	Nov.	11/26/09	35.00	
Carroll County Food Sunday	Thankg.	12/5/10	107.00	
The Gideons Int'l	Dec.	12/15/10	<u>40.00</u>	
			627.25	
 Delaware/Maryland Synod:				
Benevolence			6,500.00	
Missionary			1,594.50	
World Hunger			<u>100.00</u>	
			8,194.50	
 Christmas Bazaar:				
Benevolence			315.41	
New Life For Girls			946.24	
Carroll County Food Sunday			946.24	
Special needs of St. Mary's			<u>946.24</u>	<u>946.24</u>
			2,207.89	3,154.13
Total Christmas Bazaar				
 Basket Bingo:				
Silver Run Lights			271.18	
 Strawberry Fest.:				
Rape Crisis			569.26	
Missionaries Support			569.26	
Special needs of St Mary's				1,138.52
Benevolence			<u>253.00</u>	
			1,391.52	2,530.04
Total Strawberry Fest.				
World Vision (Mahantesh Baburao)			<u>390.00</u>	
Total outside Donation			<u><u>13,082.34</u></u>	
 Delaware/Maryland Synod Summary:				
Benevolence			7,068.41	
World Hunger			100.00	
Synod Mission			42.00	
Missionary			<u>2,163.76</u>	
			9,374.17	

March 2011

Holy Communion is celebrated each Sunday

Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m. 11 a.m. Sunday School/Lutheran Christian Class	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Shirley Hare Kelsey Powell	2 Dominic Vonella 250th Anniversary. Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m.	3	4 Kelli Scott	5 Glenn Snyder Sarah Bollinger
6 Transfiguration of Our Lord - White Exodus 24: 12 - 18 Psalm: 2 2 Peter 1: 16 - 21 - 16 Matthew 17: 1 - 9 Basket Offering: Pleasant Valley Fire Co.	7 Bertha Miller	8 Laci-Jo Ernst Outreach & Welcome Comm. 6:30 p.m.	9 Ash Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.	10 Paul Sell Faye Boughter	11	12 Donna Myers
13 <u>DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS</u> 1 st Sunday in Lent - Purple Genesis 2: 15 - 17; 3: 1 - 7 Psalm: 32 Romans 5: 12 - 19 Matthew 4: 1 - 11	14 Church Council Meeting 7 p.m.	15	16 Newsletter Deadline 10 a.m.	17 	18	19 Jason Bennett
20 2 nd Sunday in Lent - Purple Genesis 12: 1 - 4 Psalm: 121 Romans 4: 1 - 5, 13 - 17 John 3: 1 - 17 	21 Ann Brumback	22 Nicholas Middleton	23	24	25	26 Dorothy Bowman
27 3 rd Sunday in Lent - Purple Exodus 17: 1 - 7 Psalm: 95 Romans 5: 1 - 11 John 4: 5 - 42 Social Hour - Council Members	28	Worship Helpers Acolyte: Zach Scott, Gillian Scott Usher: The Fleischer Family Altar Guild: Ruth Warfield Communion Asst.: Ann Brumback		Anniversaries Rodney and Linda Bupp - March 17, 1990 Arthur and Gail Wisner - March 20, 1982		