



Pastor Krebs, Holy Spirit's interim pastor, has been doing interim ministry for a long time – well over thirty years. He brings to Holy Spirit pastoral experience and theological training as well as over thirty years of work as a clinical psychologist. Married to Barbara Krebs for 45 years, they have four grown children and six grandchildren.

In addition to enjoying his grandchildren, Pastor Krebs likes to write. He's written four books: "Alone Again", "How To Bring Up A Good Child", "It's Hard To Tell You How I Feel" and "Creative Conflict". But he doesn't write his sermons, so you can not plan on sleeping through his sermons and then asking for a copy.

He was please to find that you have a pre-school ministry at Holy Spirit, not only because he enjoys children – his own and other people's – but also because he served as the interim director of the preschool at Grace Lutheran Church in Westminster when the director had to leave in the middle of the school year.

He has found the people of Holy Spirit to be friendly and hard working. May the Spirit of God's love guide and direct all that we do in the months ahead as we prepare Holy Spirit to move into the future.

Pastor Krebs



I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the well wishes and the support you have shown me over this past month, and that you continue to show me as I slowly but surely recover and heal from my back injury.

Most of you know that I was injured on February 4th at church while lifting a case a paper. I herniated a disc in my back and have been out of work most of the month. I am now back at work, as much as possible, and have begun physical therapy for the injury.

I don't know how long it will be until I am back in tip top shape, but I appreciate you all bearing with me while I ease back into work, and my duties.

I would like to thank all of those that took over my duties in my absence. I truly appreciate not having to worry while I was/am recuperating. A special thank you to Beth Gray for help, support, and willingness to step up and take over being me. I hear she did a wonderful job, and it was nice to come back to everything in the office being organized. I was able to pick right back up thanks to her diligence.

I wish you all a happy and safe Easter Season!

Heather





March 20th - Maundy Thursday Service

"Follow the Lord"

(John 13:1-11, 31b - 35)

Anthem: "By My Side" Adult Choir w/Aileen Gray and Sarah Giordano

March 21st - Good Friday Service

"Follow the Lord"

(John 18:1 - 19:42)

Anthem: "Even the Heavens are Weeping" and "There's a Green Hill Far Away" and "The Weeping Tree"

SPECIAL NURSERY ANNOUNCEMENT FOR EASTER

Just like Christmas, there will be no staffed nursery during the Easter Sunday Service. The nursery area will be available to anyone who wishes to take their child/children out of church during the Easter Service, but there will be no assigned staff.

March 2nd - "That We Might See"

(John 9: 1-11)

Anthem: By Sarah Giordano

March 9th - "God Grants New Life"

(John 11: 14-15, 38-43)

Anthem: "Lord I Want to be A Christian" by Junior Choir

March 16th -Palm Sunday Service

"Follow the Lord"

(Matthew 21:1-11 & Matthew 26: 14-27;66)

Introit: "Burdens are Lifted at Calvary"

Anthem: "Entry Into Jerusalem"

March 23rd - Easter Service

"A Resurrection Like His"

(John 20: 1 - 18)

Anthems: "King Jesus" by Cherub Choir

"Listen to the Bells" by Junior Choir

Introit: "Didn't I See My Lord" by Adult Choir

Anthem: "He Is Up and Gone!" by Adult Choir

March 30th - "Doubt is not the Opposite of Faith"

(John 20: 19-31)

Anthem: By Adult Choir



FLOWER SIGN UP –

The 2008 Flower Chart has been posted in the back of the Sanctuary. Please take some time to sign up for flowers for 2008. Please fill out a yellow flower form and place it in my mailbox with the date you want flowers, who they are in memory/honor of, and who they are given by. The cost for flowers is \$30.



VOLUNTEER NEEDED!!!! –

We need a volunteer to come forward to take over the role of Sunday School Superintendent. Please contact the church office immediately if you would be willing to volunteer. 410-795-6333.



MUTUAL MINISTRY TEAM -

The committee will be having it's meeting on Saturday, March 1st from 8:30am - 9:30am in the Church Kitchen. Continental Breakfast is being provided.



MORE SERVICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED -

Do you volunteer to do any of the various church service duties each week? All of the duty lists --Assisting Minister, Greeter, Usher, Lector, Acolyte, Communion Assistant, Nursery, Altar Care, Teller, Fellowship-- are in need of more volunteers. All members can help in at least one of the volunteer service areas. Please consider how you can help and then call me... Nancy Bowman, 410-795-3415 to get started. Thank you.



MAD HATTERS TEA PARTY

The Augsburg Lutheran Home auxiliary is holding a "Mad Hatter's Tea Party", March 15, 2008 from 12:30- 2:30 pm. A light menu of tomato bisque soup, finger sandwiches, tea cookies, mini-pastries, and assorted teas will be served. There will be entertainment and Hat judging with prizes. The cost is \$18. For more information, call: Mina Reiter 410-256-2118 or Cheryl Weidley 410-665-4884.

FRIENDS OF THE VILLAGE -

Each year, the **Friends of the Village** (FOV) auxiliary touches the lives of Carroll Lutheran Village residents through generous gifts of time and care. In addition, financial gifts from the Friends provide medical equipment, vehicles, and furnishings for Carroll Lutheran Village facilities. **Funds from this year's membership drive will be used to benefit the residents of Carroll Lutheran Village.** Join **Friends of the Village**. The levels of membership contributions are: Active \$2, Contributing \$5, Sustaining \$10, Patron \$25, and Life \$100. Contact Connie Strohecker, Key Person for **Friends of the Village**.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

This Year the Sykesville Fire Department carnival is June 23 - June 28th!!





MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

March 14th, 2008 is the date for our annual lock-in. This year New Life Drama Company will be with us to present skits and to give us a drama workshop! Don't miss out on the fun! If you have any questions, please see Martin or Nichole Giordano @ 410-795-5506.



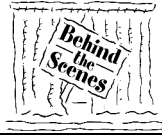
CHAIRPERSON NEEDED!!! -

The Social Ministry Team has an immediate need for a Chairperson. Please prayerfully consider being a part of this team! For more information, contact Nichole Giordano (410-795-5506).



NEW LIFE DRAMA COMPANY -

On March 16th, during the Sunday School hour, you're invited to come and experience the New Life Drama Company as they minister the Gospel of Jesus Christ through the art form of skit drama. Their presentation is a series of short, powerful skits that are not only fun and exciting but life changing as well. These skits touch on a wide variety of topics such as salvation, prayer, evangelism, family issues, and more. The material will make you laugh as well as challenge you to a closer walk with the Lord.



Established in 1983, the New Life Drama Company began when the Lord gave founder and president David Woodrow, a vision to equip teams of young people, ages 18-25, to minister the Word of God all over the world through the art form of skit drama. NLDC currently has four teams traveling all over the globe in all denominational churches, prisons, schools, nursing homes, and on the streets.



BOOK SALE-

Thanks to all who participated in the 2008 Book Sale. Two hundred eighty-five dollars (\$285.00) were collected to help fund the bag meal program and other social ministry activities. Leftover items were donated to the Appalachian store. Thanks to Nicole Giordano for coordinating this effort.



BAG MEALS -

Sixty bag meals were packed this month for distribution in Sykesville. Carolyn Rawleigh heads this activity.



DAFFODIL DAYS

Thanks to all who purchased available options from the American Cancer Society Daffodil Sale. Remember delivery will be on Thursday, March 13, 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. Thanks to Sherry Walter, Chairperson.

FLEA MARKET

HSLC's annual flea market will be held on Saturday, May 3, 2008 from 8:00am - 2:00pm. The church will be open to receive donations; Thursday, May 1, from 6:00 - 8:00pm, and Friday morning, May 2, till noon. Pricing and setup are also scheduled for Friday morning. Monies collected will be used to fund ongoing programs. Mark your calendar and begin collecting items for the sale. Call Patsy Taylor for additional information.





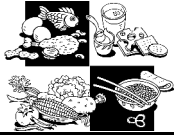
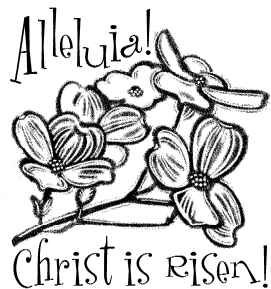
EASTER BASKETS

Again this year, Easter baskets will be filled to share with home bound members of our congregation. Empty baskets will be placed in the back of the sanctuary on Sunday, February 24, labeled with the name(s) of the person(s) to receive the basket. Please fill with appropriate items and return to the church on or by Palm Sunday, March 16. If you can deliver the basket(s), know that a friendly visit with greetings from HSLC is the most appreciated gift you can give. There are six baskets to fill, not enough for each member to take one. Consider writing a message in an Easter card to be included in each basket as your contribution. Please contact Kathy Smith (410-795-7504) with any questions or if you can help.



RELAY FOR LIFE OF THE FREEDOM AREA

For the past three years, HSLC has sponsored a team to participate in this annual walk that celebrates the lives of cancer survivors and honors the memory of those who have died. The event is scheduled for the weekend of June 7-8, 2008. The Social Ministry Team is searching for someone to coordinate this activity, please contact Patsy Taylor or Sherry Walter with any questions or to indicate your interest.



CARROLL COUNTY FOOD SUNDAY

During the months of March and April, the Social Ministry Team will be collecting non-perishable food items for this organization. CCFS is a private nonprofit organization staffed by volunteers. Its goal is to distribute a supplemental food supply to individuals and families in Carroll whose budgets are financially strained. Food is provided to approx. 500 citizens once each week. In December 2007, CCFS had to use reserve funds to purchase food, a first in its twenty-five years of existence. CCFS resources continue to be stretched in the months of 2008.

There are three distribution centers in the county - one in Eldersburg; one in Taneytown and the primary location in Westminster. Its operation hours are: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, 10:00 - 11:15am and 1:00 - 2:15pm; and Saturday, 9:00am - 12:00pm (noon). Volunteers are always welcome to help login citizens; sort and pack bags for distribution; and stock shelves. For more information, please call CCFS at 410-857-7926.

Hopefully, HSLC will respond generously to this food drive. If you or members of your family belong to an organization using the church facilities, please let them know about our collection. If you prefer to make a monetary donations, ninety-four cents of each dollar goes to the purchase of food items. A collection box is at the rear of the sanctuary. Please call Patsy Taylor at 410-795-2921 with any questions.

VISIT TO THE TARIMI CHIMI AREA OF TANZANIA WITH JENNIFER MEYERS

Sunday, April 6, 2008

5:00 P.M. - Dinner

6:00 P.M. – Program

- Join the Social Ministry and Fellowship Teams as we share Jennifer Meyers' experiences from her October 2007 trip to Tanzania with a fourteen-member delegation from the Delaware/Maryland Synod of the ELCA. The ELCA has adopted a companion program between itself and the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Tanzania (ELCT). The DE/MD Synod is paired with the Mara Region diocese of the ELCT. Jennifer's presentation will focus on the churches and people of Tarimi Chimi; the Kiabakari Bible School, responsible for training lay members of congregations to lead worship; and the Bunda Hospital co-owned by the ELCT and the government. She will, also, include pictures from a safari taken by the delegation and other places of cultural interest in Tanzania. Jennifer said she is looking forward to returning to HSLC and introducing us to our brothers and sisters in Christ from the other side of the globe.

Jennifer Meyers is the daughter of long time member of this congregation, Carol Meyers. Jen has joined Salem Lutheran Church in Catonsville and we welcome her to renew friendships and share her adventures.

A sign up sheet for attendance is on the bulletin board. Please let us know if you are attending so there will be enough food and so babysitting services can be provided for younger children. Please contact Patsy Taylor (410-795-2921) to help coordinate the meal or provide a dessert.



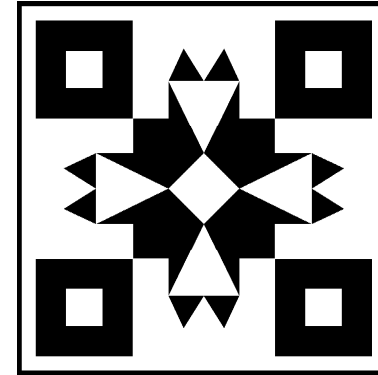


The Gospel tells us after Jesus died, his body was placed in a rich man's tomb. This man wasn't a disciple but apparently believed in Jesus and followed his message. He came from a small town not in existence today.

What was the man's name, and what was his hometown?

- A. Joseph of Arimathea
- B. Aristarchus from Thessalonica
- C. Ariel of Moab

(Answer to February's Bible Quiz: B (Go to a private place such as your room, shut the door and spend quiet time with God)



HOLY SPIRIT QUILT PROJECT

Cut squares are finished, patterns are designed, backing is available, and we have batting. Everything is in one-bag and ready for pick-up to continue our quilt project. These supplies are in the church craft room and I also have some at my home. Several ladies have been sewing since last March when we dedicated 18 quilts to Lutheran World Relief Quilt Project. For additional information regarding this project you may wish to look at <http://www.lwr.org/parish/quilts.asp>.

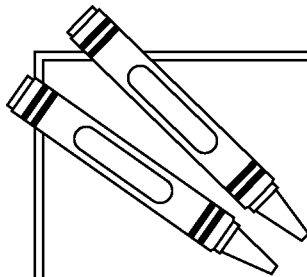
If you are interested in getting involved in this project please contact Barbara Northrop at 410-552-0104 or barbaranorthrop@verizon.net. Complete quilts will be dedicated in the month of March each year- plenty of time to do the work. Please continue to donate fabric remnants, bed sheets, blankets, tablecloths, and draperies; and of course we can always use cash donations to offset the batting cost.

General Instructions:

1. Each square is approximately 11 inches (48 squares total)
2. Use 1/2 inch seam allowance
3. Width is 6-squares wide (approximately 80 inches)
4. Length is 8-squares wide (approximately 80 inches)
5. Pattern options are endless - your choice- or you can use mine
6. Back panel measures 64" X 84"

Volunteers to date:

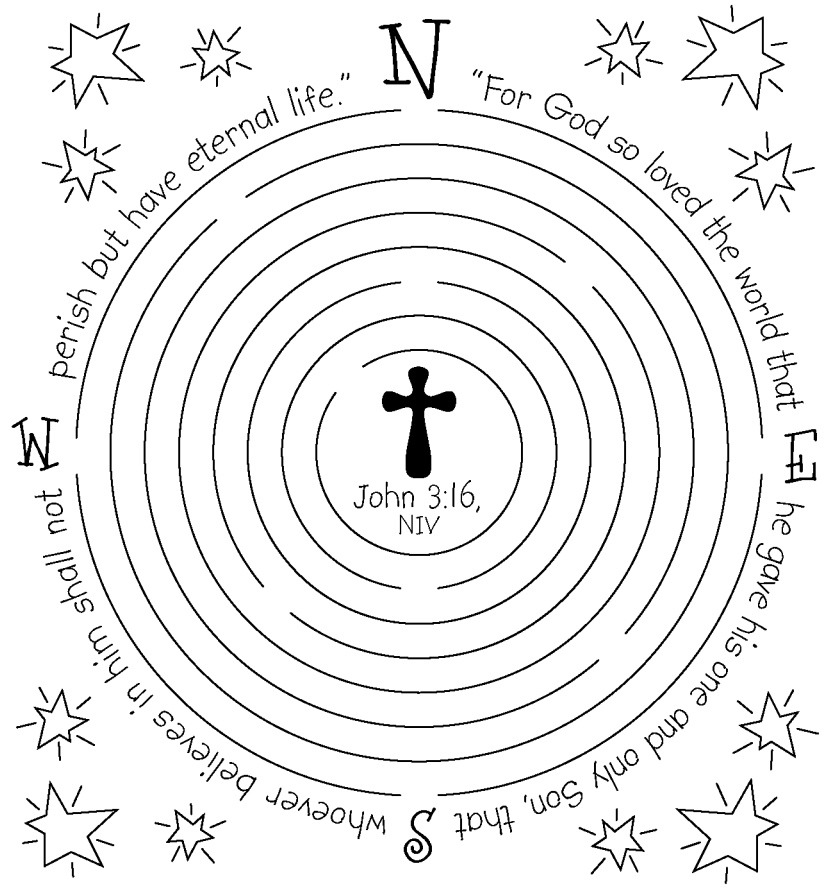
Nancy Bowman, Lorraine Markosky, Dee Watson, Sue Graybill, Mary Brecker, Beth Gray, Linda Dudley, Patsy Taylor, and Barbara Northrop



Just for KIDS

For everyone

Every day we should be thankful for God's love and for the gift of his Son, Jesus. Complete the maze below to help people from all directions hear about this good news. Then, starting at the N (north) and going clockwise, read the words to John 3:16, NIV.



perish but have eternal life." N "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not

John 3:16, NIV



In March the preschool children will begin to talk about Spring. We have a fundraiser going on now that is the children's art work you can order in different items like coffee mugs, mouse pads, t-shirts, etc.. The parents seemed excited about the art.

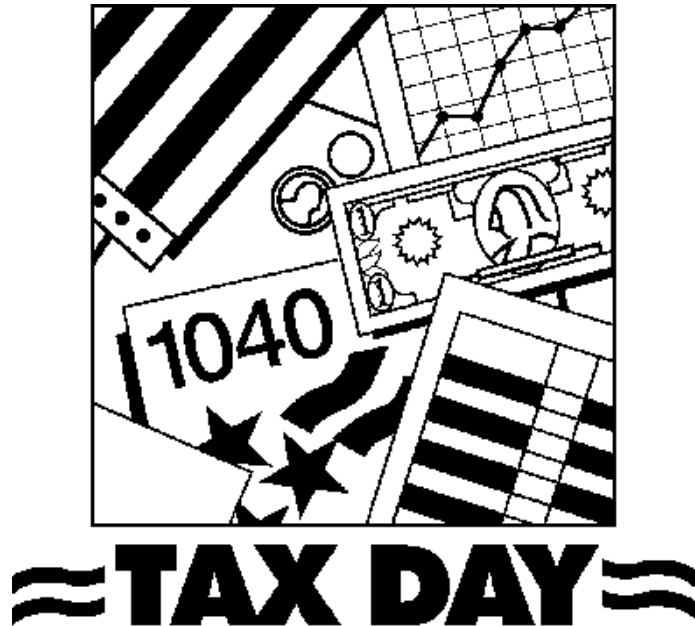
Soon we will have another Joe Corbi's fundraiser for pizzas and cookie dough please watch for that to come in March and into April. Our annual carnival is in full swing. We will have a Moon Bounce, Magician, and a silent Auction for the families of the preschool. It will be a fun day for all involved.

Another fun and exciting event in March, the children participate in the Book It program put on by the area Pizza Huts. The children will read books for the months of March and April to earn a coupon for a personal; pan pizza for free from the local Pizza Hut.

Class pictures will be taken by Irvin Simon in the first part of the month.

Our next and final months are full of fun and anticipation of that wonderful season called spring that God graces us with each year.

Registration for the 2008-2009 school year has begun. If you have a child who is 3, 4, or 5 and would like to join the school please give the preschool office a call at 410-795-2287.



This week you should receive your Maryland Property Tax Assessment notice in the mail. According to today's Washington Post, there is an application inside the assessment which you need to fill out in order to apply for the Homestead Property Tax Credit. This credit was automatically given to you in the past, if you were eligible, which most of us are. This year you must apply for it. The homestead credit limits the amount of assessment increase on which a homeowner will pay property taxes in that tax year on the one property actually used as the owner's principal residence. **THIS YEAR IF YOU DO NOT FILL OUT THE APPLICATION YOU WILL NOT BE GRANTED THE HOMESTEAD TAX EXEMPTION AND YOUR TAX BILL WILL GO UP ACCORDINGLY.** Please be sure to look for this application and fill it out. If you have neighbors who may not receive this email and may not be aware of the application process that is needed this year, please pass this along.

If you have further questions you can visit the Maryland Department of Assessments website at www.dat.state.md.us <<http://www.dat.state.md.us/>> <<http://www.dat.state.md.us/>> <<http://www.dat.state.md.us/>> >



We have started our search for a new keyboardist. If you know of anyone qualified and interested in the position, please have them contact the church office.

Cherub Choir will be singing on March 23rd – Easter Sunday.

Junior Choir will be singing on March 9th and March 23rd. The Easter music for Junior Choir is new and more advanced than most pieces they have done, so please make every effort to bring your child to every rehearsal on time on Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m. if they plan to sing with the Choir for these services.

Anyone who is not planning to sing for any of these services, please let me know as soon as possible.

Adult choir will be singing:

March 16th – Palm Sunday

March 20th – Holy Thursday

(with the help of Aileen Gray and Sarah Giordano)

March 21st – Good Friday

March 23rd – Easter Sunday

March 30th

And that's about it from the Choir Loft!

*Kathy Lingo
Choir Director*

Newsletter DEADLINE

**Newsletter Deadline: March 17th
please have all items for the
April newsletter submitted
no later than this date.**

**Please note that submissions should now be
emailed to:**

***hslc.eldersburg@comcast.net*
(PLEASE NOTE NEW EMAIL ADDRESS)**

**You may also provide written submissions
via the “Newsletter” slot in the church office.**

