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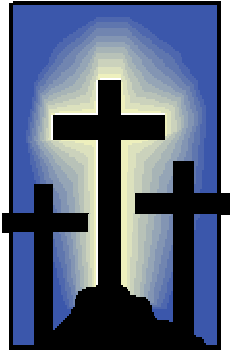
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SAINT PAUL 'S VOICE

April/May 2008

He is risen. He is risen, indeed. What a wonderful gift the Lord has given us. Christ came to live and die among us. He taught us many things. The greatest gift we receive through the death and resurrection of Jesus is the promise of eternal life. What a wonderful promise of hope and joy. We can rejoice in this Good News.

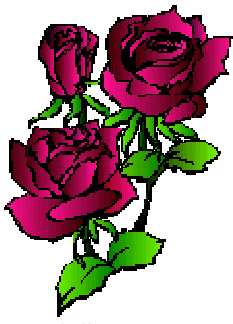
There are many things that bring us joy. First, I want to personally thank Pastor David Bare who has faithfully filled in for me as I recover from my head injury. He has been a blessing during this time. Thanks, also, goes to each of you, the people of St. Paul's. You have been there for me and supported me in so many ways over a very long period of time. You have worked to keep the activities and functions of the church going full steam ahead. And most importantly, your prayers have touched me deeply. It is what sustained me during this healing time. Hopefully, I will be back to work full time by April 1. It has been wonderful to lead worship during the months of February and March. It was the only work my doctor would allow me to do until my healing was more complete. Your patience through it all has meant so much.

Another joy we have is that finally the playground equipment has been purchased and installed. Thanks to all who contributed and worked so diligently to have this accomplished. May our friends in the community be drawn to our church as their children have fun on the newly installed equipment. Our next project is to get a pavilion. Our hope is to have picnics, family reunions, special worship services, and all manner of activities once the pavilion is in place. My hope is that we all will work together to have this accomplished soon.

We have many things, for which we should be grateful, especially the gift of life. Again, the greatest joy we have is the resurrection of the Lord. He is risen. He is risen, indeed. Happy Easter.

Love in Christ,

Pastor Mel Strucklin



**THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER
WE PRAY FOR:**

Members: Lois Armacost, Mary Armacost, Hazel Ashe, Ruth Bare, Kim Boose, Maidie Brown, Mary Burk, Sue Bosley, Anne Durham, Bob Durham, Jr., Matilda Griffin, Dorothea Gross, Olan “Eli” Harris, Shirley Harris, Mildred Hasson, Matthew Jones, Jesse McGee, Mary Louise Miller, Pastor Mel Stricklin, Shari Underhill, Leslie Vink-Hood, George Walter, and all homebound members.

Family & Friends: Genny Casper, Esther Watson, Ann Stricklin, Carol Graff, Debbie Hahn, Doug McGee, Bill Peters, Jim Howard, Clyde Utz, Andrew Shipton, Thom, Braylynn, Pastor Marty Roberson, Connie Pilloud, Peter Hoffman, Jeffery Bevard, Candice Dorsey-Davis, Mary DeBord, Bill Wellien, Alice Hubbert, Emily Smith & family, Sarah O’Keefe, Bob Foster, Melanie Martin, Ron Hill, John Scharf, Rick Jones, Tonya, Darlene, Kim Mays, Jennifer, Louis Roser, Tammy Hill, Wade Lease, Matthew Walker, Kade, Rita Alexander, Brandon Peele, John McCubbin, Eleanor Zour, Terry Wolfe, Jeff Yablan, Lauren Bryant, Jamie Lease, Lisa Van Lil, Paul Durham, Brian Lally, Doris Hoffman, Robert Sewell, Russell Ball, Gail Woods, Donna Sabol, Amy Mills, Erika Kinsler, Kinsler twins, Jeannie Bernhardt & family, David Oler, Becky Wait, Heather Hartlove-Harris, Paula Bolter and Brianna & Bailey, Janet Stewart, David Harris, Nicole Thorpe, Joyce Rhoten, Madeline Sabo, Pastor Gene Alexander, Bishop Jerry Knoche, and those in broken relationships.

WE ALSO PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE LOST LOVED ONES: Family and friends of Charles Sackman, Roy Braly, Alexandra Kowalczyk, Carter MacDonald, Dr. Kevin Lawyer, Martha Stem, Barbara Myers, Patti Grey, Mary Owings and baby Conner Spencer.

May the promises of our resurrected Lord bring them comfort and peace.

THE PRAYER: Let us pray for those afflicted with chronic diseases, those cut off from family and loved ones, the homeless, and the sick and dying (names). Help us to be your hands and your heart. We pray this in Jesus’ name. Amen.

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

1 Corinthians 13:4-7 (New International Version)

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

"A man generally has two reasons for doing a thing. One that sounds good, and a real one." ---J. P. Morgan

Thank You



We thank everyone who helped make our Easter Breakfast such a success, especially Vivian Chenoweth. The food was delicious and a good time was had by all.



We thank our youth for participating in our worship services. Ms. Patti and the Sunday School teachers have had the children learn and present music and a play. The children also helped by being in the palm procession. It is wonderful to see our children so excited by being a part of worship. We thank all the leaders who help and prepare them to do this.



We thank Amy Ryan for once again heading up our Easter Egg Hunt. Many of the children of our community came and had fun with crafts, the egg hunt and using the new playground equipment which was blessed by Pastor Dave.



We especially thank Pastor Dave for the love, care and guidance he provided our congregation during Pastor Mel's recovery-time.

From the Bishop

EASTER 2008

The difference between someone being dead and someone being alive, according to theologian Robert Jensen, is that a person who is alive can surprise us. The Easter story is about Jesus, who many thought was dead, surprising the disciples in one appearance after another.

My hope this Easter is that we each might be surprised by Jesus once more, so that we are made aware of his presence as we live from day to day. I hope as well that our churches might find ways of being surprised by the new thing that Christ is doing in their midst.

As Jesus went before the disciples into Galilee, and they were sent there to find him, may we discover where he has gone before us, and meet him there.

Peace and joy,

H. Gerard Knoche,

Bishop

Flea Market Schedule

April 19, 2008 benefits Current
Expenses

August 16, 2008 benefits Park Fund

May 24, 2008 benefits Park Fund

September 13, 2008 benefits
Outreach

June 21, 2008 benefits Outreach

October 11, 2008 benefits Current
Expenses

July 19, 2008 benefits Current
Expenses

RAIN DATES ARE ONE WEEK LATER

SPY

Mark your calendars:

Bonfire: We will again light up the spring evening at the Hunt's on April 12 at 4:30pm. Bring one food item. Hot dogs and drinks will be provided. Rain date: April 19.

Other SPY Events: Mr. Derek has volunteered to lead the older Spy kids on another exciting raft trip this summer (date to be determined).

If you are interested in planning a SPY event please let Sandy know! We are always looking for fun times for the kids. Some ideas are roller skating, bowling, and game night at church.

FLEA MARKET

We will need donations for food items as needed over the spring/summer/fall. Hot dogs and buns, hamburgers and buns, ketchup-mustard-relish packs, small bags of chips, sodas and water bottles and monthly supplies of ice are the current items needed. Dry goods should be placed in a marked box which will be located either above the freezer or above the coat rack in the Fellowship Hall. Hamburgers, hotdogs and rolls should be placed in the freezer (marked). A current needs list will be posted on the front of the freezer. If you would prefer, money donations will be accepted as well. Thank you for helping to make these events a success!

CARROLL LUTHERAN SCHOOL



Upcoming Events:

April 3rd ~ Restaurant Fundraiser at Five Guys Famous Burgers & Fries 5 - 9 p.m. (see Sandy Baber for needed flyer)

April 26th ~ Yard Sale & Flea Market 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Contact Dennis Kniss to rent a spot 443-605-4963

May 19th ~ Restaurant Fundraiser at Panera 6 - 9 p.m. (no flyer needed)

Thank you for supporting Carroll Lutheran School!

SANDWICH MAKING OUTREACH

The sandwiches are made for Westminster Rescue Mission & Carroll County Food Sunday at the church, the third Tuesday of every month, beginning at 8 a.m. This is an important ministry of our church. Please come and help if you can!



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QUIZ

Who was John Gottlieb Morris?

1. He started (and pastored for 33 years) the first English speaking Lutheran church in Baltimore.
2. He founded Lutherville and the Lutherville Female Seminary.
3. He started both of the libraries at the Peabody and the Maryland Historical Society.
4. He helped to develop the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Gettysburg.
5. All of the above.

Celebrations for April & May

April Birthdays

2 Claude Steger
Colton Dubois
4 Anna Schultz
7 Tyler Kuhn
9 Bryan Benson
10 Bobby Fuller
11 Corey Durham
Sherry Zour
18 Richard Harris
20 George Hancock
27 Tevan Fuller

April Anniversaries

3 George & Kay Hancock
23 Derek & Jamie Dubois

May Birthdays

3 Shari Harris
9 Todd Armacost
11 Bonnie Fuller
12 Sue Hann
18 David Henry
21 Jason Smith
23 Mary Burk
John Letts
Bryan Lord
26 Barb Utz
29 Roland Hale
Bill Hale
Stacey Merryman


May Anniversaries

2 Thomas & Barbara Green
8 Tim & Maidie Brown
12 Bob & Ruth Bare
15 Bill & Shirley Stratton
16 Bob & Pat Graff
Lynn & Bobbie Fuller

April

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
		1 1000am-1200pm Treasurer's Office Hours 300 pm – 430pm Pastor's Office Hours	2	3	4	5 1200 pm -130pm Pastor's Office Hours
6 900am – Worship Youth Sunday Food Collection	7	8 1000am-1200pm Treasurer's Office Hours 300 pm – 430pm Pastor's Office Hours 700pm –Council	9 730 pm AA	10	11	12 1200 pm -130pm Pastor's Office Hours 430 pm SPY Bonfire
13 900am – Worship Second Offering Carroll Lutheran School	14	15 1000am-1200pm Treasurer's Office Hours 300 pm – 430pm Pastor's Office Hours	16 645 pm Healing Service @ Christ Lutheran 730 pm AA	17	18	19 800am-200pm Flea Market 930 am Shared Ministry Workshop 1200 pm -130pm Pastor's Office Hours
20 900am – Worship Fellowship after Worship	21	22 800am Sandwich Making 1000am-1200pm Treasurer's Office Hours 300 pm – 430pm Pastor's Office Hours	23 730 pm AA	24	25	26 1200 pm -130pm Pastor's Office Hours
27 900am – Worship	28	29 1000am-1200pm Treasurer's Office Hours 300 pm – 430pm Pastor's Office Hours	30 730 pm AA			

May

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
				1	2	3 1200 pm -130pm Pastor's Office Hours
4 900am – Worship Food Collection Youth Sunday	5 130pm Worship & Music Committee	6 1000am-1200pm Treasurer's Office Hours 300 pm – 430pm Pastor's Office Hours	7 730 pm AA	8	9	10 1200 pm -130pm Pastor's Office Hours
11 900am – Worship <i>Pentacost</i> Second Offering Carroll County Rape Crisis Services 	12	13 1000am-1200pm Treasurer's Office Hours 300 pm – 430pm Pastor's Office Hours 700pm -Council	14 730 pm AA	15	16	17 930 am – Shared Ministry Workshop 1200 pm -130pm Pastor's Office Hours
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25 900am – Worship	26	27 Pastor Mel Vacation 1000am-1200pm Treasurer's Office Hours	28 Pastor Mel Vacation	2 Pastor Mel Vacation	30 Pastor Mel Vacation	31 Pastor Mel Vacation