



Andrew said, "We have found the Messiah." John 1:41

**Our mission is to demonstrate God's love
by caring for all people and helping them
to know and follow Jesus.**



Pancakes Anyone? "Men of Panera" (MOP) chefs organized, cooked, and served our Shrove Tuesday "feast" to benefit the St. Andrew Youth Summer Work Trip. MOP is a small group of men who meet on Saturday mornings for breakfast and fellowship at Aspen Hill Panera Bread, and organize to support our faith community and friends with special projects throughout the year. To get involved, email jeffwahlbrink@msn.com.

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Plus much, much more!

Dear Friends,

One Wednesday morning not long ago, our fellow member Paul Lobien dropped by St. Andrew to meet the contractor who built our church facility. When he arrived, he found our parking lot full of cars, after which he walked into the Commons where I happened to be standing and asked "What is going on here?!" The answer was a Bible study, a gathering of our crafters, a volunteer work session in the office, another day at St. Andrew's pre-school, and a meeting in the conference room, all in addition to the presence of the church staff and perhaps another thing or two that I didn't even know about or have frankly forgotten. It did not include a group or organization from our community that on any given day might also be meeting at St. Andrew having found it to be a place where people also care about the work they do for the good of the human family.

At any rate, Paul's question was also on my mind later that night during our weekly session of Common Ground. My guess is that about 75 more people had come to St. Andrew that evening for dinner or for one of the handful of offerings designed for their spiritual growth. One of them is called Faith Walk, which is the seminar I lead for anyone who wants to brush up on the teachings of our faith and especially for those considering membership in our congregation. That evening part of my job was to speak to those attending about "what is going on here" at St. Andrew. And so, I talked about our three worship services, our history, and plans for the future. I ran through long lists of ministries for children, youth, adults, and older adults in areas like Christian education, music, spiritual formation, and service to each other and to the world around us. I told them that literally dozens of people are visited, given rides, or otherwise ministered to every single week by the people of St. Andrew. I talked about vital administrative tasks that are carried out by dozens of other volunteers. I invited them to be on the look-out for "The Lord's Truck: A Ministry of The Lutheran Church of St. Andrew" which rolls every week to deliver food to people in need. I mentioned our partnerships with Wellspring, The Center of Asian Missions and Evangelism, People-4-People, and Partners in Care. I went on and on. Finally, I reported that while God has richly blessed us with hundreds of new members and record-breaking attendance at worship since our relocation to New Hampshire Avenue, there is still tremendous opportunity for members new and old to find out, and in fact become a part of, "what is going on" at St. Andrew.



I have said many times that worship is the center of life in this community of faith. There's nothing more important or blessed to me than gathering together week after week around the word and sacraments with the family of God. For the life of me, I still sometimes struggle to understand how any believer can blow off a privilege that is denied to so many Christians around the world for the sake of things that often just don't

matter by comparison. But at the same time, I want to invite you to not only make worship the center of your life during the days of Lent, Holy Week, and Easter, but to come and experience some of the other things that happen as a result of the grace that comes down when we worship and praise God in the presence of the congregation.

Come and experience what the Spirit of God is doing in a growing community of Christ-followers! Come and be part of the mission of the Crucified and Risen Lord! Come as servants of Christ and help make an eternal difference for the world in which we live! For, as much as God in His grace has allowed us to do for the hope of this world, I truly believe that there is far more that we can become and accomplish as the sisters and brothers of our living Savior. And so, I invite you from the bottom of my pastor heart to come and be part of it.

Come and see "What is going on here!" at The Lutheran Church of St. Andrew!

The Lord be with you+

Love,

Pastor Hricko

Spring Common Ground

Wednesdays, May 4-25



Dinner: 6:00 pm

Informal Praise: 6:30 pm

Group Time: 6:40 - 7:40 pm

Closing: 7:45pm

Watch Sunday bulletins and website for specific topics to be offered. Mark your calendars TODAY!

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Lent



Sunday Lenten Worship

8:00, 9:30 & 11:00am
Through April 10

Mid-Week Lenten Worship

Wednesdays through April 13
"Unpacking Forgiveness"
Dinner at 6:15pm
Worship at 7:00pm

Easter Flowers



Easter Lilies and Tulips to decorate our altar are available for purchase. Please look for the sign-up sheet and payment envelopes at the Information Desk in the

Commons. The cost of each plant is \$8.50. Deadline for ordering is April 3!

Easter Sunday Children's Activities

All children are invited to join us in the Great Room during the break between the 9:30 and 11:00 worship services on Easter Sunday, April 24 for some fun activities. No one will go away empty handed! "Christos anesti" or "Christ Has Risen."



HOLY WEEK

Worship Opportunities

Palm Sunday, April 17

Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem

8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 am Worship

Distribution of Palms † Blessing for Holy Week

Maundy Thursday, April 21

The Last Supper of Jesus

7:00 pm Worship

The Lord's Supper † 1st Communion for Confirmands

Good Friday, April 22

Jesus' sacrifice on the Cross

11:00 am Journey to the Cross Family Worship

(see details on following page)

7:00 pm Worship with Special Music

"The Seven Last Words of Christ"

Cantata by Theodore Dubois

Performed by the Cantate Domino Choir

featuring soloists from

the Masters Program, University of Maryland

Easter Sunday, April 24

Victory of the Resurrection

Traditional Festival Services at 8:00 & 9:30

Contemporary Praise for Easter at 11:00

10:30 Easter Children's Activities in the Great Room



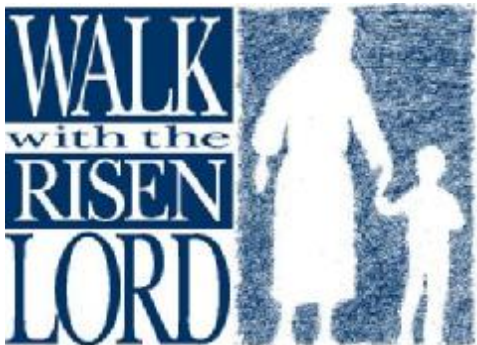
Journey to the Cross



Wanted: Families and friends of The Lutheran Church of St. Andrew to join us as we use all five senses to experience the Passion Event on Good Friday as we “Journey to the Cross.”

- † **Attendees!** – We need families to attend this special event!
- † **Art Work** - We need to design a bulletin cover for this service. **Children ages 3-12 are invited to pick up an entry form at the Welcome Center and submit their artwork by April 10.** The artwork may be drawn in either color or black and white and needs to fit in the square on the entry form. (Don't forget to include child's name and grade level!)
- † **Tour Guides** – We need leaders to escort small groups through their journey.
- † **Site Leaders** – We need adults and teens to lead our learning sites. Leaders will work from a script and may be asked to dress in Biblical attire.
- † **Site Assistants** – We need adults and teens to assist our leaders at our learning sites.
- † **Set-Up** – Help is needed on Wednesday, April 20 and Thursday, April 21 in setting up learning sites.
- † **Clean-Up** – Help is needed following the service on Friday, April 22 with clean-up.

Sign-up/Registration available in Sunday bulletins or at the Welcome Center.



Wellspring News

In February, the Wellspring Leadership Team appointed Rev. Jotham Johann to be Wellspring's Executive Director. Plans and programs continue to evolve for 2011 and beyond. On March 26, Wellspring went “on the road” with the presentation of “Grace in the Pastor-Parish Dance” at Concordia College-New York, and that's just the start!

Watch for details about latest happenings and upcoming offerings at www.wellspringweb.org, and help spread the word!



Saturday, June 25

Retreat Day: Renewal Through Prayer

led by Rev. Art Umbach
SED Mission & Ministry Facilitator

Saturday, September 10

Personality & Theology: Examining the Relationship Between Foundational Values & Religious Views

led by Dr. Bruce Hartung
Professor at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis

Thursday, November 9

Clergy Wellness Day

co-sponsored by Wheat Ridge Ministries
Facilitated by Rev. Jotham Johann, JD

The Droege Report



Most of you have been watching events unfold in the Middle East and North Africa. Change has been sweeping across that area of the world from Tunisia, to Egypt, to Libya. The people of those countries have thrown off their shackles of oppression and demanded change from their tyrannical rulers. The Lutheran Church of St. Andrew is not immune to these winds of freedom and your anguished cries have been heard. Like John the Apostle who was banished to the Isle of Patmos for his beliefs and then returned to Ephesus to spread the Gospel, I too am now returning from my exile to spread whatever it is I spread.

Over approximately the next 12 months I will be reporting on the progress of the lower level (or St. Andrew's rec room) build out. I will touch on subjects such as financing, fundraising, costs, space usage and the inevitable political infighting that goes into projects like this. Please feel free to send me suggestions on items to put in this column.

Today's column will cover two issues that came up in the LCSA Town Hall meeting held on February 27, 2011.

If you had to associate an amendment to the Constitution with Gary Fields, respected journalist with the Wall Street Journal, most of you would say the first amendment (freedom of press, speech, religion for those of you who take our freedoms for granted). However what you might not know is that he heads up the LCSA Sixteenth Amendment Club (civics note number 2 – this amendment gives Congress the power to levy income taxes). Every April 15th Gary and members of the club meet in the basement to come up with creative tax write-offs. They were refusing to move out of this space until members of the Craft Ministry led by Marie Jackson suggested they form a Twenty-first Amendment Club (look this one up yourselves), but they would have to meet at a local pub. This broke the impasse and is what we in the mediation business call a win-win.

The second issue which I am afraid is going to be an ongoing issue is what to do with that space. A draft floor diagram was passed out at the meeting for members to comment on. It had places for storage, Wellspring, Jell-O mold prepping area, youth space/classrooms, etc. One item that caught my eye was a space labeled "office." Apparently our terrific Minister of Youth, Riki Schoppert, who has gone without an office for years was overjoyed that she would now have one on the lower level. My thought is that since she has gone without one for so long she is used to this deprivation while someone like me is not. So I spoke to Paul Lobien and Larry Zimmerman, leaders of the Building Committee, and after promising that I would not write about them for six months, they have relabeled that space "sauna and columnist lounge."

Philip Droege, Truth Seeker

Living Memorial Garden

St. Andrew member Wes Robb-McGrath is working to complete his Eagle Scout designation by building an



ornamental garden on our church property. The garden will not

only offer a peaceful haven and place of meditation for many years to come, but also an opportunity for members and friends to donate plantings in honor or memory of a loved one or to mark a special occasion.

To find out how you can support this garden project through a general donation for the initial construction or a specific honorary or memorial contribution, please contact the church office.



Newsletter
DEADLINE

May Newsletter
Deadline
Sunday, April 10

Please email your submissions to
my.standrew@verizon.net.

Thank you!

In the News

Congratulations, Corinne!

St. Andrew member and Blake High School senior Corinne Konoza is one of only 15 MCPS students this year to be awarded a Posse Scholarship—a four-year, full-tuition scholarship worth more than \$140,000! The Posse Foundation, a college access and youth leadership program, identifies leaders from urban schools and sends them in multicultural teams, called “posses,” to some of the nation’s top colleges.



Thousands of students nationally, including 1,662 in the DC area, were nominated for the prestigious scholarships. After an extensive interview and evaluation process, there were only 62 winners! Corinne will be attending The University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee. Her comment in Blake’s student newspaper that “I wasn’t chosen just because of my test scores. That’s why I am proud to be a Posse Scholar. They chose me because I’m me,” says it all! We congratulate Corinne, her mother Julie, brother Grant and their family on this prestigious honor, and wish her God’s blessings on the exciting journey ahead!

Save Postage Stamps for The National Lutheran Home!



Members Royce & Christine Watson volunteer at NLH in Rockville coordinating collection, preparation and sale of stamps to raise funds that support special services and celebrations for NLH residents. **All stamps - domestic, foreign, bulk mail, used or new - are of value!**

Bring the whole envelope or, if you cut, leave at least ¼” of paper on each side. Stamp collections are also welcome, and a tax receipt with value will be provided to the donor. **Donate postcards too** (with stamps or without); these are sold to collectors at the NLH Annual Bazaar.

Place all donations in the Watson’s mail slot in the Commons. For more information, contact Royce or Christine at 301-879-2949. This is an ongoing project so once you start collecting, just keep the donations coming!

Prayer Walking

Now, my God, may your eyes be open and your ears attentive to the prayers offered in this place. 2 Chronicles 6:40

“Church Lady, may I speak with you for a moment?” I’ll never forget this particular conversation that took place one day as I was prayer walking on the street where I live. Regularly I walk through the neighborhood praying for my neighbors, many known only by their house or the color of their car, or an occasional balloon bouquet that announces a



Prayer Walking

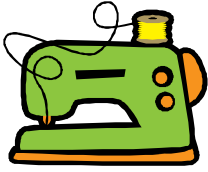
special event. As I walk I pray that God continues to shine His mercy and grace into the lives and homes of those in this neighborhood. I pray that they will know Him and for opportunities to share the Good News. I pray for peace in their lives, for health, and wonderful children and grandchildren. I pray...and every once in a while, someone comes to ask me to pray for them by name or by need...and I do with the complete confidence that God hears and answers.

Prayer walking is a wonderful way to lift up the concerns of a community before the Lord. It is a very visible way to be the church in those places where God so desperately wants to be. It is an excellent way to pray for the power of the Holy Spirit to change lives and turn hearts to him. During these remaining weeks of Lent, and through the beautiful days of spring and summer to come, take time regularly to walk for a purpose – to lift up the community where you live in prayer to the One who can make a change beyond measure in each and every life!

Sally Hiller, Southeastern District Staff



Craft Ministry



In case you were wondering, Craft Ministry is alive and well on Wednesdays in the Great Room. The excitement about finishing the lower lever, which will provide their own

dedicated space, is mounting! However, between now and then will be the 21st Annual Craft Fair in November and the preparation of the variety of items for sale require many hands.

The Wednesday group, which meets each week in the Great Room from 9am to 3pm, welcomes all comers, but of particular need at this time are seamstresses, i.e., persons who can operate a sewing machine or are willing to learn that art. Co-chairs JoAnn Aulick and Marie Jackson are always available to answer any questions you may have as you ponder giving of your time to this ministry – and they thank you, in advance.

Crochet Workshop – Part 2

The Saturday Craft Group will meet on April 9 at 10:00am for Part 2 of their Crochet Workshop. Bring your projects that you started in March or if you are coming for the first time, let us know by contacting Beth Victor at ekayv2011@comcast.net or 301-987-7510.



Thanks Upon Thanks

We would like to thank everyone for all the cards, prayers, calls, and emails received before, during, and after Mark's heart surgery. Mark is doing well and is recovering at home.

Mark and Jennette Glotfelty



I want to thank all my dear friends from St. Andrew for the many beautiful cards and well wishes to cheer me up (I needed it). With God's help I will be over this knee fracture in 3-4 weeks from now. Many blessings to all of you for your kindness and thoughtfulness.

Marianne Solfronk



HOW TO JOIN ST. ANDREW

God called us to be part of His family for a reason – it's hard to grow alone! Our St. Andrew community will meet you where you are, and walk beside you to a closer relationship with God.

Wondering how to unite with our St. Andrew family? Follow these easy steps ...

- * **Worship** with us regularly!
- * Explore the ministry and fellowship opportunities we offer. Don't be shy – ask questions, join us at special events, small groups and meetings. **Look for a comfortable place to "plug-in."**
- * Participate in **Faith Walk 101 Information & Membership Seminar**. Led by our Pastor and other ministry leaders, these sessions offer the opportunity to explore the Lutheran faith, learn more about our St. Andrew community, and get to know others who are on the same path. Sessions are held 3-4 times per year. Watch the bulletin or contact the church office to express interest.
- * If you wish to **transfer** your membership from another faith community, contact the church office. We will be pleased to assist by writing for your transfer.
- * If you are a new Christian, speak with Pastor about receiving the **Sacrament of Holy Baptism**.

If you are searching for answers about God, your faith, or our St. Andrew community, contact the church office at 301-384-4394 – **we'll be happy to walk with you to find the answers you seek.**

KidCentral News

We begin our preparation for Easter this month. April's lessons continue to focus on the path to the Cross. We will hear about Jesus' healing of the blind man, Jesus raising Lazarus, and the Passion of Christ.

The Bible words for April are: *He is not here, for He has risen!* Matthew 28:6



On Palm Sunday, April 17, we will process into the 9:30 church service, carrying palm fronds, in celebration of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. Please bring your children to the Great Room at 9:20am that morning.

Stay tuned for information about a wonderful new time of sharing to be held during KidCentral to give our children the opportunity to learn all the Bible songs many of us learned years ago, as well as new, fresh songs to praise Jesus!

There will be NO KidCentral on Easter Sunday, April 24. Please take this opportunity to rejoice in the resurrection of our Risen Lord and Savior, together as a family.

From the staff of KidCentral, we wish you a blessed and happy Easter!

Mark Your Calendars!

Vacation Bible School June 20-24, 2011

Register/Volunteer today at
www.mystandrew@verizon.net!!!



Preschool News



The entire Preschool thanks you, our congregation, for your incredible support of our Spaghetti Supper which was an enormous success. We all enjoyed a gourmet meal prepared by Chef Mario Taramona; followed by a delightful production of "The Little Red

Hen" presented by the Pre-Kindergarten classes under the direction of teachers Mrs. Gail Bayler and Ms. Meredith Anderson and aides Ms. Susan Chinn and Mrs. Cristina Alger. The 3's and 4's classes then serenaded the appreciative audience with two of their favorite Chapel songs: "The Elephant Song" and "Love Grows." Thank you to all involved who helped behind the scenes before, during, and after in pulling off this wonderful evening!

Our registration continues for the 2011-2012 school year. There are still some spaces available ...please don't delay-come and register your child NOW!

We are also still enrolling children for our Summer Camp, which will run the first three weeks of June. All children, aged 3-5, are welcome. Children may attend 1, 2, or all 3 weeks. Please contact us at icsapreschool@yahoo.com or 301-384-2660 for more information. Or check out our website at www.mystandrew.org.

During the month of April, the Preschool children will continue to learn about the miracles of Jesus during Chapel time. The Easter story will be taught to all of our students prior to their Spring Break, April 18-25. The children will learn about Jesus' death on the cross, and they will hear the Good News of His Resurrection. It's amazing to see how eager the children are to learn of Jesus' great love for them, and it's with great joy that they learn one of the most important and life altering phrases known to man: He is risen! He is risen indeed!



Lia Mai Puskar
Preschool Director

Social Action Ministry News

NO Lutheran Mission Society collection of Thrift Shop items in April. Save your items for our next pick-up on May 22. Or if you read this early, bring them on Sunday, March 27.

THANKS to all who donated items for the Welcome Kits for Refugees. Susan Zimmerman delivered much more than our goal of five kits to Lutheran Social Services.

Special thanks to Loren Hellickson who collected toiletries in the Lord's Truck and to Conrad Schwalm for many boxes of toothpaste samples. We found good uses for these at LSS and at Homeless Shelters and were able to share with Pilgrim Lutheran Church where they will assemble Lutheran World Relief Personal Care kits.

Thrivent Builds will hold a House Blessing for their 2011 **Habitat for Humanity** project at 11511 Idlewood Road in Veirs Mill Village-Wheaton on April 2 at 3pm. You are invited to join in this celebration, and perhaps sign up to spend a Friday or Saturday working on the house. All are invited! Walt Petzold, our contact person for this project, can be reached at 301-871-7413 or carolpetzold@boo.net.

Operation Paperback – 500 books were sent to the Great Lakes Naval base recently! That shipment depleted our postage contributions, so we asked for locations in the area where we could deliver books. We are assigned four VA hospitals in the Washington/Baltimore area. Since weight will not be a problem for delivery, both hardback and paperback books as well as good magazines can be delivered. If your



travels take you near Loch Raven VA Center or Baltimore VA Medical Center in Baltimore, Perry Point VA Medical Center north of Baltimore or the VA Hospital on Irving Street in Washington, DC, please let us know if you can also make a delivery. Sandy Roberts will box the shipment and have it ready to go. Contact Sandy at vze4bbyj@yahoo.com or 301-598-5295. When we receive further donations for postage (checks made payable to LCSA and marked for Operation Paperback in the memo line), we will begin shipping to APO and FPO addresses again.

C-4 Strawberry Festival is Saturday, May 21, 10am-4pm at the Colesville Center Ballpark, 14015 New Hampshire Avenue. **It is an all-day neighborhood family-friendly festival including local entertainment, food, crafts, kids games, a moon bounce, free face painting, ice cream and whole-flat sales of berries.** The Strawberry Festival is the main source of funds to support the Clothes Closet. Plan to take the family!



Many little girls in Haiti will be well dressed in sundresses made from pillowcases by Ruby Behrens and Carol Petzold and shipped by the Orphans Grain Train. Thanks also to the Craft Ministry who provided some of the supplies.

Crossway Community, a residential facility in Wheaton serving single parents and their children and providing life-skills training, contacted our Social Ministry Team asking for help in obtaining gift cards to use as incentives for their residents who are learning new skills. Although we were not in a position to provide help quickly, the Thrivent Financial for Lutherans Chapter stepped forward with 20 Giant Gift Cards. The Crossway teacher was very grateful.

Domestic Violence touches the lives of one in four women. Marilee Tollefson and Carol Petzold met with Dr. Sharon O'Brien of the Interfaith Community Against Domestic Violence to seek ways to educate more folks about the help that is available. It takes a community to help a victim escape and return to a safe, normal life.



Domestic Abuse AWARENESS

Domestic Abuse is a pattern of coercive behaviors used by one person to control another in an intimate relationship. These behaviors may include physical and sexual violence, threats and intimidation, emotional abuse, social isolation, destruction of property, cruelty to pets, abuse involving children or financial control. **No one deserves to be abused!**

Look for brochures on the bulletin board for more information and help. Call the Crisis Center at 240-777-4673 or Teen Dating Hotline 1-866-331-9474.

SAMOA News

St. Andrew Ministry for Older Adults

Does Medicare and all its complexities intimidate you? Come hear an expert explain it all on **Sunday,**



April 10 at 1pm in the Commons, when Leta Blank from the Senior Health Insurance Program presents a helpful and easy to understand overview

called **“ABC’s of Medicare!”** This seminar will answer such questions as “how do our benefits change in the new health care reform.” Also discussed will be the prescription drug program, and how to get insurance for those who are uninsured. Scarcely a person doesn’t have at least one question about Medicare, so bring your friends and neighbors for lunch at noon, and stay to get informed and educated!

If you’re 50 or over, looking for a job, and a Montgomery County resident, **The Career Gateway** will help you turbo-charge your resume, hone your interviewing skills, network effectively, discover the hidden job market and develop a personal job-search plan! What more could you need for success? This innovative program offers small classes, a long-term mentor, 30 hours of intensive training over two weeks, and take-home materials. The cost is \$75, and classes will be held on **April 4 and May 9.** Call JCA University at 301-255-4200 or e-mail JCAUniversity@AccessJCA.org.

April is that scary tax season time! Friendship Terrace is hosting **FREE AARP Tax Prep on April 14, 1:30-4pm.** Services will be delivered on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, directions, and location, call 202-244-7400.

Being a senior can be boring or exciting! If you want to be productive and have meaningful days after retirement, volunteering can bring you great satisfaction. SAMOA is hoping to introduce you to those opportunities! If you have areas of special interest, stay tuned for publicity and postings or contact Marilee Tollefson, Faith Community Nurse and staff-leader of SAMOA, in the church office.



Health & Wellness

“Therefore, since we have been justified through Faith, we have peace through our Lord Jesus Christ, through Whom we have gained access by faith into His Grace in which we now stand. Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance, character; and hope. And Hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out His love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom He has given to us.” Romans 5:1-5



TO YOUR HEALTH

Are you worried about your heart health? The Adventist Healthcare

community outreach program offers **FREE cardiac and vascular screenings** for you to become aware of your specific health risks for heart disease and related conditions at their **5th Annual Spring Fling on Sunday, April 3, 1-4pm at Shady Grove Adventist Hospital.** For more information call 1-800-542-5096.

If you, or someone you know, is grieving the death of a loved one, support and comfort can be found in a weekly **Bereavement Support Group.** A new eight week session begins on Wednesday, April 6, 5:30-7pm at the Holy Cross Resource Center at 9805 Dameron Drive, Silver Spring. All groups are free-of-charge, and open to everyone. Registration is required. For more information, call Franca Posner, MSW or Fran Zamore, Bereavement Program Coordinators, at 301-754-7742.

National Healthcare Decisions Day – Your Decisions Matter! The Montgomery County Coalition on End-of-Life Care wants to help you and your family with difficult decisions. “Consider the Conversation” is a documentary film and panel discussion on Thursday, April 7, 6:30-9pm at the Silver Spring Civic Building, 1 Veteran’s Plaza, located in downtown Silver Spring at the intersection of Fenton St. and Ellsworth Drive. The producers hope to inspire dialogue between patients, loved ones and physicians about end-of-life issues. If you are interested in having a similar event at our church, contact Marilee Tollefson, our Faith Community Nurse in the church office (301-384-4394).

April 2011 Service Assistants Calendar

USHERS

8:00 *Ken Austin, Bill Harpster, Tim Rolf, (Carol Petzold - 4/3, 4/17), (Ed James - 4/10, 4/24)
 9:30 *Luther Tollefson, Elroy Hill, Marv Brown, Trish Baker, Jim Baker
 11:00 *Bonnie Sabo, Kay Caviness, Janet Burton, Greg King

		April 3	April 10	April 17	April 24
WELCOME CENTER	pre/post 9:30	Marie Jackson	Claudia Jacobson	Karen Matthiesen	Amanda Wingo
	post 11	Karen Rosales	Lisa Tipton	Angela Green	Janet Burton
ALTAR PREPARATION		Trudy Wehking, Karen Hale	Trudy Wehking, Karen Hale	Lory Bruckner, Rose Bruckner	Lory Bruckner, Rose Bruckner
GREETERS	8:00	Linda Newcomer	Janice Flug	Janice Flug	Harriet Fuerlinger
	9:30	Trish & Jimmy Baker - F Dave & Carol Doermann - S Peggy Hayeslip - R	Trish & Jimmy Baker - F Dave & Carol Doermann - S Peggy Hayeslip - R	Marie Jackson - F Lynn & Judy Hollenbach -S Lina Rashid - R	Marie Jackson - F Lynn & Judy Hollenbach -S Linda Newcomer - R
		11:00	Karen & John Adam	Karen & John Adam	Linda & Doug Schaus
LECTORS	8:00	Dan & Jennifer Shaltanis	Andrea Pauli, George Pauli	Ken Austin, George Harris	Walter & Carol Petzold
	9:30	Carol Ames, Rose Bruckner	Mary Brundage, Bill Fristoe	Richard Goetsch, Sandi Goetsch	Marian Lewis, Sandra Poyner
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	8:00	*Deb Stowe, Roger Caldwell, Eddie James, Helena Jacobs, Ed Stowe	*Robie Hillhouse, Brian Nockleby, Walter Petzold, Carol Petzold, Evelyn Blaes	*Leslie Hollowell, Alice Scipio, Lucie Austin, Bill Wyeth, Tricia King	*Bruce Emmel, Shirley Guillette, Mark Wallen, Lyndi Lahl, Dan Shaltanis, Trisha King
	9:30	*Marty Herrin, Jim Solfronk, Marianne Solfronk, Irma Cuellar, Peggy Gorski, Claudia Jacobson, Karen Matthiesen, Deb Shoup	*Kathleen Strebel, Carol Ames, Lory Brucker, Rose Bruckner, Klaus Strebel, Tom Polansky, Lina Rashid, Phil Droege	*Marty Herrin, Lois Blodgett, Joan Dargis, Dorothy Fristoe, Bill Fristoe, Peggy Hayeslip, Don Becker, Eldra Simmons	*Trish Baker, Jeanette Schuder, Carol Brown, Sandi Goetsch, Jay Jacobsen, Jean Jacobsen, Lois Blodgett, Irma Cuellar
	Pew	Sandi Goetsch	Dorothy Fristoe	Irma Cuellar	Claudia Jacobson
	11:00	*Karen Adam, Nancy Choudhry, Marianne Lohr, Angela Green, Duane Taylor, David Van Norstrand	*Stan Jackson, Beth Victor, Lisa Tipton, Jack Reinhart, Sandy Nee Jackson, Tamara Arsenault	*Amanda Wingo, James Farmer, Willie Farmer, Jeff Lohr, Jackie Lobien, Gloria Reyes	*Jeff Wahlbrink, Barbara Wahlbrink, Carol Witmer, Gary Fields, Shelly Hoffman, Mandy Williams
STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY		*Marge Schwalm, Bill Fristoe, Marilyn Miller, Ray Miller	*Dennis Lahl, Marilyn Miller, Ray Miller, Marv Wehking	*Marge Schwalm, Bill Fristoe, Carl Rose, Marv Wehking	*Sandy Jackson, Janice Flug, Kirk Rydland, Mary Ann Rydland
ACOLYTES	8:00	Matt Olson, Anna Haase	Jake Howland, Jake Downey	Rebecca Doermann, Devin Stowe	Sarah Bridegum, Mary Beth Strebel
	11:00	Jeanette Moser, Alex Rosales	Carlos Piedrasanta, Paige Sullivan	Stephanie Baione, David Hricko	Rachel Lobien, Brooke Butler
ALTAR FLOWER DELIVERY		Trudy Wehking	Trudy Wehking	Trudy Wehking	Easter Sunday