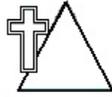


# The Lutheran Light

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## The Pastor's Prism



### Sharing Our Commonality in Christ

**On Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, we will be holding "Founders' Day" worship services with St. Mary's United Church of Christ. Worship will begin at 8:30 a.m. with a brief service of Holy Communion at our church and the Rev. Wolfgang Herz-Lane, Bishop of our own Delaware-Maryland Synod, ELCA, will be the preacher. Also participating will be: the Rev. Geoffrey A. Black, General Minister and President of the United Church of Christ (UCC); John R. Deckenback, Conference Minister of the Central Atlantic Conference, UCC; and the Rev. Richard Scott, Pastor of St. Mary's UCC.**

Following our service, we will then join for **10 a.m. worship at St. Mary's UCC** where the Rev. Black will preach. After worship we all have been invited to a buffet luncheon graciously provided by St. Mary's UCC. **Be sure to sign up on the list of the over-flow room of our church for the luncheon by May 13 or call us with your reservation at the church office (410-346-7146).** The Founders' Day services are central worship events in celebrating our 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

For at least the first 130 years of Lutheran and Reformed congregations existence, our spiritual ancestors apparently worshiped in a common building, first perhaps a log cabin around 1762, and later in a brick church around 1821.

While there were always two distinct congregations with a pastor for each denomination, our spiritual ancestors shared a common faith in Jesus Christ and cooperated on such things as purchasing and maintaining the church, including the various appointments within, and a common cemetery. There was also frequent intermarrying between members of the two St. Mary's.

Apparently it was common, but not a rule, that children from such marriages would adopt the religious faith of their parents. In some families, sons would follow the denomination of the father, while daughters would become the denomination of the mother.

As the early Silver Run community was made up mostly of farm families, it would be very likely that the necessary sharing of equipment, resources, and labor for such things as threshing and butchering that occurred within communities would also extend to cooperative efforts for worship.

Later in 1892 the Reformed (later becoming the United Church of Christ) built their church, while our Lutheran ancestors built our present church in 1894. As each denomination now had her own church, less cooperation was necessary. This probably led to each denomination more closely aligning with their respective doctrinal heritage. Nevertheless, there must have been periods of cooperation between the two denominations. When I first came to Silver Run in 1991, there were joint services between our two churches on Ash Wednesday and Thanksgiving eve each year. On even years, our church would be the host church with the Lutheran pastor presiding and the UCC pastor preaching. Then on odd years, the host church would be St. Mary's UCC with their pastor presiding and the Lutheran pastor preaching. Maybe such cooperative worship experiences between our church are something for us to consider again, beyond our plans for this year.

Elsewhere in this newsletter you will find a calendar of events that are planned for the rest of the year connected to our 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary and cooperative events between our churches. What is sure is that St. Mary's ELC and St. Mary's UCC

share not only a common name, but a foundation in God's Word. Nowhere is that more recognized than when we live in Christ in the Spirit of Paul's letter to the Ephesians 2:20-22 (a portion of which is referred to on our church's cornerstone), **"...built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus Himself as the cornerstone. In Him the whole structure is jointed together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in Whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God."**

I hope that you will be able to take full advantage of the worship experiences offered on Founders' Day and throughout the year along with the special events that are planned. May God bless us in growing appreciation and faith so that we might grow in Him.  
+ "Pr. Lee"

Almighty God, we thank You for our spiritual ancestors who witnessed their faith in You through providing us Your Word that has come down to us through the apostles and prophets with Jesus Christ as the cornerstone. During



this anniversary year inspire us to not only to look backwards to what has been handed down and entrusted to us, but lead us to find ways of increasing cooperation with fellow Christians. Most of all help us to faithfully serve You so that those who follow us may rejoice in coming closer to You by what we have handed down to them. Hear us, for we ask these things through our Savior and Lord Jesus Christ.

AMEN

## Council Highlights



The St. Mary's Church Council met on April 9, 2012.

1. The internal audit of the financial reports has been completed on March 11, 2012. The [audit] committee [Don Lawyer, Cindy Lawyer, and Donna Myers] reported that everything was in order and complemented treasurer, Art Wisner; on doing a fantastic job keeping the books.
2. Reminder that May 20<sup>th</sup> is Founders Day. There will be an 8:30am Eucharist Service at St. Mary's Lutheran followed by a 10:00am service at St. Mary's UCC with special guests and former pastors and families followed by a buffet luncheon.
3. The council would like to express appreciation to Laura Bennett for the organization of the Easter egg hunt for the community.
4. The council approved the purchase of 228 chickens from the ELCA World Hunger "Buck a Chick" Program in Pastor Lee's name with money collected for Pastor Lee's Christmas gift.
5. Do not miss out on the many events coming up to celebrate the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our church.

May 20 – Founder's Day

June 23 – Blue Grass Concert

Sept. 9 – Both churches open up the 1962 time capsule and reburying followed by shared dessert.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Wisner

Secretary

## Strawberry Festival

Our festival will be held on Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 9 a.m. till 2 p.m. The Outreach and Welcome Committee along with volunteers from the congregation plan this event each year as part of our outreach program to our community and others. Again this year we are asking for your help with the following:

- a. **Monetary donations** to help defray the cost of the strawberries (approx. \$900.00) and the food and paper supplies.
- b. **Donations** of baked goods, used toys, books, plants, crafts, useable household items and clothing. (Remember us when you do your spring housecleaning).
- c. **Sell raffle tickets.** This year you could win a Flower Basket and Flying Geese King-Sized Quilt, \$100.00 Gift Card to Lowes, \$50.00 Gift certificate to Bud's Restaurant, or \$50.00 to Brewer's Market. Three chances to win a prize by purchasing just one ticket. Tickets are \$1.00 per chance or six for \$5.00.
- d. **Volunteer** to help set-up, work in the kitchen, organize children's games, help at church tables, or help clean-up. Sign-up sheet is printed on the reverse side of this letter.
- e. **Yard sale/craft/flea market, & antique** spaces are available. A Contract is required. Each space is at least 15' x 15' for \$15.00.
- f. **Spread the Word about Our Strawberry Festival.** A festival flyer is included in this newsletter that can be posted (work, grocery store, hair salon, etc.) or shared with a friend or neighbor.

Contact Jim Crist, 410-848-4391, for more information.

## Outreach and Welcome Update

We made a profit of \$4,426.96 from the Christmas Bazaar. \$492.00 (10%) went to the DE/Md Synod. The remained was divided three ways. \$1,475.00 went to Shepherds Staff, \$1,475.00 went to Carroll Lutheran School and \$1,475.00 we kept. At a brief meeting after the Service April 15<sup>th</sup>, it was decided to give our portion (this time only) over to regular expenses as there already is over \$12,000 set aside for handicap access and \$8,000 set aside for special needs.

Despite our personal thoughts we need to think about what is happening to the Church's financial position. When we designate money to be set aside for a specific project that money is not used for regular expenses. If we only will wake up and see that the regular bills outpace the offering coming in. To keep up with the regular bills we have been draining our investments which at one time the interest kept us alive. When

the investments are gone there is no other choice but to spend what is designated for projects. We need to think about where we are going. People don't like that we spent money raised for regular expenses, yet this is where it is needed. We will need to raise money for the regular expenses of the church soon unless we can increase our membership. This can only be done by going out and recruiting.

At the last full meeting of the O&W it was decided to give one half away and keep one half for ourselves. The one half we keep is designated for handicap access. The 10% for the Synod is always taken out first and then we work with what is left. This is the same way our personal giving should be. We take out first for the church(and/or other charities) and work with rest. Not, take out for ourselves and then give what is left.

~ Jim Crist, Chairman O & W

## Past Facts

*Each month during our anniversary year Cindy Lawyer will be selecting items of interest from our congregational council minutes beginning in 1876, and perhaps other sources, from past history of St. Mary's.*



April, 1902, Council resolved to employ Eli Boose and E.Z. Leppo to repair tower over Sunday School room and accept their offer of \$15.00 for their work after the Council is satisfied that heavy blowing rain storms and snow prove that it doesn't leak.

In May of 1902, discussions of how to pay the balance on church debt and and build cemented walk and fence around property. It was decided the trustees would canvas the congregation for subscription or any other way they deemed best to raise sufficient amount to wipe out old debt of \$700.00 and enough in excess to build cement walk.

September, 1902, it was agreed to build walk around church and G.W. Yeiser was elected to correspond with D. Kephart of Hanover for lowest bid for work and to secure all information as to material, work, etc. required and report to Council.

In April, 1903, it was decided to repair hitching posts and Josiah Lawyer was appointed to secure parts and supervise work. It was also decided to repair Church steeple and stop leak if possible, and was decided to give contract to Kemper Feeser.

~ Cindy Lawyer

## Gospel / Bluegrass Concert Event Celebrating

### St. Mary's Evangelical Lutheran Church's 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Please join us Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 4pm-7pm. Live music featuring the Carroll County Ramblers, food and drinks (available for purchase), fellowship and fun. Bring lawn chairs and blankets (some seating will be provided). In case of inclement weather Concert will be held indoors. Free Admission (donations of non-perishable food items will be accepted). Free Will offering will be taken. Proceeds to benefit Silver Run Community Food Pantry. For more information call 443-244-0453.

## St. Mary's Veterans



In honor of Memorial Day (May 28<sup>th</sup>), we recognize the members of St. Mary's Evangelical Lutheran Church who have served our country.

- Leonard Armstrong, Sgt - US Marines, 1967 - 1971..
- Rodney Bupp - Army, 6/12/1967 - 6/12/1970
- Allan D. Chrest - US Air Force, 1965- 1969
- James A. Crist - U.S. Navy. 4 years of service (September 30, 1961 to September 26, 1965).
- John Warren Haifley - 202 F.A. 3<sup>rd</sup> Army ETO. 2 yrs.,10 months of service.
- Donald R. Lawyer, SP2 - 1954 - 1957 Army, Army Security Agency - Hawaii
- Curtis D. Meadows - Corporal, Marines, 1965 - 1968
- Gary S. Meadows - Army Specialist 4<sup>th</sup> Class, 66 Military Intelligence, 1969 - 1971
- Cynthia D. Sparacino, CDR Retired - (US Coast Guard & US Coast Guard Reserve) 28 years of service (1977 - 2005)
- Richard A. Sparacino, LCDR Retired - (US Navy and US Coast Guard) 29 years service (1971 - 2000)
- Donald Stansbury - Army Specialist 4<sup>th</sup> Class, 60<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery, 1954 - 1956
- Joshua B. Utz, PFC - 2010 - Present, Army NG Specialist, Alpha Co. 1-175th Infantry
- Matthew Utz - 20120 to Present, US Navy, Petty Officer 3<sup>rd</sup> Class, Nuclear
- Dominic A. Vonella, Army, 1996 - Present

## News Around the Parish

- **Donations for the Food Pantry Are Welcome.** Please make your check out to "St. Mary's Evangelical Lutheran Church", and in the memo indicate "Silver Run Community Food Pantry".
- **Extra Copies of Handouts That Were Used During Our Lenten Focus Series** on "Learning from Amish Grace" are available on the table in the overflow rooms. Handouts include: Amish Grace; Summary; Some Instances of Forgiveness in the Bible; Exerts from the Dordrecht Confession; Some Important Biblical Texts fro the Amish; Beliefs; and Essay: Why Forgive; and one year after school massacre...
- **Reservations Needed for May 20<sup>th</sup> Meal Hosted by St. Mary's U.C.C.** following worship. Please sign-up on the sheet found on the table in the overflow room.

# Notes & Thank Yous



**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**  
God's work. Our hands.



April 12, 2012

Dear St Mary's Evangelical Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your recent gift of \$328.00 to ELCA Missionary Sponsorship. Your generosity is appreciated now more than ever.

Your gift, combined with the gifts of others, helps nearly 250 missionaries in 48 countries preach, teach, heal, build and seek peace alongside our global neighbors.

Because of gifts like yours, villages in the Central African Republic are able to have safe drinking water for the very first time. Community health development training is made available to women in Chile. Congregations in Suriname, Jerusalem, Japan and Kenya have pastors to proclaim the gospel and develop local leadership.

Your ongoing prayers and financial gifts – together with the hard work of Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) missionaries and our global companions make a world of difference!

As the ELCA, we do more together than we ever could do alone. We are a church that rolls up its sleeves and solves problems - doing God's work in the world. Thank you for your support.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Twila Schock  
Director, Missionary Sponsorship and Global Appeals

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**A Big Thank You** to those who helped in the kitchen for the Lion's Bingo April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012. They were Helen Wolf, Linda Bupp, Faye Boughter, Marion Matthias, Rick Sparacino, Mark Soistman and myself, Jim Crist. Also a big thank you to those who donated items. We had a profit of \$381.45 which will go to maintaining the lights in Silver Run.

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**Thank You** - Dear St. Mary's Family, Thank you for the cards and blessings for my recent birthday. ~Kelli Scott

March 28, 2012

Dear Members [St. Mary's Evangelical Lutheran Church],

Carroll Lutheran School was truly blessed to receive your very generous gift of \$1,475.00 from fund raised at your Christmas bazaar.

Gifts such as yours enable us to continue to provide for our entire student body, 126 wonderful children of God, and share with them "Christian Compassion, Lifetime Learning, and Social Responsibility." We thank you for your prayerful and financial support!

On behalf of the faculty and staff of CLS, thank you for your generosity!

Sincerely,  
Bronson Jones, Jr.  
*Thank you for your very generous donation!*

Christian Compassion. Lifetime Learning. Social Responsibility.

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**We Give Thanks to Jim and Fran Crist** for caring for and winterizing our two palms.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

At our April 14th Church Council meeting, I learned that a monetary Christmas gift from you had been given to the ELCA to combat world hunger through the "Buck a Chick" program of our Sunday School. I am very grateful to you for honoring me in this way through sharing of your resources with those who are most in need. May God be glorified by what you have done and may He bless you as you continue to serve Him through sharing with others.

A grateful brother in Christ,  
+ "Pr. Lee"

# As Luther Says...\*

Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law. Psalm 119 (xviii)

You should be aware that Holy Scripture is a book that, in contrast, reduces the wisdom contained in all books to pure folly because Holy Scripture alone can teach the message of eternal life. This is why you should quickly abandon all trust in your own ideas and understanding. Instead, you should kneel down and earnestly entreat the Lord in true humility that he may send His Holy Spirit through His Beloved Son to enlighten your mind, to guide your spirit and to bring you to true understanding. At the same time, read Holy Scripture through His Beloved Son to enlighten your mind, to guide your spirit and to bring you to true understanding. At the same time, read Holy Scripture diligently, carefully and meditatively to understand what the Holy Spirit is saying and take care not to weary of this task nor to think with reading it a couple of times that you have read it enough times and have heard it all before and to imagine that you understand it all at its deepest level. Neither a cleric nor any Christian can exhaust the depth of meaning contained in Holy Scripture.

\*Luther's Breviary. A Meditation for Each Day of the Year, Wartburg Verlag GmbH, Weimar Und Internationale Martin Luther Stiftung, 2007, ISBN 978-3-86160-195-1

## Church & Village: Partners in Ministry

Carroll Lutheran Village is hosting its third CarFit program on Tuesday, May 22, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for older drivers. As a member of a Corporation church, you are invited to sign up to participate by calling the Wellness Desk at the Village at **443-605-1070**.

CarFit is an educational program created by the American Society on Aging in collaboration with AARP, American Occupational Therapy Association and AAA. The program is designed to help older drivers (over 60) find out how well they currently fit their personal vehicle and to highlight actions they can take to improve their fit for driver safety and the safety of others. A trained professional will ask the driver simple questions and complete a 12-point CarFit checklist. The entire process takes about 20 minutes, and the driver leaves with recommended car adjustments and adaptations, a list of resources in your area and greater peace of mind.

- ~ A good driver-vehicle fit means you have:
- ~ A clear line of sight over the steering wheel;
- ~ Plenty of room between your chest and the air bag in the steering wheel;
- ~ A seat you fit in comfortably and safely;
- ~ Properly adjusted head restraint;
- ~ Easy access to gas and brake pedals;
- ~ A seat belt that holds you in the proper position and remains comfortable as you drive;
- ~ Mirrors that are adjusted properly to reduce blind spots;
- ~ Easy access into and out of your vehicle.

Residents at the Village who have taken advantage of CarFit have said such things as, "I can see better from my car after they showed me the best position for my seat"; "I really appreciate knowing how to position my side-view mirrors to decrease blind spots"; and "Everything I learned at CarFit was helpful." Nationwide the vast majority of CarFit participants have made changes to improve the fit of their vehicle and their use of safety features in the vehicle.

In the interest of extending this very valuable resource to mature parishioners in the churches, Carroll Lutheran Village invites you to take advantage of this worthwhile program on **Tuesday, May 22, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** Call **443-605-1070** to get signed up for CarFit at the Village.

### Silver Run Community Food Pantry

located at

**St. Mary's Evangelical Lutheran Church**

(Distributed from Parish House located directly behind Church, Mayberry Road Entrance)

**1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the Month**

**5:30 - 6:30 p.m.**

Non-Perishable Food Items Distributed.

*All Are Welcome! Donations Accepted!*

## Prayer Ventures

**1** Pray for Pastor Deborah and Joseph Troester and Pastor Jacalyn Griffin who serve as ELCA missionaries in the Central African Republic. Deborah and Joseph work in theological education and water management respectively; Jacalyn is an advisor to the women's ministry.

**2** Pray for the president of the United States and members of Congress that the Holy Spirit will guide them to remember those most vulnerable in our nation.

**3** Pray for Edna Johnson who serves as an ELCA missionary working in Monrovia, Liberia, at the Curran Lutheran Hospital. Edna is the nursing program director for the hospital.

**4** Pray for the members of the Southeastern Minnesota Synod, Florida-Bahamas Synod, the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin, and the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod as they meet in assembly this weekend. Pray for the one who will be elected in the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod bishop's election.

**5** Pray for Molly Cook, an ELCA missionary working in Malaysia in disability ministry. Molly teaches at a culinary school for mentally and physically challenged young people.

**6 Fifth Sunday of Easter** - O God, you give us your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish life in his resurrection especially in Sudan and Uganda, that they may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

**7** Pray for Pastor Kathryn Warn who serves as pastor-in-residence in Freetown, Sierra Leone.

**8** Pray for Mary Beth and Bayo Oyebeade and for Dorthea Hustoft-Hamman who serve as ELCA missionaries in Jos, Nigeria. Mary Beth and Bayo work with people infected with and affected by HIV and AIDS. Dorthea works in education.

**9** Pray for Pennsylvania's "Lutheran Day at the Capitol" and for all Christians that petition government to fund poverty-focused programs that provide food assistance, affordable housing, health services, job training and educational opportunities to walk alongside people who are at risk of becoming homeless.

**10** Pray for all who are hungry or have limited access to food throughout the world due to economic and social issues and drought.

**11** Pray for the members of the Northwestern Minnesota and Texas-Louisiana Gulf Coast Synods as they meet in assembly this weekend.

**12** Pray in thanksgiving for the faithful servants who graduate from the Diakonia program in the Northern Illinois Synod at St. John's Lutheran Church in Sterling, Ill.

**13 Sixth Sunday of Easter** - O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour such love for you into the hearts of the people of Kenya and Tanzania, that, loving you above all things, they may know your promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

**14** Pray for the ministries of all parish nurses and for those who are taking the Parish Nurse Ministry Course in Fargo, ND, meeting May 14-18.

**15** Pray for families throughout the world, on this International Day of Families (as recognized by the United Nations), that all may grow into the fullness God created for them by being in the safety and security of loving homes.

**16** Pray for Dr. Stephen and Bethany Friberg who serve as ELCA missionaries in Mto Wa Mbu, Tanzania. Stephen works with the dispensary system in the country while Bethany assists women who wish to market their beadwork internationally.

**17 Ascension of Our Lord** - Almighty God, your only Son was taken into the heavens and in your presence intercedes for us. Receive us and our prayers for all the world, and in the end bring everything into your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**18** Pray for the North/West Lower Michigan, Pacifica, Southeast Michigan, Northwest Washington, Northwestern Ohio, Saint Paul Area, Southwestern Washington, Sierra Pacific, Northern Great Lakes, and Southwestern Texas Synods as they meet in assembly this weekend. Pray for the bishop's election to take place at the Southwestern Texas Synod Assembly.

**19** Pray for Karen Anderson, an ELCA missionary working in the area of health-care administration in Santiago, Chile.

**20 Seventh Sunday of Easter** - Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, especially the

people of Malawi and Zambia, that we may all find our joy in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

**21** Pray for Pastor Arden Strasser who serves as an ELCA missionary in Lusaka, Zambia specializing in leadership development.

**22** Pray for Dr. Mark and Linda Jacobson who serve as ELCA missionaries working at the Arusha Lutheran Medical Center in Arusha, Tanzania.

**23** Pray for our brothers and sisters in the Middle East as they continue to seek solutions for the security, peace and justice of all people there.

**24** Pray for Erin Odgers-Chew, an ELCA missionary working in Cairo, Egypt, as a teacher.

**25** Pray for Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota's Camp Noah, which provides summer camp ministries to children and families impacted by the trauma of disaster throughout the country.

**26** Pray for Stephanie Schmiege and Aaron and Allison Schutte who serve as ELCA missionaries, teaching in Bukoba, Tanzania.

**27 Day of Pentecost** - Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send this Spirit to Botswana and Zimbabwe, transform us all by your truth, and give us all language to proclaim your gospel, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

**28** On this observation of Memorial Day, give thanks for all who have lost their life in service to their country fighting for freedom, rights and the protection of vulnerable people. Pray for the safety of all who are now in military service and pray for peace throughout the world.

**29** Pray for Dr. Helmut and Rotraut Diefenthal, ELCA missionaries in Moshi, Tanzania, working as radiology trainers.

**30** Pray for the members of the Grand Canyon, Delaware-Maryland, Greater Milwaukee, Lower Susquehanna, South Carolina, and Southwest California Synods as they meet in assembly this week. Pray for the election of a new bishop for the Grand Canyon Synod.

**31** Pray for the participants of the Nebraska Synod's Equipping Youth Ministry Leadership training held today at Bethany Lutheran Church in Elkhorn, Neb.

St. Mary's Evangelical Lutheran Church

announces our annual

# Strawberry Festival

**Saturday, June 2, 2012**

**9 a.m. - 2 p.m.**



Fresh Strawberries  
By The Quart.

**Yard Sale & Flea Market Space Available**

**Call: 410-848-4391**

## **Delicious Food Served All Day**

Fresh Strawberries, Ice Cream, Grilled Chicken, BBQ, Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers, Chips, Maryland Crab Soup, Chicken Corn Soup, Chicken Salad, Sodas, Coffee, Tea and Bottled Water.

*Platters include a meat, green beans & applesauce. Chicken platters also include a roll.*

**Baked Items, Crafts, Plants, Trash to Treasure Table**

**Pleasant Valley Fire Engine Display**

**Musical Entertainment**

**Our Church Sanctuary Will Be Open for Visiting and Meditation;**

a three minute devotion will be offered on the hour, announced by our church bell.

Guided church tours available at 5 minutes after each hour - - meet in church.

Rain  
or  
Shine

## **Raffle at 2:00 p.m. for the following items:**

Flower Basket and Flying Geese King-Sized Quilt,

\$100.00 Gift Card to Lowes,

\$50.00 Gift Certificate to Bud's Restaurant,

\$50.00 to Brewer's Market



### **Proceeds to Benefit:**

Carroll County Rape Crisis

Missions of the Church

Special Needs of St. Mary's

10% tithe to Delaware-Maryland Synod of the ELCA

**Worship with us 9:30 a.m. Sundays at St. Mary's Evangelical Lutheran Church!**

(Corner of Route 97 and Mayberry Road, Silver Run, MD)

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Our Mission: *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.*

# May 2012

\*\*Holy Communion is celebrated each Sunday\*\*

Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m. 11 a.m. Sunday School/Confirmation Class	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<u>Worship Helpers</u> Acolyte: Gillian Scott, Anna Ruby Usher: The Miller Family Communion Asst.: Dwyn Fleischer Altar Guild: Marion Matthias		1  <i>Philip and James, Apostles</i>	2  <b>Silver Run Food Pantry 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.</b>	3  National Day of Prayer	4	5
6  5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter - White Acts 8: 26 - 40 Psalm: 22: 25 - 31 1 John 4: 7 - 21 John 15: 1 - 8 <b>Basket Offering</b> - Habitat for Humanity	7	8  <b>250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee - 6:30 p.m.</b>	9	10	11	12 Frank Blickenstaff
13  Glenn Matthias, Steven Wisner 6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter - White Acts 10: 44 - 48 Psalm: 98 1 John 5: 1 - 6 John 15: 9 - 17  Mother's Day	14  Blake Sigmon <b>Church Council - 7:00 p.m.</b>  <i>Matthias, Apostle</i>	15  Sharon Wolf	16  <b>Newsletter Deadline - 10 a.m.</b>  <b>Silver Run Food Pantry 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.</b>	17  <i>The Ascension of Our Lord</i>	18	19
20  7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter - White <b>Founder's Day</b> 8:30 a.m. - Communion at St. Mary's ELC 10:00 a.m. - Worship at St. Mary's UCC Acts 1: 15 - 17, 21 - 26 Psalm 1 1 John 5: 9 - 13 John 17: 6 - 19	21	22	23	24	25	26  Derek Myers  <i>Vigil of Pentecost</i>
27  Lenny Armstrong, Justin Clagg, Viola Haines Day of Pentecost - Red (Gospel processional) Acts 2: 1 - 21 Psalm: 104: 24 - 34, 35b Romans 8: 22 - 27 John 15: 26 - 27; 16: 4b - 15 <b>Social Hour</b> - Christian Education	28  Taylor Blizzard Cathy Buckingham  <b>Church Office Closed</b> Memorial Day (observed)	29	30  Allan Chrest	31  <i>Visit of Mary to Elizabeth</i>	<b>Anniversaries:</b> Pastor Lee & Ann Brumback - May 2, 1970 Matthew & Jill Spriggs - May 5, 1991 Lenny & Pat Armstrong - May 23, 1970	